

BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA
MEETING TIME IS TUESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2026 AT 7:00 PM,
BRIDGER TOWN HALL, 108 S D STREET

Tuesday October 6, 2026

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CALL TO ORDER:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Area Parks & Recreation District Report
- Planning Board
- Historic Preservation Commission Board
- Carbon County Conservation District
- Beartooth RC & D

RESOLUTION #307: Resolution of Intent to Adopt Growth Policy

RESOLUTION #308: To Set Boundary for the Airport Board Agreement

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES:

- Dana Zier

BRIDGER HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO PARKS:

DISCUSSION / DECISION REGARDING THE OLD TOWN HALL:

- 201 S B St – old town hall/shop
 - Report from WWC Engineering

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - September 8, 2026
- Approve Claims
- Approve Payroll Summary
- Approve Journal Vouchers

TOWN ATTORNEY: Ray Kuntz

TOWN JUDGE: Bert Kraft

LIBRARY DIRECTOR: Krystal Zentner

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Randy Novakovich

POLICE REPORT: Jordan Webb

TOWN CLERK: Kirstin Sweet

MAYOR / TOWN COUNCIL:

- This is a time when the Mayor or the Council members can bring a concern before the council that is not otherwise listed on the agenda. No action can be taken at this time. If action is necessary, the item will be put on the next meeting agenda.

ADJOURN:

Conduct at Public Meetings

The public is invited to speak on any item under discussion by the Council, after recognition by the presiding officer.

The speaker should stand, and for the record, give his/her name and address, and, if applicable, the person, firm or organization he/she represents. Comments should be limited to three (3) minutes unless approval by the presiding officer, and citizens requesting to speak shall limit him or herself to matters of fact regarding the issue of concern.

Prepared statements are welcomed and should be given to the Clerk of the Council. Prepared statements that are also read, however, shall be deemed unduly repetitious. All prepared statements shall become part of the hearing record.

While the City Council is in session, those in attendance must preserve order and decorum. A member shall not delay or interrupt the proceedings or the peace of the Council, nor disturb any member while speaking or refuse to obey the orders of the Council or its presiding officer.

Any person making personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks or who shall become boisterous or disruptive during the Council meeting shall be forthwith barred from further presentation to the Council by the presiding officer, unless permission to continue be granted by the presiding officer or a majority vote of the Council.

The Bridger Town Council reserves the right to amend these rules of procedure as deemed necessary.

RESOLUTION NO. 307

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGER, MONTANA OF
INTENT TO ADOPT THE TOWN OF BRIDGER GROWTH POLICY 2026**

WHEREAS, §76-1-6, MCA states a governing body may use growth policy as a resource management tool to define a community's goals and objectives to address the social, cultural, economic, and physical conditions and aspirations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bridger received a grant from the Department of Commerce to create a growth policy. The Town of Bridger hired Great West Engineering to create the Growth Policy.

WHEREAS, at the August 18, 2026 meeting of the Carbon County Planning Board held a public hearing, public comment was taken in support of, and in opposition to, the draft Growth Policy. A motion was passed unanimously to approve the Town of Bridger's Growth Policy; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of The Town of Bridger that it hereby approves this resolution of intent to adopt the Growth Policy. The Council will continue accepting public input until October 6, 2026 and sets a public hearing on _____, 2026 at ____ pm for the final resolution to adopt the Growth Policy.

DULY passed and adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Bridger Town Council this 6th day of October 2026. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Cliff Shultz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk / Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 308

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGER, MONTANA TO SET THE BOUNDARY FOR THE JOINT AIRPORT BOARD AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Bridger, Montana, the City of Red Lodge, Montana and the County of Carbon, Montana, have historically entered into a joint airport board agreement for the management of the existing airports located in within the bounds of the Town of Bridger and the City of Red Lodge through a Joint Airport Board Agreement; and

WHEREAS, such joint agreement is the most desirable means for furnishing airport service to the municipalities and the County; and

WHEREAS, such an arrangement is authorized by §67-10-201 et seq.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Bridger, Montana wishes to set the boundary for the portion of the airport parcels that will be managed by the Joint Airport Board. The attached map has the boundary outlined in red. The red outline follows the fence line around the perimeter of the airport.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Bridger approves the attached boundary map and agrees that this boundary map shall be included as part of the Joint Airport Board Agreement.

