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City of Whitefish
PO BOX 158, Whitefish, Montana 59937

LETTER FROM THE CITY MAYOR AND MANAGER

2018 CITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As fall comes to an end and we usher in the holiday and winter seasons, we thought it would be timely to provide the residents of Whitefish a recap of 2018 city accomplishments. Your elected officials, department directors, staff, and the hundreds of volunteers that comprise our various city boards, committees, and nonprofit organizations, deserve the credit for the accomplishments we achieved this past year. As we look towards 2019, the workload appears as challenging, but we are fortunate to have an engaged community that chips in to get things done.

2018 saw the completion of Phase 2 of the Depot Park Master Plan, almost doubling the size of this anchor community park and opening views to the north and east including the Columbia and Whitefish Ranges, and historic Train Depot. Given the number of events Depot Park hosts every year, it is great to have more space for these growing venues. The Central Avenue Project wrapped up this fall creating an additional block of expanded retail and commercial space and enhanced streetscape. The project helped catalyze redevelopment of several properties and we anticipate further expansion of the downtown business district in 2019. The city's Resort Tax funded the Somers Avenue Reconstruction Project and the project was completed before school began and on budget. We appreciated everyone's patience as these capital improvement

projects required road closures, detours, and other inconveniences.

2018 brought the completion of the Whitefish Strategic Housing Plan which seeks to provide affordable housing at many income levels. This is an effort to help ensure Whitefish's hardworking residents can live in the same community they work. Efforts by these groups and local developers, have already yielded results as nearly 200 deed restricted affordable units could begin coming on the market as early as 2020. By the time you receive this newsletter, we are optimistic the City in partnership with the Whitefish Housing Authority will receive nearly \$7 million in low income housing tax credits that will generate an additional 38 units of affordable and workforce housing close to downtown Whitefish.

Other 2018 accomplishments include:

- Grand opening of the James R. Bakke Nature Preserve;
- Paving the Armory Park and WAG dog park parking area;
- Renovating and upgrading the City Beach restrooms;
- Improving the Roundhouse Landing and public access to the Whitefish River;
- Replacing cast iron water mains to reduce water loss and improve pressure and flow;
- Retrofitting 187 high pressure sodium street lights to efficient LED fixtures in the downtown;

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CITY HALL

418 E. 2nd St, Whitefish, MT

Customer Service	863-2400
Legal Services	863-2445
Parks & Recreation	863-2470
Planning & Building	863-2410
Public Works/Streets.....	863-2460
Utility Billing	863-2457

EMERGENCY SERVICES CENTER

275 Flathead Ave, Whitefish, MT

Fire Department	863-2483
Municipal Court	863-2440
Police Department	863-2420

LIBRARY 862-9914

9 Spokane Ave, Whitefish, MT

CITY COUNCIL

City Council Meetings: 1st and 3rd

Mondays of every month at 7:10PM in the Council Chambers (City Hall, 2nd floor). View live stream meetings online at [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search for "City of Whitefish" channel.

New Parking Regulations now in effect, learn more on page 6

COFFEE WITH THE CITY MANAGER

2nd Thursday each Month, 4:00PM

Montana Coffee Traders, downtown

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City Hall Holiday Schedule

November 22 – 23 Thanksgiving
Closed

December 17th – City Council
Meeting Canceled

December 24th – Christmas Eve
Closed at Noon

December 25th – Christmas Day
Closed

December 31st – New Year's Eve
Open 8 – 5

January 1, 2019 – New Year's Day
Closed

WHITEFISH BUSINESS LICENSING

Frequently Asked Questions

When is a business license required?

A business license is required for all businesses operating within the City of Whitefish, including temporary activities and contractors with offices outside of the city limits.

How can I apply for the license?

Business license applications can be obtained from www.cityofwhitefish.org or you can pick up a form at City Hall.

How do I know what the fee is for the license?

The cost of a business license varies according to the different types of business as well as the square footage of the business area. A recent update adjusted the square footage ranges and fees.

