To: Minturn Town Council From: Michelle Metteer Date: March 6, 2024

RE: Town Manager Update



## 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending

I am preparing Minturn's 2024 Earmark applications (brief memo included with this update). Minturn will be applying for water treatment funding, money toward Little Beach Park improvements and funds toward the continued sidewalk construction along Main Street. It is a competitive process and contingent on federal funds, so the likelihood of award is minimal.

## Snow Removal - Pine Street Sidewalk Shoveling Improvements Needed

We need your help! The Minturn Public Works crew tries hard to get to everyone's streets in a timely manner. During a recent snowstorm, Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, public works plowed the side roads (Pine Street as an example) only to have residents immediately shoveling the sidewalk snow back into the road AFTER the plow went by. We can all do better! Let's work as a team. This was not just a violation of the Snow Removal Pla, but it squanders precious public works time in making the team go back and replow the road again. It also leaves large amounts of snow immediately adjacent to the sidewalk, only to melt and leave a puddle causing more issues. Let's not multiply the snow removal issues. We can work together toward efficient snow removal for everyone!

# Colorado Association of Ski Towns - Legislative Session

The mayor and I will be in Denver Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> returning Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> for a CAST legislative session. The Governor of Colorado along with the mayor of Denver will both be addressing the membership and updates on pertinent legislative matters will be discussed.

#### **Little Beach Park Grant Denied**

I recently applied for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant through the National Parks Service. This was an intensive application process that would have awarded Minturn \$250,000 toward retaining wall and replacement playground equipment at Little Beach Park. Unfortunately, after making it through the first round of cuts and providing a presentation of our project to the selection committee, Minturn's project did not get approved to go to the Congressional Subcommittee for consideration of selection.

## **Minturn Forward Survey**

The Town of Minturn is conducting a brief, online survey (paper copies available at town hall information table as needed) requesting feedback from Minturn residents and business owners. The Town is updating its land use, development, and subdivision regulations (Chapters 16 and 17 of the Minturn Municipal Code) and moving the Town forward after the recent adoption of the 2023 Minturn Community Plan which is intended to guide the Town's land use and development decision making over the next 10-15 years. This public process is critical to the success of the Chapter 16 update and an anonymous survey provides a great opportunity for not just property owners, but renters, who may otherwise feel intimidated to provide feedback publicly, to voice their opinion. The Planning Commission is tasked with the long-term future built-out vision of the town and everyone giving their feedback will help to ensure the public's opinions are known.

<u>Historic Preservation – History Colorado Grant Award (Contingency List)</u> See included award letter.