Town Manager Report 11/4/26

Historic Preservation Commission

Jud Hollingsworth and Mike Coffin's terms are expiring at the end of the year. Joe Fox told me that he is planning on resigning from the board by the end of the year. We will be advertising for letters of interest for 3 vacancies from November 6th through November 28th with letters of interest due by December 30th, 2026.

I will be meeting with Kenny Howard the current HPC chair on Thursday to discuss the commission and potential history Colorado grant funding to have the town's historic preservation guidelines updated in 2027. Once I speak with him and he speaks with History Colorado we will come to the board to discuss the proposed project.

ADU grant

I submitted the ADU grant for the preapproved plans and financial assistance on October 23rd. The ADU team reached out for copies of the building permits to prove that we have permitted 2 Adu's in the past couple of years. They accepted the building permits for the Armory and 201 Gunnison since they were remodels that changed office space into living quarters.

Gunnison Valley Promise, Western University

I will be meeting with Ella Farhlander and the President of Western University on November 23rd to discuss a possible partnership with Western University regarding their free tuition for Gunnison and Hinsdale County residents.

2027 Budget

The budget in the packet is the same as it was at the last meeting. Tonight I just wanted to give the trustees a chance to ask any questions that they may have with the budget now having had time to review it. The November 18th budget will have some updated numbers and I should be prepared to go over the budget in detail with the board. At the December 2 meeting should be very close to being completed.

I should have everything we need to finalize the budget by the first week of December. I suggest we schedule a special meeting in December sometime before or by the 15th to adopt the budget.

NDME Grant for WWTP generator

I am hoping that we will receive the final invoice and have it paid by the November 18th meeting so that I can submit the final request for reimbursement by the November 30th deadline. Once the grant is closed out, I will be meeting with the NDME team to discuss submitting a grant application in the next round of funding for a mobile backup generator for the ballfield well.