2019 Annual Business License Fees	
<i>General & Professional</i>	
0-499 sq. ft.	\$70
500-1,999 sq. ft.	\$100
2,000-5,999 sq. ft.	\$130
6,000-9,999 sq. ft.	\$160
Over 10,000 sq. ft.	\$190
<i>Home Occupation</i>	\$35
<i>Out of City/Contractor</i>	\$70
<i>Short-Term Rental</i>	\$100 + \$50/unit

When should I renew my business license?

If you have a 2018 city business license, expect to see a renewal notice in the mail by December. To avoid a late fee and penalties, renewal payments should be received by December 31, 2018.

Is the license transferable?

No. The business license is only valid for the business owner, location and use of property listed in the application. In order to make changes to the owner, location or use you will need to submit another business license application along with a \$40.00 transfer fee.

If you have any questions about business licensing, please contact our Customer Service Clerk (Tel: 863-2400, Email: customerserviceclerk@cityofwhitefish.org).



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frame shop & gallery



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PUBLIC PARKING GARAGE:

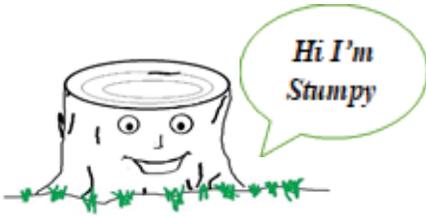
Free PARKING HOURS

3-HOUR FREE PARKING: Level 1

- 6:00AM – 6:00PM, Mon. – Fri.

FREE PARKING: all Levels

- 6:00PM – 6:00AM, Mon. – Fri.
- All Weekends & Holidays



Dear Stumpy,

Help! My kids are bouncing off the walls!! What can I do this winter to keep them all occupied?

Signed, Frazzled on First

Dear Frazzled,

Put that bouncing to good use by registering for the Parks and Recreation Department's K-4 Basketball Camp. Camp begins in January. And starting January, your 5th - 8th grade children can shred the pow with our Friday Night Ski Program. Registration for both programs will open December 21. Visit our website for more information and a link to registration: <http://www.cityofwhitefish.org/parks-and-recreation/youth-rec-programs.php>



Dear Stumpy,

Our yard has many shrubs and every summer our family has fun pruning them into cute animal shapes. But when the snow flies, we lose that fun family activity. We've tried Friday Family Origami Night, but it's just not the same. What can we do as a family this winter that is fun and creative?

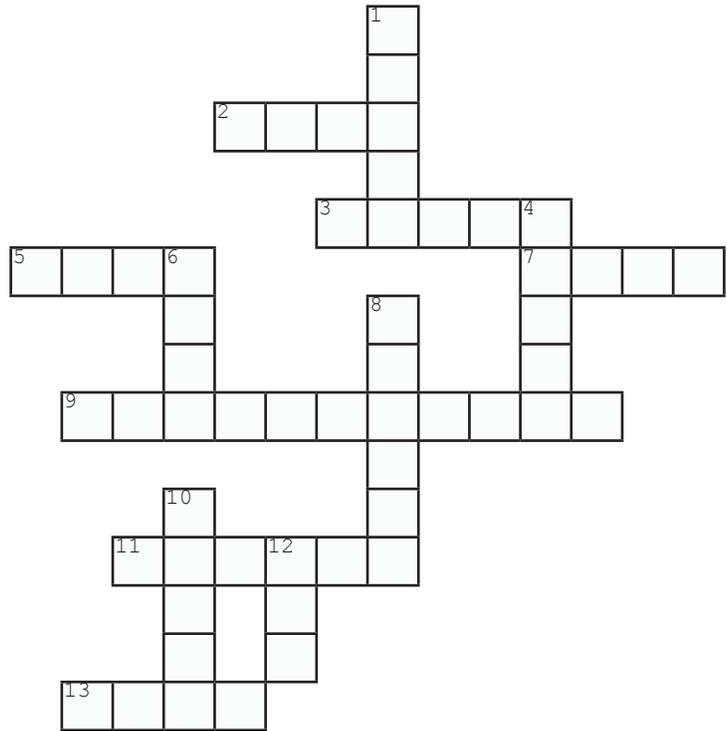
Signed, Snowed-In on Somers.



