



BUENA VISTA QUARTERLY CONNECTION

4th Quarter 2019

INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR ELECTED OFFICE?

Buena Vista’s next municipal election will take place on April 7, 2020, and three Trustee positions will be on the ballot. Our town benefits greatly from the energy and engagement of its Board members, and there’s no time like the present for you to join their ranks. Do you have:

- ◇ an interest in local issues and public service?
- ◇ the time and commitment to attend two Board of Trustees meetings per month, and to read through your (sometimes lengthy) Board packets in advance so you’ll be well informed when you arrive?
- ◇ the flexibility to attend various other types of meetings as assigned, such as those held by intergovernmental organizations and our Town Advisory Boards? and
- ◇ the ability to work with all types of people, a willingness to listen to the concerns of your neighbors and constituents, and a knack for coming up with common-sense solutions to the challenges facing our town?

If you answered ‘yes’ to these questions, you should swing by Town Hall in early November to pick up a Candidate Information Packet!



This Packet is intended to provide answers to most of your initial questions, and Town staff is always ready to help you with any issues or concerns that you might have. If you decide that you’d like to run for office, the next step will be for you to stop by Town Hall in early January to pick up a nomination petition. The process isn’t as difficult as you may think—you only need to obtain signatures from ten registered electors (who must live within Town limits) to become a candidate.

Public service can be challenging and frustrating at times, but it’s also rewarding—just ask any current or past Trustee! If you’ve been thinking about becoming an elected official, now’s the time to throw your hat into the ring.

Veterans Day
November 11

Thanksgiving
November 28 & 29

Christmas
December 24 & 25

New Year’s Day
January 1

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 20

Town Offices will be closed

Meetings of
Board of Trustees
7:00 p.m., Community Center

Tuesday, November 12

Tuesday, November 26

Tuesday, December 10

Tuesday, January 14

Tuesday, January 28



CODE CORNER

BY GRANT BRYANS,
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

In what feels like the blink of an eye we find ourselves moving into fall and winter. What a spectacular summer we had in BV! I want to thank everyone in the community for your support and kind words. I have run into many of you outside of work and it never ceases to amaze me how well these code corners are received. Thank you! Now onto the code stuff.

The end of the year usually means the end of any Town license you may have. It is also a great time to check in and see what licenses you may be missing. Some licenses that you may not be aware of are those for tree trimmers, farm animals, home occupations, and businesses. If you have any questions regarding licensing, please reach out to us.

I also want to remind people of their obligation to shovel the sidewalk adjacent to their property. You have 24 hours after a storm to clear out a space for your neighbors to walk. This applies to commercial properties along the highway as well. Last year we did a lot better with shoveling, but I know we can step it up and always do better.

Have a great end of the year everyone!

Questions? Contact Grant Bryans
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REC UPDATE

What an amazing and very busy summer season here Buena Vista. We are excited about all of the new faces arriving in town and love reconnecting with past participants too. As fall is in full swing, we look forward to connecting with you and your family. While the end of the year may seem near, we are keeping the focus on our main objective at BV Rec: *To serve the local community by facilitating affordable and inclusive recreational opportunities.*

Our mission is to support individuals' well-being by:

- Providing recreation programs that inspire a variety of interests, including sports, music, and fine arts.
- Organizing special events that promote community development through positive social interaction.
- Facilitating stewardship of our outdoor recreation resources.
- Communicating with the Recreation Advisory Board to address the evolving needs of the community.

Buena Vista Rec offers a wide variety of recreational opportunities year-round. We invite you to participate in athletics, fitness classes, and many other special interest programs. Meet your neighbors, be active, have fun, and get creative with Buena Vista Rec! To learn more, please check out buenavistarec.com.

Fall programming opportunities:

Youth Basketball League
 Open Gym Pickleball
 Adult Basketball
 Women's Volleyball League
 PiYo
 Circus Classes
 Middle School and Adult Art
 Bridge Club
 Women's Fitness Class
 Young at Heart
 And much much more.



For those interested in outdoor recreation, the fall offers continued opportunities to explore our BV-area trails systems. The Town of Buena Vista has been working with the BVSC, Colorado Mountain Club, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife to build nine new miles of human-powered trail on our adjacent public lands, all of which are now open to the public. If you have not done so already, go check them out and enjoy.

For more information or to register for classes or reserve a facility, please visit buenavistarec.com or contact us at 719-395-1939 or bvrec@buenavistaco.gov.

Through the continued support of our local community, scholarship funds are available for all BV Rec Programs.

Activity registration and scholarship application forms are also available at Buena Vista Town Hall.