

MAY 2024

# TOWN OF LA JARA NEWSLETTER



## Shut-Off Notices

Due to there being several past due accounts over the last few months we will be taking the shut-offs more serious. Each individual is given 10 days starting from when the shut off is given to make a payment. We try to work out a plan with our customers who may have received a shut off. If our customers communicate with us we will work with them to get their water situation figured out. We ask that if you get a shut off notice that you call and speak with one of the clerks so we can work together to come up with a plan.

## Weed Spraying

Our maintenance workers will be starting to spray weeds soon. If you would not like weed spray around your yard please notify the town so we can put you on our list. We would like that you notify us by May 9th or sooner so we can make our maintaince aware. Please contact us at (719) 274-5363.

## Mosquito Spraying

As it warms up and mosquitos start coming out, our maintenance will be out spraying through out the town. Due to the diseases that the mosquitos are carrying and the risk they bring we will be spraying down every street for the safety and health of our residents.

## Town Roads

The Town maintenance will be working very hard on fixing pot-holes throughout the town. This will be a project that will take time. We get our asphalt from one of the local suppliers who can get it to us when they can. Our goal is to fix majority of the pot holes but we also have to work with the suppliers schedule. If you have any question or concerns please call us and we will do our best to address your concerns.

## Payment Options

The Town of La Jara does have a few payment options for our customers. We do have a drop box for after office hours. The drop box is very secure and is checked daily. We do also have online bill pay that can also be used after office hours, you can find the link to register on our website at [townoflajara.colorado.gov](http://townoflajara.colorado.gov). During our regular business hours Monday- Thursday 7:30 am to 5:30 pm (open during lunch) you can come in and pay in office. Our extended hours Monday- Thursday are here to offer our customers more time during the day to make a payment. If you happen to miss us during our business hours call us at (719) 274-5363 and leave a detailed message about what you need and we will get back to you the next business day.


## Yard Debris

Our maintenance will not be responsible for picking up any yard debris in frontages. Any bags or branches left in frontages will be your responsibility to remove, unless discussed with town manager and maintaince supervisor.

## Roll Offs (spring clean up)

Roll offs will be available by appointment only until further notice. Anyone caught dumping with out permission will be issued a fine. To schedule a time please contact the Town Hall at (719) 274-5363.

## NEWS, UPDATES, ETC

 Court for May 6th has been canceled and moved to June 3rd.

 Council Meeting May 9, 2024 @6pm

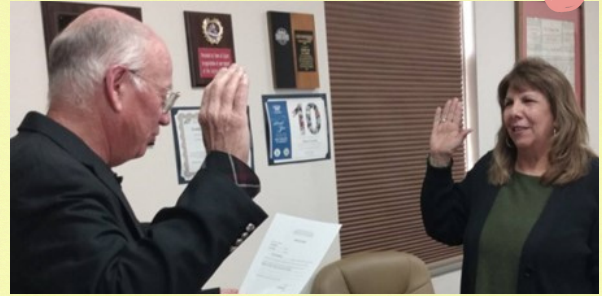
 Care & Share May 9th at 10am to 11am.

 Office Closed May 27th for Memorial Day.

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## New Elected Officials

April 2nd was the Town of La Jara's election. We had very good candidates and want to thank our candidates and election judges. Our board has returning faces and new faces. We are excited to announce our new board. Returning to the board is Curt Wilson, Paula Medina, and Margie Wagoner. Our new board members are Jennifer Salazar, and returning after several years Robert Cummings. Thank you to Annette Chavez, Amanda Cornum and Rita Gonzales for your interest in wanting to be part of our board.



Left: Attorney Gene Farrish & Mayor Paula Medina



Left: Trustee Robert Cummings, Jennifer Salazar, Margie Wagoner, and Curt Wilson



Left: Mayor Paula Medina & Austin Valdez

## No Outside Burning

### Ordinance 1997-1 (section 2&3)

Section 2- Outside Burning Prohibited: No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or burn or permit to be burned any trash, refuse, wood, weeds, brush, plants or other combustible or flammable material anywhere within the limits of the Town of La Jara or anywhere on town property outside of the town limits, except when:

- (1) The burning is in the course of an agricultural operation in the growing of crops as a gainful occupation and presents no fire hazards to other property in the vicinity;
- (2) The burning is for the noncommercial cooking of food for human beings;
- (3) The burning is a smokeless flare or a safety flare used to indicate some danger to the public, or;
- (4) The burning is a training fire conducted by the Fire Department, or a training fire conducted by another fire department and approved in writing by the Town's Fire Marshall.

## Message From the Mayor

I appreciate all of you who came out to vote and to the judges who spent the day making sure our election was carried out as directed. I look forward to serving another term as your Mayor. My goal is to continue to work with the Trustees, staff, and community to continue to make La Jara a town that we are proud to call home.

I also would like to welcome our new Trustees, Jennifer Salazar and Robert Cummings and to welcome back Margie Wagoner and Curt Wilson. Many thanks to our outgoing Trustee, Annette Chavez and our Mayor pro Tem, Austin Valdez for their dedication and service to our town. Austin Valdez has served our town for 35 plus years and we will miss the historical knowledge that he has brought to our community through his experience.

I look forward to working together for the greater good of La Jara. Thank you!  
Attendee panel closed

### Northerner's Senior Center

- 🌸 Bingo: Monday 10am to 11:30& 1pm to 2pm; Wednesday 10a to 11:30am
- 🌸 Cards: Tuesday at 10am
- 🌸 Casino: May 14, 2024
- 🌸 Painting: May 23, 2024 @ 11:00 am