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AVI Public Meeting: Water Infrastructure Recommendations

by Jane Bekelja

AVI, an engineering company hired by the town of Glendo, held a community informational meeting on October 28 to discuss their findings for the water project and the town's master plan. Trey Rinne and George Moser presented the following recommendations on behalf of AVI:

1. Water Distribution Main Replacement: The Main Distribution system was installed over 50 years ago. They used 6" asbestos-cement pipe. Since then it has been put together with various materials. The town needs to replace the distribution network system.

To finish Warren Ave the cost is \$518,700. Lincoln Ave- C St to 5th the cost is \$1,416,870. C St- Lincoln Ave to S Yellowstone Hwy + S Yellowstone Hwy- C St to 3rd St + 3rd St- S Yellowstone HWY to Lincoln Ave the cost is \$1,205,295. All of these cost estimates include meter and fire hydrant replacement for the length of the project. Distribution projects are not eligible for WWDO funding.

2. In-tank mixer for the Large (285k gal) Storage Tank: "Does not cycle as frequently due to larger capacity, leading to increase in water age," explained Rinne. The study did find that the town had sufficient water storage. The mixer would cost \$58,124 and is not eligible for any outside funding.

3. Downey Well House Replacement Project: Well house and piping replacement cost \$358,075 this is not eligible for WWDO funding. If they did a full well replacement it would cost \$876,775 and this would be Eligible for WWDO funding.

4. Water Service Meter Replacement Program: There is a sizable discrepancy between the well production meters and the service meters. "We found that 42% of the water is being read at the service meters compared to the well head meters," said Rinne. This means a loss in revenue for the Town of Glendo. Replacing the meters would help with this loss of revenue.

The annual water revenue is estimated at \$80,464.44 and the estimated annual expenses to cover repairs and contracted services is \$200,880. Rinne explained, "According to the EPA, about 2% of the Median Household income is considered affordable for water rates. Median House Hold income for Platte County is \$64,753. 2% of that is \$107.92/month". The Town of Glendo's current base rate is \$31.83. If the town wanted to cover the shortfall of \$120,000 the base water rate would need to increase to \$79.58.

5. Fire Hydrant Replacement Program: "We saw that many fire hydrants around the town are inoperable. Some of the valves are inoperable or [have] been buried under asphalt or other road surfacing so they're not able to be used." There are 8 to 10 fire hydrants not working and need to be replaced. Each fire hydrant would cost \$16,000.

6. Abandon & Reclaim Robbins Well Site: Cost would be \$60,000.

If anyone would like to read the presentation they are able to get a copy from the town hall.

Glendo Town Seeks Next Round of Funding for Water Infrastructure Improvements

by Greg Burke

On Wednesday 10/2/24, Bob Budd, Mayor Susan Juschka, board members, town employees, and George Moser of the Wyoming Water Development Office had a Zoom meeting with the Wyoming Grant Assistance Program (WYGAP) and Hagerty Consulting to identify the current Glendo infrastructure needs and identify new sources of funding for Glendo's aging water infrastructure. The bottom line is that the town needs upwards of \$6MM in funds to finish the work started with the first \$1MM in grant funding used this past summer for water line repairs on Warren Avenue (the first of five legs needing attention) and now is the time to secure the next round of funding.

Mayor Juschka opened the meeting welcoming all attendees and thanking WYGAP for their help. The meeting was exploratory in nature in order to give Hagerty Consulting and WYGAP a better understanding of our current water infrastructure needs though repairing roads torn up by the construction is also part of the granting request. Attendees quickly realized that our town's water infrastructure needs are urgent. With three main breaks in the past three years and many parts of the system aging, the water issues need serious attention.

By the end of the meeting, it was agreed that the town would supply WYGAP information about past water breaks, engineering data from the Coffey study completed years ago, parts of the Water Development Office draft report, the strategic plan, and the recent Wyoming DEQ audit to support a grant request. WYGAP in conjunction with Hagerty Consulting would perform an opportunity search involving Wyoming and Federal programs that could be used to fund further work. This will take at least two weeks and then another meeting will be set up in the future.

