

Ridgway Town Council
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 10, 2011, 5:30 pm
Community Center, Ridgway Town Hall
201 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway, Colorado

ROLL CALL Councillors Rich Durnan, Ellen Hunter, Eric Johnson, Jim Kavanaugh, Rick Weaver, Mayor Pro Tem John Clark and Mayor Pat Willits

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR All matters listed under the consent calendar are considered to be routine by the Town Council and enacted by one motion. The Council has received and considered reports and recommendations prior to assigning consent calendar designations. Copies of the reports are on file in the Town Clerk's Office and are available to the public. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If discussion is requested, that item will be removed from the consent calendar and considered separately.

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2011.
2. Register of Demands for August 2011.
3. Renewal of tavern liquor license for CUPS.
4. Ratify award of contract to GMCO for chip sealing streets in General Improvement District #1.
5. Ratify appointments of Nick Wasser, Paul Hebert and Randy Parker to the Land Use Task Force.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Established time for the public to address the Council regarding any item not otherwise listed on the agenda. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person.

PUBLIC REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person; discussion of each item may be limited to 20 minutes.

6. Update and annual report from Region 10 – Paul Gray, Executive Director.
7. Request to use Hartwell Park and invite motorcycle associations to participate in a motorcycle blessing on September 10th – Kevin Riddle.
8. Request to lift the moratorium on licensed medical marijuana facilities within the Town, pursuant to the enactment of HB 11-1043 – Chris Sanchez, Grand Mesa Growers LLC.

PUBLIC HEARINGS Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person; hearings may be limited to 20 minutes.

9. Adoption of Ordinance Revising Regulations and Rates for Town Curbside Solid Waste and Recycling Service and Declaring and Emergency – Town Manager.

LAND USE ISSUES Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person; discussion of each item may be limited to 20 minutes.

10. Recommendation from Planning Commission to approve amended plat for Lot 26, Eastside Subdivision Replat, Applicant Trail Town Partners - Town Manager.

POLICY MATTERS Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person; overall discussion of each item may be limited to 20 minutes.

11. Evaluate fuel surcharge from Bruin Waste – Town Manager.
12. Presentation of land use plan update process – Town Manager.
13. Set date for meeting with Ridgway High School students in October – Councillors Kavanaugh and Weaver.
14. Appointment of new member to the Planning Commission – Mayor Willits.

STAFF REPORT Written report is provided for informational purposes prior to the meeting updating Council on various matters that may or may not warrant discussion and action.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

The Town Attorney may request an executive session relative to legal issues regarding water service and land transactions involving the fire protection district.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS Informational verbal reports from Councillors pertaining to the following committees, commissions and organizations:

Chamber of Commerce Liaison - Councillor Weaver
County Board of Appeals - Mayor Pro Tem Clark
County Weed Board - Councillor Hunter; alternate - Public Works Director
Fairgrounds Liaison - Mayor Willits
Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region - Town Manager; alternate Public Works Director
Joint Planning Board - Councillors Hunter and Weaver, citizen Rod Fitzhugh; alternate – Tim Patterson
Multi-Jurisdictional Housing Authority - Councillor Hunter and Town Manager
New Community Coalition Advisory Board - Mayor Pro Tem Clark; alternate - Mayor Willits
Ouray County Transit Committee - Public Works Director; alternate - Town Manager
Parks, Trails & Open Space Task Force - Councillors Durnan, Johnson and Weaver
Planning & Zoning Commission representatives - Mayor Pro Tem Clark and Mayor Willits
Region 10 – Councillor Kavanaugh; alternate - Mayor Willits

ADJOURNMENT

Deadline for agenda items for next regular meeting, Wednesday, September 7, 2010 by 5:00 p.m. Town Clerk's Office, 201 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway, Colorado.

Adjourn meeting to a workshop meeting on August 16, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Ridgway Community Center, 201 N. Railroad Street.

RIDGWAY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JULY 13, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Center at 201 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway, Colorado. Councillors Hunter, Kavanaugh, Weaver, Mayor Pro Tem Clark and Mayor Willits were in attendance. Councillors Durnan and Johnson were absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 8, 2011.
2. Register of Demands for July 2011.
3. Renewal of liquor store license for High Spirits.
4. Intergovernmental agreement with Colorado Department of Transportation to relocate force main in state right-of-way.
5. Resolution Amending Resolution 99-04 on April 14, 1999 Adopting the Police Procedures Manual with the addition of an Electro Muscular Disruption Technology (Taser Guns) Use Policy.
6. Ratify transfer of encroachment permit for trail building in Weaver Park from Randy Charette to Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Association.
7. Ratify agreement with SE Group as planning consultant for preparation of update to the Land Use Plan.
8. Renewal of 3.2 Percent Beer License for Ridgway Shell.
9. Renewal of 3.2 Percent Beer License for Ridgway Conoco.
10. Renewal of Restaurant Liquor License for Chipeta Sun Lodge.

ACTION:

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Clark and seconded by Councillor Weaver to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

11. Request to hold parade the end of August for Max Schutz's homecoming

Julie Ahern approached the Council pertaining to an idea to welcome home six year old Max Schutz who has been battling leukemia since the age of two, and after a recent bone marrow transplant will be returning home the end of August. She explained upon his return she will encourage the community to attend an event in Town Park, and would like to have a small childrens parade around the park prior to a community potluck.

The Council was in support of the idea and asked that Ms. Ahern work with staff to organize the parade and closure of Town streets.

12. Application for encroachment permit on Town right-of-way to place merchandise on sidewalk along the south 24 feet of the building at 145 N. Cora Street

Town Manager Jen Coates presented an application for encroachment permit from Dar Craft to place merchandise from her consignment store on the sidewalk in front of 145 N. Cora Street. She explained the use would not impede passage on the sidewalk and would be used only during business operating hours.

ACTION:

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Clark with a second by Councillor Weaver to approve application for encroachment permit on Town right-of-way to place merchandise on the sidewalk along the south 24 feet of the building at 145 N. Cora Street. After a call for vote the motion carried unanimously.

13. Update on Economic Development Committee

Irwin Borof, Ed Folga, Judy Snelling and Tammy Tuttle addressed the Council regarding the process of establishing the county wide Economic Development Committee under the Governors state economic development plan "Bottom Up". They explained they chose to not participate in the committee when they realized "the needs of Ridgway weren't going to be addressed". They recommended the creation of a committee to address economic development within the Town, and asked for support from the Council.

There was discussion between the Council and members of the audience. The Council agreed there is a need to include the Town and City of Ouray business communities in the newly formed Economic Development Committee, and the Town should collaborate with the City to ensure this happens. It was agreed Mayor Pro Tem Clark will contact officials from the City and encourage participation.

