



# GRAND LAKE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP AND MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 23, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Town Hall Board Room – 1026 Park Avenue

*The Town of Grand Lake upholds the Six Pillars of Character:  
Citizenship, Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness and Caring*

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## 1. Call to Order

Mayor Bergquist called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:07 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room.

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Bergquist led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. Announcements

Mayor Bergquist requested that all cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

## 4. Roll Call

Mayor Bergquist, Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon, Trustees Arntson, Causseaux, Miller, Mills, and Schoenherr were present, along with Town Manager Kudron, Town Attorney Krob and Town Clerk Carrell.

## 5. Conflicts of Interest

None.

## 6. Mayor's Report

Mayor Bergquist expressed her excitement for the upcoming Skijoring event and the significant number of visitors expected in Grand Lake, noting that as many as 20,000 people may be in town throughout the weekend beginning Friday. She encouraged Trustees to be welcoming and helpful to visitors, offering assistance when possible and volunteering if they see areas where help is needed.

She extended gratitude to the Rotary Club and the Skijoring organizers for their efforts in hosting the event and thanked the Skijoring community for choosing Grand Lake for a second year. Mayor Bergquist also recognized Town staff, especially Public Works, for their dedication and long hours preparing the community, including snow management and event setup.

Additionally, she highlighted the importance of reminding visitors that Grand Lake is a year-round destination, noting successful winter events such as pond hockey and ice fishing, and encouraged promoting the many events held throughout the year.

Finally, Mayor Bergquist informed Trustees that copies of the Colorado Municipal League (CML) Ethics, Liability, and Best Practices Handbook

(2019 edition) were provided for their reference. She indicated the Board will plan a future workshop to review the handbook and discuss ethics and liability best practices applicable to the Board.

## 7. Manager's Report

### A. February 23, 2026

#### Activities & Events Recap

- Tightline Outdoors Fishing Ice Addiction 2.0 was this past weekend in Grand Lake February 20 and 21, 2026. This expanded two-day event adds an elite class tournament, demonstrations and activities to the lineup. The event organizers have been very satisfied with planning and execution to date.
- This is the week! The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Grand Lake Skijor starts on Friday and runs through Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup>. Public Works staff has been working daily to complete the myriad of tasks required to prep the Town for the event. The organizers and staff have been working well together ensuring all facets of the event are coordinated.

#### Department Notes

- Admin
  - Networking is going in at the Visitor Center
  - CEO Accelerator Round 2 is in submission. There is a support letter for your approval.
  - Business Tax license season has been completed.
- Finance
  - ERP Conversion continues
  - 2025 yearly audit has started. The auditors will be on site the week of March 13, 2026
- Code Enforcement
  - STR enforcement continues
  - We have had very little in the way of trash and parking violations
- 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 March 4, 2026

- **Public Works**
  - Snow production is continuing. Public Works Staff are manning the equipment nightly as the temperature falls into the production range
  - Weather stations have been permitted and located. (Frost Solutions)
  - Traffic statistics are now being downloaded bi-weekly with the information going to Public Works, Marketing and me.
- **Grand Lake Center**
  - The fitness center is busy every day.
- **Marketing/Events/Visitor Center/Communications**
  - Gift basket for CO Preservation raffle
  - Mailed 2025-26 guidebooks to 10 welcome centers
  - Events Info, story ideas and photos to GCCTB (Brouhaha PR), per media request
  - Meetings/calls with S2C/AWA, Cooper Roberts, SkyHi, Pixel N Pine, CCI/GLCD
  - Finalized marketing budget

Updated car counter info - 35,506 cars in January 2026 (entrance) = approx. 94k people

- **Intergovernmental**
  - I will be attended Colorado Preservation Inc.'s Saving Places 2026 February 11-13, 2026 in Denver. There are many great ideas I was able to take and will be bringing to you some ideas and opportunities regarding the historic preservation economy.
- **Water Department**
  - Normal operations
- **Marina**
  - Quiet Time
- **Pay as You Throw**
  - Normal Operations
- **Space to Create**
  - The Town, GCHA and Creative District have held three information sessions regarding the residences. Applications open on March 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - Production of the modules completed last week. They will be transported to Hudson, CO until being delivered, then placed on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Upcoming Event Highlights:**

- February 21-22, 2026: Tightline Outdoors Fishing and Education Weekend
- February 28-March 1, 2026 Grand Lake Skijor

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

**Next Board Meeting: March 9, 2026**

**8. Public Comments (Limited to 3 Minutes)**

Gothard Lane, 1302 Spruce Drive- Mr. Lane commented on a damaged guardrail at the entrance to town that has remained unrepaired for several years. He stated he contacted Speaker of the House Julie McCluskie regarding the issue and received confirmation that the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is responsible and plans to complete the repairs when weather permits.

**9. Consent Agenda**

**A. Accounts Payable- February 23, 2026**

**B. Meeting Minutes- February 9, 2026**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon motioned to approve the consent agenda for February 23, 2026. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**10. Financial Review**

**A. January 2026 Financial Statements**

Presented by Nichole Kirkpatrick, CPA.

