



Town of Ignacio Newsletter

April 5, 2022
Volume V, Issue 4

Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE:

The regular Town Board Meeting is the second Monday of each month.

Town Board Meeting

Mon, April 11th
6:30PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room and
via Remote Public Meeting



Happy Easter!

April 17, 2022



Town Hall Hours of Operation

Town Hall is open to the public from 10 AM to 2 PM Monday through Friday. Phones are on from 9 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday. If you need to come into the office before 10 AM or after 2 PM, please call to make an appointment.

Ignacio Elections

The polling place for the April 5, 2022 election is the Abel F. Atencio Community Room, 570 Goddard Ave. Polls are open from 7AM to 7PM. To confirm your registration status, go to <http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/vote/VoterHome.html> and click on "Find my Registration". There is 1 candidate for Mayor and 4 Candidates for Trustee (3 trustee seats are available). There will also be ballot questions concerning the allowance and taxation of recreational and medical marijuana.



Spring Clean Up

Spring Clean Up will be May 5-8, 2022, 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM all four days. Please bring a copy of your utility bill with you as proof of residency. No electronics, tires or chemicals accepted. Refrigerators will only be accepted if the Freon pump is removed, and it must be tagged by a licensed repairman.

2021 Water Quality Reports

The 2021 Water Quality Report is now available on the Town website (townofignacio.colorado.gov). It has also been posted at Town Hall, the Library, and the Post Office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Town Hall.

If you smell natural gas

in your home or business, leave immediately! Do not turn light switches on or off, especially in the area you smell gas. Do not use your cell phone until you are outside and can no longer smell any gas. Call 911, the Fire Department (970-563-9501), or Dispatch (970-563-4401) if you smell gas at any time.



Service Opportunity

Do you love your community? Do you want to influence the vision and direction of the Town of Ignacio? Now you can! There are multiple openings on the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. To learn more about these two opportunities, please visit our website (townofignacio.colorado.gov), hover your mouse over Town Departments / Planning Department, and select the designated link. You can download an application from the Applications, Forms and Licenses page of our website. Once your completed application is received, it will be submitted to the Town Board for review. Individuals who currently own a business or property within Ignacio town limits, but do not live within the town limits, can still serve. You will be notified when your application is up for review, as the Town Board will want to talk with you. If you have any questions, please contact Town Hall.

Si huele gas natural

en su casa o negocio, salga inmediatamente, sin pagar los interruptores de las luces, especialmente en el área que se siente olor a gas. ESPERAR a usar su teléfono celular hasta que ya no pueda oler el gas. Llame al número local de emergencias (911), al Departamento de Bomberos (970-563-9501), o diligencia al numero 970-563-4401, si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento.



Low-income Energy Assistance Program

The Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) began on November 1 and will run through April 30, 2022. LEAP is a federally funded program and is designed to help eligible low-income households with winter home heating costs. To apply, go to <https://cdhs.colorado.gov/leap>. They have a limited amount of funds for assistance with water and wastewater as well; the application for that program is also online under Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP).

Safety Reminder

Please remember to always lock your car and never leave valuables in it, especially not in plain view. This will prevent thieves from having easy access to your valuable items.

Town of Ignacio Newsletter

Carbon Monoxide & Smoke Detectors

According to Colorado State Law, every home must have Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors installed. The smoke alarms must be installed both inside and outside of each sleeping room. Battery operated units should have a new battery installed every six (6) months.

Town Burn Pile

To drop off your tree limbs, grass clippings and other organic material at the Burn Pile, please call the on-call number (970-759-3660) to set an appointment. Please note that if the ground is muddy, access to the Burn Pile will be closed until conditions are satisfactory.

Online Payments

You can pay your Town utility bill **ONLINE!** Go to the Town's website townofignacio.colorado.gov and look for the "Pay Your Bill Online" link at the bottom of the home page. You will be charged a fee of \$1.00 for electronic checks, and \$0.75 + 2.25% of the transaction for debit or credit payments. You can mail your payment to: PO Box 459 Ignacio, CO 81137 or drop it in the night drop box (no cash, please). If you have a cash payment, you can visit Town Hall between 10 AM and 2 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks!

Election for Board of Directors Los Pinos Fire Protection District

May 3rd - 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM. Two Polling Place Locations:
Station 1: 275 Browning Ave. Ignacio, CO 81137
Tara Community Building: 333 Milton Lane Arboles, CO 81121

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency (SoCoCAA) is actively seeking Board members. Members do not need to live in Ignacio. If interested, please call (970) 563-4517 or email Lori Niewold, Executive Director: niewold@sococaa.org. SoCoCAA is hiring for the following positions: Addiction Specialist; Bus Driver; Clerical/Dispatch; Celebrating Healthy Community Program Manager; Monitoring Technician Substitute; Program Coordinator for Youth Services; Substitute Teachers. Please go to www.sococaa.org to submit your application or call 970-563-4517.

Employment Opportunity

The ELHI Community Center in Ignacio, CO, is seeking a highly motivated person for the position of Facilities Manager/Administrator. The candidate will have numerous duties and responsibilities to ensure efficient and effective operations of the office, building and grounds, including administrative support, communications, site and tenant management, coordination, scheduling and clerical tasks. Must have strong leadership skills to manage staff, volunteers, partnerships and events. This position will be a 40 hour per week job with some flexibility for event coverage. A complete job description and application are available online at <https://www.theelhiignacio.org>. The ELHI Center is a drug and alcohol-free workplace, in accordance with Ignacio School District policies. Salary is \$42,000/Annually DOQ/DOE. Applicants must submit a job application, cover letter, and a resume to: elhboard@gmail.com. Job will be open until filled.

Ignacio Community Library

Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. & Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Library: Idea Lab STEM Class. Learn the basics of design and software options for creating and producing documents for work or fun. The class will use open source and free software sources. This class is for all ages but children under 9 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Empty Bowls Soup Dinner & Silent Auction

Thursday, April 28th 5:00-7:00 PM at the Ignacio Elementary School. If you are interested in attending, donating, or would like to contribute to this event, please contact Lisa Brown at 970-563-0596 or lisabrown@ignacioschools.org. This event benefits the Ignacio Community and Beyond.

Free Legal Clinics

La Plata County is offering free legal clinics on the second Friday of each month, 4-5 PM, at Ignacio Community Library. Please call 970-563-9287 if you would like to attend.

Homebuyer Education Classes

HomesFund offers free first-time homebuyer education classes in La Plata County. You have the opportunity to qualify for Down-Payment Assistance Funds by attending one of these classes. To register, go to: <https://homesfund.org/attend-a-class>.