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All Town Facilities are closed to the public during the COVID-19 local disaster emergency.

All public business shall be conducted by appointment only.

Empire Town Hall: Clerk@EmpireColorado.us Empire Mayor: Mayor@EmpireColorado.us Empire Police Chief: Chief@EmpireColorado.us **Empire Police Department:** 

303-569-2978 303-994-7682 303-257-1422 303-569-2281

Website: www.Colorado.gov/pacific/TownOfEmpire

# EMPIRE APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

Stay connected with your Empire community on Facebook:

Town of Empire \* Empire Police Department

Empire Board of Trustees hold their regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meetings on the Third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm at Town Hall Empire Planning Commission hold their regularly scheduled Planning Commission Meetings on the Last Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm at Town Hall

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR:**

A special thanks to all the Empire towns people. Due to water conservation efforts we have made it through the low flow winter months and spring runoff is starting. While we never want to waste water, with a normal summer we should be in good shape. Thank you again.

### The Empire Board of Trustees will be holding two remote meetings:

The first will be a practice meeting to make sure all Board members and interested public are able to log in and attend:

**Topic: Practice Meeting** 

Time: April 14, 2020 06:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

#### Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/439607337?pwd=RFk1dEZMVjI1NEViZHQ4dE5leFYwUT09

Meeting ID: 439 607 337 Password: 6dQpp8

#### The second meeting is the monthly Board of Trustees meeting:

**Topic: Empire Board of Trustees** 

Time: April 21, 2020 06:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

#### **Join Zoom Meeting**

https://zoom.us/j/566153577?pwd=eHFqL05td3l6b2RNdmU0Zzk4dFkwUT09

Meeting ID: 566 153 577

Password: 780994

To join a meeting go to zoom.us and click on join a meeting. Enter the meeting ID, enter your name, click join, and put in the password. Hit OK. If you want to speak during the public comment portion, please indicate that next to vour name.

A computer will be set up at Town Hall for those who can't access the meeting from their location. If you have any issues, please notify Town Hall at 303-569-2978.

Thank You!

#### MESSAGE FROM THE POLICE CHIEF:

#### Colorado Resident ID's:

Any resident of Colorado can obtain a Colorado Identification Card. As new federal travel laws will require a "REAL ID" as of October 1, 2020 (https://www.dhs.gov/real-id), it is recommended that all residents of all ages obtain REAL ID's from their local states of residence. Colorado's ID's qualify as REAL ID's per federal regulations, meaning multiple forms of identification and address verification are required to obtain a Colorado ID or driver's license.

It is recommended that even juveniles and minors under the age of 18 obtain an ID. Colorado driver's license and identification card requirements and information can be found online at https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dmv/identification-card.

Benefits for children having an ID include assistance with travel, identification of a lost child, emergency contact information for parents, and simply the factor of your child having reserved an earlier number that carries on to a driver's license number. If young children get separated from their parents and may not know phone numbers or their address, the child could tell law enforcement their name and an officer can locate their information through the Colorado DMV database. In addition to their address, you can provide emergency contact information for law enforcement to contact the parents via phone. As children get older, they will need a REAL ID for TSA Travel requirements. Obtaining a REAL ID now rather than later in a rush is easier. Parents, your child will likely equate this to a driver's license. Many parents have used this to as a driver's license for bicycles, battery operated drivable toy cars, skateboards, and more. Therefore, if the child is not learning to conduct themselves in a safe manor, you have the parental authority to take away their toys and driving privilege!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Look for the "News From Town Hall" bulletin board in the Empire Post Office. All of the town news in one spot and easy to find.

For the latest COVID19 Emergency Information, please visit the Clear Creek County Website: <a href="https://www.clearcreekcounty.us/1173/COVID-19-Coronavirus">https://www.clearcreekcounty.us/1173/COVID-19-Coronavirus</a>

STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS, WHICH INCLUDE NO SHOOTING, have been issued for all lands in unincorporated Clear Creek County. The Town of Empire does not have a fire ban, but please be careful. Due to COVID19 fire responders are not available to fight fires without the risk of spreading the virus.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Friends of Clear Creek**, in partnership with Clear Creek County, is sponsoring the **Neighbors Helping Neighbors Local Food Bank** located in Empire Town Hall.

**Donation drop off:**Monday's 12-4 pm

Distribution:
Wednesday's 2-4 pm

Tuesday's 9-12 pm

More Information is available on www.FriendsOfClearCreek.com

Please contact the clerk, Jeannette Piel, at Town Hall, 303-569-2978 or <a href="mailto:Clerk@EmpireColorado.us">Clerk@EmpireColorado.us</a>, if you are interested in helping with any events.



The official Town website is <a href="www.colorado.gov/pacific/townofempire">www.colorado.gov/pacific/townofempire</a>. We are working to keep this website current and informational. If you have any suggestions feel free to email <a href="mayor@empirecolorado.us">mayor@empirecolorado.us</a>.

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

HOTLINE: 720-828-8299 EMAIL: cdot\_wbppslproject@state.co.us
TEXT ALERTS: Text wbi70 to 21000 WEBSITE: www.codot.gov/projects/i70mtn

Town Clerk: Jeannette Piel Police Chief: John Stein