

Pinewood Springs Newsletter October 2014

Road Board

By now all of you should have received the official notification of the ballot issue to increase the maximum mil levy for the Pinewood Springs roads. Please, don't be alarmed by the budgetary data for 2013 and especially 2014. Those numbers include actual and anticipated expenditures, paid for through the county with funds above and beyond for flood repairs. The overall percentage change in the real estate taxes from 2010 through 2014 is actually negative when the flood related extra funds are removed from the calculation. Our mil levy income has been reduced over that time period.

Our own Pinewood Springs road crew is doing what we can to protect what we have and to minimize hazards on our roads until the larger repair projects can be bid and implemented. That process seems to be dragging on but understand the magnitude of the task our county engineers face throughout Larimer County. We continue to work closely with the county engineering office to coordinate and inform them of our needs.

As always, please report any road problems or requests to the Road Board message service, 303-895-3848. Board meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of the odd numbered months of the year at 7:00 p.m. in the Firehouse. Next scheduled meeting is tentatively planned for November 4th. Please enter through the back door.

Fire Station and Community Center Project Update

FUNDING UPDATE: To date, about \$130,000 has been raised toward the Fire Station and Community Center Project. Your continued contributions and support are greatly appreciated!

THE DOLA GRANT: The Project's Capital Campaign and Marketing Committee is preparing to submit an application for a Colorado

Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) Grant. If we are selected, this matching dollar grant would double the size of our Fund. We'll keep you posted!

FLOOD BOOK AVAILABLE ONLINE: Copies of "*The Road Home - The 2013 Flood - Pinewood Springs Rises Above the Water*" book will be available for purchase online by October 15 at www.coloradofloodbook.org. The book costs \$34.95 plus tax and shipping, and can be purchased using all major credit cards. All proceeds go toward the Fire Station and Community Center Project Fund.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Capital Campaign and Marketing Committee is currently seeking volunteers to assist with its on-going efforts to reach our Community's funding goal. Anyone interested in lending a hand should email John Bologna at john_bologna@msn.com

Fire Brigade

The Road Home, A Celebration of Community Spirit was indeed just that! Thank you for coming and enjoying the company of other Pinewoodians. We had an abundance of great food and conversation. Thanks again to PSPOA for providing the pig and US Foods for the yard birds. Thanks to our chef, Larry Davis, his assistants, many firefighters and volunteer meat pullers. Thanks to our kitchen manager Gabi and all her helpers. We also thank Barb and Troy of M Squared for the fabulous music. We so appreciated the set up and clean up help especially from our firefighters. It was a grand event. Thank you for the donations that we received.

Also, several of you left dishes and/or utensils. If you wish to reclaim your items, please contact Gabi and arrange for pickup.

The Road Home; The 2013 Flood - Pinewood Springs Rises Above the Water book was a complete sellout! Thank you for your support. A reorder is in process. Please check the website www.coloradofloodbook.org for an update as to when more books will be available. Watch for upcoming announcements about our holiday fundraiser.

Fire District

Fire prevention week is October 5 thru the 12th. Please see the link below for more information.

<http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/fire-prevention-week>

Next Fire Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14th, 7:00 pm at the Fire Station Community meeting room.

Water District

Flood Repair update: The District plans to start the next phase of Flood repair toward the end of the month. This phase should reestablish our connection with the reservoir. The Seneca waterline crossing will follow that repair. Carl is waiting for the County to do their Seneca Bridge repairs before we place the waterline. In the meantime, we are continuing to replace the obsolete meters on the system.

The Water Board is contemplating the emailing of water bills for those customers that want that service. Please let us know how you feel about the matter.

The next Water Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, at the Fire Station Community meeting room, 7:00 pm. Please enter through the back door. To be included on the agenda for the next Water Board meeting on the 4TH Wednesday call Gabi at 823-5345 or email at pswadmin@att.net

Property Owners Association

On Wednesday October 15th, Peggy Baily from TetraTech will be at the PSPOA meeting at 7:00 pm to discuss her findings on the Little Thompson and Crescent Lake Restoration Project. This is an important meeting for all residents, especially those of you who live along the Little Thompson and users of Crescent Lake. Please come and see the proposed plans. We welcome your input.

Kids' Halloween Party and Haunted House

Sunday, Oct 26th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Admission: one bag of unopened candy. Feel free to bring a potluck dish. We need a few volunteers who can decorate/set up party room or haunted house, starting the day of the party at noon. We are looking for 4 volunteers to help us run the party-games, crafts and kitchen-from 4-7pm. We also need a few people to help clean up at 7pm. Pinewood kids who want to do some scaring in the haunted house should show up in costume by 2:00 p.m. to claim your spot.

Questions? Call Andrew and Kate Hart 303-823-6308

Pinewood Springs Community Church News

Adult Bible Study continues at 9:00 a.m. The topic of study is the Gospel of John. Please join us for worship and prayer at 10:00 a.m. followed by refreshments in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. The Church is located at 260 Button Rock Rd. (old gate 6) Phone 303-823-6272.

Estes Park Estates News

The Estes Park Estates Road Association recently voted for a one-year tax levy increase to provide for a road base surge to rebuild the roadbase of Estes Park Estates Drive lost to wear and tear and the flood. Otherwise all is quiet as folks are busy getting ready for winter.