

# Morrison Hogback

DECEMBER 2019

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## Town of Morrison

Town Office  
321 Hwy 8  
303-697-8749

**Town Hall**—110 Stone Street  
[www.town.morrison.co.us](http://www.town.morrison.co.us)

Board Meetings are the **first** and **third**  
Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission meetings are the  
**second** Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

## Mayor and Board of Trustees

Mayor: Sean Forey  
Mayor  
Pro-Tem: Chris Wolfe  
Trustees: Debora Jerome  
Venessa Angell  
Katie Gill  
Paul Sutton  
Matt Schweich

## Town Staff

Town Manager: Kara Winters  
Town Clerk: Lyndsey Paavilainen  
Deputy Town Clerk: Kristi Dixon  
Court Clerk: Charla Bryant  
Public Works Director: Fritz Fouts  
Museum Curator: Matt Mossbrucker

## Police Department

303-697-4810  
Police Chief: George Mumma  
Chief's Secretary: Jennifer Spornick  
Staff Sergeant: Jay Harrison

## NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

1. Notice the little things ⇨
2. take pictures ⇨
3. Keep a journal ⇨
4. draw everyday ⇨
5. eat lots of veggies + fruit ⇨
6. YOGA ⇨
7. stop procrastinating ⇨
8. go on walks ⇨
9. de-clutter my life ⇨
10. be honest with myself ⇨  
and others

The  
year  
is  
yours.  
What will you  
do with it?

# What's Happening

## FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Major changes have been proposed for the Bear Creek Lake Park, and the Town Board will be monitoring these proposals. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) are pursuing a reallocation (expansion) of the Bear Creek Reservoir. Specifically, they are proposing a tenfold increase in the volume of water in the reservoir.

The result would be a loss of approximately 500 acres (28%) of the Park's usable land surface, including deforestation of cottonwood groves along the Bear Creek and Turkey Creek corridors.



The Bear Creek Dam and Reservoir Project was completed in 1977 by the Army Corps of Engineers for the primary purpose of flood control. Recreation, municipal use and fish and wildlife enhancement were also authorized purposes. The City of Lakewood manages the Park through a lease with the Corps that runs through 2042. In 2015, the Corps approached the Colorado Water Conservation Board with a proposal for expanding the Reservoir from 2,000 AF (acre feet) to 22,000 AF for the purpose of water storage. The Water Board then reached out to potential water users to determine interest in acquiring storage rights in the reservoir. Several municipalities expressed such interest, including the City of Brighton, the City of Berthoud and the City of Dacono.

In 2016, The Colorado General Assembly authorized up to \$2,500,000 for the Bear Creek Reallocation of Storage Study. While the primary purpose of the dam has always been flood control, the CWCB anticipates the feasibility study to show that up to 22,000 AF may be stored in the reservoir while still providing adequate flood protection. The study is expected to span three years, but has recently been paused while the Corps completes an Issues Evaluation Study and develops new methodology for Probable Maximum Precipitation analysis.

As proposed, the water storage project would raise the level of the reservoir by more than 50 vertical feet. This would not result in a bigger reservoir year-round. Rather, the water level would fluctuate by approximately 53 vertical feet. After the water is drawn down from the maximum capacity to serve users downstream, hundreds of acres of barren mud flats would remain. The proposed expansion of the reservoir would exceed the levels of the 2013 and 2015 floods and would necessitate the removal of cottonwood groves along Bear Creek and Turkey Creek within the expanded boundary of the reservoir.

The Town Board will continue to monitor the Bear Creek Reallocation Project and will reach out to the citizens of Morrison as opportunities for public engagement arise. In the meanwhile, we welcome your concerns via email or in person.

Katie Gill  
Trustee

# Bi-Annual Election Information

## Town of Morrison

December 9, 2019

The bi-annual election will be Tuesday April 7, 2020. There are three (3) Town Trustee positions with four-year terms and one (1) Town Trustee position with a two-year term up for election. There are no other issues on the Ballot at this time.

Petitions for Town Trustee positions will be available and may be circulated for the first time on Tuesday, January 7, 2020. Persons interested in running for office can pick up nomination petitions from the Town Clerk at 321 Highway 8, Morrison, Colorado, 80465. The signed petitions must be returned to the Town Clerk's office by 4:30 p.m., Monday, January 27, 2020.

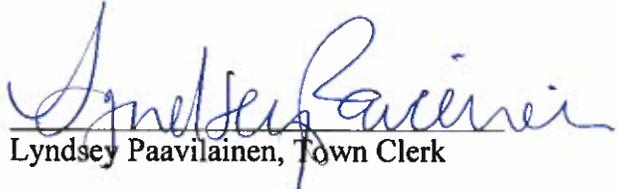
The petitions need a minimum of 10 signatures. Each signor must be a registered elector residing within the Town limits. No registered elector shall sign more than one nomination petition for each position to be filled. The 2020 Town election ballot will list four (4) Trustee positions; three of which are four (4) year terms and one of which is a two (2) year term. The candidate receiving the fourth most number of votes will be appointed to the two (2) year term position.

