

TOWN OF YAMPA – MARCH 2016 NEWSLETTER

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND WATER STORAGE TANK PROJECT AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS – Nothing to update at this time.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION – TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016 – The regular election of the Town of Yampa is still scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2016. The Mayor and three trustee positions are up for election. Nomination petitions were due to the Town Clerk by 4:00 pm Monday, January 25, 2016. Tom Yackey turned in a petition for Mayor and Brian Ashley and Jeff Drust turned in petitions for trustee. On Thursday, February 4, Michael French turned in an affidavit to be a write-in candidate, which gives the Town a full board; however, there is still time to become a write-in candidate and if there are other residents who believe they would like to hold municipal office, they may complete a write-in candidate affidavit. The write-in candidate affidavit is due by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. If write-in candidates turn in affidavits, a polling place election will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. If there are not more candidates than offices to be filled by the March 15 deadline for write-ins, the election will be canceled. To hold a municipal office, you must be a registered elector eighteen (18) years of age or older on the date of the election and have resided within the town limits of the Town of Yampa for at least twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the date of the election.

Residents eligible to vote may register to vote up to and including election day. Persons must be citizens of the United States and at least eighteen (18) years of age. In order to register and vote in the municipal election, you must have been a resident of the state for twenty-two (22) days prior to the date of the election and a resident of the municipality at the time you register. If you have moved to Yampa since the last election, or are just unsure if you are registered to vote, please check with the Town Clerk. You may register at the Yampa Town Clerk's office or at the Routt County Clerk's office in Steamboat Springs or online at the Colorado Secretary of State's website. Applications for absentee ballots are available now through Friday, April 1, 2016. The application may be requested orally or in writing. The application may also be in the form of a letter. April 1, 2016 is the last day to vote via walk-in absentee ballot.

DRINKING WATER – From time to time, the Town of Yampa has had to have bottled drinking water available in case of a transmission line break that requires the Town to shut off the water supply. The Town has approximately 32 1-gallon jugs, that are past the expiration date, but could still be used to water plants, etc. at your homes. Please feel free to take some from town hall if you have a use.

AGENDA ITEMS- Agenda items for the April 6 town board meeting are due to the Town Clerk no later than 4:00 pm, Monday, March 28.

WATER & SEWER PAYMENTS - Cash payments are welcome, but please bring exact cash for what is due or have the entire amount credited to the account; we do not keep cash on hand. Payments made by check or money order are welcome in the night drop on the Lincoln Street side of Town Hall. We recommend that you bring cash payments in during open hours so you can get a receipt. Also, if your phone # appears on the left hand side of your statement underneath your name and mailing address and it is correct, you do not need to write it in on the right side of your statement. If no phone number appears there, please give it to us. Thanks!

PERMITS – As spring approaches, please be reminded or informed if you are new to town, that permits are needed for building projects, fences, utility work and so on. **Please check with town staff during the planning portion of your project to obtain current rules and regulations that are in place within Yampa.**

FRIENDS OF CROSSAN'S M & A MARKET – Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 am, Yampa Town Hall. You are welcome to join in as planning gets seriously underway for the annual fund raising auction, which will be Saturday, July 30, 2016. To find out how you can be a part of this project, email friendsofcrossans@gmail.com. The Town of Yampa, Historic Routt County, and Friends of Crossan's continue to appreciate your help on the rehabilitation and reuse of this historic structure as this is **not** a Town funded project.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS – Spring forward 1 hour on Sunday, March 13.

BINGO – The American Legion is hosting Bingo on Saturday, March 12, 2016, Yampa Ladies Aid Hall. Doors open at 7:00 pm. The American Legion appreciates everyone's support!

YAMPA-EGERIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY – The next meeting is Thursday, March 17, 6:30 pm, Yampa Town Hall.

SOUTH ROUTT ELEMENTARY – If you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten at South Routt Elementary next fall and he/she is not enrolled in the South Routt Early Learning Center please either call Cheryl Sullivan at the elementary school (638-4558) or email csullivan@southrouttk12.org. In order to start kindergarten children must be 5 years old before October 1st. Thank you.

SOUTH ROUTT EDC – Debbie Curtis is the point of contact for events happening in South Routt to put on the EDC's website calendar; her email address is: rtdponas@hughes.net. The South Routt Economic Development Council (SREDC) website is <http://www.southrouttedc.com/Home.aspx>.

