

## ***CMD Corner***



### **2017 Background on Pool and Swim Team**

The CMD would like to expand upon a couple of things we did last year in responding to numerous complaints from Chapparral residents about the swim team. Most complaints were about the parking, congestion, and noise during meets. Other complaints included reduced hours available for open swimming. In response the CMD voted to reduce the team size from over 190 to about 150 (120 non-residents and an estimated 30 residents team members). We had 30 resident swimmers from 11 Chapparral families last year. For at least the previous 10 years the CMD charged the Sharks swim team \$4500 per season for the use of the pool. That worked out to about \$28 per non-resident swimmer; totally disproportionate to the pool costs incurred by Chapparral residents. Operating the pool costs each Chapparral family about \$600 through taxes paid and the benefits of the CMD's cell tower leases. Chapparral resident team swimmers didn't have additional costs to use the pool. Of course, every swimmer had fees for the swim team administration, coaches, suits, and other team necessities. As an aside, the cost for non-resident families for an annual pool membership is \$600. In addition to reducing the size of the team, the CMD board also voted to charge \$200 per non-resident swimmer, rather than the \$4500 for the whole team. We negotiated in good faith with the Sharks swim team, but were unable to come to an agreement on either issue of team size or non-resident costs.

Without a swim team this year the pool hours have been expanded to open at 10:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM. There won't be restrictions on Saturdays for meets nor Tuesday and Thursdays evenings for practices. The CMD requests feedback from the community on the new hours.

### **New Cell Tower Lease Signed**

In early May the CMD completed several months of negotiations with T-Mobile. The new lease we signed will put 1 or 2 more antennas on the water towers by the pool. This new lease basically replaces the ones we lost over the past couple of years. As a result, the CMD expects we will not have to draw from reserves in the 2018 budget.

### **CMD Web Site**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/chapparralcmd>