



The Town Board will meet on August 12th & 26th at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited to participate virtually on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81449378638> , or on the Town's Facebook page.

Newsletter

August 2021

Town Board Matters

The Town Board is considering the adoption of regulations to address short-term rentals, also called STR's. The Board members are concerned about the impact STR's have on neighborhoods, and the loss of homes from the long-term rental market. Long-term rental properties provide affordable housing for the local workforce and STR's provide housing for visitors to the region. The draft regulations are available on the Town's website in the Town Board's July 22, 2021 packet at: <https://townofoakcreek.com/town-board-agendas-minutes/> and the discussion will continue at an upcoming Town Board meeting.

After School Program

The Town of Oak Creek's After School Program will be **starting on Tuesday, August 24th**. The After School Program runs from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Students participating in the After School Program can take the Soroco bus to the South Routt Community Center. The After School Program provides a daily snack, fun arts and crafts, homework time, as well as free time for your child to unwind and have fun with their peers. If you would like to sign your student up, please contact Erika Petersen at epetersen@townofoakcreek.com or 970-200-4149. Stay tuned, we will also be offering fun clubs during the After School Program this fall!

Thank you to all the families that participated in the Town of Oak Creek's Summer Camp. We had a blast getting to know the campers and guiding them through meaningful activities and fun field trips! If your child had fun at camp, please consider participating in our After School Program.

Keep Oak Creek Beautiful

One provision in Town municipal ordinance about nuisances is a focus of our code enforcement efforts this year. It relates to abandoned/nuisance vehicles. The Municipal Code allows only one unlicensed/inoperable vehicle per property. This one vehicle has to be shielded from public view. CSO Eileen Rossi is working with vehicle owners to ensure compliance with this last provision of code so as to better improve the overall look and feel of our community. Please look around your property and see if there may be any possible code enforcement issues and ask us how to resolve it.

Town Job postings

The Town is seeking to hire a **full-time Maintenance Worker** in the Public Works Department. This benefited position offers a competitive wage and a wide variety of work in the Town's public works operations including electric system, water and sewer systems, and streets, parks and building maintenance. Applications and full job descriptions may be found at www.townofoakcreek.com/employment/.

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LABOR DAY – 2021

The Labor Day Committee is happy to return this September with the annual Oak Creek Labor Day celebration; which is a weekend of fun activities starting on **Wednesday, September 1st** with music at Franciosi Brothers, 112 W. Main St, from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. **Thursday, September 2nd** there will be a Rockin' Routt Bar Crawl on Main Street from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. There will be a prize drawing at the Colorado Bar at 9 p.m. followed by karaoke. **Friday night from 5 – 7 p.m.** there will be music and happy hour in the Main Street Park followed by more music featuring Constant Change at the Colorado Bar starting at 8:00 p.m. Decker Park will have a showing of "Raya and the Last Dragon" at dusk Friday night. **Saturday**, Main Street will be closed to traffic and home to many holiday weekend activities starting at 7:00 a.m. with a Pancake Breakfast at the Main Street Park. The Oak Creek Tavern, formerly the Elks, will host a cribbage tournament at 10 a.m. Decker Park will host a fishing derby at 10 a.m. On Main Street you will find Chicken Sh*t BINGO, a car show, FREE family fun day activities starting at noon, at 2:30 p.m. there will be a Hula Hoop Contest and a PIZZA eating contest at Franciosi Brothers, at 3:00 p.m. there will be the presentation of the Oak Creek Coal Royalty, followed by a cake walk at 4:00 p.m., and BINGO will be at the Fire Station from 1 – 5:00 p.m.. **Sunday** activities include a pancake breakfast at 7a.m.; Tracks & Trails Museum tours at 10a.m., noon and 2p.m.. On **Monday, Labor Day**, in addition to the 11:00 a.m. Main Street parade there will be the No Fun Run with sign-up at 8:30 a.m., Decker Park will host vendors, the Art Show and starting at 1:00 p.m. volleyball, corn hole and horseshoe tournaments. At 3:00 p.m. Decker Park will host a free throw contest, the Wife Race and a Grease Pole climb contest. The Fire Station will host BINGO from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Are you a Recycler!

Use the green recycling carts with yellow lids, provided by Twin Enviro, to recycle your household trash **without any sorting.** rinsed Glass – yes, all colors and labels are okay! rinsed Metal cans – yes, steel and aluminum. Newspaper, office paper, junk mail and magazines – yes, including staples, no need to bundle. Paperboard – yes, including cereal boxes, paper towel and toilet paper rolls and even clean pizza boxes.

Green Machine reminder –

Thanks to the Yampa Valley Sustainable Council the Green Machine is delivered to Decker Park the fourth Monday of each month and picked up the following Monday. The schedule and recycling guidelines are available online at www.yvsc.org.

COVID-19 updates are available online at Routt County's webpage:

<https://www.covid19routtcounty.com/>

Routt County Public Health is testing anyone with COVID-19 symptoms and anyone who has been in close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, make an appointment.

Soroco Schools Start the 2021/22 Year

South Routt School District will be in full in-person instruction pre-K through 12th grade starting on Aug 24. We are waiting to see if there will be any mandate from Local Public Health (LPH) on mask requirements.

Please drive safely and watch out for students!

Do you have the best lawn in Town?

Fresh cut lawns look great, smell good, and help maintain neighborhood property values. Our summer weather has caused grasses and weeds to grow with great vigor. Once they reach six inches (6") they need to be cut down. Tall grasses spread wildfire and are ideal places for other issues to develop. Please cut your grasses and weeds.

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