



June 5, 2019

News You Can Use!

Silt Crews Tackle Pot Holes

The long, snowy winter and wet spring has delayed Silt's ability to address its pothole situation. But now that the hot –mix asphalt plants are on line for the summer, Silt crews have been trying to catch up on the winter's impact on our streets. Potholes are caused by the expansion and contraction of water under and within the pavement during the freeze-thaw cycle. Cold-mix asphalt has been used on the town's biggest pothole problems, but isn't very durable. Hot-mix asphalt lasts much longer.

Water Master Plan to be Unveiled June 10

Several months ago, the Silt Board of Trustees directed the Town staff, its consultants and two fellow Trustees to form a subcommittee to develop a long-term master plan for Silt's future water, wastewater and irrigation needs. At the June 10 Silt Board of Trustees Meeting, members of the subcommittee will present the plan to the Board and citizens of Silt. The plan looks out 20 years and anticipates annual spending to continue to improve the system. The Town's contracted Engineer Deric Walter and financial consultant John Lewis both participated in developing and reviewing this plan, with help from Trustees Kyle Knott, Andreia Poston and several staffers.

Heydays Fireworks—July 26th

After a discussion on fire prevention and safety with local fire officials, the Silt Board of Trustees last Tuesday directed Town staff to continue to plan for a public fireworks show on Friday, July 26 at the "Kick Off to Heydays" event. With the good snow year and wet spring conditions comes a level of confidence that the drought conditions of the last couple of years won't return this year. Town staff and fire officials will monitor the situation carefully over the next couple of months to make sure that the show can be conducted safely. The Town cancelled its fireworks show last summer. Colorado River Fire Rescue Interim Chief Randy Calahan, Fire Prevention Division Chief Orrin Moon and Wildland Fire Division Chief Zach Pigati told the Board that they would work with them and town staff to insure that the show could be conducted safely. As fire prevention professionals, though, they expressed some concern and introduced the concept that "fire behavior" in the "wildland urban interface" is changing and that society should be prepared to change, too.

Mayor's Prize for yard beautification

Town of Silt Mayor Keith Richel, at the May 28 Board of Trustees meeting, announced that he would personally sponsor a prize recognizing local residents and businesses who have created welcoming and appealing front yards. The Mayor expressed his appreciation for the efforts many Silt residents have given to beautifying their properties with trees, bushes and flowering plants. Those on the front of homes and businesses seen from the street and sidewalk views are especially important to the beautification of our community. Mayor Richel will work with the Town staff to identify worthy recipients and select a prize winner.

Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan

The Town of Silt Board of Trustees at its May 28 meeting directed the staff to begin work on a Parks, Recreation and Culture master plan to position the Town for future demands and improvements in its offerings. The "parks" portion of the plan will examine the "built" environment, i.e., parks, playgrounds, leisure related buildings (Town Center, Community Center, Stoney Ridge Pavilion, for example), "recreation" focus will be on programming and "culture" on concerts and events. Trustees Andreia Poston and Kyle Knott were assigned to the subcommittee by their peers. The finished master plan is expected in the fall of 2019 with plenty of opportunities for Town residents to provide input.

Launch into Summer Reading—Silt Library

Join your friends, family and our very own library staff on Friday afternoon, June 7 from 3 to 5 at the Silt Library for "Launch into Summer Reading"! The open house format will include constellation crafts, a trivia contest, a scavenger hunt and the "All Silt Reads" book, *The Martian*, available. Come and take a turn at the telescope and enjoy some light refreshments! Call 876-5500 for more information.

Free Concert on Friday June 7 at Stoney Ridge Pavilion



The poster features a central graphic of a red and black electric guitar with the band name "MICHAEL MORROW & THE CULPRITS" in a stylized font above it. To the right of the guitar are four circular inset photos: the top one shows a bird in flight over a landscape; the second shows a person playing a guitar; the third shows a person playing a drum set; and the bottom one shows a person playing a guitar. Below the guitar graphic, the text reads: "Stoney Ridge Pavilion", "648 N. 7th Street", "June 7 - 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.", "FREE CONCERT", and "Beer/Wine & Concessions".

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Questions about Town of Silt operations? We're here to help!

For comments or questions regarding:

- Streets, parks, playgrounds, bridges, irrigation system, bulk water machines and more, contact Public Works Director Trey Fonner at trey@townofsilt.org.
- Concerts, events, planning and zoning, building in Silt, contact Community Development Director Janet Aluise at janet@townofsilt.org.
- Town Ordinances, election laws, liquor licensing, Town records, Skyline Cemetery, contact Town Clerk Sheila McIntyre at Sheila@townofsilt.org.
- Utility billing questions regarding water, wastewater, irrigation or trash, contact Janey Dyke at jdye@townofsilt.org.
- Police concerns including traffic and crime, contact Chief Mike Kite at mkite@townofsilt.org.
- Water and wastewater, contact Utilities Director Jack Castle at jackc@townofsilt.org.
- Opportunity Zones, Economic Development or anything else the Town is involved in, contact Town Administrator Jeff Layman at jlayman@townofsilt.org.