

AGENDA

for the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palisade, Colorado 341 W 7th Street (Palisade Civic Center)

May 14, 2024

6:00 pm WORK SESSION

7:00 pm Regular Meeting
A live stream of the meeting may be viewed at:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3320075780

- I. WORK SESSION 6:00 pm 6:50 pm
 - A. Committees, Boards & Commissions
 - **B.** Proclamations
 - **C.** Sunday Farmers Market Dog Policy
- II. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 pm
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. ROLL CALL
- V. AGENDA ADOPTION
- **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - **A. PUBLIC COMMENT REMINDER:** All emails sent to the Town Clerk for public comment on a specific agenda item prior to the day packets are published will be included in the staff report. Emails received after the packets are posted will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees. Any member of the public who wishes to have a statement or email read into the Minutes is required to appear in person and make said statements to the Board directly.
 - B. <u>GET INVOLVED WITH OUR COMMUNITY! UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS</u> (Palisade Civic Center 341 W 7th Street):
 - 1. Tourism Advisory Board Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 11:00 am
 - 2. **Planning Commission** Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 6:00 pm
 - 3. **Board of Trustees** Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 6:00 pm
 - **C.** <u>TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED</u> on Monday, May 27, 2024, in observance of Memorial Day.

D. 2023 Water Quality Report is now available online at:

https://palisade.colorado.gov/sites/palisade/files/documents/2024_DWQR_PALISADE.pdf or in the Town Hall office at 175 E 3rd Street.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Introduction of new Code Compliance Officer & Civil Services Technician
- B. Police Week Recognition

VIII. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- A. Awarded AGNC Grant for Downtown Planning
- B. Boat Ramp Design Concept

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is intended to allow the Board to spend its time on more complex items. These items are generally perceived as non-controversial and can be approved by a single motion. The public or any Board Member may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

A. Expenditures

• Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds – April 20, 2024 – May 9, 2024

B. Minutes

Minutes from April 23, 2024, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

C. One Riverfront Appointments

- The Town of Palisade is required to ratify the selection of the One Riverfront Commission. The following individuals were selected by the One Riverfront interview committee to serve the following terms:
 - o David Varner (reappointment term expiring July 2027)
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 - o Meg Thorton (term expiring July 2027)
 - o Jason Andrews (term expiring July 2025)
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D. RESOLUTION 2024-11 - Parklet Lease Agreement

• Resolution 2024-11 formalizes lease agreements with Diorio's of Palisade for the use of a downtown parklet.

X. PUBLIC HEARING I

A. <u>RESOLUTION 2024-12: Amending the Property Tax Levy for the 2024 Budget for the Town of Palisade</u>

The Board of Trustees will consider Resolution 2024-12 amending the Property Tax Levy for the 2024 Budget for the Town of Palisade to reflect the 2023 valuation assessment for the Town of Palisade as certified by the Mesa County Assessor.

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Public Comment (*Please limit comments to three (3) minutes or less, and state your name & address*)
- 3. Board Discussion

Decision – Motion, Second, Rollcall Vote to: <u>Approve, deny, or postpone (until May 28, 2024)</u> Resolution 2024-12 Amending the Property Tax Levy for the 2024 Budget for the Town of Palisade.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fiber Expansion in Riverbend Park

The Board of Trustees will consider directing the Town Manager to enter into contract for the construction of fiber in Riverbend Park.

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Board Discussion
- 3. Decision Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to:

<u>Approve</u>, <u>deny</u>, <u>or postpone</u> (<u>until May 28, 2024</u>) directing the Town Manager to enter into contract for the construction of fiber in Riverbend Park at an expense of \$85,000.00.

B. <u>RESOLUTION 2024-13 - Designating Those Persons Who Are Authorized To Sign</u> On Town of Palisade Bank Accounts

The Board of Trustees will consider Resolution 2024-13 designating the Mayor, Town Manager, Mayor Pro-Tem, and Town Clerk as authorized agents to sign on Town of Palisade Bank Accounts.

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Board Discussion
- 3. Decision Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to:

Approve, deny, or postpone (until May 28, 2024) Resolution 2024-13 designating the Mayor, Town Manager, Mayor Pro-Tem, and Town Clerk as authorized agents to sign on Town of Palisade Bank Accounts.

C. Boards/Committees Appointments

The Board of Trustees will choose which Boards/Committees to appoint a representative to and which elected official will be appointed to each board/committee respectively.

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Board Discussion
- 3. Decision Motion, Second, and Rollcall Vote to:

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XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

All those who wish to speak during public comment must sign up on the sheet provided outside the boardroom doors. Please keep comments to 3 MINUTES OR LESS and state your name and address. Neither the Board of Trustees nor staff will respond to comments at this time. The Board may direct staff to look into specific comments to bring back as an Agenda item at a future meeting; however, the Board reserves the right to clarify information from comments that are factually incorrect.

