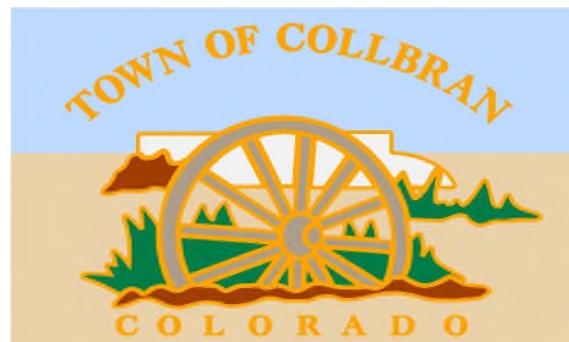


TOWN OF COLBRAN, COLORADO

REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026



**CANDIDATE
INFORMATIONAL PACKET**

SUMMARY STATEMENT

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To Town of Collbran Trustee Candidates:

The enclosed materials have been prepared by the Collbran Town Clerk's Office for reference by Trustee candidates in the Town of Collbran regular municipal election, which will be held **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**. Included are a summary of the basic requirements associated with the election, a listing of certain election dates, and forms required for participation in the election.

This packet is intended for and provided as information only. The Town Clerk's Office cannot and does not provide legal advice. Please consult your own attorney if you have specific questions about election laws.

The Town of Collbran's regular municipal election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. The designated ballot drop off location for all precincts within the Town's limits will be the Collbran Town Hall, 1010 High Street. The Collbran Town Clerk's Office will accept ballots until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2026. The ballot will ask voters to consider candidates for two Trustee positions and one Mayor position.

Nomination petitions may be picked up at the Collbran Town Hall on Tuesday, January 6, 2026 and may start to be circulated that same day. The packets will also be available for download on the Town's website at <https://townofcollbran.colorado.gov/>. A minimum of ten signatures from registered voters residing within the Town limits is required in order to establish candidacy. Completed nomination petitions, along with a signed Affidavit of Circulator form (included in Nomination Petition packet) and Acceptance of Nomination form are due in the Clerk's office by Monday, January 26, 2026 by 4:30 p.m. A drawing by lot will be held in the Town Hall at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2026, to determine the order candidates will be listed on the official ballot. Either the candidate or a representative appointed by the candidate may be present.

Regardless if a candidate chooses to accept outside contributions for campaigning purposes (resources other than candidate's personal funds), he/she must comply with the Fair Campaign Practices Act's reporting requirements which stipulate that the necessary forms be filed in the office of the Town Clerk by the dates required as per State Statute and listed in this packet.

If you have any questions after reading the enclosed materials, please send an email to clerk@TownofCollbran.us.

Thank you,

Travis Boyd

Town Clerk | Treasurer

TOWN OF COLLBRAN
MUNICIPAL ELECTION - APRIL 7, 2026
CANDIDATE PACKET

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GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

The Town of Collbran regular municipal election will be held on April 7, 2026. At this election, eligible any person registered to vote, up to and including Election Day, will have the opportunity to vote for two Trustees and one Mayor. Qualified voters must have resided within the Town's limits and be properly registered with the Mesa County Clerk. Voter registration material is available at the Collbran Town Hall.

This election will be conducted as a mail ballot election, utilizing paper ballots. Paper ballots will be sent to registered voters no sooner than March 16, 2026 and no later than March 23, 2026. There is one ballot drop-off location for the Town of Collbran, located at the Collbran Town Hall at 1010 High Street. Town Hall will open from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays every week and 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

The Town of Collbran is a statutory Town whose actions are generally governed by the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.). Election rules are covered in Title 31 - Municipal Election Code; and Article 1, Title 1, Elections, of the C.R.S. A complete set of Colorado Revised Statutes are available for review at the Town Hall.

