

Reports

Commissioner and Community

- Building Inspector –Tom Gibb – Multiple building permits previously issued are in progress which are easily seen as you tour Pitkin. Several storage building permits have been approved and some others are pending.
- Zoning Board – Jesse James Garetson –
- Environmental Health – Gayla Gibb – Because we were out of town so long this month, I didn't get the visit to Gunnison County to interview regarding the successes and challenges of TOT Inspections. Over the next month, I'll endeavor to do that. Helped 222 Armstrong through some hurdles and all seems to be working out well so far.
Inspected (with a licensed inspector) a metal tank to verify that it is still solid. The lid had been rusty, but it has a new lid now and all is well.
- Streets – Jesse James Garetson – Armstrong Street is now open to through traffic from 2nd to 3rd Streets. Thank you to Chad Varnell and Jake Schellenberg. Some smoothing of road base will occur in 2024. Chad used his bobcat to drill 12 holes for signage in town. Street marker signs were affixed on Friday 6/30. Michael Ebert helped reinstall the “Welcome to Pitkin” sign at the top of town that Wood Product Signs reconditioned for the Town at no cost.
- Ditches – Vacant, Jesse James Garetson reporting – Thank you to Chad Varnell and Jake Schellenberg for their assistance with ditches. Ed Herman, Ashur Schellenberg and I mowed and weeded ditches before the Fireman’s Parade and Fundraiser.
- Cemetery – Mark Rossmiller – First meeting of the board was held on June 19. Officers will be the same as last year, so Jerra as President, Marie as Secretary and Mark as Commissioner. 21 spaces have been sold since last meeting of last season, and 10 Memorial plaques have been sold. 58 plaques have been sold in total and all will be on display soon. A workday or clean-up session has been set for July 17. Volunteer help is encouraged and welcome. Notices about this will be posted soon both on-line and at bulletin boards around town. The possibility of adding more members to the board was discussed. Currently there are 8 on the board. It was decided that, although the bylaws would permit more members, things are functioning well and additional members are not needed at this time. Other matters discussed included the layout of additional spaces on the lower side of the property and left of the lower gate, and development of an information flier for distribution to anyone interested in visiting or purchasing lots. Newest Board member Rachel New has agreed to work with Lois Sharpton to learn the record keeping procedures. Another meeting has been scheduled for August 17.

- Town Hall – Ramon Reed – I met online with representatives from the State Historical Fund for a “Grant Kick-off” meeting on the work to be done for repairs to the Town Hall. Sara also attended since she will be handling all of the funding between the Town and the State and the contractors. Many questions were answered on how this project will proceed. I have since talked with the primary contractor and it looks promising that the work may be completed this fall, depending on the health and availability of the stone mason. We have until August 2024 to meet the Grant requirements. I have also been looking at the overall status of the building and report that the interior is in very good shape, so I will continue working on options for bringing the facility up to conditions for full usability, namely Restrooms and Handicap Access.
- Parks and Rec – Vacant – No report