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

TOWN OF PALISADE - MANAGER REPORT MAY 2024

TOWN OF PALISADE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

CDOT Roundabout Highway 6

Town involvement for landscaping, art work, multi-use path

Construction scheduled late fall 2025

CDOT openhouse presentation scheduled for June 2024 to show drawings to public

RIVERBEND PARK

Boat Ramp - working with landscape architect for drawings to present public for input

Demo of old restrooms east side - construct new restrooms in fall 2025

Cottonwood pruning - tree planting

FIBER 75% COMPLETE

50% Grant Funds - 50% General Fund

CNL Complete

Town moving its IT into new room

Fiber to Town facilities and parks still under construction

Last Mile Fiber under construction with private entity Clear Networx

ELBERTA SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

Construction - January - April 2025

80% Main St. Grant - 20% General Fund

\$1.8 million grant - \$200,000 general fund

RFQ posted for Design/Engineering - need interview panel

WASTEWATER CONSOLIDATION

Construction - Winter 2026

USDA Loan/Grant

\$24 million dollar project

Surveying & design has begun

Contacting land owners of project

TAP GRANT - SIDEWALKS

Construction - Spring 2024

80% Tap Grant - 20% General Fund

Design/Engineering complete

CDOT approvals complete

In land acquisition process - need land surveyed and complete purchase for sidewalk construction

LAND USE CODE UPDATE - CAPITAL PLANS

Starting in March with Planning Commission & CPS

Design Boards being created for Capital planning with the community

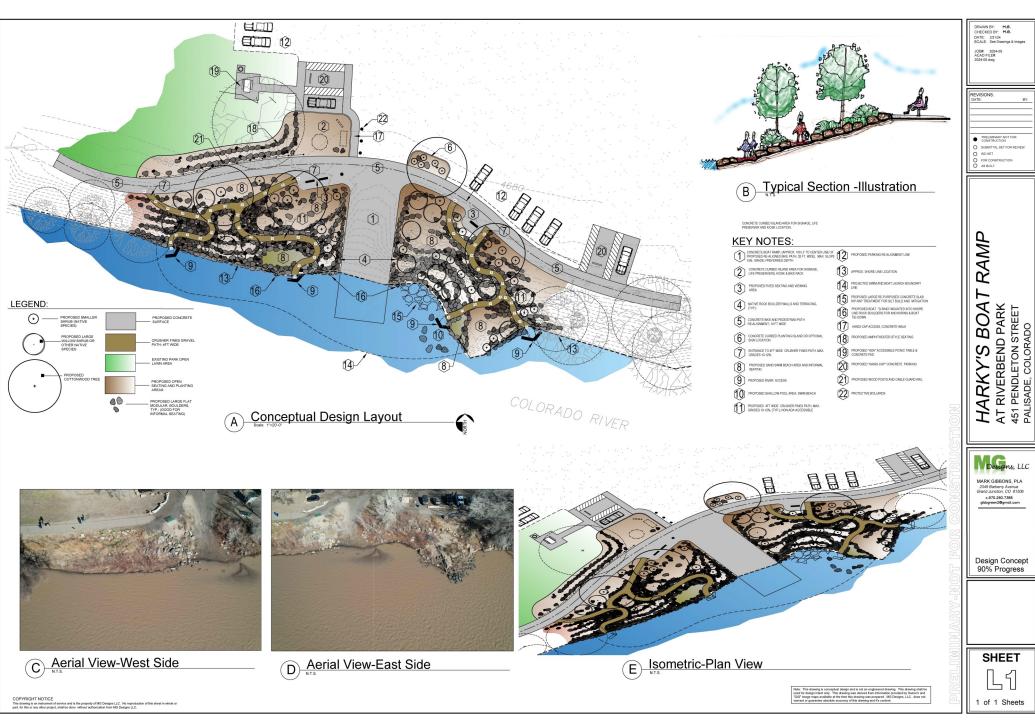
WATER METER REPLACEMENT

Complete - 2026

Purchased first set of new meters

OLD TOWN SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

Creating map of missing sidewalks



MARK GIBBONS, PLA MARK GIBBONS, PLA 2049 Barberry Avenue Grand Junction, CO 81506 c.970.260.7386 gibbgreen29gmoil.com

Design Concept 90% Progress

SHEET L1



PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Staff Report

Meeting Date: May 14, 2023

Department: Fire Department

Department Director: Charles K. Balke, Fire Chief

Comments from the Fire Chief

2024 has already proven to be a challenging year. 2023 Assessment Rates and Property Tax Adjustments. In November of 2023, the Governor signed Senate Bill 23B-001, which amended the residential assessment rates for tax year 2023. They have been reduced from 6.765% to 6.7%. In response the Colorado State Fire Chiefs has been instrumental in SB24-194 authorizing Fire Districts to seek other avenues of funding which passing the House.

