

Town Council Packet October 25, 2022 @ 7:00pm





GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Public Input is a vital and important portion of every meeting and will be permitted throughout the meeting, but according to the following guidelines:

- a. Public input is allowed during the Agenda identified <u>Public Input</u> and <u>Public</u>
 <u>Hearing</u> portion of the meeting.
 - i. If you would like to address the meeting during the appropriate times, please raise your hand and when called upon you will be asked to come to the podium. *Announce your name* so that your statements can be adequately captured in the meeting minutes.
 - ii. Please keep your comments to 3-5 minutes as others may want to participate throughout the meeting and to insure that the subject does not drift.
- b. Throughout the meeting agenda calls for public input will be made, generally pertaining to specific action items. Please follow the same format as above.
- c. At the conclusion of the meeting, if the meeting chair believes additional public comment is necessary, the floor will be open.

We hope that this guideline will improve the effectiveness and order of the Town's Public Meetings. It is the intent of your publicly elected officials to stay open to your feelings on a variety of issues.

Thank you, Rangely Mayor

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Town of Rangely

Oct 25, 2022 - 7:00pm

Agenda

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council)
ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor

TREY ROBIE, MAYOR PROTEM
DON DAVIDSON, TRUSTEE
KYLE WREN, TRUSTEE

TIM WEBBER, TRUSTEE
RON GRANGER, TRUSTEE
TODD THAYN, TRUSTEE

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Invocation
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Minutes of Meeting
 - a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of Oct 11, 2022, Town Council Meeting
- 6. Petitions and Public Input
- 7. Changes to the Agenda
- 8. Public Hearings 7:10pm
 - a. Lisa Jones, CNCC President
- 9. Committee/Board Meetings
- **10.** RBC Commissioner Reports
 - a. Jennifer O'Hearon, RBC County Commissioner
- 11. Council Reports
- 12. Supervisor Reports
 - a. Katelyn Carlson, Code and Animal Enforcement
 - b. Chief Hamblin, Swearing in Officer Kyle Baker
- 13. Reports from Officers Town Manager Update
- 14. Old Business
- 15. New Business
 - a. Discussion and action to approve the September 2022 Financial Summary
 - b. Discussion and action to approve the WRB Park & Rec District Liquor License renewal for Cedar Ridges Golf Course
 - c. Discussion and action to approve a Special Event Permit to the Rangely BPOE #1907 for the Charity Ball on Nov 12th-13th, 2022

- d. Discussion and action to approve a Special Event Permit to the Rangely BPOE #1907 for a Halloween Event on October 29^{th} - 30^{th} , 2022
- e. Discussion and action to approve the Letter of Intent to jointly fund a wage increase for Emergency Dispatchers employed by the Town of Rangely with Western Rio Blanco 911
- f. Discussion and action to affirm that Lisa Piering is the authorized Plan Administrator for the Rangely Employee Money Purchase Plan and the Rangely Police Department Purchase Plan.

16. Informational Items

- a. Escape Room Event Huge Success Oct 19th
- b. Rangely BPOE Halloween Event Oct 29th, 6pm
- c. Town of Rangely Shop n Dine November 2022
- d. AGNC RBC Economic Report 3rd QTR
- e. The Tank biggest Concert Season Yet

17. Board Vacancies

a. Community Garden Board Vacancies

18. Scheduled Announcements

- a. Giant Step Preschool Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 5, 2022, at 6:00 pm
- b. Rangely District Library Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 10, 2022, at 5:00 pm
- c. WRB Park & Recreation District Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 10, 2022, at 7:00 pm
- d. Community Outreach meeting scheduled for Oct 12, 2022, at noon
- e. RDA/RDC Board meeting is scheduled for Nov 9, 2022, at 7:30 am
- f. Rural Fire Protection District Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 17, 2022, at 7:00 pm
- g. Rio Blanco County Commissioners Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 18, 2022, at 11:00 am
- h. Rangely Junior College District Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 18, 2022, at 12:00 noon
- i. Rangely School District Board meeting has been scheduled for Oct 18, 2022, at 6:15 pm
- j. Rangely Chamber of Commerce Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 20, 2022, at 12:00 noon
- k. RBC Water Conservancy District Board meeting is scheduled for Oct 26, 2022, at 6:30 pm
- I. Rangely District Hospital board meeting is scheduled for Oct 27, 2022, at 6:00 pm
- m. Planning and Zoning meeting to be scheduled in October 2022

19. Adjournment

5 – Minutes



Work session Oct 11th, 6pm Comprehensive Plan Update/Calendar

Town of Rangely

Oct 11, 2022 - 7:00pm

Minutes

Rangely Board of Trustees (Town Council) ANDY SHAFFER, Mayor

TREY ROBIE, MAYOR PROTEM DON DAVIDSON, TRUSTEE

KYLE WREN, TRUSTEE

TIM WEBBER, TRUSTEE
RON GRANGER, TRUSTEE
TODD THAYN, TRUSTEE

- **1.** Call to Order 7:01pm
- **2. Roll Call** Andy Shaffer, Trey Robie, Tim Webber, Ron Granger, and Todd Thayn present. Don Davidson and Kyle Wren absent.
- 3. Invocation Led by Tim Webber
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance Led by Lisa Piering
- 5. Minutes of Meeting
 - a. Discussion and Action to approve the minutes of Sept 27, 2022, Town Council Meeting Correction made to Ron Granger's name in the Roll Call section. Motion made by Ron Granger to approve the minutes as corrected of Sept 27, 2022, Town Council Meeting, second by Andy Shaffer. Motion passed
- 6. Petitions and Public Input None
- 7. Changes to the Agenda None
- 8. Public Hearings 7:10pm
- **9.** Committee/Board Meetings Finance/HR committee met to discuss increase of wages for dispatchers. Partial funding by the 911 board. Rio Blanco County Commissioners had a work session to discuss budget, payroll, and benefits, along with evaluations of facilities. The next Rangely meeting will be on October 18th at the county annex building.
- **10.** RBC Commissioner Reports
- 11. Council Reports
- 12. Supervisor Reports
- **13. Reports from Officers Town Manager Update** Lisa reported that all departments are getting everything winterized. Raw water irrigation will shut down on Wednesday, October 12th. The tree limb pile needs to be burned down. Homecoming parade went well. Jeannie and the Chamber are having Hallow Scream next week. Shop 'n Dine will be held in November. Lisa also stated that Coffee with a Cop will be on Saturday October 15th at 10am. The Town of Rangely will be transitioning to a new retirement platform. A draft budget is on the agenda to be approved but is still a work in progress. The new OHV guide is out.

14. Old Business

15. New Business

- a. Discussion and action to approve the September 2022 Check Register Motion made by Tim Webber to approve the September 2022 Check Register, second by Todd Thayn. Motion passed
- b. Discussion and action to approve the Draft 2023 Budget as presented whereafter it will be made available to the public in the administrative offices beginning Oct 14th during regular business hours. Motion made by Todd Thayn to approve the Draft 2023 Budget as presented whereafter it will be made available to the public in the administrative offices beginning Oct 14th during regular business hours, second by Ron Granger. Motion passed

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- a. Rangely Chamber Hallow Scream Oct 10th-14th
- b. Colorado Main Street Rangely Post
- c. Work Session Ro Blanco County October 18th, Rangely Town Hall-County Annex Building

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ATTEST:	RANGELY TOWN COUNCIL
Marybel Cox, Clerk	Andrew Shaffer, Mayor

- 8 Public Hearings
- 9 Committee Meeting
- 10 Report from RBC Commissioners
- 11 Report from Council
- 12 Reports from Supervisors
- 13 Reports from Officers
- 14 Old Business
- 15 New Business

