Town of Lochbuie Newsletter *JUNE 2020*



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Fellow Lochbuians-

Well, we continue to move forward together through this odd time in history. And summer has now arrived!

Here are a few updates on the Town's recent activities:



First, the Town's annual **Spring Clean-up** has been rescheduled for the weekend of **Friday**, **June 19**, **and Saturday**, **June 20**. The Town is aware that many people were disappointed over the earlier cancellation. We apologize for the inconvenience. It was cancelled in anticipation of significant rain storms that failed to develop (surprise!).

Second, the Town continues to operate under the "new normal." Town hall is open subject to appropriate precautions consistent with the recommendations of public health officials. Please check the Town's website and/or social media for details, if you need to come by town hall.

Third, the Town Board will continue with virtual board meetings through the month of June. Assuming no major changes, the Board will resume in-person meetings on July 7, 2020. As always, the public is welcome to attend the meetings (both virtual and live).

Fourth, the Town Board is currently considering the adoption of an ordinance to place certain requirements on the development of future gas stations or truck stops within town limits. If you have questions, comments, or concerns related to that ordinance, please feel free to reach out to town hall or to attend the in-person board meeting on Tuesday, July 7 at 6:30pm.

Fifth, as you've all likely observed by now, the town's portion of the County Road 2 widening project is nearly complete (hooray!). All that remains is some final landscaping work and the installation of the new street lamps to light the roadway.

Sixth, the construction of the new round-a-bout at the intersection of County Road 2 and the frontage road is in full gear. It remains on schedule for completion around Labor Day 2020. Be prepared for some lane shifts over the next few weeks as crews move into Phase 2 of that project.

Finally, at the May 19 meeting, the Board appointed May Wescott (of Silver Peaks) to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Trustee Gary Counterman. Trustee Wescott's term will expire this November. On a related note, I want to remind everyone that Town elections are rapidly approaching. In November 2020, voters will select a Mayor and three Town Trustees to serve from November 2020 to November 2024. If you might be interested in running for any of those positions, please watch the upcoming newsletters and/or the town website for details later this summer.

Please continue to stay happy, healthy, and safe as we continue to live under our "new normal." And, as always, do not hesitate to contact me or any of the members of the Town Board with your questions, comments, or concerns.

Thank you, Jacob R. Lofgren, Mayor jlofgren@lochbuie.org

JUNE 2020 Shut Offs: The Town of Lochbuie will NOT shut off water service on the scheduled shut off date of June 3, 2020 and late fees were not assessed for the month of May. To make payments call 303-655-9308 or 877-215-5341. The Town is also urging citizens to use the online payment center on the Town's webpage at https://www.lochbuie.org under the Pay My Bill tab. You can also drop your payment in the payment drop box at the Town Hall.

Time for home improvements!

Do you have plans for building, replacing, altering or repairing parts of your home?

Be sure to check to see if a building permit is required <u>before</u> beginning your projects. Also keep in mind that <u>all contractors and businesses</u> must be licensed with the Town of Lochbuie in order to perform any sales or services in town limits. Contact our Building Department at 303.990.5773 or email: building@lochbuie.org



UNITED STATES CENSUS 2020

Be counted.

Every 10 years, the U.S. counts everyone who lives in the country, from newborn babies to the oldest residents.

The census is an opportunity to shape a better future for our communities and future generations. By participating in the 2020 census, you help provide an accurate count of the people who live in your community. An accurate count helps determine your community's needs for services and funds transportation, meal, and other services that help all older adults stay healthy and thrive.

You will receive your invitation to take the census in the mail in mid-March. You can complete the census online, by phone, by mail, or in person. The census form can be completed in Spanish or English online or by phone. Visit 2020census.gov for more information.

Keep making us better, together. Take the census.







Town Ordinances

As summer approaches Code Enforcement wanted to take this opportunity to review 4 of the Town's ordinances with the community. By being mindful of your property and these regulations it will help Code Enforcement to address other code violations. For additional information on any of the below regulations go to the Lochbuie Municipal Code. https://library.municode.com/co/lochbuie/codes/municipal_cod

Outdoor Storage of Junk

It is unlawful for any person to create, operate, maintain or conduct any nuisance as defined in Chapter 7 (Sec. 7-1-10)

Any placement, discarding, abandoning, storing or permitting the accumulation of, by any person in control of any property whether as owner, lessee, or occupant, outdoor storage of junk upon any property where visible for the right-of-way or public road.

Outdoor storage of junk shall mean items including but not limited to, garbage, household goods, refuse, parts of machinery or motor vehicles, tires, broken or unusable furniture, items intended for indoor use, appliances, wood pieces, broken toys, etc. (For additional information see Sec. 7-1-50)

Regulations for Camper Coaches, Camper Trailers or Trailer Coaches

The occupancy of a camper coach, camper trailer or trailer coach located on public or private property for more than 14 days in a calendar year is declared to be a nuisance. (For additional information see Sec. 7-1-150 (b))

Over Growth of Vegetation

Weeds, grass, or other rank vegetation on properties must be no greater in height than 5 inches. (For additional information see Sec. 7-3-10)

Inoperable Vehicle or Abandoned Vehicle (Junk Vehicle)

It is unlawful for any person to permit any junked vehicle to be left upon any street, highway, public property or, being the owner or tenant in possession of any real property in the Town . (Sec. 8-2-10)

Junked means any vehicle which:

Does not bear valid, unexpired license plates;

Is wrecked, damaged or substantially dismantled to the extent that such vehicle is inoperable; or

If designed to be capable of moving itself when in proper repair, is incapable of being moved under its own power in its existing condition, or does not have all tires inflated. (For additional information see Sec. 8-2-40)

Please feel free to contact <u>Code Enforcement</u> with any ordinance questions you may have. 720-606-1531

XPRESS BILL PAY

If you do not have an online account or access to a computer, this is the payment solution for you, available 24/7! Simply call toll-free **877-215-5341**. Additionally, you may call the payment center (800-720-6847) and make payments over the phone with a live operator, if you'd prefer. If you have questions about IVR, call Xpress Bill Pay at 800-766-2350. Xpress Bill Pay is the online payment portal for the Town of Lochbuie.

Water Usage

As a reminder...water is charged in 3 tiers

	Gallons of Water Per Monthly Billing Cycle	Per 1,000 Gallon Cost
Tier 1	1,000 - 10,000 gal.	\$4.99
Tier 2	11,000 - 20,000 gal.	\$6.74
Tier 3	21,000 gal. and over	\$8.49

Spring clean up days are re-scheduled!

Dotte: June 19th and 20th, 2020

Time: 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Location: Lochbuie Wastewater Plant 1794 WCR 39 in Lochbuie

If above date is cancelled for any reason,

we will have the event the following weekend:

June 26th and 27th, 2020 from 8:00am—1:00pm

Items Accepted:

Furniture

Scrap metal

Trees and branches (48" or shorter)

Carpet

Microwaves

Grass clippings

Construction and Demo Debris

Washers and dryers

Cardboard

Mattresses

Toilets

Sinks

Water heaters

Items NOT Accepted:

Liquids of any kind

Rocks, bricks or blocks

Explosives

Propane tanks

Tires

Tree stumps

Dirt or concrete

Electronics

Household garbage (i.e. kitchen waste)

Items that contain freon (i.e. refrigerators)

Chemicals or paint

Herbicides / Pesticides

Smoke alarms / Thermometers

This event is open to Lochbuie residents only.

Proof of residency (such as a utility bill or driver's license) will be required.

Town staff reserves the right to reject any load.

For more information call: 303.655.9308













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