

108 South "D" St. Bridger, MT 59014

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(406)-662-3677

The town has a new <u>Website</u>. Check it out at bridger-mt.com. Meeting agendas, Minutes and the Town Newsletter and Ordinances will be there, along with Court calendars and court payment site.

(please do not put Court payments in the Water payment box).

WATERING/SPRINKLING HOURS

APRIL 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

This is to maintain fire suppression
7:00 a.m. To Noon
6:00 p.m. To 10:00 p.m.

NO OPEN HOSE WATERING

Watering Hours are for everyone -Including those on a meter.

Users violating these rules shall be given Notice by the Water Department. Repeated Violation could mean a fine of \$10.00 or more and the installation of a meter. Water would the be billed according to the meter rate schedule. THE TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE CONSIDERING A REVISION OF THE WATER METER RATES.



TOWN COUNCIL

MAYOR: Scott Derudder - 662-3561

COUNCIL: Randy Novakovich -

662-3911

George Wilm - 662-3913 Cliff Shultz - 662-3759

Gerry Roth - 670-3682

BRIDGER PUBLIC LIBRARY - 662-3598

Krystal Zentner, Librarian

Assistant Librarian/Custodian, Laura Gary

Library Assistant: Melva Lightburn Hours: Monday: 1 pm to 7 pm

Tuesday: 9 am-Noon - 1 pm-5 pm

Wednesday: 1 pm - 7 pm

Thursday: 9 am-Noon -1 pm-5 pm

NO OPEN BURNING WITHOUT A PERMIT

A one day burning permit may be purchased for \$20.00 to burn with approval of the Fire Department.

ONLY leaves and yard waste may be burned. No painted or treated wood or common household waste is allowed to be burned.

MARCH 1 - MAY 31: ONE DAY BURNING PERMITS ARE \$5.00

ZONING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED......

before any construction, alteration, addition, demolition, repair of dwelling, fence, sidewalk, accessory buildings can be started. Applications must be filled out and approved by the Town Council before starting a project.

Tim Goldsberry: Public Works Director 662-9823

Ray Bemis: Utility Person

Deanna Hay: Town Clerk 662-3677

Signe Stevens Assistant Clerk

Town FAX 662-9888

Mike Buechler: Chief of Police 662-3116

Codi Peters: Patrol Officer

Jackie Rieger: Judge (Phone/Fax) 662-1042

Bert Kraft: Court Clerk

The Town encourages Bridger Residents to put their physical address numbers on their houses for emergency services.

IF YOU ARE MOVING, PLEASE CONTACT TOWN HALL 662-3677



SWIMMING POOL: 662-1496



COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Bridger Town Council meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Bridger Town Hall.

Meetings are open to the Public. If you wish to address the Council on a specific subject, Please call Town Hall the Thursday before the Meeting to get on the agenda.

Court Updates: Bridger City Court has a new phone number: (406) 662-1042. Court is held the 1st four Tuesdays in each month. You can pay your fines online at http://www.citipayusa.com.

Town Hall Office Hours: Monday — Thursday 7:00 AM-12:30 PM

1:00 PM - 5:30 PM

SPRING CLEANUP -

Spring 2014 dumpsters are scheduled the first three weekends (Saturday & Sunday) in May south of the Town Shop on Sugar Street. If the dumpsters are full-the area closes for that weekend. Whiteware (must be freeon free) may be brought to the dumpster any weekend. Hours 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM unless dumpster is full.



The Town now accepts "debit" and "credit" cards to pay utility bills, or licenses or fees, but a minimum fee of \$3 applies for "each" transaction and they must be "swiped" at City Hall..

Water Payments may also be made at the Bank of Bridger - Monday-Friday and 1/2 Day on Saturday. You must have your bill card and Cash or Check. A Water Payment box is also located in the alley adjacent to the Town Hall at 108 S "D" Street. A \$15.00 late fee was implemented in December, 2009

Chapter 5.08 BUSINESS REGULATIONS

Section: 5.08.010 Residential Garage Sales.

