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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

AUGUST

- 2 PORT Advisory Committee
6:00 p.m.
- 3 Youth Advisory Commission
6:00 p.m.
- 8 Town Board Meeting
6:30 p.m.
- 10 Municipal Court
8:30 a.m.
- 10 Planning Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m.
- 14 Historic Preservation Committee
5:30 p.m.
- 21 Tree Advisory Committee
6:00 p.m.
- 22 Town Board Meeting
6:30 p.m.
- 24 Planning Commission Meeting
6:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 4 **HAPPY LABOR DAY!**
Town offices closed

WATER: EVERY DROP COUNTS

Water is a precious resource in Colorado's arid climate. With a growing water supply gap, variable climate conditions, environmental concerns and increasing funding needs, we need to do all we can to preserve this critical Colorado resource.

Here are a few tips that can help you conserve water and save you money on your utility bill:

FIX LEAKS: Leaky faucets, toilets, and irrigation systems are a literal drain on your bill. Even one leaky faucet can waste more water than one person consumes in a typical week.

RUN ONLY FULL LOADS: If your dishwasher or washing machine isn't full, wait to run it until it is! Your annual consumption and usage will drop significantly if you can reduce the total amount of dishwasher loads by one or two each week.

IRRIGATE SMARTLY: Your grass will tell you when you need to run your irrigation system. If you need to mow more than once a week, you are likely giving your lawn too much water.

USE WHAT YOU NEED: A typical family of four should use less than 10,000 gallons of water a month. Anything more than that indicates either excess use or possible leaks. You may need to tell your teenager to take quicker showers as well!

KEEP YOUR FLOW LOW: Purchase low-flow showerheads and adjust your toilet to use less water per flush. These easy fixes cost very little and can be done by even the least experienced Do-It-Yourselfers.

Being a good water consumer isn't just good for your bill. It's the responsible way to ensure that everyone has access to one of the most important resources on the planet.



★ **DID YOU KNOW?** ★

Town Code permits major irrigation systems to run only between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m. This helps conserve water by eliminating potential evaporation of the water before it gets into the grass.

MAKE SUMMER SAFETY A PRIORITY:

Test your smoke alarms every month and change the batteries at least once a year.

Keep your backyard grills well away from siding, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.

Burn only charcoal or firewood in outdoor fire pits instead of household yard waste, like leaves, grass, brush and other trimmings.



CITIES AND TOWNS WEEK IN SEPTEMBER

Colorado Cities and Towns Week is coming this September. It's easy to forget, but many of the services and resources we rely on to keep our homes safe and secure – like clean water, code enforcement, and more – are provided by the Town of Berthoud. Trails, public safety, and the economic development of our community are all at the forefront of our minds. Stay tuned for how you can help us celebrate!



LARVICIDING

The Town's Integrated Mosquito Management Plan addresses the danger of mosquito-borne viruses like West Nile while the bugs are in both the larval and adult stages of life. Did you know that we treat specific areas of Town that could be breeding grounds for mosquitoes before they ever develop into adults?

This method of control, called larviciding, is our first line of defense in the fight against West Nile. Larvicide measures include treating standing water for mosquito larvae and the Town has an expanded boundary for this type of control in 2017.

For more information and to see the larvicide control map, go to berthoud.org/westnile.



It's prime mosquito season! Keep the buggers at bay by wearing lightweight long-sleeves and pants during the biting hours around dusk through dawn.



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The Town Board meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays, at 6:30 p.m., in the Berthoud Town Hall, 807 Mountain Ave. The public is welcome to attend. Meeting agendas and minutes are available online: berthoud.org/government/trustee-docs.



COMMUNITY STATS – JUNE 2017

140
TOTAL PERMITS

17
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS

VALUATION:
\$4,320,175

SALES TAX COLLECTED

JUNE 2017 \$225,716

JUNE 2016 \$146,075

SALES TAX YTD 2017

\$1,910,712

563 SAFETY CALLS

ANIMAL CALLS..... **28**
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES (FIRE/MEDICAL) **15**
CITIZEN ASSISTS **35**
TRAFFIC STOPS..... **77**
VEHICLE CRASHES **17**

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?
SUGGESTIONS? COMPLIMENTS?

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