GENERAL FUND Revenue		CTUAL		22 BUDGET
_	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Taxes	\$1,844,545	49%	\$1,519,000	121.43%
Licenses and Permits	\$12,861	0%	\$17,700	72.66%
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$1,464,279	39%	\$1,327,000	110.35%
Charges for Services	\$367,506	10%	\$490,000	75.00%
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$110,427	3%	\$160,700	68.72%
Total General Revenue	\$3,799,618	100%	\$3,514,400	108.12%
GENERAL FUND Operating Expenses	YTD Amount	CTUAL	202 Budget 2022	22 BUDGET
Town Council		% of Expenses	_	% of Budget Expended
	\$22,981	1%	\$40,928	56.15%
Court	\$14,693	1%	\$22,209	66.16%
Administration	\$165,503	6%	\$247,786	66.79%
Finance	\$144,462	6%	\$195,528	73.88%
Building & Grounds	\$197,423	8%	\$246,567	80.07%
Economic Development	\$179,079	7%	\$325,676	54.99%
Police Department	\$782,152	30%	\$938,916	83.30%
Animal Shelter	\$47,177	2%	\$52,328	90.16%
Public Works	\$262,327	10%	\$440,517	59.55%
Foundation Trans. & Non Depart. Transfer	\$662,575	26%	\$759,000	87.30%
Total Capital Improvements	\$98,322	4%	\$576,000	17.07%
Total General expenses	\$2,576,696	100%	\$3,845,455	67.01%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$1,222,922	100%	(\$331,055)	
WATER FUND Revenue		YTD ACTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Water Revenue	\$1,007,088	100%	\$1,254,622	80.27%
WATER FUND Operating Expenses		CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Water Supply	\$349,285	39%	\$446,687	78.19%
Water Supply Capital Expense	\$151,821	17%	\$243,000	62.48%
Water Fund Dept. Transfers and Conting.	\$158,978	18%	\$282,956	56.18%
PW - Transportation & Distribution	\$98,445	11%	\$110,760	88.88%
PW - Transportation & Distrib. Capital Exp	\$96,260	11%	\$425,000	0.00%
Raw Water	\$43,574	5%	\$49,990	87.17%
Raw Water Capital Expense	\$0	0%	\$0	#DIV/0!
Total Water expenses	\$898,364	100%	\$1,558,393	57.65%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$108,724	100%	(\$303,771)	
GAS FUND Revenue		CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Gas Revenue	\$1,018,413	100%	\$1,162,954	87.57%
GAS FUND Operating Expenses		CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Gas Expenses	\$713,356	84%	\$829,557	85.99%
Gas Capital Expense	\$4,250	0%	\$5,000	85.00%
Total Transfers	\$135,000	16%	\$180,000	75.00%
Total Selling Expenses	\$852,606	100%	\$1,014,557	84.04%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$165,806	100%	\$148,397	111.73%
Wastewater FUND Revenue	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Wastewater Fond Revenue	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Wastewater Revenue	\$1,340,342	100%	\$1,479,500	90.59%
	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Wastewater FUND Oper Expenses	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Wastewater Expenses	\$183,502	11%	\$283,613	64.70%
Wastewater Capital Expense	\$1,378,306	82%	\$1,605,000	85.88%
Total Transfers	\$112,500	7%	\$150,000	75.00%
General Fund Loan	\$0	0%	\$0	0.00%
Total Selling Expenses	\$1,674,308	100%	\$2,038,613	82.13%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	(\$333,966)		(\$559,113)	
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Rangely Housing Auth Revenue				22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount		Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Rangely Housing Auth Revenue	\$158,876	100%	\$260,000	61.11%
Rangely Housing Auth Oper Expenses		+		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Rangely Housing Auth Expenses	\$133,574	88%	\$174,567	76.52%
Housing Authority Capital Expense	\$0	0%	\$25,000	0.00%
Debt Service and Transfers	\$18,572	12%	\$60,000	30.95%
Total Expense	\$152,146	100%	\$259,567	58.62%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$6,730	100%	\$433	1554.22%
Fund for Public Giving Revenue		CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Fund for Public Giving Revenue	\$149	100%	\$2,000	7.45%
Fund for Public Giving Oper Expenses	YTD A	CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Fund for Public Giving Expenses	\$10	100%	\$2,000	0.50%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$139	100%	\$0	0.00%
Economic Development Revenue	YTD A	CTUAL		22 BUDGET
	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
RDA Revenues	\$175,686	100%	\$1,552,700	11.31%
Economic Development Oper Expenses	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Economic Development Oper Expenses	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
RDA Expenses	\$80,871	100%	\$77,600	104.22%
RDA Capitol Expense	\$44,001	100%	\$1,500,000	2.93%
Total Expense	\$124,872	100%	\$1,577,600	7.92%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$50,814	100%	(\$24,900)	-204.07%
Conservation Trust Revenue	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Conservation Trust Revenue	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Conservation Trust Revenue (Grant \$136K)	\$10,730	100%	\$12,225	87.77%
Conservation Trust Oper Expenses	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Conservation Trust Open Expenses	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Conservation Trust Expenses	\$0	100%	\$0	0.00%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$10,730	100%	\$12,225	87.77%
Housing Assistance Revenue	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Trousing Assistance Revenue	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Housing Assistance Revenue	\$42,090	100%	\$21,000	200.43%
Housing Assistance Oper Expenses	YTD A	CTUAL	202	22 BUDGET
Housing Assistance Oper Expenses	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Housing Assistance Expenses	\$905	100%	\$2,000	45.25%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	\$41,185	100%	\$19,000	216.76%
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Rangely Develop Corp Revenue	YTD Amount	% of Revenue	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Rangely Develop Corp Revenue	\$132	100%	\$5,800,500	0.00%
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Rangely Develop Corp Expenses	YTD Amount	% of Expense	Budget 2022	% of Budget Expended
Rangely Develop Corp Expenses	\$413	100%	\$500	82.67%
RDC Capitol Expense	\$0	100%	\$5,800,000	0.00%
Total Expense	\$413	100%	\$5,800,500	0.01%
Net Revenue over Expenditures	(\$282)		\$0	0.00%
INCOME STATEMENT ROLL-UP	Actual YTD		Budget YTD	
Total Revenues Total Expenses	\$7,553,124 \$6,280,321		\$15,059,901 \$16,098,685	50.15% 39.01%
Net Revenue over Expense	\$1,272,803		-\$1,038,784	

DR 8400 (03/10/22)
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Liquor Enforcement Division

Submit to Local Licensing Authority

Fees Due	
Annual Renewal Application Fee	\$ 50.00
Renewal Fee	500.00
Storage Permit \$100 X	\$
Sidewalk Service Area \$75.00	\$
Additional Optional Premise Hotel & Restaurant \$100 X	\$ 100.00
Related Facility - Campus Liquor Complex \$160.00 per facility	\$
Amount Due/Paid	\$ 650.00

Make check payable to: Colorado Department of Revenue. The State may convert your check to a one-time electronic banking transaction. Your bank account may be debited as early as the same day received by the State. If converted, your check will not be returned. If your check is rejected due to insufficient or uncollected funds, the Department may collect the payment amount directly from your banking account electronically.

Retail Liquor or Fermented Malt Beverage License Renewal Application

Please verify & update all informa	Return to city or county licensing authority by due date							
Licensee Name	Doing Business As Name (DBA)							
Western Rio Blanco Metro. Re	District	Cedar Ridges Golf Course						
Liquor License # License Type								
04-37458-002			Hotel/Re	staurant				
Sales Tax License Number	Expiration Da	te		Due Date				
04374580002		-	1/18/2023			12/04/2022		
Business Address						Phone Number		
502 Co	unty Rd 108	O 81648			970 675-8211			
Mailing Address	Email							
611 S Stanolind Ave. Rangely, CO 81648 cridges						@gmail.com		
Operating Manager Date of Birth		Phone Number						
Chris Hejl 05/16/1981		207	S. Stanolind	Ave.		970 675-8403		
	Do you have legal possession of the premises at the street address above? Yes □ No Are the premises owned or rented? ☑ Owned □ Rented* *If rented, expiration date of lease *If rented, expiration date of lease							
Are you renewing a storage permit, table in upper right hand corner and	additional opti include all fee	ional premise es due.	s, sidewalk se ∕es ⊠No	rvice area, or	related facility	? If yes, please see the		
3a. Are you renewing a takeout and/or of delivery license privileges)		t? (Note: mus				norized for takeout and/or		
3b. If so, which are you renewing?	Delivery [Takeout	Both Take	out and Deliv	ery			
4a. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant, including its manager, partners, officer, directors, stockholders, members (LLC), managing members (LLC), or any other person with a 10% or greater financial interest in the applicant, been found in final order of a tax agency to be delinquent in the payment of any state or local taxes, penalties, or interest related to a business? ☐ Yes ☒ No								
4b. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant, including its manager, partners, officer, directors, stockholders, members (LLC), managing members (LLC), or any other person with a 10% or greater financial interest in the applicant failed to pay any fees or surcharges imposed pursuant to section 44-3-503, C.R.S.? ☐ Yes ☒ No								
Since the date of filing of the last ap organizational structure (addition or and attach a listing of all liquor busin directors, managing members, or ge	deletion of off nesses in which	ficers, directo ch these new	rs, managing r lenders, owne	members or g rs (other t <u>ha</u> n	eneral partner licensed finar	s)? If yes, explain in detail		
Since the date of filing of the last ap than licensed financial institutions) by								

DR 8400 (03/10/22) COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE Liquor Enforcement Division

Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant or any of its agents, owners, managers, partners or lenders (other than licensed financial institutions) been denied an alcohol beverage license, had an alcohol beverage license suspended or revoked, or had interest in any entity that had an alcohol beverage license denied, suspended or revoked? If yes, attach a detailed explanation. Yes X No Does the applicant or any of its agents, owners, managers, partners or lenders (other than licensed financial institutions) have a direct or indirect interest in any other Colorado liquor license, including loans to or from any licensee or interest in a loan to any licensee? If yes, attach a detailed explanation.

