

**TOWN OF PAONIA, COLORADO  
RESOLUTION NO. 23-2025**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF  
PAONIA, COLORADO, DECLARING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Paonia (the "Town") is a statutory town in Delta County, Colorado;

**WHEREAS**, with respect to a vacancy on the Board of Trustees, C.R.S. § 31-4-303 provides in part:

The board of trustees has the power, by appointment, to fill all vacancies in the board or any other office, and the person so appointed shall hold his office until the next regular election and until his successor is elected and has complied with section 31-4-401. The board also has the power to fill a vacancy in the board or in any other elective office of the town by ordering an election to fill the vacancy until the next regular election and until a successor has been elected and has complied with section 31-4-401. If a vacancy in the board or in such other elective office is not filled by appointment or an election is not ordered within sixty days after the vacancy occurs, the board shall order an election, subject to the municipal election code, to be held as soon as practicable to fill the vacancy until the next regular election and until a successor has been elected and has complied with section 31-4-401....

(emphasis added);

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-2-10(e) of the Town of Paonia Municipal Code (the "Code") provides, in part, that "The Board of Trustees shall have power, by appointment, to fill all vacancies in the Board of Trustees or in any other elected office, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the next regular election and until his or her successor is elected and qualified";

**WHEREAS**, on August 27, 2025, Trustee John Valentine resigned in writing to the Mayor and Town Clerk due to plans to move out of the town limits of Paonia, Colorado;

**WHEREAS**, accordingly, the Board of Trustees wishes to declare a vacancy on the Board of Trustees, as set forth herein.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PAONIA, COLORADO:**

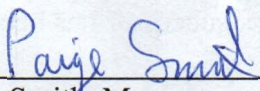
1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as findings of the Board of Trustees.



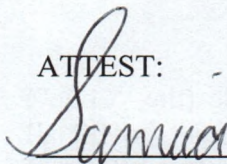
2. Board of Trustees Vacancy. As a result of Trustee Valentine resigning his appointed Trustee position, the Board of Trustees hereby declares a vacancy on the Board of Trustees effective as of the date of approval of this Resolution.
3. Filling of Vacancy. It is the Board's intention that such vacancy be filled by appointment not later than 35 days from the approval of this Resolution – that is, not later than October 14, 2025; however, the Board shall have until the statutory deadline to make such appointment, at the Board's discretion. The Board will order a special election to fill the vacancy within the statutory timeframe of 60 days from the effective date of this Resolution if the Board does not fill the vacancy by appointment prior to that time.
4. Term. The term of the vacant Trustee position is to and through April of 2026.
5. Information. Information on when and how qualified residents may seek appointments to the Board will be posted on the Town's website, on the Town's Facebook page, in the Delta County Independent, in the Town Clerk's office, and on the bulletin board at Town Hall.

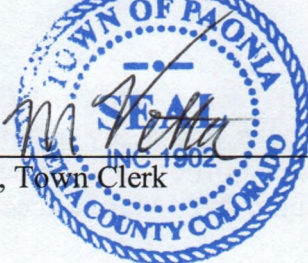
**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025, by the Board of Trustees, Town of Paonia.

**TOWN OF PAONIA, COLORADO**

  
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Paige Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Samira M. Vetter, Town Clerk



Approved as to form and contents:

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Clay Buchner, Town Attorney