

MORRISON

THE NEAREST FARAWAY PLACE!



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JANUARY 2022

MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

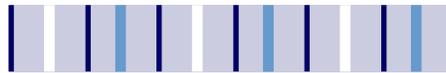
Mayor: Sean Forey **Mayor Pro-Tem:** Debora Jerome

Trustees: Katie Gill, Matt Schweich, Paul Sutton, David Wirtz, Ryan Burris

Board Meetings: January 4, 2022 and January 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting: January 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

All meetings are held at Town Hall: 110 Stone Street



TOWN STAFF:

Town Manager: Kara Winters

Town Clerk: Ariana Neverdahl

Administrative Assistant: Debbie Jacobson

Public Works Director: Fritz Fouts

Museum Curator: Matt Mossbrucker **Museum Coordinator:** Doug Hartshorn

Town Office: 321 Highway 8 **Phone:** 303-697-8749



POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Interim Police Chief: Jon Manna

Officer: Chris Chung

Dispatch: 303-980-7300

Jefferson County Sheriff: 303-277-0211

NEWS FROM THE TOWN BOARD

Update on Parking Management in Morrison

At the Board Meeting on December 7, 2021, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to sign a contract with Interstate Parking for the next two years. The Town will evenly split the revenue from the parking fees and fines with Interstate Parking. This will result significant revenue for the Town which could be used for improving public safety and other Town services. The Board looked at the statistics provided by Interstate Parking for the time period of 6/14/2021 – 10/31/2021 which showed the following:

Revenue:	\$102,248.70 (shared 60/40 by Interstate Parking and the Town of Morrison)
Vehicles parked:	48,132
Warnings Issued:	771
Violations Issued:	2,604

It should be noted that previous attempts at enforcement of a three-hour parking limit in Town resulted in loss of revenue.

The Board discussed the many comments regarding the Interstate Parking Management System. We understand change is difficult. We also understand that there are two things most people don't like: The first is change; the second is the way things are 😊. We are enjoying in this contract because we believe it is in the best interests of both the residents and the businesses of the Town. We would like to point out a few facts regarding the parking situation in Morrison.

1. All residents of the Town of Morrison get free parking. Go to the Interstate Parking website at <https://www.parkmorrison.com/>, go to Permits, click on Residential Permits and complete the form. If you have any issues please call the Town Office, 303-697-8749, and they will help.
2. You do NOT need a cell phone to pay to park. All you need is a credit card.
3. There is free parking at Union Ave. and Red Rocks Elementary School. Parking on Mount Vernon Ave. is free for registered employees. We will improve signage regarding the free parking spaces.
4. While no one likes to pay for parking, over 48,000 people successfully did pay for parking without complaint.



AROUND THE TOWN



FORMER MORRISON MAYOR, GAIL MOLINARO, DIES

After living a long life of adventure and community service, Gail Molinaro, former Morrison Mayor, died peacefully on November 23, 2021, at Montage Ridge Retirement Home, Lakewood, Colorado. She was 84 years old.

Gail became the first female mayor of the Town of Morrison in 1976. She also served as a member of the Board of Trustees. She was instrumental in obtaining money for Morrison's water system and also worked to create a load limit ordinance for the Town. Gail represented the Town of Morrison on the Metro Area Resource Recovery Advisory Management Committee and the Denver Regional Council of Governments.

Born on March 28, 1937 in Seattle, Washington, to Ralph and Florence Tuininga, Gail grew up in the Seattle area. She graduated from Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington, with a major in Physical Education. While at University, Gail was a member of the Blue Barnacles Swim Club, Modern Dance Club, Ski Club, and served on the Board of Control. She was named to Who's Who in American Colleges & Universities in 1958. Gail earned her Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Denver and established a successful private counselling practice.

Gail married Dave Molinaro in 1959. They moved to Alaska where Dave was a forest ranger, and Gail taught school for several years. After their Alaska adventure, Gail and Dave moved to Colorado. They lived in Dolores and the Colorado Springs area before moving to Morrison in the late 1960s.

