



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
April 25, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Greg Mikolai with Trustees present: Bill Carlson, Jamie Somerville, Nicole Maxwell, Stan Harbaugh, and Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner. Trustee Thea Chase was absent. A quorum was declared. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, and Community Development Director Brian Rusche.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

*Motion #1* by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was requested  
Motion carried unanimously

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Town Manager Janet Hawkinson reviewed her Town Manager report and updated the Board on current projects.

*The consensus of the Board of Trustees is to have Town Attorney Jim Neu present information regarding the Waste Management contract in May.*

**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 the Board members may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.*

- **Expenditures**  
Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds – April 6, 2023 – April 20, 2023
- **Minutes**  
Minutes from the April 11, 2023, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
- **2023 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)** with the City of Grand Junction for management services for the Palisade Municipal Swimming Pool

*Motion #2* by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Maxwell, Trustee Harbaugh, Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, Trustee Somerville, Trustee Carlson

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

**NEW ITEMS**

**Interviews and Appointments for the Tourism Advisory Board**

All applicants that weren't being interviewed were asked to leave the chambers while the Board of Trustees conducted individual interviews.

Those being interviewed were Brooke McElley, Ryan Robinson, and Tim Wenger.

*A copy of the information submitted to the Board of Trustees by applicant Tim Wenger will be a permanent attachment to these minutes.*

*A copy of the silent vote results will be a permanent attachment to these minutes.*

**Motion #3** by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, seconded by Trustee Somerville, to appoint Ryan Robinson and Tim Wenger to the Palisade Tourism Advisory Board for a two-year term ending in February 2025.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Trustee Maxwell, Trustee Harbaugh, Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, Trustee Somerville, Trustee Carlson, Mayor Mikolai

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

**Resolution 2023-08 - Parklet Lease Agreements**

Community Development Director reviewed the staff report and responded to questions and concerns from various members of the Board.

Local business owner Jeff Snook (Fidel's Cocina Restaurant) spoke in favor of the agreement.

Local Business owner Becky Davis (Nana's Fruit & Jam Shack) asked for clarification on various points of the agreement.

**Motion #4** by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to approve Resolution 2023-08 formalizing parklet lease agreements for Fidel's Cocina, Slice O' Life Bakery, 357 Bar & Grill, Nana's Fruit & Jam Shack, Pêche Restaurant, and Diorio's of Palisade.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Trustee Harbaugh, Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, Trustee Somerville, Trustee Carlson, Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Maxwell

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

**Purchase of UTV for Year-Round Watershed Access**

Town Manager Hawkinson introduced Brian Flenniken and Mathew Beehler of the Public Works Department, who gave a brief presentation of their request to purchase a UTV for the water department.

*A copy of the presentation will be a permanent attachment to these minutes.*

**Motion #5** by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to direct the Town Manager to purchase a UTV for the Public Works Department for an amount not to exceed \$22,794.00 plus \$199.00 for delivery fees.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, Trustee Somerville, Trustee Carlson, Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Maxwell, Trustee Harbaugh

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

**Fiber to Parks and Government Buildings**

Town Manager Hawkinson reviewed the staff report and responded to questions and concerns from various members of the Board.

**Motion #6** by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Somerville, to direct the Mayor to send a letter requesting a Change of Scope to the DOLA fiber grant to include fiber build-out to all Town parks and buildings and to give direction to the Town Manager to enter into a contract for Fiber build-out to town parks & buildings.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Trustee Somerville, Trustee Carlson, Mayor Mikolaj, Trustee Maxwell, Trustee Harbaugh, Mayor Pro-Tem Turner

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None was offered.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board members briefly explained the various meetings they had recently attended.

*The consensus of the Board is to schedule Sam Light with CIRSA to give a presentation to the Tourism Advisory Board on their roles & duties at an upcoming meeting.*

*The consensus of the Board is to install security cameras at all Town owned parks and public areas.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion #7** by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm.

