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**Black Hawk Police support the
Move Over for Cody Act**

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*"O, wind, if winter comes,
can spring be far behind?"*

-Percy Bysshe Shelley

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Lila and Larsen Blake

FROM THE ACTING CITY MANAGER



This is my first newsletter article while serving as the Acting City Manager in Black Hawk. I began my new assignment on October 29, 2018, after City Manager Jack Lewis retired. Many of you already know me from my previous role as the Police Chief in Black

Hawk where I have proudly served for over 13 years. Serving as the Acting City Manager is a great opportunity to contribute to the City of Black Hawk in a different way. I wrote this article during the week of Thanksgiving, and I began to think about the future of Black Hawk and my new role. I am fortunate to step into the position when Black Hawk is running well. I especially thought about our City employees and the work they do every day to make us successful.

Every construction project regardless of size and ownership is supported by dedicated City employees who ensure buildings and facilities are permitted, safe and accessible. Fire and Police personnel work nights, weekends and holidays to protect us and Public Works employees provide clean water and keep our infrastructure in top shape.

Many of us fall into the category of support personnel and although rarely mentioned in the news, are critical to keeping things running behind the scenes. Regardless of the jobs our employees do, it's clear our employees are committed to making Black Hawk a great place to live, work and visit.

I want to express my gratitude and appreciation to our dedicated employees for everything they do to help us thrive and grow as a community. We couldn't do it without you. Thanks for your hard work and enjoy the winter season!

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Fitness for Life and Health

You're built to move. Being active helps you be healthier and stronger — and feel your best — at every age. Getting 30 minutes of moderate exercise at least 5 days a week helps to lower your risk of serious illness and improve your mood.

But whether you're a couch potato imagining a more active life, a senior with a few aches, a busy parent, or a weekend warrior, it can be tough to start, and keep moving.

At Kaiser Permanente, we think that jumping for joy should be an Olympic sport. That's why we've put together some tips and inspiration to help:

- ideas for fun activities that can get your whole family moving
- tools and apps to help you start a fitness routine and track your fitness
- local programs and classes, from dancercise to yoga and Zumba
- ways to help prevent injuries, overcome challenges, and adjust for limitations

You don't have to be an athlete to feel the benefits. Get moving today!

Find your healthy weight

With a balanced approach - losing weight can be a challenge. And when it comes to weight loss, there's no one-size-fits-all approach. But by balancing nutrition, exercise, and a healthy lifestyle, you can be more successful at finding your healthy weight.

Make a change today for a better tomorrow

Balance is an online resource to help you work toward a healthier weight. With a personalized action plan based on your behavior and lifestyle, you'll get the support you need to build new, healthy habits.

What's included in Balance?

First you fill out a comprehensive questionnaire. Then you'll get recommendations based on your responses, and you can start building skills with exercise videos, goal-tracking tools, recipes, and more. To keep you on track, you'll get regular emails supporting and encouraging you and your new behaviors. If you can't finish the program all at once, you can save your spot and pick up where you left off.



Advice for Busy Parents

- Think simple: whole wheat pasta grilled chicken breast are easy to embellish.
- Cook on the weekend and freeze extras for busy nights.
- Don't beat yourself up if you need to order out on occasion.

Tips for Healthier Diet

- Make your own meals. Anything you make without labels will be healthier.
- Use all parts of the vegetable when you can. For example, make a salad out of thinly sliced raw broccoli stems, and dress with lemon juice and olive oil.
- Add extra veggies to family favorites such as turkey meatloaf.



CP&D

COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Historic Buildings and the IBC (Code) Workshop



The City of Black Hawk was pleased to host its 4th annual historic preservation workshop again this fall. This year's workshop, entitled "Historic Buildings and the IBC", was presented by Thomas Meyers, President of Building Intuition, LLC on Tuesday, September 18th with a repeat performance on Wednesday, September 19th.

The workshop attendees, who came from all over the state of Colorado, were provided a delicious breakfast, followed by a morning presentation and question/answer session in historic Crook's Palace.

Some topics Tom covered were:

- How historic buildings are impacted by the International Building Code (IBC), the International Fire Code (IFC) and the International Existing Building Code (IEBC)—especially in relation to safety and access
- What requirements must be considered when alterations, additions and/or changes of occupancy are made to historic buildings with regards to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA)
- The best way to make historic properties in compliance with the International Fire Code (IFC) = install automatic fire-extinguishing systems (sprinklers) and address required means of egress



In the afternoon, following a delicious Greek-inspired lunch catered by JKQ BBQ, the attendees walked up to the historic Lace House to apply what was learned in class to a real-life historic building. Of specific interest in this case was the question of how the relocation of the historic home affects what is required by the Code.

