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Town Manager's Message

I hope 2019 has been a year of growth in your personal and professional life. It has been for the Town of Gardnerville. Over the last calendar year the Town added twelve residences. We welcome these neighbors into our community and hope they can enjoy the many amenities and events that are available in the Town and surrounding areas. We are so fortunate to have such a great place to call our home.

Over the last year the Town was able to pay off the last of our remaining debt. This debt was used to purchase almost eight acres of open space between Toler Lane and Gilman Avenue in 2011. This piece of property contains the Hellwinkel Barn and Shop which has been noted by the State Historical Preservation Office as "contributing to the community's history and sense of space." Since the purchase the Town has completed a bike path through the open space and looks forward to further improving the property. I don't know how many cities and towns can state they are debt free, but the Town of Gardnerville can!

Many projects were completed during 2019 with even more scheduled for completion in 2020. The Town invested over \$200,000 dollars in street maintenance including slurry seals, crack seals, and side-

walk maintenance. We look forward to doing even more in the future. The K-9 Korral, the only Town Park to permit dog use, gained approval by Douglas County Community Development and was improved with a fence around the perimeter. Three additional projects will start construction in mid-January including; three hundred



K-9 Korral/Carrick Pond

feet of new storm drain on the High School Street Alignment north of Gilman Ave, a new underground detention reservoir to reduce flooding on the "S-Curve" on US Highway 395 and an electric vehicle charging station at the Gardnerville Station.

Between the new projects, fiscal responsibility, great events, and friendly Town Staff I hope you can take pride in the level of service provided by your Town. During my first six months as Town Manager I have been grateful for a unified Town Board that provides support to Town Staff and general attitude and efforts of the Town's Staff. I believe Gardnerville's residents can enjoy a wonderful today and an even better tomorrow.

Parks & Open Space Master Plan

How should the Town's Parks and Open Spaces look in the future? Should they remain natural? Should there be pickle ball and basketball courts? What about playgrounds? Does the Town have enough parks or should it construct more? The Town has selected Wood Rogers to develop a Parks and Open Space Master Plan in order to guide the Town's future expenditures in its Parks and Open Spaces. The project is just getting kicked off, but we look forward to gathering input from our residents. Look for future workshops and public meetings regarding the Master Plan.

Town Projects Updated

Hellwinkel Shop

The Town has contracted with TSK Architects to complete plans to improve the Hellwinkel Shop (the smaller of the two historic barns). The improvements will install a concrete floor in the building allowing for storage of equipment and seasonal items. It will also improve the doors and provide electric power to the building.

Crosswalk Improvements

Lumos & Associates of Carson City has completed design plans and NDOT coordination for the crosswalk improvements. This project includes some storm drain improvements, ADA ramps and the installation of rapid flashing beacons at the existing crosswalks located along US Highway 395 at Mill Street and High School Street. Look for construction to start toward the end of February.

Kingslane Sidewalk

We continue to work with Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) on the design phase of this project. The project is getting closer to being accepted for bidding. This project will install a rapid flashing beacon to help pedestrians cross from Kings Lane to Raley's. It will also complete the missing sidewalk on the south bound lane of US 395 as well as make irrigation improvements to the Martin Slough.

Gardnerville Station

NV Energy awarded a grant to the Town of Gardnerville to design and construct an electric vehicle charging station at the Gardnerville Station. Simerson Electric has been awarded the construction contract for the charging stations installation.

Burdick Excavating Company Inc was awarded a contract to install a 13,000 cubic foot underground detention reservoir at the Gardnerville Station. Construction will be complete prior to the end of January. The reservoir will contain mid sized rainfall events and keep the US

HWY 395 S-Curve clear of flood waters. NDOT will connect to the reservoir in Spring of 2021. CDBG is paying for the majority of the reservoir's cost which is why the reservoir must be completed even though it will not be operational for another year.



Health & Sanitation

PLEASE BE AWARE:

If your trash day (residential or commercial) is Wednesday, December 25, your trash will be picked up a day earlier, on Tuesday,

December 24. For commercial customers with five day a week service, there will be no service on the 25th but we will pick up any overloads on the 26th.

Greenwaste will stop for the winter on January 7, 2020 and resumes on April 7, 2020. If you have greenwaste during this time period you can bring it to the maintenance facility at 1369 Highway 395.