Dear Snowed-In,

The Whitefish Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the 2nd Annual Snow Sculpture Symposium. This event is planned for the weekend of Winter Carnival, February 1st -3rd. The City is calling for teams to come together to create a snow sculpture garden in Depot Park. This would be a perfect activity for your family!! You can find more information at: <http://www.cityofwhitefish.org/parks-and-recreation/staff-and-news.php> or call 406-863-2473. Happy Sculpting!

Thank you to the members of the Flathead Electric Cooperative for rounding up their bills to make Roundup for Safety possible. Funds from this program helped the Parks and Recreation Department purchase an AED defibrillator and first aid kit for the Roy Duff Memorial Armory. We are excited to offer increased safety in this facility not only for City programs, but for the wide range of groups and events that utilize this public space.



Across

2. a public green area in a town used for recreation
3. this park is home to Brewfest and Oktoberfest
5. the highway commissioner and mayor who has a recreational building named for him
7. in the summer, children can sign up to do this kind of climbing
9. this park is named after an international volunteer service organization
11. Baker Park is also known as what Park
13. this beach had approx. 2,084 boats leave it's launch

Down

1. this local famous artist has a Nature Reserve named after him
 4. the Parks & Recreation Dept. maintains over 7,000 of these
 6. the number of gazebos available for rent at City Beach
 8. this bird has a tennis court named after it
 10. the number of river access points managed by the Parks & Recreation Dept
 12. to stop invasive species, watercraft should Clean, Drain & what
- The key to the crossword can be found on our Facebook page! www.facebook.com/Whitefish-Parks-and-Recreation-187551877946673/

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

BEARS BEARS, EVERYWHERE ARE BEARS

We have had and continue to have numerous bear calls. Living in harmony with wildlife is a vital part of living in Montana. However, wildlife can be dangerous, and those cute cuddly bear cubs you see are almost always accompanied by a very protective mom. Please don't approach them. To keep all

of us safe including the bears, use these suggestions to keep bears away: Follow the city ordinance regarding trash cans, don't leave pet food out, harvest your fruit and vegetables, and, most importantly, if you see a bear, CALL US, at 863-2420



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

As many of you know, we have a School Resource Officer (SRO) who is assigned to all schools within the city. Police are in our schools to make them more visible and to foster an atmosphere of trust among students, faculty, parents and the police and make the learning environment safe. Whitefish patrol officers have designated offices within the schools. Day-shift officers

will utilize the offices in all schools as their home base when not on patrol. We hope their presence will enhance school safety, open lines of communications with students, faculty and parents and add more of a sense of "community" to our policing efforts. If you see one of our men or women in blue in the schools stop and say hello.

LOCK IT UP!

As a defense attorney once stated in a closing argument, "I don't want to beat a dead horse to death," but we need to remind all residents to keep their homes, vehicles and businesses secure. Every year we see an increase in thefts, especially during the holidays, which will soon be upon us. Lock your cars and don't leave valuables in them. Lock your houses, and if feasible install a security system. Today's systems are relatively inexpensive, easy to install,

and keep you informed through your smart phone. If you do install a system in your house or business, know how to use it to avoid false alarms.

And remember, if you see something or someone who seems out of place call us and we will investigate.



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BE AWARE OF SCAMS

There are numerous phone and internet scams being perpetrated within the valley. One phone scam we have investigated involves a phone call stating that an arrest warrant exists for the person they are calling (the victim of the scam), and that they must call and provide a credit card number or bank account number or they will be immediately arrested. We don't operate in that fashion. We will come and knock on your door. DO NOT give any credit card or bank account information to anyone you do not know. The other scam is an internet scam. You will receive an email stating that the sender has your password and that he has proof you have been watching pornography on your computer or phone. The sender will demand \$6,000 or \$7,000 to not let your friends, co-workers, relatives, etc. know of your transgressions. Once again, it's a scam; don't respond. Call us, take a photo of the email and then delete it.

Have a great holiday season and remember that community policing is about the community helping the police keep our community safe. Call us if something doesn't look right.

