



**AGENDA**  
for the Board of Trustees  
of the Town of Palisade, Colorado  
341 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street (Palisade Civic Center BOARD ROOM)

**February 24, 2026**

**6:00 pm Regular Meeting**

A live stream of the meeting may be viewed at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3320075780>

**Town Hall**  
**State of Veterans Memorial Community Center**  
**to Follow the Meeting**

- I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 pm
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. AGENDA ADOPTION
- V. ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - A. GET INVOLVED WITH OUR COMMUNITY! UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (Palisade Civic Center, 341 W 7<sup>th</sup> Street):
    - 1. **Planning Commission** – Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 6:00 pm
    - 2. **Board of Trustees** – Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 6:00 pm
    - 3. **Planning Commission** – Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 6:00 pm
    - 4. **Tourism Advisory Commission** – Wednesday, March 18, at 9:00 am
    - 5. **Board of Trustees** – Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 6:00 pm
  - B. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT: CANDIDATE FORUM – The Palisade Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 2026 Board of Trustees Candidate Forum on **Thursday, February 26, 2026, at the Palisade High School auditorium (3679 G Road) at 6:00 pm.** All Town of Palisade voters are encouraged to attend to learn more about the candidates running for office.
  - C. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT: CANDIDATE MEET & GREET – The Town of Palisade is hosting the 2026 Board of Trustees Candidate Meet & Greet on **Thursday, March 5, 2026, at the Historic Palisade Gymnasium (711 Iowa Avenue) from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.** All Town of Palisade voters are encouraged to attend this informal gathering to meet the candidates and learn more about them.
  - D. SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL HOUR – Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Palisade Gymnasium (711 Iowa Avenue), in conjunction with Meals on Wheels.

## VI. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

## VII. 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 – January 28, 2026 – February 10, 2026

### B. Minutes

- Minutes from February 10, 2026, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

### C. Mesa County Culvert Support Letter

## VIII. 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.

All emails sent to the Town Clerk for public comment will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees. **Any member of the public who wishes to have a statement or email read to the Board of Trustees is required to appear in person and make said statements to the Board directly.**

## IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

## X. ADJOURNMENT

**XI. VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTER TOWN HALL**

**A. Veterans Memorial Community Center Discussion**

This Town Hall will be available on Zoom following the meeting; however, no public comment will be heard on Zoom. **Public comments will only be heard by those attending in person.**

1. Palisade Historical Society – History of Building
2. State of Building - Introduction
3. CIRSA Report
4. FCI Construction
  - a. Building Codes
  - b. Cost Estimates
  - c. New Build vs Remodel vs Park Upgrades
5. Board Discussion
6. Public Comment - **Please keep comments to 3 MINUTES OR LESS and state your name and address.**

**Town Manager Report Capital Construction Project List Updates 2.24.2026**

Wastewater Consolidation to Clifton Sanitation District Construction Estimate: \$12 M

- Phase of Project: Bids for Construction due February 18, 2026

Roundabout Highway 6 – CDOT Town: \$400,000 CDOT \$15M

- The project started in January 2026. Estimated Completion 1/2027
- This is a CDOT project – the Town is participating with bike delineators, landscaping, street lighting, and roundabout interior signage/art?
- The Town is using dark sky solar lights at the intersection.

Multi-Modal Path for West Side of Elberta Grant with CDOT \$1.8 M

- The path is from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Wine Valley Road. Includes new pedestrian bridges over the canal.
- The Town began easement acquisition in January 2026
- Estimate construction to begin in Fall 2026.

Riverbend Park Boat Launch Safety Improvements Town \$125,000

- Town Staff is currently constructing safety improvements, grading, and terracing for improved access to the Colorado River.
- Lowering the grade of the boat launch towards the river for safer access.
- Expected to be completed by Spring.

Peach Bowl Park & Pool Planning Colorado Health Foundation Grant \$50,000

- The Town awarded a planning grant for upgrades to Peach Bowl Park & Pool.
- Planning Palooza was held—presentation on input to be presented in upcoming meetings.

Sewer Lagoon Reclamation Planning CO Parks & Wildlife Grant \$80,000

- The Town awarded a planning grant for future use of the sewer lagoon area.
- Planning Documents: \$50,000 from CPW Grant 2025
- Palisade to match \$20,000 cash, Ducks Unlimited match \$10,000 in-kind (for engineering staff on plans), and Rivers Edge West \$1,000 in-kind (for public engagement)

K-9 Unit Police Department Federal Mineral Grant \$48,000

- Training begins in June, when school is out. Grant is for a K-9 dog & training.
- In-kind match by the Town for personnel, vehicle, and support of the unit.

Land Use Code Update DOLA grant \$20,000 Total \$40,000

- Grant Complete – Project finishing with updated Zoning Map approval this winter.

Pretreatment Wastewater Program Implementation

- The Town is focusing on the pretreatment wastewater program. This has been a multi-year project. Pretreatment means adding tanks to sewer systems to trap waste that is not wanted in collection pipes or wastewater treatment plants.
- The Town, with assistance from Clifton Sanitation District, has completed surveying businesses that need pretreatment tanks. Currently, there are fewer than 15 businesses in the historic old town area that need tanks. The Town is working with owners to solve installation and cost.
- New businesses have installed the pretreatment tanks & program.

**Town Assets for Future Work:**

Irrigation in Palisade \$?

- Complete mapping – create fund and rates, and build out a plan
- Confirm Water Rights

Veterans Memorial Center \$?

