

## TOWN OF YAMPA – SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

WATER USAGE GALLONS CHANGE – In September, the gallons of water allowed at the base rate of \$32.00 per month, goes back to 5,000. Any usage over the 5,000 gallons will be billed at the metered rate of \$1.65 per thousand gallons or increments thereof. The September usage will be displayed on your October bill. The August usage allows 15,000 gallons and August usage is shown on the statement that is included with this newsletter.

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND WATER STORAGE TANK PROJECT UPDATE & WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS – All but the paperwork is completed on the water treatment facility improvements and water storage tank project. With this part of the project completed, updates will begin on the Pretreatment Facility, Access Road, and Transmission Line Replacement.

TRANSITION TO CROSSAN’S BUILDING – With completion of the first floor at the Crossan building, Deputy Clerk Nora Phillips is now located there. Please take “in person” water/sewer payments to her when she is there. The street address is 101 Main. When Crossan’s is closed and Nora not available, please bring payments to town hall. This arrangement creates some confusion for our customers and we apologize for that, but hopefully we’ll all be in the same location in the not to distance future. The payment drop box will remain at town hall (56 Lincoln St) for now. Town Clerk and Public Works will remain at town hall until the second-floor construction at Crossan’s is finished. A reminder that Nora is the notary public and the municipal court clerk.

YAMPA HOME SIMPLE – The resubmitted proposal for the proposed planned unit development at 30 Moffat Avenue will be on display at town hall beginning September 13 and the public can stop by and look at the display during regular business hours. Developer Steve Whittall has informed the town clerk that he will be available at town hall on Saturday, September 16, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm and again on Monday, September 18, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm to answer questions for those who stop by. He said that he will be happy to have anyone interested come to an open house at 30 Moffat after each of these dates as he thinks it may be helpful to walk the property. He is also welcoming comments on the project until September 25 with the purpose of addressing those comments in modifications he might make to the proposal. At this writing, the resubmitted information still needs to be reviewed by engineers, fire department personnel, and town staff, as will any modifications made after Mr. Whittall’s September 25<sup>th</sup> comment period; therefore, a proposed date for the public hearing has not been set. The public will be informed when the application is deemed complete and the public hearing is scheduled. It is important to note here that the comment period set to end September 25 is requested by Mr. Whittall. **When the proposed development application is deemed complete and ready for public hearing, a public hearing date will be set, public notification made and the Town will accept comments on the application prior to and at the public hearing.**

2018 BUDGET & WATER/SEWER ORDINANCE UPDATE – The Town Board is beginning 2018 budget preparations and continuing work on updating the water/sewer ordinance, which will include an increase in rates. When the draft water/sewer ordinance is ready for review, we’ll let you know. If there is something you would like to see in the budget, please let town staff or town board know. The Board can’t promise it will be included, but they can’t include it if they don’t know about it.

AGENDA ITEMS – Agenda items for the October 4 town board meeting are due to the Town Clerk by 4:00 pm, Monday, September 25.

FLOWER BARREL THANK YOUS – Thank you to the following who assisted with the “town” flower barrels this summer: Eric Berry, Teri Lynch, Lisa Medina, Ken & Cindia Montgomery, Nora Phillips, Cindy Wren, Michelle Yackey, and Yampa Library personnel. These folks purchased, planted and/or maintained the flowers this summer. Thank you to the Friends of Gateway Yampa beautification committee for the flower barrels maintained by your group and other work done this summer.

YAMPA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT – The Yampa Fire Protection District has openings on their Board of Directors. Please leave your name and telephone number on the message machine at the District office – 970-638-4227 and you will be contacted with the information you will need to apply for a position.

SOUTH ROUTT LIBRARY DISTRICT – Preschool story hour at the Yampa Library is on Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 PM. Ages 3-5. Our local library is a vital part of our community! Let’s use it.

YAMPA MARKETS – The final Yampa Market of the season is Sunday - September 24 at River Park (southeast side of Moffat Avenue). Posters around town have details.

YAMPA-EGERIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Next meeting is September 21, 6:30 pm, Yampa Town Hall. New members are always welcome.

FRIENDS OF CROSSAN’S M & A MARKET – The friends meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 am at Yampa Town Hall. New committee members are welcome. It is anticipated that work on the final phase of the Crossan’s building rehabilitation might commence as early as October. Your monetary assistance and volunteer help on the rehabilitation and reuse of this historic structure has been and continues to be much appreciated as this is **not** a Town funded project. As stated, Historic Routt County is the fiscal agent for the project and your donations can still be used as grants don’t cover all expenses. Checks should be made payable to Historic Routt County and Crossan’s should be noted in the *for* line of your check and mailed to P.O. Box 775717, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477. Email [friendsofcrossans@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcrossans@gmail.com) for more information.

