







Figure 5-2: Road Map

## Current Regulations and Programs

The Town has ordinances, programs, and plans that apply to circulation.

**Ordinance 3, Series 1994** sets standards for public roads within town. Permits are required to ensure preferred grades, widths, drainage elements, erosion control, compaction, and surfacing are met as well as ensuring coordination with other infrastructure and utilities within the road and / or rights-of-way.

**Ordinance 7, Series 2004** conveys the standards for private roads and driveways including, but not limited to, emergency access, grade, and drainage control.

**Ordinance 1, Series 2012 Growth Impact Fee** – The Town adopted a Growth Impact Fee in 2012 for the purpose of offsetting impacts related to the growth in population and housing to parks and recreation, water plant capacity, streets and bridges, and fire and emergency medical technician safety services. The ordinance establishes a fee to apply to new residential and non-residential development and details the distribution of that fee among the four areas of concern including roads and bridges.

**Ordinance 12, Series 2014** establishes the 15 mile per hour speed limit on Main Street.

The **2017 Drainage and Stormwater Management Master Plan** is intended to include recommendations for drainage, including those associated with local roads.

**Roads and Bridges Committee** - The Roads and Bridges Committee includes a representative from the Board of Trustees and other volunteers from the community. The committee addresses issues and maintenance associated with roads, bridges, culverts, and drainage along the roadways.



*Figure 5-3: The majority of roads in town have dirt surfaces; above: 16th Street overlay project*

## Circulation Policies

1. Jamestown should ensure the provision of safe, clean streets by providing safe flow of traffic, proper access in case of an individual emergency, and emergency evacuation in case of an area-wide disaster (i.e. flood, forest fire).
  - A. The Town is responsible for providing maintenance of town roads and bridges.
  - B. Volunteer snow plowing is encouraged to reduce the stress on town finances.
  - C. New public road construction to access new building / development should meet town road standards prior to or as a condition of development and prior to the Town accepting responsibility for road maintenance.
  - D. Private roads will be maintained by the owners of private properties being accessed by the road. Costs for maintenance will be borne by those property owners.
  - E. All new development shall be served by roads which are adequate for fire equipment.
  - F. The Town will work with the community to promote an understanding of the proper roadway and ditch maintenance and responsibilities.
  
2. The Town encourages the use of alternative modes of transportation to better support the community's health, safety, and welfare.
  - A. The Town will strive to foster and maintain safe travel for pedestrians and bicyclists on all public roads in Jamestown.
  - B. Future decisions in regard to the design, maintenance and use of the circulation system will consider all modes of transportation – bicycling, automobiles, walking, etc.
  
3. Unless safety is a factor, future paving of town roads should be discouraged in order to retain the rural mountain character of the town as well as reduce stress on town finances in regard to long-term maintenance of paved roads.
  
4. Parking in Jamestown should maintain a natural, unpaved, mountain town characteristic to allow access to businesses; large paved parking areas should be avoided.



*Figure 5-4: Boulder County and Jamestown share responsibility for County Road 94 through town*



## Proposed Programs

1. It is in the Town's best interest to continue to work with community members and the Roads and Bridges Committee on the maintenance of local roads including snow removal, grading and the provision of sand barrels where necessary. The Town should look into the feasibility of owning a previously used grader and hiring a competent operator to maintain roads and remove snow. This may be done in cooperation with surrounding communities, Boulder County and / or community members who maintain private roads within town.
2. The Town should evaluate, prioritize, and implement the strategies identified in the *Jamestown Area Long Term Recovery Plan* including establishing walking paths (and obtaining any necessary easements), improving bicycle facilities and amenities, developing ride-share opportunities, and establishing a parking plan that maintains a natural, unpaved, mountain town atmosphere while allowing access to businesses.
3. The Town should continue to work with Boulder County to evaluate various traffic calming methods including striping, paving, "skinny" travel lanes, cross walks, mid-road entrance dividers at the entries of town, and signage; determine the appropriate methods for Jamestown; and, ensure to incorporate those concepts into the County Road 94 design.



Figure 5-5: Example approaches to traffic calming that may be considered along Main Street / County Road 94 - striping (upper left), raised crosswalks (upper right), signage and paint / pavers (lower left), bump-outs (lower right)

4. The Town should continue to work with Boulder County to ensure proper road standards for safety and emergency access are applied and maintained along County Road 94. This includes the reestablishment and / or the addition of bicycle lanes along the roadway along County 94 as it is rebuilt.
5. The Town should consider adding additional signage reminding vehicle drivers that they are entering a residential area, and that the speed limit is 15 miles per hour at the west end of town.
6. Leverage the Boulder area cycling clubs and alliances to continue to promote a friendly, safe, workable environment for bicyclists in and around Jamestown.
7. The Town does not have an official Capital Improvements program. With the improved roads, a capital improvements plan is a tool to ensure that these assets are properly maintained over time to avoid an expensive and/or dire fix.
8. The Town should work with the Roads and Bridge Committee, surveyors and the Boulder County to develop accurate mappings of the road rights-of-way throughout town.
9. The Town should work with community members who maintain private roads to ensure proper transitions between privately maintained roads and Town-maintained roads exist and that proper drainage is maintained.
10. The Town should monitor the parking issues along residential town streets to determine if regulations should be adopted to address property access and emergency access issues.

<b>Topic Cross Reference</b>	
<b>Because many of the topics in the comprehensive plan are inter-related, particularly to land use, below is a chart that conveys where additional related topics may be found.</b>	
<b><i>Chapter</i></b>	<b><i>For more information on:</i></b>
Environment	Natural hazards (and impacts on development), living with nature
Utilities	Town water service and on-site wastewater treatment
Facilities and Services	Town facilities and services, regional services
Land Use	Existing land use and predicted future land use
External Factors	Relationships with Boulder County and the U.S. Forest Service