

SPRING NEWSLETTER

APRIL – JUNE 2024



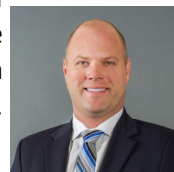
Mountain Bluebirds are a welcome sign of spring. The bright colored males are the first to arrive, seeking open areas near burned areas or the forest edge—places that offer plenty of cavities or bird houses for nesting. Females choose their mates based off the nesting site, so selecting a good location is key. Interested in monitoring bluebird nests? Nest-Watch is a nationwide citizen science nest-monitoring program anyone can do. Learn more at nestwatch.org. Photo Credit: Chris Wood/Macaulay Library

TALK WITH TED

Last year, the Town purchased two small lots along Agate Ave., one across from High Country Motors (0.46 acres) and the other between Fat Cat Café and Blue Federal Credit Union (0.29 acres). The motivation for said purchases is to add greenspace or parks along the main pedestrian corridor. What the spaces will look like has yet to be determined. The designing firm we hired, with the help of a DOLA grant, will seek public input on the many possibilities the spaces hold: a natural playground, a veteran memorial, native garden, food truck location, etc. Please keep an eye out in the coming months when the designer, Michael Baker International, seeks public feedback and ideas.

Also in 2023, the Town was awarded \$1.35 million toward completing what is commonly referred to as the “Halfway Pathway”. Come May, the Town plans to begin construction that will connect the trail from the cart barn of Grand Elk to the Thompson Road/Highway 40 intersection thus completing the Granby portion of the 16 mile Fraser to Granby Trail. Completing this small section of trail has been in the works for a while and we’re happy to see it come to fruition.

The Town expects to close on a conservation easement for the property north of Sun Outdoors (formerly River Run) in April. This area will provide outdoor recreational opportunities for our citizens and visitors while still maintaining the intrinsic value of the land and wildlife that live there. After mud season (date TBD), we’ll invite the public for a sneak peek into this closed landscape before the trails are added. We hope to see you there. -Ted Cherry, Town Manager



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Spring is here which means we are looking forward to summer activities and events! Music & Market is back this summer on Thursday nights in Polhamus Park kicking off on Thursday, June 20th with Michael Morrow & The Culprits. Once again, the weekly event will include market vendors, food trucks, and a tap trailer of libations. Make sure you bring your own cup for \$1 off drinks and remember to bring picnic blankets or camp chairs to comfortably listen to all the summer sounds. For more information, including the full line up, check out the Music & Market event page at destinationgranby.com. Volunteer and sponsorship opportunities are still available!

Music & Market will take a week break for the 4th of July Parade and Party in the Park. Celebrating Grand County’s Sesquicentennial, the theme is “Happy 150th Birthday Grand County!”. Registration for parade entries and Party in the park vendors is posted on the 4th of July event page. Don’t forget about the Flying Heels Rodeo scheduled for the 4th, 5th, and 6th at 7:00PM with fireworks happening after the rodeo ends on Friday and Saturday nights.

Destination Granby, 501(c)3 Main Street Organization, works within four areas of impact: Promotions, Community Engagement, Business Support, and Placemaking. Keep an eye out for them at events this summer for engagement and feedback opportunities. If you are interested in getting involved with the Granby community, stop by the Information Center to say hello. For more information, visit destinationgranby.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 9 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 April 18 - Granby Municipal Court
 April 23 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 April 25 - Family Dodgeball Night
 April 30 - Day Camp Registration
 (Granby residents only)
 May 1: Day Camp Registration (anyone)
 May 1 - Paintball Games Trip
 May 2 - Fly Fishing 101
 May 3 - Paintball Games Trip
 May 4 - Town Clean Up Day
 May 6 - Planning Commission Meeting
 May 14 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 May 16 - Granby Municipal Court
 May 22 - First Aid/CPR/AED Class
 May 27 - Memorial Day, Town Hall
 Closed
 May 28 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 June 3 - Planning Commission Meeting
 June 11 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 June 13 - Summer Kick Off Party
 June 20 - Granby Municipal Court
 June 20 - Music & Market
 June 21 - Go Skateboarding Day BBQ
 June 25 - Elitch Gardens Teen Trip
 June 25 - Board of Trustees Meeting
 July 4 - Independence Day Parade &
 Party in the Park
 July 6 - Pancake Breakfast & Fly-In & Gut
 Buster 5K Color Run

POLICE DEPARTMENT

With Spring comes spring cleaning. Did you know the Town hosts two Clean Up Days that allows property owners and residents of the Town to dispose of unwanted items? This year's spring event is Sat., May 4th beginning at 8:00AM.



This is a great opportunity to get rid of the junk that's cluttering the house or yard at no cost. Do you have a piece of furniture you want to be rid of? Bring it. An old appliance that no longer works? You can bring that, too. Dumpsters will be available at two locations within town. Being as this event is only available for residents and property owners, proof of residency is required. Items that are not accepted are: batteries, electronics, tires, construction waste, trash with food waste.

Special thanks to Ranch Creek Waste and The Trash Company for their help and support with this event.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Summer Camp will be held by the week (M-Th) only, not by individual days. Walk-in registration for those living within town limits will be **Tuesday, April 30th** from 8:00AM-5:30PM. Proof of residency is required.

Non-residents may register in-person via a lottery system on May 1st.

Watch for the Summer Activity Guide in your the mailbox by the end of April. Upcoming Rec Activities Include:

- * After School Program
- * Friday Day Camp
- * Summer Day Camp
- * Youth Volleyball League
- * Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt
- * Paintball Games Trip
- * Family Dodgeball Nights
- * Adult Fitness Classes
- * Adult Co-ed Soccer League
- * Adult Volleyball Challenge
- * Fly Fishing Clinic
- * Summer Kickoff Party
- * Gut Buster 5K Color Run

For questions or to register for a program, call 970-887-3961 or visit GranbyRec.ActivityReg.com



Want to spend a day at Elitch Gardens Theme & Water Park? Discount tickets are available through the Rec Dept. Call or stop by for info.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The annual audit for 2023 is in process. Once completed, the auditor will present to the Board for acceptance. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report will be posted to the website in April or May.

Financial transparency is important to all of us at the Town; we update the website as information becomes available.

WATER DEPARTMENTS

North Service Area: The new rates are in place effective Jan. 1, 2024 (\$298.66 facility fee + \$12.47/1,000 gallons) billed quarterly.

South Service Area: Rates remain the same covering water and sewer at a flat quarterly rate of \$318.77. Granby Ranch lots pay the \$55.00 DeBerard Draw Fee.

PAY ONLINE

You can pay your water bill online at TownofGranby.com/onlinepayments.

TOWN CLERK

Planning Commission meetings are the 1st Monday of every month unless no applications are received. Board of Trustee meetings are the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month.

If you would like to speak with the BOT or have something added to the agenda, please contact dhess@townofgranby.com. Please note the BOT packet deadline is the Monday one week prior to the meeting.