14. Request to construct bicycle pump track on Town property

Sara Ballantine addressed the Council on behalf of a group of citizens who would like to construct a bicycle pump track in the Athletic Park. She explained the track is similar to a bmx bike track, and is accomplished by "not pedaling, you're pumping your bike, which helps to learn bike handling skills". She explained she has "three pages of signatures expressing interest in having the track built" and suggested she can find volunteers from the list to help construct the track. It can be built in a few days and only requires dirt, tools and water to construct she noted.

Manager Coates reported the Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee has expressed support of the concept. The Council received comments from the audience and there was discussion. The Council agreed to construction of the track on the south end of the Athletic Park. Staff was directed to issue an encroachment permit and provide assistance with moving dirt and providing the water truck during construction.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

15. Adoption of Ordinance Revising Regulations and Rates for Town Curbside Solid Waste and Recycling Service

The Town Manager noted the ordinance being presented is in follow up to Council action at the previous meeting, to change recycling service from bi-weekly to weekly collection. This requires codification of the charges and would also be pursuant to the contract with Bruin Waste Management to provide services she explained.

Speaking from the audience Rod Fitzhugh spoke in opposition to the mandatory increase in services and charges.

Mayor Pro Tem Clark noted since the prior meeting Council has received numerous letters of opposition and suggested the Council revisit the decision. There was discussion by the Council and it was agreed to suspend weekly collection until another public hearing can be held at the August meeting. Staff was directed to inform the recycling contractor to resume the bi-weekly service and to notify users in Town of changes back to bi-weekly collection, and encourage participation at the hearing in August. It was noted the ordinance was presented as an emergency measure and can not be addressed since there are only five members present. It was agreed to introduce the ordinance for first reading.

ACTION:

Mayor Pro Tem Clark moved to introduce the Ordinance Revising Regulations and Rates for Town Curbside Solid Waste and Recycling Service. Councillor Hunter seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

POLICY MATTERS

16. Request for staff approval to award bid for an energy performance contractor to complete technical energy audits of facilities, fleet and utility systems

Public Works Director Joanne Fagan explained the Town and City of Ouray have jointly applied for technical energy audits offered by the Governors Energy Office, to have an audit conducted by an energy consultant to determine savings in energy bills for improvements to facilities, fleet and utility systems. She reported requests for proposals are due next week and suggested the Council authorize staff and a few members of Council to evaluate bids and authorize the award of a contract.

The Council agreed to the request and Mayor Pro Tem Clark and Mayor Willits volunteered to participate as representatives in the review process.

ACTION:

Moved by Councillor Hunter, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clark to give staff authority to enter into a contract with an energy performance contractor for technical energy audits. The motion carried unanimously.

17. Request for staff approval to award bid for chip sealing streets within General Improvement District #1, Ridgway USA Subdivision

The Public Works Director explained requests for proposals are out to bid for chip sealing of streets in General Improvement District #1. She requested approval to award a contract to the lowest bidder since the work needs to be performed in "very warm weather" and waiting for approval at the Council's next meeting would not provide temperatures warm enough "to get the chips to set".

ACTION:

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Councilmember Hunter and unanimously carried to give staff the authority to award the bid for chip sealing streets in General Improvement District #1.

18. Discussion and identification of potential project for Fall 2011 Great Outdoors Colorado grant application cycle

The Town Manager explained the next grant application cycle for Great Outdoors Colorado is the end of August. She inquired if the Council was interested in applying for a \$45,000 grant for a project cost up to \$60,000, which would require a 10% cash match from the Town and remainder through in-kind services.

The Council reviewed a list of projects identified by the Parks, Trails and Open Space Committee and agreed staff should submit a grant application for construction of a climbing/bouldering area and lighting of the pedestrian path in Hartwell Park.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councillor Weaver reported Ridgway High School has agreed to a Town Hall Meeting between the Council and students during the month of October and have asked for a potential meeting date. The Council agreed to discuss the matter at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Town Attorney suggested the Council enter into an executive session to discuss legal issues related to parks, recreation facilities and streets subject to State Statute Provisions 24-6-402(4)(a)(c)&(e) to confer with the Town Attorney and receive legal advise, matters of negotiations and matters subject to attorney-client communications.

ACTION:

Mayor Pro Tem Clark moved to go into closed session, Councillor Hunter seconded and it carried unanimously.

The Council entered into closed session with the Town Attorney, Town Manager and Public Works Director at 8:45 p.m.

The Council reconvened to open session at 9:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Kraft, MMC
Town Clerk

Town of Ridgway
Register of Demands No. 11-08
As of August 5, 2011

Date	Account	Open Balance
550 Publishing Inc		
8/3/2011	541GOO · Office Supplies	36.00
Total 550 Publishing Inc		36.00
Air Compressor Service		
7/29/2011	932WOO · Supplies & Materials	216.76
Total Air Compressor Service		216.76
Alltel		
6/12/2011	943WOO · Telephone	-26.67
6/12/2011	728POO · Other - parks	-26.30
6/12/2011	943SOO · Telephone	-25.84
6/12/2011	843GO3 · Telephone	-36.29
6/12/2011	543GOO · Telephone	-144.22
6/12/2011	643GO2 · Telephone	-16.98
Total Alltel		-276.30
Alpine Beverage		
8/1/2011	732PO1 · Supplies - community center	33.80
8/1/2011	732POO · Supplies & Materials	11.90
8/1/2011	632GO2 · Supplies & Materials	11.90
8/1/2011	932SOO · Supplies & Materials	11.90
8/1/2011	932WOO · Supplies & Materials	11.90
Total Alpine Beverage		81.40
Bruce's Small Engine Repair		
8/3/2011	931WOO · Maintenance & Repairs	185.96
Total Bruce's Small Engine Repair		185.96
Bruin Waste Management		
7/29/2011	516GOO · Refuse Collection Franchise	8,390.68
Total Bruin Waste Management		8,390.68
City of Delta		
8/1/2011	990WOO · Testing - water	100.00
Total City of Delta		100.00
Colorado Boy Brewing Company		
7/22/2011	781POO · Events & Festivals	40.00
Total Colorado Boy Brewing Company		40.00
Dana Kepner Company Inc		
7/13/2011	988WOO · Meter Replacement	-46.44
Total Dana Kepner Company Inc		-46.44
DOLA		
7/15/2011	992WOO · Debt Service - DOLA	9,794.80
7/15/2011	995SOO · Debt Service - DOLA	33,847.28
7/15/2011	996SOO · Debt Service - DOLA (2)	15,914.78
Total DOLA		59,556.86
Electric Motor Service LLC		
7/22/2011	931SOO · Maintenance & Repairs	685.00
Total Electric Motor Service LLC		685.00
Hartman Brothers Inc		
7/31/2011	660GO2 · Gas & Oil	2.28
7/31/2011	960SOO · Gas & Oil	2.27
7/31/2011	960WOO · Gas & Oil	2.27
Total Hartman Brothers Inc		6.82
Mountain Market		
8/1/2011	553GOO · Meetings & Community Events	69.53
8/1/2011	781POO · Events & Festivals	239.52
Total Mountain Market		309.05