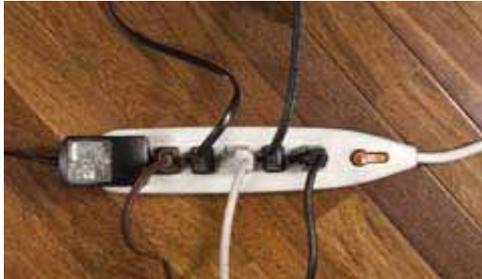
If you have a question, comment or suggestions please feel free to contact the Whitefish Police Department at 863-2420, or visit us on Facebook @Whitefish Police Department

WINTER FIRE SAFETY

Heating

While winter home fires are only 8% of the total number of fires in the United States, they result in 30% of all fire deaths. On average 890 people die in winter home fires each year with \$2 billion in property loss. A heat source too close to combustibles is the leading factor contributing to the start of winter home fires.

1. Please keep space heaters at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn.
2. Choose space heaters that turn off automatically if tipped over.
3. Have your chimney cleaned.
4. Keep fireplace screens or doors in place.
5. Don't overload extension cords or wall sockets.



Smoke Alarms

- Test your alarms monthly
 - Change your batteries
 - Teach your children what to do when they hear the alarm sounds -
- Crawl low under the smoke and get out



Cooking Fires

Cooking is the leading cause of home fires and burn injuries.

1. When cooking, stay in the kitchen and keep an eye on the stove.
2. Wear short or tight-fitting sleeves when cooking.
3. Keep towels, pot holders, curtains, and paper away from the stove.
4. Have a "kid-free-zone" of at least 3 feet around the stove and grill.



Snow

We need everybody's help keeping fire hydrants clear of snow especially after plowing.

Please ensure the vents to the outside of your home are clear of snow and other debris.



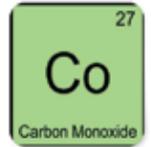
If you have a question, comment or suggestion please feel free to contact the Whitefish Fire Department at 863-2483, or visit us on Facebook @Whitefish Professional Firefighters Local 3995

Health Safety – CO

Carbon monoxide, also known as CO, is called the "Invisible Killer" because it's a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. More than 150 people in the United States die every year from accidental non fire-related CO poisoning associated with consumer products, including generators. Other products include faulty, improperly-used or incorrectly-vented fuel-burning appliances such as furnaces, stoves, water heaters and fireplaces.

Because CO is odorless, colorless, and otherwise undetectable to the human senses, people may not know that they are being exposed. The initial symptoms of low to moderate CO poisoning are similar to the flu (but without the fever). They include:

- Headache
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea
- Dizziness



High level CO poisoning results in progressively severe symptoms, including:

- Mental confusion
- Vomiting
- Loss of muscular coordination
- Loss of consciousness
- Ultimately death

Please install CO alarms in a central area outside sleeping areas on each floor.

Make sure your dryer, stove, and fireplace vents are clear.

Keep you and your family safe this winter

ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING - NOW IN EFFECT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1: How does the alternate side parking ordinance work?

Simple. During the months of October – April, between the hours of 5 AM to 5PM, do the following:

- On the EVEN-numbered calendar days – park on the EVEN-numbered side of the street

- On the ODD-numbered calendar days – park on the ODD-numbered side of the street

Q2: Why implement a new parking initiative now?

The new ordinance was developed to manage the challenges that are created by parked vehicles. The ordinance will primarily help with snow removal by allowing plows to clear snow all the way to the curb line. However, the new ordinance will also assist with other roadway maintenance activities such as leaf pickup and street sweeping.

Q3: Does alternate side parking apply to every street in town?

No. Streets with existing parking regulations do not fall under the alternate side parking regulations. Examples of this would be:

- Any street posted as NO PARKING ANYTIME on one or both sides;

- Streets in the downtown district where no parking is permitted from 2:30 am – 6:00 am; or

- Streets with angled or head in parking on one or both sides

Q4: Is alternate side parking in effect every day, even if it doesn't snow?

