

# ON A FIRST NAME BASIS

TOWN OF  
ELIZABETH  
NEWS



## WILDFIRE CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE...EVEN WITHIN TOWN LIMITS

### HAVE YOU PREPARED YOUR HOME FOR A WILDFIRE?

Elizabeth Firefighters want to remind you to do your part in protecting your home, even if you think wildland fires won't affect you. Wind driven fires in this area can be destructive and hard to stop. Take a few moments to look over this checklist and see if you can be ready if a fire occurs.

- ✓ Create a Family Disaster Plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans and practice it regularly. Include in your plan the evacuation of large animals such as horses.
- ✓ Have fire extinguishers on hand and train your family how to use them.
- ✓ Ensure that your family knows where your gas, electric and water main shut-off controls are and how to use them.
- ✓ Plan several different evacuation routes.
- ✓ Designate an emergency meeting location outside the fire hazard area.
- ✓ Assemble an emergency supply kit as recommended by the American Red Cross.
- ✓ Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members who have relocated.
- ✓ Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers posted near your phone and in your emergency supply kit.
- ✓ Keep an extra emergency supply kit in your car in case you can't get to your home because of fire.
- ✓ Look for resources such as Firewise or Ready, Set, GO that will help you to create a defensible space around your home so fire slows down as it approaches.
- ✓ Stop by Elizabeth Fire and pick up a guide or speak with our staff for more information on protecting your home from fire.



## Elizabeth's Second Streetscape Project Public Meeting

Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. the Town will hold its second Main Street "Streetscape" Public Meeting at Town Hall. We encourage you to attend, learn more about the progress of the project's design process, discuss ideas, and get answers to your questions.

The streetscape design process involves field work, coordination with our Main Street residents, and businesses, and creation of engineering and design plans.

Questions? Please contact Zach Higgins, Planner/Project Manager: [zhiggins@townofelizabeth.org](mailto:zhiggins@townofelizabeth.org) or phone (303) 725-7496

### Public Works Staff Fun Fact: Can you guess which staff member matches which fact?

- I built and raced go-carts.
- I enjoy classic cars and learning history of all sorts of subjects.
- I traveled to all 7 continents before the age of 25.
- I LOVE cats!
- I am known around town as "the guy in the black hat".
- I am an Alien, as I was born in Roswell, New Mexico.

To see who goes with which fact go to **WHAT'S NEW** at [townofelizabeth.org](http://townofelizabeth.org)

The Elbert County Historical Society & Museum is open for the season on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Hours are – Memorial Day Sunday through Labor Day Sunday: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Thursday to Sunday.



On Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, Nick Snively was sworn in to fill the recently vacated Board of Trustees' seat. Nick has an extensive background as an operational administrator and professional, which has provided him with well-rounded experience in strategic planning, asset management, financial management, major initiative leadership, and responsible stewardship. Nick gets a great sense of joy and fulfillment in working with the communities where he's lived, and we are pleased to welcome him as our newest Trustee.

### JOIN OUR TEAM AT THE TOWN OF ELIZABETH BY SERVING ON OUR PLANNING COMMISSION!

The Planning Commission serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of Trustees on issues regarding land use and zoning. The Planning Commission is involved with the Town's long-range planning activities including the development of the Elizabeth Comprehensive Plan.

Regular meetings of the Planning Commission are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held at Town Hall located at 151 South Banner Street.

Persons eligible for a voting seat on the Planning Commission must be a bona fide resident of the Town of Elizabeth. There are two (2) regular voting member seats to be filled.

If you have questions or would like to receive more information, please reach out to Pam Cherry, Community Development Director at 303-646-4166 or [pcherry@townofelizabeth.org](mailto:pcherry@townofelizabeth.org).

Visit our Planning Commission webpage at: [townofelizabeth.org/pc](http://townofelizabeth.org/pc)

If there are any town related topics that you would like to hear more about in the newsletter, please give us a call or drop us an email ([moeser@townofelizabeth.org](mailto:moeser@townofelizabeth.org)) and let us know! Feel free to give us your observations and comments.