Yes X No Affirmation & Consent I declare under penalty of perjury in the second degree that this application and all attachments are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. Type or Print Name of Applicant/Authorized Agent of Business Title Jennifer Noel Adm. Assist. Date Signature 09/26/2022 Report & Approval of City or County Licensing Authority The foregoing application has been examined and the premises, business conducted and character of the applicant are satisfactory, and we do hereby report that such license, if granted, will comply with the provisions of Title 44, Articles 4 and 3, C.R.S., and Liquor Rules. Therefore this application is approved. Local Licensing Authority For Signature



Rangely Police Department

Chief of Police, TiRynn Hamblin Thamblin@rangelyco.gov

TO: Mayor and Town Council

From: Chief Hamblin

RE: Cedar Ridges Liquor License Renewal

Date: October 6th, 2022

I have reviewed the application for the Cedar Ridges Liquor License Renewal. There have been no citations and no violations at this business since the last renewal. I see no reason to deny their liquor license renewal.

Chief Hamblin

Departmental Use Only

DR 8439 (09/19/19)
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Liquor Enforcement Division

Application for a Special Events

(303) 205-2300		Permit		l		
In order to qualify for a Special Events and One of the Following (See back		ualifying Organizatio	n Per 44-5-102 C	C.R.S.		
	nch, Lodge or Chapter ization or Society ution	☐ Philanthropi☐ Political Car☐ Municipality		s		
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2110 Malt, Vinous And Spirituou	ıs Liquor \$	\$25.00 Per Day	Liquor Permit N	Number	-	
2170 Fermented Malt Beverage		\$10.00 Per Day	1-			
Name of Applicant Organization or Pole Section 2. Mailing Address of Organization or Pole	s lodge	#/907	ss of Place to Have	۷ ا	ate Sales Tax Number (Re 12024420	quired)
(include street, city/town and ZIP)	5t.	(includ	e street, city/town	uand ZIP) Uain St.		
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4. Authorized Representative of Qualifyin	\			Date of Birth Pt 2-7-85	none Number 029-8439	}
Authorized Representative's Mailing Addre	ass (if different than address p	provided in Question 2.)). 816	348		
5. Event Manager Heather	Hall	0 1/0 -		Date of Birth PI 2-/3-84 9	none Number 70985138	5/
Event Manager Home Address (Street, Ci 1/0 E Roung Ell, A	ty, State, ZIP) Je Raygeli	1. Co. 81	648	Email Address of Event	Manager	
6. Has Applicant Organization or Political Issued a Special Event Permit this Cal	Candidate been endar Year?		premises for which ado Liquor or Beer		d currently licensed under t	the
No Yes How many o			No Yes	License Number		
8. Does the Applicant Have Possession of						
Date Nov. 12 Hb Date /		Date(s) for Which Applicat Date	Date	for Permit	Date	
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I declare under penalty of perjuthat all information therein is true		ee that I have read t	he foregoing a	application and all a	ttachments thereto,	and
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Rep	ort and Approval of	f Local Licensin	g Authority ((City or County)	Knight	
The foregoing application has land we do report that such per	mit, if granted, will com	ply with the provisi	ons of Title 44,	, Article 5, C.R.S., a		tory,
Local Licensing Authority (City or County)		, THIS APPLICATI	T	ne Number of City/Coun	tv Clerk	
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Rangely Police Department

Chief of Police, TiRynn Hamblin Thamblin@rangelyco.gov

TO: Mayor and Town Council

From: Chief Hamblin

RE: Special Event Permit for the Elks Lodge liquor license (Charity Ball)

Date: October 6th 2022

I have reviewed the application for the Elks Lodge liquor license (Charity Ball). There should be no problem if this is done the same way as all special events are conducted. All alcohol sales will be governed by local ordinance and state laws.

Chief Hamblin

DR 8439 (09/19/19)
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
Liquor Enforcement Division

Application for a Special Events
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Rangely Police Department

Chief of Police, TiRynn Hamblin Thamblin@rangelyco.gov

TO: Mayor and Town Council

From: Chief Hamblin

RE: Special Event Permit for the Elks Lodge liquor license (Halloween Event)

Date: October 6th, 2022

I have reviewed the application for the Elks Lodge liquor license (Halloween Event). There should be no problem if this is done the same way as all special events are conducted. All alcohol sales will be governed by local ordinance and state laws.

Chief Hamblin

Letter of Intent to Jointly Fund Wage Increase for Emergency Dispatchers Employed by the Town of Rangely with Western Rio Blanco 911

This Letter of Intent to share in a pay increase for Emergency Dispatchers \$4.00 per hour is. entered into this 25th day of October 2022 by the Town of Rangely, having an address of 209 East Main Street, Rangely, CO 81648 and the Western Rio Blanco 911 Board, having an address of 118 W Main Street, Rangely CO 81648.

Whereas, the 911 Emergency Telephone Service Board was established on December 22nd, 1988 and the Town of Rangely has solely funded the costs of wages for Emergency Dispatchers without the assistance of any other agency or any source of additional funding.

Whereas, the current starting wages for Emergency Dispatchers are approximately \$4.00 per hour less than surrounding agencies, which affects the ability to recruit and retain Emergency Dispatchers.

Now, therefore, upon execution of this Agreement, and in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency thereof is hereby acknowledged; the parties agree to the following:

- 1. The Town of Rangely agrees to fund an additional \$2.00 per hour for Emergency Dispatch wages.
- 2. The Western Rio Blanco 911 Board agrees to fund an additional \$2.00 per hour for Emergency Dispatch wages.
- 3. The parties agree they will each commence contributing to this increase in pay for Emergency Dispatchers effective January 1st, 2023, until further agreement of the parties.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto by their authorized representatives subscribe this Letter of Intent.

TOWN OF RANGELY

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Signed	:Andy Shaffer, Mayor
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WEST	TERN RIO BLANCO 911 BOARD
Signed	: Shanna Kinney, Chairman
Date:	Shama Miney, Chamilan

Town of Rangely Colorado, a statutory municipality



October 20, 2022

Allianz P.O. Box 561 Minneapolis, MN 55440-0561

The Town of Rangely affirms that Lisa Piering has the authority to sign as the Plan

Administrator on behalf of the Town of Rangely Public Employees Money Purchase Plan and the

Town of Rangely Police Department Money Purchase Plan.

Thank you,

Andy Shaffer, Mayor

ARTICLE 10 PLAN ADMINISTRATION

Section 10.01 PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

- (a) Designation. The Plan Administrator shall be specified in the Adoption Agreement. In the absence of a designation in the Adoption Agreement, the Plan Sponsor shall be the Plan Administrator. If a Committee is designated as the Plan Administrator, the Committee shall consist of one or more individuals who may be Employees appointed by the Plan Sponsor and the Committee may elect a chairman and may adopt such rules and procedures as it deems desirable. The Committee may also take action with or without formal meetings and may authorize one or more individuals, who may or may not be members of the Committee, to execute documents in its behalf.
- (b) Authority and Responsibility of the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator shall have total and complete discretionary power and authority:
- (1) to make factual determinations, to construe and interpret the provisions of the Plan, to correct defects and resolve ambiguities and inconsistencies therein and to supply omissions thereto. Any construction, interpretation or application of the Plan by the Plan Administrator shall be final, conclusive and binding;
- (2) to determine the amount, form or timing of benefits payable hereunder and the recipient thereof and to resolve any claim for benefits in accordance with this Article 10;
- (3) to determine the amount and manner of any allocations or benefit accruals hereunder, including whether the Plan maintains an ERISA Account;
- (4) to maintain and preserve records relating to Participants, former Participants, and their Beneficiaries and Alternate Payees;
- (5) to prepare and furnish to Participants, Beneficiaries and Alternate Payees all information and notices required under applicable law or the provisions of this Plan;
- (6) to prepare and file or publish with the Secretary of the Treasury, delegates and all other appropriate government officials all reports and other information required under law to be so filed or published;
 - (7) to approve and enforce any loan hereunder including the repayment thereof;
- (8) to provide directions to the Trustee with respect to the purchase of life insurance (to the extent permitted in the Adoption Agreement), methods of benefit payment, valuations at dates other than regular Valuation Dates and on all other matters where called for in the Plan or requested by the Trustee;
- (9) to hire such professional assistants and consultants as it, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or advisable; and shall be entitled, to the extent permitted by law, to rely conclusively on all tables, valuations, certificates, opinions and reports which are furnished by same;
- (10) to determine all questions of the eligibility of Employees and of the status of rights of Participants, Beneficiaries and Alternate Payees;
 - (11) to arrange for bonding, if required by law;
 - (12) to adjust Accounts in order to correct errors or omissions;
- (13) to determine whether any domestic relations order constitutes a Qualified Domestic Relations Order and to take such action as the Plan Administrator deems appropriate in light of such domestic relations order;
 - (14) to retain records on elections and waivers by Participants, their spouses and their Beneficiaries and Alternate Payees;

- (15) to supply such information to any person as may be required;
- (16) to establish, revise from time to time, and communicate to the Trustee or the Investment Fiduciary and Investment Manager(s), a funding policy and method for the Plan; and
- (17) to perform such other functions and duties as are set forth in the Plan that are not specifically given to the Investment Fiduciary or Trustee.
- (c) Procedures. Unless otherwise provided in the Adoption Agreement and to the extent that the Adoption Agreement provides that the governing body of the Plan Sponsor adopts procedures for the Plan Administrator and the governing body of the Plan Sponsor fails to adopt such procedures, the Plan Administrator may adopt such rules and procedures as it deems necessary, desirable, or appropriate for the administration of the Plan. When making a determination or calculation, the Plan Administrator shall be entitled to rely upon information furnished to it. The Plan Administrator's decisions shall be binding and conclusive as to all parties.
- (d) Allocation of Duties and Responsibilities. The Plan Administrator or the Adoption Agreement may designate other persons to carry out any of the duties and responsibilities of the Plan Administrator.

