



Winter is coming, photo by Bob White

TOWN OF FAIRPLAY MISSION STATEMENT-Recognizing our unique heritage and environment, the Town of Fairplay is committed to accountable leadership in order to protect and enhance our citizens' quality of life by ensuring the delivery of effective and efficient public services. We implement this mission based on the following core values: open communication; transparency; integrity; professionalism and teamwork.

Greetings from Mayor Just!

I will begin this Blog by wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!

I'm sure most of you, like myself, are in awe at how fast the summer passed and wonder where all the time went. As I sit here composing this message to you, I reflect on our summer, its events, and the magnificent weather we had for the most part. This summer season was filled with rain and lots of it which brought us an unprecedented amount of greenery that we usually do not see in July and August. I noted vegetation which has not been present in many years and flowers that added to the serenity and loveliness of our area. It is no wonder that when visitors come to our area in the spring and summer time, they are stricken with our beauty and the sheer and stunning beauty that we who live here year around, oftentimes do not stop and take the time to appreciate and be thankful for our surroundings. I, get caught up in the everyday tasks and self-inflicted urges that take my focus away from the splendor of South Park, Fairplay and our environment. Now that winter approaches and we are shifting gears toward getting ourselves and our homes ready for the onslaught of mother nature, please remember why we settled here in the first place, and why we continue to choose to call South Park our home. We are all so lucky to have what we have and where we have it!

While I reflect on our Town, I would like to extend congratulations to all our businesses, large and small, that make up our business community. These folks are the epitome of determination, fortitude, purpose, grit, willpower, and every other positive adjective that can be thought of to describe our business community family. As I speak to the owners and employees of these businesses, I hear pleasant words like gratefulness, thankfulness, appreciation, and others for the support they enjoy that put a positive aura around their efforts to maintain a successful enterprise here in Fairplay. When I speak to visitors to our community, I consistently hear words like quaint, eclectic, charming, great and others that describe the resourcefulness of these business minds and their efforts. I visit with people from other adjacent counties that make it a point to let me know that they LOVE Fairplay and come here frequently to enjoy the restaurants and shops that make up our small community. I had one lady tell me just the other day that she and her family, who are all out of state, make it a point to come to Fairplay between Thanksgiving and Christmas to take part in the festivities, eat at our broad selection of cuisine offerings and just try to be a part of

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what she described as, like a holiday show on the Hallmark channel atmosphere. When I hear things like this from such a wide variety of different people, I just cannot help but swell up with pride and appreciation on behalf of those who work tirelessly to ensure that our community stands out against the best of the rest! Thank you everyone for all you do to keep our community at the forefront of positive thoughts and reflection.

I also want to thank our Town volunteers who selflessly serve our community and give of themselves; for all their hard work, time, personalities, character and charm to promote our small Town every day of the year. It goes without saying, that without your commitments to our Town, things would be much more difficult to put together. Those who commit by giving of themselves allow our Town Staff the time to plan, prepare and execute our great events. Thank you all so much for all you do!

Lastly, I want to express my gratitude and thanks to the citizens of this Town for your continued support. I am truly honored to be Mayor and represent the great citizens of Fairplay.

Good health, happiness, success, and love to all as we navigate the conclusion of a great year, while eagerly awaiting 2023 and planning our success together as a community!

Much love, strength, and gratitude to you all!

Frank

Reminders from Public Works

- ◆ **Snow Removal Policy Adopted By Board of Trustees** — The Board of Trustees adopted a formal Snow Removal Policy on October 17, 2022. The policy is intended to provide information to the Town's citizens regarding the manner and method of snow and ice removal utilized by the Town Public Works Department during a snow event. The policy also addresses citizens pushing snow onto or across Town streets, parking or abandoned vehicles, operations during blizzard conditions and things citizens can do to help the Town better serve its residents over the winter months. Please visit the Public Work's Department page on the Town's website at www.fairplayco.us to view the policy.
- ◆ **Sidewalks Must Be Cleared of Snow and Ice Within 24 Hours** — Fairplay Municipal Code Sec. 11-1-10 sets forth that any owner, occupant or agent of any lot, block or parcel of ground inside the corporate Town limits must clear the sidewalk alongside his property of any snow and ice within 24 hours of its accumulation in order to keep the areas safe for pedestrian use.
- ◆ **The Town Is Not Responsible for Frozen Lines or Breaks on Private Property** — If you plan to be away from your home for an extended amount of time during the winter months, it is highly recommended that you have your water shut off and service line blown out. To do this you will need to call a plumber to perform the service unless you are experienced in winterizing your own water lines. The Town cannot be held liable or responsible for frozen service lines and breaks on private property.