SNIPPETS of HISTORY, ITEMS from MARCH, 1916, YAMPA LEADER NEWSPAPERS

Fri., March 3....SPLENDID MEETING at YAMPA SCHOOL- Prof. Hyatt and His Teachers Receive Many Compliments on Their Work. Friday afternoon witnessed one of the largest gatherings at the Yampa school house that has been there for a long time. It was standardization day and Prof. Hyatt had arranged a fine program. Invitations were sent out to all the parents and the rooms were filled with visitors 'til the afternoon recess when the scholars were dismissed and the visitors entered the High School room to listen to the speakers. The members of the school board were all present and it was gratifying to note that the audience was not composed entirely of ladies, many fathers also being present....it was the expressed sentiment of the many parents that Yampa never had a better school.

-Tuesday night at the basketball hall the girl's team served a four-course dinner to the victorious boys' team. They lost their game and accordingly had to be "hashers" to the boys.

-Mrs. J. F. Wilson was hostess Wednesday afternoon, entertaining a party of ladies at Whist....W. F. Evans finished feeding at the Crossan ranch (note; in Egeria Park) yesterday and took the cattle over to the Gumprecht ranch in Burns.

-State Stock Inspector....was at Yampa last Saturday and located the hide of one of the lost Starkey cows at the Canant slaughter house....Mr. Starkey accepted the statement of Mr. Canant that it was a mistake and accepted repayment....Cattlemen in the area are becoming very much upset over the frequent loss of cattle.

-Editorial, "Butchered by Mistake". At what point does a mistake cease to be a mistake and become a crime? How long can the Canant slaughter house go on butchering the neighbor cows by mistake and get away with it? ...It is our purpose to protest most emphatically against the continued repetition of these mistakes, now, that they are becoming such a common occurrence....too many cattle have disappeared near Yampa since the Canant slaughter house has been here for it to be wise for Mr. Canant to permit these mistakes to continue.

Fri., March 10....The country members of the Missionary Society served a 10 cent tea at the parlors of the Grand Hotel last Friday. A very large number of people called during the afternoon and receipts were over \$9....Mrs. W. A. Charles and children went out to the ranch for their usual weekend visit...Three miners at Mt. Harris took the bad advice of friends and as a result met up with the Prohibition Law. They went in together and had liquor shipped in which they divided among them....Judge Morning treated them leniently and remitted the time and fines upon the payment of court costs.

Fri., March 17....Takes Issue with Leader. (Note- concerning Starkey cow)....I will say that while George Canant did butcher my cow through a mistake I believe it to be a clean mistake...

-Garden seeds at the Hernage Store and boys playing marbles together with the many wagons being used are some indications of spring.

-Ima Bomgardner, Bessie Leukett and Thelma Cromar were entertained by Wilma Rockhill at the ranch (Note- just west of Devil's Grave) last Saturday. They enjoyed themselves by skiing, dancing and candy making. A play was given by the four girls and the Rockhill boys...witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Rockhill and Otto Heinig.

Fri., March 24....The ranchers of Yampa are fast coming to realize that there is money in milking cows and shipping cream. Although this is the poorest time of year, with the cows at the lowest milk-producing point, last month showed an increase in the total shipments.

-The Fireman's Ball and supper given last Friday evening was a big success and the boys cleared a nice little sum....was held in the Masonic Hall and the supper was served at the Colonial Theater with moving pictures.

Fri., March 31....A pet rooster, when dad is hungry for chicken, is a delusion and a snare, especially when he is nice and fat and his name is Skinnie....Harry Kawin says ranch machinery business is improving every day with the coming of dry roads....Mark Choate was in town Saturday completing arrangements for the big meeting of cattlemen and ranchers....There will be an April Fool's dance at the Yampa Hall tonight.

-Kendall Wheeler has engaged Jerry Reams to repair the house on the lower Wheeler Ranch and we are led to believe that Kendall will not batch very long.

-The Wednesday show at the Colonial was fine. A good three reel drama, followed by a very funny comedy called "A Harmless Flirtation." A large crowd attended the Sunday show.

-Yampa lumber goes to Omaha. Contract calls for entire output of Bartholomew mill, or three million -board feet during coming year. Our lumber is in demand.

-Miss Mae Bird is now clerk at the Yampa post office.