Section 10.02 INVESTMENT FIDUCIARY

- (a) Designation. In the absence of a designation, the Plan Sponsor shall be the Investment Fiduciary. The Investment Fiduciary may consist of a committee consisting of one or more individuals who may be Employees appointed by the Plan Sponsor. If a committee is appointed, the committee may elect a chairman and may adopt such rules and procedures as it deems desirable. The committee may take action with or without formal meetings and may authorize one or more individuals, who may or may not be members of the committee, to execute documents in its behalf.
- (b) Authority and Responsibility of the Investment Fiduciary. The Investment Fiduciary shall have the following discretionary authority and responsibility:
 - (1) to manage the investment of the Trust;
 - (2) to appoint one or more Investment Managers;
 - (3) to hire such professional assistants and consultants as it, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or advisable;
- (4) to establish, revise from time to time, and communicate to the Trustee or Investment Manager(s), an investment policy for the Plan; and
 - (5) to supply such information to any person as may be required.
- (c) Procedures. Unless otherwise provided in the Adoption Agreement and to the extent that the Adoption Agreement provides that the governing body of the Plan Sponsor adopts procedures for the Investment Fiduciary and the governing body of the Plan Sponsor fails to adopt such procedures, the Investment Fiduciary may adopt such rules and procedures as it deems necessary, desirable, or appropriate in furtherance of its duties hereunder. When making a determination or calculation, the Investment Fiduciary shall be entitled to rely upon information furnished to it. Except as otherwise provided in a separate trust agreement, the Investment Fiduciary's decisions shall be binding and conclusive as to all parties.

Section 10.03 COMPENSATION OF PLAN ADMINISTRATOR AND INVESTMENT FIDUCIARY

The Plan Administrator and Investment Fiduciary shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for their services as is mutually agreed upon to the extent that such compensation would not constitute a prohibited transaction within the meaning of the Code.

Section 10.04 PLAN EXPENSES

All direct expenses of the Plan, Trustee, Plan Administrator and Investment Fiduciary or any other person in furtherance of their duties hereunder shall be paid or reimbursed by the Employer, and if not so paid or reimbursed, shall be proper charges to the Trust and shall be paid therefrom.

16 – Informational Items

Sponsored by TREAD and the Rangely Chamber of Commerce









RANGELY ESCAPE ROOMS 2022











Special Thanks to Elaine Urie for use of The Gathering for the Event

- * \$540.00 earned for the Hometown Hero Banners
- * Great Volunteers Janet Miller, Annette Webber, McKenzie Webber and Jeannie Caldwell
- * Numerous requests to do again!



SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

Protect the Heart of Our Community

NOV. 1 - 30, 2022



#InItTogether

SHOP N' DINE 2022

Earn \$5 worth of vouchers for every \$50 spent.

Earn up to \$40 per household.

- * Every licensed business in Rangely is eligible to participate.
- * Non-qualifying Products: Tobacco, pharmaceuticals, gasoline & utilities.
- * Vouchers must be redeemed at an eligible business prior to December 6, 2022.
- * Vouchers must be redeemed in full. No change will be given.



The Town of Rangely reserves the right to refuse to honor receipts that appear to be an abuse of the program.

RIO BLANCO COUNTY ECONOMIC UPDATE

COLORADO MESA
UNIVERSITY
DAVIS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Third Quarter 2022

The Rio Blanco Economic Update is funded by the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado.

Economic Summary

- Rio Blanco County averaged 2,766 in employment in Q2 2022, ending August with 2,823 in employment. Rio Blanco employment remains remarkably consistent, ranging between 2,635 and 2,855 throughout 2022.
- Rio Blanco's real estate market remains tight. When measuring last year's average price against this year's average price, the county has seen a 7.4% increase in median home values. Days on market remains low at 2.4 as of August.
- The biggest job gains were in mining, oil, and gas (89) and healthcare (28), while the biggest job losses were in administrative and waste services (41).
- Headline inflation printed at 8.3%, which was higher than many economists were
 expecting. Energy fell in August as expected, but food and shelter rose, keeping
 inflation above 8%. The Federal Reserve continues to ramp up the Federal Funds rate,
 with a current target range of 3.00-3.50%. Markets are trying to determine how high the
 Fed is willing to go to fight inflation, with current market odds at a terminal rate of 4.5%.

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LOCAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Q2 2022	Q1 2022	Q2 2021	change since last quarter	change since last year (comparable quarters)
Local Labor Market					
Unemployment Rate Rio Blanco County -NSA	3.83%	4.70%	6.07%	-0.87%	-2.23%
Unemployment Rate Colorado -SA	3.20%	3.80%	6.00%	-0.60%	-2.80%
Unemployment Rate U.SSA	3.50%	4.10%	5.80%	-0.60%	-2.30%
Labor Force	2,876	2,846	2,920	30	-45
Employed	2,766	2,713	2,743	53	23
Unemployed	110	133	178	-23	-68
Business Confidence					
Leeds Colorado Business Confidence	41.1	53.9	67.3	-23.75%	-38.93%
Sales/Use Taxes	2022 (YTD)		2021 (YTD)		
Meeker Sales/Use Taxes (YTD, Aug)	\$899,225		\$842,597	•	6.72%
Rangely Sales/Use Tax (YTD, Aug)	\$584,207		\$520,613	•	12.22%
Rio Blanco Sales/Use Taxes (YTD, Aug)	\$2,508,036		\$1,550,289		61.78%
Business Filings	2022 (YTD)		2021 (YTD)		
Rio Blanco County New Business Entity Filings (as of Aug 31st)	81		65		24.62%

	2020	2019	2018	2017	% change from previous
tandard of Living and Growth					year
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	\$776,121	\$807,105	\$756,446	\$819,300	-3.84%
Personal Income	\$332,459	\$310,066	\$297,860	\$281,277	7.22%
Personal Income Per Capita	\$52,422	\$48,829	\$46,929	\$44,212	7.36%
Median Household Income	\$64,039	\$65,960	\$63,411	\$58,336	-2.91%
Percent of Population Below Poverty Line	9.8%	10.3%	10.8%	9.5%	0.50%
	2021	2020	2019	2018	•
Population	6,476	6,518	6,350	6,347	-0.64%

SOURCES IN ORDER OF LISTING: Local Unemployment Rates: Bureau of Labor Statistics (LAUS); National Unemployment Rate: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Labor Force, Employed, and Unemployed: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Business Confidence: Leeds Business Confidence Index; Sales/Use/Lodging Taxes: Town of Meeker, Rangely, and Rio Blanco County; Business Permits: Colorado Secretary of State's Office; Median Household Income, Poverty Rate, Population, and Personal Income: U.S. Bureau of the Census; Gross Regional Product: Bureau of Economic Analysis. Note that in all rows where percentages are presented the % change since last quarter and % change since last year represents the difference between the two percentages, not the actual percentage change.

Local Labor Market

Rio Blanco County averaged 2,766 in employment in Q2 2022, ending August at 2,823 in employment. Rio Blanco employment remains remarkably consistent, ranging between 2,635 and 2,855 through 2022. Rio Blanco is close to recovering all of the losses from the 2020 recession. In 2019, employment averaged 2,861,while in 2022 the employment average for the year through August is 2,764. September and October are usually high employment months and could push the yearly average up to erase previous job losses. Despite slow employment growth, unemployment has fallen from 178 in Q2 of 2021 to 110 in Q2 of 2022. The county ended August with a 4.1% unemployment rate. The unemployment rate in Rio Blanco is slightly higher than other Western Slope counties, which range from high 2% to mid 3%.

Last quarter, I stated that the labor market response to the Federal Reserve's rising interest rate environment will be a factor to watch for the rest of 2022, and this has not changed. So far, the labor market has been slow to be impacted at both the national and local level, and the labor market remains tight. In order to bring down inflation, the Federal Reserve may need to soften the labor market to stop wage gains, which contribute to inflation increases. How this manifests itself locally remains to be seen, but nationally with such a tight labor market, even a Fed-induced recession is not expected to bring high unemployment numbers akin to previous recessions like 2009.

Table 1: 10, 5, and 1 Year Employment Comparison (Yearly Comparisons)

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	
Annual	-45	23	-68	
5-Year	114	90	24	
10-Year	-254	-96	-158	
Annual %	-1.5%	0.8%	-38.1%	
5-Year %	4.1%	3.4%	27.4%	
10-Year %	-8.1%	-3.4%	-58.9%	

Standard of Living Indicators

Meeker sales and use taxes rose by 6.72%, which is below the rate of inflation. Rangely sales and use taxes rose by 12.22%. County sales/use taxes rose by 61.78%.