A voice vote was requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

X

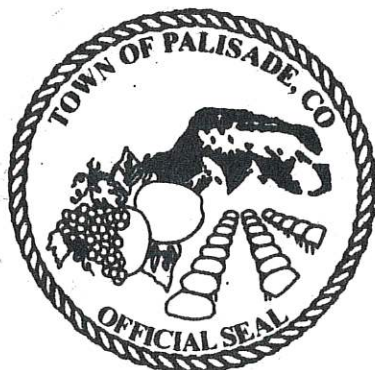
*Greg Mikolaj*

Greg Mikolaj  
Mayor

X

*Keli Frasier*

Keli Frasier  
Town Clerk



## **Projects I've worked on:**

Served on website committee for development of new Visit Palisade website

Toured around Palisade with several visiting journalists and connected them with local businesses for quotes, photos, and info

Delivered maps by bicycle around town

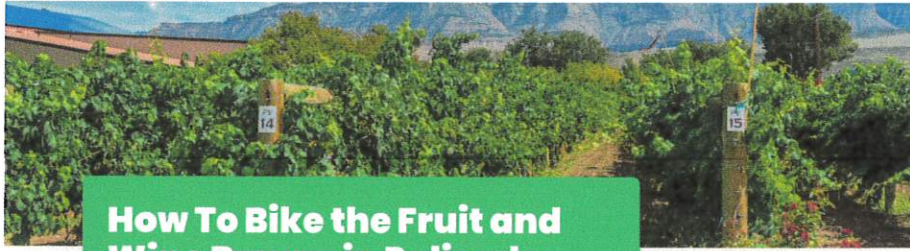
Toured Slate marketing agency up onto Bookcliffs to produce photos and video content for social media, website, and promotional materials

## **What I hope to accomplish in Term 2:**

Now that the website is done, I plan to propose a committee to develop a "Sustainable Tourism Plan" for Palisade that promotes responsible visitation and use of our public lands, local businesses, and hospitality. This plan will be an update to what is already on the Visit Palisade website, developed in conjunction with input from local business owners and residents, and incorporating Leave No Trace principles.

Continue to be a vocal proponent of quality media coverage for Palisade, building our own brand as not a suburb of Grand Junction but as a unique destination with offerings not found anywhere else in Colorado.

# Stories written by me:



## How To Bike the Fruit and Wine Byway in Palisade, Colorado

CYCLING, INSIDER GUIDES, WINE, COLORADO, UNITED STATES

Trending Now in Outdoor



## Colorado's New Palisade Plunge Is the Ultimate Mountain Bike Mega-Trail

CYCLING, NATIONAL PARKS, COLORADO, UNITED STATES

Trending Now in Outdoor

1 Video Shows Tourists



## How Mountain Biking Helped Me Rediscover My Love for the Outdoors

CYCLING, NARRATIVE, COLORADO, UNITED STATES

Trending Now in Outdoor

1 Video Shows Tourists  
Almost I Love Kids To Huna

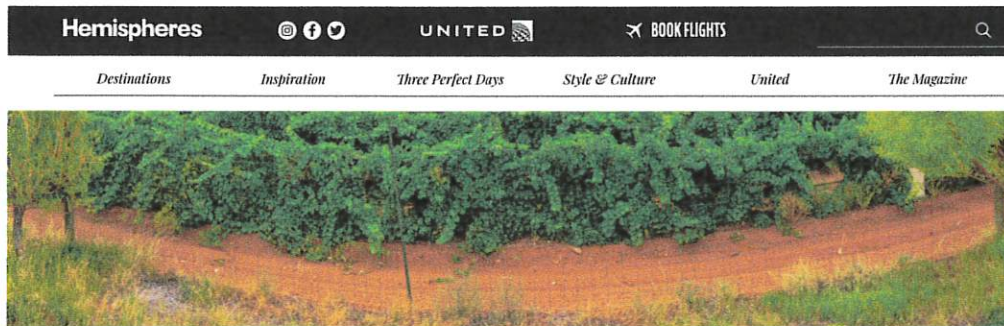


300 Lakes Vi

## These Ski Resorts Step Up Their Lodging by Sizing Down To Tiny Homes

EPIC STAYS, UNITED STATES

# Stories I've assisted/toured Palisade with writer



A vineyard at The Ordinary Fellow / Photo: John Fieldler

## Colorado's Grand Valley Is a Wine Region to Watch

✈️ BOOK FLIGHTS TO COLORADO

By Mirhadiac DeBorja

Colorado may be known for its beer, but in recent years

**entlize**

CITIES + NEWS TRAVEL EAT DRINK

DENVER + TRAVEL + CHEAP THINGS TO DO

### 6 Reasons to Drive to Palisade, Colorado

This small town rivals Napa's wine scene and has Mile High adventure.