For the second half of the site visits, the group walked down to the historic Gilpin Hotel-turned-Casino. Here Tom discussed with the workshop participants what affect a partially historic structure has on the application of the building and fire codes.



The City received very positive feedback from those who attended the workshop:

"I really enjoyed this workshop. I look forward to the next workshop. I tell everyone these are the best workshops you'll find outside the (National) Parks (Service)!" ~C.B. from Boulder

"Much thanks for organizing such a wonderful event --it was a lot of fun. Tom was a great speaker—imagine, he made Code fun! And thanks for opening your town to us - you and the whole team are amazing hosts" ~C.S. from Castle Rock

"Congratulations on putting together another great workshop! The information was very useful, and the handouts will be a great reference in the future." ~A.S. from Steamboat Springs

Historic Preservation Consulting Company Pinyon Environmental, Inc.



In the Spring of 2018, the City of Black Hawk went out to bid for a new historic preservation consulting company.

In June, the City hired Pinyon Environmental, Inc., a Colorado-based environmental consulting firm out of Lakewood.

The City will utilize Pinyon's experts to support Black Hawk's preservation and rehabilitation efforts. Leading the Cultural Resources Unit at Pinyon is Ms. Ashley Bushey, who brings 12 years' experience in historic preservation to the table, meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards as an Architectural Historian.

Her areas of expertise include compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, surveys of historic resources, professional advice on proposals for alterations/demolitions of historic buildings and adaptive reuse projects.

Also providing professional expertise on the Pinyon team is the Environmental Historian, Sean Fallon, who has a Master's degree in History/Cultural Resource Management from Colorado State University.

He has experience conducting architectural surveys throughout Colorado, evaluating eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places.

His expertise includes innovative presentation of data using platforms including geographic information system (GIS) and ESRI Storymaps.

Ms. Bushey and Mr. Fallon will provide consultation services to the City Staff, the Historic Preservation Commission and City Council with matters such as Certificates of Appropriateness for historic properties, updating the City's Design Guidelines, and applying the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings to projects within the City's Landmark Historic District.



Pinyon
Environmental, Inc.

NEW FACES 2018

Emily Younger



Tell us about yourself.

I am a Communications Officer. I answer incoming 911 calls, admin calls, and I also dispatch officers to needed locations, log all information, as well as providing clearances. I have lived in neighboring Clear Creek County for

my whole life along with my whole family.

My friends would describe me as funny, smart, loving, kind, hard-working, strong-willed and willing to do anything for anyone. I graduated

high school from Dakota Ridge High school. I played football in high school. While I was in high school I was a nanny, and I worked for CDOT as a dispatcher for a year and then I came to work at Black Hawk.

Some of my favorite activities are in the summer. I like wakeboarding or surfing, also four wheeling on some of our local jeep trails. I also love to go camping with my family. I like to go explore the mountains with my dog Axle. In the winter time, I love to go snowmobiling with family and snowboarding in the backcountry.

Tell us about your new position and experience working at the City of Black Hawk so far.

It has been really informative, and a very great environment to work in. Everyone has been really great to work for.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT.....



Roxanne "Roxie" Morris - 25 Years of Service

Roxie has been an employee with the Police Department for 25 years. She started in records/office and was promoted to Records Supervisor in 1996. Over her years of service, she has represented the City by being involved with Crime Stoppers, the County Fair, and Trick or Treat Street. Currently, she is on the CCRN board (Colorado Certified Records Network), which is the training board for the ALERT/SAM (Association of Law Enforcement Records Technicians, Supervisors, and Managers). She tracks all the members re-certifying their Master Certifications statewide. She has seen many changes over the years and has watched the City grow and prosper.

Roxie has lived in Gilpin County for 30 years and has volunteered her time where her daughters attended school. She is currently the President of High Country Auxiliary, and she still volunteers for the County Fair by serving on the County Fair Committee. She enjoys 4-wheeling, ATV'ing, and all the outdoor activities available in Gilpin County such as snowshoeing, hiking, and ice skating. She especially enjoys her daughters and grandchildren.