Community Center Advisory Committee Meetings Continue

by Greg Burke

Committee Chair, Heather Schoning, and ten advisory committee members met on 10/23/24 to continue planning how best to make the new community center a reality. Previous meetings outlined objectives including how the new center would be utilized. The meeting focused on how to best determine whether the existing building can be renovated/updated or whether it needs to be demolished and rebuilt and also to solicit grant funding for additional improvements.

After discussions, it was agreed that there is a need to enlist area expertise to evaluate the condition of the existing building. Schoning will contact several contractors to see if they can assess the building including whether asbestos is an issue. Jay Collins will contact the Fire Marshal for his assessment. The goal will be to have information ready for the November town council meeting so a resolution to engage structural engineers and set direction for future renovation or demolition.

A \$50K Wyoming Intertie Community Grant is available that could help finish out the community center. Everyone will review the grant worksheet provided to help fine-tune the grant needs. Robynn Hill will collate the information and Greg Burke will collaborate with Robynn on writing the grant. The goal is to have a rough draft ready for the next meeting.

The next committee meeting will be on 11/7/24 at 6 P.M..

Town Council Brief by Jane Bekelja

The Glendo Town Council held its monthly meeting on October 9. Claims included reimbursement for items bought for the fly-in. Clarification was given about HUB International's financial involvement; they cover all of the town's vehicles and an annual payment.

There was discussion about the legality of trimming tree branches hanging in the town's easement and impeding school buses. Town lawyer, Eric Jones said that if it was in the town's easement, they could be trimmed adding, "It's good practice [to notify the owners]." In the case discussed, the head of maintenance, Steve Eller contacted the owners before the town trimmed the tree.

Councilman Jeston Cundall reported on roads and alleys. "The alleys are a bit rough but I think they did a fine job. I mean they are either going to have to mound it or if they go in and make everything flat it will sink next year when we get moisture." The council decided not to have Eller work on the alleys until they heard more from Visionary on their plans to repair the alleys. In a special meeting, "Visionary reported that they will fix any sewer lines directly related to fiber optics."

Councilwoman Heather Schoning reported that the town's Christmas parade will be on December 14. Schoning asked if the fire department would help string lights again and said the tree would be lit at the beginning of December instead of waiting for the customary Christmas parade to be held.

Schoning went on to discuss quotes from Badger for jetting the sewer lines. Schoning explained that the main line hadn't been flushed for about 25 years, Badger quoted \$6,400 taking two days for this line. Badger also estimated \$12,940 for the Old Town sewer line taking four days. Schoning suggested countering the quotes offering Badger \$18,000 for two days on the old town sewer line, two days on the main sewer line, and one day on the new subdivision. Schoning said, "If you spend the \$18,000 now it will last us anywhere from three to five years because that is the standard for flushing lines." If any cracks are found while they jet then emer-

gency funds will need to be applied for through the State Loan and Investment Board (SLIB). Council gave permission to Schoning to negotiate with Badger.

Mayor Susan Juschka reported that council members and members from Keep Glendo Great Steering Committee attended a Zoom meeting hosted by the SLIB. SLIB is setting up a new committee to help small towns write grants for water projects. AVI, an engineering company, would like to hold an open meeting to the public to discuss their findings for the town's master plan.

Interim town clerk Kelsey Crabtree discussed adding online bill pay, for \$1200 annually. Currently, the town is paying the credit card processing fees, with online bill pay customers would be charged a \$2.50 fee. A motion to extend their existing services with Black Mountain Systems to include online bill pay was made and approved. Additionally, Crabtree brought up the need to change the signatures on the BMO, Wells Fargo, and First National Bank accounts. BMO has been bought and in order for the town to move that account they need to change the signatures on it. A motion was made to have Mayor Juschka, Councilwoman Schoning, and Kelsey Crabtree as signers to those three accounts. Also, a separate bank account needs to be open for Special Purpose Tax #4. The council approved the opening of the account with the same three signers as the other three accounts.

Jones talked about the old hotel and how a truck had driven into it. He had been trying to get a hold of the property owner, Ms. Joelson. He asked the town's permission to send her a letter, asking her to demolish the building due to the vehicular accident. Jones sent pictures to the Judge's office asking if they could expedite the process of condemnation. Jones also mentioned that there is one water meter that still needs to be moved for Mr. Haygood. Eller has already notified Mr. Haygood that they will be starting.