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Date	Account	Open Balance
Ouray County Road & Bridge		
6/30/2011	960WOO · Gas & Oil	789.91
6/30/2011	960SOO · Gas & Oil	103.20
6/30/2011	660GO2 · Gas & Oil	470.91
6/30/2011	860GO3 · Gas & Oil	532.44
6/30/2011	760POO · Gas & Oil	246.01
Total Ouray County Road & Bridge		2,142.47
Parish Oil Co.		
8/3/2011	661GO2 · Vehicle & Equip Maint & Repair	283.17
8/3/2011	761POO · Vehicle & Equip Maint & Repair	141.40
8/3/2011	961WOO · Vehicle & Equip Maint & Repair	141.40
8/3/2011	961SOO · Vehicle & Equip Maint & Repair	141.40
Total Parish Oil Co.		707.37
Pureline Treatment Systems		
8/1/2011	989WOO · Plant Expenses - water	1,650.00
Total Pureline Treatment Systems		1,650.00
Recla Metals LLLP		
7/1/2011	632GO2 · Supplies & Materials	-215.00
Total Recla Metals LLLP		-215.00
Ridgway Office Supply & Service Inc		
7/25/2011	541GOO · Office Supplies	52.26
Total Ridgway Office Supply & Service Inc		52.26
San Juan Machining & Manufacturing Inc		
7/19/2011	731POO · Maintenance & Repairs	254.14
Total San Juan Machining & Manufacturing Inc		254.14
Sani Serv LLC		
8/1/2011	781POO · Events & Festivals	150.00
Total Sani Serv LLC		150.00
Sunset Automotive		
7/11/2011	661GO2 · Vehicle & Equip Maint & Repair	22.00
Total Sunset Automotive		22.00
True Value		
7/26/2011	732POO · Supplies & Materials	41.43
7/26/2011	632GO2 · Supplies & Materials	63.92
7/26/2011	632GO2 · Supplies & Materials	21.92
7/26/2011	932SOO · Supplies & Materials	21.92
7/26/2011	932WOO · Supplies & Materials	21.92
7/26/2011	732POO · Supplies & Materials	146.21
7/26/2011	732PO1 · Supplies - community center	51.56
7/26/2011	781POO · Events & Festivals	17.47
7/26/2011	861GO3 · Vehicle Maintenance & Repair	3.98
7/26/2011	931SOO · Maintenance & Repairs	88.40
7/26/2011	932SOO · Supplies & Materials	4.29
Total True Value		483.02
U-Tech LLC		
7/31/2011	CP801 · Construction	26,204.40
Total U-Tech LLC		26,204.40
United States Postal Service		
8/3/2011	541GOO · Office Supplies	25.34
8/3/2011	941SOO · Office Supplies	25.33
8/3/2011	941WOO · Office Supplies	25.33
Total United States Postal Service		76.00

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As of August 5, 2011

Date	Account	Open Balance
Verizon Wireless		
6/23/2011	943WOO · Telephone	87.55
6/23/2011	728POO · Other - parks	38.24
6/23/2011	943SOO · Telephone	57.90
6/23/2011	843GO3 · Telephone	114.72
6/23/2011	543GOO · Telephone	127.11
6/23/2011	643GO2 · Telephone	38.59
7/23/2011	943WOO · Telephone	81.33
7/23/2011	728POO · Other - parks	32.97
7/23/2011	943SOO · Telephone	66.85
7/23/2011	843GO3 · Telephone	99.68
7/23/2011	543GOO · Telephone	111.44
7/23/2011	643GO2 · Telephone	36.91
Total Verizon Wireless		893.29
Viking Rentals Inc		
7/29/2011	781POO · Events & Festivals	4,178.75
Total Viking Rentals Inc		4,178.75
Voyager Youth Program		
7/21/2011	5025GO1 · Voyager Program	3,000.00
Total Voyager Youth Program		3,000.00
White Glove Cleaning		
8/1/2011	928WOO · Other - water	65.00
8/1/2011	928SOO · Other - sewer	65.00
8/1/2011	545GOO · Janitorial Services	475.00
8/1/2011	779PO1 · Janitorial Services - comm cntr	475.00
Total White Glove Cleaning		1,080.00
Xerox Corporation		
8/1/2011	548GOO · Office Equipment - Leases	64.02
8/1/2011	948SOO · Office Equipment - Leases	32.01
8/1/2011	948WOO · Office Equipment - Leases	32.01
Total Xerox Corporation		128.04
TOTAL		110,092.53

**LIQUOR OR 3.2 BEER LICENSE
 RENEWAL APPLICATION**



JEANNE ROBERTSON LLC
 CUPS
 199 WATERVIEW LANE
 RIDGWAY CO 81432-9365

License Number 42-61824-0000	License Type 2010
Liability Information 56 017 446110 B 092508	
Business Location 115 LENA ST RIDGWAY CO	
Current License Expires SEP 24, 2011	
DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY	
Total Amount Due	
Total Paid \$	Date

- This renewal reflects no changes from the last application. Complete page 2 and file now!
- Yes there are changes from the last application.** If applicant is a Corporation or Limited Liability company, use DR 8177 and send in with this renewal. Any other changes of ownership require a transfer of ownership. See your Local Licensing Authority immediately.

Wholesaler, manufacturer, importer, and public transportation system license renewals do not need Local Licensing Authority approval and must be returned directly to the Colorado Department of Revenue at least 30 days prior to the current license expiration date.

This application for renewal must be returned to your **CITY OR COUNTY** Licensing Authority at least 45 days prior to the expiration date of your current license. Failure to do so may result in your license not being renewed. Include both pages of this renewal and payment.

OATH OF APPLICANT

I declare under penalty of perjury in the second degree that this application and all attachments are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Authorized Signature <i>Jeanne Robertson</i>	Date 7-26-11	Business Phone 970-626-3272
Title OWNER	Sales Tax Number 42-61824-0000	

REPORT AND APPROVAL OF CITY OR COUNTY LICENSING AUTHORITY

The foregoing application has been examined and the premises, business conducted and character of the applicant are satisfactory, and we do hereby report that such license, if granted, will comply with the provisions of Title 12, Articles 46 and 47, C.R.S.
THEREFORE THIS APPLICATION IS APPROVED.