I am extremely grateful to all the agencies both emergency and non-emergency, within Mesa County that responded to the apartment explosion on Iowa Avenue. We couldn't have managed this incident without the help of the Town of Palisade staff. They were called to perform tasks they are not normally expected to perform, and they all did an amazing job. In discussions with multiple individuals that have served in Mesa County, this was one of the largest and most significant events to take place. It is due to the tremendous partnerships we have that we were able to reduce the impact of such a tragic event.

Administrative Update

- The State is still trying to determine how the legislative authorized "backfill funding" will work. One component still undetermined is agencies such as Palisade Fire Department that are municipal agencies while also having a Special District responsibility.
- I continue to monitor Initiative 50 as it has been approved for the 2024 General Election ballot. This is on future funding restrictions.
- We have taken on a multitude of EMT students from the CMU Tech Program for their required third rides.
- I was requested to deploy to the Highway 50 Gunnison Bridge Closure on April 28th and extended until May 19th. Serving in the EOC Deputy IC role while also serving in the IMT Operations Section Chief role.

Personnel Update

- Both Lt. Cindy Lee and Firefighter Callista Stephen had their babies. Both welcomed healthy baby boys.
- Have two candidates for the Lieutenant Assessment Center Scheduled for Monday May 20, 2024.
- We made two offers to people for part-time Firefighter/EMT positions. One accepted and is going through the orientation process. The second was unable to accept the position due to personal reasons. We will repost for at least one more person.

• We had five applicants for the Seasonal Wildfire positions. Ended with two candidates making it to testing. Will make an offer to one of the two and repost for the position.

Training Update

- Palisade Fire is hosting the Colorado State Hazmat Training Trailer for the week of May 13 through May 19th.
- Palisade Fire Department is hosting a Colorado State sponsored Hazmat IQ Course
- We are hosting a Firefighter II Practical Test day
- The Fire Academy will have their final Live Fire Practical and Firefighter I test on Saturday May 11th.
- We hosted the Mesa County Training Officers Meeting.

Apparatus/Equipment Update

- The chassis for the new Type 6 was picked up by Southern Fire Apparatus and has been sent off for paint while the bed/box system is being built.
- Took delivery of my new command vehicle. Had to have radios moved and the slide out unit was wrong. After discussion with the vendor, in order to get the proper slide out it would be an additional \$7K and 22 weeks. It was decided to have public works build a usable system and look into the future purchase of the proper slide out.

Miscellaneous

- Gearing up for the Palisade High School Fire Academy program. We did a presentation for 15 interested students. Waiting to see how many turn in applications.
- Have a SEMTAC Grant hearing for 2 LUCAS CPR Devices

Operations

For the month of April 2024, the Palisade Fire Department responded to 67 calls. This is a decrease of 28 calls compared to this time last year. For the 2024 year to date we received 292 calls for service which is a decrease of 37 calls from 2023.

Call By Type

Call Type	Total
Fire	2
Rescue & EMS	53
Hazardous Condition	3
Service/Good Intent	6
False Alarm & False Call	2
Special Incident	1
TOTAL	67

Mutual Aid By Agency

Agency	Clifton	East Orchard Mesa	DeBeque	Other
Received	5	0	0	1
Given	2	2	0	0

Mutual Aid by Call Type

	Fire	EMS	Cancelled	Other	

Received	1	5	0	0		
Given	0	2	1	1		

Ambulance Billing – Through March

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2018	\$	582,418.60	\$	(217,279.97)	\$	(362,960.14)	\$	879.86	\$	(39,623.48)	\$	(36,565.13)	\$	148,431.75
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PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Re: Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda has been attached as a separate document for ease of reading.

Included in the consent agenda are:

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Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Presented By: Gregg Mueller, Finance Director

Department: Finance

Re: Resolution 2024-12

SUBJECT:

A Resolution of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade Amending the Property Tax Levy for the 2024 Budget for the Town of Palisade.

SUMMARY:

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on November 14, 2023 when the 2024 Budget for the Town of Palisade was approved, it was noted that once the Mesa County Assessor's Office released the Certification of Valuation, the Board may be asked to amend the budget to reflect their assessment.

The Property Tax Levy of 17.5 mills remains the same.

This resolution is required in order to allow Mesa County to collect the tax on behalf of the Town of Palisade.

BOARD DIRECTION:

Approve Resolution 2024-12 Levying General Property Taxes for the Year 2023 to Help Defray the Costs of Government for the Town of Palisade, Colorado, for the 2024 Budget Year.