We ask your help in keeping fuel costs down by using the following tips:

1. Have your can out by 5:30 in the morning or the night before on trash/greenwaste day.
2. Keep cans 10 feet away from obstacles and 3 feet between each can, if possible.
4. We do not take large appliances, furniture, tires, TV's or any kind of hazardous waste (batteries, light bulbs, fluorescent tubes, ballasts, freon cylinders, propane cylinders, wet paint, oil, antifreeze, aerosol cans, household chemicals and cleaners, herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, lighter fluid or anything that is combustible, flammable, corrosive or toxic.) All these items can be taken to the transfer station on Pinetnut Road after calling Douglas Disposal. (775-782-5713)
5. Please do not place hot ashes in your trash can. Make sure they are completely cold. Ashes can smolder for days and damage your container. The cost for a new can is \$60. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

The Town of Gardnerville Health & Sanitation Department offers a 2 cubic yard bin that can be delivered to your home for a week at the rate of \$26/per pickup. If you have sod or dirt that you need to dispose of, only a quarter to a third of the bin can be filled due to the weight limit of 1200 lbs. The bin needs to stay on a flat hard surface so the trash vehicles can pick it up easily and the wheels of the bin don't sink into dirt or soil. If you have questions or would like to order a bin, please call the town office at 782-7134.

Please keep sidewalks free of ice and snow. When snow exceeds 6" town staff plows the snow to the side of the road. Douglas County Codes 12.08.040 prohibits putting snow on sidewalks or streets. Douglas County Code 18.06.080 states general maintenance of sidewalks, including sweeping, removal of snow, ice, weeds and maintenance of grass, shrubs and trees are the homeowner's

Tree Tip

Topping Trees Destroys Beauty - and More

During this season when the beauty of trees and idyllic landscapes are part of our celebrations, topped trees remain a plague in many parts of the country. John Davey, founder of Davey Tree Experts, began a campaign more than 100 years ago to stop this destructive practice, yet it persists today, especially in rural areas and small communities.

Eight good reasons why topping a tree is a bad idea

- **Starvation:** Reducing too much of the crown reduces the tree's ability to produce the sugars it needs.
- **Shock:** The reduction of shade on other parts of the tree can have a negative effect.
- **Insects and Disease:** The large stubs are vulnerable to rot and attractive to insects.
- **Rapid regrowth:** The prolific growth of resulting sprouts quickly restores size but with a less safe crown.
- **Weak Limbs:** Sprouts at the edge of truncated limbs are weakly attached. Combined with rot, the situation can become very dangerous.
- **Tree death:** Some species cannot tolerate topping and the result is decline and early death.
- **Ugliness:** A topped tree is a disfigured tree. It is a tree robbed of its natural shape and beauty.
- **Cost:** The savings in cost from quick topping by unskilled individuals is lost in the long run by the negative results of this malpractice.



Upcoming Town Events

Freedom 5K Fun Run July 4, 2020 in Heritage Park



Freedom 5K Fun Run 2019

Run for the Wreath!

A portion of every entry will be donated to Wreaths Across America to place a wreath of every soldier buried at Gardnerville Garden Cemetery.

Run/Walk will begin at 8 am

For more information please visit
www.MainStreetGardnerville.org/purchases.

Movies in the Park

Join us for the 15th season of Movies in the Park. The first movie will be on June 26, 2020. Bring your blanket or sand chair and bug repellent. The movie starts at dusk. There will be limited concessions available at the park. Please check the town website in April for the movies to be shown. Some movies are not appropriate for all ages, so please check the rating. We provide a rating link for each movie.



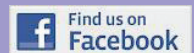
Movies in the Park 2019 - How to Train Your Dragon - The Hidden World



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January- June 2020 Dates to Remember



Jan 7, 2020 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

Jan 7 **Last Greenwaste pickup for the season
(No greenwaste will be picked up until
April 7)**

Jan 8/9 **Christmas tree pickup
(No tinsel, lights, ornaments or stands)**

Feb 4 **Town Board Meeting Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

March 3 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

April 7 **Greenwaste Pickup resumes
5:30 a.m.**

April 7 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

May 5 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

Extra Greenwaste Days

April 7

April 21

May 5

May 19

May 13/14 Spring Cleanup

For Residential customers extra trash may be put out on your regular trash day. Keep extra bags or boxes at least three feet from trash cans.

May 20/21 Limb Pickup

limbs (3'X 2') secured with rope. Keep bundles at least three feet away from trash cans.

June 2 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**

June 26 **Movies in the Park, Heritage Park
Friday night, starts after sunset**

July 4 **Freedom 5K Fun Run, Heritage Park
Race starts at 8:00 a.m.**

July 7 **Town Board Meeting, Town Hall
4:30 p.m.**