Local Licensing Authority for	Date
Signature	Title
	Attest

DO NOT DETACH.

DO NOT DETACH.

DO NOT DETACH.

**LIQUOR OR 3.2 BEER LICENSE
 RENEWAL APPLICATION**

Make check payable to: Colorado Department of Revenue. The State may convert your check to a one time electronic banking transaction. Your bank account may be debited as early as the same day received by the State. If converted, your check will not be returned. If your check is rejected due to insufficient or uncollected funds, the Department of Revenue may collect the payment amount directly from your banking account electronically.

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Business Name CUPS	LICENSE NUMBER (Use for all reference) 42-61824-0000		PERIOD 09-12
TYPE OF LICENSE ISSUED TAVERN LIQUOR LICENSE - MALT, VINOUS, AND SPIRITUOUS	CASH FUND	STATE FEE	CITY 85% OAP
	2320-100(999)	2010-750(999)	2180-100(999)
	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 425.00

ADD \$100.00 TO RENEW RETAIL WAREHOUSE STORAGE PERMIT 2210-100(999)

SUB-TOTAL \$ 500.00
 TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ 500.00

REGION
FY 2010 Benefit Summary
Ouray County
August 4, 2011

1. Region 10's Key Accomplishments in FY2011

a. Area Agency on Aging

- Delivered \$931,731 in services in FY2011, which represented 162,521 units of services to seniors.
- Continued to support Volunteers of America's CommUnity Meals as senior meals provider for Delta and Montrose County.
- Continued to support All Points Transit services to seniors in Montrose, Delta and San Miguel Counties.
- Out of many proposals, evaluated and approved 11 senior services contractors (one new) to deliver services in FY2012. Federal and State budget will be \$823,779, a reduction of 11.6% from FY2011.

b. Business Loan Fund

- Despite seven months of effort, were unable to close a \$1.02 Million CDBG loan to Extra Aircraft due to several key conditions that were unmet by the four parties involved by a June 24 2011 state deadline.
- Closed 11 loans totaling \$400,140 in FY2011. All but one of these loans have been completed since our new Business Loan Director, Vince Fandel, arrived in February 2011. Many of these loans have leveraged additional funding from local banks (not counted above) that otherwise wouldn't have been available to these businesses.
- Re-established the SBA Microloan program for small business loans of less than \$50,000. This is one of only two such programs in the state. The low rates, simple application and approval process and lack of job creation or match restrictions for these loans should help us provide more capital to local businesses in need.

c. Enterprise Zone

- As a result of \$125,080,000 in eligible capital investments, we approved \$3,728,000 in state investment tax credits. and helped

create over 102 new jobs. Total Business Tax Credits approved last year were \$3,887,000. This is up from just \$250,000 in business tax credits approved in 2006, and is due to our promotion of the program among local businesses and CPAs. We also approved \$433,000 in contribution tax credits and awarded \$25,000 in marketing project grants.

d. Enterprise Center

- The Enterprise Center now leases to 18 emerging businesses and non-profit organizations at rates determined so that the facility breaks even financially. The building was renovated and operates without any local public funding. The facility is 100% occupied.

e. Transportation and Transit Planning and Development

- The Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region Committee prioritized millions in roadway and enhancement projects that were completed in our region in 2010. Without the leadership of the GVTPR, and its Chairman it is unlikely that these dollars would have been spent in our region FY2010, and without the GVTPR Chairman acting as Chair of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan Committee, the number of projects in our region included the FY2012-2011 STIP would not have been.
- Region 10 established the Three Rivers Regional Transit Coordinating Council to coordinate, prioritize, and help fund transit projects in our region. We were also instrumental in the creation of Transit Advisory Councils in Delta, Montrose, Ouray and San Miguel Counties. The 3RRTCC has applied for grant funding to update the 2008 Four County Transit Study to help validate the priority transit routes in the region as a first step in seeking the funds to implement those routes.

f. Economic Development

- Region 10 was invited and participated actively in the Governor's "Bottom Up" economic development process in three counties, and also in the consolidated regional economic development plan.
- As the federally designated economic district development organization for our region, Region 10 will this fall begin with the county "Bottom Up" plans, conduct grant funded "Stronger Economies Together" training of the economic development teams in all six counties, conduct a grant-funded professional economist evaluation of the economies of all six counties, and produce an online Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that will

identify and focus on the high potential actions we can take regionally to move our economy out of the recession.

2. REGION 10 MEMBER ASSESSMENTS

Assessments are based on population and other factors through an updated formula approved by the Region 10 Board in May, 2011. The formula has been updated to include the latest 2010 total and senior population figures as well as 2010 highway user tax fund and FASTER distributions. (The prior formula used 2004 figures.) **Total Member Assessments did not increase for 2012, though the assessment for each member did change based on the updated formula. This realignment of assessments now accurately reflects the populations served in each area.**

3. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS

The costs and benefits of membership in Region 10 to Gunnison County are summarized below:

COSTS

Ouray County Members	2012 Ouray County Assessments	\$ Increase (Decrease) from 2011	% Increase (Decrease) from 2011	2012 Region 10 Total Assessments (No change from 2011)
OURAY COUNTY	\$5,184	\$130	2.6%	\$144,256
CITY OF OURAY	\$1,309	\$39	3.1%	
TOWN OF RIDGWAY	\$1,206	(\$41)	-3.3%	
TOTAL	\$7,699	\$128	1.7%	

BENEFITS

Region 10 Services	Ouray County Benefits FY2011	Total Region 10 Benefits FY2011
Area Agency on Aging Direct Support to Providers	39,703	931,731
New Business Loans Made	0	400,140
Enterprise Center Tenant Rent Savings (Estimated)	NA	48,000
Enterprise Zone Business Tax Credits FY2010	27,643	3,886,807
Enterprise Zone Contribution Project Tax Credits FY2010	56,213	433,207
Enterprise Zone Marketing Grants CY2010	8,305	25,000
Total	\$131,864	\$5,724,885
Return on Membership Assessments	17.1 to 1	39.7 to 1*

*The extraordinary 39.7 to 1 overall Region 10 return was driven by Arch Coal's capital investment of over \$95 Million dollars, which with other investments totaled \$108 Million in investment which generated tax credits of \$3,284,438 in Gunnison County.

