

BERTHOUD INFOCUS

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

All meetings take place in Berthoud Town Hall at 807 Mountain Ave. unless otherwise noted. View agendas and meeting minutes at berthoud.org/government/trustee-docs.

APRIL

- 1 Coffee with the Mayor & Town Administrator at Trailhead Cafe**
8:00 a.m.
- 3 PORT Committee Meeting**
6:15 p.m.
- 4 Youth Advisory Commission**
6:00 p.m.
- 8 Historical Preservation Advisory Committee**
6:30 p.m.
- 9 Board of Trustees Meeting**
6:30 p.m.
- 11 Planning Commission Meeting**
7:00 p.m.
- 15 Tree Committee Meeting**
6:00 p.m.
- 19 Coffee with a Cop at the Berthoud Library**
2:00 p.m.
- 23 Board of Trustees Meeting**
6:30 p.m.
- 25 Planning Commission Meeting**
7:00 p.m.

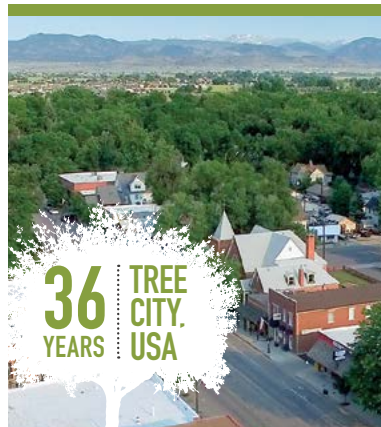
ARBOR DAY AT THE TOWN NURSERY

Join us in celebrating Arbor Day in the Town of Berthoud at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 20 at Hillsdale Park (southwest of the intersection of Canyonlands St. and Kansas Ave.). This year, join Town staff and the Tree Advisory Committee as we plant trees in the new Town nursery area of the park.

With the help of a \$1,000 grant from the Colorado Tree Coalition (CTC), the Town was able to purchase 50–60 trees. The tree nursery is owned by the Town of Berthoud and will be overseen, maintained and operated by Forestry Staff, with the support of community volunteers.



The planted trees will be grown from their 1-inch trunk size for a few years and will be used to replace trees in Berthoud's parks and street rights-of-way when they are large enough. The Town nursery will also act as an education space for schools and those living in Town.



36 YEARS AS A TREE CITY USA

The Town is pleased to announce that for the 36th year in a row, Berthoud has received the Tree City USA award. Berthoud achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: maintaining a tree board or department; having a tree-care ordinance; an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita; and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

GO INSIDE BERTHOUD'S WATER PLANT

For the last few years, Berthoud has been expanding the water treatment plant to better serve residents and allow us to be independent of the larger surrounding communities with our water needs. Now that expansion is complete, here are some facts about what was added:

COAGULATION AND FLOCCULATION BASINS

This is the first of the treatment processes. Raw water is first treated with a polymer-based coagulant, rapidly mixed and then flows into a series of flocculation basins. The gentle mixing action in the flocculation basins helps to create collision and adhesion of small particles into larger particles which can then settle in the next process: sedimentation.

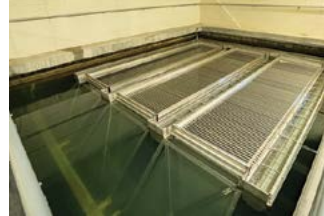
SEDIMENTATION BASINS

Once the water has spent time in the flocculation basins, it flows to the settling basin to give time for the particles to separate from the clean water. During the expansion at the water plant, two settling tanks were added to the water treatment plant to increase capacity from 2.0 million gallons per day to 4.0 million gallons per day.

ADDITIONAL WATER FILTERS

The final step is to send the settled water collected from the sedimentation basin to the multi-media gravity filters. This is the final physical process the water will go through inside the water treatment plant before it is sent out to Berthoud's resident's homes. During the expansion, two additional filters were added. Each filter has a capacity of filtering 1.0 million gallons of water each day.

Are you interested in learning more about these projects? Check out our video that takes you inside the Water Treatment Plant and shows you the updates first-hand! www.berthoud.org/watertreatment.



COMMUNITY STATS FEB 2019

709 SAFETY CALLS

- ANIMAL CALLS 11
- CITIZEN ASSISTS..... 30
- CODE VIOLATION 2
- TRAFFIC STOPS 83
- VEHICLE CRASHES 17

46 PERMITS ISSUED

20 NEW SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

VALUATION: \$5,763,325

SALES TAX COLLECTED

FEB 2019: \$397,472
FEB 2018: \$287,171

2019 YTD: \$642,357

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www.berthoud.org/news



NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

You're invited to participate in Berthoud's medication drop off day Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Berthoud Town Hall. Drop off any old or expired medications you have around the house to the event to have them properly disposed of.