



TOWN OF FIRESTONE MAYOR'S REPORT August 2018

It's August, and many of us in Firestone are winding down summer vacations, time at the pool and summer fun—and turning our attention to back-to-school shopping and readying our families for the start of a new school year. As the summer days grow shorter, we take a moment to look back at memories of summer 2018 and mark our calendars for important fall dates.

The last Food & Flick Friday, August 10th, closed out a great 2018 season of film, food and community. Thank you to everyone who came together to make these Friday evenings a success, including the many town employees, vendors and you, our community members.

On August 7th, our Firestone Police Department hosted the 35th annual National Night Out in Harney Park. Colorado weather gave us a surprise with a brief hailstorm, but as quickly as the hail came, it was gone, leaving behind plenty of time to enjoy a rainbow and the festivities. Our officers had a great time visiting with residents and everyone was even treated to a special visit and a demonstration from one of our favorite officers, K-9 Ollie.

Construction continues on the new Police Station, located at Colorado Boulevard and Sable Avenue. Construction will move from phase one to phase two, from grading to building construction, in the coming weeks. It will be exciting to see this impressive new facility take shape. Additionally, the McClure Avenue Widening Project from First Street to just east of Adams Way will be underway, with an expected wrap-up in the fall timeframe. Thank you for, as always, being considerate of the men and women working on these improvements as you travel these routes.

Speaking of travel routes, please note that the first day of school is August 15th. Please review bus routes with your children and, as drivers, keep a close eye on School Zones for everyone's safety. The speed limit is 20 miles per hour when the lights are flashing in the School Zone. The Town has hired crossing guards to help control traffic and assist students in crossing busy areas as they head to school. Please be sure to obey the crossing guards and help everyone arrive safe and sound.

As students head back into the classroom, town staff are heads down doing the work of preparing the 2019 budget for feedback and presentation to the Board of Trustees during work sessions. The final budget will come before the board for approval in December.

In other news, Town of Firestone has published a request for proposal (RFP) to assist in a national search ensuring the successful placement of a permanent Town Manager. This search was planned in advance of the hiring of interim Town Manager A.J. Krieger. Once the search firm is selected by the Board of Trustees, the search will commence. Consideration will be given to Krieger as a semi-finalist in the selection process, if he elects to participate.

And, as a final reminder, the Central Weld County Water District (CWCWD) continues to ask that residents with addresses ending in odd numbers to limit their watering to Saturdays, Mondays and Wednesdays, and those with addresses ending in even numbers to limit their watering to Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays through Sept. 1. These recommendations are not mandatory, but suggested

and appreciated given dry conditions. Additional information is available at <https://www.cwcwd.com/> and the Town website at <https://www.firestoneco.gov/549/Water-Restrictions>.

I hope you all have enjoyed your summer and wish you the best as we get back into the routine of school and look ahead to the fall. As always, I can be reached at bsindelar@firestoneco.gov and appreciate your ideas and input. **Bobbi Sindelar, Mayor**