KEY FACTS TO KEEP IN MIND ABOUT REGION 10 ASSESSMENTS

- a. In addition to the direct benefits listed above, Region 10's planning efforts in transportation and transit through our Gunnison Valley Transportation Region brought a disproportionate amount of highway construction dollars to our region in FY2011.
- b. The Regional Transit Coordinating Council is integrated with the GVTPR that will plan and help develop regional transit. The 3RRTCC has applied for \$30,000 in grants to support transit planning. This effort is being completely funded with CDOT grants.
- c. Region 10 is very tightly staffed, operating six programs with 5.6 FTE. We have reduced staff by 38% since the early 2000s, and have recently added two new programs with no increases in staffing.
- d. Region 10's financials for FY2011 were "in the black" for the first time in many years; all programs are financially stable. The small surplus is being held for capital replacement for the Enterprise Center.
- e. Though Region 10 brings in valuable state and federal grants and tax credits to the area every year, very limited state and federal administrative dollars accompany these programs. The administrative burden associated with federal and state programs is considerable, yet a significant portion of Region 10's employee salaries must be funded with our member assessments. Without our member assessments, we would be unable to administer our services.
- f. **Region 10 Member assessments are not the same as "contributions"**. Local governments established Region 10 in order to provide services on a regional basis and thereby reduce their cost. Region 10 administers these services very cost-effectively, reducing the burden to each of our member governments. We can document a significant and increasing return to the citizens of the region each and every year for our members' investment in us. Our members are not just being "kind" to us. They invest and we deliver.
- g. **The failure of one member to pay its assessment causes members that do pay their assessments to feel that they are being unfairly burdened, and encourages them to not pay their own assessments.** This snowball effect could quickly disable Region 10, which has no substantial financial reserves to draw upon.

Thanks for your support of Region 10 in the past. We sincerely hope that you will continue your membership in Region 10 in 2012.

The Region 10 Board of Directors

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August 4, 2011

Via Email:

Ms. Jen Coates, Ridgway Town Manager
Mr. John Kappa, Ridgway Town Attorney

Re: Medical Marijuana Business Operations in Ridgway

Ms. Coates and Mr. Kappa,

Our firm is writing on behalf of Mr. Chris Sanchez. As you are probably aware, Mr. Sanchez is currently operating a cultivation facility in Ouray County and is interested in opening a Medical Marijuana Center (formerly known as a "Dispensary") to provide medical marijuana to patients in the Ouray County / Ridgway area. Currently, state law prevents the opening of any new medical marijuana businesses, with one limited exception. That exception allows a medical marijuana business that has been banned in another jurisdiction to transfer its application to your jurisdiction if you are willing to receive and process that application. Mr. Sanchez is affiliated with a Medical Marijuana Center in Crawford, Colorado that was banned effective July 1 of this year. That business is interested in utilizing the relevant state law to transfer its pending application from the Crawford location to Ridgway.

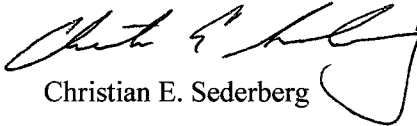
The exact process for this transfer has not been finalized, but the Department of Revenue can confirm this information for you and we would work directly with them to accomplish the transfer following Ridgway's approval. I would suggest contacting the local representative of the Department of Revenue, Brian Dyet (970-261-3431) or the Director of the Medical Marijuana Enforcement Division, Dan Hartman (303-205-2903), if you would like to ask additional questions. Our office is also open to discussing this issue and I will be attending the meeting in Ridgway on August 10, 2011. We have had a great working relationship with the Ouray County Board of County Commissioners over the past year and look forward to working with Ridgway to address this important issue.

The relevant statutory reference is C.R.S. 12-43.3-103(2)(d)(III):

(III) FOR A PERSON WHO HAS MET THE DEADLINES SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPHS (a) AND (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND WHO HAS LOST HIS OR HER LOCATION BECAUSE A CITY OR COUNTY HAS VOTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-43.3-106 TO BAN HIS OR HER OPERATION, THE PERSON MAY APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE WITH A LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY AND TRANSFER THE LOCATION OF ITS PENDING APPLICATION WITH THE STATE LICENSING AUTHORITY.

Please let us know if we can provide any additional information or answer any questions you may have and I look forward to meeting you both on August 10.

Very Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christian E. Sederberg", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Christian E. Sederberg

ORDINANCE NO. 07-2011

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO, REVISING REGULATIONS AND RATES FOR TOWN CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Town needs to revise its regulations and rates to dovetail with the provisions of its contract for Solid Waste Collection services,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO, as follows.

SECTION 1.

Subsections 9-2-3(A) and (C) of the Ridgway Municipal Code are amended to read as follows.

9-2-3 Charges for Refuse Collection Services.

(A) (1) The base monthly charge for recycling services for each residential dwelling unit shall be \$7.25 for weekly pick up of one Town or contractor supplied recyclable container.

(2) The base monthly charge for each single family residential dwelling unit shall be:

- (a) \$14.42 for customers using up to 96 gallons of customer provided cans;
- (b) \$15.42 for customers using a contractor provided poly cart.
- (c) \$18.42 for customers using a contractor provided animal resistant poly cart.

(3) Unless the Town authorizes the use of individual cans or containers, the base monthly charge for lots with three or more dwelling units in one or more buildings, shall be \$33.43 for each one-yard common dumpster, plus \$57.54 for each two-yard common dumpster, plus \$85.48 for each three yard common dumpster utilized by the customer.

(4) In addition to the base monthly charge customers shall be subject to a fuel surcharge as set out by the Town's current solid waste collection contract as authorized by the Town Council.

* * *

(C) Customers who leave more refuse out for collection than allowed pursuant to Subsection (B) shall be subject to a surcharge at the rate of \$13.26 per cubic yard, (1/2 cubic yard minimum) or according to a schedule of additional charges included in the agreement with a contractor. Extra poly cart 1 time per week with regular service is \$10 per pickup, and an extra 32-gallon can with regular service is \$5 per pickup.

* * *

Section 2. Severance Clause. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of it to any person or circumstance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications. The provisions of this ordinance are expressly declared to be severable.

Section 3. Emergency Declared. The Town Council of the Town of Ridgway hereby finds this ordinance is necessary to the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety, because it is necessary to have rates consistent with the terms of its solid waste collection contract, and therefore declares that an emergency exists.

Section 4. The rates provided for herein shall be effective as of the effective date of contract rate changes.

ADOPTED by a vote of _____ by the Ridgway Town Council on August 10, 2011.

TOWN OF RIDGWAY, COLORADO

By _____
Pat Willits, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Kraft, MMC, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF TOWN CLERK

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Ridgway Town Council on July 13, 2011, posted and published by title thereafter, and adopted on August 10, 2011.

(SEAL)

Pam Kraft, MMC, Town Clerk

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ridgway Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at the Community Center, 201 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway, Colorado, on Tuesday, June 28th, at 5:30 p.m., to receive and consider all evidence and reports relative to the application described below:

Application for: Amended Plat

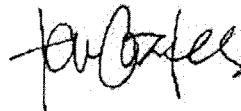
Location: Lot 26, Eastside Subdivision; "Trail Town"

Zoned: General Commercial (GC)

Applicant: John Peters for Trail Town Partners

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said hearing and express opinions or submit written testimony for or against the proposal, to the Town Clerk.