Reminders from Town Hall

- ◆ **Annual Renewal of Town Business Licenses**—The Town of Fairplay business licenses are due for renewal at the beginning of the year. All businesses or individuals engaged in any activity with the object of financial gain are required to have a Town business license. If you are doing business in Fairplay, please renew your license prior to January 31, 2023. If you have questions please contact us by phone at (719) 836-2622. Business license applications can also be found on the Town's website, (www.fairplayco.us), click on the "Doing Business" tab.
- ◆ **GO PAPERLESS, SIGN UP FOR XPRESS BILL PAY**—Town utility customers can sign up for paperless billing and make online payments at www.xpressbillpay.com. Click the "log in" or "sign up" buttons and follow each of the prompts to become a member of the paperless world to receive and pay your Town water and sewer bill electronically.



Save the Date
Saturday, 2/25/23
Authentic Cajun Cuisine
Cash Bar
Mardi Gras King & Queen
Music, Dancing, Beads
& More



Your Government in Action / Get Involved!

TOWN SET TO ADOPT 2018 BUILDING & FIRE CODES

The Town Board of Trustees did review and approve a final draft of Ordinance No. 11, Series of 2022, on Monday, November 21, 2022 which will adopt the International Code Council's 2018 Building and Fire Codes which provide the Town Building Official specific details and requirements related to the construction and renovation of buildings and structures within Town limits in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the general public but also all emergency responders. The Ordinance is not set to take effect until January 1, 2023 and specific questions can be addressed to Building Official Kyle Parag by phone at 720-241-4741, by email at kyleparag@caa.inc or in person at Town Hall at 901 Main. The adopted Ordinance will be posted to the Town's website for viewing online at the Town's website www.fairplayco.us on the Building Department page.

US 285 AND STATE HIGHWAY 9 WIDENING / INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT OUT FOR BID

The CDOT US 285 Bridge Replacement and Widening Project with Intersection Improvements at Highway 9 that was postponed last fall is out to bid again and will hopefully be awarded around December 1. If a contractor is selected, the Town will schedule a public meeting with the company and CDOT and Town representatives so citizens can see the updated plans and ask questions. Please subscribe for updates on the Town's website at www.fairplayco.us and click the Notify Me button at the bottom of the page to receive mail alerts and follow us on Instagram and Facebook.

2023 Town Budget Meetings

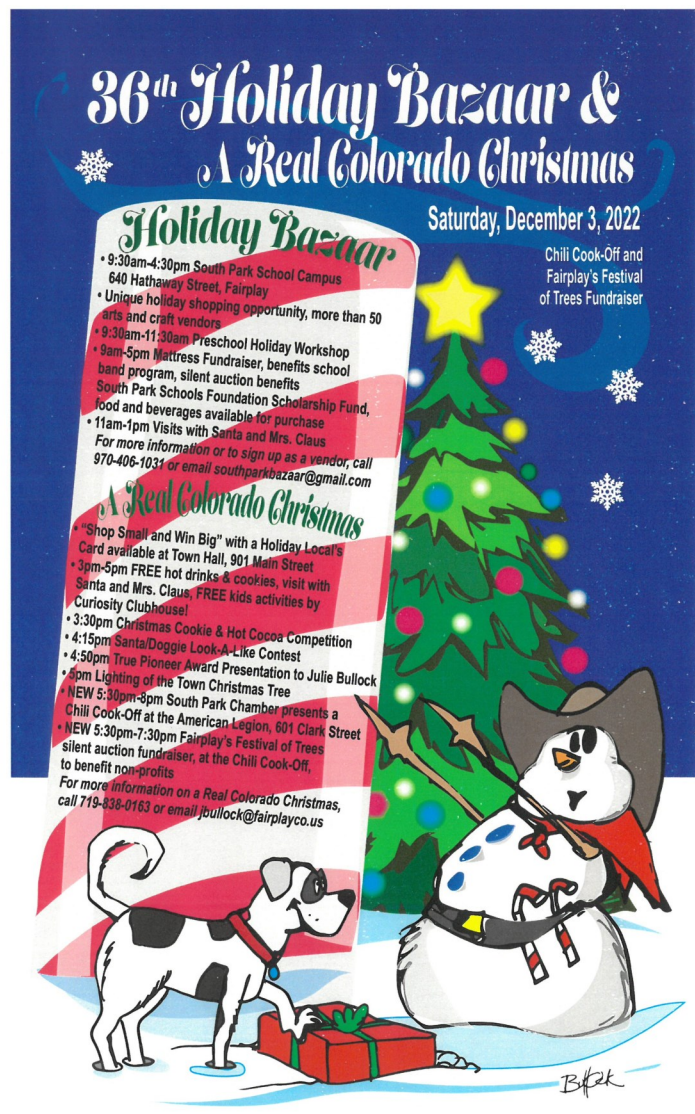
The Town Board is involved in the budget process at this time. The first public hearing was held 11/7, and the second on 11/21, and the third and final public hearing is set for 12/5. The public is encouraged to attend and give input at these meetings. A fourth one more set for Those dates are 11/21 and 12/5 at 6pm in Town Hall at 901 Main. The public is welcome to give input at these meetings. The proposed 2023 and amended 2022 budgets can be viewed at Town Hall, or on the Town website www.fairplayco.us. For more info, call Kim Wittbrodt, at 719-836-2622, ext. 103 or email her at kwittbrodt@fairplayco.us.