On a year-to-year comparison, as of the end of August, new business entity filings are up 24.62%, rising from 65 to 81 compared to August 31 of last year.

The Leeds Business Confidence Index, which measures business confidence in Colorado, continues to fall from its Q3 2021 peak, indicating that businesses are more pessimistic about the economy and their prospects. The index is primarily being pulled down by poor expectations for the national economy.

Most standard of living and growth data is released in the winter months, but population has been released, and showed that Rio Blanco County slightly lost population in 2021, falling from 6,513 to 6,476.

Figure 1: **2 Year Employment Estimates**

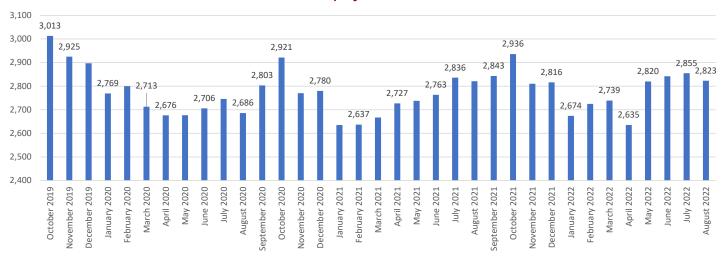


Figure 2: Yearly Employment Average

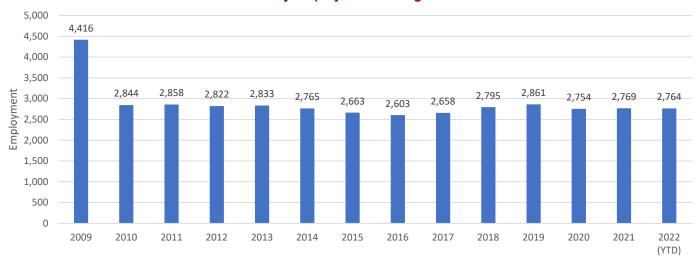


Figure 3: Change in Yearly Employment Average



Figure 4: Leeds Business Confidence Index

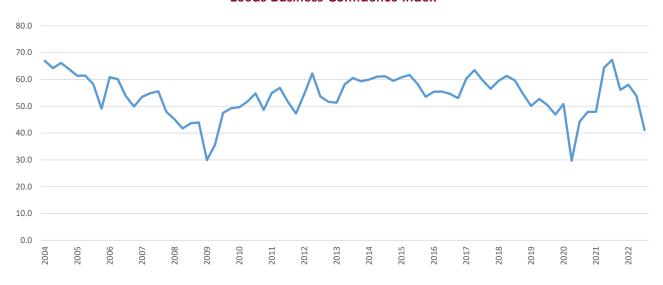


Figure 5: Number of Unemployed Rio Blanco County

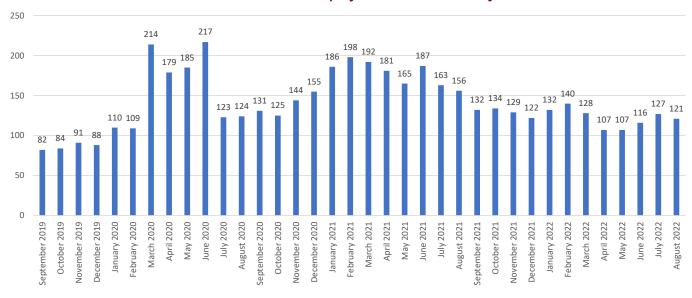


Figure 6: Total Full and Part Time Jobs (BEA)

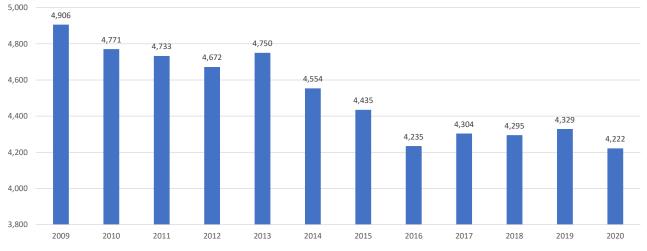


Figure 7: Rio Blanco County Median Household Income

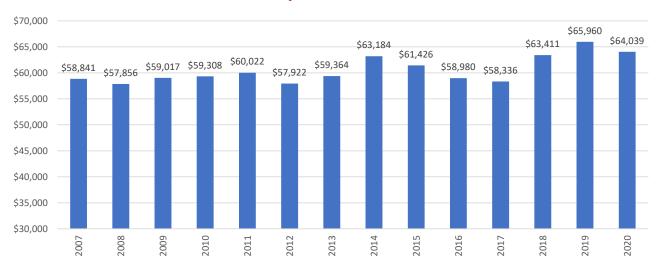
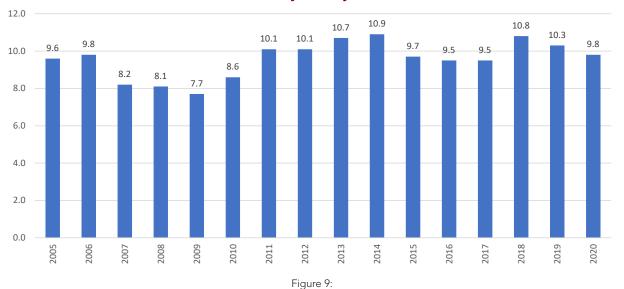
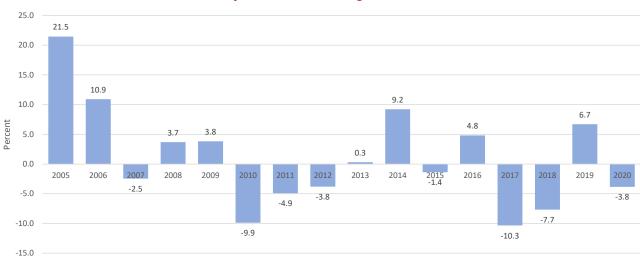


Figure 8: Rio Blanco County Poverty Rate Estimate



Rio Blanco County Real GDP % Change (chained 2012 dollars)



Rio Blanco County Employment Trends

Q1 2022 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wage data shows overall jobs increased by 91, with wages rising by \$3,413,434. The biggest wages gains were in mining, oil, and gas, and healthcare. The biggest wage losses were in administrative and health services. The biggest job gains were in mining, oil, and gas, as well as healthcare, while the biggest job losses were in administrative and waste services. Accomodation and food services, retail trade, art entertainment and recreation, and oil and gas were the industries hit hardest by COVID-19 for most regions. Figure 10 illustrates job recovery compared to Q4 2019. Note there are seasonal fluctuations in some of these industries, as seen in accomodation and food services, and arts, entertainment, and recreation. Aside from seasonality, construction is the only industry that has not fully recovered in Rio Blanco County.

Table 2:

Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Q1 2021 Compared to Q1 2022

Sector	Average Employment	Total Quarterly Wages	Average Weekly Wage	Total Employment Change	Total Wage Change		
Total, All Industries	2,719	\$37,536,990	\$1,062	91	\$3,413,434		
Mining	525	\$12,134,210	\$1,778	89	\$1,532,343		
Health Care and Social Assistance	398	\$5,304,582	\$1,025	28	\$732,831		
Public Administration	351	\$3,885,522	\$852	-7	\$96,537		
Educational Services	342	\$3,296,454	\$741	17	\$298,185		
Construction	148	\$1,844,959	\$959	-7	-\$60,071		
Administrative and Waste Services	98	\$1,551,394	\$1,218	-40	-\$316,033		
Finance and Insurance	43	\$1,476,006	2,640	-1	\$349,133		
Retail Trade	199	\$1,233,661	\$477	-5	\$48,740		
Utilities	42	\$1,118,539	\$786	-2	-\$16,691		
Accommodation and Food Services	158	\$1,100,090	\$536	-12	\$131,791		
Transportation and Warehousing	60	\$947,537	\$1,215	0	\$8,232		
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	62	\$798,033	\$990	11	\$134,696		
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	34	\$694,443	\$1,571	-7	\$290,510		
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	101	\$674,171	\$513	-1	-\$24,638		
Manufacturing	54	\$522,864	\$745	10	\$50,311		
Professional and Technical Services	38	\$446,187	\$903	3	\$126,178		
Wholesale Trade	18	\$184,001	\$786	5	-\$8,642		
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	20	\$167,004	\$642	7	\$48,820		
Information	26	\$156,333	\$463	1	-\$9,798		
Management of Companies and Enterprises	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

SOURCE: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (QCEW). The most recent quarterly data available is reported.

