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# Hudson Town Elections 2018

- ◇ Adam Richter, Daniel Warren, Candace Nolf, Sarah Stadler and Dwayne Haynes vie for four Town Council Seats
- ◇ Laura Hargis Unopposed for Mayor
- ◇ Citizens decide on allowing the retail sale of recreational marijuana and adopting a lodging tax
- ◇ Candidate Forum, October 11, 7pm. Town Hall.
- ◇ October 15-18: Ballots mailed to registered voters
- ◇ Tuesday, November 6. **ELECTION DAY!**

**See inside for more local election information!**

# 2018 Hudson Town Election

## OFFICIAL BALLOT ISSUE LANGUAGE

### **Town of Hudson Ballot Issue 2H**

SHALL TOWN OF HUDSON TAXES BE INCREASED BY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000.00) ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR (2019), AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF A LODGING TAX AT THE RATE OF FOUR PERCENT (4%) ON THE PRICE PAID FOR THE LEASING OR RENTAL OF ANY OCCUPIED HOTEL ROOM, MOTEL ROOM, LODGING HOUSE, BED AND BREAKFAST, OR OTHER ACCOMMODATION, AND SHALL ALL REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH LODGING TAX BE USED FOR PARK AND RECREATION USES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ASSOCIATED EVENTS, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES, AND SHALL THE TOWN BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND SUCH TAX REVENUES, INCLUDING FOR EACH YEAR, ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS AND INTEREST ON SUCH REVENUES, AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

### **Town of Hudson Ballot Issue 2I**

SHALL TOWN OF HUDSON TAXES BE INCREASED BY TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000) ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR (2019), AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL SALES TAX OF 3% ON THE SALE OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS IF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN DETERMINE TO ALLOW THE SALE OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS, WITH THE TAX REVENUES BEING USED TO FUND GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSES AS DETERMINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL, WITH THE RATE OF THE TAX BEING ALLOWED TO BE INCREASED OR DECREASED WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL SO LONG AS THE RATE OF TAXATION DOES NOT EXCEED 8%, AND WITH THE RESULTING TAX REVENUE BEING ALLOWED TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY EXPENDITURE, REVENUE RAISING, OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE X, § 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

### **Town of Hudson Ballot Issue 2J**

Shall the town of Hudson authorize the establishment and operation of retail marijuana stores in the town, subject to the requirements of the Colorado retail marijuana code and local regulations to be adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Hudson?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

# 2018 Hudson Town Election

## BALLOT ISSUES AT A GLANCE

### **2H-LODGING TAX:**

- The proposed lodging tax will be a 4% tax collected when people stay at short-term rentals such as motel rooms or AirB&B type rentals. This does not include tent or RV sites for camping.
- The tax will be used for parks and recreation, economic development, events and general administrative needs of the town.
- There are 28 counties in Colorado, as well as the surrounding towns of Brighton, Fredrick, Greeley and Longmont, that have a lodging tax.

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### **2I-MARIJUANA SPECIAL SALES TAX**

- If the citizens of Hudson approve the retail sale of recreational marijuana in the town, this measure would impose an additional 3% sales tax on the sale of retail marijuana and retail marijuana products.
- This special sales tax would be in addition to the current Hudson sales tax of 4%.
- If approved, this sales tax could be raised or lowered in the future without further voter approval as long as the rate of taxation does not exceed 8%.
- The revenues from this proposed tax would be used to fund general government expenses as determined by the Hudson Town Council.

### **2J-RETAIL MARIJUANA SALES**

- The legalization of recreational marijuana in Colorado allows towns and counties to decide if they want to allow retail sales, grow operations, testing facilities or facilities where marijuana is made into edibles, drinks, and other consumables. This ballot issue is ONLY for allowing retail sales in Hudson.
- If approved, all retail sales of marijuana in Hudson would be subject to the requirements of the Colorado Retail Marijuana Code.
- If approved, all retail sales would be subject to local regulations that would be adopted by the Hudson Town Council. Citizens would have an opportunity to comment on these new regulations that might include zoning, total number of stores, etc.

