



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
October 25, 2022**

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

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

*Motion #1* by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was requested  
Motion carried unanimously

**PRESENTATIONS**

Finance Director Travis Boyd presented the Palisade Sunday Farmers Market Team, including Parks, Recreation, and Events Director Troy Ward, Sunday Market Coordinator Seraphina Hunter, and Events Assistant Rebecca Loucks, and Mechanic David Johns, with two 2022 Best of the West Awards (gold for the best family event, and silver for the best farm and produce).

Town of Palisade Police Chief Stanford and Sgt. Post presented Police Records Manager Carrie Coughran with a plaque and a letter of commendation for her services to the Town and the Police Department.

Trustee Nicole Maxwell presented information on school programs. *Note: This information will be a permanent attachment to these minutes.*

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

At 6:19 pm Mayor Pro-Tem Turner called for a brief recess to visit the construction site for the new community clinic for a visual update on its progress.

The meeting was called back to order at 6:24 pm.

Town Manager Hawkinson gave a brief update, including photos, of the Vincent Reservoir dam project.

**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 – October 6, 2022 – October 19, 2022

- **Minutes**

Minutes from the October 11, 2022, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

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

A roll call vote was requested.

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

**No:**

**Absent:** Mayor Mikolai

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Resolution 2022-24 - Multi-Modal Grant Application – “Connecting Our Community”***

Town Manager Hawkinson reviewed her staff report, reiterating that the Town would like to apply for a \$600,000.00 no-match grant to pay for a significant component of the Elberta Avenue Multi-Modal improvements project.

Trustee Chase asked for clarification on the total project cost and if this grant, if approved, would cover the cost in its entirety. Town Manager Hawkinson replied that the total project cost is \$1.8 Million, and if this grant is approved, it will cover all costs associated with the project (excluding the already approved grant, which includes a Town match of \$200,000.00)

*Motion #3* by Trustee Chase, seconded by Trustee Somerville, to adopt Resolution 2022-24 supporting the application for a \$600,000.00 multimodal grant.

A voice vote was requested.

Motion carried unanimously

***ORDINANCE 2022-17: International Energy Conservation Code Adoption***

Town Attorney Jim Neu stated that Ordinance 2022-17 was before the Board as a *First-Reading*, and would be considered for approval at the November 15, 2022, meeting. He and Community Development Director Brian Rusche explained that this ordinance is more of a formality as it is required by both State and County building officials.

*Motion #4* by Trustee Harbaugh, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, to set the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2022-17 for November 15, 2022, and to direct the Town Clerk to publish the notice thereof.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

**No:**

**Absent:** Mayor Mikolai

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Roger Granat, 810 Lincoln Court; enlightened the Board of Trustees about the history of Vincent Reservoir.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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


**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion #5 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 pm.

A voice vote was requested.

Motion carried.

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Greg Mikolai  
Mayor

X 11/15/22  
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Keli Frasier  
Town Clerk  




## Notes from PAC meeting at PHS RE: Palisade Youth Council 10/4/2022;

1. There is already a great deal happening within different clubs at PHS in terms of community outreach, planning and execution of youth related events, etc. it may be better for TOP to meet with leaders of clubs to get a good idea of what is already happening at PHS as to not duplicate efforts.
2. Club leaders to sign up on TOP Website to start receiving BOT Agenda
3. Is there still a TOP newsletter? If so can PHS advertise their events?
4. TOP can put local events in Palisade Paw Post- PHS newsletter
5. Have BOT members assigned to PHS to meet with club leaders and Student Council as a "check-in"
6. Develop rotation schedule for Student Council, Clubs, Sports programs, etc. at PHS to present to BOT 1x per mo- what is the purpose of the club, what are they currently working on, how can the TOP/BOT help?
7. When forming a youth council be aware that only 20% of the students who attend PHS live w/i the 81526 area, may need to consider opening up to students who fall within the articulation area rather than by zip code.
8. Suggestion to NOT limit participation to students who have stellar grades, extracurricular activities, etc. but rather not be inclined to "stifle" creativity by creating parameters in with students would have to "fit" to participate in PYC.