Tenures - Service to Black Hawk - Honored Employees



Matt Adams - 25 years of Service



Steven Jackson - 20 years of Service



Jorge Olivas- 15 years of Service



Melissa Greiner- 15 years of Service

- James Ford - 10 years
- Gregory Moates - 10 years
- Alfred Sayers - 10 years
- David Slagle - 10 years
- Hon. Ronald Carlson - 8 years
- Joe Fiocca - 5 years
- Tarik Muhammad - 5 years
- Peter Oxnard - 5 years
- Erin Scully - 5 years
- Patricia Torres - 5 years
- Curtis Linder - 5 years
- Larry Linker - 5 years

2018 Lighting Ceremony and Employee Holiday Party



Mayor David Spellman and City officials hosted the annual Lighting Ceremony on November 27, 2018. Last year, the eldest resident in Black Hawk, Dolores Spellman, flipped the switch. This year, the two youngest residents, five-year-old Lila Blake and three-year-old Larsen Blake lit up the lights. They are sixth generation Black Hawkites. We wish to thank the Gilpin County School for the wonderful songs and good holiday cheer!

The Employee Holiday Party held on December 13, 2018 was very much enjoyed! We wish to thank the City of Black Hawk Council Members for the great festivities that were held this past year! Many expressed how wonderful the food was, (provided by JKQ BBQ) the atmosphere was outstanding, and the decorations were fabulous!



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Essential and Not-So-Essential cold weather tech

It's that time of year again where we get less sun, more food and more snow, that's right, winter is here. Some people completed their lighting schemes and holiday dinner menu while others have already starting hibernating for the season. Whatever side of the spectrum you fall on here are some handy vs. not quite as essential (over the top) items that will compliment your Winter.

- Essential**
Mobile Infrared heater: Getting work done in the cold can be challenging especially if you have a cold garage or work space. Cold weather can get in the way of productivity, but only if you let it.
- Non-Essential**
Heated Mouse Pad Plush Pocket: Keep your hand warm while performing work with this mouse-pad/mitten hybrid, you can even crank up the heat by plugging in the USB power source (Tip: Always plug USB powered devices such as heaters/cup warmers/fans/etc into a AC adapter like a cell phone charger to protect your PC/Laptop ports from electrical damage).
- Essential**
Evaluating your tires for winter. Use the magic of the Internet to compare tire ratings and low traction performance reviews.
- Non-Essential**
Tracked Wheel Vehicle Conversion Kits: Ever wanted to turn your vehicle into a Snowcat? Try some drive on track converters that are easier to install than snow tires, or if you're looking to step up to the next tier of low traction dominance get the bolt on version.
- Essential**
Assessing your homes' electrical quality: This isn't just one item, but we tend to use more power in our homes during the winter, especially those that use electric heating. It's important to make sure that you do not overload circuits; you also want to watch out for any flickering lights as this can be a sign of faulty wiring. Consult an electrician if there is any doubt.
- Non-Essential**
10 foot RGB LED Geometric Star: Are your holiday lights not at the level of blinding and mesmerizing that they could be? Are your neighbors having trouble staying awake at night? Simply setup this massive star which has an absurd amount of pre-programmed light patterns and colors. Problem solved.

Essentials

Mobile iR Heater (<https://bit.ly/2DnY5AM>)
Tire Evaluator(<https://bit.ly/2DFyTqh>)
Preventing Electrical Overloads
(<https://bit.ly/2CwJ3Ey>)

Non-Essentials

Mouse Pad (<https://amzn.to/2qNCCJY>)
Vehicle conversion kits(<https://bit.ly/1je2t2p>)
Bolt on version(<https://bit.ly/2DEsbRw>)
10' Geometric Star(<https://bit.ly/2qNDmim>)

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!

<p>Half of all home heating fires occur in the months of December, January and February.</p>	<p>Heating equipment is involved in 1 in every 7 reported home fires and 1 in every 5 home fire deaths.</p>	<p>Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.</p>
<p>Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and as far away as possible from your home.</p>	<p>Install and test carbon monoxide alarms at least once a month.</p>	<p>Plug only 1 heat-producing appliance (such as a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.</p>
<p>Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents every year.</p>		<p>Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it outside at least 10 feet from your home and any nearby buildings.</p>



For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/winter and www.nfpa.org/winter.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Officers Train to prepare for an Active Shooter



In October 2018, Black Hawk Police Officers conducted training to prepare for the unthinkable, an active shooter in our community.

Captain Stephen Redfearn with the Aurora Police Department was one of the first officers on scene during the Aurora Theater Shooting. Captain Redfearn instructed Black Hawk Officers on the response to the shooting, immediate care for victims, and in the aftermath lessons were learned. Officers continued their training with training on use of Ballistic shields and other new safety equipment in each patrol car. Officers practiced high-risk traffic stops using the new equipment.

Officers then went to the Highland Ranch Law Enforcement Training Center and trained in what is called a “shoot house”. The shoot house allows officers to have scenario-based training in close quarters while using live ammunition. The training provides officers the skills to enter a building in small teams and tactically eliminate the threat and protect the lives of the public.