**11. Items of Discussion**

**A. Marketing Update**

Presented by Katie Hearsum, Marketing & Communications Manager.

**B. Consideration of Updated Liquor License Boundary Map for Rotary Club of Grand Lake "Grand Lake Skijoring" Special Event Permit**

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve the updated liquor license boundary map for the Rotary Club of Grand Lake's, "Grand Lake

Skijoring” Special Event Liquor Permit, as previously approved by the Board of Trustees on January 26, 2026. Trustee Mills seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**C. Consideration of Resolution No. 18-2026 — Fee Waiver Request for Rotary Club of Grand Lake Bingo Nights (June 19–September 6, 2026)**

Trustee Arntson motioned to approve Resolution 18-2026, a resolution setting certain fees for Grand Lake Rotary Club “Bingo Nights” event to be held on June 19, 2026, through September 6, 2026. Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**D. Consideration of Resolution No. 19-2026 — Fee Waiver Request for Rotary Club of Grand Lake Annual Pancake Breakfast (July 4, 2026)**

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve Resolution 19-2026, a resolution setting certain fees for Grand Lake Rotary Club “Annual Rotary Pancake Breakfast” event to be held on July 4, 2026. Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**E. Consideration of Resolution No. 20-2026 — Fee Waiver Request for Grand Arts Council Summer Concert Series (July 1–September 2, 2026)**

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve Resolution 20-2026, a resolution setting certain fees for Grand Arts Council “GAC Summer Concert Series” event to be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, through September

2, 2026. Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**F. Consideration of Resolution No. 21-2026 — Fee Waiver Request for Grand Lake Area Historical Society “Happening — A Storytelling Event” (January–December 2026)**

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve Resolution 21-2026, a resolution setting certain fees for Grand Lake Historical Society’s “Happening- A Story Telling Event” Events to be held on the first Tuesday of each month January 13, 2026, through December 8, 2026. Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**G. Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing: Consideration of Resolution No. 23-2026 — Conditional Use Permit for 620 Grand Avenue (Mixed-Use Building Remodel)**

Presented by Emily Weber, Ayres Associates.

Mayor Bergquist opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was received, and public comment was subsequently closed.

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve Resolution 23-2026, a resolution recommending approval of a Conditional Use Permit for 620 Grand Avenue to allow a mixed-use building to contain no more than 55% of residential floor area, where a maximum of 50% residential is permitted by right. Trustee Schoenherr seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon     Aye**  
**Mayor Bergquist         Aye**

**H. Consideration of Administrative Appeal — Petition for Major Encroachment at 329 Mountain Ave (Helma Residence)**

Presented by Town Code Enforcement Kracke.

Trustee Causseaux motioned to continue this item to the March 9, 2026, Board of Trustees meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

**Trustee Schoenherr     Aye**  
**Trustee Arnston         Aye**  
**Trustee Miller           Nay**  
**Trustee Mills            Aye**  
**Trustee Causseaux     Aye**  
**Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon   Nay**  
**Mayor Bergquist        Aye**

**I. Consideration of Resolution No. 22-2026 — Historic Rapids Lodge Sign Variance Request (210 Rapids Lane)**

Presented by Town Manager Kudron

Trustee Causseaux motioned to approve Resolution 22-2026, a resolution permitting the continued use of six non-conforming signs for the Rapids Lodge, Sunnyside Addition to Grand Lake Lot 18: Block 1 & A Tract East of Lot 18 to Center of North Inlet more commonly referred to as 210 Rapids Lane. Trustee Schoenherr seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

**Trustee Arntson         Aye**  
**Trustee Mills            Aye**  
**Trustee Causseaux     Aye**  
**Trustee Miller           Aye**  
**Trustee Arntson        Aye**  
**Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon   Aye**  
**Mayor Bergquist        Aye**

**J. Consideration of Granby–Grand Lake Connector MOU and FY2026 Transit Funding Allocation**

Presented by Charles McCarthy, Winter Park Transit Manager and Michael Cook, Colorado Department of Transportation.

Trustee Causseaux motioned to direct staff to move forward with an IGA to bring before the Board of Trustees and the allocation of the 2026 budget for transit services. Trustee Schoenherr seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arnston</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**K. Discussion of Sauna Concession Request — Lakeside**  
Presented by Town Manager Kudron.

**L. Consideration of Letters of Support — Colorado Energy Office Complete Streets Grant**  
Presented by Town Manager Kudron

Trustee Causseaux motioned to direct the Mayor and Board of Trustees to sign the letters of support of the Colorado Energy Office Complete Streets grant. Trustee Mills seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Schoenherr</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Bergquist</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**12. Future Items for Consideration**

- Town of Grand Lake Branding
- Lease Renewals

**13. Adjourn Meeting**

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon moved to adjourn the meeting, and Trustee Mills seconded. Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote, and the motion passed unanimously.

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:07 PM.

(Attest)



Alayna Carrell, Town Clerk





Christina Bergquist, Mayor