DULY passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Bridger Town Council on this 6th day of October 2026. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Cliff Shultz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk / Treasurer



10/05/26
13:25:29

TOWN OF BRIDGER
Payroll Summary For Payrolls from 09/01/26 to 09/30/26

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Total for Payroll Checks

	Employee	Employer	Amount
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COMA HOURS (Comp Time Accumulated)	4.50		
COMP HOURS (Comp Time Used)	21.00		471.53
HOL HOURS (Holiday Pay)	75.20		1,860.09
REG HOURS (Regular Time)	1,418.50		37,532.20
SICK HOURS (Sick Time)	34.00		782.37
VACA HOURS (Vacation Time Used)	73.75		1,727.19
GROSS PAY	42,373.38	0.00	
NET PAY	33,141.68	0.00	
DENTAL	0.00	505.00	
FIT	1,362.15	0.00	
GROUP HEALTH	470.00	14,420.00	
LIFE INSURANCE	0.00	24.30	
MEDICARE	614.45	614.45	
P.E.R.S.	3,162.93	3,631.37	
SIT	995.00	0.00	
SOCIAL SECURITY	2,627.17	2,627.17	
UNEMPL. INSUR.	0.00	181.71	
VISION HEALTH	0.00	117.40	
WORKERS' COMP	0.00	1,039.53	
ALTANA FED CRED	6,612.57	0.00	
BANK OF BRIDGER	12,388.49	0.00	
FIRST INTERSTAT	3,164.76	0.00	
SEGFUCU	1,917.16	0.00	
STOCKMAN BANK	3,367.97	0.00	
VALLEY CREDIT	346.31	0.00	
WELLS FARGO BAN	4,998.11	0.00	
WESTERN SECURIT	346.31	0.00	
FIT/SIT BASE	39,210.45	0.00	
MEDICARE BASE	42,373.38	0.00	
PERS BASE	40,037.17	0.00	
SOC SEC BASE	42,373.38	0.00	
UN BASE	40,373.38	0.00	
WC BASE	42,373.38	0.00	

Total	23,160.93
Total Payroll Expense (Gross Pay + Employer Contributions):	65,534.31

Check Summary

Payroll Checks Prev. Out.	\$1,444.19
Payroll Checks Issued	\$0.00
Payroll Checks Redeemed	\$0.00
Payroll Checks Outstanding	\$1,444.19
Electronic Checks	\$64,967.81

	Carried Forward	Deduction	Difference	Liab Account
	From Previous Month	Checks Issued		
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13:25:29

TOWN OF BRIDGER
Payroll Summary For Payrolls from 09/01/26 to 09/30/26

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Social Security	5,254.34		5,254.34		212000
Medicare	1,228.90		1,228.90		212001
P.E.R.S.	6,794.30		6,794.30		212203
Unempl. Insur.	181.71	608.65	614.74	175.62	212202
Workers' Comp	1,039.53	4,299.14		5,338.67	212201
FIT	1,362.15		1,362.15		212002
SIT	995.00		995.00		212200
DENTAL	505.00		505.00		212502
LIFE INSURANCE	24.30		24.30		212502
VISION HEALTH	117.40		117.40		212502
GROUP HEALTH	14,890.00		14,930.00	-40.00	212502
Total Ded.	32,392.63	4,907.79	31,826.13	5,474.29	

**** Carried Forward column only correct if report run for current period.

Electronic Checks: #-84089 to #-84047

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2026**

The September 8, 2026, meeting of the Bridger Town Council was held at 108 South D Street in Bridger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Council President DeRudder as Mayor Shultz was absent. Other council members present were Ryan Carson, Angela Kallevig and Tyler Anthony. Others present were Carbon County DES Coordinator Cyrina Allen, Nan Knight, Courtney Long, Dana Zier, Dylan Sedlacek, Christine Miller, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Judge Bert Kraft, Attorney Ray Kuntz, Chief of Police Jordan Webb, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The next item on the agenda was public comment. No public comment was offered.