Officers completed their training with a day at the Frank DeAngelis Training Center in Wheat Ridge. The Frank DeAngelis Center is a converted school building which allows all officers in the 1st Judicial District to train in a school setting, using training ammunition, to prepare for an active shooter event.



While some officers were training for active shooter, other officers were in the gym at the Training Center, honing their defensive combat skills. Several stations were set up and at each station, officers were required to complete different defense tactics, such as strikes, kicks, baton strikes, handcuffing and control holds.

The final station was hand to hand combat with a defensive tactics instructor who was suited in a “redman” suit. This suit permits officers to strike the instructor at full force. The officers were required to complete each station then immediately move to the next, until completing the hand to hand combat.

The officers would tell you, by the time they completed the cycle, it was quite a workout.



Move Over for Cody Act

Colorado State Patrol remembered this month Trooper Cody Donahue, who was hit and killed on I-25 two years ago.

His loss encouraged the Colorado General Assembly to pass the “Move Over for Cody Act”. This law requires drivers to move over one lane when passing any emergency service vehicle, highway maintenance vehicles, or public utility vehicles.

If a driver is unable to move over, he/she must slow the vehicle to exhibit due care and caution when passing.

This law does not apply just to our highways, but our local streets as well. Please keep a look out for those people out serving our community; fire, police, public works employees, highway maintenance, etc.



We appreciate our community's support.



Police Department receives Accreditation for Excellence in Law Enforcement Standards



In 2008, the Black Hawk Police Department received our first accreditation from the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police (CACAP). All our policies were reviewed and certified to be in compliance with CACAP standards. In 2018, the accreditation was renewed for the third time in a row.

Every five years, we are required to repeat the accreditation process. During the past six months, Commander Tory Jantz and Officer James Randall worked diligently to update and revise the Black Hawk Police Department policy and procedure manuals to ensure they meet the rigid standards set by the CACAP.

In early November, the Department’s Policy Manual was submitted to the CACAP Accreditation Board for review. Once reviewed, the Board made final recommendations to the CACAP Board of Directors for certification. On November 21, 2018, the CACAP Board of Directors awarded the Black Hawk Police Department our Certificate of Accreditation for meeting excellence in Law Enforcement Standards. This lengthy process ensures our policies meet or exceed the best practices of law enforcement agencies in the State of Colorado.

MUNICIPAL CODE MOMENT

Snow Removal - Keep those sidewalks clear!

It’s the time of year to watch your step on those snowy and icy sidewalks. Business owners and new residents may not be aware of our City ordinance requiring property owners, tenants, and/or occupants to remove snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their properties within 6 hours of the cessation of any snowfall. For your safety and the safety of others, shovel those walkways.

Chapter 11: Streets, Sidewalks and Public Property
Article I - Sidewalks, Sec. 11-2 ([Ord. 92-40 §1](#); [Ord. 98-50 §1](#))



New City Parking Garage Restrictions

The new City-owned parking garage on Gregory Street will be opened in January. The official title of the garage is St. Charles Parking Garage and Carriage House.

The City is using new technology to monitor parking in the garage. License plate readers and surveillance cameras have been installed to monitor parking. When a vehicle pulls into the garage, license plate readers scan the vehicle’s license plate and are able to track how long a vehicle is in the garage.



Free parking will be limited to five (5) hours per day. After five (5) hours, the registered owner will receive a bill for \$20/hour parked in the garage, with a maximum fee of \$240.00 per day. Officers will also be enforcing no camping, loitering, littering and improper vehicle registration in the garage.



FINANCE

Annual Budget

The New Year means it is time to visit the City of Black Hawk 2019 Annual Budget. On November 14, 2018 the Black Hawk City Council approved the 2019 Annual Budget.

The 2019 Budget maintains City services at current levels and holds fees at 2018 levels in most cases. Operating expenditures will be consistent with the prior year, with minor to moderate increases in personnel, utilities, and other services.

The anticipated 50% increase in the number

of hotel rooms to take place in the summer of 2019 has prompted the City to revisit staffing levels, specifically for public safety. Starting in the 2nd quarter of 2019, the City will phase in 3 additional firefighters and 5 new employees in the Police Department.

Another financial item to note for 2019 is the recently approved ballot question regarding the 6.00% Consumer Use Tax. The increase of the Use Tax to 6.00% and the expansion of transactions subject to the Use Tax went into effect December 1, 2018.

HERITAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Black Hawk Fire Department - 1877 to 1924

This narration is how the City of Black Hawk had organized a fire company. Prior to its creation there were those who assisted in fire fighting, but not identified as a department of the City. This shows pivotal moments in time of Black Hawk's history and what was recorded, while providing insights and comments of how these moments impacted the present day Fire Department.

