



Town of Lake City Board of Trustees Report 5-1-2020
Building Officials' Activity Report for April 2020

Permit Numbers/Activity

- No Building Permits Issued, but several are in process, see report for details.
- 6 Inspections completed.

Valuation Data

Permit Fees Collected:

Use Tax Collected:

Valuation Increase:

Code Enforcement Actions

I had two property owners doing construction without permits. Bill Bowling was replacing his front porch at 7th and Gunnison and Alan Payne was working on his garage at the house he bought from Burton Smith. Both owners have submitted applications and are in the process of getting their permits. Both projects must get a COA from the HPC.

Notable Projects and Meetings

Permit Activity: Also pending HPC approval are the Moon House next to the Lake City Brewery and Ivan Cook's garage and fence repairs. Other pending permit applications are Darren Slaughter's Garage with bathroom and kitchenette, Ben Hake's new building across the alley from his house, a new radio tower and satellite dish for KLOVE radio at Blue Spruce's north lumber yard, a new greenhouse for the Community Garden at Pete's Lake, a new storage shed for the museum to be moved into place and set on a foundation, a new Cell Tower co-location for the tower near the watertank, a new exhaust hood installation at Chillin's and a remodel at 722 Hotchkiss Street. I have also been in communication with a property owner that wants to build a new house in Lake City Heights, it will need a septic system. I do not have completed applications or fees collected for these projects at this time but it appears we are off to a good year as far as construction goes.

So far all of the contractors are following mitigation guidelines in place for the Coronavirus emergency. They have hand washing or sanitization onsite and are doing the best they can to social distance their crews and monitor for viral symptoms. The State Electrical & Plumbing inspectors have resumed inspections in Hinsdale County with some changes in scheduling and procedures.

Code Adoptions- I think it is best to stay with our current building codes throughout this construction season and will shoot for adoption of updated codes this fall. Permit activity is picking up for both the County and the Town. I do plan on moving forward with formation of an Ad Hoc committee to address the various amendments and inconsistencies in our current building codes. We can setup Zoom Meetings for this until things return to normal and we begin re-opening and recovering from the Covid-19 situation. I am going to write up a new ad for volunteers to serve on the committee and Sandy Hines will get it published. The overall plan as far as adoptions are concerned is to move to the 2015 codes across the board, for both the county and the town, and eliminate inconsistency and discrepancies. I intend to pattern the amendments after the amendments we currently have in place with the 2012 building codes. The State has resumed electrical and plumbing inspections so there will not be a need to adopt a plumbing code. As long as we adopt the 2015 IRC, IECC & IBC before the end of the year our ISO rating will not go up and will most likely go down a point or two. And we will be in compliance with State mandated energy conservation codes.