



# MINTURN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## April 2019



### COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNERS CONTINUE:

Launched in January 2019, the Community Potluck is designed to connect neighbors with a little food and fellowship. The dinners will continue this spring, as a full potluck (we will not have a volunteer group responsible for the main dish).



**Our April dinner will be held on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.** Our theme for April is "Family Favorites"! So bring what you wish – a family favorite entrée, appetizer, side dish, salad, or dessert (no alcohol).

**Dinners will take place in Town Hall from 5:30pm – 7:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!**

### COMMUNITY PRIDE HIGHWAY CLEANUP



It's that time of year again! The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Pride Highway Cleanup is coming up on **Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

If you would like to join the Town of Minturn for this great volunteer event, please sign up at Town Hall, or contact Cindy Krieg ([events@minturn.org](mailto:events@minturn.org), 970-827-5645, x5).

The cleanup will take place that morning, followed by a BBQ lunch with great food, local beer, live music and a raffle. More details to be provided as the event draws closer. Feel free to visit <http://www.erwc.org/events/> for more information.

### IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR BUSINESS LICENSE

Business license renewal season is here! We would like to remind all Minturn businesses that you are required to obtain and maintain a Minturn business license. The licenses are issued on an annual basis and are valid April 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year, through March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. You may obtain the business license (new or renewal) application at <http://minturn.org/government/finance/businesslicenses.html>, or in person at Town.

### MINTURN CELEBRATES 115 YEARS!

This year marks Minturn's 115 years as an incorporated town. 2019 will have a special focus on Minturn's history through storytelling, fun highlights, important events and community.



#### Fun Highlights:

The Minturn Merc was built in 1891 out of river rock. It housed a general store and dance hall for more than 75 years. It was located in the space between what is now The Stache and the Minturn Country Club, in downtown Minturn.

### SANDBAGS AVAILABLE APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>

Sandbags and sand will be available to residents starting April 15<sup>th</sup>. They can be picked up at the Municipal Lot, and the Upper Parking area of Little Beach Park.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that Highway 24 is maintained and regulated by CDOT, not by the Town?

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) exists to ensure that Colorado has a safe and efficient highway system by building and maintaining interstates, U.S. highways and state highways.

To accomplish this goal, CDOT conducts three primary services:

1. snow and ice operations;
2. roadway maintenance and preservation; and
3. construction management.

For more information, visit <https://www.codot.gov/>

### PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR A "SPECIAL EDITION" NEWSLETTER REGARDING OUR UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION.

The HWY 24/Main Street repaving and sidewalk project will be starting soon (estimated early May start). Construction impacts will include:

- Expected maximum traffic delay of 15-20 minutes
- No construction traffic through neighborhoods
- On-street parking may be restricted at times in specific blocks to allow for two way traffic
- 2 Work Zones allowed with only one lane closed – Flagger controlled
- Generally no lane closures 7 AM to 9 AM
- Working Hours 7am – 7pm Monday - Friday
- Rock Scaling – 20-minute full closures at north side of Town (will be done during off-peak times)
- Rock Scaling allowed 9AM - 4:30PM

This project will affect everyone in town and delays on HWY 24 are expected throughout the project (May-Nov 2019 at a minimum, possibly longer).

[www.minturn.org/pedestrianplanning](http://www.minturn.org/pedestrianplanning)

Schedules and other updates will be posted to Minturn.org once available. In addition, there will be additional Public Information Services such as: A full time Project Information Manager, a Dedicated Local Project Hotline, Recorded Project Update Messages each week, a Dedicated Project Web Page, a Dedicated Facebook Page, Monthly Newsletter Updates, and more. There are also flyers available, at Town Hall, which will be updated regularly and available throughout the project.

### SAVE THE DATE!

#### Town Clean-up Day

**When:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 | 7:00am – 1:00pm

**Where:** Little Beach Park, 801 Cemetery Road,

**Description:** Large dumpsters will be available at the Little Beach Park upper parking lot for disposal of most unwanted items and materials. Batteries and tires will be accepted at no cost. (If you need to dispose of a refrigerator, you are encouraged to contact Xcel, see next page for details).