# 2018 Hudson Town Election

## MEET THE TOWN COUNCIL CANDIDATES

This election the voters of Hudson will elect four council members out of five candidates.

### Adam Richter



*Adam Richter is currently an IT Manager at Transwest in Brighton, CO. He holds a Masters degree in Managing Information Systems from the University of South Florida and he has worked in the IT industry for over 20 years. Adam maintains multiple leading industry certifications (CISSP, CISM, CCNP, and ITILv3) and has previously worked in city and county government. Adam lives in Hudson, CO with his wife and children.*

### Daniel Warren



*My Name is Daniel Warren. My Family has lived In Hudson Colorado for 23 years. During that time I spent summers and any leave I had here in Hudson Co. Hudson has been "home Base" since I was 10 years old.*

*My history: I served in the United State Marine Corps from 2002-2006 during which I did 2 combat deployments in the infantry, one of which was the invasion of Iraq. After my active duty service, I obtained a Bachelors Degree from Arizona State in "Small Business start-up Management", I drove tractor trailer, was employed as an operations supervisor for DHL, been employed as a Exotic Auto technician for Porsche, Ferrari, Bentley, and Karma. I currently work at a High-end Motorsports company in Wheatridge CO doing Special/high end projects on exotic vehicles. I live full time in Hudson Colorado and thoroughly enjoy the close knit community and small town feel that Hudson has so painstakingly cultivated for so many years. My intentions if elected to the City Council is to do my best to foster that home town feel and ensure that the close knit community of Hudson Colorado Is preserved for many years to come.*



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## MEET THE TOWN COUNCIL CANDIDATES

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### **Candace Nolf**



*Candace Nolf has a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice with and emphasis in Human Services. Candace has worked for multiple government entities and currently works as a legal specialist for child support. She has seen the irresponsible growth of neighboring communities and is dedicated to ensuring the needs of the citizens of Hudson are not ignored. Candace loves the small town feel of Hudson where her husband and 2 girls live. She plans to preserve that atmosphere and will only encourage growth that benefits the citizens that live here. Being a government employee, she has seen money wasted in larger municipalities and will ensure that all expenditures are used to enhance the community. Candace looks forward to bringing a fresh set of eyes to the table and is willing to work hard to find viable solutions to the community she loves.*

### **Sarah Stadler**



*My name is Sarah Stadler and I am a stay at home mom of 4 kiddos, with ages ranging from 6 to 13 years old. I'm also a proud Police Wife and mother to an amazing girl with special needs. We have been residents of Hudson for 2 years now and we love it. I ran for the open seat on the Town Council months ago, won the interview process and was appointed over two other candidates. I have loved serving on the council and being a voice for the residents of the Town of Hudson. I am running again for a council seat because its my way of giving back to the community. I bring a new young perspective to the council and I want to be a voice for our community. My goal for while on the town council is to open up the line of communication between the community and the council and let the residents know that they each have a voice and that I will listen because their opinions matter. I am also Secretary on the towns Recreation and events committee and can't wait to bring more activities and events to the town. We all need to work together for the good of Hudson.*

### **Dwayne Haynes**



*(Mr. Haynes did not submit information to be included in this section of the newsletter.)*

## IS HUDSON GROWING?

On August 15th, 2018 Town staff gave a presentation to the Town Council and citizens regarding potential development in Hudson. The Council needs YOUR input on the future of YOUR town! Watch for announcements on public hearings regarding potential growth. MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

### DEVELOPMENTS UNDER DISCUSSION

**Name:** Pioneer - Hudson

**Owner:** Pioneer Hold CO

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 3,357 Acres

Proposed Use: 11,259 Dwelling Units; 509 acres of Open Space; 4.2 million Square Feet of Commercial and Industrial Use.

Development Timing: 25 year buildout projected.

**Status:** Annexation Petition submitted May 18, 2018, currently under review by various service providers and Town. Development has been approved in Weld County.

**Name:** Shaklee Centre

**Owner:** Kerry Shaklee

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 830 Acres

Proposed Use: Planned Development includes residential, commercial and industrial uses..

