

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Lamar City Council will hold a Public Forum on Wednesday, July 2, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Cultural Events Center for citizens to discuss their concerns about Arkansas River Power Authority (ARPA) and the coal-fired re-powering project with City Council members.

## Public Notice

A joint executive session between Lamar City Council and Prowers County Commissioners will be held Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers for a conference with the City and County attorneys for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4) (b) and for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e).

## Recycle Your E-Waste

Drop off your plastic and electronic waste at the Lamar Thriftway parking lot every 2nd and 4th Saturday between 10am to 2pm. There is a small fee to cover the cost of hauling away the materials. For more information, contact Shawna Hodge, Lamar Partnership Incorporated executive director at 719-688-8073. Materials include video screens, tv's, cell phones, printers, computer towers, etc.

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### Roustabouts

Oilfield Roustabout Laborers needed Lamar area. Must have valid DL, pass drug test. Apply thru Lamar Workforce (reference Tumbleweed Welding)

### Part Time Kitchen Aide

Welcome Home Child and Family Development Center is looking for a part time Kitchen Aide. This is an hourly non-exempt position. Hours are Monday through Friday 7:30-4:00 p.m. Knowledge of Colorado Adult and Child Food Program and State of Colorado Health Code preferred. Must have experience cooking in large capacities. Valid Colorado Drivers License is a requirement. Apply in person at Welcome Home Child and Family Development Center or Prowers County Department of Human Services. Closing date for applications is July 11, 2014.

### Early Childhood Teacher

Welcome Home Child and Family Development Center is taking applications for an Early Childhood Teacher. Must have college education in Early Childhood 101 and one other Early Childhood Education class. Applications are available at Welcome Home Child and Family Development Center, Department of Human Services, or at [www.prowerscounty.net](http://www.prowerscounty.net). Closing date for applications Monday, June 30, 2014. Questions may be

directed to Jill Hopper at 719-336-1200 or Glynda Pool at 719-336-7486 xt 131.

### Help Wanted - Activity Assistant

Activity Assistant • Permanent/Part time 28h/per week • Apply in person at Juniper Village in Lamar - 205 S 10th Street, Lamar CO 81052 - Call 719-336-3434

### Real Estate

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2 bedroom apartment, fridge, stove, air conditioning, no pets, - call 688-8782

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Large 3 bedroom house - 1 ¾ baths, double car garage, nice location - call 719-537-6429 or 719-940-0590.

#### Professional Office Location

313 South Fifth Street Lamar, CO; Suites Two and Three 800 sq. Feet - All newly remodeled; Utilities Included; Call Lori 336-7000

### Misc.

#### Travel Trailer

FOR SALE: Jayco "Jay Flight" 24' travel trailer, 2011 model 24FBS, rarely used, excellent condition, light weight (less than 5,000 lbs - empty). Has 1 slide out, ac, furnace, flat screen tv, awning, microwave, stereo system, includes equalizer hitch. NADA lists at \$14,900, will sell for \$13,995. Call 688-9095 see photos at [leesfolly.com](http://leesfolly.com) / Quick Links / RV.

### Spreading Antlers Golf Course Hosts July 4 Tournament

Spreading Antlers Gold Course will host a Shotgun Start at 12 Noon on July 5th and 8am on July 6th. Check in time is one hour before tee-off and the Calcutta will be held on the 5th, following play. The cost is \$200 per team. Flights determined by 50% of teams combined. The entry deadline is Friday, June 27th and late entries will be subject to a \$50 late fee. To enter: Mail cash or check payable to Angry Monkey Golf, 521 Willow Valley, Lamar, CO 81052.

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### Open House for Judy Douglass and Leslie Stagner

The public is invited to the Lamar Welcome Center, Friday, June 27 from 1pm to 4pm for the retirement of Judy Douglass after 14 years of service as the manager of the Welcome Center. The open house will provide an opportunity to meet Leslie Stagner who is the new manager. This will also mark the Center's 23rd year of operation.

