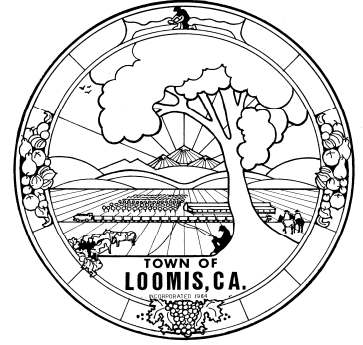


TOWN OF LOOMIS



TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Sean Rabé, Town Manager
DATE: October 13, 2020
SUBJECT: Town Manager Report for September 2020 Council Meeting

Mayor and Council Members,

The following report provides an update on some of the major activities Town Staff has been working on in the past month.

Town COVID-19 Activities:

Today Placer County has been moved to the Orange Tier of the State's new Blueprint for a Safer Economy. Since we have moved into the Orange Tier, restrictions on many businesses have been modified. Many business sectors such as restaurants, gyms and places of worship can increase their indoor capacity. The full list of sectors is available online at <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>

The State provided Placer County and its cities during the Summer with a stockpile of paper masks and hand sanitizer. The masks and sanitizer can only be used for local businesses, per State mandate. The Chamber of Commerce will be holding another distribution of masks and sanitizer for businesses in the upcoming weeks. Please contact the Chamber for more information.

The Town's new free public WIFI system at the Train Depot and the Loomis Community Library and Community Learning Center is now operational. I've seen a few people using laptops outside the Depot, which shows the need we had for such a system. The WIFI system is accessible from the parking lots and parks at both facilities.

We are looking at reopening the Loomis Library and Community Learning Center to the public, on a limited basis, in the upcoming couple of weeks. I will post something to Facebook and the Town's website when we have a firm date.

The public counter hours at Town Hall remain 9 am to noon, Monday through Thursday. Building inspections continue as well.

General Plan Update

We have released the Notice of Opportunity to Serve and Statement of Interest and Qualifications form for interested community members. To date, we have received 23 applications to serve on a committee. The deadline to file is October 23, 2020. The Housing Committee will be assigned by the Council at their November 10th meeting.

Town of Loomis webpage has been updated with a "How to" on Community & Agency Collaboration along with the current Volumes of Town information. Volume I – General Plan Policy Documents, Volume 2 – Implementing Standards, Guidelines, & Plans, Volume 3 – General Plan and CEQA Settings, Volume IV -Environmental Documents.

Staff is currently scheduling the General Plan Open House workshops for Saturday, November 7 (11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) and Monday, November 9 (6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.). This will be an outdoor event at the Depot.

Rural Main Street Technical Assistance Program

Three workshops have been conducted (September – October) – Total participation 30+. To bolster community input, we just released the “Take the Survey”. This can be found on our website “Current Projects” and Facebook has already reached 31 people, with 6 engagements. Advertisement will also be mailed door-to-door to Loomis residents. Deadline to Take the Survey is November 6, 2020. A Zoom meeting presentation will be held on December 7 to recap the Loomis story.

Taylor Road Phase 3 Project

The Taylor Road project is nearing completion, with just a few items left on the contractor’s punch list. We will be scheduling a ribbon cutting sometime in the upcoming weeks to celebrate the improvements.

ACE Hardware

I’m sure you’ve seen the progress that ACE is making on their store in the old Christensen’s building! They’re looking at an early November opening date and are now advertising for employees. We will hold a ribbon-cutting for them when an opening date gets firmed up.

QUESTIONS? Call me at the number below or email me at srabe@loomis.ca.gov.