

Ridgway Youth Advisory Council Meeting Agenda



Monday, February 9, 2026
201 N. Railroad St. Ridgway, CO 81432

3:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL Masen Barker, Orion Krois, Thea Mahlin, Sloan Patton and Sunny Wick

NEW BUSINESS

- Item 1 – Presentation regarding Movies in the Park
- Item 2 – Discussion regarding potential YAC activities and projects
- Item 3 – Update regarding key Town projects, activities, and community issues
- Item 4 – Approval of Minutes from January 12, 2026 Meeting
- Item 5 – Next Meeting Date and Time

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Discussion Regarding Community Service Project (i.e., Capstone Project)
- Various Guest Presentations

ADJOURNMENT

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m. and Youth Advisory Council members present were Masen Barker, Orion Krois, Sloan Patton and Sunny Wick. Preston Neill and John Clark were also present.

2. Selection of Officers

Preston explained that according to the Authority and Procedures, the group needs to select its own Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem. The Mayor or, in the absence of the Mayor, the Mayor Pro-Tem, will be the presiding officer of Youth Advisory Council meetings.

Orion made a motion to appoint Thea to serve as Mayor of the Youth Advisory Council. Masen seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Thea made a motion to appoint Masen to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem of the Youth Advisory Council. Orion seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion about proposed vehicle idling restrictions

Preston presented a proposed ordinance that will go before the Town Council on January 14, 2026. It's Ordinance No. 02-2026 Concerning Vehicle Idling Restrictions. After learning about what the ordinance would enact and the restrictions that would go into effect if approved, the group expressed support for the ordinance, provided that Marshal's Office deputies do not prioritize idling restriction violations over other things.

4. Discussion about EV charging station fees

Preston presented a proposed resolution that will go before the Town Council on January 14, 2026. It's Resolution No. 26-01 Establishing a Fee Schedule for Town-Owned Public Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. After learning that it would enact a fee schedule for the new ChargePoint EV charging station in Hartwell Park, once installed, the group expressed support for the fee schedule.

5. Local Government Basics Presentation

Preston gave a presentation on the basics of local government. The presentation covered a number of items, including but not limited to:

- Types of local government
- Local government services and regulations
- Ridgway services and form of government
- Town Council actions
- Open Meetings Law
- Master Plan
- Strategic Plan
- Town Budget

6. Discussion about Town projects in the FY2026 Budget

Preston gave a presentation about the Town of Ridgway's work plan for 2026 based on the FY2026 Budget. He highlighted some of the major projects that will be undertaken throughout the year.

7. Update regarding key projects activities, and community issues

Preston presented the most recent edition of the Town Manager's Report.

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8. Discussion regarding potential YAC activities and projects

The group discussed ideas for activities/projects to take on. The group honed in on two ideas including resurrecting “Movies in the Park” and implementation of a “Free Box” like the one in the Town of Telluride.

9. Approval of Minutes from December 8, 2025 Meeting

Thea made a motion to approve the minutes. Sloan seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

10. Next Meeting Date and Time

After a brief discussion, the group agreed to set the next meeting for Monday, February 9, 2026 at 3:30p at Town Hall.

11. Future Agenda Items

Preston briefly reviewed items expected to be on future meeting agendas. The items include:

- Discussion regarding future activities and community service projects
- Various guest presentations

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Youth Advisory Council, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 4:58 p.m.