



 **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

All meetings take place in the Berthoud Town Hall, 328 Massachusetts Ave. View agendas and meeting minutes at www.berthoud.org/Town/documents.php.

APRIL

- 11** Historic Preservation Committee
5:30 p.m.
- 12** Regular Town Board Meeting
6:30 p.m.
- 14** Planning Commission
6:30 p.m.
- 18** Tree Advisory Committee
6:00 p.m.
- 20** Community Chat
7:00 p.m.
- 21** Municipal Court
9:00 a.m.
- 26** Regular Town Board Meeting
6:30 p.m.
- 28** Planning Commission
6:30 p.m.
- 30** **ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION**
Fickel Park
10:00 a.m.

WATER QUALITY UPDATE

Keeping Your Water Safe, Clean, and Tasteful

Our water system recently violated a state of Colorado drinking water standard. Although this was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor your water for total organic carbon (TOC). The tests determine if the disinfectants used to clean the water source are creating a byproduct that in large unchecked amounts can be harmful to the community. During the fourth quarter of 2015, the levels of TOC were just slightly above the state's standard; it does not affect drinking water quality or taste.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? WHAT SHOULD I DO?

- You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately.

WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT WAS DONE?

In order to reduce lead and copper in drinking water, the Town adds sodium hydroxide at the water treatment plant to increase the pH level of the water so it is not as corrosive. While the addition of the sodium hydroxide greatly reduces the amount of lead leaching into the treated water from older plumbing systems, it also reduces the removal of the TOC.

To correct this, the sodium hydroxide will be introduced after clarification to improve TOC removal while continuing to reduce the corrosive nature of the treated water. Initial test results have shown that this modification is working.

The Town of Berthoud strives to provide the highest water quality that it can produce. Treating raw water for consumption is a complicated process. The water is constantly changing, as is the condition of pipes in private homes and businesses. Being proactive and using state regulations help keep the water in healthy balance.





BERTHOUD BUSINESSES INVITED TO TAKE THE INDUSTRIAL SEWER SURVEY

The protection of our drinking, or potable water supply in the Town of Berthoud is a matter of mutual concern and benefit. The Town regularly checks in with businesses to assess their water quality and water delivery infrastructure. At this time, we are seeking information from businesses regarding their process for avoiding cross connections. Cross connections can undermine drinking water quality in facilities.

As a friendly reminder, the survey regarding their processes used to reduce cross connections are due to the Town by May 1, 2016. Thank you for your cooperation!

COMMON CROSS CONNECTIONS FOUND IN A COMMERCIAL BUILDING INCLUDE:

Fire Sprinkler Lines,
Irrigation Sprinkler Lines,
Boilers, Automatic Soap Injectors, Hoses in Sinks, Hose Bibs, Alternate Water Supplies, Swimming Pools, and Display Fountain



TOWN'S PORT PLAN MOVING FORWARD

Over the last several months, Town staff and its consulting partners, GreenPlay, have been collecting feedback from residents about what they liked about the current parks, open space, recreation and trails, and what elements they would like to see in the future. The Parks, Open Space, Recreation and Trails (PORT) Plan project's initial findings are available on Berthoud.org. The initial report will also be shared during a future Trustee regular meeting. More updates and the Plan itself will be available later this spring.



LOVE TREES? ATTEND THE ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION APRIL 30

This is the 33rd year that Berthoud has been named a Tree City USA Community, and we're excited to celebrate this achievement! Join us on Saturday, April 30 at 10 a.m. in Fickel Park for a Berthoud Arbor Day ceremony with a tree planting in the southeast corner of the park. Staff will also be planting trees during the following week. Hope to see you there!



COMMUNITY STATS – FEBRUARY 2016

7
NEW HOMES
23
TOTAL PERMITS
VALUATION:
\$1,605,199

SALES TAX COLLECTED

FEB. 2016 \$156,664
FEB. 2015 \$201,434

562 SAFETY CALLS

TRAFFIC STOPS.....**162**
CITIZEN ASSISTS.....**28**
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES (FIRE/MEDICAL).....**14**
ANIMAL CALLS.....**8**

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The Town Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays, at 6:30 p.m., in the Berthoud Town Hall, 328 Massachusetts Ave. The public is welcome to attend. Meeting agendas and minutes are available online: www.berthoud.org/Town/documents.php.

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?
SUGGESTIONS? COMPLIMENTS?

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