



Town of Ignacio Newsletter

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LEAP starts Nov 1 and runs through April 30. Leap is a Low-income Energy Assistance Program and is a federally funded program. LEAP is administered by Discover Goodwill of Southern and Western Colorado. It is designed to help eligible low-income households with winter home heating costs. Is NOT intended to pay the entire cost of home heating. To apply, call 1-866-775-5327, pick up an application at Town Hall, or download the application from www.discovermygoodwill.org/LEAP



LEAP Season starts November 1, 2015. If you received assistance last year you need to reapply this year with the application that is mailed to you. We will have forms at Town Hall beginning November 1.

Upcoming Events

- **Town Board Meeting, 7pm Wed Oct 7. Town Hall**
- **Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Wed Oct 7, 8am. Sky Ute Casino**
- **Monday October 12, Diversity**
- **Day. Town Hall Closed.**
- **Planning Commission Meeting Wed, Oct 14, 6:00 pm. Town Hall**
- **Town Board Meeting, 7pm Wed, Oct 21. Town Hall**
- **Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Wed Nov 4, 8am. Sky Ute Casino**

Welcome Mark Garcia

Mark is our Interim Town Manager. He will be helping us through the budget season and will help us with our search for a permanent Town Manager. He hails from Pagosa Springs .

Mark is very knowledgeable about municipal government and State Statutes. He will be working two to three days every week, but will also be available by phone or email when we need.

Stop in and say hello!!!



Please watch out for the ghouls and goblins wandering around on Halloween! The kids get excited and do not look around for traffic so we need to look out for them!



Open House at your new Community Center EL-HI, Friday, October 30! 5pm-9pm. Come share some Food and Friendship with us as we celebrate our grand opening! This is where the old elementary school used to reside. We have re-purposed the space for our community's continuing educational needs! See you there!

2014 WATER QUALITY REPORTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE! THEY ARE POSTED ONLINE AT WWW.TOWNOFIGNACIO.COM, TOWN HALL, THE US POST OFFICE, AND THE TOWN OF IGNACIO PUBLIC LIBRARY



Time Change



Sunday, November 1, 2015 at 2:00 am.



Error 404: Traffic Signal not Found

We had hoped to have installation of the new traffic signal already started by now, but due to the many construction projects in the county we were unable to get enough bids to properly assign the contract. Hopefully we can get this project and traffic moving Spring of 2016.



GAS MESSAGE

If you smell natural gas in your home or business please leave immediately!

Leave light switches alone especially in the area you smell gas. **WAIT to use your cell phone until you can no longer smell any gas.** Call 911, the Fire Department at 563-9501, or Dispatch at 563-4401 if you smell gas at any time.

Mensaje de Gas



Si huele gas natural en su casa o negocio, por favor salga inmediatamente, sin pagar los interruptores de las luces, especialmente en el área que se siente olor a gas. ESPERAR a usar su teléfono celular hasta que ya no pueda oler el gas. Llame al número local de emergencias (911, el Departamento de Bomberos al teléfono 563-9501, 563-4401 o diligencia si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento

La Plata County Free Legal Clinic at the Ignacio Public Library Friday, Oct 9 2pm—5pm. Due to high demand they have a requirement that clinic patrons be added to the sign-up list by calling the Ignacio Library at (970) 563-9287.

Election 2015

Ballots are mailed to voters the week of October 12. Ballot drop-off locations are located at:

Ignacio Town Hall, 540 Goddard Ave., Ignacio

LaPlata County Clerk & Recorder Office, 98 Everett St., Ste. C, Bodo Park, Durango, CO

La Plata County Fairgrounds, 2500 Main Ave., Durango

La Plata County Administration Building, 1101 E. 2nd Ave., Durango

Residents may drop off ballots at any of the above locations or – Voters may also mail ballots to the La Plata County Clerk’s Office (98 Everett., Ste. C, Durango, 81303)

Proposed Water Rate Increase/Pass Along for 2015-2016

Accounts are reviewed after the September consumption and re-evaluated for rate change. Customers using 3000 gallons or less qualify for a water saver rate: \$32.50 (in town); \$47.90 (out of town). Customers using 3000-6000 gallons will pay \$39.90 (in town) and \$55.30 (out of town). The coverage rate is same for all customers \$3.86/per 1000 gallons for in town and \$4.41/per thousand for out of town. This increase rate change will be effective for the October billing to coincide with the Tribes rate increase October 1.

Proposed Sewer Rate Increase/Pass Along for 2014-2015

ERT Rates will increase from \$68.09 to \$70.73 to our customer’s, which is the same rate as the Tribe’s increase to us. Standby fees will increase from 29.41 to 30.40.

Proposed pass through Rate Increases from the Tribe to the Town. Effective October 1, 2015 *PENDING BOARD APPROVAL*

Customer Usage	Rate	Customer Count	Current Rate	Increase .10 per 1000 gal.	New Rate
Zero to 3000 Gallons In Town	Saver	198	32.20	.30	32.50
3000 to 6000 Gallons In Town	Standard	160	39.30	.60	39.90
Zero-3000 Gal. Out of Town	Saver	6	47.60	.30	47.90
3000-6000 Gal. Out of Town	Standard	5	54.70	.60	55.30
Readiness to Serve	Standby	39	15.10	.30	15.40