To run for a Board of Trustees position you must be a registered elector, 21 years of age or older on the date of election (April 7, 2020), and have resided in the Town of Morrison for a period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the election.

Persons desiring to vote in the upcoming election who have not registered to vote, must do so by Sunday, March 16, 2020. Persons may register to vote at [www.GoVoteColorado.com](http://www.GoVoteColorado.com) or go to the Jefferson County Clerk's office, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, Room 2530, Golden, Colorado, 80419.

Posted December 9, 2019

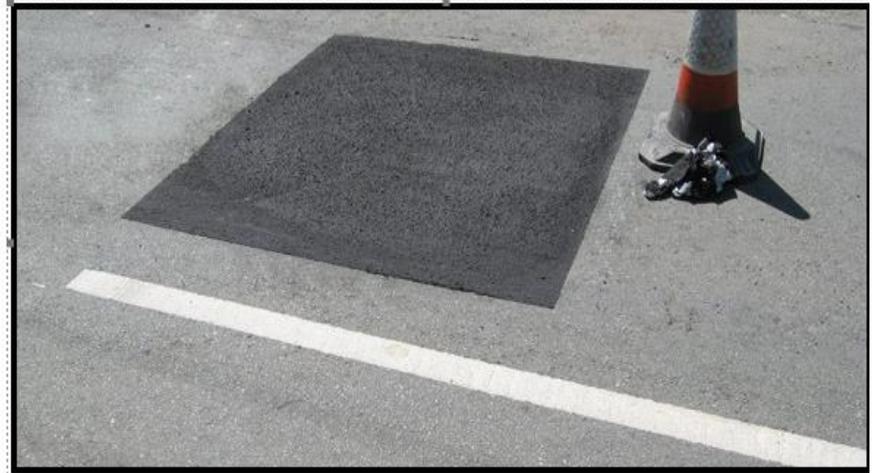


  
Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

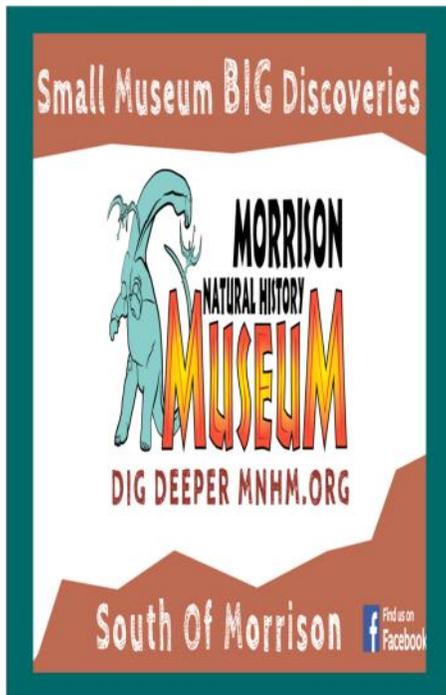
## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Streets, Grounds and Buildings

Through the month of January, (weather permitting) the Streets and Grounds department will be re-stripping all parking spaces in town. This will continue until all lines are complete and throughout the new year on a quarterly (or as needed) basis. The Streets and Grounds crew will also be focusing on potholes and fracture lines in the town streets for repair.



Thank you,  
Fritz Fouts  
Public Works Director  
Town of Morrison  
Phone: 303-697-8749  
Cell: 720-587-5801

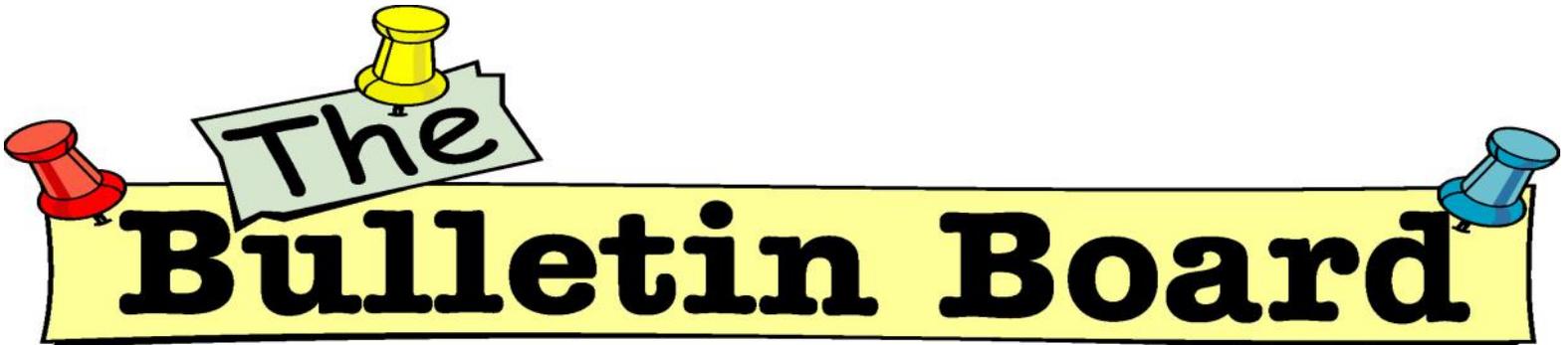


Morrison Museum will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

Early enrollment for the 2020 Paleontology Field Program is on now through December 31, 2019. Save 15% on tuition by enrolling early!