Section: 5.08.020 Flea Markets & Farmers' Markets

Notary Fee is \$10.00

5.08.010 Residential Garage Sales

- A. When used in this chapter, "garage sale" means a sale, primarily of personal articles and personal household goods and furnishings, from one's place of residence.
- B. Residents may join together to conduct a garage sale.
- C. Any garage sale shall be completed within a seventy-two (72) hour time frame.
- D. Garage sales shall be limited to two sales events per year at any residence.
- E. A garage sale does not require a business license. (Ord. 2004-03 Section 3)

5.08.020 Flea Markets and Farmers' Markets

A. When used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section.

"Farmers Market" means displaying and selling to the general public in the summer season, from a location other than one's residence, produce, flowers, shrubbery and food items, or any combination thereof. "Flea Market" means displaying and selling to the general public, property which was purchased, acquired or gathered principally for resale.

- B. License Required. Flea Market and Farmers' Market organizers shall obtain a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) business license before the first day of the sale. Prior to issuing the license, the organizer shall notify the town of the exact location of the market and specific dates on which the flea market or farmers market will occur. Cleanup of the market areas shall occur daily.
- C. A Flea Market shall not exceed three consecutive days. (Ord. 2004-04 Section 3)

NEW ANIMAL ORDINANCE:

Each animal within the Town of Bridger shall be licensed and a permit issued each year by the Town for said animal.

The <u>NEW</u> Town Ordinance passed raising the Animal Licenses to \$10.00 from May 1 through May 31. The fee for licensing an animal After May 31 shall be \$25.00. If an owner has more than three (3) dogs, the owner is required to purchase a kennel license for \$50.00. A person taking residency in Town shall have 30 days within which to purchase a license for \$10.00. For any dog ticketed as a dog at large or as a nuisance, the dog's owner shall be fined as follows:

1st Offense: \$50.00 plus license fee 2nd Offense: \$75.00 plus license fee 3rd or More Offenses: \$100.00 plus license fee

Please have your current rabies certificate with you at the time of licensing.

For your convenience, dog licenses and tags can be mailed to you for an additional fee of \$3.00.



The Town of Bridger has advertised for proposals for a new Garbage Contract. RFP's will be opened at the May 6, 2014 meeting. **Garbage service rates may change according to the new contract that is accepted.** The present contract will not expire until June 20, 2014.

Crosswalks - Tips For Crossing The Main Street



As we all know our Main Street is also US Highway 310 and we have a lot of traffic pass though our community. Crossing the street can be dangerous.

Montana law governing pedestrians provides the right of way to the pedestrian inside a crosswalk. Simply put, the vehicles shall

yield the right of way to the pedestrian in a crosswalk. However, if you are crossing OUTSIDE of a crosswalk the *pedestrian must yield to the vehicle traffic*.

Here are a few tips to help you safely cross the street

- Look both ways before crossing, ensuring that vehicles will be able to stop when you enter the crosswalk
- Watch for traffic while crossing and do not wave traffic to go by they MUST yield for you
- Do not assume a vehicle will stop for you be aware of your surroundings
- If on a bike, dismount and then cross in the crosswalk





Bridger, MT 59014

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Chief Buechler

Chief of Police Mike Buechler

The Bridger Police Department has a website where you can make payments, find forms, etc. The site is: bridgerpolicedepartment.com.

Be Aware of the new Speed Limits. In Town, the Speed Limit is 25 mph and 15 mph in School Zones.

Summer is getting closer and the swimming pool will be opening so, be aware of the children crossing the street. A reminder about curfew in the city of Bridger - BRIDGER DOES HAVE A CURFEW.

Curfew hours are as follows:

15 years of age and younger: 10 pm to 6 am from June 1st through September 5th. The rest of the year it's 9 pm.

16 years through 17 years of age: 11pm-6am Sunday through Thursday and 12 midnight Friday and Saturday.