### Drug/Alcohol Addition Support Group

Confidential and free group support for those suffering from drug or alcohol addiction is available Wednesdays from 6pm to 8pm at the Rodeway Cow Palace Inn. If you or a loved one has a drug or alcohol problem and you need advice, information or support, attend a Wednesday meeting and discover the options that are open to you. Meetings are facilitated by Cindy Vigil.

## **Granada/Bristol & Wiley, Hot Fun in the Sun**

Temperatures climbed into the mid 90s this past Friday and Saturday for the annual Granada/Bristol and Wiley Hay Days. Granada/Bristol residents lined their streets at 10am on Saturday for the parade which highlighted the 23rd annual festival. The frog & turtle race, Argie's Famous Flyover and horseshoe tournament rounded out the activities, as well as numerous vendors and activities in the park on Saturday. A benefit supper was held on Friday at the Granada Complex. Proceeds will be used by the towns' first responders and fire personnel.

Nancy Perez was this year's Wiley Hay Days Queen, joining the ranks of royalty that stretch back to 1976 for the community. Perez led the parade crowd of dozens of floats and participants of all ages, while most on-lookers settled in under a few choice shady spots along the route.

Activities included the 9 to Noon Kid's Carnival at the Main Street Park, as well as the annual Lion's Club Sloppy Joe Dinner. Following the 1:30pm parade, townspeople cooled off with the annual ice cream social at the Community Church lawn. There were a lot of participants for the Janea Aguilera Memorial Coed Softball Tournament at the school baseball field, people stopped to check out the car show and stuck around for the ping pong ball drop, courtesy of Tinnes-Air Care, the Legacy Bank Duck Race, turtle race and the community pot luck dinner, featuring Smokin Willy's brisket. *By Russ Baldwin*

## **Lamar City Council Sets Public Meeting Dates for ARPA Discussion**

Several public hearings were set by the Lamar City Council during their Monday evening meeting, two of which will focus on developments regarding ARPA, Arkansas River Power Authority. Mayor Roger Stagner said he hoped citizens with concerns about ARPA and the Lamar Repowering Project will attend one of the two meetings set for the Lamar Community Building on June 25 and 30 at 7pm. Stagner and the council agreed it was imperative that the public become informed about recent developments and the probable future of the coal fired plant. "Enough people started talking about the project and asking for answers to the point that these meetings were finally held," he said. The council will host a meeting for the general public to put forward their questions and recommendations about what steps the council can take regarding ARPA. The first meeting is set for 6pm, Wednesday, July 2 and will probably be held at the Cultural Events Center, pending its availability. The next special council meeting after that will be held on Tuesday, July 8, also at 6pm. It is very possible, according to Mayor Stagner and Councilman Ron Cook, that the council will go into executive session for legal discussions and may take action on any decisions derived during the private session. Under state statutes, a governing body can not take any action in executive session. Discussions may be held in private, but any action from those discussions must be made before the public.

The request for a beer garden, made by the Lamar Partnership Incorporated, was approved by the council. LPI plans to hold what's called the "Hotter than Hell" music festival on July 19th, from 11am to 10pm on East Beech Street. LPI Executive Director said a host of merchandise and food vendors will set up their booths through the day. The featured group is Soul Salvation out of Denver and the music featured will favor classic rock, Latin and blues.

Several other public hearings were scheduled by the council on similar requests, one for July 14 for a special request to hold a beer garden during the annual Lamar Chamber Oktoberfest on October 4 and three special events applications for the Lamar Eagles Lodge. That public hearing is set for July 28 for a permit for a Rodeo Dance on August 9, a wedding on August 30 and the annual Hospice Benefit Event on September 20.

The annual contract from the State of Colorado for independent contractor services for the Lamar Welcome Center was approved for the year 2014-2015. Leslie Stagner has replaced Judy Douglass as the manager. Douglass is retiring after 14 years in that position and a come and go reception for both women is set for June 27 between 1pm and 4pm at the Center.