By Abby Maddigan

Published on 9/20/2022 at 4:14 PM



ADVENTURE

### Palisade Plunge Is Colorado's Epic New Mountain Bike Trail

Colorado's Palisade Plunge gives plenty of opportunities to walk and ride.

Don't be afraid of America's most epic new mountain bike trail.

Eugene Buchanan · Nov 29, 2021 8:28 PM EST





# Board of Trustees Regular Meeting April 25, 2023

## TAB Appointment Tally Sheet

(Individual Board Member Votes Will Be Attached to This Sheet as a Permanent Attachment to the 03/14/2023 Minutes)

**Vote 1**

	<u>McElley, Brooke</u>	<u>Robinson, Ryan</u>	<u>Wenger, Tim</u>	
<u>Mayor Greg Mikolai</u>		1	1	
<u>Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner</u>		1	1	
<u>Trustee Thea Chase</u>	Absent			
<u>Trustee Bill Carlson</u>	1	1		
<u>Trustee Jamie Somerville</u>		1	1	
<u>Trustee Nicole Maxwell</u>		1	1	
<u>Trustee Stan Harbaugh</u>	1		1	
<b>Total:</b>	2	5	5	

**Vote 2**

	<u>McElley, Brooke</u>	<u>Robinson, Ryan</u>	<u>Wenger, Tim</u>	
<u>Mayor Greg Mikolai</u>				
<u>Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner</u>				
<u>Trustee Thea Chase</u>				
<u>Trustee Bill Carlson</u>				
<u>Trustee Jamie Somerville</u>				
<u>Trustee Nicole Maxwell</u>				
<u>Trustee Stan Harbaugh</u>				
<b>Total:</b>				

**Votes Counted and Verified By:**

  
 Keli Frasier, Town Clerk

## Trustee Bill Carlson

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim

## Trustee Stan Harbaugh

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim

## Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim

## Mayor Greg Mikolai

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim

## Trustee Jamie Somerville

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim

## Trustee Nicole Maxwell

Tourism Advisory Board Appointment

04/25/2023

Vote for Two

<input type="checkbox"/>	McElley, Brooke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robinson, Ryan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wenger, Tim



# UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE PROPOSAL

## FOR YEAR-ROUND ACCESS TO TOWN OF PALISADE WATERSHED

Brian Flenniken - Treatment ORC, Class A, CWP

Matthew Beehler - Class A, CWP



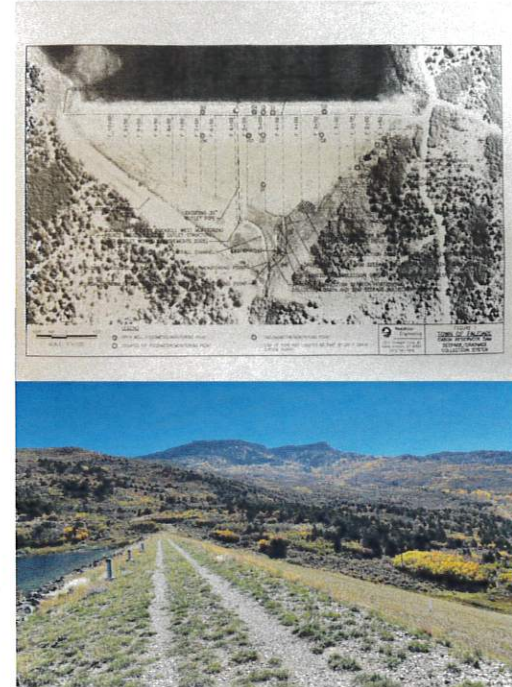
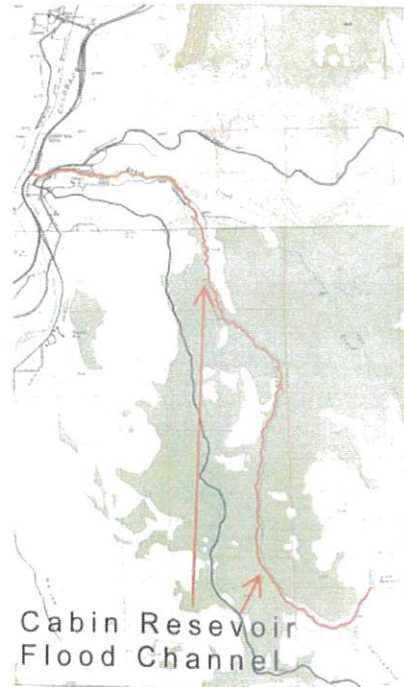
## WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK

