

CHINRADH'S NORTHERN GATEWAY

WELLINGTON

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Winners Christmas Lighting Competition

Residential - Tied for 1st place 7842 Elder Circle & 3231 Mammoth Circle 2nd place 4401 River Run Lane, 3rd place 8303 W. First Street Business - Tied for 1st place 3734 Cleveland Ave & 7200 Fifth Street, 3rd place 4000 Washington Ave.

Thanks to all for participating.

It's Snow Season, here's what you need to know:

You must clear your sidewalks of snow and ice within 24 hours from the time the snow stops falling, citations will be issued.

Do not shovel your snow into the street or gutter if possible, use that snow in your yard whenever you can.

Avoid water billing estimates, please do not cover your meter pits with snow.

Snow Plowing is done by the Town's Public Works Department. 1st priority – Schools, High traffic streets for example; Washington, Jefferson, Sixth, Hwy. 1 etc. 2nd priority – Third, Kitfox, Buffalo Creek Parkway etc.
One pass will be done on Residential streets, after all high traffic streets are cleared.

Cleveland Avenue is plowed by

Colorado Dept. of Transportation.

Make a Difference in Wellington

There is an election coming up with 3 (three) Board of Trustee positions open. *Please see more information below. Deadline to file 1/25/16 at 5pm

There are currently 2 (two) other openings; 1 (one) on the Planning Commission and 1 (one) on the Parks Advisory Board.

Both of these are appointed by the Board of Trustees

The Planning Commission shall have the powers and authority concerning the application and enforcement of the Town Code as those powers are delegated to it by provisions of state law and by the specific provisions of the Town Code.

 To be considered for the Planning Commission individuals must be registered voters, who have resided within the Town of Wellington for at least 12 months. Attend meetings, Planning Commission meets the first Monday of the Month at 7:00 pm at the Leeper Center, 3800 Wilson Ave.

The Park Advisory Board works to enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Wellington by maintaining, improving, and establishing parks, trail systems, and open spaces while promoting environmental conservation and land preservation, as well as meeting the recreational needs of all abilities for present and future generations.

 To be considered for the Park Advisory Board individuals must be residents of the Town of Wellington and be able to attend scheduled meetings the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm, at the Leeper Center.

You can pick up an application online at www.wellingtoncolorado.gov or at the Town Hall. Applications and/or letters of interest should be addressed to:

Mayor Jack Brinkhoff Town of Wellington 3735 Cleveland Ave. PO Box 127 Wellington, CO 80549

*NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION - Unofficial

A Municipal Election will be held in the Town of Wellington, Colorado on **Tues. April 5, 2016**, between the hours of seven o'clock a.m. (7:00 a.m.) and seven o'clock p.m. (7:00 p.m.) at the Leeper Center, 3800 Wilson Avenue, Wellington, Colorado. To be eligible to vote in this election, you must have attained eighteen (18) years of age by April 5, 2016, be a registered voter, be a United States citizen, and have resided in the Town of Wellington at least 22 days before the election.

<u>Town Officers to be elected are three (3) Trustees.</u> The three candidates for Trustee with the highest vote total shall receive four year terms.

Nomination petitions are available at the Town Hall at 3735 Cleveland Ave. Wellington, Colorado as of Tuesday, January 5, 2016.

The deadline to file nomination petitions with the Town Clerk, for this Municipal Election, is Monday, January 25, 2016, at Five o'clock p.m. (5:00 p.m.)

Water/Sewer Rate Increase – Beginning with the billing cycle of Jan. 2016 – Utility bills with the rate increase, will be received by customers the 1st week in February 2016

Base Residential Water Rate will be \$18.86 + usage charges listed below: \$3.65 per 1000 gallons up to and including 15,000 gallons.

\$3.93 per 1000 gallons, from 15,001 gallons, up to and including 30,000 gal. \$4.94 per 1000 gallons, for 30,001 gallons and up.

Base Sewer Rate will be \$20.63 includes up to 3000 gallons water usage then \$6.50 per 1000 gallons after base sewer rate charge (\$20.63).

Sewer rate is determined by average water use during January, February, & March.



Wellington Board of Trustees

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at the Leeper Center, 3800 Wilson Avenue at 7:30 pm

Mayor Jack Brinkhoff brinhjd@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2018

Trustee Raymond Billington billinrm@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2016

Trustee Travis Harless harlestg@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2018

Trustee Ashley Macdonald macdonar@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2018

Trustee Matt Michel michelma@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2016

Trustee Larry Noel noelld@co.larimer.co.us Term expires: April 2016

Trustee Tim Singewald singewtr@co.larimer.co.us
Term expires: April 2018

The Mayor and Trustees are elected at large for terms of 4 years, with no term limits. The Mayor presides at all meetings of the Board of Trustees and has the same voting powers as any other member of the board.

The public is always welcome to attend these meetings.

Town of Wellington 2016

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Information and Agenda's for meetings can be found at www.wellingtoncolorado.gov



Property Tax Credit.....

If you are a property owner you will notice a tax credit listed on your tax statement. The Board of Larimer County Commissioners is refunding 22% of the 2016 General Fund property tax increase that came from increased valuations. The Commissioners choose the tax credit to lessen the impact of increased property taxes on property owners as well as put \$2.5 million back into the local economy.

Larimer County Landfill News............

Landfill: 5887 S. Taft Hill Road, Fort Collins

- Effective January 1, 2016, a new fee schedule will go into effect for waste disposal at the Larimer County Landfill as well as at the Wellington Transfer Station. For more information, call (970) 498-5760.
- The Household Hazardous Waste Facility will increase operating hours to include Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The facility will be open on Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for business customers only and closed to the general public. For more information, call (970) 498-5773.
- The complete 2016 Fee Schedule is on the main Solid Waste web page: www.larimer.org/solidwaste
- The Garbage Garage, at the Landfill, is offering "Beautiful Bottles" Reuse and Upcycling class for adults on Tuesday, January 19, from 10am to Noon. To register, call (970) 498-5772.

Larimer County 101 (LC101) – 2016.....

Larimer County 101: A Journey Through Larimer County Services (LC101) is a series of classes offered to the public to provide an inside look at the workings of Larimer County government and the services we provide. To learn more about any 2016 classes please contact the Larimer County Commissioners Office at 970-498-7010.

Visit web site at: http://larimer.org/news/larimer101.htm