



SUPERIOR NEWS

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Are you ready for a water emergency??

If you live in the Town of Superior, you are connected to our public water system. Do you know what to do if an emergency happens? Do you know where your water shut off valves are? Do you know which valve controls what water lines in your home? Do you know where the main water shut off is? Do the valves work?? Have you ever exercised them? The answers to these questions could save precious time and money when trouble arises!!

There once was, and hopefully still is, an outside water shut off on your property known as a curb stop. Do you know where yours is? It was installed on your water service line and will shut off all the water supply to your property. You should know where yours is located and have the tools to use it in an emergency. The Town staff has found on several recent occasions that property owners do not know where these valves are or have the curb wrench to use them. We have found some broken, some un-usable (full or dirt and debris, top separated from the valve, or the valve is frozen), or we were unable to locate it at all. Being prepared and knowing what to do is very important!!

Do you know where your water meter is? There should be a shut off valve or two by your water meter. Do they work? Can you get to them? Do you know which one to close when a problem happens?? You should!! Being prepared is extremely helpful to the Public Works staff in an emergency!! It allows us, along with your plumber, to help you get the problem isolated and shut off as quickly as possible. It also prevents the need to shut off water mains and disrupt service to large numbers of customers for your water troubles!!

We want you to understand that as a property owner in Superior, you own your service lines all the way to the Town water and sewer main lines. Therefore, it is your responsibility to maintain, service, or repair any and all of the equipment that supplies water to your home or business.

If you do not know where your water equipment is, The Town Public Works Dept. has some limited resources that may help. Please stop by the Town Office and pick up a Utility Service Order Form. Fill out the appropriate information and what you need assistance with. We will do our best to assist you as time allows.!!

The Town of Superior Office 105 Cedar Street behind the fire station!!
M-F 8-12 am and 1-5 pm excluding holidays.

Being prepared is the best way to deal with emergencies!! We appreciate your cooperation!!!

The Town of Superior Public Works Dept.

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Sewer System Improvement Project

The Town of Superior Sewer System Improvement Project is moving forward.

The Town’s Engineers are working on the design and plans for the project , which will be completed by September 2023. The Design and plans will be revied by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality before the project can be advertised for bids. The MDEQ review will take at least 60-90 days. The project will be bid in October 2023. Construction should start in December of 2023 or Spring of 2024. A winter shutdown of the project is expected. We are planning for construction to be completed by November of 2024.

The Town of Superior will be removing sludge in the lagoons and disposing of the sludge at a landfill – 2 cells, Fixing Lagoon Dike Settling, installing new Liners & Baffle Curtain, installing a new Aeration System – installing Blowers, Building, and Diffusers, installing SCADA for Headworks, constructing Headworks Building, UV and Headworks Water Services, Sewer Main Replacement by CIPP, Manhole Modifications – Raise Lids under Asphalt and Lift Station Improvements. Total estimated project cost is \$4,600,000.

The Town of Superior has been awarded a Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) grant in the amount of \$750,000.

The Town of Superior is applying for grants for the sewer system improvements project. The following is a list of the funding that has been awarded to the Town for the project and the grants the town has applied for.

Superior ARPA Local Fiscal	\$222,132
Superior ARPA Minimum Allocation	\$197,163
Superior Local Funds	\$400,000
ARPA Competitive Grant Round 1	\$2,000,000
Mineral County ARPA Minimum Allocation for the Town	\$200,000
Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)	\$750,000
Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP)	\$750,000
Total Current Funding Awarded	\$4,519,295

Grant Applications Pending

Renewable Resource Grant/Loan Program (RRGL)	\$125,000
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Our goal is to complete this project without raising rates or getting loans, *if possible*.

FIREWORKS LAW

Fireworks may be sold in the Town of Superior

From June 24 through July 5

It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to sell or offer to sell fireworks. It shall be unlawful to sell fireworks to persons under the age of eighteen (18).

Fireworks CAN NOT be set off or exploded BEFORE

July 3rd or AFTER July 4th

between

10:00 pm and 7:00 am

Except on July 4 Fireworks can be set off until Midnight.

It is against the LAW to throw firecrackers or other fireworks on or in any public streets or alleys, into or at automobiles or other conveyances, at or on persons or animals, to handle or use fireworks in such a manner as to injure or damage persons or property, or to handle or use fireworks in Town Parks.

Superior Recycling Center Recycling Guidelines

PLEASE RINSE all containers to remove food debris

OPEN 10 am — 4 pm Wednesdays & Saturdays

Glass---Please rinse, remove caps/lids, labels are okay to leave on. No lightbulbs, mirrors, window glass or broken pieces.

Paper---all types of paper can be recycled. Paper with food debris, like a pizza box, or wax coated is NOT recyclable.

Cardboard---please break down and flatten to maximize the space in the recycle container.

Newspapers---please do not tie your bundles as the string or twine is not recyclable.

Magazines---include any type of glossy paper, mailers, and catalogs. **Junk Mail**---all fliers, postcards, include window envelopes.

Tin/Steel Cans---soup cans, juice cans. Labels are okay. Push lid inside for safety. PLEASE RINSE.

Aluminum Cans---beverage cans don't need to be crushed.

Plastic---with the #1 or #2 and #5 recycling symbol on them. Look for the number inside the chasing arrow triangle (international recycling symbol) please removed lids and caps. RINSE and STOMP your plastics flat if possible, to maximize the space in the recycle container.