SNIPPETS of HISTORY-ITEMS of INTEREST from 1907 YAMPA LEADER NEWSPAPERS

Sept. 7-The White-Bear Land and Cattle company is anxious to secure the construction of a wagon road from Yampa up the Yampa River, past the Stillwaters, across the Flattops between the headwaters of the Yampa and White Rivers, down past Trapper's Lake, to the Himes ranch, there connecting with the Rio Blanco county road to Meeker. Mr. Shepherd's (note -he was the superintendent of the White- Bear outfit) company already owns several ranches in the vicinity of Buford, as well as in the lower White River country and in Lily Park. The company is arranging to greatly increase its holding on the upper White River, and here it plans to establish a mammoth horse-breeding farm and to raise Percheron horses on a larger scale than ever attempted in Colorado....From Yampa to Trapper's Lake the distance is from 20 to 25 miles, and from Trapper's Lake to the Himes ranch, which is now reached by a good road, the distance is 9 miles. There is already a wagon road to the Stillwaters, a distance of 14 miles, leaving only about 15 miles of road to be constructed. Throughout the entire distance there is splendid feed (note- the purpose of the road would be to shorten the distance required to drive cattle to the railroad. Currently cattle were driven to Rifle and then shipped to Denver.), the grazing being the best in the state, but without a wagon road it is impracticable to bring a shipment of cattle out by that route, for it is now impossible for the mess wagon to follow the herd.... time spent by livestock on the Moffat trains will be from 6 to 10 hours, while from Rifle the time consumed is from 24 to 36 hours. (Note- this long trip was very hard on the cattle and resulted in much loss.)

Sept. 14-J. W. Raney this week put in a plank crossing across Second Street on Lincoln Avenue, making the sidewalk continuous on that street for two solid blocks.

-Allen, the four-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clements, died yesterday morning of bowel trouble, supposed to be the result of impurities in canned milk. The funeral will occur at 10:30 this morning.

-Dr. W. J. Watkins has been in Routt county many years, and for the past several years has visited Yampa frequently. He is thoroughly reliable and guarantees all of his work. He will arrive in Yampa next Tuesday and will remain for several days. See him about those troublesome teeth.

-The first real frost this fall occurred Sunday night, Sept. 8, when the Leader's registering thermometer indicated a minimum of 30 degrees. The tops of potatoes and beans in the gardens about town were nipped, and flowers out of doors suffered some, but no great harm was done.

-The Bank of Yampa has installed a new hollow-wire gasoline lighting system (Note- the bank was in the building currently occupied by the Yampa-Egeria Museum).

-J. E. Outland furnished a turnip measuring 15 inches in diameter and weighing 7½ pounds to the Leader.

Sept. 21-Good Sunday dinner at the Royal Hotel.... Colorado Telephone Central, at Leudke's Drugstore.... Ask your grocer for Kremmling, Colorado fall cream cheese. It is the best.

-Sherriff Farnham went through town Thursday, taking James Lynch to Canon City (prison).... G. W. Weaver and family left Sunday for Denver. Mrs. Weaver and children will remain outside, but Mr. Weaver will return in a couple of weeks.

-R. H. Green of Williams Fork (Note-west of Hayden) went through Yampa Thursday with about 200 head of cattle for the Denver market. He will ship via Kremmling.... The Pierce-Reef outfit went through town Monday with about 1500 head of fine cattle for the Denver market.

-Dr. O. W. Randall the dentist will be in Yampa the first week of each month.

-Fred Dungen and his corps of surveyors were rustivating in Yampa for a couple of days this week.

-Sept 28-The Denver Times and News, the Patterson papers, are attacking David Moffat and the Moffat railroad and attempting to so delay that enterprise as to prevent for a season the completion of the road to the Yampa coal fields, because Mr. Patterson fears that when the Routt County fuel is placed on the Denver market it will break the power of the Northern Colorado Coal trust, of which he is a member.

-Routt County has been enjoying the glories of Indian summer for the past couple of weeks, but the equinoctial storm is past due. Later---the foregoing was put in type Wednesday, and that night the expected storm arrived. In the Flattops it was snow, the first of the season.... The stage from McCoy was considerably delayed Thursday, not arriving in Yampa until after 1 o'clock am, on account of the road being quite badly damaged by a very heavy rain a short distance from McCoy....The Ladies' Aid Society met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Percy Hughes. There was a large attendance, notwithstanding the rain and muddy roads.

-Miss Edith Bowman of Hayden was a passenger on the outgoing stage Tuesday. She was on her way outside, where she will attend school....S. D. Cole has again taken charge of his livery barn on Moffat Avenue (Note-site of Yampa Liquor Store), and proposes to run it in a strictly first-class manner.

\_Little Miss Erma Lindsey celebrated her seventh birthday last Saturday afternoon by giving a party and inviting all her little friends. Nearly 50 guests were present, and the young lady received a large number of very handsome presents. Much of the time was spent on the large green lawn of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bower (the home just north of Montgomery's store.), where various games were enjoyed, and then all were invited to the Lindsey home, where a nice lunch was served, and a peanut hunt was enjoyed, in which Nellie Souther won first prize.