Table 3: Farm and Sole Proprietor Employment

BEA Data	2020	2019	2018	2017	% change from 2019
Farm Employment	289	289	291	290	0.0%
Sole Proprietors (non-farm)	916	936	984	954	-2.0%

Figure 10:
Industry Job Change Percentage Compared to Q4
2019

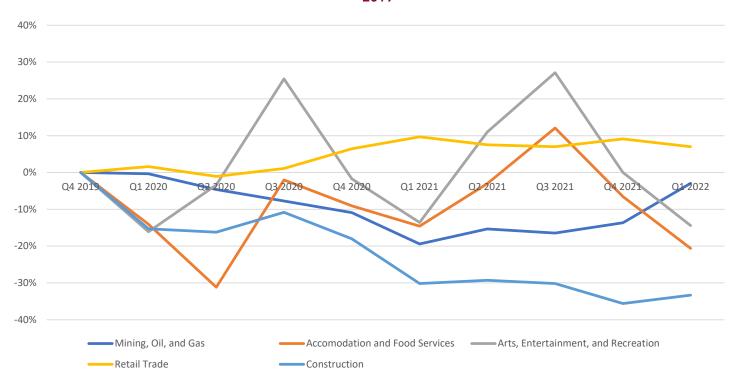
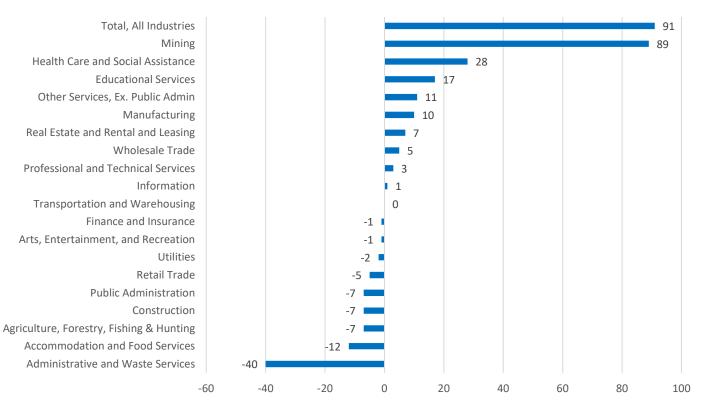


Figure 11: Total Jobs Change from Q3 2020 to Q3 2021



LOCAL REAL ESTATE

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27	37	-27.03%
32	33	-3.03%
\$299,833	\$208,983	43.47%
\$311,440	\$249,476	24.84%
33.67	105.00	-67.94%
2.43	2.27	7.35%
8	3	166.67%
4.56%	2.15%	2.41%
5.22%	2.84%	2.38%
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SOURCES: Real Estate: Colorado Association of Realtors Market Trends Program through ShowingTime. Note that real estate data is just single family homes; Foreclosure Filings and Sales: Moffat County Treasurer and Public Trustee; Mortgage rates: Freddie Mac.

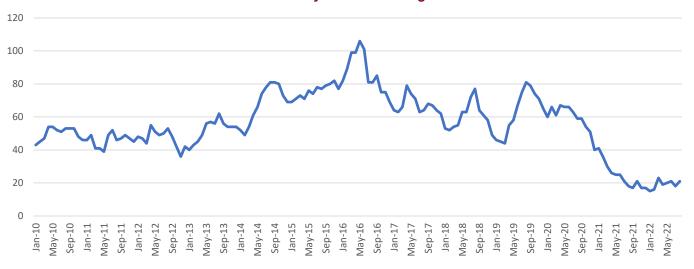
Local Real Estate Indicators

The Rio Blanco County real estate market remains tight, with median home values rising by 43.47% from Q2 of last year. This may be misleading due to the volatility of home sale prices that Rio Blanco sees due to their small size and low inventory. Another way to view price increases is to take the average sales price from 2021 (\$214,092) and compare it to the average sales price through August for 2022 (\$229,945). This shows a 7.4% increase year over year, which is a more realistic measure than the quarter to quarter comparison. Inventory is increasing in other counties, but is not increasing at the same rate in Rio Blanco. Comparing to Q2 of last year, inventory is down from 25 to 20. Months supply of inventory is an important measure for gauging if home values will rise or fall. The general point where the market becomes a buyers market instead of a sellers market, and the point where prices have the potential to fall, is around 5-6 month supply of inventory. Rio Blanco's month supply of inventory is still very low at 2.41, rising from 2.27. In contrast, Delta County's months supply of inventory is over 4, and Mesa County is at 2.2 as of August.

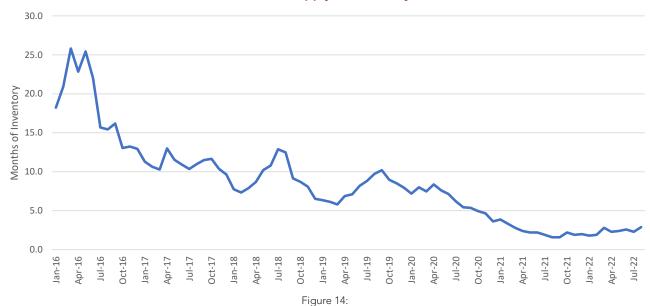
Quarterly averages for mortgage rates are listed above, however, as of the writing of this newsletter in late September, mortgage rates had pushed past 7%. Seven percent interest is significant, drastically changing the monthly payment on a house. Taking the median sales price on a Rio Blanco County home of \$299,803, at 2.75% interest that payment is approximately \$1,224 (without taxes/insurance). At 6.7%, that same home costs approximately \$1,935 per month, a large increase that pushes many people out of the housing market or into a different price range.

Foreclosure filings are up slightly, rising from 3 in all of 2021 to 8 in 2022. Many counties saw an increase in foreclosures in February and March of 2022. It is expected that foreclosures will start to rise as interest rates rise and economic conditions tighten.

Figure 12: Inventory of Active Listings



Months Supply of Inventory



10 Year Treasury and 30 Year Mortgage Rates (through Aug 2022)



REGIONAL ENERGY

	Q2 2022	Q1 2022	Q2 2021	% change since last quarter	% change since last year (comparable quarters	
Energy Prices						
WTI Crude Oil	\$108.83	\$95.18	\$66.19	14.34%	64.42%	
Henry Hub Natural gas	\$7.48	\$4.66	\$2.94	60.52%	154.42%	
Retail Gasoline Price	\$4.33	\$3.56	\$2.87	21.86%	50.78%	
Drilling Permits	2022 (YTD)	2021	2020			
Drilling Permits (Mesa County)	0	0	1			
Drilling Permits (Rio Blanco County)	1	40	33		•	
Drilling Permits (Garfield County)	51	133	127	•		
Drilling Permits (Moffat County)	3	4	1	•		
Total Permits (Mesa, Rio Blanco, Garfield, Moffat)	55	177	162			
Total Permits (Colorado)	285	805	1,543	•		
Local Rig Count	Aug-22	Jun-22	Jan-22			
Rig Count (Western Colorado, Mesa, Rio Blanco, Garfield, Moffat)	4	3	2			
Regional Coal Industry	2022 (YTD)	2021 (YTD)	% Change			
Moffat, Rio Blanco, Routt Average Monthly Employment for Coal Mining	572	549	4.13%			
Moffat, Rio Blanco, Routt Coal Production (tons)	639,003	627,133	1.89%			

SOURCES: All energy prices: Energy Information Agency; All permit data from Colorado Oil and
Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC); Local Rig Count: Baker Hughes Rig Count; Coal data from the Colorado Division of Reclamation,
Mining, and Safety.

Figure 15:
Oil and Natural Gas Prices

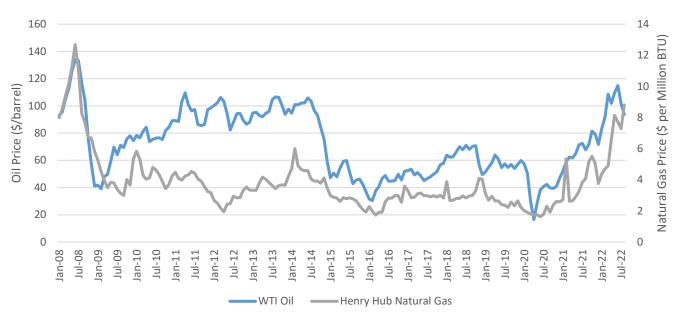


Figure 16:
Oil/Gas Drilling Permits and Oil/Gas Jobs

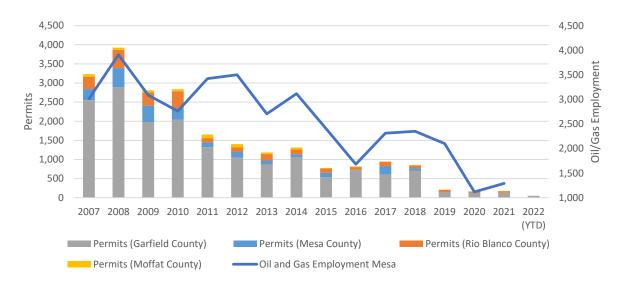
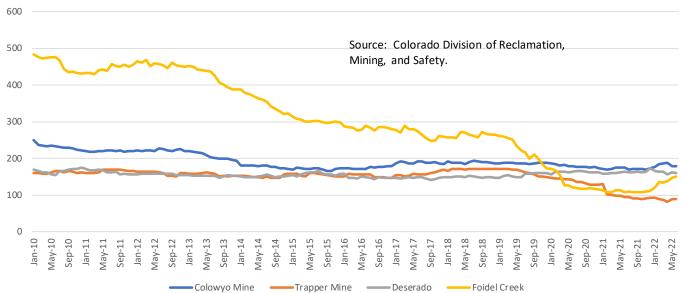


