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Main Street Mural

Town Manager's Message

Change is occurring in downtown Gardnerville. The old Magoo's Pizza located on Eddy Street across from the JT Basque Bar and Dining Room is under demolition. The property consists of four parcels which also includes the old telegraph building and a vacant lot. These buildings have not been occupied for over a decade. Sadly, the property had fallen into disrepair and was no longer habitable. As of December 2022, the property owners were in the process of removing asbestos from the buildings. After the asbestos abatement it is the Town's understanding that the rest of the structure will be demolished. The four parcels are a combined 0.66 acres in size which is plenty of space for redevelopment. The removal of the dilapidated building and potential redevelopment of the property for a functioning business will be a major improvement to Gardnerville's downtown.

After a successful run as a catering business in the Gardnerville Ranchos, Cocomoes has moved into the old Richford Hotel across the street from the Town Offices. The building had been vacant since Rancho Grande closed five years ago. "Cocos On Main" as it is now called is putting this historic building to good use and it is great to welcome another thriving business into the Main Street District.

Main Street Gardnerville, a nonprofit organization independent of the Town, handed out five micro grants to local businesses for a downtown façade improvement program. With matching funds from Douglas County Economic Development facades were (or are planned to be) improved at Especially For You, Mr. Bubbles Laundromat, The Historian Inn, Fabric Chicks, and Fresh Ideas. The Town of Gardnerville appreciates Main Street Gardnerville's assistance to help keep the local businesses looking nice.

The biggest improvement to downtown will be the Nevada Department of Transportation's (NDOT) reconstruction of the pavement from First Street in Minden to Waterloo Lane in Gardnerville. This project has been delayed a few times, but the current schedule is to complete the paving in Summer of 2023. Unfortunately, the easements needed to make sidewalk and concrete repairs are lagging and NDOT plans to come back in five to seven years to make those repairs.

Lastly the Town in conjunction with Main Street Gardnerville welcomed an artist from Virginia into our downtown to paint a mural at the Gardnerville Station. Cheyenne Renee has a goal to complete fifty murals in fifty states. Her focus is on rural towns. She arrived in Gardnerville at the end of September and painted a twelve foot by eighteen-foot mural depicting Main Street Gardnerville and our agricultural heritage. If you have not seen it please stop by the station and take a look (1395 N Highway 395). You can follow her progress at cheyennerenee.com/#/

Sometimes it feels like things are static and nothing changes. If you take a minute to look around it is amazing how much gets accomplished. Please take time to celebrate the improvements to the Town and to look forward to many more in the future

Town Projects Updated

How is the Town Spending Your Money?

Since the last newsletter the Town has completed two projects:

1) The miscellaneous concrete project added two new concrete valley gutters in Arbor Gardens to replace asphalt damaged by standing water. The project removed dead trees along Main Street and repaired some damaged concrete adjacent to the trees. New signs were installed at the K-9 Korral Dog Park and bike racks were installed at Heritage Park. The Total cost of the project was \$83,000.



2) The pavilion at Heritage Park had a new roof installed and a ladder mounted to the west side for safer roof access. The Pavilion also had a new layer of stain applied. Currently for staff to access the roof of the pavilion an extension ladder had to be brought to the site and getting on and off the roof was dangerous.

The new mounted ladder gives employees a fixed object to grasp and easier access to safety harnesses. This will make placing and removing Christmas Decorations much easier. The total cost of the project was \$55,000.

The Town only has one project scheduled at this time which is the Gardnerville Station Outlet Piping. Slurry seals will also be prioritized as funding becomes available.