Yes. In order to allow residents time to adjust to the new regulation we thought it would be beneficial to implement alternate side parking in October. The fall implementation will also promote more effective leaf collection and street sweeping operations. Our hope is that people will be accustomed to the new parking ordinance once it begins to snow, which will make for efficient and effective snow removal operations this winter with very few citations.

Q5: What happens if it snows in the

middle of the night – am I supposed to get up and move my car?

Alternate side parking begins at 5 am EVERY MORNING of the snow season, regardless of whether it snows or not. Therefore, you should plan to park or move your vehicle after 5 pm each day to the side of the road where it will be permissible to park the following day.

Think of it this way, if it's 5:00 pm on November 11th, and you're parked on the odd side of the street, you have 12 hours to move your vehicle. If that doesn't make sense, refer to Question #1.

Q6: I think I got towed. Where is my car?

Vehicles will only be towed after multiple citations, or after a significant snowfall. However, if you believe your



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& REACH OVER 8,700 MAILBOXES

1/3 PAGE AD

\$250

CONTACT:

Michelle Howke, City Clerk

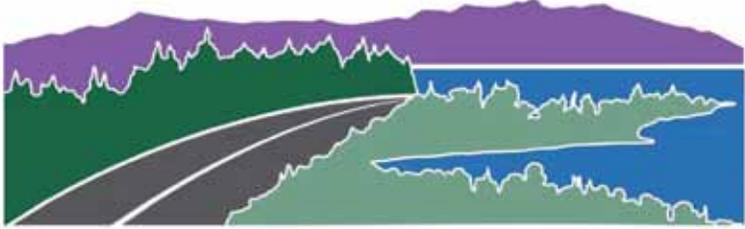
City of Whitefish, 863-2402 mhowke@cityofwhitefish.org

SUMP PUMP SUPPRESSION

The City recently completed our first "Sump Pump Collection" system on Somers Avenue. Residents on Somers Avenue now have an approved alternative to illegally connecting their sump pumps to the sanitary sewer. Door to door inspections will soon be scheduled along Somers Avenue to confirm that homes are taking advantage of this new system. Future inspections will be scheduled in other neighborhoods suspected of having illegal sump pump connections. If your sump pump is connected to the sewer, please reroute the pipe so that it discharges onto your lawn, at least 8-10 feet from your house, or into a nearby storm sewer. Removal of groundwater from the City's sewer system will reduce costs for all City residents and promote environmental responsibility.



STATE PARK ROAD



RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The City of Whitefish is planning to reconstruct State Park Road, from Lion Mountain Road to the Railroad Crossing. The City has selected the engineering firm of Robert Peccia & Associates (RPA) to assist them with project management, public involvement, surveying and civil engineering. The project will generally include roadway reconstruction, a bicycle/pedestrian path and drainage improvements.

Throughout the development of the project, there will be several public outreach campaigns and opportunities for public involvement. Informational newsletters and other information regarding the project will be posted at:

<http://www.cityofwhitefish.org/public-works/state-park-road-project.php>

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CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP

The City of Whitefish Public Works Department will pick up Christmas trees on December 31, January 7 and January 14.

Please place the trees (free of stands, decorations, tinsel, lights, etc.) on the nearest boulevard for pick up. If you do not have a boulevard, please place the tree in the alley at least 10' from the nearest refuge container.

There will be a trailer available at the Central Recycling Site located at Railway and Columbia Avenue for drop off as well.

Snow removal activities are priority during winter, so expect delays in tree pickup.

The City encourages residents to find alternative uses for their used Christmas trees, such as chipping them for mulch or using them for fire wood.

Please call 863-2460 if you have any questions.

SNOW LOT HOUSING PROJECT

The City snow storage lot, located at Railway Street and Columbia Avenue, has long been identified as a potential location to develop affordable housing for Whitefish residents working for our local businesses. It was also a top strategy identified in the 2017 Whitefish Strategic Housing Plan. East-side neighbors and community members worked with a team of consultants and City staff through a series of meetings to determine design features for future residences. The process began with a community design charrette which included a walking tour of the property, identifying favorite building design features, and drawing ideas related to the layout of the site. The consultants assembled all the ideas and presented three design options to the community on October 17th. After further refinement, the design options will be presented to the Strategic Housing Steering Committee and the City Council. Next steps also include determining the financial feasibility of the project, securing a developer, and obtaining land use permits.



