



MINTURN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

October 2018

Market Updates:

Registration is now open for our upcoming **Winter Holiday Market**, Saturday December 1st and Saturday December 8th. The Market will run from 10am – 2pm both dates, and in addition to a variety of vendors, will also feature carolers, s'mores, Santa and more. For more information, visit www.minturnmarket.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Town of Minturn Halloween Celebration, Tuesday October 30th, 6-8pm:



Stop by Town Hall for some candy, and to enter our kids costume contest. Our Halloween decorating contest judging will also take place during this time. Prizes will be issued for first, second and third place (for both contests).

The winners of the decorating contest will be announced by the Minturn Community Fund at the November 7th Council Meeting. You do not need to apply to enter the decorating contest. If you decorate your home or business, you are automatically entered. Winners of the kids costume contest will be selected that night and will be contacted to receive their prizes.

Join the Minturn Saloon and Minturn Community Fund for their annual Halloween Fundraiser, Friday October 26th. Doors open at 8pm, live music by Pandas and People. \$20 donation at the door, proceeds benefit the Minturn Community Fund.

Blue Starlite Drive In Movies through October 31. Little Beach Park, Upper Parking. Shows start at 8pm. Complete listing of show times can be found at www.bluestarlitdrivein.com

Vail Valley Art Guild – First Friday

Vail Valley Art Guild held their “First Friday” reception on October 5th at the Minturn Community Fund office, which they are currently using as a “pop-up” gallery. It was a raging success with great turnout and fantastic art. The Art Guild is looking into continuing these First Friday events each month through the end of the year.

EDAC BUSINESS MEETING:

The Town of Minturn and the Economic Development Advisory Committee will be hosting a Small Business Meeting on Tuesday November 6th from 5:30 – 7:30pm (at Town Hall).

The meeting will include topics such as: Water, Construction, Review of Summer Events, Fall / Winter Events, Parking Concerns Follow Up, Minturn Realty Update, Dowd Junction Land acquisition update, energy savings programs, marketing, and more. Please RSVP to Cindy Krieg if you will be attending (events@minturn.org, or 970-827-5645, ext. 5), by 11/1.

COMPOST AVAILABLE:

Monkshood Cellars is in the midst of crush so they currently have a lot of grape compost. If Community gardens and/or Property Owners are interested, please contact Nathan Littlejohn. You will see seeds in the compost but they are not viable because they were exposed to fermentation (heat, alcohol etc...). All of the fruit is pressed and fermented Syrah grapes from this year. Nathan has them in a bin outside of the cellar right now and there will be more to come. The fruit from this particular vineyard is not certified organic but no insecticides or pesticides were used.

Construction Use Tax Questions & Answers

Bringing the tax dollars home to where the impact is taking place.

Why is the Town of Minturn considering a construction use tax? To provide for a dedicated source of revenue to fund capital improvement expenditures. Capital expenditures are currently funded out of our already strained general fund. By providing this source of revenue to the town, we eliminate the demand on the general fund to pay for items such as roads, lighting, sidewalks, land, buildings, machinery and equipment.

What is a construction use tax? Generally, a use tax is levied on the privilege of using or otherwise consuming tangible personal property within a city or county for which no sales or use tax has been previously paid. It is considered complementary to a sales tax, and **is applied where the product or materials are used, regardless of where the products were purchased.** Minturn's construction use tax would be levied on construction material used in Minturn regardless of where the supplier is located. A use tax may be applied generally to all tangible personal property used or consumed within a municipality or its application may be limited to vehicles and/or construction and building materials.

The Town of Minturn use tax is limited to construction and building materials and will only effect projects over \$10,000 in value.

RECREATIONAL SHOOTING REGULATIONS

According to the Code of Federal Regulations, recreational shooting can take place on National Forest as long as:

- You are at least 150 yards from a residence, building, campsite, developed recreation area or occupied area. 36 CFR 261.10(d)
- Do Not Shoot across or on a National Forest System road, trail, or body of water. 36 CFR 261.10(d)
- Tracer bullet, incendiary ammunition, or shooting explosive targets are prohibited on National Forest System lands. 36 CFR 261.5(b)
- Violations are punishable by up to a \$5000 fine and 6 months in prison

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- Pack it in, Pack it out -Remove more garbage (including targets) than you came with. -Use only paper targets, no metal. Bringing and using TVs, bowling pins, pallets, or other household items as targets is prohibited!

Recommendations:

- Shooting hours 8AM - Dusk -Treat every firearm as it is loaded. -Do not mix drugs or alcohol with sport shooting
- Report violators to the Eagle County Sheriff's office at 970-328-8500 or the Eagle Holy Cross District Office at 970-827-5715

BOLTS LAKE CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The concept plan review is the first stage in a three-part review process required to create a planned unit development (PUD) setting forth vested rights and controls on the type and timing of residential and commercial uses within a development. The purpose of the concept plan review stage is to allow the public and the Planning Commission the opportunity to provide input on the general concepts of the development proposal and to identify specific areas of concern, to recommend changes to the proposal, and to decide whether the proposal is generally consistent with adopted codes and master plan recommendations for growth and development.

An extra step is being taken and Battle Mountain will be presenting the conceptual review at the October 17th Minturn Town Council meeting. The Council would like the concept review on TV so more Minturn residents can see what is being proposed. No formal decisions to approve or deny a project are made and no vested development rights are granted at this stage.

The Bolts Lake Conceptual Development Plan was submitted to the Town of Minturn for review in June 2018 and proposes the phased development of up to seven hundred residential dwelling units of various types and sizes along with mixed or commercial uses including neighborhood commercial; open space and recreational amenities; a reservoir; and, related public infrastructure improvements such as roads, water and sewer lines, sidewalks, recreation paths and transit facilities on 562 acres located just south of Cross Creek along State Hwy. 24.

Following review of conceptual plans, the property owner is permitted to request Preliminary Plan for PUD review, when more detailed information, studies and designs will be required for review by the Planning Commission and the Town Council. This is also the stage when vested development rights are granted if approved by the Town Council.

More information can be found at www.minturn.org/boltslakearea

SPRING IS COMING! (AND SO IS CONSTRUCTION)

The HWY 24/Main Street repaving and sidewalk project will be starting the spring of 2019. This project will include the following:

- Milling down of HWY 24 and repaving from Dowd Junction to Maloit Park Rd
- Addition of sidewalks, curb, gutter, drainage and filtration from Meek Ave on the west side and Cemetery Rd on the east side to approximately 975 Main St (just before the old Lucero gas station).
- Rapid flashing crosswalk signs at Meek Ave & the bus stop crosswalk by the Lucero gas station.

This project will affect everyone in town and delays on HWY 24 are expected throughout the project (April-Nov 2019 at a minimum, possibly longer). Please become familiar with the project and ask questions in advance.

www.minturn.org/pedestrianplanning

MINTURN ENERGY SAVERS



Get your home or business ready for winter!

Free weatherization services for low-income customers!

Qualified customers can receive free help to reduce energy bills through Colorado's Affordable Residential Energy Program (CARE). Free services range from appliance upgrades to air sealing dependent on your home's priorities.

Visit: <https://www.energysmartcolorado.com/for-my-home-2/incomequalified/> or call **970-328-8777** to find out if you qualify and to fill out the application.

Minturn Businesses - Save Energy and Money with a Small Building Tune-up or Audit!

Call 855-839-8862 for complete details.

Not sure what Xcel Energy rebate or incentive program is the right fit for your household? Speak with an energy efficiency specialist for free energy advice and expertise at **855-839-8862.**