For senior assistance or assistance with large items please call 970-827-5645 **PRIOR TO 6/1** to schedule a pick up. No paint or hazardous waste accepted. Special thanks to Minturn Public Works!

## April 2019 – Community Newsletter

### STREET SWEEPING STARTING SOON

DATE	STREET SWEEPING LOCATION
May 21	Bellm Bridge, Railroad Ave, Taylor St, 4 <sup>th</sup> St
May 22	Eagle St, Toledo Ave
May 23	Nelson Ave, Williams St, Mollie G Parking
May 24	Harrison Ave, Meek Ave, Eagle St
May 28	Mann Ave, Cemetery Bridge
May 29	All of Boulder St to Harrison Ave, Post Office
May 30	Norman Ave to Toledo Ave, East Side of Boulder St
May 31	Norman Ave to Toledo Ave, West Side of Boulder St
June 4	Pine St East Side
June 5	Pine St West Side

This schedule also available on [www.minturn.org](http://www.minturn.org).

### MOUNTAIN LION SIGHTINGS – BE ALERT!

There have been some recent mountain lion sightings in the area. Residents are encouraged to pay close attention to their surroundings, and to follow these tips if they do encounter one.

<https://cpw.state.co.us/lions>

### RIDE THE BUS! IT GOES STRAIGHT TO VAIL!

We still have some 10-ride bus passes available at **no cost** to Minturn residents. Recipients must agree to participate in an online survey at the end of the season. Passes (1 per person) may be picked up at Town Hall during regular business hours.

### BE BEAR AWARE!

**It's that time of year again - BEAR Season Sec. 7-9-310. - Protection of wildlife.**

Between the dates of April 15 and November 15, all bird feeders must be suspended on a cable or other device so that they are inaccessible to bears, and the area below the feeders must be kept free from the accumulation of seed debris.



We place our wildlife at risk when we act irresponsibly. Hundreds of bears are destroyed in Colorado every year as a result of irresponsible human behavior. Many of these bears would not have been killed if people had taken the necessary precautions to properly store food, garbage, bird feeders and other attractants. Please be a part of the solution in protecting our wildlife.

### COMMUNITY SURVEY

Stay tuned for notices regarding our upcoming Minturn Community Survey. We would like to hear from residents, property owners, and business owners regarding all things Minturn.

### COMPOSTING NOW AVAILABLE!

The Town of Minturn is happy to announce that we now have a Compost Drop Site at Town Hall. This service is available to Vail Honeywagon Compost Program members only (you must sign up for the service to participate).

The compost dumpster is set up and ready for service! More information can be found at [www.minturn.org](http://www.minturn.org). To sign up for this service, contact [requests@vailhoneywagon.com](mailto:requests@vailhoneywagon.com).

### MAKE YOUR HOME MORE COMFORTABLE AND EFFICIENT!

**Recycle your old fridge or freezer and make a cool \$50!**

Try a safe, helpful way to get rid of that old, still-functional fridge or freezer. If you're an Xcel Energy electricity customer, they'll come pick it up and recycle it for FREE. You'll make some extra cash, save money on future energy bills, and help the environment.



**Water Heater Savings:**

Use 10 to 50 percent less energy by upgrading to a high-efficiency natural gas or electric water heater. Not only will you save on your monthly energy bills, but Xcel Energy also offers rebates from \$70-\$450 when you work with an approved contractor and install eligible equipment.

### EVENTS CALENDAR

It may seem early, but we're working behind the scenes to put together the Minturn Summer 2019 Events Calendar. If you have an event you'd like included on the calendar please submit to [events@minturn.org](mailto:events@minturn.org) for inclusion. Let's make it easy for everyone to know what's going on in Minturn!

### COMMUNITY GARDENS

**Community Garden Applications**

The community garden applications will be going out soon. Check the bulletin board in the town hall lobby or the Minturn Community Gardens Facebook page. [www.facebook.com/groups/MinturnGarden/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/MinturnGarden/) Email [minturngardenhoes@gmail.com](mailto:minturngardenhoes@gmail.com) or [info@minturncommunityfund.org](mailto:info@minturncommunityfund.org) for more info.