FURTHER INFORMATION on the above application may be obtained or viewed at the Office of the Town Clerk, Ridgway Town Hall, or by phoning 626-5308, Ext. 11.



DATED: June 17, 2011

Jen Coates, Town Manager

STAFF REPORT

Subject: Lot 26 Eastside Subdivision (Trail Town parcel) Plat Amendment
Zone: General Commercial (GC)
Initiated By: Jen Coates, Town Manager
Date: June 24, 2011

BACKGROUND:

Owners are seeking to subdivide Lot 26 of the Eastside Subdivision into 2 separate parcels. The purpose of the request is to separate the built portion of the lot from the vacant area, and to eventually condominiumize the existing 4 buildings on lot 26, referred to as "Trail Town". The Applicant was in front of the Planning Commission in March 2011, and requested a continuation of the hearing to update and finalize the plat map. Submitted with this application for hearing is a revised plat map. The hearing notice and property have been posted.

ANALYSIS:

Amended Plats - RMC 7-4-10(B)

Plat amendments are provided for when the proposed amendment does "not make or require a material change in the extent, location, or type of public improvements and easements provided, and are consistent with the design standards" of the Town Regulations, "if all improvements are in and available to serve each lot". In addition, the amended plat must "meet applicable dimensional requirements of Town zoning regulations". The documents submitted for the amended plat must be in substantial conformity with and reviewed under the Final Plat Subdivision regulations, RMC §7-4-5(C).

Plat Map Updates

There is now a 25' wide access and utility easement along the new lot line (12.5' on each side of the line) between the lots.

Lots have been re-titled 26-A and 26-B.

On-Site Parking

The Commission requested the parking and access easement be platted on Lot 26-2, which is not reflected with this revised plat after additional discussion between staff and the Applicant. There is now a plat note (#7) referencing the required parking, and no separate instrument for the required on-site parking. Applicant previously submitted a site map entitled "Trail Town Existing Conditions" drafted by John Peters and Associates and received on March 16, 2011. The existing conditions reveal there are currently 17 onsite parking spaces and 15 spaces proposed on Lot 26-B under a Parking and Access Easement Arrangement, for a total of 32 parking spaces to benefit Lot 26-A.

Comments from previous hearing that do not appear to be addressed

Certificate of Dedication

In the Certificate of Dedication, the dedication language should be identical to that on the Replat of Eastside, substituting the current plat amendment title etc. (*see below*):

have by these presents laid out, platted and subdivided the same into lots, as shown on this plat under the name and style of REPLAT OF THE EASTSIDE SUBDIVISION, and do hereby dedicate, grant and convey to the Town of Ridgway, Colorado, for the use of the public, Hunter Parkway and Palomino Trail, as hereon shown and Ouray County Road 12 is hereby dedicated to Ouray County as hereon shown. The utility easements shown on this plat are dedicated, granted and conveyed to the Town of Ridgway, Colorado for Town and public utility, drainage, and related purposes, including but not limited to water, sewer, storm sewer, electrical, telephone, gas and CATV lines, together with perpetual right of ingress and egress for installation, maintenance and replacement of such lines.

The directional sign easements, irrigation pipeline easements, ditch easements, bikepath easements and landscape easements are reserved to be used and maintained pursuant to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions recorded in Book 217, Page 870, of the Ouray County Records.

The owner entity's name as it appears of record ("Trail Town Partners LLC") needs to be above Bosworth's signature blank.

Paragraph 2 of Plat Note 6 should read as follows:

The Ridgway Town Clerk is hereby appointed as the agent, and attorney in fact to execute such Petition on said lot owner's behalf, to vote on said lot owners' behalf in any election to approve any financial obligations for such improvement districts and for all other purposes related to the formation of such districts and construction of such improvements. The Town shall also have the option to cause the construction of said improvements and to assess the costs thereof to the property described above, and collect such costs by certification to the County Treasurer to be collected similarly as taxes.

General Comments

Certificate of Dedication – "The Access easement shown is for the reciprocal benefit of Lots 26-A and 26-B" should be left justified, not indented, such that it does not appear to be dedicated to the Town. The Town does not want to own this easement.

Plat Note 2 – The plat notes indicate the maximum number of dwelling units for both parcels to be zero; therefore, no excise tax is due at this time. Under the existing regulations, any proposed future residential units will require a plat amendment, conditional use permit, and payment of excise taxes.

CCRs: Applicant should be sure the proposed amended plat comports with the multiple governing covenants for this subdivision.

As-Built Infrastructure: The following utilities are not present on the submitted as-built drawings: phone and gas utilities, and the as-built sewer line to Building C.

There are no proposed uses for Lot 26-B, so determining the tap size, fee and applications at this time are not possible. At a minimum, the Owner will need to purchase one, ¾" water tap and one, 4" sewer tap, inclusive of the 50% surcharge for the sewer discharge to the East Ridgway Lift Station pursuant to RMC §9-1-9(I). Additional taps and fees due will be paid upon future development or subdivision of Lot 26-2.

The Ridgway Municipal Code also requires separate taps for separate buildings. According to the submitted as-built drawings, Building B on this Amended Plat has a single water tap and a single sewer tap to the main lines. In deference to the building code definition, this shared tap is acceptable as the structure is classified as a single structure, not 2 separate buildings.

To reiterate from the previous hearing, the Plat Restrictions for the Eastside Subdivision recorded at Book 217 pgs 45-47 indicate in Note 6.A.6 – "A layout of required parking spaces on the lot with aisle widths, when required to provide adequate and safe separation of parking areas, in conformance with the minimums shown in the following parking table. There shall be one (1) parking space for each 250 square feet of customer floor area, or any increment thereof, within all structures on the lot."

