



# Milliken Messenger



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One of the issues that confronts Milliken is the careful consideration of marijuana establishments within the town limits. With Amendment 64 now in effect, local jurisdictions have and will be addressing more permanent regulations. Currently Milliken has a moratorium for establishments until August 1 of this year.

The regulations in other municipalities have controlled areas, types of establishments, licensing restrictions or outright bans on any business operations. Several types of operations are possible including retail, cultivation, manufacturing, and testing. If in fact operations are to be permitted, then considerations for locations, licensing, revenue generation, and penalties will certainly need to be addressed.

How the Board addresses these issues will impact the Town in many ways, both with intended and unintended consequences. Another option is to have a municipal election on whether to allow establishments. The most recent voting indicated the Town was split on the passing of Amendment 64. However you feel about the issue, the Board welcomes your opinion. Please contact any of your representatives.

Milt Tokunaga, Mayor [MTokunaga@town.milliken.co.us](mailto:MTokunaga@town.milliken.co.us) 970.744.3007

**High Plains Public Computer Center OPEN!!!**

You will be able to use the computers and get library cards either at the Center or at Town Hall.

Monday	10am-5pm
Tuesday	2pm-5pm
Wednesday	12pm-5pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	10am-5pm



Historic Town Hall at 1109 Broad Street (Between Town Hall and the Police Department)

**TOWN OF MILLIKEN POLICE & EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

Emergency/Urgent Police Response (24/7)	911
Non-Emergency Police Response	(970) 356-1212x4
Crime Tip Line	(970) 660-5024
Police Department Administration	(970) 587-2772
(M-F, 8am-5pm)	



Town Hall (Admin., Water, Sewer, Street & Parks Emergency Issues)  
(M-F, 8am - 5pm) (970) 587-4331  
( After Hours & Weekends) (970) 356-1212x4

**Skatepark Donations**

The Town of Milliken has received a \$10,000 grant from The Community Foundation Littler Youth Fund. This Grant is a Challenge Grant to the Citizens of Milliken. The Community Foundation Littler Youth Fund will match up to \$10,000 to be used to construct a \$20,000 shelter at the future Milliken Skate Park.

The Town needs your help to raise these funds by this Spring so that we can construct the structure at the same time the park is being built. Please contact Anne Best Johnson, Community Development Director to donate, help with fundraisers, or with further questions at 660-5046.

**Mobile Food Pantry**

The Town of Milliken is partnering with the Weld Food Bank to provide fresh produce and other grocery items to the community.

Next distribution date:  
Wednesday, February 26th  
10:30 am-12:30 pm Town Hall Parking Lot

Interfaith Alliance volunteers are assisting with this project.



 PLEASE remember to put your FULL UTILITY ACCOUNT NUMBER on your check or money order. This ensures that your payment will be credited to the proper address. You can also pay your bill online at [www.xpressbillpay.com](http://www.xpressbillpay.com). Thank you.



- ☞ Monday, February 3, 10, 17, 24 Trash Pick-up
- ☞ Monday February 3 & 17 Recycling Pick-up
- ☞ Wednesday, Feb. 19 **Planning Commission**, Meeting House 7:00pm
- ☞ Wednesday, Feb. 12 & 26 **Town Board Meeting**, Meeting House 7:00pm
- ☞ Tuesday, February 11, Milliken Business Assoc. Town Hall 7:00pm
- ☞ Wednesday, February 20, Milliken Housing Authority, Town Hall 1:30pm
- ☞ Thursday, February 20, Bedtime Reading, Meeting House, 6:30pm
- ☞ Monday, February 17, Presidents Day, Town Facilities Closed
- ☞ Monday, March 3, Historical Society, Town Hall 6:30pm



### SNOW REMOVAL ON SIDEWALKS

Just a reminder per Milliken Municipal Code 11-1-20. “The owner, occupant, lessee or person in possession or control of any premises or property shall maintain the sidewalks adjoining such premises or property, and shall remove and clear away or cause to be removed or cleared away, snow and ice from sidewalks within twenty four (24) hours of the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain.” *Businesses must clear sidewalks within four hours, or the beginning of the next business day, whichever period is shorter.*



### **⚠ Message from the Clerk’s Office ⚠**

**On Tuesday, April 1, 2014 the Town will be holding a Municipal Election for three (3) seats on the Milliken Town Board. Due to changes in election law, the permanent mail in voter designation has been discontinued. Ballots will no longer be automatically received in the upcoming municipal election. If you wish to receive your ballot by mail, you will need to complete an Absentee Ballot Application. To receive an Absentee Ballot Application, please refer to the Town’s website at [www.millikenco.gov](http://www.millikenco.gov) or contact the Clerk’s Office at 970-660-5049 to request an application be mailed to you. Thank you!**

**Cheryl L. Powell, Town Clerk**

### **Trash Rates to Increase ~Recycling Still a Bargain~**

Our contract with Waste Management has been renewed with a slight increase in rates (2.75%) for 2014. Effective March 1st, the 96 Gallon Container rate, which applies to the largest majority of our customers, will increase \$.30, to \$11.85 per month, and other solid waste disposal costs will increase approximately 2.75%. The good news is that the rate for Recycling will stay the same at \$2.75 per month, and we continue to encourage your participation in this important effort.



### **Skatepark Update**

The Evergreen Skateparks LLC Team from Portland, Oregon will be arriving in Milliken soon to start construction on the skate park and they are planning to complete the park by July 4<sup>th</sup> 2014; weather and construction contingencies permitting. We then will have a soft opening while the landscaping is being completed for the rest of the park area. Stay tuned for a Grand Opening Celebration of the entire Park on August 9<sup>th</sup> 2014, Beef and Bean Day.

“This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”