Gardnerville Station Outlet Piping:

The Town must install a storm drain system from the underground detention reservoir constructed in February of 2020 at the Gardnerville Station to the Martin Slough. When the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) reconstructs US Highway 395 they are going to install storm drains into the Town's underground detention reservoir. The Town must then install a storm drain network from the underground detention reservoir to the Martin Slough. NDOT was originally going to reconstruct US 395 in Spring 2022 but that has been delayed until Summer of 2023 and additional delays would not be surprising. The original estimate for the project was \$250,000. After design was done, due to inflation and supply chain shortages, the estimate had increased to \$400,000. The project was bid in February of 2022 and two bids were received with the low bid of \$750,000. This exceeded the Town's budget and all bids had to be rejected. In the current year's budget, the Town had set aside \$400,000. The Board of County Commissioners allocated \$250,000 in American

Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to the Town but the \$650,000 in funding was not enough. The Town is reengineering the plans to lower costs and identifying additional funding. The goal is to have the project under construction by May of 2023.

Slurry Seal Project:

Every year the Town tries to complete a slurry seal project. Slurry seal does not reconstruct the asphalt but it does rejuvenate the pavement with new oil and adds a fine "friction course" to the roadway to extend the life. Roadways can last twenty years and with the proper maintenance the life can be extended. A slurry seal should be applied to a roadway every 5-7 years. At some point a roadway loses its structural integrity and a slurry seal does not help and the asphalt must be removed and replaced. Depending on the final cost of the Gardnerville Station Outlet Piping the Town hopes to complete slurry seal projects on numerous roads within the Town of Gardnerville including; Arbor Gardens, Stodick Estates, and Virginia Ranch. Going into the next budget cycle these slurry seals will be prioritized.

A Public Art Program for Douglas County

Douglas County is creating an Art in Public Places Program as a part of their commitment to improving community vibrancy through streetscape improvements that enhance the visual appeal of our communities. Creativity and creative works drive economic growth and enhance local pride, community vibrancy and sense of place. Public art is an expression of local heritage and community identity that enhances communities and the local business environment.

You are invited to contribute your ideas for the Art in Public Places Program by completing a questionnaire that is available at <https://surveyhero.com/c/tqvkphsj> or by scanning this QR code.



Health & Sanitation

PLEASE BE AWARE: Greenwaste will stop for the winter on January 3, 2023 and resume on April 4, 2023. 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. 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.
3. 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 Code 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 responsibility.



Freedom 5K Fun Run July 4, 2023 in Heritage Park



Freedom 5K Run/Walk-July 4, 2023 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 17th season of *Movies in the Park*. The first movie will be on June 23, 2023. 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.



Maleficent 2022



TREE-MENDOUS FACTS

COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE

is a favorite conifer for landscaping. It does especially well as a specimen tree, or accent point in the landscape. While small, it can be nicely decorated with lights for the holidays or to provide a pleasant night-time atmosphere throughout the year. It can also serve in windbreaks, as screening, and in border plantings. This is a tree that requires little care other than watering during dry periods.

NEEDLES: Silvery to blue-green, one to one and a half inches long, stiff, and sharp at the tip. Needles feel square and surround the branch, standing out at nearly right angles.

CONES: Light brown at maturity with thin, stiff scales that appear ragged on the outer edges. Two and a half to four inches long, growing downward.

BARK: Scaly and ash-gray or brownish-gray, sometimes tinged with red. The scales are loosely attached when young. Older bark is furrowed with rounded ridges.

FORM: Young trees are cone-shaped with dense foliage and branches that extend to the ground. Older trees are more ragged in appearance maturing at 50 to 75 feet with a crown spread of 20 to 35 feet.

PLANTING: Full sun or partial shade with adequate space around and above at maturity. Grows best in acidic soil that is most silt or clayloam but will tolerate other textures. Suitable for hardiness zones three to eight.





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January- June 2023 Dates to Remember



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

Jan 3 Last Greenwaste pickup for the season
(No greenwaste will be picked up until
April 4)

Jan 4/5 Christmas tree pickup
(No tinsel, lights, ornaments or stands)

Feb 7 Town Board Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Town Hall

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

April 4 Greenwaste Pickup resumes
5:30 a.m.

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

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

Extra Greenwaste Days

April 4

April 18

May 2

May 23

May 17/18 Limb Pickup

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

May 24/25 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.

June 6 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m.
Town Hall

June 23 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.