



Town of Yampa
January 2026
Newsletter



Important

**January & February
 Dates & Events**

- * **January 15th** - YEHS Meeting @ 6pm Town Hall/Crossan's
- * **January 17th** - Coffee with the Mayor 10am-12noon Town Hall/Crossan's
- * **January 17th** - Pinochle @ 4:30 PM Ladies Aid Hall
- * **January 19th** - MLK Day Town Hall Closed
- * **January 21st** - Town Board Meeting @ 6 PM (Tentative)
- * **January 26th** - 4th of July Meeting @ 6 PM Town Hall
- * **January 26th** - Last day to return Election Nomination Petitions by 4 pm
- * **January 28th** - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:30pm Town Hall
- * **January 29th** - Yampatika Snowday Seminar 6-7:30pm
- * **February 2nd** - YEHS Annual Groundhog Dinner 5-7pm
- * **February 4th** - Town Board Meeting @ 6pm



COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR IS BACK! 2026

Join Mayor Stacey Geilert for a hot cup of coffee, friendly conversation, and a chance to chat about current town topics or ask your questions.

WHEN: Third Saturday of every month

TIME: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

WHERE: Town of Yampa



Our Santa Sign Is Ready For A New Look!!

We'd love your help! Community members are invited to design, paint or otherwise provide a refreshed version for the Town.

If you're interested, please send your ideas to clerk@townofyampa.com We'll review submissions and select one to bring Santa's magic back to life.



🎄 ✨ A Huge Holiday Thank-You! ✨ 🎄

What a magical Christmas season we had in Yampa — and it's all thanks to YOU!

From our Giving Tree gift donors, wrappers, and delivery elves, to Santa and his Christmas Eve crew, to the 4th of July Committee for cookie decorating, the Moniker Foundation for providing food boxes, and the talented decorators who made Town Hall sparkle — your efforts brought joy to our community!

Because of your generosity, 12 families celebrated a brighter, merrier Christmas this year. We are so grateful for every helping hand (including those we may have missed by name) that made the season shine.

A BIG Thank You to

Yampa Valley Electric Association/Luminate Sponsor

Yampa's Christmas Lighting Contest

Winners (Three-Way Tie):

- Zywicki 325 Main Street
- Cordova 76 2nd Street
- Price 561 Terhune Avenue

Montgomery's Ham:

- Rachel Masters



January

South Routt Play and Learn
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
South Routt Community Center
227 Dodge Avenue
Oak Creek, CO

Newborn Network
Family Development Center

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	Winter Break		HAPPY NEW YEAR	1	2	3	4
5	New Year Goals: 6 What routines do you hope to start, continue or stop?	7	Reading Day: 8 What new books have you added to your library this year?	9	10	11	
12	Community Experts: 13 Catherine Leitess and Thomas Walker Registered Craniosacral Therapists - focusing on the head and spine		Freeze Dance: 15 Let's shake off that cabin fever!	16	17	18	
19	Snow Fun: 20 Sensory art projects that make "snow"	21	Cloud Dough: 22 Easy to make and fun to play with!	23	24	25	
26	Let's get messy while we clean: 27 Shaving cream sensory fun!	28	Do you want to build a snowman?: 29 Snowman art with recycle materials	30	31		

Facilitator: Crystal Brenegan
NNPL@familydevelopmentcenter.org (970) 879-0977

Yampatika's Snowday Seminars

Big Game Management
with Colorado Parks and Wildlife Biologist Eric VanNatta

Join Yampatika and CPW's Terrestrial Biologist to learn about deer and elk research, big game management, and the impacts of the winter of 2022.