December 8, 1877

Dedication of the New City Hall
Excerpt Weekly Register

This city hall is very neat and substantial structure, with ample room for the accommodation of the city government, clerk, police judge, a fire engine, when one is obtained, and safe and comfortable jail quarters. The banquet took place in the large room provided for the deliberations of the city fathers.

Over the years since the creation of the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Company in 1879, the fire department has hopped from one spot to another. In real estate, they say "location, location", and now the fire department has found their permanent location! But, we are getting ahead of "time".

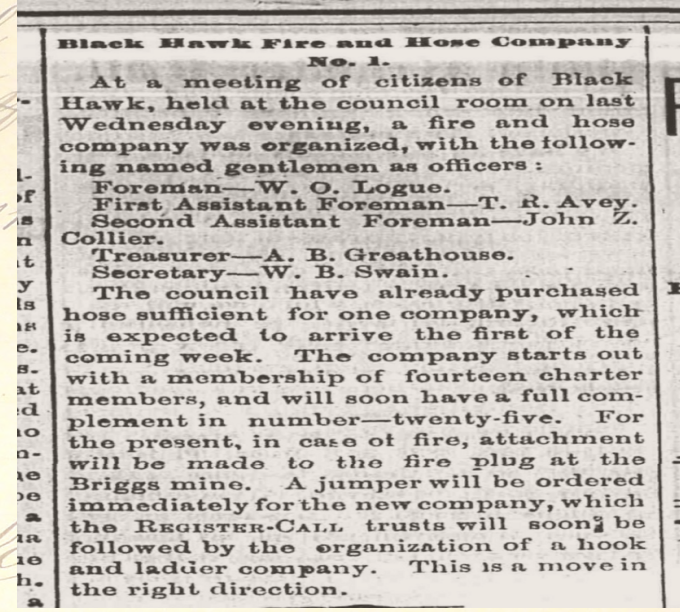
May 7, 1879

Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. Minutes Day 1
A meeting was held pursuant to a call, at the City Council room in the City of Black Hawk, for the purpose of organizing a fire Co. B.S. Greathouse was elected chairman and W.S. Swain Sec'y. On motion, the company proceeded to elect officers for the Black Hawk Hose Co.

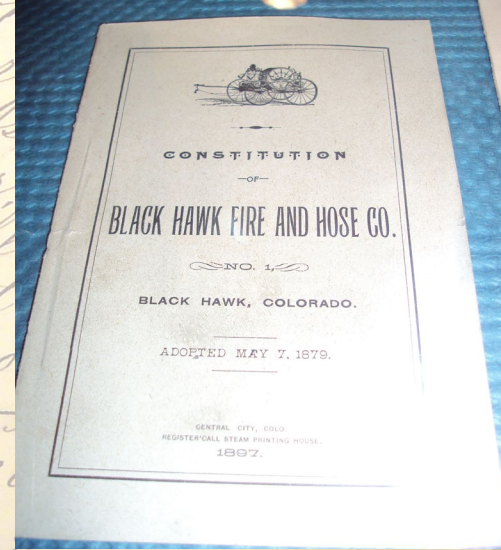
The Committee	
Wm, O. Logue	Foreman
Thos Avey	1st Assistant
John Collier	2nd Assistant

Treasurer, Foreman Logue then took the chair, and on motion of Sandlowsky, a committee of three was appointed to draft by-laws for the government of the company. Foreman Logue instructed the committee to report on the next Wednesday evening at 7 ½ o'clock. The meeting was adjourned and signed by the Sec'y, W.S Swain.

The following notice was placed in the Weekly Register-Call.



Constitution of Black Hawk Fire and Hose Co.



On motion, Mr. B. S. Greathouse was elected

May 14, 1879 Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co.
Minutes - 2nd Meeting

A meeting was held for the purpose of the hearing, read and adopted the constitution and by-law governing the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. Foreman Logue was in the chair and called to order at 8 o'clock, roll call of the charter members. Those first charter members: W.C. Logue, R.S Greathouse, D.S. Salisburg, Thos R Avey, and Chas W. Miller, read and adopted the constitution. The Charter members then elected 16 members to the newly made Black Hawk Hose Co. Another business item at this meeting was communication from Central City Fire Department inviting the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. to participate in their parade May 21, 1879, was read and accepted.

These first two critical meetings had a long-term effect on the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. First were the By-Laws and constitution governing the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co., and the second was the public procession, to celebrate the existence of the fire company and honor that comes from public service. The Black Hawk Fire Department still participates in parades with two retired fire trucks, but more on these later. The By-Laws and Constitution were developed by Articles and then Sections. The first reads as such:

Article I

Section I

This organization shall be known as Black Hawk Fire & Hose Company.

Section II

The regular meetings shall be at the Hose House on the evening of the first Wednesday of each month.

Section III

The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held at the regular meeting in October.

Section IV

Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

These Articles defined the duties, responsibilities, the recordings, accountabilities, and expectations of all its members and how they will be governed by these laws. These same By-Laws are the basis of how our Fire Department is today. At the time, there were twenty Articles written to govern the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co.

The background of this article is a copy of some of those meeting minutes defining those laws.

May 16, 1879 Excerpt City Hall Minutes
Motion made to limit the company to 40 members, was carried.

The next meeting on May 27, 1879, focused on equipment such as the carriage, hats, belts, shirts, pants for the members of the fire department. The meetings and the recorded minutes are as detailed and defined as any city council minutes! The format used back then and today clearly shows how important each step taken by the entity, and how it must adhere to the strictest protocols to ensure that all matters are made known, discussed, considered and accepted or rejected in a consistent manner that is as eloquent as classical composition or dance. Even protocols and standards of how each member would interact, depending on rank, were defined so that all would know what to be and how they were expected to act.

May 27, 1879, Special Meeting

Excerpt from Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. Minutes
Foreman Logue in chair, min's of the last meeting read and, accepted. The object of meeting to appoint a committee to wait upon the Council, and inform them what kind of Carriage, Hats, and belts, the company wished.

Motion made to get a \$200 Carriage, carried
Motion made and carried to inform the council through a committee what kind of Hats they wished.
Motion made and carried to adopt a Hat and request the committee to ask the Council to purchase it for the company.
Motion made and carried to have a White hat with a black shield.
Motion made and carried to have Blue belts with white letters.
Motion made and carried to give a ball for the benefit of the company and that a committee is appointed to make all necessary arrangements.

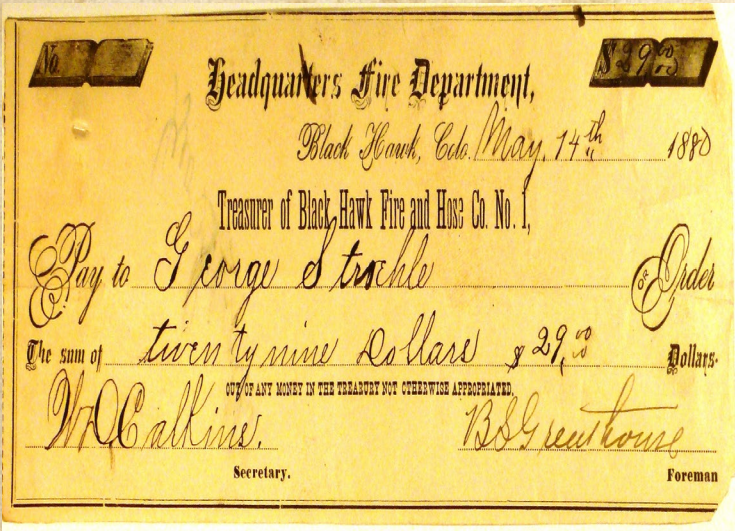
Committee	Livesay	Bush
	Case	Tomlinson
	Ballard	

Motion made to adopt a shirt for the company.
Carried.
Motion made and carried that committee of three be appointed to investigate and receive bids for the making of shirt for company, and report at the next meeting.
Committee Livesay
 Tomlinson
 Bush
Motion made and carried the committee who wait on the Council to ask said Council to purchase trumpets for officers.
Motion made and carried that the said committee ask the council to purchase four torches.

Thus began the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Company.

Beside the dues collected from memberships, the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co., frequently would participate in team challenges from other cities, and host local dance balls in which tickets were sold and the funds were utilized to sustain the expenses of the Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co.

Example of City Warrant



May 15, 1879 Excerpt from Daily Registrar-Call



July 21, 1879 City Hall - Special Meeting Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. Minutes

By Order of Foreman Logue, the communication received from Fire Department at Golden, inviting Company to send running team and also take part in the tournament to be held August 7, 1879, at Golden City, communication was received and placed on file.
Motion made and carried to accept the invitation of the Golden Fire Department.

February 7, 1881
Daily Register-Call – Central City, CO
Chief Engineer, Logue, of the Black Hawk Fire Department, has the Knowles pump, in the upper portion of the city, in splendid condition in case of fire.

March 4, 1881 Daily Register-Call
Firemen's Tournament
At a meeting of the Black Hawk Fire Department held last evening it was decided to hold their second annual tournament and department inspection on Wednesday, May 4th, 1881. A committee to complete all the necessary arrangements was appointed, who will meet at the City Council room next Monday evening. The belt won by this department at the former tournament will again offered as a prize to be contested for by the several fire companies of Gilpin County.