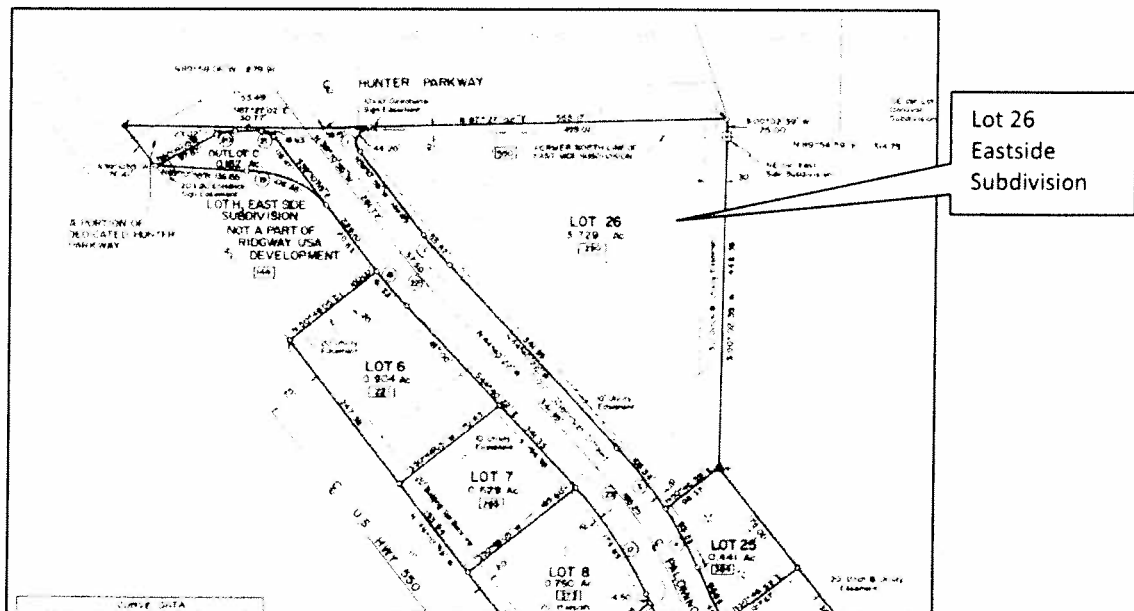
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Pursuant to RMC §7-4-5(C)(8), the Planning Commission will forward any recommendation, with or without conditions, to the Town Council. It appears that only a few minor modifications to the plat map are required at this time, and a few items prior to Town Council review, as follows:

1. Placement of monuments need completed and verified prior to any execution and recording of plat;
2. Payment of all applicable fees including taps, surcharges, attorney's fees, recording fees, etc.;
3. Changes to the plat map as indicated in this report;
4. Completion of as-built infrastructure map including identification of other as-built utilities including phone, electric, and gas;
5. Certification by project engineer that the newly created lots do not transfer storm drainage to the other lot;
6. The Town Attorney will need to review and approve the final plat.



Corner building at Trail Town



Nick Wasser

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July 19, 2011

To whom it may concern,

This is a letter of intent for the opening on the Ridgway Planning and Zoning Committee.

Five years ago when my wife and I fell in love with this town, we knew we would find a way to call it home. Well it has taken five years to be able to truly lock ourselves in. Another way of stating that we have been fortunate enough to buy a small lot and build a home at 1040 Charles Street. We're locked in and love it!

In order to call this town home as with many residents of Ridgway, I did what ever it took to make a living. I was fortunate to build three homes in the area and two of which are within the town limits. I have become familiar with the code and what it takes to meet that code. The positives and negatives from both sides of the table. Prior to building homes, I was involved with the outdoor industry sponsoring sporting events. Creating a experience for the user. Building a brand. We called it "Field Marketing". In that world, Ridgway is the brand that we can create and promote. In the construction world; Ridgway is poised for the next growth spurt. It may be slow to come but it will come. We need to do it sustainably. I understand this process and feel that I can contribute to the voice that takes the town in a positive direction.

I'm at a junction professionally and personally that I am able to commit time and effort to the future of Ridgway. I have a vision of growing in a sustainable way based around a community of extraordinary people. I believe in promoting business opportunities. I believe in creating a town where people from all walks of life, all socio economic levels can move and know right away that they have chosen a great place to call home. A town where they, like myself, want to be involved to ensure the future is positive.

Sincerely,

Nick Wasser

MONTHLY UPDATE TO THE TOWN COUNCIL

August 10, 2011

This Update is a supplemental report for inclusion in the Town Council agenda packet for the regular monthly meeting, and for posting on the Town website. It is for informational purposes. Items herein may or may not warrant Council discussion, and do not require Council action.

Water

Flows in the Ridgway Ditch remain quite high especially for this time of year. Public works has been cleaning sections of the Ridgway Ditch. The splitter box that routes some of the water from Ridgway Ditch into Lake Otonowanda or to the Ridgway pipeline line is in need of replacement and that work is scheduled for later this fall.

The pump package for the Vista Terrace Pump Station project finally arrived. The pumps and the control panel are set, but have yet to be wired. Town Staff installed the line through the open space the first week in August and will be installing the new line along Vista from the one pump station to the new pump station and completing all the tie ins later in the month. The tentative plan is to upgrade the pressure regulating stations late this year.



As expected, water production in July dropped significantly. Not only did folks get their billings for water use in June, but with all the monsoonal flows, there has been very little need for outdoor watering.

Streets

The other side of the monsoonal flows is the impact it has had on the streets. Moisture keeps the mag working and the dust down, but it is also causing significant damage to the barrow ditches especially on streets with steeper longitudinal slopes. Staff has been rebuilding the barrow ditches on a regular basis, some times more than once in a week. The really heavy rain in late July exceeded the capacity of a few of the culverts, but not the drainage on Hwy 62 and Railroad or the Dallas Ditch culvert under CR 5. If the wet weather continues, we will likely need to re-blade some of the streets that have most severely “potholed”.

Staff had the opportunity to test drive a street sweeper recently and used the opportunity to clean parts of Otto Street and Roundhouse. The sweeper did an excellent job and staff is to be commended for finding a way to get a least a couple of streets cleaned without expending any funds. The sweeper is way beyond our means we are looking into whether we could partner with the city and/or county to perhaps rent one for a bit and each clean all our paved streets.



Parks



Parks staff has been very busy keeping all the parks ready for all the events (mowing, trimming, raking, edging) and cleaning up after the events. Park usage was extremely intense this July. We heard from a number of people that there were more people in town and more people in parks 4th of July than people remember seeing in the past and the concerts were all very well attended. The Ridgway Arts and Crafts Event is coming up the weekend of August 12th, so Hartwell Park gets a couple weeks of recovery from

the concert series before this big event.

Recently a Town citizen, Michelle Becker, asked whether it would be permissible to add in flowers to the beds around the gazebo in Hartwell Park. She purchased the flowers and planted them, with Danny's help, about two weeks ago and they are providing an additional splash of color around the gazebo. Speaking of color in the parks, the Community Corps painted two picnic tables, which are adding more local color in Hartwell Park.