Plastic bags --- Plastic bags are NOT recyclable at this recycle



CHECK IT OUT
Large Print Books
and
Graphics Collections
and
Classic Collections

Mineral County Library has several Mobile Hotspots available for checkout. The Mobile Hotspots can be checked out for 2-weeks. For more information call the Library at 822-3563

MontanaLibrary2Go

Download magazines, eBooks & audiobooks.

“Get Libby app and Kanopy app from the App Store”

Until December 2023 the State Library is offering free access to The Great Courses (over 250 unique courses taught by experts in their fields); Universal Class (500+ self-paced online courses, ranging from cake decorating to accounting and bookkeeping) and Method Learning, Method Test Prep (to help students prepare for and score higher on SAT and ACT tests). The classes in the MontanaLibrary2Go are listed in Libby under Extras. We have recently added a new platform to pull-together all e-material in one spot. We have also recently added a basic level of Kanopy to the library offerings.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- See our monthly calendar for other author events.
- Get ready for this year’s Summer Reading program—The program in the park will take place on Tuesdays, from June 20 through July 25 (party the last day). There will be no program Tuesday, July 4. The In-house program will be from June 20 to August 22.
- Michael Rich of Area 6 Agency on Aging visits regularly to speak with anyone who needs information on Medicare, help with filling out forms, and other questions. Call 406-822-3563 for more information
- Book & Garage Sale Saturday, June 24 – 9 AM to 3 PM.

Library CLOSED

Monday July 3 & Tuesday July 4 for Independence Day

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday:

“Confabs”, a discussion group on a different subject each month (details at the library) 11:00 am.

Confabs attendees are determining what descriptions should be added to the Mineral County Museum donated pictures, then will hang them throughout the building.

During the next month, people can learn how to run the Cricut machine, how to use the instant-pot, then various weeks focusing on fishing, weaving, and Russian literature.

“Hobnobs” will be on hiatus for the summer.

Tuesday:

CESSS The Day —Cards, Envelopes, Stickers, Stationary, Stamps, COME and write a card, we supply everything. Noon.

Lunch at the Library (bring your own lunch)
 11 AM to 2 PM

CAKLS (Crochet & Knitting) meeting
 2 pm to 3 pm

Wednesday:

Story Time 11 am

Thursday:

Bees Book Group – 2 PM to 3 PM

ALL WELCOME COME JOIN US!!

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY MEETING

3rd Wednesday of EACH MONTH 2:00 pm

No meeting in December

Mineral County Library
 301 2nd Ave E, Superior
 Monday through Thursday—9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Saturday — 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
 Closed Friday and Sunday
 Phone Number: 822-3563
 Call 822-3563 if requesting curbside pickup.

PARKS—SPECIAL EVENTS

The Town of Superior requires a permit for special events held in Town Parks. A deposit of \$150.00 must be submitted with the permit application. The park use permit application is available at the Town Office or on the Town's website.

Special events in the parks require special event insurance. Please contact the Town for more information.

GRASS AND WEEDS

Owner(s) or Agents of Owner(s) are required to cut or remove weeds from property under their control and one-half (1/2) of any road or street abutting the property. It is the duty of the property owner(s) or their agents to maintain their property so that it shall not be considered a fire hazard or a public or private nuisance.

Grass over 8 inches is considered weeds.

If a complaint is filed the owner(s) or their agents have 10 days to cut or remove the weeds. If the weeds have not been cut or removed within the 10 days the Town can cut or remove the weeds and the property owner(s) or their agents will be billed. The charge is \$125.00 per hour with a \$250.00 minimum.

YARD AND GARDEN WATERING CONSERVATION TIPS

- ◆ Water before 8 am or after 6 pm. Do not leave sprinklers or hoses running all day or night
- ◆ Install timers or underground sprinkling systems
- ◆ Use soaker hoses and trickle irrigation systems
- ◆ Avoid watering on windy days
- ◆ Avoid sprinklers that spray a fine mist, which increases evaporation
- ◆ Make sure sprinkler is placed so it only waters lawn or garden, not pavement
- ◆ Water trees & shrubs with deep root systems, longer & less often than shallow rooted plants
- ◆ Water in several short sessions rather than one long session
- ◆ Raise the lawn mower cutting height
- ◆ Use hose washers between spigots and water hoses to eliminate leaks
- ◆ Check hose, connectors and spigots regularly

EXTRAS

- The schedule for the Council meeting Agenda and council packets is: All items to be on the Agenda and information for the council packets must be to the Town Clerk by the Thursday before the meeting at 2:00 p.m. This allows the information to be put in the packet and the Agenda posted. Someone may speak at a meeting about a non-agenda item during public comment. The Council can not take action on matters brought up under the public comment period until the item is scheduled on the Agenda for the next meeting.
- Agendas will be posted at the Town Hall, Post Office and Darlow's. The Agenda will also be posted on the Website.



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COUNCIL SCHEDULE

Council meetings are at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 105 Cedar Street

July 10, 2023

August 14, 2023

September 11, 2023



JOIN OUR TEAM

The Superior Fire Department Wants YOU!

The Department trains every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

BENEFITS

- *Free Training*
- *All equipment supplied*
- *Workman's Comprehensive Insurance provided*
- *Plus Additional insurance*
 - *Stipend*
 - *Pension program*
- *Community involvement*

If interested, stop by the Fire Hall at Cedar Street. The Chief is frequently present at the Fire Hall during the week. He can also be contacted by calling 822-4900 or at the Town Hall at 105 Cedar Street or firechief@blackfoot.net

