

# NEWS RELEASE



## **NEWS RELEASE: Mayor Pro Tem leads with passion, expertise and strong goals in Mead, Colorado.**

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*July 24, 2018* – When Trustee Joyce Palaszewski accepted the position of Mayor Pro Tem in April, it wasn't expected that she would be called to fill in as the Town of Mead Mayor for nearly half a year. However, Mayor Pro Tem Palaszewski retains the experience and passion to lead the community and is quite honored to fill that role.

Serving the Mead community has been a passion of Mayor Pro Tem Palaszewski's for nearly a decade. She was appointed as a Trustee in 2014 and prior to that she volunteered on the events committee and open space committee. Volunteering in the Town gave her a great understanding and experience prior to becoming an elected official.



"Holding the position of Mayor Pro Tem, Mayor or Trustee are very similar. You are always 1/7 of the vote and you are part of a team working together for the common good of our town while listening to all sides and making a positive difference," stated Mayor Pro Tem Palaszewski. "I am here for the constituents of our town with no hidden or personal agenda and to do my best to keep us progressing as a team."

Mayor Pro Tem Palaszewski has outlined a few goals over her term as Mayor and continuing to serve as Trustee once the new Mayor is elected in November. Her goals all focus on uniting the community and the Town government agency together. Her plan includes supporting the residents and businesses both current and potential, providing the necessary support to dedicated staff of the Town and the hardworking committees to be able to serve the citizens with their highest level of service and to empower individuals and organizations to work together.

"The experiences that I've had working with Mayor Pro Tem Palaszewski show that she is dedicated to the community and to serving both the residents and the business community. Her goal of uniting us all together is necessary and important and I appreciate the work she does for this Town," stated Town Manager Helen Migchelbrink.

*Background: Mayor Gary Shields was re-elected in April of this year. On June 11, 2018 he resigned from the position. State law requires the remaining six members of the Board of Trustees to appoint a successor to fill the vacancy or call a special election within 60 days after the vacancy occurs. The Town of Mead Board of Trustees elected to have a special election concurrent with the next round of elections in November. Making the decision to wait until November saved the Town almost \$2,000.00 as they can coordinate with Weld County Government on the election.*

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