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## **May 2024**

## Town Hall Office hours are:

Monday – Friday 8 am – 5 pm

## IMPORTANT WEBSITES TO BE INFORMED ABOUT THE TOWN'S UPDATES AND ACTIVITIES:

- **↓** Town of Sinclair website <a href="https://www.sinclairwyoming.com/">https://www.sinclairwyoming.com/</a>
- ♣ Parco/Sinclair Theatre/Museum website https://www.parcosinclairtheatre.com/
- ♣ Town of Sinclair Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/sinclairwyoming
- ♣ Rec Hall Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/SinclairRecCenter
- ♣ Parco/Sinclair Theatre Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SinclairTheatreRestoration">https://www.facebook.com/SinclairTheatreRestoration</a>

We would like to welcome our new maintenance employee, Corey Davis, and our new Assistant Treasurer Gina Helmetag.

<u>Just a reminder:</u> residents you are always welcome to Council meetings and be active in our town's life. If you have anything that needs attention, or want to know what is happening in town, please come to the Council Meetings. Council Meetings are twice a month, the first and third Thursday at 5:30pm at town hall.

**Hey teenagers**, are you looking to earn so extra money? The Town of Sinclair is hiring 2 teenagers for summer help for the upcoming summer. If you are interested, please pick up an application from town hall.

Want to have a say in what is happening in the Town of Sinclair? The Town of Sinclair is accepting letters of interest or an application to be appointed to fill a vacancy on the Town Council.

Qualifications are as followed:

- Must be a resident of the Town of Sinclair
- Have resided in Sinclair for at least one year
- Must be a registered voter

This term will be until the next General Election in 2024.

Applications can be picked up at Sinclair Town Hall. Please drop off letters of interest or application at the Sinclair Town Hall.

<u>PARCO MUSEUM:</u> Our summer museum curator Rachael Barnhart will be back again this year to run our museum. The museum will open after Memorial Day and be open weekdays until Labor Day.

**PARKS DEPARTMENT:** Restrooms at Washington park will be open around May 15. Weather permitting.

The Town of Sinclair will be recognizing Arbor Day on June 8, 2024.

**LANDFILL:** Only tree branches and grass clippings will be accepted. The town has wood chips free to the residents for gardens or landscaping.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** With school ending soon and the nicer weather, the number of our smallest residents out and about has greatly increased. We would ask everyone to please take extra caution when driving in Sinclair. The children have always used our streets to ride their bikes and travel to the parks. We would like parents to help us keep our children safe by talking to them about watching out for vehicles when they are out. The Police Department will help with this every chance we get.

As many of you know the Parco Refinery is doing a turnaround. We have a large amount of traffic coming in and out of town. The shift changes for the turnaround take place between 5:00 AM and 7:00 AM in the morning and between 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM in the evening. Please be aware of the increased traffic.

**CODE ENFOREMENT:** This year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Town of Sinclair. We will be having a big celebration this summer and we are asking everyone to help us dress up our beautiful town for this year's events.

The Town of Sinclair has ordinances that prohibit the accumulation of junk and garbage on your property. This includes junk vehicles. We also have an ordinance that prohibits refrigerators and freezers (working or not) from being stored outside. By getting rid of the junk, it benefits us all and helps make our town a nicer place. If you have any questions, please contact the Police Department.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** The fire department can check and change your batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. The fire department can also clean out your chimney for you, just give the Town Hall a call to get this scheduled for you.

**SEWER DEPARTMENT:** Continued effort in reducing wipes being flushed will be greatly appreciated.

WATER DEPARTMENT: The Maintenance Department will be conducting a water line inventory on all water lines in the town (including service lines to residents). This is due to the EPA's new Lead and Copper Rule improvements. We ask that if you can call the town hall or email with the type of water line you have coming into your house (Copper, plastic, galvanized steel or lead) would be extremely helpful. To tell the difference between lead and galvanized steel you will have to put a magnet to the pipe if the magnet sticks then its steel and if it not its lead. We will also be going door to door to help get this inventory done as well. The reason for this inventory is the EPA is wanting all lead lines out of the ground by 2037 and each public water system is required to submit what they have in their water system. If you have any questions, please contact the town hall or Chris with the maintenance department.

