



CORONA VIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

Town Hall is open to the public! Please read and observe the signs on the front door before entering the building.

For the most current information regarding COVID-19 regulations here in Grand County, visit www.co.grand.co.us/COVID19

For additional information regarding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) turn to these websites: the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment www.colorado.gov/cdphe/2019-novel-coronavirus and the National Center for Disease Control www.cdc.com

Stay calm, carry on and enjoy this glorious summer!

SUSPENSIONS OF DISPOSABLE BAG FEES

As part of the continued effort to lower the risk of COVID-19 exposure while local businesses begin or continue the process of reopening, the Town of Fraser is extending the suspension of disposable bag fees to October 15, 2020. While Town sustainability initiatives are a priority, lowering the risk to our residents and guests during this pandemic is vital. Thank you for your help in keeping our community healthy and resilient!

2020 CENSUS

Your participation in the 2020 Census is vital. Every person not counted is an estimated \$15,000 lost in federal funding until the next census is conducted, equivalent to \$1,500 per person per year. The census count determines where federal funds are distributed for clinics, schools, roads and it can affect legislative redistricting and the number of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives for each state. Long-time residents as well as seasonal workers are counted. As the census cannot be delivered to a postal box, census employees will hand-deliver the census to residents in Grand County.

Or you can take part in the census online at my2020census.gov – it takes only five minutes to complete. The deadline for the census has been extended to October 31, 2020. As of June 23, 2020, only 25% of Town of Fraser residents have responded – we can do better!



Town Board

Mayor: Philip Vandernail
 Mayor Pro Tem: Eileen Waldow
 Trustees: Ryan Barwick
 Brian Cerkvenik
 Andy Miller
 Parnell Quinn
 Katie Soles

Town Board meets on
 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
 Workshop at 6 PM
 Meeting at 7 PM*

Planning Commission

Chairperson: Jean Wolter
 Mayor Philip Vandernail
 Margaret Bowles
 Sam Brewer
 Bob Gnuse
 Parnell Quinn
 Katie Soles

Planning Commission meets on
 the 4th Wednesday of every
 month at 6:30 PM*

*See meeting agendas at
www.frasercolorado.com

*When you see these folks,
 please tell them “**THANK
 YOU!**” for their service!*

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WATER RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT YEAR-ROUND

per the Fraser Municipal Code:

- Outside watering and irrigation are prohibited between the hours of 9 AM and 5 PM. Hand-held watering by hose and watering canister during this time is allowed but is not encouraged.
- Timers are strongly recommended on all irrigation systems and hoses, with a time setting not to exceed 30 minutes per rotation. Rain sensors on such systems are also recommended.
- Washing cars, boats, campers, windows, and the like, shall be done only when the hose is equipped with a flow restricting device such as a trigger nozzle (an example is shown in the photo above).



WATER UTILITIES AUDIT

Fraser completed its second annual American Water Works Association (AWWA) level one validated water audit. AWWA is the umbrella organization that creates industry standards for every aspect of a water system, from system design and construction, treatment processes, billing, water loss audits and much more.



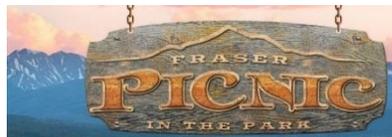
While an official, detailed report has not yet been published, the initial results are promising. Fraser supplied nearly 10 million gallons less in 2019 than 2018 to the system and its users. Water users consumed over five million gallons less than in 2018. And finally, due to system

repairs, ongoing maintenance and better water accounting, the system lost 4.75 million gallons less than in 2018.

Fraser supplied 12.5% less water in 2019 than 2018. That is one gallon out of every eight. Every gallon left in the ground is a good thing and one in eight is a huge difference. Good job, Fraser!

PICNIC IN THE PARK 2020 STYLE

This year, like so many things, Picnic in the Park will be a bit different. We encourage you to enjoy the musicians as they play live on KFFR and Facebook! The Town and KFFR are working together to keep this tradition alive.



What about the awesome swag? The Town is partnering with some local businesses during the broadcast to hand out the freebies. Enjoy the music as mentioned above or from the comfort of your deck, yard or one of the local business patios until the time comes when we can welcome the community safely back to the Old Schoolhouse Park location. Moffat Tunnel Band kicks off the first concert, scheduled for June starting at 6 PM. Look for updated lineup information on Fraser's social media pages referenced on page 4 of this newsletter.

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The Drop open Wed/Sat/Sun
970-531-0139 10 AM-7 PM

FRASER MOUNTAIN MURAL WALK SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 7 AND 8, 2020

As with the Picnic in the Park, Fraser is adapting to the changing times by bringing the Mural Walk to you in a different format from last year's Fraser Mountain Mural Festival. It'll be the same, only different. Expect amazing murals by creative artists!

The Public Arts Committee (PAC) has decided that due to the state regulations involving crowds and events, this year the murals will be spread throughout Fraser, encouraging people to visit the businesses, explore Fraser parks and experience Fraser to its fullest.

Submissions by artists have been inspiring with 20 artists on board to participate. The PAC is fine tuning the details of the Mural Walk so that all portions are decentralized, including voting and bidding on favorites.



Pictured above is one of the amazing murals from last year's event. Mark your calendar for this year's Mural Walk – August 7 and 8!