- Cabin Reservoir Dam Piezometer Readings
- Infrastructure Maintenance (Pipes/valves/spring boxes)
- Source Water Accessibility
- Inspection of unauthorized land use
- Source Water Sampling/Analysis



## CABIN RESERVOIR DAM

- The integrity of the Town's high-risk Dam at Cabin Reservoir is paramount. In the event of a catastrophic failure, the flood plain leads directly to I-70. Loss of life and complete destruction of Eastbound and Westbound lanes of the highway are guaranteed in the event of a failure.
- To prevent this, we read piezometer sites on the dam monthly, but winter access is currently impossible.



## THE NEED FOR YEAR-ROUND ACCESS

- A rough access road leads to increased wear and tear on typical equipment.
- Winter months provide large amounts of snow making access impossible in typical equipment.
- Snowmelt increases rockfall and access issues which must be remedied on a yearly basis.



# UTV WILL PROVIDE YEAR-ROUND ACCESS TO ACCOMPLISH OUR GOALS



## 2023 PIONEER 1000-5 TRAIL SPECIFICATIONS\*

### ENGINE

Engine Type	999cc liquid-cooled longitudinally mounted parallel-twin four-stroke
Bore And Stroke	92.0mm x 75.1mm
Compression Ratio	10:1
Valve Train	Unicam® SOHC; four valves per cylinder
Induction	Fuel Injection (PGM-FI), 44mm throttle body

### DRIVE TRAIN

Transmission	Six-speed automatic Dual-Clutch Transmission (DCT) with reverse; four drive modes include 2WD, 4WD, Turf and Differential lock; paddle shifters with three shift modes (standard, sport, and manual)
Driveline	Direct front and rear driveshafts

### CHASSIS SUSPENSION BRAKES

Front Suspension	Independent double-wishbone; 10.5-inch travel
Rear Suspension	Independent double-wishbone; 10.0-inch travel
Front Brakes	Dual 210mm hydraulic discs
Rear Brakes	Dual 210mm hydraulic discs
Front Tires	27 x 9-14
Rear Tires	27 x 11-14

### DIMENSIONS

Length	119.2 inches
Width	63.0 inches
Height	76.5 inches
Wheelbase	80.2 inches
Bed Capacity	1000 pounds for 49-state models; 600 pounds for CA model
Towing Capacity	2500 pounds
Seat Height	33.1 inches
Ground Clearance	12.3 inches
Turning Radius	13.8 feet
Curb Weight	1777 pounds - Includes all standard equipment, required fluids and full tank of fuel.
Fuel Capacity	7.9 gallons, including 1.7-gallon reserve

- High Clearance for rough roads
- Utility focused for increased work efficiency
- Ability to be fitted with tracks for snowy conditions
- Previous “solutions” have proven ineffective as well as unsafe (snowshoes/hiking in, snowmobiles etc.) and the Pioneer will address our watershed transportation needs for years to come.
- Price: \$22,794.00 + \$199.00 delivery fee

**QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**