

OCTOBER 2021

TOWN OFFICE:

Townhall Office opening hours are:

Monday – Friday 8 am – 12 pm and 1 – 5pm

Please make sure you address your concerns and business with the town within these opening hours.

The Town of Sinclair created a payment link (the tab "Make Payments") on the Town of Sinclair website page (<u>www.sinclairwyoming.com</u>) to pay for your utilities. The only thing you must do is use a desktop computer and not a cell phone.

BUILDING PERMITS: Everyone who is planning to build/install/add-on anything on their property is reminded to appear in front of the Council **BEFORE** building anything. Please check with the town clerk and/or maintenance department if you have any questions.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: The Town of Sinclair is looking to fill in the vacant seat at the Council. If you are interested and are resident of Sinclair and registered voter for at least one year, you can leave your letter of interest at Townhall office by November 3, 2021.

ZONING BOARD: The Town of Sinclair appointed new members for the Zoning Board. Welcome on board – Rick McWhorter, Emily Townsend, Ellie Bennett, Ron Bach, and Mike Reed. The Zoning Board is right now at structuring the board. As soon as this is done, we will notify you. Zoning Board will be addressing variances and special permits. If you have any questions, please address the clerk Ashley Masselink and building inspector Ricci Pacheco, or call the townhall at 307-324-3058.

SINCLAIR THEATER: The Town of Sinclair will be looking at hiring for the Theater Director position (that may include <u>other responsibilities</u> such as Parks, Recreational Hall, and Elementary School managements).

The Town is going to try to bring in some movies for the holiday season. Please visit our website <u>www.sinclairwyoming.com</u> and our Facebook group page at Sinclair Theater <u>www.facebook.com/SinclairTheatreRestoration</u> as well as at the page of Town of Sinclair <u>www.facebook.com/sinclairwyoming</u> for more details at the later date.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT: Our Rec Center right now has no staff on site. That means it is closed most of the time until further notice. If you want to use the space, please give us a call at 307-324-3058.

The Town of Sinclair, however, still provides seniors with coffee and donuts every Wednesday morning at 9:00 am at Rec Center.

One of our residents and a great artist, Dianne Johansson, would love to start Community Fine Arts Club/Room meet-ups for adults. They would be happening at the Elementary school. The time and dates are not set up yet. Dianne is waiting for any suggestions and ideas, and you can give her a call at 307-321-5732. As soon as she will determine the details of such meetups, we will notify you.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Halloween falls on Sunday this year and we like to remind everyone we will have the Trick-or-Treater out and about that evening. Trick-or-Treating will take place in Sinclair between 5:00 PM and 8:00 PM that evening. If you are handing out treats to our ghosts and goblins, please turn on your porch lights. Please remind your little ones not to eat the goodies until you have a chance to inspect them. It is always recommended an adult escort the little ones. I would like to remind everyone to look before crossing the street and to remind everyone to watch for children. This is one event in which we have several children out after dark. There will be a Sinclair Officer patrolling that evening. The officer will have candy to give out to the trick-or-treaters, both big and little, so when you see the officer, stop and say hello. Most of all, have fun and enjoy the evening safely.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: With the winds of Fall/Winter, we need to keep all trash and garbage stored in closed containers to keep it from blowing around town.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Daylight savings time ends on Saturday, November 6, 2021. Do not forget to turn your clocks back an hour.

Fire Chief Gene Goetz would like to remind everyone to check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

It is that time of the year when your chimney needs cleaning. The department has brushes for you to use, call the town office for more info at 307-324-3058. If you need help cleaning your chimney, please call and we will schedule someone to help you.

LANDFILL: Landfill is the compose only. Do not leave your leaf bags behind. Simply remove the content of your trash bag in the piles.

SANITARY AND SEWER: If you know you have roots in your sewer or bad sewer, prepare earlier so you are not fixing it in the wintertime as this can also help the town. The Town rents a sewer auger for \$50.00 to roto-rotter your personal sewer line.

WATER DRIPPING: During the months of December, January, and February, any residents that will leave their water dripping to prevent their water lines from freezing up, can sign up at the Townhall and be billed their average usage. We will take the last two months usage and average it for you. You **MUST** sign up at the Sinclair Townhall to qualify. Call the townhall at 307-324-3058 for more information.

PARKS: DON'T PUT YOUR PERSONAL TRASH IN THE TOWN TRASHES. It is not the town's responsibility to remove your personal household trash.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY: The town will not be liable for sewer back up damages unless there is negligence on the part of the town. We recommend that every resident procure sewer backup coverage under their homeowner's policy.

Our Maintenance Supervisor responsible for wastewater, parks, streets, and buildings – Jim Haldorson is retiring after 13.5 years working for Town of Sinclair. If you see him around town, thank him for his service and great word he's done for the community. Thank you, Jim!

TOWN HALL PROJECT: We are finishing the construction at townhall building. Thank you for your patience with that. Hoping to return to all activities being held at Townhall by end of November.

e-NEWSLETTER: The Town of Sinclair would like to make an access to all news, events and information happening in our town better to call.

To make this happen we would like to provide this information to you via several different routes:

- 1. Quarterly paper Bulletin delivered to your mailboxes at the USPS office.
- 2. Up-to-date information posts on our Facebook groups: Town of Sinclair (<u>https://www.facebook.com/sinclairwyoming</u>) and Sinclair Theater (<u>https://www.facebook.com/SinclairTheatreRestoration</u>). To be able to see them you need to find these pages using the Facebook search tab and make sure to "like" the pages. Visit them from time to time to see the recent news.
- 3. Visit our website <u>www.sinclairwyoming.com</u> for any updates, news, and events.
- 4. THE NEWEST OPTION: The newsletter delivered to you via email.

In order to receive these, you would need to opt-in by providing us with your preferred email address using the tab "Newsletter Sign-up" on our website <u>www.sinclairwyoming.com</u> or emailing us your full name and email address directly at <u>townhall@sinclairwyo.com</u>.

Please do check your SPAM folder after you sign up - the welcome email should be delivered to you within an hour. At the beginning the newsletter tends to land in the Spam folder. You can tag the email from the Town of Sinclair as "not spam" so in the future the newsletter emails will be delivered directly to your Inbox.

If you have any questions or feedback, we would like to hear it and please email it to us townhall@sinclairwyo.com.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION: "Santa coming to town" – if you want Santa to come and visit your kids, please contact us at 307-324-3058 for more details.

"Pick-what-you-need" Donation Drive events are scheduled for Saturdays, November 6, 2021, and December 4, 2021. The town will collect donations of clothes and shoes for any age, gender, and size, as well as coloring and stationary tools for kids. These items will be available for anybody to choose from and pick whatever anyone needs for free at Rec Center on the scheduled days. If you want to donate, please bring your things day prior or on a day of event to townhall office or Rec Center, respectively. If you have any questions, call us 307-324-3058.

The Town of Sinclair would like to invite town residents **to help decorating** the plaza and town for holidays. We will all gather on November 11, 2021, on Thursday at 3:00 pm at the pavilion at Washington Park. The participants are welcome to organize potluck as Town of Sinclair will not provide any food or snacks.

The annual "Light the Night" event is scheduled for Friday, November 19, 2021, at 5:30 pm. The town will provide hot chocolate and cookies. The celebrations will start with Holiday Parade at 5:30 pm that will walk to the plaza. We will gather around bonfire and light the tree at 7 pm. Please leave your dogs at home.

We would like to wish everyone a jolly and merry Holiday Season. Stay safe and warm.