

MAYOR'S CORNER

At the regular council meeting held June 13, the council approved the following for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1996:

- ◆ The renewal of the telecommunications contract (911).
- ◆ The renewal of an agreement with Jackson County for dog licensing. (The town issues the county license and 80% of the fee remains in the town.)
- ◆ Submission to the state for a Street Grant to pave Oak street between South and Broad Streets and a portion of Main Street by the Community Hall.

The only business from the audience was presented by Naomi Fredenburg. Naomi was concerned about the wooden sign board in the park and the color of the lettering. She feels that since the "no" words in the regulations are not legible, it is perhaps not noticed by park users. (i.e. "NO Dogs in the park").

The Planning Commission recommended that Michael Witte be appointed as the chairperson, and that Karen Taylor be appointed as a new member. The council approved both. A request for placement of a modular home on Laurel Street, on the Covey property, was approved.

The Administration report included a request to charge a refundable key deposit for Community Hall rental. Evidently there has been a problem with prompt return of keys. The deposit will be in addition to the cleaning deposit (\$25.00). The request was approved.

The Police report was posted by the Marshall after the council meeting. Unfortunately the Marshall had included the names of individuals in the report. (i.e. "James Smith was subpoenaed, J.Doe was cited"). The Marshall mistakenly thought the council had requested names in his reports. This sort of information is not for public distribution. One item stated that an individual was "cited" in connection with the robbery at the store. This was not correct. May I apologize on behalf of the town for those persons whose names were printed in the report. We have requested that this not occur again.

The Public Works report included a request to obtain bids for paving several street repair jobs in town. The request was approved.

A special thanks to community residents who served on the Budget Committee this year, and to Melissa Owens, Budget Officer, who skillfully prepared all the budget documents. Members this year included the council and six residents: Barry Edwards, Dan Murphy, Diane Holm, Julie Freeman, Neil Ellis and Pam Waddell. The Public Hearing for the 96-97 Budget was held June 20. The budget is subject to final approval by the council at a special meeting on June 27.

Under rumor control for this month, I recently heard that the property leased by the Forest Service for the Butte Falls Ranger District office was not on the tax roles. By the time I heard the rumor, the "property was exempt" from taxes. This is not the case. The property is not yet on the tax roles, but will be, and will be retroactive to July 1, 1994.

Sara Beck, Mayor

THE HOT SPOT

BY RUTHE MCCAWE

Hey, it's July already and that means that the fourth is right around the corner. We want to remind everyone that Fire Season is in effect so we all need to be extra careful with fireworks. Have a great time on the fourth, and we'll see you in the parade!

Outside Fire Protection Policies have been coming in at a great rate this year, and we are glad to be able to serve you if the need arises. Also thanks to those who also donated to our department. We really appreciate it.

Well, short and simple that's the way to do things this time--see you all in August.

Remember, *Safety First, Safety Always!*

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WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY
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*Special 4th of July BBQ and menu
The Red Pony in downtown Butte Falls
865-3883*

Emergency Medical Services, Butte Falls Vol. Ambulance

Auction Time Again! The Annual Butte Falls Ambulance Auction will be held August 10th!!! We'll be in the Butte Falls Park once again with auctioneer, Col. Jose Acosta. Watch for the flyers to find out what time it starts. We've been collecting great items for the past year, I'm sure we'll have just what you need! Stay tuned, more to come!

We'll see you in the park on July 4th, in the parade and as we wander selling raffle tickets. We have a 50/50 raffle going and a raffle for a super Dirt Devil vacuum!! See Anne, Melissa, Carrie, or Lynda for early tickets and any ambulance volunteer on the 4th!