July 7, 1893 Daily Register-Call
The firemen's tournament at Black Hawk, on Tuesday July 4, proved a decided success in every particular. The town was crowded and everything passed off most harmoniously. A little after 9 o'clock, a special train of five passenger coaches arrived with the Everett hook and ladder team of Golden and Idaho Springs team, and friends, and at 11 o'clock, the regular train brought in the Barthoff hose company of Loveland and a delegation from the Fort

Collins fire department. The following towns and cities were entered in the races: Idaho Springs, Golden, Loveland, Nevadaville, Black Hawk and Central City. Black Hawk came in second on the wet test behind the Barthoffs.



June 23, 1893 Daily Register-Call
The Central Hook and ladder team is practicing every night on Main street for the fireman's tournament in Black Hawk on the 4th of July.

June 30, 1893 Daily Register-Call
Black Hawk is to hold an old time firemen's tournament

October 20, 1893 Daily Register-Call
Will Lake and James Cody returned the first week from their visit to the Chicago exposition. At the election of the officers of the Black Hawk Fire Department held on Saturday evening, Thomas Beattle, was elected Chief, Peter Nelson, as Assistant Chief, Joseph Zeigler, Foreman, John Eatwell Jr. first assistant, HC Jacobson, second assistant, John A Wenda, secretary, and Albert Willinski as treasurer.



1880's
Black Hawk Fire & Hose Co. shows off new equipment and musical instruments.

July 17, 1903 **Daily Register-Call**
Mr JR. Quigley & Company have replaced the fire bell in this city above the steps leading to the upper story of the City Hall, and made other improvements to the building.

January 5, 1909 Register-Call – Central City, CO
City obtain Fire Whistle.



December 3, 1912 **Black Hawk Council Rooms**
Fire Chief Crook appeared before the council and stated that the City Fire Alarm could not be heard when rung. The Mayor was instructed to look into the matter about obtaining a Fire Alarm that could be heard (Arthur Crook, Fire Chief)

September 26, 1918 The Gilpin Observer
FIREMEN’S NOTICE
A meeting of the fire department will be held at the city hall, Tuesday, Oct. 1st. All members are urged to be present.
THOMAS P. ATKINSON,
JAMES Gray, Sec. Chief.

October 6, 1922 Weekly Register-Call
The Black Hawk Fire Department held their annual inspection on Saturday afternoon, following of which the officers were elected for the ensuing year.

October 13, 1922 **Black Hawk Jottings**
The dance given by the firemen on Saturday evening was the success of the season, financially and otherwise. The music was all that could have been wished for, and as a consequence everyone enjoyed themselves to the limit.

September 4, 1923 **Black Hawk Council**
On motion of Alderman Richards, seconded by City Alderman Fleiss that the City buy 150 feet of fire hose at \$1.15 a foot, and the Eureka Hose Company will accept a warrant which will be paid in its turn.

Motion carried.

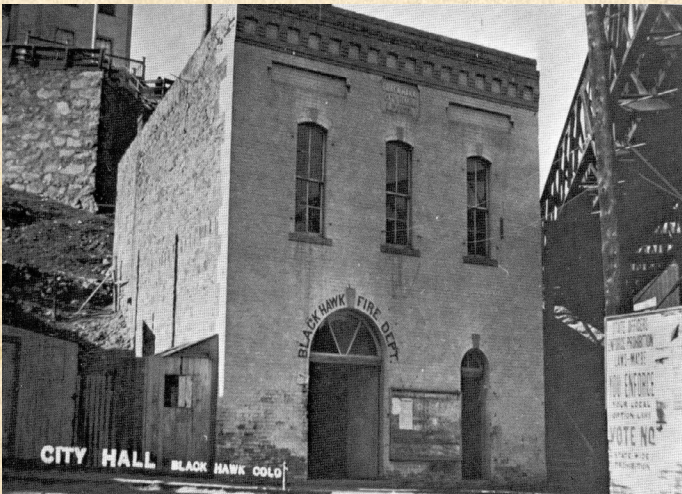
September 28, 1923 Black Hawk Jottings
Daily Register-Call
The firemen will give their semi-annual dance at McKay’s hall on Saturday evening, October 5th and everyone is invited to attend.

Friday, April 18 1924 Weekly Register-Call
The Black Hawk Fire department will give their 45th annual ball on Saturday evening, May 3, to which the public is cordially Invited.

Friday, June 20, 1924 Weekly Register-Call
Disastrous Fire.

