



MANAGER UPDATE

4/27/2026

To: Town of Grand Lake Board of Trustees

From: Steve Kudron, Town Manager

Department Notes

- **Finance**

- Our Caselle contract expires at the end of June. Caselle was not willing to extend the contract for anything less than a year. Because of the success the Town and OpenGov team has had, our Go Live date for the financial suite will be June 30th, 75 days ahead of schedule. OpenGov will be on site the week of June 1, 2026, managing final conversion that week.
- Budget module is scheduled for implementation in July ensuring our entire budget process will be completed on the new system.
- Water bills have been mailed.
- The new utility billing module will be ready for Q3 billing.

- **Code Enforcement**

- The Bear, raccoons and other trash loving critters have woken from their winter slumber. The community has been responsive to incidents. It is expected that with the return of second homeowners and more visitors, an increase in activity is expected.

- **Planning**

- ***There is an opening on the Grand Lake Planning Commission. A full commission ensures the best representation possible.***
- The Next scheduled Planning Commission meeting is May 6, 2026
- Our onsite planner from Ayres, Emily Weber will begin in the office May 5th, 2026

- **Public Works**

- We have received a quote for the chipping and removal of Town slash located mainly at the Mathews property. This is the result of nearly three years of material being cleaned from around town. The Town would keep usable chippings and the rest would be removed.
- The weekly running order includes many tasks that would be done in May and June.
- Access from Foxy Ln and Mad Moose is being restricted by a gate. This is at the request of the HOA during the annexation process and to keep visitors from strolling into that unimproved land.
- A 'Your Speed' sign has been posted on Portal Rd

- **Grand Lake Center**
 - The new backboards have been installed at the Center. They work great!
 - Lighting upgrades have been completed throughout the public spaces
 - Concrete patch has been completed in front of the clinic

- **Marketing/Events/Visitor Center/Communications**
 - Finalizing 2026 Guidebook
 - Marketing add-ons rollout process has started
 - Received two CTO grants for social media co-ops - one will run week of 4/23 and the other in July
 - Held meetings with GCCTB, GCEM/PIO, Simpleview/Granicus, Hermann Global, Pixel n Pine
 - Small turnout for Dark Sky events but looking forward to gaining momentum on events in the future
 - I've included the updated Headwaters logo for your final input

- **Clerk**
 - Met with BIS Background Services to review our account and services
 - Scheduled a free community TIPS Training for Sunday, May 31 from 12:00–2:00 p.m. (lunch will be provided)
 - Working on UEI renewal
 - Trained Stephanie Rhone on the payroll process as she begins transitioning into this responsibility
 - Preparing for the upcoming Cemetery Committee meeting on May 26
 - Working on Grand Lake Chamber of Commerce trademark transfers and renewals
 - Mailed business license update memos to all license holders; email notifications were also sent on Friday, April 24
 - Met with AIMS Community College to enroll Jack Crawford and Jimmy Cowan in CDL training for this summer
 - Met with Paychex HR to continue building out our platform; first official training is scheduled for Monday, April 27
 - Began processing the Verts marijuana license renewal, which is anticipated to go before the Board for approval at the June 8 meeting

- **Intergovernmental**
 - Our CEO grant intake is going well. Our initial scoping meeting was held April 21, 2026
 - Staff met with the engineer and Three Lakes Watershed on final review of the bid package for phase 1 work of the Stormwater Improvement Plan. This work, being done through a grant from the Windy Gap Environmental Fund will improve stormwater movement from Park Ave into Shadow Mtn Lake.

- **Water Department**
 - Summer water will turn on as normal. No changes to operations.

- **Marina**
 - Based on water conditions, the Marina will try to open for Memorial Day Saturday and Sunday which is a week earlier than usual (May 23 & 24, 2026).

- **Pay as You Throw**
 - Normal Operations

- **Space to Create**
 - The project continues to be well ahead of schedule
 - Water has been charged
 - Meters for water and electricity have been installed

- **Conference Recap**
 - The Main Street USA Conference was both rewarding and inspirational. To be with a group of towns, districts and communities that love their Town's authentic individualities. I attended several meetings that highlighted the ways communities use their story to keep their identity and find ways to pay for it.
 - On Monday, Gayle Langley hosted a reception for the 20 other Colorado Main Streets. It was a great opportunity to meet the Colorado staff as well as many of the other Main Street communities in the state.
 - The sessions I attended were:
 - Harnessing the Art of Storytelling for Community Engagement
 - Falling in Love with Rural Places
 - The Durability of Main Street: Lessons, Momentum and the Road Ahead
 - Turning Assets into Strategic Action
 - Civic Leaders Forum
 - From Chaos to Clarity: Facilitation Tools for Effective Community Engagement
 - From Blurry to Brilliant: Focusing your Lens on Main Street
 - The Magic of Identifying and Understanding your Community Assets
 - Building Strong Economies through Strong Communities
 - I am happy to share any of these presentations that are available at your request

Upcoming Event Highlights:

- May 12, 2026, Historical Happenings – Community House
- May 15, 2026, Upstage Youth Theatre Fundraiser – Community House
- May 16, 2026, Spring Clean Up/Arbor Day – Town Park, Town
- May 23, 2026, Grand Art Council's Comedy Night – Community House
- May 25, 2026, Memorial Day Celebration/Parade – Town Park, Grand Ave
- June 4, 2026, Community Picnic – Grand Lake Center Park

For all the great events happening in Grand Lake as well as Rocky Mountain Folk School classes, check out the upcoming May newsletter on the Town's website.

Next Board Meeting: May 11, 2026