

## Waverly Community Group



Waverly School, 2003 (now Turning Point)

The Waverly Community Group (WCG) was formed by invitation to all residents of the Waverly area in July of 2005 in response to external threats to its rural and agricultural character. Its predecessor, the Waverly Steering Committee had successfully helped derail a plan by the City of Fort Collins to run an official truck bypass through the community. Other issues that have been addressed by various Waverly committees include:

- Wellington attempt to extend its Growth Management Area (GMA) to the west to County Road 15 in 2008. A survey of Waverly residents at the time indicated they did not want to be part of the Wellington GMA and Wellington pulled its GMA boundary back to County Road 13.

Other issues that have been monitored by various Waverly committees include:

- Owl Canyon Corridor road realignment
- Northern Integrated Supply Project (NISP)-Glade Reservoir
- Larimer County Landfill Site
- Proposed Wellington Airport

What was originally the Waverly Advisory Board of the Community Group evolved into the Waverly Community Board in 2012. This change in name and structure reflected an increased function as a social and informational group for the entire community rather than a planning or advisory group.

In addition to hosting community meetings, potlucks and other educational events, the Waverly Community Board maintains a website [www.waverlycommunity.org](http://www.waverlycommunity.org) and an email notice network. The email network functions as a sort of neighborhood watch (bear, mountain lion sightings to lost pets) and provides information about upcoming events of interest.

The Waverly Community Board has ad hoc committees for needs as they arise, but could always use extra help for events like the Pancake Breakfast, or annual get-togethers.

The Board continues to reach out to the community for its ideas, is respectful of all points of view, and works to increase the involvement of our residents in social, informational, and local activities.

Names of current WCB members can be found on our website:

[www.waverlycommunity.org](http://www.waverlycommunity.org) under the History/Community Group tab. Board members are elected from the community at large annually for one-year terms and meet from 6-8 times per year.

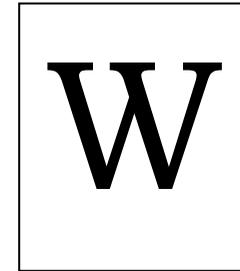
### Future Activities

The Waverly Community Board invites you to sit in on regular meetings, and provide inspiration for new ideas to help keep our community vital. On the social side, we also welcome you to join our Board or a committee to help us provide new events for our neighborhood! On the education and information side, future items for community information-sharing could include:

- Water & agricultural viability
- Fostering a vital rural economy
- Development densities
- Keeping local (in-home) businesses viable
- Larimer Co. transportation plan
- Need for a Community Center
- Maintaining open character

The Board meets approximately 6-8 times per year, Monday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30. In addition to our Annual Meeting, we typically put on one Pancake Breakfast in late summer, and two potluck suppers, one in March and one in July with a short program aimed at local, rural interests.

We would love to include you in our efforts! Please call Letitia Betchel, Chair, at 970-215-3156 to learn more, or visit [www.waverlycommunity.org](http://www.waverlycommunity.org).



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Waverly, Colorado

## The Waverly Story, Past and Present



*Waverly School, circa 1941*

Waverly, Colorado has its own history, culture, rural character, and natural resource values that can be considered an asset for present and future residents.

Farming and ranching families met in March 1886 in an area twelve miles north of Fort Collins to form School District #49, and by December 1886 a school building had been constructed. A postal clerk suggested the name “Waverly,” after a Sir Walter Scott novel. Around the turn of the century, Waverly appeared on USGS maps.

Historical records indicate the Township of Waverly was platted in 1903 by F. C. Grable, an early land and North Poudre Irrigation Company developer.

At one time, Waverly was incorporated, had a mayor, board of trustees, post office, fire department, church(es), and a general store. The 1911 “History of Larimer County,” by Ansel Watrous mentions Waverly’s fruit and shade trees.

In 1903 the Colorado & Southern Railroad extended its line from Wellington with a spur just south of the current school to serve passenger trains, a beet dump and a cattle-loading pen.

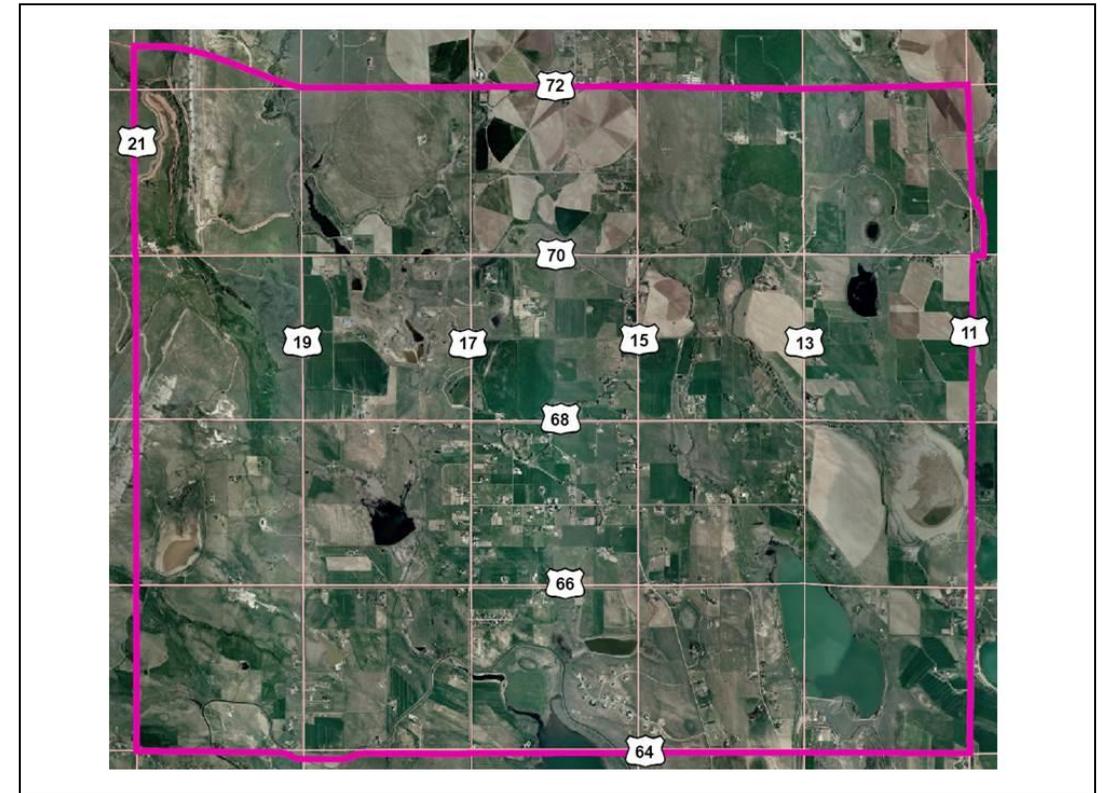
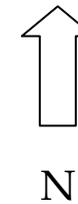
Although the first school had only nine grades, the Waverly school gradually expanded and graduated its first 12<sup>th</sup> grade class in 1930. The school consolidated with Poudre R-1 in 1960. It has recently been purchased by Turning Point, a non-profit group, serving as an alternative teen learning center and occasionally as a community hall.

Waverly continues to enjoy a mix of interlocking agricultural activities and cottage industries that contribute to its uniqueness.

The Waverly Community Group was formed to help bring residents together to discuss issues affecting the area so the community at large could be active about concerns rather than automatically becoming absorbed by neighboring municipalities.



*One of Waverly’s watercourses*



The Waverly area is bounded generally by the following:  
on the north by County Road 72,  
on the east by County Road 11,  
on the west by County Road 21,  
and on the south by County Road 64.