Correspondence was next on the agenda. A letter from Marc & Brenda Sherburn was sent to the council.

Next on the agenda was the committee reports. Dana Zier requested that she be allowed on the agenda for October to apply for grants on behalf of the Town.

Next on the agenda was a request from the historical society regarding a flagpole in Veteran Park. Dana Zier requested that this agenda item be postponed to the October meeting as Rick Newton was not in attendance. A motion to table this agenda item was made by Councilwoman Kallevig, seconded by Councilman Anthony. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye.

Carbon County DES was next on the agenda. Cyrina Allen, Carbon County DES Coordinator, was present to update the council on the Sand Creek Canal project. She explained that there is potentially some help with matching funds to add to our in-kind work. Dylan Sedlacek, who had previously agreed to donate funds to help the project was also present and stated that he is still willing to contribute to the project. A motion to continue with the project and approve the updated costs was made by Councilman Anthony, seconded by Councilwoman Kallevig. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye. Next DES Coordinator Cyrina Allen updated the council on the new alert system that Carbon County is using. The system is called HyperReach. The Town can utilize the system for alerts to residents of issues happening in Town. We just need to contact Carbon County DES and she will send it out.

Resolution #306, an intent to adopt the growth policy was next on the agenda. Discussion was had regarding whether we wanted to hold an additional public hearing. The council asked that the resolution be amended to set a public hearing on October 6, 2026 at 6:30pm. A motion to pass the amended resolution was made by Councilwoman Kallevig, seconded by Councilman Anthony. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye.

The next agenda item was discussion / decision regarding the old town hall. We have received the report from WWC Engineers. Nan Knight from Beartooth RC&D was present and spoke to the council and the public about the report from WWC Engineering and grant options to help with demo or rehab.

Approve the audit contract from Strom & Associates was next on the agenda. Clerk Sweet explained the contract to the council. It locks in an audit price for three years and is only a small increase from the previous contract price. A motion to approve the contract was made by Councilman Carson, seconded by Councilman Anthony. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye.

An appointment to the Bridger Library Board was next on the agenda. A letter from Shelby Baker was read. A motion to appoint Shelby Baker was made by Councilman DeRudder, seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye.

The consent agenda was next on the agenda. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilman Anthony and seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig– aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye. Minutes included were August 4, 2026 regular meeting and August 25, 2026 preliminary budget meeting and September 3, 2026 final budget meeting. Claim checks #35962 to #35693 and #35974 to #36004. Electronic checks #-97836 to #-97829 for August. Payroll electronic checks #-84148 to #-84090 and regular checks #35964 to #35973 for August.

Attorney Kuntz updated the council on items he is working on.

Judge Kraft presented his stats for the month of August.

Library Director Zentner had nothing to report.

Public Works Director Novakovich updated the council regarding projects he is working on.

Chief Webb presented his stats for the month of August. He also presented each council member with one of the new police patches.

Clerk Sweet had nothing to report.

Mayor and Town Council: Nothing

There being no further business Councilman Carson motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kallevig. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Carson – aye, Councilwoman Kallevig – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Anthony – aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Attest:

