

**Additional brochures available at
Fraser Town Hall, 153 Fraser Ave. :**

Animal Control - A guide to understanding your responsibilities as a pet owner within the Town of Fraser.

Noxious Weed Program - A reference guide to the most common noxious weeds found in the Town of Fraser.

Water and Wastewater Billing - A guide to understanding your quarterly utility statement.

Sewer Line Backups - Information and resources for homeowners.

Cross-Connections - A public education supplement to the Town's Cross-Connection Control Plan.

Snow Management Operations Plan - Everything you want to know about snow plowing route priorities and the part you play in making snow removal successful.

These brochures are free for the taking!



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TOWN OF FRASER

What makes living in our community unique?



Your guide to responsible citizenry, or how to be a good neighbor!



Welcome to Fraser — from the Town of Fraser and its residents!

www.frasercolorado.com — Fraser's Website

Situated at over 8,000 ft above sea level in the Fraser River valley and just below the continental divide, Fraser citizens face challenges shared only by other high mountain towns. Temperature changes of 50 degrees are common in a single day. We must winterize our properties and park vehicles off-street to accommodate plowing operations. The up-side is that summers don't get much better than here!

Town governance is via an elected Mayor and Board of Trustees. The Town of Fraser provides certain services to its residents; others are provided by private businesses. This brochure aims to familiarize you with these and more, in hopes that your life in Fraser is fulfilling and enriched. We welcome you to become a fully participating member of our community!

Services provided by the Town include: water treatment and distribution, wastewater collections, snow management (plowing and snow removal), street, trail, park, public building, picnic area and garden maintenance. To economize, we share a police force with the Towns of Winter Park and Granby. Animal control is shared with Grand County. We participate in a wastewater treatment plant with two other water entities. Our quarterly news-newsletter is available via email, on the Town website or in print, mailed with the quarterly utility billings. On-line bill payment is an option on our website.

The Town funds a series of concerts in the park each summer. It also participates financially through a 1% sales tax in the transportation system. Board funded initiatives benefit the community in various ways.

Services provided by others: utilities such as electricity, natural gas, cable TV, internet service and trash pick up as well as groceries, restaurants, movies, and other entertainment and retail options.

Residents are responsible for: fully enjoying themselves while living peacefully with their neighbors. The Fraser Municipal Code addresses parking, noise, water and sign restrictions, property maintenance (disposal of abandoned cars, unused construction materials, unwanted furniture, etc.), proper sump pump discharge and control of your pets. Modifications to your property must have the appropriate permits. The Municipal Code is on the Town website for easy referral by residents.

Participation in Town government is not required, but it is a good idea to be familiar with items on the agenda - in case you want your opinion heard. Those who want to take part are encouraged to attend meetings or run for a position on the Town Board of Trustees or to lobby for a volunteer place on the Planning Commission. Agendas and meeting dates are posted on our website.

SUMMERS IN FRASER

The saying, "I came for the winter, but stayed for the summer," is true for many Fraser residents! There is never a lack of fun to be found from the numerous music festivals, arts and crafts fairs, rodeos, fishing, to rafting, mountain biking and hiking - all beckon us outdoors.

Residents need to be mindful that this is the time of year when animals forage. Keeping trash in bear resistant bins is important for the health and safety of the wildlife and humans. Year-round, set bins out for collection the morning of scheduled pick-up and retrieve them as soon as possible the same day. Always store bins clear of the roadway.

When the snow melts, spring run-off is sure to follow. Many with sub-grade areas in their homes employ sump pumps to keep the water at bay. Proper sump pump and gravity system discharge drains to the Town's storm water system by being directed onto the ground (but away from homes and other structures) and/or into the Town's storm water drainage system (surface drainage swales), *not* into the wastewater collection system.

Wildflowers are so beautiful and a major attraction; unfortunately many noxious weeds disguise themselves as beautiful flowers and crowd out natives. Refer to the Town Noxious Weed Brochure for more information on these mountain marauders and keep them out of your garden!

Be patient and cautious when driving through summer construction work zones. This section is short, but so are the summers...drink plenty of water, use sunscreen and enjoy all the activities the Fraser Valley has to offer!

WATER - OUR MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE

The Town of Fraser complies with State and Federal requirements in the operation of its water system. We also appreciate the importance of protecting this valuable asset. Water restrictions are in place year-round in Fraser. Restrictions are designed to allow for the use of water and to protect it from being squandered unnecessarily.

- 1) Outside watering and irrigation is strictly prohibited between the hours of 9 AM and 5 PM. Hand-held watering by hose and watering canister during this time is allowed; but not encouraged.
- 2) 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.
- 3) 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.

Water and sewer service lines are yours to maintain.

SNOW MANAGEMENT

Snow management crews work hard to keep streets reasonably clear of snow and ice so they are safe for travel by vehicles and pedestrians. Obviously, this task flows more smoothly when obstacles such as vehicles and trash bins do not impede operations.

The Town is responsible for clearing town streets. Property owners are responsible for storing snow from their property on their property. The Colorado Dept. of Transportation is responsible for snow removal and safe conditions on Hwy. 40. Union Pacific is responsible for the conditions at their railroad crossings within the Town.

The Snow Management Operations Plan brochure and the Town website contain route priorities and additional details regarding snow management.

WINTERIZATION IS VERY IMPORTANT

Save time and money by being prepared for the freezing temperatures and snow cover.

- Change batteries regularly in smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and indoor climate control thermostats. Set thermostats to keep the dwelling from freezing.
- Water meters and pipes in crawl spaces (under trailers or beneath the home) exposed to freezing should be insulated or wrapped with heat tape to prevent frozen pipes and damage to the water meter. If your water meter is damaged, repair it as soon as possible – ensuring the wire to the meter is still connected so meter reading can take place. Meters having breakable bottom freeze plates (protecting the meter) are easily repaired. Freeze plates can be purchased at Town Hall. Meter removal due to freeze damage is prohibited.
- Locate and mark your water service shut-off and sewer clean out (the property owner's responsibility) so they can be found when snow is deep; a precaution should you need to access either of them due to freezing.
- Outdoor faucets (hose bibs) should be protected from freezing.
- Lawn hoses should be taken inside prior to freezing weather.
- Pick up and store all objects in your yard which will not withstand the weather.
- Snow tires – don't get caught on the pass without them.
- Clean chimneys and wood stove flues to reduce fire risk.
- Snow blower maintenance – is it ready for winter?

Are you ready?

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