Development Timing: None identified.

**Status:** Annexation and Sketch Plan approved in 2009. Owner is reworking the plan and has been in discussion with Town staff. No revision to the plan submitted at this time.

**Name:** Willard Property

**Owner:** Heather and Kevin Willard

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 262 Acres

Proposed Use: Urban development discussed with owner and staff.

Development Timing: None at this time.

**Status:** No plans submitted at this time.

**Name:** Logistics Center Hudson

**Owner:** Burlington Northern Santa Fe

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 478 Acres

Proposed Use: Rail served industrial use. Fifteen sites proposed for business needing transloading of materials and products.

Development Timing: Initial development includes mainline turnouts, common track, utilities, and roads. The owner intends to lease sites within the development.

**Status:** Plans expected for review within the month.



## DEVELOPMENTS UNDER DISCUSSION, CONT.

**Name:** Hudson Terminal Railroad

**Owner:** Boulder Scientific

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 326 Acres

Proposed Use: No specifics on use at this time.

Status: Development Timing: 25 year buildout projected.

**Name:** Hudson Hills Filing No. 2

**Owner:** Carlson Development

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 72 Acres

Proposed Use: 70 ½ acre lots for single family homes and a 19 acre oil and gas well pad site.

Status: Development Timing: Final Plat under review – construction could start in the next few months.

**Name:** Cromwell Property

**Owner:** Toby Cromwell

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 37 Acres

Proposed Use: Residential – no specifics have been identified at this time.

Development Timing: None identified at this time.

Status: Owner has contracted with an engineering firm to prepare applications for annexation, zoning and construction. However, no applications have been submitted to date.

**Name:** Fehr Property

**Owner:** Barry Fehr

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 40 Acres

Proposed Use: Light industrial, material and equipment storage.

Development Timing: None identified at this time.

Status: Owner has been in numerous times but no applications have been submitted to date.

**Name:** Rocky Mountain Energy Center

**Owner:** Xcel

**Development Characteristics:**

Size: 88 Acres

Proposed Use: Continued use as power plant

Development Timing: no planned development

Status: Have applied for annexation

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ***NEW for ADULTS: "SOUPER" BOOK CLUB***

October is "Souper" Debut Author Month featuring:

**"The Wife Between Us" by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen.**

Club meets Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from noon–1:00 p.m. @ Hudson Library. We'll provide soup for lunch. We want you to come to share your thoughts about this New York Times bestseller.

**Sign up @ the library today!!**

### ***THE ART SPOT CREATIVE CANVAS EVENT***

**Where art, people and fun come together!**

October 8 from 6:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. @ Hudson Library

All supplies provided to create your own painting on canvas.

**Sign up at the library today!!**

## **HUDSON TOWN COUNCIL CANDIDATE FORUM**

October 11, 7pm Hudson Town Hall

**Come meet the candidates!**



## **Trunk or Treat with a Haunted House!**

Trunk or Treat, October 31, 6-8pm at the Town Park

Haunted House, October 31, 6-9pm Hudson Fire Station #2 (near the park)

**REMEMBER...** Town Council meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month and are open to the public. Agendas are posted on line at [www.hudsoncolorado.org](http://www.hudsoncolorado.org) and on the Town Hall bulletin board.



**From the Desk of the Mayor**

*Hi Guys & Gals,*

*As we approach election time I would like to encourage everyone 18 and over to do their part and vote.*

*This year we have two ballot questions in Hudson and four seats on the Council to fill. It has been a privilege to be your mayor, but Laura Hargis will do an excellent job at the helm.*

*So remember friends get out and vote!*

*Thanks and have a great day.*

*Dwayne Haynes*

*Town of Hudson Mayor*

**IMPORTANT COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS**

Hudson Town Hall.....	303-536-9311
Hudson Marshal Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	970-350-9600x4
Hudson Library.....	303-536-4550
Hudson Fire District Non-Emergency.....	303-536-0161
Weld RE-3J Public Schools.....	303-536-2000
Utility Locate.....	811
Emergency.....	911

**\$20 WINNERS!**

The winners of the last \$20 QUIZ, each receiving a \$20 utility bill credit:

**Congratulations to our winners from last issue.**

- 1.) Sandra Saltzman
- 2.) Allison Buesgens
- 3.) Brandi Bond
- 4.) Shannon Norgren
- 5.) Robert Oberle



## COMMUNITY TIBITS

### *2018 HUDSON COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS*

The Town asked your opinion. You responded. For complete results please stop by Town Hall or check out [www.hudsoncolorado.org](http://www.hudsoncolorado.org).