Gail enjoyed a multitude of activities. Skiing was always a passion for her. She was active in the National Ski Patrol and rose to the position of Section Chief for Monarch, Steamboat Springs, Copper Mountain and Vail. An excellent public speaker, Gail was active in Toastmasters International and various service organizations.

Sue Nettles, a friend of many years, remembers Gail as adventuresome. The two friends met while teaching swimming at a summer camp in Brevard, NC. As Sue recalls, "A neighbor told Gail that she should go work at Camp Illa-hee because the pay was so good. So Gail, who was only 16 or 17 at the time, got on a bus in Washington and rode it all the way to North Carolina. This was in the 1950s, and that was quite a trip! She made this trek every summer until she went to college.

Another fond memory for Sue embodies Gail's calm demeanor. "It was soon after I moved to Morrison, and I was in charge of Gail's two boys. I heard a loud commotion going on and ran to the boys' room to find them fighting and wrestling. I called Gail at work and said 'Do you hear that noise? Davy is pulling Tony's ears off!' Gail calmly replied, 'Don't worry, they are just like bear cubs'."

"Gail was kind and she liked to help people," recalls Sue, "but it was not a good idea to cross her."

Gail is survived by her three children: Nina, David and Tony; and her dear friend, Sue Nettles.

"Just do one thing at a time," was always Gail's advice to everyone.



FROM THE TOWN OFFICE



TOWN STAFF AND RESIDENTS HELP LOCAL FAMILY

As our Christmas project for 2021, the Town of Morrison staff and Town residents provided funds to buy gifts and gift cards for a local family who needed a little extra help to make the holidays merry. The gifts were wrapped and given to Santa in time for a Christmas delivery.



Election News and Deadlines

This is your chance to make a difference in Morrison. Consider running for Mayor or for the Board of Trustees in the up-coming election to be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. In order to run for Mayor or the Board of Trustees, you must be a registered voter, 21 years of age on April 5, 2022 (election day), and have been a resident of the Town of Morrison for a period of at least twelve consecutive months immediately preceding the election.

Beginning Monday, January 3, 2022, you can pick up a nomination petition at the Town Office. The signed petitions must be returned to the Town Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2022. Each petition needs a minimum of 10 signatures. Each petition signer must be a registered voter living within the Town limits. No voter can sign more than one nomination petition for each position. This year, there are four Trustee positions and the Mayor's office to be filled.

In order to vote, you must be registered by Monday, March 14, 2022. If you are not registered, you can do so at the Jefferson County Clerk's Office, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, Room 2530, Golden, Colorado, 80419, or you may register on-line at <https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/vote/VoterHome.html?>

If you will not be able to vote in person on April 5, 2022, you may request an Absentee Ballot Application, available at the Town Office. Once you have completed the Application and returned it to the Town Clerk, you will receive an Absentee Ballot. Absentee Ballot Applications must be received by the Town Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 1, 2022. In order to be counted, Absentee Ballots must be received at the Town Office by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2022..

Make sure your voice is heard this election year. Consider running for a Town office and be sure to vote on April 5, 2022!

January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					Town Office Closed	1 Happy New Year!
2	3	4 Board Meeting	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Planning Commission Meeting	12	13	14	15
16	17 Town Office Closed	18 Board Meeting	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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THE TOWN OF MORISON IS 116 YEARS OLD!

The Town of Morrison was officially incorporated in January, 1906. The election to determine incorporation was held on January 9, 1906, and the vote for incorporation was unanimous with a vote of 69 to 0.

On February 13, 1906, a second election was held to vote for the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Thomas Morrison, son of the town's founder, was elected as the first Mayor. The original Trustees were Dr. Frank Luce, Charles Pike, Jacob Schneider, J. W. McLean, Peter Nelson and Lawrence LaGrow. The Town Clerk was F.W. Adams.

With this step to incorporation, Morrison undertook the task of providing its own government and services. For the past 116 years, the Town has managed to provide all necessary services for its residents.

We look forward to seeing what the next 116 years will hold for our very special Town.



THE TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
 MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022
 IN OBSERVANCE OF
 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY