



# TOWN OF ERIE NEWS FLASH

## Board of Trustees Action Items

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## Erie Board of Trustees Action Items April 19, 2016

**Mayor Harris and Trustees Take Oath of Office** – During Tuesday night's meeting, Municipal Court Judge Will Hardesty administered the oath of office to the incoming members of the Board of Trustees. Tina Harris was sworn in as Mayor for a two-year term. Scott Charles, Dan Woog and Geoff Deakin were sworn in as Trustees for four year terms. The four recently elected Board members join current Trustees Mark Gruber, Waylon Schutt and Jennifer Carroll.

**Board Considers Lease of Agricultural Open Space Property for Alfalfa Farming** – On January 27, 2016 the Town completed the purchase of 78.85 acres, known as Allan Farms. This land was purchased with funds from Trails and Natural Areas Fund with the intent for it to remain agricultural open space. Staff recently completed negotiations with Rob and Sindy Lindow, to lease the farmable portion of the property with the intent to raise alfalfa for their horse farm. The negotiated lease is for five years, due to the type of crop the Lindows wish to plant, which requires several years to reach maturity. The Board is scheduled to consider this ordinance on Second Reading during their April 26, 2016 meeting.

**Board Considers Rates and Fees for Non-Potable Irrigation Water** – The Town has expended significant funds and efforts to construct a non-potable water system primarily for the irrigation of parks and open space in the Town. Recently the Town retained water consultants to analyze the Town's non-potable system and water rights portfolio and to conduct a rate study to assist the Town in establishing non-potable water rates and tap fees for various user classes (Non-Potable Water Study). These rates and fees will allow the Town to recoup its investments in its non-potable water facilities and water rights and to encourage the use of non-potable water for appropriate uses within the Town. These efforts meet the Town's goals to provide a reliable supply of non-potable water at costs significantly less than potable water and to provide environmental benefits by maximizing the use of its water supply. The Board is scheduled to consider this ordinance on Second Reading during their April 26, 2016 meeting.

**Great Outdoors Colorado Grant Approval** – Town of Erie Parks & Recreation Director, Farrell Buller informed the Board of Trustees that Great Outdoors Colorado approved the Town's 2016 planning grant request for the Flatiron Meadows Neighborhood Park Master Plan. The grant was awarded full funding of \$75,000.00. The master plan process will create a comprehensive framework for the neighborhood park site, trail connections and the grounds of the new Boulder Valley School District's K-8 school.

**Board Approves Retaining Special Counsel** – The Board approved a resolution authorizing the Town to retain the law firm of Waas Campbell Rivera Johnson & Velasquez, LLP for consultation and legal services. The scope of services include consultation and representation in connection with eminent



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domain proceedings instituted by the City of Lafayette.

Background: During the March 22, 2016 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved a Disposition and Development Agreement by and among the Town of Erie, the Town of Erie Urban Renewal Authority and Evergreen Devco, Inc. The agreement includes the terms for the future construction of the Nine Mile Corner mixed-use development consisting of approximately 45 acres of property located at the southeast corner of Highway 287 and Arapahoe.

On April 15, 2016, the Town received notice that the City of Lafayette is actively seeking to obtain by condemnation approximately 22 acres of the Nine Mile Corner development property.

View complete April 19, 2016 Board of Trustees Meeting Packet [here](#).

**Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings** – The next regularly scheduled [Board of Trustees](#) meeting will be on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are held in the [Town Hall boardroom](#) located at 645 Holbrook Street in Erie.

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