**Colorado City Happenings**

**August 2024**

**Water Issues**

It is that time of the year again and with the hot weather it causes the lake to turn. The unoxidized water comes to the top and the cooler water goes to the bottom of the lake. With this it causes discoloration and odor to it**.** This is one of the reasons for CCMD plans to build a 20-million-dollar plant that will resolve this problem, which we have talked about in the past, as the (DAF) Dissolved Air Floatation which we are applying for Grants through USDA, WSRF State Funding, EPA, and FEMA.

**CCR (Consumer Confidence Report often referred to as the Drinking Water Quality Report)**

The CCR is an annual water quality report required by EPA and Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) to inform our customers about the quality and safety of our drinking water and to make informed choices that affect their health and the health of their families.

The CCR report has been filed with CDPHE and is posted on our website (coloradocitymd.org). The report is lengthy and can be confusing so if you have any questions, please contact the office and we will do our best to explain the data.

**Meeting with Colorado Parks and Wildlife**

Colorado Parks and Wildlife Officers Mike Brown and Cody Purcell met with Jim Echer, Neil Elliot, and Greg Collins to discuss Greenhorn Valley wildlife issues. Deer overpopulation is being studied and they noted getting more calls about sickly-looking deer. A town meeting presentation by Cody and Mike to further discuss the issue is planned for the fall. Bear encounters were also discussed. Solutions to both problems are complicated. Please do not make it easy for wild animals to access human food. It is illegal to feed wild animals and there can be a hefty fine if cited for doing so. Call Cody at 719-561-5300 if you’d like more info.

**Recreation**

We’ve reached the toasty days of summer. Probably the best place to be during the heat of the day is at the swimming pool! And morning or evening disc golf or Hollydot golf, pickle ball, fishing, hiking, with a mid-day dip in the pool. This year we will be on a trial basis and extend the opening of the pool. There will be new schedule for the pool for the first two weeks August due to the lifeguards having to go back to school the biggest change will be the 2nd week of August open swim from 6pm to 8pm Monday thru Friday. The pool is able to be reserved for private parties on the weekends for this time period until we will drain for the winter. cocityparksandrec.colorado.gov for more information and schedule.

**Valley First Project**

The project for the new baseball field has started with the moving of the main waterline by Colorado City Metro Crew and Little Diggers. The moving of the line was important with the field going to be artificial tuff we didn’t want to place it on top of a 60-year-old line. We appreciate the patience of everyone that were out of water for the day and the sediment that was stirred up when the line was recharged. The bid package for the project will be coming out so as Atencio Engineering completes all the important documents with the County to move forward.

**Colorado City Architectural Control Committee**

We have had a rash of illegal trash dumps around the area. PLEASE respect your neighbors and our beautiful valley by properly disposing of trash and unwanted items. If you see someone dumping trash please call the Sheriff dispatch 719-583-6250 with pictures, license, etc. The CCACC is actively working with Pueblo County and local residents to maintain a desirable place to live and thrive. Behind the scenes efforts are sometimes painstakingly slow but are ongoing. Send Questions, Comments, Suggestions to [colocityccaac@ghvalley.net](https://d.docs.live.net/9d8c7249a6a2aac2/Documents/colocityccaac@ghvalley.net)

The board held the quarterly forum to discuss the creation of fees and/or fines for violators of covenants on July 23. All 5 members of the board were present as well as 20 community members, at which time it was stated there would be more research into the new statue that was created with the state. The census of the community was equal for and against fees. The citizens explained other concerns in the community weed problems, roads and people camping on properties. All meetings and forums are recorded and on the website. [coloradocitymd.org](http://www.coloradocitymd.colorado.gov)

**Drop Box**

A reminder:

For your convenance, a secure 24/7 drop-box is located on the north side of the CCMD office to pay your district bill. You can also pay by phone (719-676-3396) or online at colocitymd.org Don’t use any punctuation when you enter your account number. (for example, 1234.56 should be entered as 123456).

**LET’S FINISH THE SUMMER OUT STRONG AND ENJOY THE BUEATIFUL COMMUNITY WE LIVE IN AND ENJOY!!!**