# Palisade Youth Council

The Palisade Youth Council (YAC) is designed to engage youth and utilize their particular insight and opinions on issues affecting youth within our community. The Council will be composed of youth representatives from Palisade High School and will serve to:

1. Help local youth acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for how Civic Government operates
2. Present the Board of Trustees with thoughtful recommendations on issues concerning youth, assist town staff in considering youth perspectives in its planning efforts and provide youth with opportunities to give back to their community in the form of community service projects
3. To serve the youth of this community by:
  - A. Informing town government of the needs and wishes of the youth
  - B. Working alongside Clubs already in place at PHS, the PYC will help plan and implement activities and programs which promote a safe, healthy and positive environment for youth
  - C. PHS Student Council and Clubs present to the BOT the missions/goals/purpose of their Club in an effort to gain an understanding of how the TOP and BOT can take a more active role in supporting the local youth in their extracurricular endeavors

**In order to achieve the established goals of the program, the PYC would:**

1. Attend regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meetings
2. Identified BOT "mentors" host bi-weekly meetings at PHS to obtain feedback about upcoming meeting agenda items and host planning sessions for project ideas, community events, etc.
3. Assist with a variety of Town events
4. Provide presentations to the Board of Trustees, advising them on matters affecting youth, ongoing projects, and continued matters of discussion
5. Make specific recommendations for youth programs, activities, and opportunities to enhance youth engagement within Palisade
6. Serve as a forum for the expansion of ideas, needs, concerns, and goals relating to community issues, particularly as they may affect youth
7. Enlist community-wide participation in resolving youth concerns
8. Initiate and encourage youth-driven service projects

## **Why a youth council?**

**According to the Census Bureau, 24.6% of the U.S. population is under the age of 18. It goes without saying that young people are the future of our communities. Therefore, it is vitally important that they are vested with the knowledge, skills, abilities and desire to be the next generation of local leaders. In addition, when adult leaders of the community invest in youth it can have these positive impacts as well;**

Prevention of high-risk health behaviors in adolescents

Increased self-esteem

Development of leadership and other soft skills

Better understanding of local policies and governance

Enhance youth interest and propensity to engage in community service

Increased awareness of opportunities in the local community and beyond

Facilitate career interest and development in public service

Youth provide relevant information that leads to better-informed decision making

## **What will this youth council to “look like”?**

2-3 adult mentors, perhaps 2 BOT and 1 TOP Staff?

??? number of youth representatives- application process or open forum???

In-formal format; 2-3 adult mentors committed to meeting with students at PHS on a bi-weekly basis to discuss the meeting agenda, answer questions, bring feedback to the BOT, obtain updates from PHS students on what's happening at PHS, requests for TOP or BOT input, support, etc.

## **What are the goals of the youth council?**

Provide input on issues within TOP affecting youth

Provide youth a greater knowledge and appreciation of municipal government

Provide youth a greater sense of “community”

## **When will the PYC have its first meeting?**

Within the next 3 months?

## How do we organize and implement PYC?

1. Host an interest meeting to hear ideas from youth before the PYC is established, use this meeting to define the following;
  - a. Clearly define the purpose and intended outcomes of the PYC
  - b. Outline the benefits to youth and the community of participating in a youth council
  - c. Develop a youth council constitution- set of rules, expectations, policies, etc.
  - d. Determine the most ideal meeting arrangements- day, time, location
  - e. Brainstorm ideas to address as a youth council. Ask students what they think!
2. Secure any needed resources and reach out to potential community partners
3. Develop an application process, guidelines for participation
4. Recruit, recruit, recruit
5. Host first meeting

# PHS Clubs – 2022/2023

## **FBLA**

**Ms. Wright**

**220D**

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is a local, state and national organization for students who are interested in developing their leadership skills. The purpose of FBLA is to prepare members for careers in business and to assist them by becoming better employees and citizens. Not sure if you are interested in a business career? That is OKAY! FBLA helps any student develop leadership abilities, strengthen the confidence in themselves and their work, and offers a setting where members compete at regional, state and national levels in business and technology curriculum.