Mosquitoes and Weeds

With all the moisture, various breeds of mosquitoes are in full bite this year, and we have received a few complaints, primarily in the Dallas Meadows area, north of Town, and some in the valley area south of Town. We are working with the County Weed and Pest Manager to manage the hatches through the remainder of the elongated season this year. The Pest Manager coordinated with Ridgway State Parks, and arranged for a boat and chauffeur to take George into the wet areas south of the reservoir in the Dallas Day Use Area (photo), where there is significant standing water, not too accessible via long-legged biped alone, and . We contacted Tri-County Water to see when the water will be released from the reservoir, allowing more water in from the south, which is now quite significant and stagnate. TCW is releasing water, but much of what is being released is also replenished by the sky, keeping the mosquito breeding grounds intact. With this in mind, we are using a larvacide cocktail of donuts, sprinkles and pegs for short and long-term impact, and estimating where we think de-watering and/or saturation will occur. It's a long sting season this year.



Town staff has organized 2 volunteer weed pulling events since the last Council meeting. We will target additional events on **Monday evenings at 5PM in Rollans Park**, meeting by the ped bridge for the remainder of the summer season. 9 volunteer knapweed pullers joined forces on the evening of July 18th in Rollans Park during a spring storm, and 8 more participated on August 3rd. We extend a HUGE thank you to Mountain Market for providing refreshments and snacks for the crew.

Both goats and staff have been working on managing the weeds at Lake O. The goats ate most of the thistle on most of the dam in mid July. They did not have time to get all the way across the dam and staff finished the dam and did a bit of the lake perimeter. The goats will be back for the second "cutting" in mid August. The photo at the right is the after photo showing that the goats ate most of the thistle down to within a few inches of the ground.



Energy Audits

We received 3 proposals and are working with the City of Ouray to make a final selection, which we hope to do in the next week or so. Additional information performance contracting is found on the GEO website: http://rechargecolorado.com/index.php/commercial_and_public/public_buildings/performance_contracting/

Land Use Update

The Update is up and cooking with focus groups meeting this past week, and the consultant compiling inputs to draft the new community goals. The next public meeting is a workshop, and is scheduled for August 29th at 5:30PM at Town Hall. There is a dedicated email address for commenting landuseupdate@town.ridgway.co.us and information on the website at: http://www.town.ridgway.co.us/landuse_update.html. Our summer intern, Paul Donegan, is doing a fabulous job and has taken the lead on this great project with the guidance of SE Group.



Gunnison Basin Roundtable

The GBR met on August 1st and discussed 3 major topics: The Education Outreach committee reported that they would like to prepare and circulate a multi-page newspaper insert type document that includes a lay person explanation about water supply in the Gunnison Basin including a primer on water rights, compacts, water usage, potential water shortages, trans basin diversions, etc. CWCB presented an interactive water use tool, where you can make assumptions about what new water storage and supply projects will be constructed, population growth, conservation, trans-basin and intra-basin diversions, how much agricultural water will transfer to who, etc. in each basin and the model tells you how much water each basin will be short by mid century. Finally, the Pikes Peak Regional Water Authority (mostly El Paso County entities) presented a proposal to the GBR to create a task force to examine the potential for new water supply projects taking from Flaming Gorge to other basins. For more information, catch up with Joanne.

Source Water Protection Plan

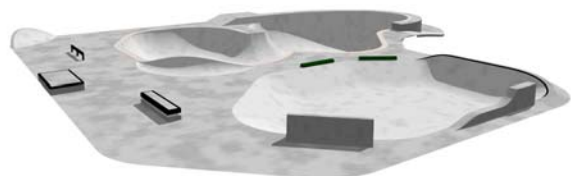
The first stakeholder meeting is Monday, August 15th at 5:30 PM in Town Hall. The Town Council is invited and encouraged to attend to hear about the process and how it will be moving forward.

Ouray County Housing Board OCHA and Regional Housing Study Update

Housing Colorado is facilitating an educational workshop/seminar on community outreach, education and communication strategies for affordable/ workforce housing on the western slope for anyone interested (elected officials, developers, property owners, housing authorities, etc.). The workshop is scheduled for September 1st in Glenwood Springs. Catch up with Jen if you are interested in attending. Homebuyer Education Classes are in the 4H Event Center on August 15-16 from 5-9PM.

Skate Park – Phase 2

Construction preparation is planned for the week of August 8th, and Grindline will be in Town the week of August 15th to commence construction. Public Works staff completed the saw-cut of the existing park for tying in the addition, and will contribute man and machine power to grade the area and install the drain for the lower bowl. The park should be finished by the end of September, and the irrigation and landscaping wrapped up by late fall.



Parks, Trails, Open Space Plan



The committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, August 9th to finalize goals and objectives, review the draft map, and then get into the detailed action planning for each objective. There is a link on the Town website for resources, meeting dates, plan drafts, and additional information: http://www.town.ridgway.co.us/parks_openspaces.html. Please check in with Jen if you would like to preview and provide feedback on the draft map, or check the website.



Public Art Ridgway Colorado (PARC)

Bronze sculptures are now being placed around Town and they are getting a lot of attention, large and small. Two statues have been placed (a fox is at the corner of Lena and Hyde Streets, and a fawn is overlooking the playground area in Hartwell Park). Two more will be placed in Hartwell Park shortly. Great job and thanks to the local committee of volunteers that made it all happen.

Marshal's Department

July has also been very busy for the Marshal's Department with all the festivals and events, additional people, traffic, parking, etc. We participated in a meeting with our dispatch provider, Montrose County Sheriff's Office, to review updated procedures and protocol for dispatch services. Deputy Holybee will attend a 3-day intensive Active Shooter training with other regional and local law enforcement officers in mid-August. We met with Ouray County EMS this past month to review implementation of the Wireless Emergency Notification System, and will be setting up internal communications processes in preparation for the community wide notification system implementation. We debriefed on the Concert Series, celebrating the peaceful crowd and ease of enforcements, and are working on a parking and traffic flow plan for the large events downtown, and hope to implement some changes for the Arts and Crafts Festival next weekend. Scotty and Allan attended a legislative update for law enforcement, which Jen and Jeff will also attend later this month.

Community Corps



The Community Corps was here July 11-21st. The Corps was awesome again this year – local youth from Ridgway and Ouray 13-16 years of age. They cleaned out the bulb-out planters along South Lena Street, stained the wood on the Rollans Park ped bridge and bridge lights, did an excellent job cleaning up and improving the new bike trail along the river in the Dennis Weaver Memorial Park, secured the wind screens on the tennis courts in the Athletic Field, trimmed the branches in the alleys downtown, and painted a couple of picnic tables in Hartwell Park. Great fun.

Eagle Scout Projects

We have been addressed by a couple of future Eagle Scouts, and now have 2 awesome Eagle Scout projects beginning for the Town. These boys have proposed and will complete service projects to benefit the community. These are so good, we're going to let you be surprised...

Town Website

Please check the Town's Bulletin Board on the website for news, updates, and events: <http://www.town.ridgway.co.us/>.