Town resident Norbert Schultz talked again about his water issues. He started by thanking town maintenance worker Dustin Blanchard for

cutting his meter pit down. "I've been fighting this water thing for four months, and still nothing is getting done, and I'm getting a little frustrated." Discussion continued and Eller said that he would stop by in the morning to replace the water meter to see if that would fix Shultz's water pressure issue.

The committee for the Community Center met and they did a walk-through of the existing building and started creating a wish list. Schoning reported that Crabtree found the Cottonwood Hall funds which totals \$12,695. These funds will be added to help with the community center.

Tim Millikin talked on behalf of the Keep Glendo Great Committee. They would like to raise money for upgrades at the rodeo arena, including new bleachers, an outhouse, and possibly upgrade the crow's nest. Before fundraising the committee wanted to ensure the rodeo arena would continue to be permitted in its current location. The council did not see a problem with the rodeo arena.

Town resident, Patsy Anderson informed the council on September 7 that road aggregate, used on Warren Street following the water project, was propelled by a speeding vehicle coming around the corner of Warren and 6th Street and resulted in damage to her vehicle including a broken rear window. Anderson informed the council of a law pertaining to third-party negligence and added "...none of this would have happened without you guys putting that stuff on the street." After further discussion, Mayor Juschka replied, "I'm sure sorry that happened. Our dilemma right now is we don't have the money to repave the street." Anderson asked, "That's my question, why would you have torn it up if you couldn't pave it?" Mayor Juschka replied, "We had to get the water line fixed because it was in such bad shape and we knew we were going to run into problems with it." The discussion went into an increased law enforcement presence and if that was a possibility. The council agreed to research what they could put down on the street to fix this problem.

The next meeting is November 14 at 6:00 pm.

Fall Activities by Jane Bekelja

Fall fest activities included a craft fair, pickle and salsa contest, PTO's Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat, and Glendo State Park: Two Boos in Two Moon. 16 vendors participated in the craft fair. Bob McQuin-sten won champion for both salsa and pickles. "All of it was grown right here in Glendo, a block away from here [the school]." Reserve Champion for both pickles and salsa went to Ruth Bartel. Bartel makes her hot salsa with cucumbers, "My husband likes it and it gives a little crunch."



Daly Ranch

Gene, Elaine, Clay & Justin

Glendo, Wyoming

Glendo Community Calendar: November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 6:30 PM- Women's bible study @ The Cowboy Church	5 7:00 PM- Men's bible study @ Glendo Community Church	6	7 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Community Quilting Club @ Town Hall	8	9
10	11 6:30 PM- Women's bible study @ The Cowboy Church	12 7:00 PM- Men's bible study @ Glendo Community Church	13 6:00 PM-7:00 PM Glendo Town Monthly Meeting @ Town Hall	14 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Community Quilting Club @ Town Hall	15	16
17	18 6:00 PM- 7:00 PM Glendo Events and Tourism Meeting @ Town Hall 6:30 PM- Women's bible study @ The Cowboy Church	19 7:00 PM- Men's bible study @ Glendo Community Church	20	21 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Community Quilting Club @ Town Hall	22	23
24	25 6:30 PM- Women's bible study @ The Cowboy Church	26 7:00 PM- Men's bible study @ Glendo Community Church	27	28 Happy Thanksgiving	29	30

Words of Wisdom: Time

by Tim Millikin - Circle G Cowboy Church

Location, Location, Location. It is something we have heard lots of times in life.

The location of a business can be the difference between success and failure; an idea to build a better, faster boat could be a huge success on the coast or somewhere with a lot of water, but it could be a bad idea somewhere like the desert of Nevada.

