

# Town of Elk Mountain

## Fall 2014 Update



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**PARK BOARD:** The Park Board hosted the Annual Labor Day Parade and Picnic. The Butcher Block in Laramie donated a portion of the pulled pork again this year. This year's horseshoe tournament winners were Pat Eastman and Al Santilli- Congratulations!! The Board received the CCSD#2 Recreation Board Grant to build a new storage shed at the park to house sports and park equipment. The Board reports that the park was well used this summer season with weddings, family reunions and groups looking to enjoy the facility. During clean up day there were new plantings, oiling the pavilion, sanding and staining benches and general maintenance. With Fall here it will be time to winterize the sprinklers and bathrooms, take down the volleyball net and start think of ice skating!!

**SENIOR CENTER:** If anyone is in need of a slightly worn coat or jacket there is a select available at the center for no charge. Flu shots available October 8<sup>th</sup>, 10-11:30AM at the center. The Seniors still have the new telephone books available. Pick one up at the Town Hall, Back Porch Gallery or the Senior Center for \$7.00.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL:** The Mayor would like anyone interested in serving on the EDC Board to let him know or stop by the Town Hall to express your interest.

**CARBON COUNTY VISITORS COUNCIL:** The CCVC has placed on the November General Election Ballot the renewal of the 2% Lodging Tax. With tourism being the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest industry in Wyoming travelers in 2013 spent \$171.5 million in Carbon County. Travelers and tourist who visit Carbon County shop, recreate, purchase fuel and in turn pay sales tax and gas taxes that provide for our schools, roads and other local government services. The CCVC objective is to promote the county and keep travelers coming. The lodging tax helps support local events and organizations.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** The Carbon County Fire District Steering Committee will be holding informational meetings throughout the county and has set up a website a [carboncountyfiredistrict.org](http://carboncountyfiredistrict.org) to help answer any questions on the development of a Fire District. The rural fire district question will be on the November General Election Ballot.

**COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT:** The Town has hired Dale Buckingham Architects from Sheridan, Wyoming to do conceptual designs and cost estimates on the proposed Community Center. Working with this firm will allow the Council to better answer the questions and concerns community members raised at the last open house.

**5<sup>TH</sup> PENNY TAX:** A county wide committee has put together informational material to help inform county residents on the 5<sup>th</sup> Penny Tax they will be ask to vote on in November. The 5<sup>th</sup> Penny Tax will appear on the ballot as the 1% sales and use tax. This tax has been in existence for the past 37 years in Carbon County. It is used to fund things like Emergency Medical Services, police and fire, senior centers, youth crisis center, libraries, town infrastructure, parks and recreation and mosquito abatement programs to name a few. Research has shown that a third of this revenue comes from visitors to Carbon County. Each municipality and the County decide where its share is spent and with more local and state budget cuts this revenue is seen as more important than ever.

**BROS-MEDICINE BOW RIVER BRIDGE PROJECT:** WyDot will be presenting the newest plan release for the river bridge at the October 13<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. If you have questions or concerns please plan on attending.

**DRY CLEANING SERVICE:** Remember that Down To Earth Dry Cleaning is still picking up and delivering dry-cleaning, laundry and alteration on Wednesdays to the Town Hall. If you are in need of these services contact Down to Earth at 307-745-3333 to set up an account.

**SAND BAGS:** Anyone who would like sand or sand bags please help yourselves to the bags behind the Fire Department. This is on a first come first serve bases.

## Garbage Pickup and Trash Trailer



When disposing of your household waste/trash please make sure that the trash is bagged before placing in the dumpsters. Items that can't be placed in dumpsters are tires, TV, computers/printers, batteries, paint, furniture/mattresses, appliances and CD Waste like lumber, wire, drywall, etc. The town has furnished a trash trailer located behind the Town Hall. This trailer is a service to our trash customers so that they can dispose of these types of items and also a benefit to the Town to keep items that will damage the trash truck out of the dumpsters. The trailer has 3 compartments for the varying types of disposables. The trailer is taken to the landfill a few times a month where it is sorted by category. When the trailer is strapped and ready to go to Hanna please place items next to the trailer not on top. Gary will either un-strap and re-load or put them on the next load. The landfill charges the Town for the items listed below. If you are disposing of any of the items listed below please stop in the office and pay for them.

### Charges for Disposal

- All TV's \$10.00
- Passenger Tires \$3.00
- Truck Tires 20in. and up \$10.00
- Any Appliance with Freon \$15.00

**Thank you for following these guidelines set by the Town and the Landfill.**

**Please take your branches, trees and untreated lumber to the burn pit behind the Fire Department.**



*School is back in session so please watch out for the kids crossing the highway and on town streets.*

**Annual Pumpkin Patch Party, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at the Elk Mtn. Elementary School. Come for the food and fun, don your Halloween costume, carve or decorate a pumpkin, enter the dessert contest and be sure to make the pie auction!!!**



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