Also, with the warmer days, everyone wants to party outside. Just remember that Bridger has an open container law. If lifted for events, it is limited to the specific areas only.

> Officer: Codi Peters Reserve Officers: Dale Bemis & Cody Kessner

HOW TO CONTACT THE BRIDGER POLICE DEPARTMENT

ALL EMERGENCIES – FIRE – POLICE- AMBULANCE – DIAL 911

Carbon County Sheriff Dispatch will dispatch the necessary public safety personnel.

Normal Business – 662-3116 This is the BPD phone line. If no one is in the office please leave a message to include your name, contact phone number and message.

We check the messages and return your call as soon as we can.



Dog License & Amimal Permits

Annual Dog Licenses and Animal Permits are \$10 from May 1 thru May 31st. After that, they cost \$25 per dog and/or animal.

Our department would like to remind dog owners that the time to license your dog is now. Please take a few minutes to license your dog at town hall. You will need proof of Rabies Vaccination to obtain the license. There is a very good reason for getting the license and ensuring your dog is wearing the tag:

If your dog is to get loose we will be able to identify it and return it to you.

House Identification 123456789123456789123456789123456789

Bridger Police would ask that homeowners please ensure there are house numbers posted on your residence in a place where they can be easily spotted. In case of emergency personnel needing to respond to the residence it will be easily identified, thus speeding the needed services to the problem. Darkness of night makes this problem worse. Remember, some emergency workers may not be familiar with all of the residences in the community and also when emergency personnel respond from neighboring communities, they may need a bit of assistance in locating the residence.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Last year, neighborhood watch featured speakers with new and review information about the program. We did a "Relight the Street Lights Drive" in Bridger and Fromberg.

This year, Neighborhood Watch will continue to offer information, alerts and tips on crime prevention. Don't let yourself become a criminal's opportunity.

Join us in a program that has been shown to decrease crime as much as 70% in neighborhoods across the country. Watch local bulletin boards/business windows, Bridger's Facebook page, bridgermontana.com and the Bridger cable TV news line for updates and meetings!

Bridger Parking Code 10.04.010 10.0.010 Parking Time Limited

- A. No person shall park a vehicle that is not properly registered and in drivable condition for longer than 5 days upon an alley, street, or highway within the town.
- B. A vehicle that is not properly registered and drivable that is parked on an alley, street, or highway wthin the town for more than 5 days, may be removed and sold as an abandoned vehicle in accordance with the laws of the state.
- C. No person shall junk any vehicle, or park junk vehicles on publicly owned property, or alleys, streets, or highways within the town for longer than 5 days.
- D. Any person junking a vehicle or parking a vehicle that is not properly registered and drivable, for longer than 5 days on an alley, street, highway, or publicly owned property within the town for more than 5 days, shall be subject to the vehicle being tagged by any officer of the Bridger Police Department, and by such tagging, be required to remove the vehicle within 5 days of the date the officer tagged the vehicle. Upon noncompliance, an Officer of the Bridger Police Department may have the vehicle hauled to the town dump or other city owned location and assess all expenses and charges against the non-complying person.

The Bridger Police Department will continue to enforce this code. Thank you for your understanding.

Animal Control: Bridger Municipal Code 6.12.090:



- A. It is unlawful to permit any dog to run at large within the town limits.
- B. All dogs shall be confined on the private property of the dog owner, or be within the actual physical control of the owner or his/her assignee at all times of the night or day.

We understand that dogs do escape from time to time, but please be sure your dog is on a leash or under your control. Thank you for your assistance.

<u>Please Note:</u> Citations will be issued for unlicensed dogs and dogs at large. Dogs that cannot be identified may be impounded at the owner's expense.

ORDINANCE 5-4-04 Animal Waste: The owner or custodian of every animal shall retrieve and remove all excreta deposited by his or her animal on public walkways or public recreation areas.

Animal permits are \$10.00, May 1 through May 31st. After May 31st, Animal Permits are \$25.00











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Bridger Resident
Boxholder

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