Short Term Rental Permits

As of this newsletter, only 15 of the 20 available permits have been issued. The renewal process is underway and all permits are now issued on a first-come-first-serve basis. The New Application and Renewal Application forms, along with lodging tax remittance information, the full ordinance and associated check lists can be found online at the Town's website at www.fairplayco.us. Click on the Short Term Rental button and the far bottom right of the page. Specific questions can be addressed to Town Administrator Janell Sciacca by phone at 719-836-2622 x-102, via email at jsciacca@fairplayco.us or in person at Town Hall during normal business hours.

Town of Fairplay Website

The Town encourages citizens to visit the Town's website at www.fairplayco.us to stay on top of everything going on in and around Fairplay. Click on Notify Me at the bottom center of the homepage and sign up for email notifications regarding meetings, events & activities, newsletters, announcements and emergency alerts.



36th Holiday Bazaar & A Real Colorado Christmas
Saturday, December 3, 2022
Chili Cook-Off and Fairplay's Festival of Trees Fundraiser

Holiday Bazaar

- 9:30am-4:30pm South Park School Campus
640 Hathaway Street, Fairplay
- Unique holiday shopping opportunity, more than 50 arts and craft vendors
- 9:30am-11:30am Preschool Holiday Workshop
- 9am-5pm Mattress Fundraiser, benefits school band program, silent auction benefits South Park Schools Foundation Scholarship Fund, food and beverages available for purchase
- 11am-1pm Visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus

For more information or to sign up as a vendor, call 970-406-1031 or email southparkbazaar@gmail.com

A Real Colorado Christmas

- "Shop Small and Win Big" with a Holiday Local's Card available at Town Hall, 901 Main Street
- 3pm-5pm FREE hot drinks & cookies, visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, FREE kids activities by Curiosity Clubhouse!
- 3:30pm Christmas Cookie & Hot Cocoa Competition
- 4:15pm Santa/Doggie Look-A-Like Contest
- 4:50pm True Pioneer Award Presentation to Julie Bullock
- 5pm Lighting of the Town Christmas Tree
- NEW 5:30pm-8pm South Park Chamber presents a Chili Cook-Off at the American Legion, 601 Clark Street
- NEW 5:30pm-7:30pm Fairplay's Festival of Trees silent auction fundraiser, at the Chili Cook-Off, to benefit non-profits

For more information on a Real Colorado Christmas, call 719-838-0163 or email jbullock@fairplayco.us

The poster features a festive background with a Christmas tree, snowflakes, and a star. In the foreground, there is a cartoon illustration of a dog wearing sunglasses and a red cape, standing next to a snowman who is also wearing sunglasses and a red cape. The snowman is holding a red gift box. The artist's signature 'Bullock' is visible in the bottom right corner.

EVENTS

*The Town of Fairplay had a great summer event season!
THANK YOU to our sponsors, volunteers, staff
and the community for showing up
and supporting our efforts!*



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**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 3**
5:30PM - 7:30PM
AMERICAN LEGION
POST 172
601 CLARK STREET
FAIRPLAY, CO

**Chili
COOK-OFF**

DO YOU MAKE THE BEST
CHILI IN SOUTH PARK?
IF YOU DON'T, HAVE DINNER
WITH US AND VOTE FOR
THE BEST!
AWARDS PRESENTED FOR
JUDGE'S CHOICE AND
PUBLIC POPULAR VOTE
\$25 TO ENTER YOUR
BEST RECIPE AND EARN
THE CHANCE TO WIN!

NEW IN 2022, A SILENT-
AUCTION FUNDRAISER FOR
LOCAL NON-PROFITS
DECORATE AND DONATE A
TREE AND GIFT THE
PROCEEDS TO YOUR
FAVORITE NON-PROFIT THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON!

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*Festival of
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