The annual concession agreement between the city and the Lamar Savage Booster Club was approved. The City of Lamar will receive 8% of the net income for the 2014-2015 year. Jill Bellomy, president of the Lamar Girls 18 & U softball team, was awarded the concession stand contract at the city ball field complex. The profits will be used to defray expenses from the girls

18&U softball team through their season. The city will receive 5% of the generated income for 2014. Bellomy's bid was the only one received by the city. The Lamarlin Swim Team was granted their request for overnight camping in Willow Creek Park July 25-27 to accommodate visitors competing in the Regional Valley Swim Meet.

Kristin Rau, Lamar City Treasurer, is working on a procedural manual for her department. She informed the council that apparently there is no guidebook, manual or handbook for a treasurer to follow. She asked the council to adopt a resolution for the city's financial management policies. The council approved the request and the finalized work from Rau will be combined with the other financial policies already adopted for various departments. Rau said the policy has been reviewed by the city attorney, mayor, city administrator and city clerk as well as Rubin Brown, the firm of auditors used by the city.

In other action, City Administrator, John Sutherland wanted to allay any rumors circulating around the city on street repairs. He was emphatic that any of the streets currently undergoing upgrades will be completed and not left as-is. Sutherland said city crews had been surprised when they discovered that some overlays were only an inch deep before crews hit dirt. He admitted that put a crimp in the current annual budget for repairs set at \$300,000 for this year, almost double of what was allocated in 2013. Sutherland said the council will attempt to fund more money for needed repairs for next year. He also reminded the council and audience of the annual bike to work day between 7am to 8am at the Lamar Community Building, Wednesday, June 25, the City Council monthly breakfast at McDonalds on Wednesday, July 2 and that city offices will be closed Friday, July 4, for the traditional holiday. *By Russ Baldwin*

## **Lodging Panel Provides Funds for Oktoberfest Car Show**

Ron Cook, long affiliated with car shows in the Lamar community, requested and received \$1,500 for advertising costs for a car show and Toys for Tots Fun Run for Lamar's Oktoberfest, October 4 on East Beech Street. The request was the only one before the Prowers County Lodging Tax Panel during their monthly meeting, Tuesday, June 17.

Cook said interest is developing with the car shows as indicated by the increased participants during the recent Lamar Days events. "We went from 89 last year to 147 entries this past May," he told the panel members, stating that interest is also growing for the 18th annual fall car show out of Pueblo and Colorado Springs clubs. "There will be a \$20 entry fee we'll donate to Toys for Tots," and Cook said \$2,500 was raised during last year's event. "We're also planning to produce around 300 tee shirts for the event that we'll sell for \$12 and Toys for Tots will be donated 50% of those proceeds," he explained.

Some other Oktoberfest activities include the Brats and Beers for Boobies 5K Walk/Run that benefits Southeast Colorado Cancer Initiative and of course, the traditional vendors, music, entertainment and beer garden associated with the annual fall festival, sponsored by the Lamar Chamber of Commerce.

The Lodging Panel noted a \$10,624 check for May lodging taxes was received in June from the state, bring the panel's financial balance to \$20,012. \$9,500 approved for the LCC Antelope Stampede has yet to be paid from that balance.

Prowers County Commissioner, Wendy Buxton-Andrade said a measure to provide transparency on how the lodging funds are dispersed throughout the state to other, similar panels, didn't make it through committee. "If we intend to pursue the matter, it'll probably have to be brought forward with different sponsors next year," she explained.

It was noted that a come and go celebration will be held at the Lamar Welcome Center on Friday, June 27, from 1-4pm as Panel Board member, Judy Douglass, winds up her 14 year career as manager of the Center. She is being replaced by Leslie Stagner, who will also be on hand that afternoon and will begin her duties as manager on June 30. *By Russ Baldwin*

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