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## DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Welcome to the new Empire Police Chief John Stein. Chief Stein has been in law enforcement and emergency services since 1990 and brings his vast knowledge, experience, and leadership to his role with the Empire Police Department. Please come to the next town hall meeting to meet your new Police Chief, ask questions, share concerns, and discuss ways for the community to partner with the Police including a Neighborhood Watch Program.

Welcome to the new Empire Town Attorney Brandon Dittman. Brandon joins us from the Law Firm of Kissinger & Fellman, P.C.

### ATTENTION EMPIRE WATER CUSTOMERS:

The Town has received two more water violation notices, which we have included in your October water bill.

The first violation is for failure to submit a recommendation for lead and copper control. About a year ago, some household's water tested high for lead. The water tech immediately mitigated the problem and the users were notified. However, we failed to notify the state of our mitigation procedures. We will notify them immediately.

The second violation is for failure to adequately treat the water. During the August inspection of our treatment plant, the UV part of the system was not working to capacity. Our water tech assures us that since our flows remained low, the UV system was adequate. The UV filters were fixed as soon as the parts became available. The Town has also installed a state-of-the-art monitoring system so that problems can be caught and mitigated immediately. The state is being notified of our actions.

We are also working to try and get the water meters functional. This will provide a more equitable system for determining water rates. During the next few months, we will be contacting property owners to get in, check, and activate the meters that are not reading.

Late charges for water/sewer bills will start in October. We have not charged these in the past, because our bookkeeping system has been plagued with errors. The Town Clerk has been diligent in monitoring bills to make sure they are now accurate. Please contact Town Hall at 303-569-2978 if there is any discrepancy in your water/ sewer bill.

### CDOT INFORMATION – I-70 MOUNTAIN CORRIDOR PROJECTS:

HOTLINE: 720-828-8299  
TEXT ALERTS: Text wbi70 to 21000

EMAIL: [cdot\\_wbppsproject@state.co.us](mailto:cdot_wbppsproject@state.co.us)  
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Hiring now! Multiple job openings, opportunities for 2020 Census – Would you like to help do your civic duty and get paid at the same time? What better way than to work for the U.S. Census Bureau! The agency is building a large and diverse workforce and is seeking to hire workers for temporary jobs available in Denver and the surrounding areas in advance of the 2020 Census. Interviews will begin as early as the first week of December with the goal of fully staffing offices that will open in your area at the beginning of the year. The 2020 Census Jobs website is now accepting applications for various positions, and immediate staffing needs include openings for clerks (including recruiting clerks, supply clerks and receptionists) and office operation supervisors whose duties include training and managing staff. Due to the great need for workers and a variety of positions, the Census Bureau is encouraging job seekers, students, retirees, and persons with other full or part - time jobs to apply. Upcoming positions include recruitment, information technology, and census enumeration. Applicants will be placed in a pool of 2020 Census positions for which they qualify, as jobs become available in their area. For more information, please visit the <https://www.2020census.gov/jobs> page or call 1-855-JOB-2020 (562 -2020). Applicants may also contact the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY/ASCII. The United States Census is an equal opportunity employer.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 20th

Christmas Present Wrapping Party at Town Hall, Friday 6:30 PM

December 21st

Empire's Annual Christmas Celebration and Potluck at Town Hall, Saturday 5:00–8:00 PM

Mayor: Sue Hauser

Mayor ProTem: Wendy Koch

Trustees: Denise Tennant, Richard McClellan, Shawn McElroy, David Jakobik, Linda Robertson

Town Clerk: Jeannette Piel

Police Chief: John Stein