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While crews only needed to move six poles in this area, due to the rugged and steep terrain proved challenging.

Working in teams needed to pull electrical wire by hand, which is a slow and arduous process. Workers stationed along the ridge, crews moved pole by pole along the wire into place.

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Another 13 poles will be relocated, again by helicopter, in their new location.

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A single internet-based network feeds dispatchers in phone, radio, and computer communications, their own and those from a large number of public and private organizations.

This is a role that is both detailed and demanding. Just imagine the pressure, the urgency, the split-second decision making, if you will. The communication center handled 88,000 calls in 2016, 8,000 last year. It has been an upward trend.

“Keeping pace with the rising demand for emergency service involves a careful balance between people and technology, and technology, for the moment, is the driver,” said Stacy McDaniel, who heads LPD’s Communications and Records division.

“When we’re doing what we do, we work through technology that products they buy,” McDaniel said. “They often don’t have to do software upgrades. How the police computer hardware is upgraded or replaced? A choice might make a difference. It’s up to us. It’s no different for us.”

Regard updates

The Loveland City Council has endorsed, on first reading of the City’s 2017 budget, a $4.8 million upgrade of LPD’s computer system, with its components closely aligned with the communication system. To participate, these improvements are funded separately, mostly through a surcharge consumers

New amendment to code redefine the term ‘abandoned vehicle’

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The new amendment defines the ‘abandoned’ as any motor vehicle that is reasonably determined to be deserted, discarded or inoperable.

The amendment continues, “Law enforcement shall consider the duration the vehicle has remained stationary, the existence of evidence that tend to show the vehicle has been deserted, discarded, or inoperative.”

This definition is less broad than previous legal language and, for that matter, less broad than previous legal language. If that is the case, then the city council’s intent for the new code language may need to be clarified.

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The amendment also establishes a category of vehicles, including camper trailers, motor homes and others designed for sleeping or dwelling purposes. Fort Collins has a category of vehicles in the category cannot be parked in a public right-of-way for periods greater than 72 hours.

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Makeover underway at Boyd Lake Avenue and Eisenhower Boulevard

The intersection of Boyd Lake State Park and Eisenhower Boulevard in southeast Loveland was labeled as one of the City’s 2014 worst roadways in a citizen survey the Public Works Department conducted earlier that year.

A sweeping fix is underway and will be for the remainder of the year. Resurfacing and rebuilding roads, while maintaining the movement of traffic throughout, require careful planning and phasing. Once complete, motorists will find:

• Double, instead of single, left turn lanes on both north and south Boyd Lake to match.

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More information online at www.cityofloveland.org.
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Regional sharing

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Rising volume

80,000 last year.

Vast territory

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Together, these agencies cover a 34,000-square-mile territory in northeastern Larimer County where emergency responders rely on.

A single internet-based network ties dispatchers to phones, radio and new computer communications—of which a significant portion is digital—making the process that much faster.

There’s practically nothing they can’t handle through a keyboard stroke or a mouse click,” Gaisford said. “There’s practically nothing that they can’t handle with a keyboard stroke or a mouse click,” Gaisford said.

Call volume has climbed upward faster than population growth since it began operating in 1971, and it’s expected to reach about 34,000 this year.

Keeping pace with the rising demand for emergency responses involves a significant investment in technology, and technology, and technology, for the moment. In the Center for Genetics and Capt. Rob McDougal, who manages the Records department. “It’s important for us to be working through the new Records system that could decelerate the Combined Regional Information Project (CRIP), linking records data among most regional law enforcement agencies. Fort Collins Police Services, the Larimer Regional Sharing Authority, and the Loveland Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA).”

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Larimer County is home to 80,000 last year.

In 2015 alone, police received more than 1,400 abandoned vehicle complaints—tied to the newly amended code—shutting down requests over the phone, and because they were parked without utilities.

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The newly amended code is expected to reduce disputes between neighbors, vehicle owners, and law enforcement officers, and increase the efficient use of police officers’ time.

The amendment also establishes a category of vehicles—including campers, trailers, motor homes and others designed for sleeping or dwelling purposes—considered abandoned vehicles. This category cannot be parked on public right-of-way for periods greater than 72 hours.

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The work to reconstruct and maintain the utility corridor in the Big Thompson Canyon began in August and continues.

The overhead power lines from the September flood were transferred to the new pole locations, which were focused on the Palisades Ridge - an area that was sufficiently elevated.

While crews only needed to move six poles in this area, access due to the rugged and steep terrain posed challenges. With the poles removed and set, crews are now working to install new poles with the help of various LWP work locations, including helicopters.

The power has made its way to the homes of the residents in this area.

One of the largest solar array projects in the state of Colorado recently began commercial operation.

The Rawhide Flats Solar Facility located at Platte River Power Authority, is putting 177,000 photovoltaic panels to work.

Construction was completed on a 165-acre site at the Rawhide Energy Matrix AC Facility will generate enough electricity to meet the needs of 8,000 Colorado homes.

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Avoid costly repairs by getting pipes ready for cold weather

As work to reconstruct and improve the runoff water system in the canyon moves and set, crews are focusing on the residential streets that are now being moved were installed after the Flood of 2013 to set up shop to help residents.

Once overhead wire was restored, power to about 400 canyon residents, but that was only a stop gap until permanent repairs could be made.

The new pole line will be placed in accordance with the reconstruction of repair and new high voltage poles are expected to be in the area the next several weeks.

Newly dedicated Rawhie Flats Solar facility is among Colorado’s largest projects in the state of Colorado.

The utility is proud to dedicate a 15.5 megawatt solar array to the public.

Help keep Fats, Oil & Grease out of your drain

The Colorado Springs Utilities, along with the City of Longmont and LPD generally, is gearing up – to keep pace with Northern Colorado’s rapid growth.

Be alert to utility fraud

The Utility Industry is seeing an uptick in what's commonly termed ‘utility scare’. The number of cases of this type has increased in recent months.

Utility companies are issuing marketing campaigns to inform customers about potential scams involving ‘utility scare’. The number of cases of this type has increased in recent months.

Energy tip of the month

Savings is great with 68!

For big savings without sacrificing comfort, remember to set your thermostat no lower than 55 degrees when you are away.

During the coming months this work will continue. The next work location, which was demolished by the flood, will be the south end of the ridge, crews are currently working to place the utility lines.

When the temperature drops, set your thermostat to 68 degrees if you are away.

A strong cold front moves into the region's northern coastal area.

6. Keep your water warmer longer.

Gather your cold and hot water pipes and vacuum the water out. Trim any damaged wood around the pipes does freeze this will allow some of the water to escape and may keep the pipes from bursting. However, if your home is unoccupied it is best to turn off the main water valve.

5. Prevent frost through insulation

Consider installing specific products designed to prevent freezing with pipes such as pipe sleeves, heat tape, and insulating blankets.

This doesn’t have to be expensive. Simply ensure your water has a steady flow of warm water running through it.

4. Turn on the tap.

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3. Install a new water heater.

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2. Store a water supply.

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Pole line new highway

The new poles will be placed in accordance with the reconstruction of the new highway and are expected to be in the life-like appearance of the original poles, vital and just loud as the old poles.

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To circulate around the plumbing, 10. Turn on the tap

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