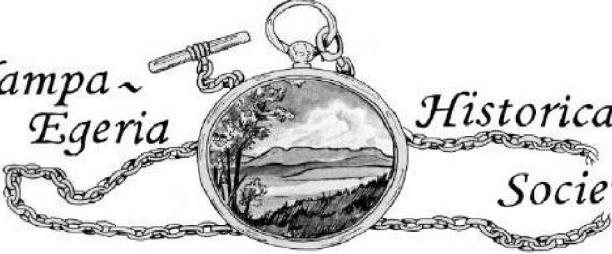


January 29th, 6-7:30pm
Yampa Ladies Aid Hall

83 1st Street, Yampa
\$10 includes food and drinks

REGISTER HERE!
OR
call: 970.871.9151
email: haileyeyampatika.org

Yampa Egeria Historical Society




GROUNDHOG DAY DINNER

Monday, February 2, 2026
Yampa Ladies Aid Hall
5-7 pm (or until food runs out)

ALL YOU CAN EAT BISCUITS & GRAVY

Also serving
Sausage Patties ▪ Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans ▪ Applesauce
Coleslaw
Ice Cream, Cookies & Beverages




Are You Registered to Vote in Yampa?

Check Your Voter Registration!

The Town of Yampa's Municipal Election is on Tuesday, April 7, 2026. Make sure you're ready to vote by verifying your registration with the Colorado Secretary of State.

Go to: coloradosos.gov
Elections & Voting → Check Your Voter Registration



You can also update your registration by mail or at the Routt County Clerk's office.

Call (970) 870-5556 for more information



TOWN ELECTION TO BE HELD APRIL 7, 2026

Nomination petitions for office may be circulated **beginning Tuesday, January 6, 2026 until Monday, January 26, 2026.** A candidate for office must be at least 18 years of age, a registered elector and have resided within the Town limits for at least one year preceding the date of the election. Candidates must obtain the signatures of at least ten registered voters residing within the Town of Yampa. Nomination petitions must be filed with the town clerk by **4:00 PM on Monday, January 26, 2026.**

In order to be qualified to sign a petition or to vote in this election, you must be registered to vote. A person is entitled to register to vote if he has attained the age of 18 years, is a citizen of the United States and has resided in the Town of Yampa. You may register at the at the County Clerk's office in Steamboat Springs or online with the Colorado Secretary of State at www.sos.state.co.us. If you are already registered with the county, you need not register again.

Applications for an absentee ballot are available at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town of Yampa, 101 Main Street, Yampa.

Examples of Community Tools

Overlay Zones restrict and regulate types of development within high wildfire-risk areas (or areas where suppression may be difficult).

Zoning Regulations restrict development within high wildfire-risk areas.

Incentives allow higher density or other incentives if properties are developed to meet wildfire standards.

Forest and Watershed Management Projects reduce fuels within the wildland-urban interface (WUI).

Building Codes require ignition-resistant construction materials for new developments and retrofits.

Subdivision Design Standards require risk reduction features, such as minimum road widths, secondary access, and adequate water supply.

Community Fuel Breaks incentivize developers to plan open space and recreational trails, creating fuel breaks.

Landscaping Regulations encourage wildfire resistant landscaping that can make a significant difference to the survivability of a structure.

Steep Slope Ordinances restrict development within high wildfire-risk areas.

WUI Code establishes a set of minimum development standards to reduce the loss of property from wildfire.

Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) helps align goals with other community documents.

Effective land use planning can help safeguard your community and lower your wildfire risk.

Helping communities better plan wildfire-prone areas.
Doug Green | doug@headwaterseconomics.org | 541-749-0620 | <https://cpaw.headwaterseconomics.org>

YAMPA PLANNING COMMISSION

WORK SESSION

JANUARY 28, 2026 @ 6:30PM

TOWN HALL/CROSSAN'S – UPSTAIRS BOARD ROOM

The Yampa Planning Commission will be holding a work session to discuss processes and potential Land Development Code changes that include those related to the Colorado Wildfire Resilience standards being implemented by the State of Colorado.

Join us in these important discussions and learn what you can do to reduce wildfire risks for yourself and your neighbors.

Happy New Year

2026

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WITH A NEW WINDSHIELD**

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED

Are you 18 years or older?
Registered to vote in Colorado?
Interested?

Contact Sheila Symons at (970) 638-4511 or
clerk@townofyampa.com

Interested in Serving on the Yampa Town Board?

The Mayor and three (3) Town Trustee positions will be on the ballot for the
April 7, 2026 Regular Election

Nomination Petitions will be available starting **January 6, 2026** at Town Hall and must be returned by **January 26, 2026**. Questions? Contact Sheila Symons, Town Administrator/Clerk, at (970) 638-4511 or clerk@townofyampa.com

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