THE HIGH COUNTRY STAMPEDE RODEO

Sadly, this event, popular with tourists and the local community, has been cancelled for the 2020 series due to State regulations involving crowds for the safety of all concerned. We all hope it returns next summer!

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

A number of projects have been postponed until next summer, but some are proceeding. Notably, badly deteriorated roads will be resurfaced in Fraser (Eisenhower Drive at Hwy 40, County Road 8 and County Road 72). Hip-Hip-Hooray!

Light standards installation along Hwy 40 between Clayton Ave. and GCR 804 and solar light standards in the medians for the crosswalks on Hwy 40 are under contract. Planting is complete in the Hwy 40 medians built late last summer. Concrete work throughout Fraser will repair drain pans and sidewalks.

Additionally, ongoing maintenance work such as valve and hydrant exercising will continue by staff as well as the annual wastewater line cleaning and documentation by a contractor.

Upgrades at the Upper Fraser Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant are proceeding on schedule.





FRASER TOWN HALL IS A FOOD BANK COLLECTION POINT - We deliver donated food from the Town Hall to the local food banks (located throughout Grand County) to address the needs of residents and guests. For a complete list of food banks, call Mountain Family Center at 970-557-3186.

MAYOR'S OFFICE HOURS - Every Tuesday between 11 AM and 12 noon* is your opportunity to discuss Fraser topics with Mayor Philip Vandernail. He is interested in gaining citizen input by establishing a dialog with Fraser constituents outside of formal Board meetings. *NOTE: Contact Town Clerk Antoinette McVeigh at 970-726-5491 ext. 201 or amcveigh@town.fraser.co.us to schedule some time with the Mayor.



TOWN SEEKS BETTER COMMUNICATION WITH CITIZENS

This newsletter is one of several methods (along with our website and social media) of communicating with residents and business owners in Fraser, providing a summary of events that took place during the past three months and a look ahead to future goings on. It is still included with your quarterly utility billing. In addition to the newsletter, an email-only Bi-Weekly Update provides more current information. View it on the Town website homepage via the Newsletter page. To receive the Bi-Weekly update via email - contact Michael Brack, Assistant Town Manager, at 970-726-5491, ext. 212 or at mbrack@town.fraser.co.us

View this newsletter on our website, www.frasercolorado.com, or opt to receive the newsletter via email (**go paperless**)! Also, please let your tenants or friends who don't receive the newsletter know that it is available to them by email for the asking. Contact Susan Stone at ssstone@town.fraser.co.us to add your email address.

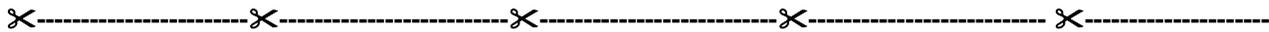
For our communications to be more dynamic and so we can gain input immediately rather than quarterly or bi-weekly, follow Fraser on social media channels:

Facebook – www.facebook.com/OfficialFraserCO
Twitter – www.twitter.com/Fraser_Colorado
Instagram – www.instagram/OfficialFraserCo



We are moving towards paperless utility billing. Contact Finance Manager Beth Williams at bwilliams@town.fraser.co.us or 970-726-5491, ext. 207 for assistance with Xpress Bill Pay. There are no payment fees and it saves trees (paper), postage and staff time.

Please share your email address with us so you can receive the newsletter via email as well as other communications of interest. We never share your personal information, it is kept confidential.



HELP US HELP YOU!

Additionally, disaster often strikes when we least expect it or are away from our property. Pipes can freeze because thermostats are set too low or because the thermostat battery dies, rendering it inoperable, or because pipes are in uninsulated/unheated areas. If this happens when you are out of town, it is helpful for the Town to have your **current** contact information **so we can notify you of any such issues**. The information we request is kept strictly confidential.

Property Owner Name: _____ Utility Billing Acct. No. _____
Mailing Address _____ Email address _____
Property Owner Phone Contacts: home _____ cell _____
Physical Address _____ *Clip and return with your utility payment or or contact Utilities Admin. Ann Hollis at 970-726-5491, ext. 206 or email ahollis@town.fraser.co.us*

A Community Message

As representatives of the Towns of Fraser and Winter Park, we are making this statement on behalf of our communities.

Fraser and Winter Park are inclusive communities where we celebrate diversity and value all residents and guests. We believe everyone deserves equality and the right to freedom from discrimination. While hateful and intolerant ideologies exist in our nation, they have absolutely no place in our community and we are committed to everyone's right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status or political affiliation.

We are proud of our commitment to community policing and our long-standing Use of Force Policies that include: a ban on chokeholds and neck restraints, require de-escalation and crisis intervention training, require a use of force warning (when practicable), establish that physical force only be used as a last resort, establish a duty to intervene for all officers, strongly restrict shooting at moving vehicles, provide training for officers in the use of force continuum, and mandate use of force reporting and documentation.

The Fraser Winter Park Police Department was formed by two communities who came together to better serve their citizens. The philosophy of serving our citizens as guardians in a positive, respectful manner has been a core value of our department since its formation.

We welcome and support the right to peaceful protests against systemic racism, oppression, social injustice and inequity. We are committed to listen, learn and support respectful community dialogue. We ask our residents and visitors to share our values to ensure that all may enjoy the beauty and sanctity to be found in our community.

Sincerely,

Philip Vandernail, Fraser Mayor
Nick Kutrumbos, Winter Park Mayor
Glen Trainor, Police Chief