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO RESOLUTION NO 2024-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO, LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2023 TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO, FOR THE 2024 BUDGET YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has adopted the annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law on November 14, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for general operating expenses and capital outlay is \$680,622; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 valuation for assessment for the Town of Palisade as certified by the County Assessor is \$38,892,680.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1. The Town of Palisade's gross mill levy is **17.5** mills.
- SECTION 2. For the purpose of meeting all general operating expenses and capital outlay of the Town of Palisade during 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a mill levy of **17.5** mills upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the Town for the year 2023.
- SECTION 3. Town Finance Director, Gregg Mueller, is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify to the County Commissioners of Mesa County, Colorado, the mill levies for the Town of Palisade as herein above determined and set.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF MAY 2024.

By Town of Palisade, Mesa County, State of Colorado

	Greg Mikolai, Mayor
Attest:	
Keli Frasier, Town Clerk	



Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Presented By: Janet Hawkinson, Town Manager

Department: Administration

Re: Fiber Expansion in Riverbend Park – 100% Town General Fund

SUMMARY:

The Town of Palisade received a grant from DOLA – Department of Local Affairs to construct the fiber middle mile from I-70 to the CNL – Carrier Neutral Location, located in the fire department building. The Town amended this grant with DOLA to include bringing fiber to all town buildings. This portion of the project is complete. The Town is still working with Region 10 to complete the buildout of CNL.

The Town can build fiber into Riverbend Park for \$85,000. This project is not part of the DOLA Grant. The Town would need to pay the full amount from the General Fund.

The benefits of fiber in Riverbend Park include:

- -fiber for vendors at various festivals to provide business transactions a total of 4 festivals, at 7 days a year.
- -installation of NOLA police security cameras 24-hour surveillance of the park and during festivals with large crowds for extra security
- -fiber for general local use for park visitors

BOARD DIRECTION:

Give direction to the Town Manager to enter into contract for the construction of fiber in Riverbend Park at an expense of \$85,000 or decline the project.



Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Presented By: Janet Hawkinson, Town Manager

Department: Administration

Re: Resolution 2024-13 Designating Authorized Town Bank Signers

SUBJECT:

A Resolution of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade, Colorado, Designating Those Persons Who are Authorized to Sign on Town Bank Accounts

SUMMARY:

For bank transactions conducted by the Town of Palisade, it is mandatory to have two signatures for verification and approval. These two signatures must come from an elected official and a member of staff. The Mayor and Town Manager are responsible for being the primary signers of Town bank accounts. In the event the Mayor or the Manager can't sign, the Town Clerk and Mayor Pro-Tem are designated as backup signers. The Finance Director and Accountants do not sign checks as they manage the town accounting. This is a multi-step process with multiple signatures for security, accuracy, and oversight. These multiple authorization signatures on the bank accounts allows for a division of power, a prevention of encroachment, and a prevention of impropriety.

Every election year, if a new Mayor Pro-Tem is appointed, the bank records must be updated in accordance with this policy.

BOARD DIRECTION:

Approve Resolution 2024-13

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO RESOLUTION NO. 2024-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO, DESIGNATING THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON TOWN BANK ACCOUNTS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO:

Section 1. The following persons are authorized signatories for all bank or financial institution accounts maintained by the Town of Palisade:

- A. Greg Mikolai, Mayor
- B. Jamie Somerville, Mayor Pro Tempore
- C. Janet Hawkinson, Town Administrator
- D. Keli L. Frasier, Town Clerk

All checks or other instruments evidencing the withdrawal of Town funds from any bank or other financial institution shall be signed by Mayor Greg Mikolai or Mayor Pro Tempore Jamie Somerville <u>and</u> by Janet Hawkinson, Town Administrator, or Keli L. Frasier, Town Clerk.

<u>Section 2.</u> All Resolutions of the Town of Palisade, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

RESOLVED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14th day of May 2024.

TOWN OF PALISADE, COLORADO

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		5 -	Greg Mikolai, Mayor
By:			
•	rk, Keli L. Frasier		



Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Presented By: Mayor Mikolai

Re: Boards/Committees Appointments

SUBJECT:

Appointments of designated election officials to represent the Town of Palisade at various Boards/Committees.

SUMMARY:

The Board appoints Trustees to represent the Town on boards and committees throughout Mesa County. Some Boards/Committees have voting power for the appropriation of funds, and other Boards/Committees offer support and aid communication efforts.

BOARD DIRECTION:

Vote on which committees the Palisade Board of Trustees will appoint representation to.

Appoint an elected official as representative of the Town of Palisade on each individual Board and/or Committee.