Happy Holidays from the staff and volunteers of the Morrison Natural History Museum.

**Matthew T. Mossbrucker**  
Director and Chief Curator



# The Bulletin Board

## STAY CONNECTED WITH THE TOWN

If you would like to receive emails regarding Town notices and Town events, please email Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk at [lpaav@morrisonco.us](mailto:lpaav@morrisonco.us)

With your name, or business name, and address to be added to the Town's email list. It is great way to stay up to date with happenings around Town! You can subscribe through "Notify Me" on our Town website, [www.town.morrison.co.us](http://www.town.morrison.co.us) to receive notifications from the Agenda Center for Board and Commission agendas and public notice postings, along with other subscriptions.

Keep the Town updated with any change to your email subscription preferences and with any changes to your contact information.

Thank You!



Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk has been designated a Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.



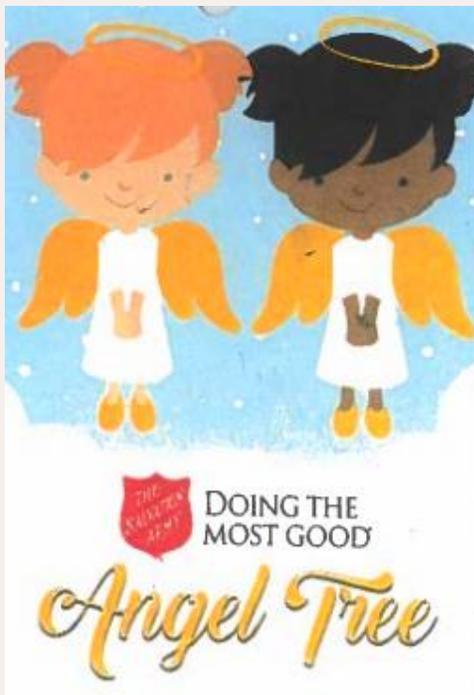
Jenn Spornick—Chief's Secretary;  
7 years (1/2/13)

Kristi Dixon—Deputy Town Clerk;  
5 years (1/12/15)



Morrison Town Office  
will be closed

January 1, 2020



THANK YOU  
TO EVERYONE WHO  
GAVE TO OUR  
SALVATION ARMY  
ANGEL TREE.  
THANK YOU FOR  
MAKING A LITTLE ONE'S  
CHRISTMAS.  
VINCE FROM STREETS  
AND GROUNDS  
DELIVERED ALL THE  
GIFTS TO THE  
SALVATION ARMY.



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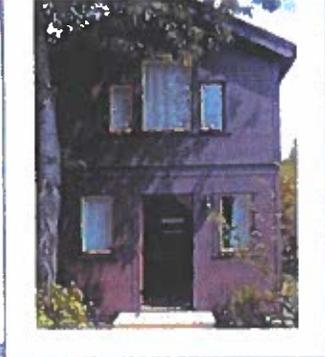
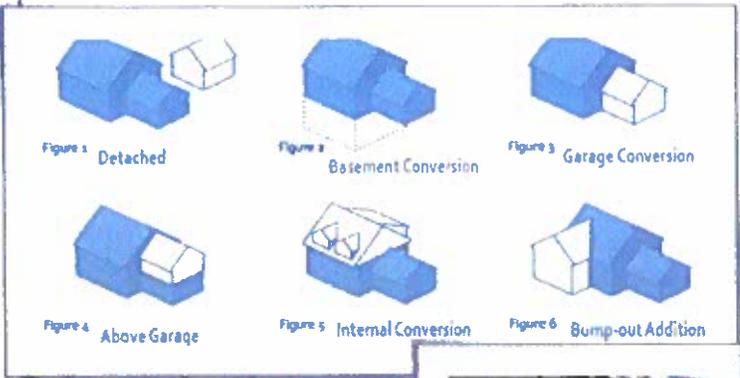
RV & ATV

Landlord Protection

Motorcycle

Condo & Apartment

Laneway House  
 ADU  
 Sidekick  
 Ancillary Unit  
 Carriage House  
 Basement Apartment  
 Secondary Suite  
 Casita  
 Granny Flat  
 In-Law Unit



# Work Session

**ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS**  
 January 9th, 2020 | 7:00 PM  
 Morrison Town Hall (110 Stone St)

The Planning Commission invites the residents of Morrison to a work session to discuss ADU's in Morrison

**Questions? Contact:**  
 Kara Winters, Town Manager  
 Kara@morrisonco.us  
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