

Planning and Zoning Board

During the Town Meeting on October 9, 2013, four new ordinances were proposed by the P&Z Board. They were in addition to the changes to the water ordinance including rate increases. All were discussed and the first of three required readings passed by the Council.

The four ordinances are as follows:

1. Plat Amendment Ordinance 2013-05

Procedures for handling requests for plat amendments.

2. Rural Residential Zone Ordinance 2013-07

This Ordinance establishes Chapter 16, Rural Residential Zone, of Title 9, Zoning.

The use of the criteria established for this zone will be for developments that are near the Town or when annexing property into the Town.

- A. It is the intent and purpose of this chapter to provide suitable areas and appropriate environments for low density, single family rural residential and estate type uses where certain agricultural activities can be successfully maintained in conjunction with residential uses on relatively large parcels.
- B. Development within this district should provide road connections between developments allowing adequate response time for sheriff/fire protection, and medical support, and more efficient service delivery such as school busing.

3. Planned Development Zone Ordinance - Residential and Mixed Use 2013-08

Establishment of Zoning Districts and District Overlays, the Town Code identifies a Planned Residential Development Zone and a Planned Mixed use Development Zone. It is proposed to combine these two previously planned zones into a common Planned Development Zone – Residential and Mixed Use.

RESIDENTIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT is a residential development that promotes more efficient use of space and infrastructure, by encouraging a variety of residential dwelling types and lot sizes.

MIXED USE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT is a single unified development that incorporates the planned integration of commercial and residential land uses.

4. Personal Utilities Ordinance 2013-09

Establishment of the definition of Personal Utilities and provides regulations for control of Personal Utilities.

Definition: PERSONAL UTILITIES means a functional device or system that supplements services that are provided by a public utility in our area, by the town, or by the homeowner, e.g. secondary hot water supply, for personal use. These devices/systems include solar, wind, sewer and water.

Regulations: The ordinance addresses the personal utilities that are prohibited and those that are permitted with accompanying restrictions.

All proposed Ordinances may be found on the Town's website: www.starvalleyranch.org under Town Council – Minutes.

Dog Registrations

It is that time of year to register your dog for the 2014 calendar year. Dog owners will receive a \$10.00 discount if they renew a 2013-licensed dog before the end of this year.

The following fees shall apply for the licensing of each dog's initial registration:

<u>Dog Classification</u>	<u>Annual Fee</u>
Neutered or Spayed Dog *	\$20.00 *
Non-neutered or Non-spayed Dog	\$35.00

Currently registered dogs qualify for a discount if registered by dates listed below.

<u>Renewal Period</u>	<u>Neutered/Spayed*</u>	<u>Intact</u>
Before Noon on 12/31/2013	\$10.00	\$25.00
First Quarter of 2014 (Jan- March)	\$15.00	\$30.00
Remainder of 2014 (Apr – Dec)	\$20.00	\$35.00

When registering your dog, please remember, you will need the following, unless it is already on file and still current:

1. a photo
2. proof of current rabies shots
3. *Veterinarian proof showing dog has been neutered or spayed

If you have any questions, please call Town Hall (883-8696) before coming in to register.

Any resident owning, harboring or keeping a dog within the Town is responsible to register and license the dog(s) each year.

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Well #1 (Airport Well) Rehabilitation

This is the final project to secure safe, clean, water sources for now and our Town's foreseeable future. The pumping equipment was removed and the well was videotaped prior to the Town securing the source from the Association. The results of that process indicated we needed to:

1. Remove the mineral buildup on the screens and casing
2. Perform a chemical treatment on the screens, and
3. Inspect and Service the motor and pump

From a timing standpoint, the Town felt it prudent to wait on the Airport Well rehabilitation project until we had completed all of the other source water projects. Those projects included an

1. additional well at Fox Run Park,
2. additional well on Town property at 251 Vista Drive and
3. redevelopment of Prater Canyon Spring.

All of the projects have been successfully completed and are proven water sources.

The capital for this project has already been funded. The Town set aside an ample reserve of \$150,000 in preparation for this project. We received a bid from Thomas Drilling for under \$100,000 including an option for a new, more efficient pump and motor. The Town selected this option. The surplus funds will be reallocated to other Water Department capital projects.

The improvements will save us pumping costs as we go forward. Therefore, this project will have a positive impact on our water rates.

Town Communications

The Town is making an honest effort to keep our citizens informed, yet by some of the inquiries we receive, it is apparent we are not as effective as we would like to be.

Please help us, help you!

Please indicate our effectiveness by checking either "Effective" or "Not", then rank your preference of the communication channels from 1 to 7 (#1 = most desired).

Currently we:	<u>Please check one</u>	<u>+Rank</u>
1. send <u>e-mails</u> *	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
2. pay for <u>legal notices</u> in the Star Valley Independent.....	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
3. have weekly <u>news articles</u> "editor's choice" in the Star Valley Independent.....	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
4. send a <u>newsletter</u> every month with the water bills.....	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
5. post information at the <u>postal unit</u>	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
6. have a monthly <u>Town Hall Meeting</u>	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____
7. post information on our <u>website</u>	<input type="radio"/> Effective	<input type="radio"/> Not _____

Please give us your suggestions that would improve our communications with the public.

General Information: _____

Emergency Information: _____

*Please add me to your e-mail distribution list _____

*Please remove me from your e-mail distribution list _____

Once you have filled out your response, please return this page in your water bill payment, drop it off at Town Hall or for total anonymity use the payment slot at the Postal Unit. We will hold the response period open until November 15, 2013.