Figure 17: NW Colorado Jobs per Mine



Western Slope Drilling Activity

West Texas Intermediate crude oil prices averaged \$108.83 in the second quarter of 2022, falling to \$88 by mid-September. Gasoline followed oil and rose to \$5.00, peaking on June 13th, and falling to \$3.65 a gallon by mid-September. Natural gas prices rose from \$2.94 in Q2 2021 to \$7.48 in Q2 2022, rising to a peak of \$9.85 on August 22. Despite high natural gas prices, the Piceance rig count remains at 4, with 3 natural gas rigs, and an oil rig. This high of a price for natural gas has not been seen since 2008, when rig counts were exponentially higher in the region. Even as recently as 2017, when natural gas prices ranged between \$3.00 and \$4.50 rig counts ranged between 8 and 9. There are several potential reasons for the slow move upwards in rig count, including lack of labor force to deploy the rigs, permitting delays, the loss of major capital deployments to other basins during the 2020 oil and gas downturn, industry interpretation of H.B. 181, and other potential explanations. With oil and gas prices expected to sustain their price increases, it would be surprising if the Piceance did not participate in the oil and gas surge. Data on oil and gas permits is as of April, as the COGCC has not responded to my requests for data.

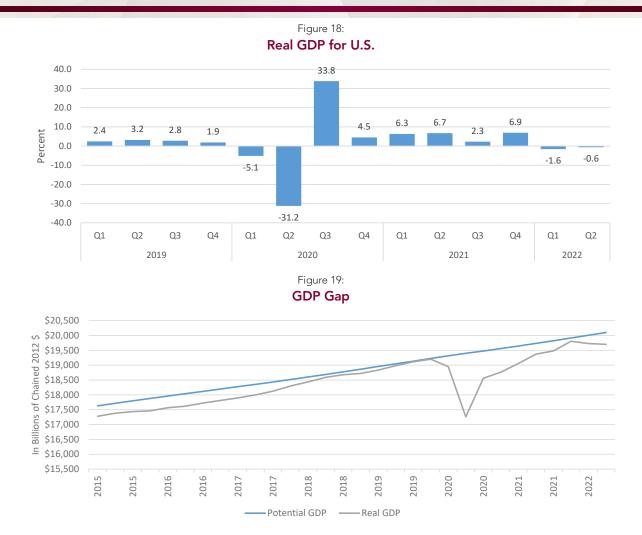
Regional Mining Activity

Mining in the region makes up a very large portion of GDP and wages. Total coal production was up 1.9%, and coal jobs were up 4.8% from an average of 549 through June of 2021 to 572 through June of 2022. Foidel Creek Mine saw an increase in mining jobs (figure 17).

NATIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Q2 2022	Q1 2022	Q2 2021	% change since last period	% change since last year (comparable quarters)	
Business Cycle Indicators						
Real GDP	-0.90%	-1.60%	6.70%	0.70%	-7.60%	
Personal Consumption Expenditures	1.00%	1.80%	12.00%	-0.80%	-11.00%	
Gross Private Domestic Investment	-13.50%	5.00%	-3.90%	-18.50%	-9.60%	
National Consumer Confidence	57.9	63.1	85.6	-8.24%	-32.36%	
Industrial Production Index	104.2	102.9	99.7	1.32%	4.60%	
Initial Weekly Unemployment Claims (4 week MA)	198,846	207,673	518,365	-4.25%	-61.64%	
Non Farm Payroll Change (in thou- sands)	1,261,333	1,720,333	1,452,667	-26.68%	-13.17%	
Unemployment						
Unemployment Rate-U3-SA	3.60%	3.80%	5.90%	-0.20%	-2.30%	
Unemployment Rate-U6-SA	6.90%	7.10%	10.10%	-0.20%	-3.20%	
Interest Rates						
Federal Funds Rate	0.75%	0.12%	0.07%	0.63%	0.68%	
10 Year U.S. Treasury	2.93%	1.94%	1.59%	0.99%	1.34%	
30 Year U.S. Treasury	3.04%	2.26%	2.26%	0.78%	0.78%	
Inflation Measures						
Inflation Rate (CPI)	8.58%	8.00%	4.81%	0.58%	3.77%	
Core Inflation Rate (All Items Less Food and Energy)	6.02%	6.30%	3.74%	-0.28%	2.28%	
Inflation Rate (Shelter)	5.40%	4.71%	2.29%	0.69%	3.11%	
Producer Price Index (PPI)	21.96%	20.42%	18.82%	1.54%	3.13%	
Employment Cost Index	5.04%	4.45%	2.91%	0.59%	2.13%	
Stock Prices						
S&P 500	4,106	4,464	4,184	-8.02%	-1.86%	
Dow Jones Industrial Average	32,688	34,679	34,121	-5.74%	-4.20%	
Trade Balance and Debt						
Trade Balance (% of GDP)	-1078.339	-1177.904	-881.689	-8.45%	22.30%	
Federal Debt (% of GDP)*	124.7%	123.4%	127.7%	1.3%	-3.0%	

SOURCES: GDP, Consumption, Investment, and Trade Balance: Bureau of Economic Analysis; Consumer Confidence: University of Michigan; Industrial Production, Interest Rates and USD Exchange Rate: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Weekly Unemployment Claims: U.S. Employment and Training Administration. Non-Farm Payroll, Unemployment Rates, Inflation Measures: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Stock Prices: S&P Dow Jones Indices, LLC.; USD Exchange Rate: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve; Trade Balance: BEA; Federal Debt: U.S. Office of Management and Budget. * indicates data is lagged by one quarter. Regional CPI data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Yield Curve from the Federal Reserve Board.



Economic Growth

U.S. GDP came in negative for a second straight quarter at -0.6% (figure 18). There have been debates about whether the U.S. is in a recession or not after two negative quarters of GDP. The National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) makes this decision after looking at many different data points, not just GDP. Recession calls by NBER are usually made many months after the recession began, as economic data lags. There are some data points showing the economy is softening, but as of summer 2022, the labor market is so strong it would be difficult to say the U.S. is in recession yet. It is possible as the economy turns this fall and that in late 2022 or early 2023 the NBER backdates a recession to sometime in summer 2022. Due to the lagging nature of economic data we won't know for several more months.

Inflation Watch

Headline inflation printed at 8.3%, which was higher than many economists were expecting (figure 20). Energy fell in August as expected, but food and shelter rose keeping inflation above 8%. The continued high inflation rate puts pressure on the Federal Reserve to keep raising interest rates.

The Federal Reserve continues to ramp up the Federal Funds rate, with a current target range of 3.00%-3.50%. Markets are trying to determine how high the Fed is willing to go to fight inflation, with current market odds at a terminal rate of 4.5%.

The Core CPI, which omits food and energy and is an important measure for the Federal Reserve, rose to 6.3%. Core CPI is important because the Fed does not have as much influence over food and energy prices.

Comparing different regional measures of the CPI shows that the national CPI, the "West" CPI, and the Denver, Aurora, Lakewood CPI all show inflation around the same rate of 8.1-8.3% (figure 22). The Mountain CPI, however, shows significantly higher inflation at 9.6%. The Mountain region includes Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming, while the West region includes the Mountain region and the Pacific states.

The yield curve continues to invert, signaling recession in the coming months (figure 24). The 10 year minus the 2 year treasury has been negative since early July and has been highly predictive of recession 9 months later.

Figure 20:

CPI (Inflation) Release from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (reproduced from BLS.gov)

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month					Un- adjusted		
	Feb. 2022	Mar. 2022	Apr 2022	May 2022	Jun. 2022	Jul. 2022	Aug. 2022	12-mos. ended Aug. 2022
All items	0.8	12	0.3	1.0	13	0.0	0.1	8.3
Food.	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.8	11.4
Food at home	1.4	1.5	1.0	1.4	1.0	1.3	0.7	13.5
Food away from home!	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	8.0
Energy.	3.5	11.0	-2.7	3.9	7.5	-4.6	-5.0	23.8
Energy commodities	6.7	18.1	-5.4	4.5	10.4	-7.6	-10.1	27.1
Gasoline (all types)	6.6	18.3	-61	4.1	11.2	-7.7	-10.6	25.6
Fuel oil [†]	7.7	22.3	2.7	16.9	-1.2	-11.0	-5.9	68.8
Energy services	-0.4	1.8	1.3	3.0	3.5	0.1	2.1	19.8
Electricity	-9.1	22	0.7	1.3	1.7	1.6	1.5	15.8
Utility (piped) gas service.	1.5	0.6	3.1	8.0	8.2	-36	3.5	33.0
All items less food and energy	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.6	6.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	0.4	-0.4	0.2	0.7	8.0	0.2	0.5	7.1
New vehicles	0.3	0.2	1.1	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.8	10.1
Used cars and trucks.	-0.2	-3.8	-0.4	1.8	1.6	-0.4	-0.1	7.8
Apparel	0.7	0.6	-0.8	0.7	0.8	-0.1	0.2	5.1
Medical care commodities [†]	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.2	4.1
Services less energy services.	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	6.1
Shelter		0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	6.2
Transportation services	1.4	2.0	3.1	1,3	21	-0.5	0.5	11.3
Medical care services	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.8	5.6