We spend lots of time considering the location when job hunting or where to settle down and raise a family. When planning a vacation, location is of very high importance. Nobody would plan a hunting trip without first picking a location. What if we only had one chance to pick a location to live the rest of our lives? Most likely, we would spend a huge amount of time researching and studying to make sure we made the right decision. And yet, many of us give little thought to where we will spend eternity! Some people will do anything to avoid the subject of death or what happens after death; some refuse to believe that they will die, and others say that nothing happens when you die! Anyone who is of sound mind knows that we will eventually die, so why not spend a little time and think about where you will go when that happens? If you do, you will most likely stumble onto a book called the Bible, and the teachings of a man named Jesus Christ, where you will find that we will spend eternity in one of two places. The first is called heaven, where we will live forever in the presence of God, no more troubles, trials, pain, or sickness. The Second place is called Hell, where we will live apart from God in a world of constant torment, pain, and suffering. The good news is that we get to decide for ourselves, no one can decide for us. You and you alone get to choose the location where you will spend eternity, choose wisely!!!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

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A Glendo Eagles student of the month has demonstrated being safe, respectful, and responsible. They demonstrate this by following school rules, respecting others, having a positive attitude, showing good academic performance, attendance, and excellent behavior.

Athena Miller



ABOUT

Athena's favorite food is Chinese noodles! Her favorite movie is Hocus Pocus, she really likes the cat, Binx.

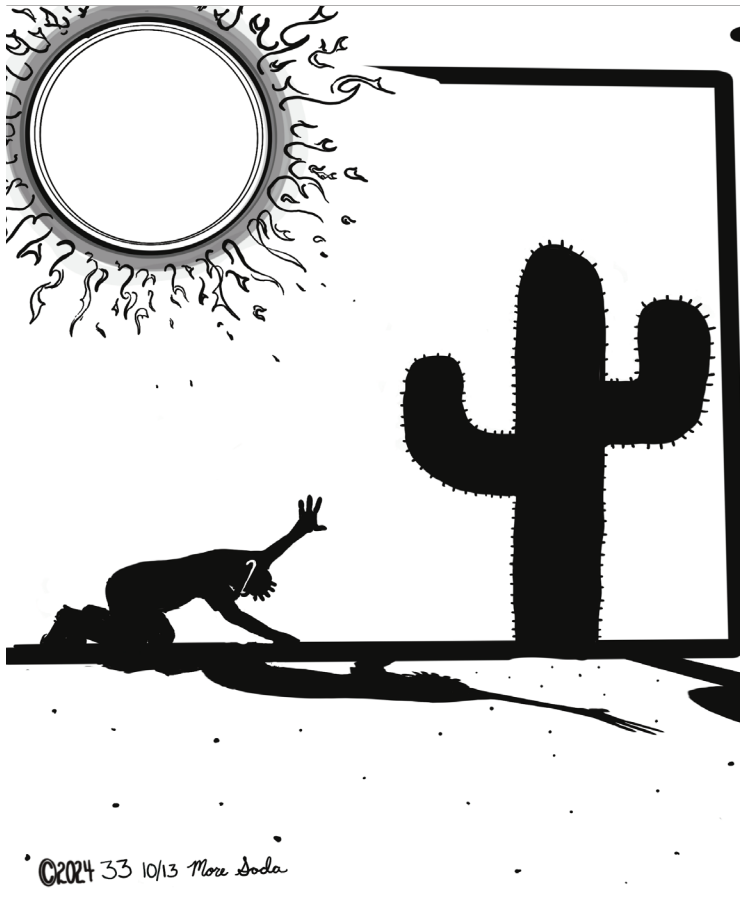
Athena enjoys recess and redeeming Dojo points. "I like redeemin' for show and tell!"

DINO PARK

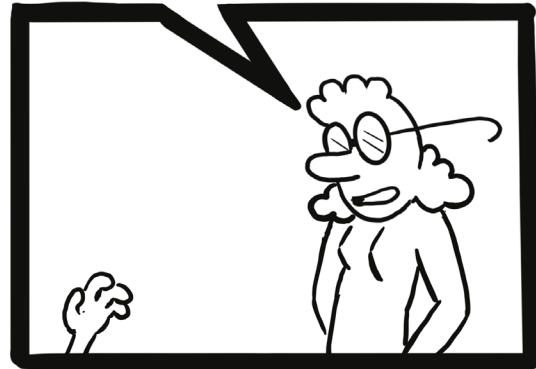
By Athena Miller
Dinosaurs are living with us. Come to my Dino park. At the park you and your friends will get to be pushed by a long neck on a swing. You get to be twirled by a dinosaur and you get to pet a dino. You can slide down a dino long neck. I love to be at the Dino Park with long necks.



THE GOINGS By Justin Bekelja



No you can't have another soda. If you're so thirsty drink some water.



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