Cliff Shultz Mayor

Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk

End of Period Disbursement Detail

Bank Account: Bank of Bridger - 110582

From 09/22/2026 to 09/22/2026

Total Only

Check Number: None					
Date	Description	Case Number	Payer	Citation No.	Amount
Account 200-177 - Criminal Conviction Surcharge 7467 MCA 3-1-318					
Account 200-177 Total:					\$55.00
Account 200-210 - Fines / Forfeitures - 1000 & 7451 (50/50 Split)					
Account 200-210 Total:					\$2,577.11
Bank Reconciliation Journal Entry: Interest on 8/31/2026					
Account 200-250 - Misdemeanor Surcharge					
Account 200-250 Total:					\$75.00
Account 200-340 - Technology Surcharge - 7458					
Account 200-340 Total:					\$50.00
Account 200-380 - Victim Witness Admin Fee					
Account 200-380 Total:					\$1.00
Account 200-390 - Victim Witness Surcharge - 7699					
Account 200-390 Total:					\$144.00
Check Total:					\$ 2,902.11
Report Total:					\$2,902.11

Bridger City Court 2026 Summary Report

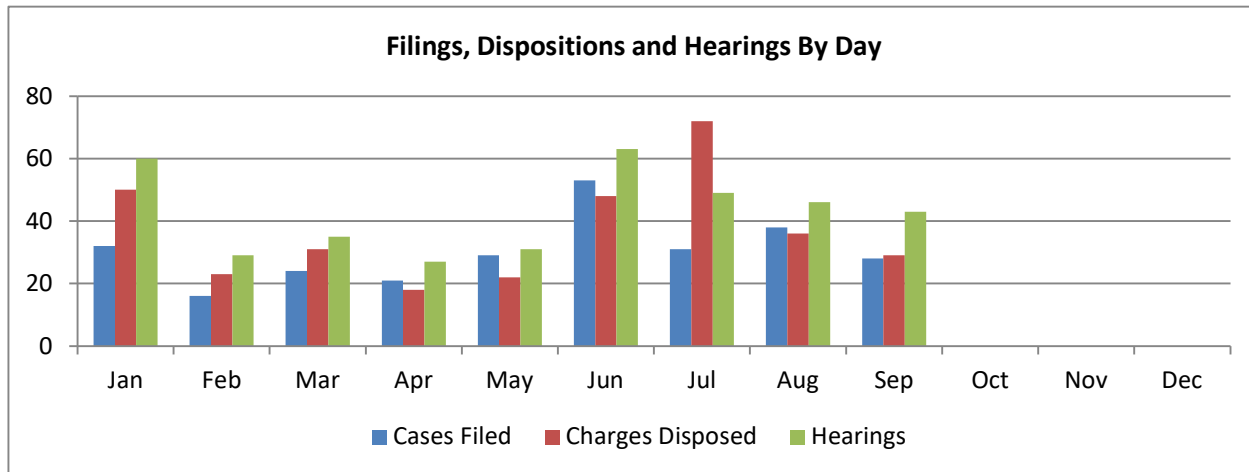
October 5, 2026

by Bert Kraft, Bridger City Judge

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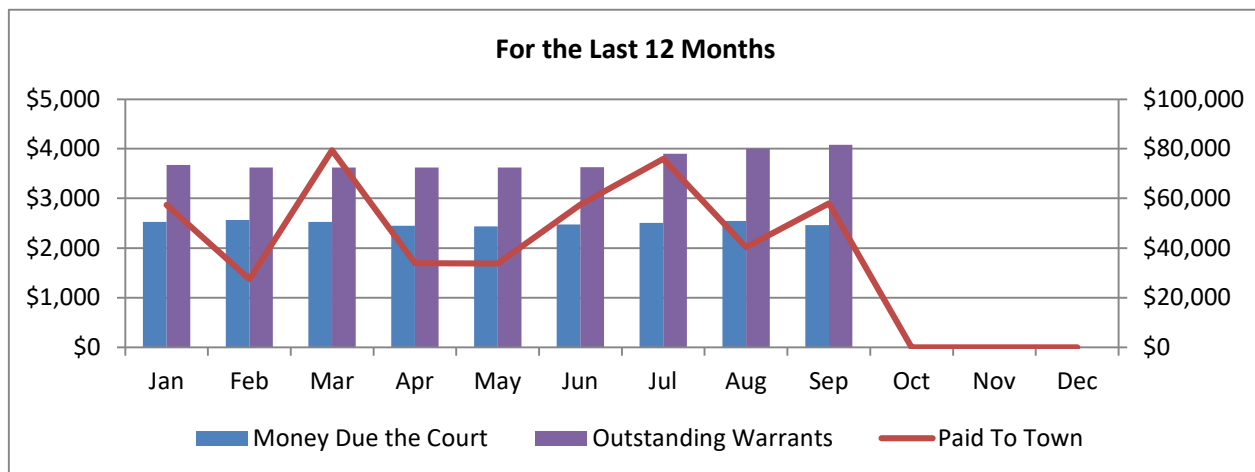
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Activity