The two Trustee Candidates receiving the highest number of votes for the office of Trustee shall be elected to the Board of Trustees and will serve four-year terms in the Office of Trustee. The one Mayoral Candidate receiving the highest number of votes elected for the office of Mayor shall be elected to the Board of Trustees and will serve a two-year term in the Office of Mayor. The term commences at the first regular board meeting following the date of election. Successful candidates will be sworn into office at the April 12, 2026 Board meeting. All municipal elections are non-partisan and nomination is accomplished by petition.

The Collbran Board of Trustees meets on the 1st Tuesday and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Collbran Town Hall; 1010 High Street. Special meetings and workshops are additionally scheduled throughout the calendar year.

QUALIFICATIONS TO HOLD MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Any person wishing to run for Collbran municipal office must meet the following criteria:

1. U.S. citizen
2. At least 18 years of age
3. Resident of Collbran at least 12 consecutive months preceding date of election
4. Registered elector
5. Maintains residence throughout term of office.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

Candidates for municipal offices shall be nominated “at large”, without regard to political party affiliation or geographic location. Municipal candidates are all nominated by petition. Nomination petitions must be filed in the Town Clerk’s office **no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, January 26, 2026.**

Each nomination petition shall be completed with the name of the candidate as he/she wishes it to appear on the ballot, the candidate’s place of residence, and the office being sought.

Candidates may use a nickname but may not use any title or degree designation with the business or profession of the candidate.

Withdrawal from Election: Candidates may withdraw from the election by submitting a written affidavit to the Town Clerk stating their withdrawal no later than 4:30 p.m., Monday, February 2, 2026.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Write-in candidate votes will not be counted unless an Affidavit of Intent has been received. An Affidavit of Intent of Write-In Candidate must be submitted to the Town Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. Monday, February 2, 2026.

CIRCULATION OF NOMINATION PETITIONS

The candidate may circulate his/her own petition. Candidates may have others circulate petitions for them.

Each nomination petition can only be circulated by one person.

Nomination petitions cannot be left unattended by the circulator.

The circulator must witness and certify by affidavit that each signature is the signature of the person whose name it purports to be, and that each signer has stated to the circulator that he/she is a registered elector of the municipality for which the nomination is being made.

The nominating petition must contain **ten (10) signatures** of registered electors residing within the town limits of the Town of Collbran. An elector has the right to sign **only** as many petitions as there are offices to fill (i.e., 2 trustee petitions in this election). Each registered elector signing the petition must also print their name and **physical address** as it appears on their voter registration (no P.O. Boxes, please).

A candidate may wish to obtain more than the required 10 signatures in the event a name is challenged, found to be ineligible or otherwise eliminated. Signatures will be verified by the Clerk. If signatures are eliminated by the Clerk resulting in fewer than 10 registered electors signing a petition, the petition circulator will have time in which to amend the petition. The last day to amend a nomination petition is Monday, February 2, 2026.

First day petitions may be requested and circulated:	January 6, 2026
Last day to file nomination petitions:	January 26, 2026
Last day to amend nomination petitions:	February 2, 2026

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To be eligible to vote, a person must be:

Eighteen years of age,

Be a citizen of the United States,

Have resided in this State for twenty-two days and in the Town of Collbran for thirty days, immediately preceding the election.

Voter registration forms are available through any municipal office, county clerk's office or Town Hall.

The last day to register to vote in this election is April 7, 2026.
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BALLOTS

The position of names on the ballot is determined by lot. The drawing of names for the position on the ballot is conducted by the Clerk at Town Hall. The drawing by lot will be held in the Town Hall at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2026, to determine the order candidates will be listed on the official ballot. Either the candidate or a representative appointed by the candidate may be present.

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT (FCPA)

The reporting requirements of the Fair Campaign Practices Act apply to all mayoral and trustee candidates. All forms required by the Act must be filed with the Town Clerk.

It is the responsibility of each candidate to become familiar with, and meet, the reporting and filing provisions of the Fair Campaign Practices Act (FCPA).