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Figure 21: **Inflation Rate**

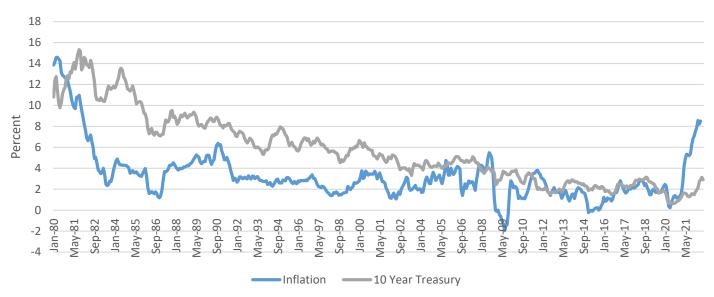


Figure 23: **Employment Cost Index**

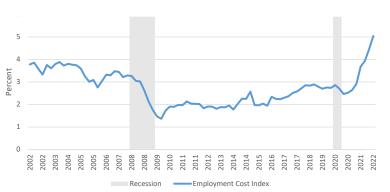
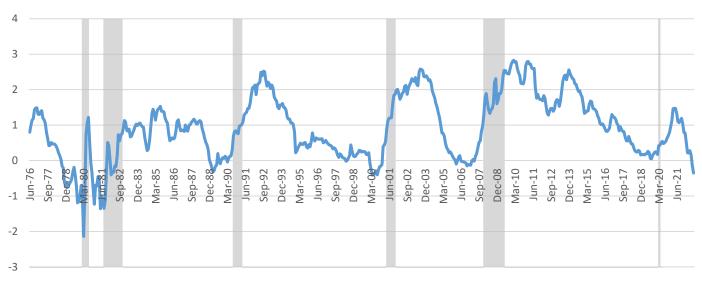


Figure 24:
Yield Curve: 10 Year Treasury minus 2 year Treasury



Recession —

-10-2 Year





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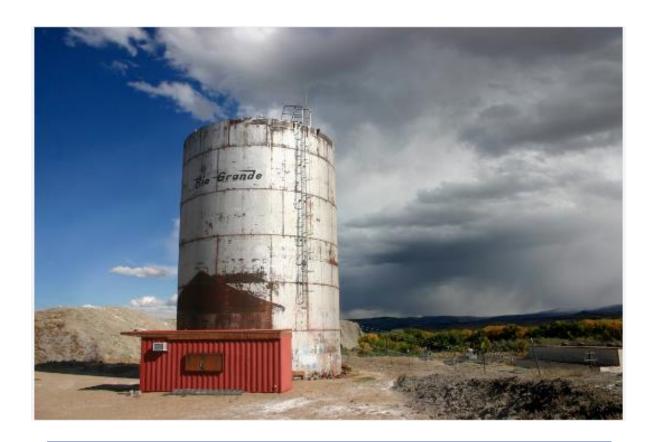
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BIGGEST CONCERT SEASON YET

We are still booking recording sessions in October, but 2022 is already looking great for the TANK. We had a record number of concerts this year--seven of them, five free of charge: Fort Lewis College Choir, Peddlers of Joy, Colorado Springs Children's Chorale, Leon Littlebird, Ann Martin, Susie Ibarra, and Sherry Finzer. We also organized one free offsite concert, presenting The Front Porch Singers, a quartet from Manitou Springs, at the White River Village Assisted Living Center.

We're also having an active year in the recording studio, with 2-3 onsite sessions per week, as well as several remote sessions and several recorded concerts over the course of the season. It looks like we'll book around 50 recording sessions in the '22 season, and that's up from the last two years.

IN REVIEW

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE CHOIR

Choral music at the TANK is utterly uplifting and transporting, and The Fort Lewis College Choir was joyous and free-spirited. They presented works by Sullivan, Rachmaninov, Whitacre. Led by director Charissa Chiaravalloti. Gorgeous choral harmonies, in an a cappella setting.

This concert was free and open to all.



Fort Lewis College Choir

Sunday May 22 6pm

PEDDLERS OF JOY

Tankster Mad Dog Friedman brought his trio Peddlers of Joy, with Sean Bennight on guitar and Freyja Wild on vocals. Creating mindful TANK music live in the moment, the Peddlers rocked the house. Mad Dog played Native American flute and theremin.

This concert was free and open to all



Peddlers of Joy

Saturday June 18 8pm

LEON LITTLEBIRD LISA ANN WHITE

Headlining the Solstice Festival, Leon Littlebird and Lisa Ann White brought their Native Colorado Music to the TANK. A regionally and internationally acclaimed musician, performer, recording artist and composer, Leon is a third generation native of Colorado with ancestral roots in both Pioneer & Native American cultures. Lisa Ann White sparkled on native flutes and vocals.



Lisa Ann White and Leon Littlebird

Colorado Springs Children's Chorale

This season the award-winning Colorado Springs Children's Chorale joined a tradition of kid's choirs coming to the TANK. Director Marcia Hendricks wrote to us, "Our young musicians had a tremendous experience had at The TANK. I hope you all continue with great success and know that you make a difference in lives with your work!" A gorgeous and deeply gratifying concert.

This concert was free and open to all.



Colorado Springs Children's Chorale

Friday August 12 4pm

FRONT PORCH SINGERS

From Manitou Springs, Colorado, Front Porch Singers is an a cappella quartet that started informally as the "You Never Know When We'll Show Up Singers," ringing doorbells and surprising Manitou friends and neighbors with harmony, laughter, and joy. The group came to the TANK to record and as a special treat, performed a free concert at the White River Village Assisted Living Center. They left Rangely as confirmed Tanksters. Front Porch Singers includes Nancy Fortuin, Sue Graham, Annie Rodgers, and Jane Turnis.

This concert was free and open to all.



Front Porch Singers

Sunday September 3 7pm

ANN MARTIN

Intuitive sound artist Ann Martin presented a meditative concert with crystal and Himalayan singing bowls. The event concluded with a full spectrum of sonic harmonic frequencies from Ann's 36" OM Gong, energizing everyone in the TANK. This event was presented as part of Rangely's Septemberfest celebration.

This concert was free and open to all.

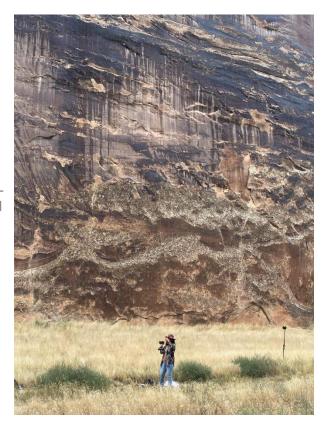


Ann Martin

Saturday September 17 8pm

SUSIE IBARRA

Sound-sculptor and percussionist
Susie Ibarra came to the TANK for a week'long weeklong residency that illuminated all
the aspects of the TANK's artistic mission
as a Sonic Arts Center. Susie spent
several days recording in the field, for one
excursion bringing her whole jazz drum kit
in Dinosaur National Monument, to record
in an echoing stone canyon. She also
plunged aquaphones fifty feet deep into
Kenney Reservoir and presented a
stunning culminating concert in the TANK.
Something tells us Susie Ibarra will be
back.



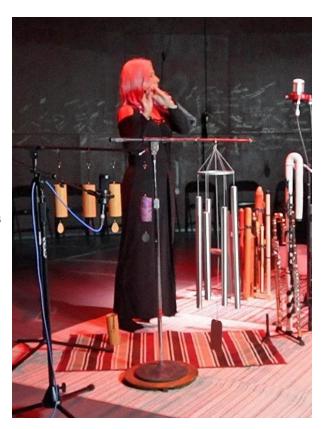
Susie Ibarra at Dinosaur National Monument

Saturday September 24 7pm

SHERRY FINZER

Award-winning flutist and recording artistand TANK board member--Sherry Finzer returned to Rangely in September, to record her various low flutes and world flutes in the TANK's deep resonance. She also performed a free concert to round out our season. Sherry is the founder of Heart Dance Records and is a key participant this fall in the TANK's creation of its new record label, Round Sound.

This concert was free and open to all.



Sherry Finzer



In 2022, we managed to do a lot on a little budget.

The diverse, high-quality concert season described above offered folks in our rural region and many visitors from Colorado and beyond a unique and profound cultural resource.

Will You Donate to The TANK?

Your donations will support programs and exciting projects at The TANK, including

- the launch of Round Sound, The TANK's new record label
- the development of a full-length documentary film about The TANK
- remote recording possibilities in The TANK no matter where you are
- new concerts and artist residencies in the 2023 season
- continued free access to visitors on Open Saturdays

Last year The TANK's end-of-year campaign was our most successful to date, raising more than \$24,000 for The TANK's programs and operations.



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For more information, please contact James Paul at james@tanksounds.org