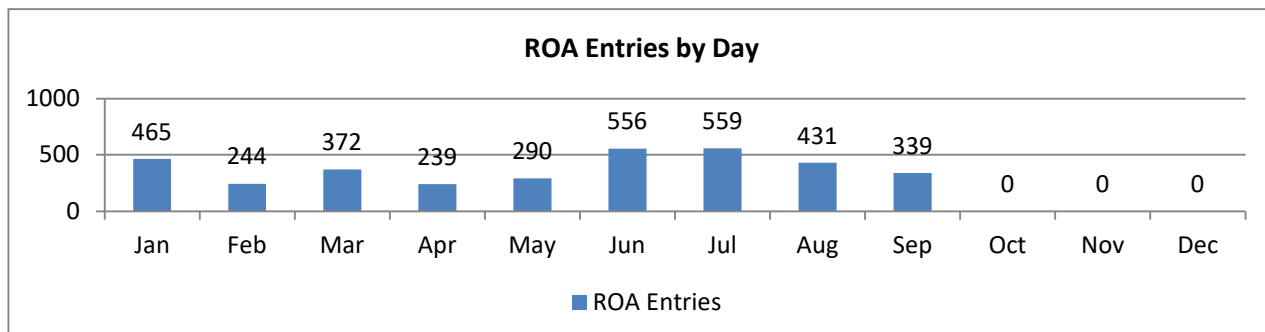
Financials

PAID: \$23,180.57



Docket

TOT: 3495



Bridger City Court

September 2026 Summary Report

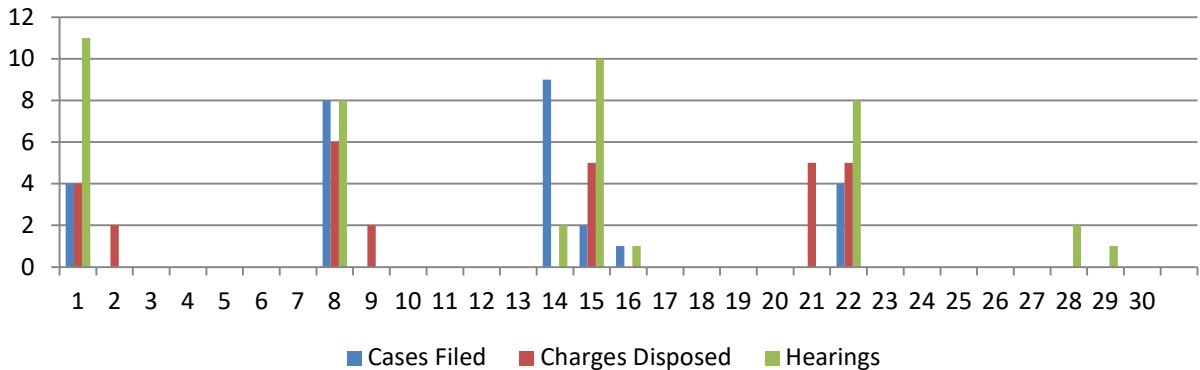
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Activity

