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No wonder global warming is taking place.

We need to do better. Large portions of the population in the Sisters area have no practical transportation alternative to the automobile. That seems so strange for a community that prides itself for its natural beauty. Our community is a wonderful place to live for the physically active individuals who enjoy being out in this natural environment. We need to be able to park the automobile and develop alternative modes of transportation.

An obvious solution is to build the Black Butte Trail, so residents can commute from Black Butte Ranch to Sisters and back. Take the family for a fun outing into Sisters and back by bicycle. That is a total distance of 15 miles. If the car is left at Black Butte Ranch, there would be 12 pounds less carbon dioxide expelled into the atmosphere (that is almost a pound of carbon dioxide for every mile driven).

Bjarne Holm



To the Editor:

I would like to extend my thanks to the folks who took the time to vote in the school board election, and for their faith in me. Thank you. I will do the best I can in the next four years

to make Sisters schools the very best they can be, and given the high level of community support, I really think we can go far and not only help mold great humans but also continue to enhance a real community asset that we all benefit from.

I would also like to thank the people who ran who were not elected. I really think they would all have made great board members. I think the electorate would have been better served, quite frankly by a first-past-the-post-election like the city council, rather than four separate zones (seats) that were in part pre-determined by the zone each participant selected.

Specifically, two people were elected prior to the election by virtue of the seat they selected, leaving five candidates for two positions. Who is to say if the electorate would have picked the four board members going forward.

We are currently in executive session to select a new superintendent and I cannot speak highly enough of the community members who turned out and gave many, many hours of their time to contribute to the selection process. Just reinforces my belief that our engaged community and teacher commitment will continue to differentiate us from the education pack!

I am in the Tech Space at corner of Hood and Elm if anyone wants to stop by and offer ideas or to discuss our local challenges...

Again, thank you.
Stephen King

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