The Colorado Secretary of State has prepared the **Colorado Campaign and Political Finance Manual** which is a helpful reference in understanding campaign finance rules and requirements. This manual can be found at:

www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/CampaignFinance/files/CPFManual.pdf

All forms necessary to complete this requirement, as well as a copy of the Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act, are available for download on the Town's website or available upon request.

Attached is the **Candidate Affidavit**, which a candidate is required to file with the Town Clerk within 10 days of becoming a candidate (at the time nomination petitions are received and certified by Town Clerk).

Attached is the **Candidate Statement of Non-Receipt of Contributions** or Non-Expenditure of Funds** which a candidate is required to file with the Town Clerk according to the following schedule:

Schedule for filing FCPA forms:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Reporting Period by 5:00 pm</u>
March 17	First Campaign Report due
April 3	Second Campaign Report due
May 12	Third and Post Campaign Report due

**This assumes that a candidate receives no outside contributions. If he/she chooses to receive contributions, a Report of Contributions and Expenditures must be filed with the Town Clerk, see #4 below.

1. **Committee Registration Form** is required to be filed with the Town Clerk before accepting any outside contributions.
2. **Detailed Summary Report of Contributions and Expenditures**, including **Schedules A, B, C, and D**, which a candidate is required to file if outside contributions are accepted with the Town Clerk according to the schedule shown.

Please be aware that no campaign material can be placed within 100 feet of the polling place (The Collbran Town Hall) on Election Day, April 7, 2026.

***DO NOT FILE FCPA FORMS ELECTRONICALLY. All FCPA forms in this election are filed with the Town Clerk.**

Even if a candidate accepts no contributions, nor expends any funds, there are FCPA forms to complete.

Failure to comply with the requirements of FCPA may result in enforcement action and the imposition of fines (CRS 1-45-113).

For more information on FCPA, please visit www.sos.state.co.us

***Within 10 days of becoming a candidate, you MUST file the Candidate Affidavit. Failure to submit this form “shall result in the disqualification of such person as a candidate”.**

CANDIDATE ELECTION CALENDAR

TOWN OF COLLBRAN REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION APRIL 7, 2026

January 6 First day to circulate nomination petitions

January 26 Last day to circulate nomination petitions, signed affidavit of circulator and acceptance of nomination due in Town Clerk's office by 4:30 p.m.; Candidates must file Candidate Affidavit/Fair Campaign Practices Act with Town Clerk

February 2 Last day nomination petitions may be amended to correct or replace signatures

February 2 Last day for filing affidavit of intent for write-in candidates

February 2 Last day candidates may withdraw from nomination

February 9 Drawing by lot to determine order of candidates listed on ballot
4:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

March 17 First Campaign Report due

April 3 Second Campaign Report due

April 7 Last day to register to vote in April 7, 2026 election

April 7 **Election Day**

April 17 Last day for Clerk to certify election results

May 12 Third and Post Campaign Report due

NOTE: These dates are determined according to the Municipal Election Code. Failure to meet a deadline could result in a candidate's disqualification. If you are unclear on a deadline, please contact the Town Clerk's Office 970-487-3751 or by email: clerk@TownofCollbran.us.

THIS FORM IS OPTIONAL AND IS USED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC. IT WILL BECOME PART OF THE FILE WHICH IS OPEN TO PUBLIC REVIEW.

CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. **NAME (including any nickname):**

2. **ADDRESS:**

3. **AGE:** _____

4. **OCCUPATION:**

5. **LENGTH OF TIME AS A TOWN RESIDENT:**

6. **PREVIOUS POLITICAL EXPERIENCE:**

7. **ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE:**

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

OFFICE OF TRUSTEE
TOWN OF COLBRAN, COLORADO

To the Town Clerk
1010 High Street
P.O. Box 387
Collbran, CO 81624

I, _____, being an eligible elector as defined by the Colorado Election Statutes and a resident of the Town of Collbran for the required twelve (12) consecutive months prior to the election, hereby give written notice of my intent to be a candidate for the Office of Trustee for the Town of Collbran, Colorado at the regular municipal election on April 7, 2026 to serve for the legal term of four (4) years, depending on the position and as determined by law and qualified as provided by Colorado Election Statutes.