We travel to conferences in Grand Junction, Vail, Denver, and hopefully after winning at district competition, then state competition, will go to a national convention at a large city in the United States. You have the opportunity to network with students around the state and gain valuable leadership skills that will help you throughout life. There will be fundraisers and participation in community service. Our meetings are on club day and we have an after school activity once per month.

## **FCA**

**Mr. Steele**

**135A**

The purpose of FCA is to bring Christian athletes together to see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of athletes and coaches. As a club we meet every club day in room 135A. Other activities include sending kids to summer sports camps, going on retreats, and encouraging students to get involved. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is touching millions of lives...one heart at a time. Since 1954, FCA has been challenging coaches and athletes on the professional, college, high school, junior high and youth levels to use the powerful platform of sport to reach every coach and every athlete with the transforming power of Jesus Christ. FCA focuses on serving local communities around the globe by engaging, equipping and empowering coaches and athletes to unite, inspire and change the world through the gospel.

## **FCCLA**

**Mrs. Talley**

**185DR**

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) offers members the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life—planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication—all necessary within the home and workplace. FCCLA is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by members. It is the only Career and Technical in-school Student Organization with family as its central focus.

FCCLA members will strengthen skills, forge friendships, and make a positive difference in today's world through participation in Competitive Events, serving in leadership positions, attending conferences locally and across the nation, networking with youth leaders, and attaining essential college- and career-ready skills.



## PHS Clubs – 2022/2023

### **FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics Team Mr. Simpson/Mr. Franklin 197C**

We will meet weekly to learn about building and programming robots. Our robotics team will enter regional FIRST Tech Challenge meets with other high schools starting in the winter. Our focus is the completion of cooperative tasks, team building, and learning new skills. No prior experience required.

### **Chill Quest Mrs. Rush 149B**

High School can be stressful. Everyone has different pressures whether they be social, academic, athletic, or otherwise. That is why we made Chil Quest. When you come to Chil Quest you do whatever is best for you. You can do homework, talk to your friends, watch shows with us, or whatever else will help to make your week a little more enjoyable. So come to Chil Quest once a week during club hours, it's chill.

### **LGBTQIA+ Alliances Club Mrs. Niebla 201C**

This club will be a safe space for any student, with the goal of creating a helpful and safe learning environment. Each week we'll discuss different gender identities and sexualities. Leaving the rest of the time up for open discussion about personal experience and/or questions, comments, or concerns. This club is welcome to all students (allies welcome!). Come join us to share your experiences, learn and enjoy a safe space full of welcoming people.

### **Disc Golf Club Ms. Knox 324W**

Join the Disc Golf Club at PHS to learn more about the sport, how to play, or continue to master your craft! Bring your own discs to start with! Come chat with Mrs Knox on club days if you are interested in joining the Disc Golf Club!

### **Spanish Club Ms. Rojas Loza 309W**

It is for Spanish students who would like to discuss and implement fund raising activities to help the language department, as well as participate in Spanish language activities.

### **Football Club Ms. Selldan Counseling Office**

Do you love to play football? If so, come join us on the practice field behind the school!

### **Design Club Mr. Moore 301W**

This club will be all about the marketing and business side of art! In the design club our team will have the capability to design and produce many different things for the school or community or even personal projects. We will work on anything from designing logos, or design posters, or even producing printed shirts for individuals or organizations. Let's have fun and make awesome art together!

### **D&D Club Mrs. Geis 321W**

The dnd club is a club for adventure, and being what you want in a fantasy world. We work not only to have a fun tabletop experience but to also work on valuable traits like teamwork and problem-solving. So if you like adventure and fantasy the dnd club is for you!

Youth Expo;

Host event that exposes youth to a variety of recreation, career, community, mental health, etc. services that already exist within their community-

DOW

Cameo

Powderhorn

Youth Groups/Churches

Sports-

Grand Valley Youth Football

Baseball Clubs

Soccer

Rugby

Disc Golf

Grand Junction Parks and Rec Dept.

Math and Science Center

High 5 Robotics Club

Lego League

Instrument Lessons/Music Shops

Boy and Girl Scouts

4H

Partners

Mind Springs

CMU/WCCC

IT Programs

Nutrition/Cooking

Partner with Chamber to host meet and greet event-

Local businesses and local youth interaction

Local businesses present "a day in the life" pertaining to their specific business

Organize TOP Career Day

Students at PHS get an opportunity to shadow and Q & A with TOP staff and see what it's like to work for a local municipality and hopefully sparking interest in future career paths.