### *WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN 2019?*

The Hudson Recreation Committee has created a list of potential events and activities for 2019. What are your ideas? Let us know!

[info@hudsoncolorado.org](mailto:info@hudsoncolorado.org)

- Bike Rodeo/Bike Safety
- Harvest Festival
- Trunk or Treat/Haunted House
- Open Gym
- Blood Drive
- Memorial Day BBQ
- Farmers Market/Food Festival
- Rattle Snake Kate Event
- Legendary Ladies
- April 2, 1914 Hudson Incorporation
- Community Yard Sale/Swap shop
- Community softball game
- Community Fireworks
- Bonfire
- National Safe Night Out
- Van for kids/seniors events to Elitch-es, zoo, rec center, Estes Park, etc.
- Boys and Girls Club
- Walking Group
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Bike Parade
- Labor Day BBQ
- Move Concerts to Friday
- Summer Concerts
- High school concerts/battle of the bands
- Inside events/ harvest fair in town hall
- Chili cookoff, pie contest, quilt show
- Document shredding
- Free electronic drop off
- Biggest Loser/step challenges

# FY-2019 DRAFT BUDGET RELEASED

Staff produced a FY-2019 draft budget and presented it to Council at a public work session on August 25th. Below are a few of the highlights of the draft.

- 11% total increase in payroll including increased stipends for Council and Planning Commissioners.
- Funding for Ash Street sidewalks.
- Increased funding for community programs.
- Matching grant funds for city park renovations.
- Wastewater rate study
- Increased funding for staff training.
- Increased funding for Marshal's department.

Fund	Category	Budget 2018	Proposed 2019	Increase(decrease)	% change
10	General Fund	\$ 2,144,320.00	\$ 2,467,899.00	\$ 323,579.00	15%
21	Sales Tax Capital Fund	\$ 108,000.00	\$ 108,000.00	\$ -	0%
22	Property Tax Special Revenue Fund	\$ 564,866.00	\$ 80,650.00	\$ (484,216.00)	-86%
23	Paving Sales Tax Fund	\$ 939,600.00	\$ 916,042.00	\$ (23,558.00)	-3%
24	Conservation Trust Fund	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (8,500.00)	-44%
25	Library Fund	\$ 1,154,007.00	\$ 1,885,307.00	\$ 731,300.00	63%
60	Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 137,100.00	\$ 147,100.00	\$ 10,000.00	7%
61	Park Impact Fee Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -	0%
62	Facilities Impact Fee Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -	0%
63	Streets Impact Fee Fund	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	0%
70	Water Fund	\$ 1,293,930.00	\$ 880,324.00	\$ (413,606.00)	-32%
75	Wastewater Fund	\$ 688,611.00	\$ 630,163.00	\$ (58,448.00)	-8%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 7,099,934.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,176,485.00</b>	<b>\$ 76,551.00</b>	<b>1%</b>

## \$20 QUIZ!

Complete this quiz correctly, clip it out, and return it to Town Hall. **FIVE correct entries received during regular office hours by October 15, 2018 will be drawn at random** and will win a **\$20 credit on their water & sewer bill** (or, if you're not the one who pays utilities, we'll come up with another non-cash prize). (Only one entry per in-Town household.)

1. What date is the candidate forum? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who is running unopposed for mayor? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What book is featured at the library on Oct. 18th? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How much is the 2019 proposed water fund? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which Council candidate has kids ranging from age 6 to 13? \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(For Office Use: Date & Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_)



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