- Building inspections to determine the structure's condition are complete.
- The building has structural support beam weaknesses and other issues; authorities have condemned it for safety reasons.
- Undetermined to remodel the building or remove and build new, or something else.



## **PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Staff Report**

**Meeting Date:** February 24th, 2026

**Department:** Police Department

**Department Director:** Jesse James Stanford, Chief of Police

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### **Stats for January 2026:**

In the month of January, we had 322 calls for service, which is the most I have seen in the month of January. Usually, we have a slowdown period during the winter months, but this January, calls for service have been steady, and some of the calls were classified as priority one, which takes more investigative efforts.

### **Reports and Summons:**

Case Reports	19
Supplement Reports	10
Arrests	10

### **Traffic:**

70 traffic citations were issued this month.

### **Training:**

- Officers are working on annual in-service training within the agency.
- Two officers attended a Field Training Officer course; this teaches them the skills and strategies to be a Field Training Officer and helps ensure new officers get all the proper training needed.

### **Investigations:**

- PPD investigations have made an arrest in the ATM robbery at Grand Valley Bank. This investigation at the early stages didn't have a lot of solid leads. Through consistent follow-up from our Detective and partnership with the Grand Junction FBI Office, both departments created new leads which connected facts and evidence to at least one suspect who is now identified and has been charged in the criminal incident.

### **Significant Events:**

- The agency also continues to grow and build a better foundation for operations with the talented staff we have. We are building policies and procedures to better handle and accommodate the needs of the town and agency.

## Code Compliance:

### GENERAL OVERVIEW:

Our first month of 2026 brought us much colder temps and a significant decrease in CODE activity. January gave us several incidents regarding leaf piles on the street, after the Town's "Leaf Pick-up Service" concluded. All of which complied immediately once residents understood the schedule and the risk that the forgotten leaves posed to our storm drainage system. Junk, trash and debris on and around properties appeared to be *out of sight-out of mind* related in most cases, with property owners *not* making their way outdoors as much. Volunteer compliance was achieved once property owners were made aware.

### OPEN CASES FROM JANUARY 1-31, 2026:

- CASE #25-2922 JUNK, TRASH ON NEGLECTED PROPERTY
- CASE #25-3755 MIXED USE PROPERTY TO CLEAN UP LOT
- CASE #26-0046 PILES OF JUNK, TRASH, DEBRIS
- CASE #26-0013 JUNK, TRASH, LEFT IN ALLEY BEHIND  
PROPERTY
- CASE #26-0074 LEAF PILES LEFT ON STREET/STORM DRAIN  
HAZARD
- CASE #26-0081 JUNK, TRASH, DEBRIS AT END OF  
DRIVEWAY
- CASE #26-0080 LG SCREEN TV DISCARDED ON PROPERTY
- CASE #26-0078 LEAF PILES LEFT ON STREET/STORM DRAIN  
HAZARD
- CASE #26-0118 LEAF PILES LEFT ON STREET/STORM DRAIN  
HAZARD
- CASE #26-0059 EXCESSIVE ILLUMINATION
- CASE #26-0204 CONSTRUCTION TRASH PILED ON  
PROPERTY
- CASE #26-0212 MATTRESSES DISCARDED ON PROPERTY
- CASE #26-0079 OBSTRUCTION INTERERING WITH  
SIDEWALK
- CASE #26-0136 MIXED USE PROPERTY COMPLAINT
- CASE #26-0253 MIXED USE PROPERTY COMPLAINT

## **CLOSED CASES FROM JANUARY 1-31, 2026:**

- CASE #26-0013 JUNK, TRASH, LEFT IN ALLEY BEHIND PROPERTY
- CASE #25-3755 MIXED USE PROPERTY / MISC CLEAN UP ISSUES
- CASE #26-0074 LEAF PILES LEFT ON STREET/STORM DRAIN HAZARD
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**TOTAL OPEN CASES FROM 1/1/26-1/31/26: 15**

**TOTAL CLOSED CASES FROM 1/1/26-1/31/26: 14**

**TOTAL OUTSTANDING CASES AT THE CLOSE OF JAN '26: 1**

**TOTAL OUTSTANDING CASES PAST 30 DAYS: 3 (2 CLOSED, 1 REMAINS OPEN)**

### **STRATEGIES / GOALS:**

Code Enforcement is key in accomplishing community goals, such as protecting property values and the environment. Ultimately, our Municipal Codes and Ordinances protect the HEALTH, SAFETY, and WELFARE of the public while providing for the neat, clean, orderly, and attractive appearance of the community. Our Code Enforcement team will continue to be focused on this model in the upcoming year and will remain committed to its efforts to bolster community trust, encourage self-regulation, and volunteer compliance.

**PERCENTAGE OF CLOSED TO OPENED CASES IN JANUARY '26: 93%**

**Message from the Chief:**

As we complete January of 2026, we are seeing consistency with our calls for services. We have one police cadet in the academy at TCR in Delta, Co, and we are remaining proactive even with being down one full-time peace officer. I am proud of the peace officers' dedication to remain focused on being proactive with traffic safety, calls for service, and many other services we provide the community. Our mission with our public safety services is to give exceptional service versus average service.

I am looking forward to introducing our new K9 Handler and K9 partner in August of 2026. There will be a scheduled community engagement event announced in 2026 on behalf of the program. Looking forward to a safe and successful year in the Town of Palisade.



## PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Meeting Date:** February 24, 2026

**Re:** Consent Agenda

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

Included in the consent agenda are:

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