Possible design option for snow lot



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- Constructing and opening the Reservoir Road Trailhead in partnership with Whitefish Legacy Partners and F.H. Stoltze Land and Lumber Company; and
- Working to keep aquatic invasive species out of Whitefish Lake with over 6,000 boat inspections in partnership with Whitefish Lake Institute.

Healthy economic construction activity continued through Fiscal Year 2018 with over 250 building permits totaling close to \$50 million in value and we anticipate this trend to continue through Fiscal Year 2019. Resort tax revenues exceeded \$4M translating to over \$1.2M in property tax relief to Whitefish homeowners. With the continued increase in visitation, we

acknowledge the impact it has on the services we provide and how to pay for those services. In 2018 alone, the Whitefish Police Department received approximately 12,500 calls for service and the Whitefish Fire Department responded to over 1,700 emergency calls. We appreciate our emergency responders in the work they do and the risks they take to help keep our community safe. Through an interlocal agreement with Flathead County, the city's emergency response services extend well beyond our corporate limits. We are working with our county partners to seek a long term, equitable solution that will maintain the level of service expected of our customers outside of town, while avoiding any impact to city taxpayers.

HIGHWAY 93 S. CORRIDOR

The Highway 93 South Corridor Plan is underway, and the City invites you to get involved and provide your input into how that gateway corridor into Whitefish can be improved. The City hosted our first of three public open houses on September 5th. A couple dozen members of the public joined us to learn about the corridor and the planning process and to help identify issues and opportunities. You can follow the progress of the plan to date on the City Website at www.city-ofwhitefish.org under the Planning and Building/Long Range Planning page. The planning process will now shift into a second phase in which the Steering Committee and the public will help develop a vision and goals for the corridor, as well as some preliminary preferred concepts and action items. The monthly Steering Committee meetings are open to the public, and you are also invited to our second open house, a public visioning session on January 8 from 5-7 pm at the Hampton Inn in Whitefish. We appreciate your involvement and input!

As your Mayor, City Council, and City Staff, we govern for you. Please contact John or Adam if you have any concerns, questions, or ideas regarding ongoing city operations. Happy holidays to all!

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Mayor, City of Whitefish

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City Manager, City of Whitefish

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BUILDING TIPS: Pouring Concrete in the Winter

We often get questions about winter construction and, more specifically, whether concrete construction can occur in the winter months. Although not ideal, concrete can be poured during the winter with special precautions.

Winter concrete construction is more complicated for several reasons:

*Concrete achieves strength by a chemical process called hydration. The process happens when water combines with Portland cement. The process works best when the water is warm. The cold weather in the winter slows down the chemical reaction and therefore slows down the rate of strength gain. Ultimately, all that really means is you need to wait longer before you apply any significant structural loads to the concrete.

*To combat the low temperatures and slow rate of hydration, chemical

accelerators can be used. In the past, calcium was used to accelerate the chemical reaction and increase the strength gain of concrete. However, it was discovered that calcium causes corrosion in the reinforcing steel. Today we use non-chloride accelerators to protect the reinforcing steel from corrosion.



*Concrete plants use warm water when mixing concrete in the winter. As

you can imagine this can be quite costly due to the sheer volume of water that must be heated.

*Finally, insulated blankets and heaters are used to protect concrete from freezing when it's first poured. This allows the chemical process of hydration to continue and therefore create stronger concrete.

The Whitefish Building Department strictly follows the American Concrete Institute recommendations listed in Section 306 when inspecting cold weather concrete. Thermal blankets or heat is required based on ambient temperatures during cold weather. Concrete monitoring is conducted by Building Inspectors to ensure proper procedures are followed. Please contact us at 863-2414 with your questions related to building construction.

Snow Removal Reminders...