The old A. N. Rogers residence on East High street, in this city, was destroyed by fire at 2 o’clock yesterday morning. Wednesday evening, parties living in that vicinity saw smoke coming, from the building and Marshal Robert Johnson was notified, who went down with a hose, and soaked the floor where the fire was supposed to be located. A strong west wind during the night fanned the few embers that were not extinguished with a result that the brick building and adjoining frame structures were burned to the ground. The cause for the fire is supposed to have resulted from boys playing in the building and starting a fire, or smoking cigarettes.

The Black Hawk Fire Department thrived through the years by its strong volunteer membership, continued community support, and willingness to go beyond traditional duties and responsibilities to its City.



Black Hawk Fire Department until 1925

PUBLIC WORKS

Water Rights of the City of Black Hawk - Part II

(see Spring 2018 Lantern for Part I)

Whiskey is for drinking and water is for fighting and fighting is what we do. Not with guns but in Water Court. Colorado is home to the headwaters of eight major river systems: the Colorado, Yampa/White, North Platte, South Platte, Gunnison, Arkansas, Rio Grande, and San Juan/Dolores Rivers (shown in Figure 1). Each basin is managed by a Division Engineer who reports to the State Engineer. Each river basin is further divided into smaller sub-basins which are managed by a Water Commissioner. The City of Black Hawk is in the Clear Creek sub-basin which is in the South Platte

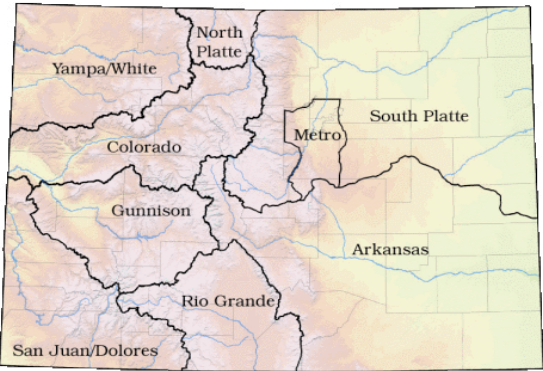


Figure 1 Colorado River Systems

River Basin. Tributaries to Clear Creek that are part of Black Hawk’s water system are Leavenworth Creek, South Clear Creek, and North Clear Creek.

The City has water storage in two reservoirs, Green Lake and Georgetown Lake. Green Lake is above Georgetown on the Guanella Pass Road. It is filled from Leavenworth Creek through the Green Lake Pipeline shown in Figure 2.

The City stores 170 acre feet (1 acre foot = 325,851 gallons) of water in Green Lake and discharges the water to South Fork Clear Creek. Georgetown Lake is located north of Georgetown on Clear Creek, downstream of the confluence of South Clear Creek. Black Hawk currently stores 154 acre feet of water in Georgetown Lake.

Our upper mountain reservoirs such as Green and Georgetown Lakes have the advantage to deliver water to the Hidden Valley Water Treatment Plant when our water rights are out of priority. However, because both are on the main stem of Clear Creek, and they are not able to deliver water to our Dory Hill Water Treatment Plant.

Water staff has been working to secure raw water storage in the North Clear Creek Basin. In 1992, the City filed storage rights on three proposed reservoirs: Chase Gulch enlargement, Pickle Gulch, and Missouri Creek. Chase Gulch enlargement is an expansion of Central City’s existing Chase Gulch Reservoir, Pickle Gulch Reservoir is in the same drainage as the Paradise Valley Estates’ Pickle Jar Reservoir, and Missouri Creek Reservoir is across from the Gilpin High School at the confluence of Missouri Creek and the Cold Springs Creek. A fourth reservoir site was identified in Chase Gulch below the existing reservoir: Quartz Valley Reservoir.

Along with the proposed reservoirs, four diversion structures on North Clear Creek have been decreed to fill the reservoirs. Three of the diversion structures are along Apex Valley Road and the fourth diversion is on Highway 119 just below Hughesville Road.

The permitting process to build the reservoirs is regulated by the Army Corps of Engineers, under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The environmental review process for the permit can involve three different levels of analysis: Categorical Exclusion, Environmental Assessment, or an Environmental Impact Statement. The Army Corps determined that Black Hawk’s analysis would be an Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA will determine whether our projects will cause any significant environmental effects.

The City has been working on the Environmental Assessment with our consultants, ERO Resources and Leonard Rice Engineers over the last four years. The EA that the City is currently working toward, includes all of our proposed water structures, including upgrades to some of the existing facilities. The purpose of including all projects in the EA is that once permitted, the City will be positioned to expand our water system well into the next century.



Figure 2 Green Lake Pipeline



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