Candidate's Signature

Date: _____

Physical Residence Address

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____

Time: _____

By

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

OFFICE OF MAYOR
TOWN OF COLBRAN, COLORADO

To the Town Clerk
1010 High Street
P.O. Box 387
Collbran, CO 81624

I, _____, being an eligible elector as defined by the Colorado Election Statutes and a resident of the Town of Collbran for the required twelve (12) consecutive months prior to the election, hereby give written notice of my intent to be a candidate for the Office of Mayor for the Town of Collbran, Colorado at the regular municipal election on April 7, 2026 to serve for the legal term of four (4) years, depending on the position and as determined by law and qualified as provided by Colorado Election Statutes.

Candidate's Signature

Date: _____

Physical Residence Address

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____

Time: _____

By

CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT OF ACCEPTANCE

OFFICE OF TRUSTEE

I, _____, residing at _____, Collbran Colorado, certify that I am a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen (18) years of age by or on the date of the election, and have resided in the municipality for which I am a candidate for the twelve (12) consecutive months preceding the date of the election to be held on April 7, 2026, and I hereby accept the nomination for the Office of Trustee of the Town of Collbran, the petition for which was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of the said town on _____, 20_____. I hereby make affidavit to the fact that I have not become a candidate as the nominee or representative of or because of any promised support from any political party, committee, convention or organization representing or acting for any political party.

Candidate's Signature

My name as it shall appear on the election ballot shall be:

(No Degree or Title is permitted. Please Print Legibly)

STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF _____

Subscribed and sworn/affirmed to me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.
My commission expires _____.

Notary

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____

Time: _____

By

CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT OF ACCEPTANCE

OFFICE OF MAYOR

I, _____, residing at _____, Collbran Colorado, certify that I am a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen (18) years of age by or on the date of the election, and have resided in the municipality for which I am a candidate for the twelve (12) consecutive months preceding the date of the election to be held on April 7, 2026, and I hereby accept the nomination for the Office of Mayor of the Town of Collbran, the petition for which was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of the said town on _____, 20 _____. I hereby make affidavit to the fact that I have not become a candidate as the nominee or representative of or because of any promised support from any political party, committee, convention or organization representing or acting for any political party.

Candidate's Signature

My name as it shall appear on the election ballot shall be:

(No Degree or Title is permitted. Please Print Legibly)

STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF _____

Subscribed and sworn/affirmed to me this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.
My commission expires _____.

Notary

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____

Time: _____

By

CERTIFICATE OF WITHDRAWAL FROM NOMINATION

In accordance with the provisions of the Colorado Election Code,

I, _____, hereby decline the nomination for the office of _____ for which office I was duly nominated by a Petition of Nomination filed in the office of the Town Clerk on the _____ day of _____, 20____, and which nomination was duly accepted by filing my written acceptance of such nomination for said office with the Town Clerk on the _____ day of _____, 20____, and hereby authorize my name to be withdrawn from the nomination for the office of Trustee to be voted on at the ensuing regular election of _____, 20____.

Signature of Candidate

STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF _____

Subscribed and sworn/affirmed to me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

My commission expires _____.

Notary

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____

Time: _____

By

AFFIDAVIT OF INTENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

To the Town Clerk:

This is to certify that I, _____
desire the office of _____ and to the best of my knowledge and
belief, will be fully qualified for said office on the date the term of office begins; that my
place of residence is, and has been since _____,
_____ in the Town of Collbran,
County of Mesa, State of Colorado and that my physical address is
_____ Town of Collbran; and that my birth date is _____.

Signature of Candidate

STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF _____

Subscribed and sworn/affirmed to before me this _____ day of _____,
20____.

My Commission expires _____.

Notary

Received in the Office of the Town Clerk

Date: _____ **Time:** _____

By