

October 2025

GMF Town News



Thank You Town Volunteers!

Mayor's Memo:

At a Special Meeting on September 22nd, the BoT authorized the purchase and financing for a replacement grader and a replacement skid steer. Our existing grader, a 1977 model, has broken down to the point where we could no longer use it. On two different occasions during about a 2 week period, the grader lost its brakes while up on some of our steepest roads. The replacement grader is a 2022 Sany SMC 200c-8 with 600 hours on it. This should last us several years. This newer grader will be similar in size to the existing one. Our existing skid steer had been used to the point where it was losing power. The replacement skid steer is a 2023 John Deere JD 331g with 341 hours (please note this is a little different from what was posted on social media - my error). We anticipate receiving the equipment very soon.

Saturday, October 4th is the 2025 Creek Week Community work day from 9am until 11am. Please meet at the Green Box Farmstand and be sure to bring a bottle of water and work gloves!

On Friday, October 10th, students from Ute Pass Elementary School will be working at various locations across Town with various beautification activities. If you see the students out and about, be sure to wave and say "thank you"!

On Saturday, October 18th, there will be a Community Pot Luck sponsored by the Building Ute Pass Community non-profit organization. The potluck will begin at 4:30 pm and will be located at the Church in the Wildwood. Before the potluck, beginning at 3:30 pm, you can come and contribute your stories and photos to the Your Stories - Our Histories project. Please join us and bring your favorite dish!

It's budget time and at a Special Meeting on September 16th, the Board had a work session to review that draft budget. It should be noted that the budget presented was balanced and included the funding for the new Public Works equipment. Special thanks to Town Staff for putting this draft budget together.

Work has begun on the Town's asphaltting operations. The areas that are being milled and filled are: Park Ave/Illinois, Park Ave edges to concrete

curb, Ute Pass from the Distillery to the bridge, Ute Pass in front of Post Office and GMF Road at highway 24. Please be advised traffic through those areas will be affected.

The results of the one-week traffic survey that we will use as supporting data for a traffic camera are in. In one week, in one direction only, there were over 25,000 cars that were going 10mph over the speed limit or more. I'm hopeful that the speed camera will be approved because we need to slow traffic down at our intersection.

Committees:

Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee

The second "Chipper Days" on September 6th and 7th was very successful! On September 13th at the Sallie Bush Community Center, the Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee and the Historic Green Mountain Falls Foundation hosted "Home Ignition from Wildfire" with Tom Welle, a nationally renowned wildfire prevention expert. The meeting was very informative! In addition, FMAC members can assess your property from a fire mitigation perspective. I had them come to my home and even though it is a newer house, they advised me on additional things that can be done.

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission has an opening. If you are a resident of the Town of Green Mountain Falls, please consider applying! The Planning Commission has been working on updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan. This Plan is very important because many grants want to see how the grant request fits within the community's planning documents.

Parks, Rec and Trails Committee: This Committee is working on numerous potential park improvements including Pool Park, Hotel Park, and relocating the American Discovery Trail. The Leave No Trace Gold Standard Site application was submitted in September which, if awarded, will be another recognition for the town's trails and Gazebo Lake.

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Reminders:

Parking in the Public Works Yard and entering the Public Works Yard is not allowed. The Public Works Yard is a restricted area. Also, do not park in front of the Public Works gate. If work in Town is needed, please report it on the Town's website at: <https://greenmountainfalls.colorado.gov/form/report-a-nonemergency-issue> or contact Town Hall.

If you are doing any exterior upgrade to your property or lot, please discuss your project with the Town to avoid a stop order.

Calendar:

Oct 4th - Creek Week Fall Clean Up
Oct 7th - Town Hall/Board of Trustees
Oct 8th - Parks, Recreation and Trails Committee
Oct 10th - UPES GMF Service Day
Oct 14th - Planning Commission
Oct 18th - Community Potluck at CWW
Oct 21st - Board of Trustees (if needed)
Oct 27th - Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee