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Dead man found on Emerald Mountain on Sunday

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS — A body recovered on Emerald Mountain on Sunday morning is believed to be the body of a Steamboat Springs man who was reported missing on Saturday.

Authorities believe the deceased is 64-year-old Marc Sehler, who was last seen at about 9 p.m. Friday, according to a news release issued by the city of Steamboat Springs.

Sehler's wife, Gretchen, reported him missing around noon Saturday.

Steamboat Springs Police Department officers opened an investigation and requested assistance from Routt County Search and Rescue.

Search and Rescue volunteers embarked on a search of the Emerald Mountain area at 8:30 a.m. Sunday. Volunteers found the body at about 9:45 a.m. according to the news release.

Marc Sehler was an avid mountain biker and was involved in numerous trail building projects in the Steamboat area.

Routt County Coroner Rob Ryg will confirm the identity of the body and make a determination of the cause and manner of death.

The Routt County Sheriff's Office, Routt County Coroner's Office, Search and Rescue, Colorado Bureau of Investigation and Steamboat Parks and Recreation Department are collaborating on the investigation.

The police ask that anybody with information related to the investigation contact the agency at 970-879-1144.

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A STINGING RAIN



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A wasp stands between raindrops, no doubt hoping to dry off, on the roof of a car in downtown Steamboat Springs.

Bessey starts new role

Director of Planning and Community Development Department begins work

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS — Rebecca Bessey is not the new kid on the block. In fact, depending on which of Steamboat Springs' city blocks you pick, she had a role in why that block looks the way it does.

Bessey steps into her new role as director of the city's Planning and Community Development Department today. The planning department oversees zoning, development and land use review, historic preservation and long-range planning in the city.

Bessey has served as the department's principal planner since 2013. Before that, she worked for about three years in Routt County's planning department after spending about 10 years in her home state of Michigan at a land use and transportation planning firm.

"I'm excited," she said. "I think we have a lot of work to do. I certainly look forward to the downtown plan being completed and look forward to working with the community to implement the vision and the goals that come out of that plan. I hope to engage our city and our community in some additional long-range planning. It's something we have not been doing enough of in the last decade or more."

Among the projects Bessey inherits

from outgoing planning director Tyler Gibbs is the implementation of a new community development code.

"We're committed to making sure that it's working well," Bessey said. She said she's looking forward to hammering the small problems that will inevitably emerge in the new rules to create a code that works to achieve the community's vision and allows the development community to be successful while working within the code.

Bessey said she also hopes to improve customer service, to build trust within Steamboat's community of developers and provide for a more predictable and collaborative review process.

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RIVER REPORT

Yampa River Flow Sunday

Noon	67.3 cfs
6 p.m.	68.6 cfs
Average for date	108 cfs
Highest for date	318 cfs, 1929
Lowest for date	6.40 cfs, 1944

Reported in cubic feet per second at the Fifth Street Bridge as provided by the U.S. Geological Survey.

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GRANT HELPS FIGHT ADDICTION



\$150K grant will fuel opioid prevention efforts across Northwest Colorado

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