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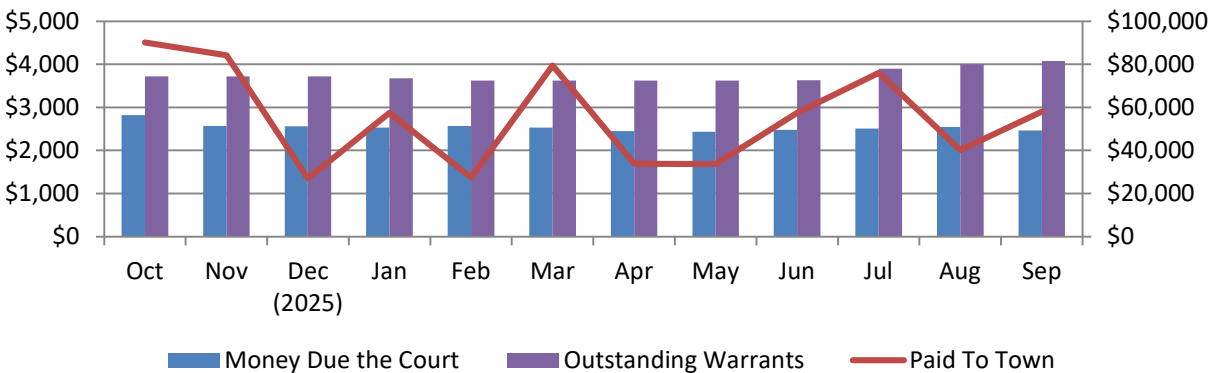
Filings, Dispositions and Hearings By Day



Financials

PAID: \$2,902.11 DUE: \$49,222.39 W: \$81,559.00

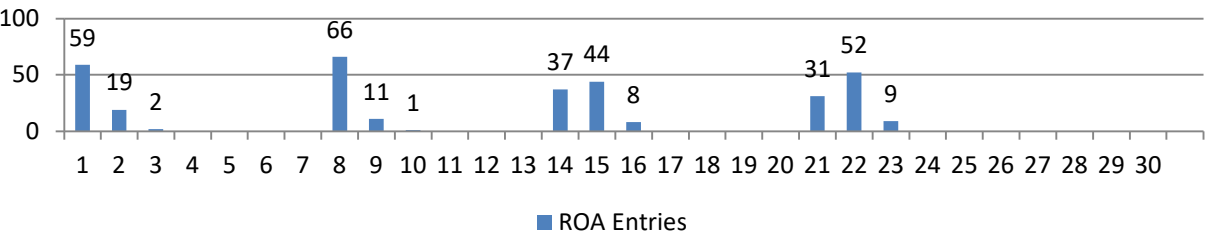
For the Last 12 Months



Docket

TOT: 339

ROA Entries by Day



Journal

Entry	Hours	72
9/1/2026 Open Court	6	
9/2/2026 Compliance Court	7	
9/7/2026 Office	6	
9/8/2026 Open Court	8	
9/9/2026 Compliance Court	6	
9/14/2026 Office	7	
9/15/2026 Open Court	8	
9/16/2026 Compliance Court	7	
9/21/2026 Office	7	
9/22/2026 Open Court	6	
9/23/2026 Compliance Court	4	



Bridger Police Department

Jordan-Thomas N. Webb
Chief of Police

108 South D. Street
Bridger, Montana 59014

Bridger Police Department

September 2026 Monthly Activity Report

Reporting Period: September 1–30, 2026

Total Calls for Service Logged: 121

Executive Summary

Officers documented 121 calls for service during September 2026. Office reorganization and evidence room inventory/reorganization is complete!

Calls for Service by Category

Incident Type	Count	% of Total
Traffic Stops	63	52.0%
Medical Emergency	6	5.0%
Suicide Threats / Welfare	5	4.1%
Motor Vehicle Crash	3	2.4%
Theft	3	2.4%
Animal	2	1.6%
Trespass	1	1.0%
Counterfeit Money	1	1.0%
Scams	1	1.0%
Weapons Complaint	1	1.0%

Notable Incidents

- Assist with search for juvenile male that was found deceased in the Clarks Fork River.
- Still seeing the spike in mental health related CFS.

Dispositions

- 15 - Warnings
- 26 - Citations
- 0 – Arrests
- 9 – Cases