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BOARD MEETINGS: FEBRUARY 7 AND 21, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: FEBRUARY 14, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT TOWN HALL: 110 STONE STREET



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THE POLICE BEAT



Morrison residents can expect to see the previously requested flashing pedestrian beacons installed any day now.

Last summer, the Morrison Police Department made a request to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to have flashing pedestrian beacons placed at the crosswalks on Highway 8 at Red Rocks Vista Dr. and on Morrison Rd. at Rooney Rd.

CDOT has confirmed that all necessary materials for the beacons have been received, and that as soon as the weather clears up, they will be out to get them installed.



In the past couple of months, the Morrison Police Department has gained two new vehicles on the fleet.

The first is a 2015 Dodge Charger that was purchased from the Colorado State Patrol, and the second is a 2017 Dodge Charger that was generously donated to the department by Tactical Elite Enterprises.

The department is excited to have both vehicles on the road!



Please Welcome...

Richard (Rick) Stolte- Rick has been working in the public safety field for the past 34 years. He began his career in EMS where he was a Paramedic Supervisor for Platte Valley Ambulance Service in Brighton, CO. He was hired on as a civilian Firefighter/ Paramedic with the Fitzsimons Army Base Fire Department in Aurora, CO. While at Fitzsimons, Rick obtained the rank of Fire Captain/ Paramedic. When the government shutdown Fitzsimons Army Base, Rick had the opportunity to attend the police academy. After graduation, Rick was hired by the Wheat Ridge Police Department. He worked there for a year when he was offered a position with the Brighton Police Department. Rick retired from the Brighton Police Department in February 2022 after serving for 22 years with the department. He retired as the Investigations Sergeant. Rick is a native of Colorado, and he currently lives in Erie with his wife. Rick has one son who is also in law enforcement. Rick enjoys traveling and camping with his family. One interesting fact about Rick is that he holds a Commercial Helicopter Pilot's license.

The department has also welcomed full-time officer Richard Norton, and part-time officers Richard Grassi and Chris Pettigrew over the last few months.

One of the department's goals for 2023 is to create a Citizens Academy where residents of the Town can meet monthly with MPD to learn about the department, police procedures, and ask questions while getting to know the officers who patrol the Town.

Academy planning is still in the works, but the department hopes to host its first meeting March 2023!

MORRISON POLICE



CITIZENS ACADEMY

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FROM THE TOWN OFFICES



GERALD DAHL WILL BE MISSED AS MORRISON'S TOWN ATTORNEY

Morrison would not be the distinctive Town it is without the efforts of Gerald (Jerry) Dahl who has served as Town Attorney for over nine years. During his tenure, he has worked for the betterment of the Town and its goal to "Keep Morrison - Morrison." He was instrumental in the de-annexation of the Red Rocks Ranch development which would have eliminated Morrison's unique personality. Jerry navigated intergovernmental agreements with the City and County of Denver to allow The Town to provide water and sewer services as well as traffic control to Red Rocks Amphitheatre. This has been a great advantage to Morrison and to the many concert attendees who visit the venue. Jerry has also been responsible for the development of an intergovernmental agreement with Denver allowing for the re-location of Morrison's new water treatment plant. These accomplishments, along with resolving Rooney Valley conflicts between The Town and Lakewood, are a few of the projects which comprise Jerry's legacy.



The Morrison Town Board presented Jerry Dahl a Scramble Campbell print of Morrison in appreciation of his many years of service to The Town.

Jerry is a Colorado native. He was born and raised in unincorporated Adams County. His family built their home at Chambers and I-70 close to DIA. He graduated from Hinkley High School and earned his political science degree from the University of Colorado. After college, Jerry worked as a chef at The Appletree Shanty on East Colfax where he perfected his technique for grilling steaks and BBQ spareribs. After his year-long stint as a chef, and despite his early ambitions to become a television newscaster, he decided to attend law school at CU. Jerry began his law career in Colorado's San Luis Valley aiding local municipalities in water rights actions. His expertise in water rights, land use, and annexations have benefited the many front-range communities and organizations Jerry has represented.

When he is not busy with his full-time legal profession, Jerry enjoys traveling and running, preferably combining the two by participating in half marathons in Northern Europe and the Scandinavian countries. Jerry has become a proficient baker who has perfected the art of the flourless chocolate torte. His latest creation is a Ukrainian wedding bread, an elaborately braided gift for his friend's son's wedding. Jerry is an avid reader who loves murder mysteries as an escape from all of his legal research. He is currently reading *The Man Who Died Twice* by Richard Osman. Jerry's deep respect for family is reflected in his favorite book, *Moment in Peking* by Lin Yutang, which depicts the strong familial tradition in pre-revolutionary China.

Although he will no longer be serving the Town of Morrison as its Town Attorney, Jerry has no plans to retire from the practice of law in the foreseeable future. After all, he explains, he comes from a long-lived family. His mother is 97 and still going strong. He is still working full-time as the town attorney for several municipalities including Georgetown and Poncha Springs and serves as the City Attorney for Wheat Ridge. Jerry will be greatly missed by the Board, staff and residents for his legal counsel and dedication to The Town.

BAG LAW GOES INTO EFFECT

If you have been in a grocery or retail store since the beginning of the new year, you have probably noticed that you were charged \$0.10 for each plastic or paper bag the merchant provided. This is the first step the nation has taken to cut down on plastic and paper waste. In 2024, all plastic bags and Styrofoam food containers will be banned, and re-cycled paper bags will be furnished at a \$0.10 per bag fee. The only consumers exempt from these fees are those who can provide proof of participation in a federal or state food assistance program. The money collected from the bag fees will be divided between the merchants and local governments where the businesses are located. Merchants will keep 40% of the fees and local governments will collect 60% to be used to cover compliance and administrative costs and implement sustainability projects in the communities which they serve. While \$0.10 a bag might not seem like a huge sum of money, consider this: each trip to the grocery store averages 10 bags per visit. Throw in other shopping trips to Target, Walmart, etc. and the costs can easily be hundreds of dollars over the course of the year. Why not help save the planet and some money at the same time by following some of these tips:

1. Carboard boxes are a great alternative to bags. They hold more groceries and can be easily stored in the trunk of your car and re-used multiple times.
2. Re-usable bags of all types can be stored in your car to be used for shopping expeditions.
3. Save the plastic bags you have been given at the store to be used again.
4. Most importantly, make a sign to remind you to take your re-usable containers into the store and place it in a very visible area of your car. This way, you won't be standing in the check-out lane and realize that you forgot your bags or boxes.

FEBRUARY 2023

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MORRISON RESIDENTS MAY NOW PARTICIPATE IN BOARD MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

Now it is even easier to attend Board Meetings and learn about what's going on in Town. With the new website and new video technology at Town Hall, all residents can watch Town Board Meetings via ZOOM. Just go to morrisonco.us and click on the brown square that says Agendas and Meetings. Then scroll down to Town Board Agendas and Meetings and click on the date for the current Board Meeting. On the first page of the agenda, there is a line which tells you to "click here" to access the meeting via ZOOM. Follow the prompts on the ZOOM page to view the proceedings. Board meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m.

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The Town Offices will be closed on Monday February 20th in observance of Presidents Day.