



JANUARY 2020



Milliken is ramping up for a great 2020

- ◆ Lots of plans & progress for Parks and Trails
- ◆ Our second signal light in town.
- ◆ New businesses.
- ◆ New residents to add input and new ideas!
- ◆ We're growing!



The first official meeting of the Parks Board, "Go Mill" met December 5th and had an election of officers. They chose the first major project to be a community garden in the old Martin Mobile Home Park. During the disastrous flood in 2013 when the Town was cut off from the rest of the State, Milliken really came together, and everyone helped each other out to get through the hardship. The Martin park area was so devastated by the flood that FEMA granted funds to the relocation of the residents. I am so excited how appropriate it is to build a community garden in this new park dedicated to bringing people together to produce community food and donate excess to the elderly and/or families in need, in living memory to the way everyone came together and helped each other during the flood of 2013. We already have one possible grant in the works from Communities that Care from the Laura Jane Musser Initiative.

Meetings are the first and third Thursday at 5:30 pm in Town Hall. You should come and join the effort! Go Mill !



Dogs are required to be licensed annually with the Town of Milliken , \$6 if spayed or neutered \$10 if not.

Simply bring a copy of the current rabies certificate to Town Hall, fill out a short form and your pet will receive a tag that will allow us to locate you if your pet were to get lost.



TOP "10" 2020 NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

- Get in Shape
- Stop Smoking
- Quit Drinking
- Eat Healthier
- Get Out of Debt
- Get Organized
- Make "Me" time
- Read More
- Find a new job.

Milliken Town Hall and Police Department Administration offices will be closed

**Monday, January 20th
in honor of**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



Do I Need A Business License?



Town of Milliken requires all businesses residing in or doing business with the Town to have a business license.

Doing business means an act of one (1) of the following:

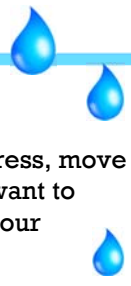
- Selling at retail any goods or service;
- Soliciting offering goods or services, retail sale or hire; or
- Acquiring or using any vehicle or any premises in the Town for business purposes.

For a business license application go to: www.millikenco.gov or come into Town Hall. There is a \$20 annual fee for a business license application. For more information see Chapter 6 Article I of the Milliken Municipal Code https://library.municode.com/co/milliken/codes/municipal_code?nodetd=CH6BULIRE

Water, Sewer, Trash & Recycle Info

Did you, get a new phone number, email address, move or get married? Let us know! You sure don't want to miss an issue of the Milliken Messenger, OR your Utility bill.

- ◆ Add your Account Number to your check.
- ◆ Pay by the 24th of each month to avoid late fees
- ◆ You can also pay online at: www.xpressbillpay.com
- ◆ Keep your water use down, fix leaky faucets and running toilets right away.



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency 911

Urgent Police Response (24/7) 911

or, 970-587-2772 M-F 8am-5pm

Non-Emergency Police Response 970-356-1212x4

Fire Protection District 970-587-4464

Call before you dig! Locates 811

Town Hall 970-587-4331



POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Recently, the Police Department has received several scam and fraud reports. First, callers are identifying themselves as the Internal Revenue Service claiming you have an outstanding debt, and if not paid within a certain time frame a warrant will be issued for your arrest, and the Police will be knocking on your door to arrest you, or all your assets will be confiscated. The caller will then direct you to get gift cards. Second, is the Fake Check Scam, scammers will send you a fake check in the mail that looks real. They will ask you to deposit it into your bank account and ask that you send them a percentage of the money. Don't be a victim! Many victims have lost thousands of dollars to these scammers they will steal your money and personal identification.

Here are a few awareness tips to help you from becoming a victim. Guard your information – never give out any information if requested. Beware of counterfeit checks. Most checks look like the real thing. Do not engage in conversation with these scammers. NEVER buy anything they request of you, specifically gift cards.

Please contact the police department at (970) 587-2772 if you feel been victimized or if you have any questions regarding these scams.

CALENDAR

Trash PU Mon. 6, 13, 20, 27
Recycle PU Mon. 13, 27
Mad Russian/Mill Iron
Recycle Pick-up Mon. 6, 20
***Red=Holiday schedule (Tue.)**

Planning Commission, @ Meeting House Wed. 15 7:00 pm

Town Board, @ Meeting House, Wed 8, 22 6:30 pm

Heritage House & Museum Open 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Historical Society, Every 2nd Mon. 6:00 pm

Milliken Housing Authority, Town Hall Thurs, 16th 8:30 am (Usually, every 3rd Thurs).

2020 MILL LEVY
Budget Budget Budget

The Town has hired Wade Nickerson as Finance Director. Wade comes with a lot of small-town Colorado experience. We're very excited to have someone with his expertise on staff to manage our unique financial needs. In 2020 the Mill Levy will be going **down** by about 2 mill's saving residents some money. However, our Water fund has been operating at a deficit which requires the raise in water rates. Because there's a slight drop in the Mill this year this would be a good time to make the adjustment. We have been working hard to find ways to cut expenses, save money and to be more efficient. An in-depth rate study will be done the first quarter of 2020. To offset our remaining deficit we'll be increasing water rates. Thus the lowest volume users (under 5,000 gallons a month) should have a very small increase. For these lower users the increase in cost should come in at a third of the mill levy savings, so the net year-end result would be in your favor.

Tim Singewald, Town Administrator

What's a mill levy? Property tax based on the assessed value of property. The tax rate is expressed in mills - one mill is equal to one dollar per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Mobile Food Pantry

Wednesday, January 22nd

Food Pantry starts at 10:30am
Located In Police Dept. Parking Lot



Pick up your number at the Police Department.
Numbers available starting at 7:00am

MILLIKEN SENIOR CENTER

Friendly Fork lunches are served at **11:00 am**, Mondays & Fridays. Please call **970-660-5040** to reserve your meal, no later than the day prior. The suggested donation is \$4 for those over 60, and \$14 under 60. Balancing Exercises at 9am & Cards at Noon every Monday & Friday.

- 1st Happy New Year Sr. Center **Closed**
- 2nd Book Club 10am
- 3rd Closed
- 5th Wii Games 10am
- 7th Tai Chi 10-11am
- 8th Hooks, Needles, and Hoops 10am
- 9th Tai Chi 10-11am Toe Time, by appointment only
- 10th 65+ Ride Share Presentation 10am
- 13th Blood Pressure Checks, Technical Phone Information 10am Sr. Board Mtg.
- 14th Tai Chi 10-11am
- 15th Hooks, Needles and Hoops 10am
- 16th Tai Chi 10-11am
- 17th Pool Tournament 10:15am
- 20th Martin Luther King Day **Closed**
- 21st Tai Chi 10-11am
- 22th Hooks, Needles and Hoops 10am
- 23rd Tai Chi 10-11am
- 24th Cary Johnson ID and Credit Card Theft Presentation 10am
- 27th Music by Mr. Tim 10am
- 28th Tai Chi 10-11am
- 29th Hooks, Needles and Hoops 10am
- 30th Tai Chi 10-11am
- 31st Amy Russell Music 10am

