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Council OKs bond issue request

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Despite some nailing-biting, the Woodland Park Downtown Development Authority got its wish. At its March 15 meeting, Woodland Park City Council voted 5-1 to approve the authority's bond issue request.

At the end of the meeting, Councilmember Dave Turley, who cast the no vote on the bond issue, said, "I will support the DDA in every way I can. It's really important that this project be successful."

With this approval, the authority can begin installing public infrastructure at Woodland Station and a drainage system in the Tamarac Center "hole" behind Gold Hill South.

Because his business firm, Matrix Design Group, created the Woodland Station preliminary plat, Councilmember Eric Smith left the chambers when this agenda item came up.

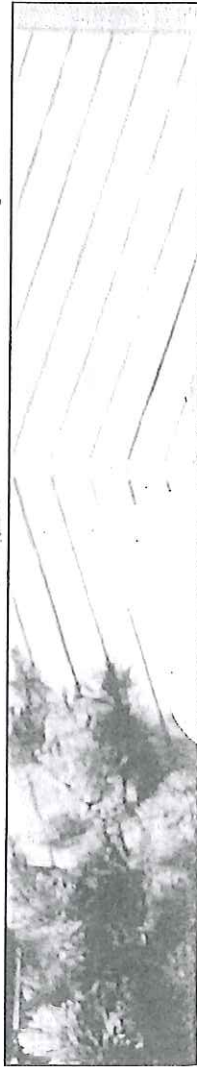
Authority executive director Beth Kosley made the first presentation. She pointed out that all the infrastructure that if the certificates are de-



By the end of 2012, there should be streets, curbs, gutters and building here at Woodland Station where Center Street dead ends. Photo by Norma Engelberg

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Teller County's Steed rides herd on emergencies



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To say that Steve Steed is passionate about emergency preparedness is an understatement. Driven, focused and energetic, Steed rallies his troops in an old-fashioned roundup but with 21st

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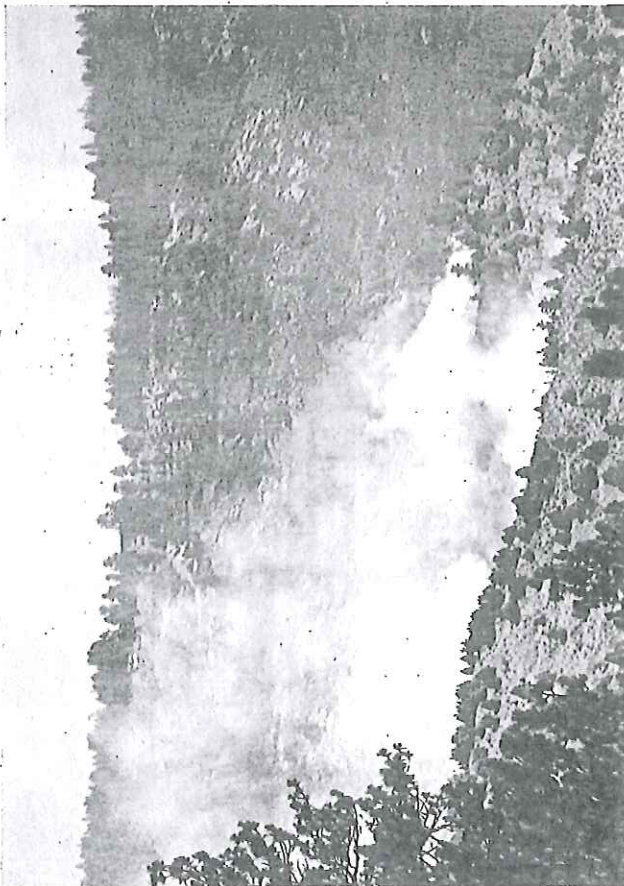
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The proposed amendment will commence as soon as all necessary permits are obtained and the proposed date of completion of all associated reclamation is 2041. The proposed future use of the land is livestock grazing and wildlife habitat. Additional information and tentative decision date may be obtained from the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567, or at the Teller County Clerk and Recorder's Office, Judith "J.J." Jamison, County Clerk, 101 W. Bennett Avenue, PO Box 1010, Cripple Creek, CO 80813, (719) 689-2951.

Anyone wishing to comment on the application may view the application at the locations listed above as well as the Woodland Park Public Library, 218 E. Midland Avenue, Woodland Park, CO 80863, (719) 689-9281; the Franklin Ferguson Memorial Library, 410 North B Street, Cripple Creek, CO 80813, (719) 689-2800; the Victor Public Library, 124 S. 3rd Street, Victor, CO 80860, (719) 689-2011; the Florissant Public Library, 334 Circle Drive, Florissant, CO 80816, (719) 748-3939; or the above named applicant.

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Fire on the mountain

Smoke rises from the Lower North Fork Fire in Jefferson County. The fire was likely started when high winds on March 26 fanned hot embers left by a prescribed burn the previous week. Gov. John Hickenlooper has called a halt to all prescribed burns in the state, pending an investigation. See Stories on Page 5. *Courtesy photo*

Ex-employee of youth

Lower North Fork Fire has counties worried

*Teller under restrictions;
El Paso requires permits*

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Red flags are flying in Colorado as county officials keep one eye on the weather and the other on the Lower North Fork Fire in Jefferson County. Red flags go up when conditions, including high winds, warm temperatures and low fuel-moisture levels, are ripe for wildland fires.

Teller County has placed the county under fire restrictions. Unincorporated El Paso County has no fire restrictions in place but open burning is by permit only.

The Lower North Fork Fire ignited March 26, most likely by prescribed burn in the area the previous week. Deputy State Forester Joe Duda states in an email dated March 28: "Preliminary reports indicate that on the fourth day of mop-up operations after a prescribed burn, extremely strong wind appears to have reignited the fire."

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Worthey wins in Green Mountain Falls

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Lorrie Worthey handily beat Dick Bratton in the race for mayor of Green Mountain Falls. Of 207 votes, Worthey captured 128 while Bratton collected 79.

In the race for trustee, Ralph LoCascio, Howard Price and Tyler Stevens beat out Mike Lohman and Dan Ellis. LoCascio received 110 votes, Price, 137 and Stevens, 140. Sixty-seven people voted for Lohman while 83 voted for Ellis.

Voters approved the increase of 3 mills in the property tax, to 17.88 mills, with 123 voting for the increase and 82 against.



Lorrie Worthey was elected mayor of Green Mountain Falls April 3. With a door-to-door as well as a street-corner campaign, Worthey sailed into offices with promises of maintaining unity among the residents. Worthey and incoming trustees Ralph LoCascio, Howard Price and Tyler Stevens will be sworn into office on April 17.

Two wrongs make a plight

Mistakes end Matthews' run for commissioner

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and recorder's office.
If that weren't enough of a blow,



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