## **Service Projects/Community Events**

Volunteer at Palisade Farmers Market-setup/teardown, carry items to vehicles, etc.

Food Drive

Clothing Drive

Work with local animal shelters on adoption drives and supply donations

Community game days

Community beautification projects

Fire, EMS and Police Appreciation-Thank you notes and goodie bags

Healthcare Appreciation- Thank you notes and goodie bags

Tutoring services to middle and elementary students

Music in the Park events- PHS Band is a favorite among Palisidians

Partner with the Migrant Center to make welcome kits with needed items for migrant workers

School Supply and Backpack drive

Help aging community member's complete chores around their house and yard

Visit aging community members living at local nursing homes, organize a crafting event

Holiday gift/toy drive

Easter egg hunt

Candy Cane hunt

Community Street Dance

Community Meals

Dog Walking (\$)

Playground clean-up

Partner with Palisade Chamber of Commerce and volunteer at local events

Community Health Fair

Community Scavenger Hunt

Story Time for toddlers

Halloween Party/Fall Festival (\$)

## **Activities for local youth**

CPR Classes

Life Skills Classes ie: Cooking, Money Management, Vehicle Maintenance, Resume Building, Interview Skills, etc.

Game nights

Movie nights

Bowling

Youth bike ride around Palisade

Learn a new hobby event ie; knitting, painting, robotics, etc.

Dodgeball

Volleyball

Basketball

Flag Football

Baseball

Fitness classes

Hiking outing

River Float (with experienced guides)

Pool Party

Dance lessons + dance party

Yoga

Ski/Snowboard field trip to Powderhorn

BMX Challenge

Skateboard Challenge/lessons

Take a walking history tour of Palisade- with Palisade History Museum staff

Shadow a First Responder

Career Day/Shadow Town Staff ie; Town Manager, Town Clerk, Community Planning, Accountant, etc.

College Expo

Go to a GJ Rockies game

Go to CMU games, football, basketball, soccer, etc.

Play a round of golf

Camping Trip- Chaperoned

Arts and crafts day

Glow Stick hide and seek

"Minute to Win It" games

Photo scavenger hunt

Organized games

Charades

Lock-In

## **Fun Fundraising**

5k or Walk-a-Thon

Video game marathon

Gift wrapping (Christmas)

Car Wash

Dog Wash

Youth Talent Show

Craft Night/Craft Show

Bake Sale

Organize a community yard sale

Town carnival

Bingo Night

Trivia Nights

Karaoke Nights

Senior Prom

Parent's night out

Flocking: Place flamingos in someone's yard, a donation gets the flock removed and the donor chooses where the flamingos go next

Golf Tournament

Mystery Dinner Theatre

Crosswalk mural painting- partner with Palisade Art Vision (PAV)?

Painting classes

Offer Summer sports/activities for elementary and younger in summer

Bike repair clinic

Community Change Jars

Home decoration and teardown for Holidays

Sell T-Shirts (other swag)- host a design competition for best Palisade themed design

Custom Calendar sales-host a design contest

Create a cookbook

Haunted House

"Play It Again" sale- used sporting equipment

Christmas Ornament creation and sales

Pooper Scoopers

Chuck-a Duck Paint a large target on a tarp. Sell rubber ducks that participants decorate. Closest to the bulls eye wins. Create brackets or make it a double elimination event.

Caroling for Cash. Sure it's fun to carol for goodwill, but accept tips for your cause this year

Pet Parade - Charge an entry fee. Ribbons go to Best Dressed, Biggest, Smallest, even Best Smile

Dinner Service. Make dinners or sell BBQ on a Friday night – when no one wants to cook. Schedule the pick-up from 4-6pm, on the way home from work and activities

Gingerbread House Kit - Put supplies (graham crackers, icing, gumdrops, etc.) in a cute bag, tied with a ribbon. Now, purchasers can even re-gift it!

Community Spaghetti Dinner

Breakfast w/ Santa