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT & PARCO SINCLAIR HISTORICAL THEATRE:

Well, it looks like we survived the winter, which was very mild compared to last year's winter! Since the last newsletter in December the Sinclair Rec Department really has been on the go with the following special events, among others, having taken place:

- 7 field trips to include both youth & adult trips
- 7 movies
- 1 town luncheon
- 5 private events

• 9 public events (read below for details on these)

Some of these public events included the following:

- <u>Christmas Food Drive & Present Delivery</u> this annual event has been going on for years and helps out folks during the holiday season and thanks to the Sinclair Volunteer Fire Department, Santa gets to deliver some well-timed Christmas gifts to many of our local youth!
- The Town Christmas Party this was a very nice event that had special guests, Santa & Mrs. Claus in attendance and concluded with a nice holiday movie in the theatre.
- <u>Comedy Night</u> Rawlins native Kane Holloway came to the Parco/Sinclair Historical Theatre to entertain many county residents and keep them laughing!
- Youth Activity Day this included having several of our local town youth help assemble & deliver food baskets during the holiday season.
- <u>Blood Drive</u> thanks to Phyllis McWhorter locals can stay close to donate blood which
  is in dire need throughout the country....thanks to all of you who took the time to
  donate!
- <u>Annual Easter Egg Hunt</u> this had to be postponed 2 weeks due to weather and with a big thanks to many volunteers including locals, Forest Ortiz & Leif Johansson, many kids left with big smiles and big chocolate bunnies among many other special prizes.
- Free Cellist/Pianist Concert thanks to Chief Sanders for covering for a flu-ridden Community Events Director on this event! I was told this was a well-attended wonderful event with two of the nicest and most gifted musicians you could ever meet!
- <u>Tris Munsick Concert</u> if you missed this one, shame on you! This concert was great and well attended. To hear some local Wyoming stories of an incredibly talented family and their music was a treat we won't see and hear too often.

Some of the normal weekly & monthly events include Wednesday Coffee & Doughnuts (last Wednesday of each month is bingo or trivia day), Sinclair Recreation Advisory Board meetings (usually around the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month — anybody is welcome to attend with their ideas or input), Sr. Center Lunch Trips (usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month — we leave the Rec Hall at 11:15am), the Rec Hall is open on most Mondays & Wednesdays from 3:30-7pm and Fridays from 1-5pm during the schoolyear and 1-5pm on Monday, Wednesday & Friday in the summer months. Also, the Sinclair Library is open on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3-5:30pm.

So, there are lots of events and activities to take advantage of if you want to get out and about and I would encourage everyone and anyone to be involved as much as they would like! Keep your eyes peeled for flyers posted at the Rec Hall, Town Hall, Post Office & Library for upcoming special events and see the accompanying Sinclair May Events Calendar for the most recent stuff going on. Also, the best way to stay informed is to visit the Town of Sinclair, Sinclair Theatre & Sinclair Rec Center Facebook pages as all flyers and events calendars are posted on those places regularly. Also, you can visit the Town of Sinclair's website and/or the new Parco/Sinclair Historical Theatre website at <a href="www.parcosinclairtheatre.com">www.parcosinclairtheatre.com</a>. This new website has a ton of information on Sinclair events along with some history and cool photos of past events!

Let's not forget to mention the upcoming Sinclair Centennial Celebration this summer on Saturday, August 17, 2024. This will be a generational celebration that none of us will very likely see again in our lifetime! There will be way too many events and things going on to mention in this bulletin but let just say that if you miss it, you will be sorry and maybe even missed out on one heck of a grand prize among many other valuable prizes! Of course, many hands will be needed to pull this off so if you have any time and energy to spare let us know. The committee is currently meeting once a month and that will pick up as we get closer. The exterior work on the Parco/Sinclair Historical Theatre is pretty much complete and looks great! Thanks to all for your patience during this process.

Finally, thanks to all who help make this town great and these Recreation Department activities & events happen....those the Town of Sinclair Council & staff, the Sinclair Recreation Advisory Board members, HF Sinclair Refinery, Discover Carbon County, Carbon County

Economic Development and the many volunteers who give generously of their time.....THANK YOU!!

If anyone has any questions, concerns, ideas or input about any of the Sinclair Recreation Department events or activities please call Monte Thayer at (307)321-8694.

Cullen Meeks, Mayor