Keeping our sidewalks free of ice and snow is the neighborly thing to do, **AND IT'S THE LAW**. For your own benefit and to help your neighbors, people pushing strollers, or those using wheelchairs or walkers, please do your part!

When You Remove Snow & Ice...

- * The occupant or owner of a building or lot is responsible for the removal of snow and ice from the full width of the sidewalk or within a minimum 5 feet of the shared use path, on all sides of your property, down to the cement or pavement.
- * Business Districts - all sidewalks to be cleared within a minimum of 5 feet of clearance the following morning.
- * After the sidewalk is cleared, sprinkling sand or salt to help prevent slipping.
- * Pile snow into your yard and boulevard. **IT'S AGAINST THE LAW TO SHOVEL SNOW ONTO STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & BIKE PATHS.**
- * Clear curb cuts at corners and crosswalks to the street gutter.
- * Clear snow and ice around fire hydrants to provide easier access for the Fire Department.

Other Reminders...

- * The sooner and more completely you shovel, the less likely ice will form.
- * Be sure to arrange for someone to shovel while you are on vacation.
- * If snow and ice are not removed in a timely manner, owners will be notified, and if not remedied, the City may have the snow removed at the property owner's expense.
- * Contact the Code Compliance Officer, 863-1242 if you are unable to remove snow or have concerns.

HOW DOES THE RESORT TAX BENEFIT YOU?

Resort tax funds rebuild our streets, improve our city parks, pay for the Has-kill Basin Conservation Easement, and provide property tax relief to Whitefish property owners. For Fiscal Year 2019, \$1,370,121 will be returned to taxpayers through a reduction in their Real Estate Tax Bills. The amount each property owner receives varies based on the taxable value of their property. You can find the amount of property tax relief you receive each year under the City section of your Real Estate Tax Bill that you receive from Flathead County. The Resort Tax Relief shows as a credit that reduces the general tax levy for the City. Resort Tax funded projects completed summer 2018:

- Somers Avenue Reconstruction Project
- City Beach restroom renovation
- WAG Dog Park parking lot paving

Next street project scheduled is the reconstruction of State Park Road from

FLATHEAD COUNTY
2017 REAL ESTATE TAX BILL
Acely Krantz, Treasurer
300 1st Ave in the E. Kalispell MT 59901
(406) 738-4400
cityofwhitefish.mt.gov/property_tax

WHITEFISH MT SHEET

Assessor Number: 000000
Tax Bill Number: 00000000
School District: 74
SED Code: 00000000000000

Property Location:
Property Description:

Parcel with ownership interest as of January 1, 2017 (see sheet)

Type of Property	Market Value	Taxable Value	Description	Rate/Amount	Amount
MT 0000	181,210	1,827.38	LAND IMPROV	0.1214	221.87
Improvements	258,191	2,023.38	Structure	0.2124	430.28
0000	342,280	4,850.76	320 ANTIQUES	20.128	797.85
			NEW	0.126	23.79

SUMMARY OF TAXES, LEVIES & FEES

COUNTY - HEALTH	0.0000	382.55	SHERIFF	0.0200	104.23
CO. PEER MED LEVY	0.0000	47.43	INDUSTRIAL NEIGHB	0.0000	0.00
COUNTY/REGIONAL WASTEWATER	0.0000	1.87	MT. GRAV. CRUISE BOND	0.0000	0.00
PORT DIST LEVY	0.0000	1.10	BOARD OF HEALTH	0.0000	0.00
COUNTY LIASITELL	0.0000	87.23			
SUBTOTAL - TAXES FOR COUNTY FUNCTIONS...				0.22100	678.81
STATE - UNIVERSITY	0.0000	37.50	GENERAL SCHOOLS	0.0000	458.14
STATE - SCHOOL AID	0.0000	285.80	PLAT. NAT. ESC. COLLEGE	0.0000	73.84
WILDERNESS MGMT. FUND	0.0000	475.84	MTSH. K-12. ELER. FN	0.0000	408.28
PHUC FUNDING AID LEVY	0.0000	15.18			
SUBTOTAL - TAXES FOR EDUCATION.....				0.0000	1346.34
WATERBURY CITY	0.0000	541.87	RESORT TAX RELIEF	-0.07443	-219.52
MT PEER MED LEVY	0.0000	172.43	MTSH. CITY STREETS	0.0000	132.76
MTSH. CITY STREETS	0.0000	132.76	MTSH. STAMPER (DRAINAGE)	0.0000	0.00
MTSH. PARKWAY MNT. I	0.0000	13.86			
SUBTOTAL - TAXES FOR CITY FUNCTIONS.....				0.0000	787.65
SOIL & WATER CONSERV.	0.0000	7.73	MT COUNTY WATER DEPT	0.0000	3.00
SUBTOTAL - OTHER TAXES AND FEES.....				0.0000	10.73
Total With Land			Total Taxes and Fees		3049.62

EDUCATION.....	.344150	1592.38
RESORT TAX RELIEF	-.047443	-219.52
MT FIRE / AMBULANCE	.024000	111.05
MTSH CITY STREETS		132.76

Lion Mountain Road to the Railroad Crossing, which will generally include roadway reconstruction, a bicycle/pedestrian path and drainage improvements.

A contribution of \$20,000 to assist with the Smith Fields Playground Project has been approved for Fiscal Year 2019.

Since its inception, Resort Tax has generated over \$9.9 million in property tax relief, over \$19.7 million for Street Improvements, and over \$1.6 million in bike paths and park improvements. Without these funds, many of the successful projects you see throughout the City would not have been accomplished.

Thank you for supporting your local businesses. Your resort tax dollars continue to support your Whitefish community.

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WHITEFISH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

PROGRAMMING AT YOUR LIBRARY:

Whitefish Community Library (WCL) has presented some incredible programs this past month. Bernice Ende told us about her adventures traversing America by horseback and Steve Adelson presented “Apocalypse at the Little Bighorn: Custer’s Final Battle. The standing room only attendees requested we invite both Ms. Ende and Mr. Adelson back and we look forward to seeing them again in the Spring. Working with Montana PBS the library once again sponsored the popular “Clifford, the Big Red Dog” and will be inviting Clifford back in the new year.

The wonderful programs continue as winter approaches and you are looking for stimulating and entertaining programs. In November we will be offering the BZN International Film Festival in the Community Room. Catch the best of the 2018 short films: Drawback, With My Own Two Hands, Where the Wild Things Play and Mankiller.

December brings Susan Purvis, acclaimed author of “Go Find. My Journey to Find the Lost and Myself”. Ms. Purvis will present “Staying Alive in Avalanche Country”, as well as discussion on her book.

Also, in December, Elke Duerr will present her exciting stories and award-winning film “Wolves and Hu-

mans: A New Story of Coexistence”.

The goal of the WCL is to offer more than books. We hope to provide local interest programs that educate and entertain, as well as the opportunity to participate in positive discussion.

Aside from our very successful Summer Reading Program and Thursday morning story time, we partnered with the Whitefish Education Foundation on the Early Literacy Initiative. Also, working with the Whitefish School District we provided free programs, highlighting literacy and nutrition with “Lunch and A Story”. Lunch partner for this was the Summer Food Service Program.

NEW ADDITIONS:

The Whitefish Library Board of Trustees filled two expired terms and welcomed Cheryl Hyland and Kris Lierboe.

WCL welcomed not only another staff person, but also added an extra open hour to the work week. In September we changed our open hours from 12-5pm to 11am-5pm.

Something new for young adults is a Wednesday afternoon “Comic Book Club”. Young people are invited to meet in the Community Room from 4-5pm.

REMINDER:

Adults are invited to the Whitefish Book Discussion. This discussion group is open to those avid readers who not

only enjoy reading a book but enjoy a lively conversation and refreshments. The club meets the last Wednesday of every month (except December) at 6pm in the Community Room. The November meeting is dedicated to a planning session for the coming new year.

The Board of Trustees meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7pm in the Community Room. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. This is your opportunity to offer your insights and suggestions to a receptive Board. This library belongs to you, the community, and we believe strongly that your voice determines the direction of its future.





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