# Town of Ignacio Newsletter

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# **Upcoming Events**

### PLEASE NOTE:

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

#### Town Hall Closed

Thurs, November 11, 2022 In Observance of Veteran's Day

### Town Board Meeting

Mon, November 14, 2022 6:00 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room and via Remote Public Meeting

#### Town Hall Closed

Thurs & Fri, November 24-25, 2022 In Observance of Thanksgiving Holiday





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.

Si huele gas natural en su casa o n e g o c i o , s a l g a 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.

# Town Hall Hours of Operation

Town Hall is open to the public from 9 AM - 4 PM Monday through Friday. We look forward to serving you. Please do not come into the office if you have cold-like symptoms.

### Happy Veteran's Day!

Thank you to all the members of our armed forces. Your service is deeply appreciated. We honor you and your families for the sacrifices you make.

### Happy Thanksgiving!

There are so many things to be thankful for! Even in the middle of difficult circumstances, we can always find something for which we can express gratitude - family, friends, food, life, loved ones.

### Low-income Energy Assistance Program

The Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) began on November 1 and will run through April 30, 2023. LEAP is a federally funded program and is administered by Discover Goodwill of Southern and Western Colorado. It is designed to help eligible low-income households with winter home heating costs. To apply, go to https://cdhs.colorado.gov/leap. If you received assistance last year, you need to reapply this year. They have a limited amount of funds for assistance with water and sewer; the application for that program is also online under Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP).

### 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.

### Do You Own A Dog?

It is the time of year to register your dog with the Town of Ignacio. Per Municipal Code, you are only allowed two dogs per residence, and are required to register your dog and show proof of vaccination. The fee per dog is \$10 if your dog is spayed/neutered, and \$15 if they are not. Please call Town Hall (970-563-9494) for more information. Forms can be found on the Town's website: www.townofignacio.colorado.gov under the "Forms" tab, and either dropped off at Town Hall or mailed to PO Box 459, Ignacio, CO 81137.

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# 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.

NOTE: If people continue to dump unacceptable items, the Burn Pile will be closed indefinitely.

### 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 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks!

### Snow Removal

The Public Works Department is involved in snow removal operations. During snow storms, please park your vehicles in your driveway or garage and leave the street clear for snow plows. Also, the Town Code states that it is unlawful to plow, shovel, push, or place snow from privately owned property into any street, road, alley, or highway in the Town. Please help Town crews as they work hard to keep Town streets clear of snow and safe for your travel. Thank you.

### Ignacio School District

November 7, 2022: Athletic Booster Club Meeting- High School Cafeteria 6:30 PM

November 9, 2022: Winter Sports Parent Meeting 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

November 11, 2022: No School, Veteran's Day

November 14, 2022: School Picture Retakes 8:00 AM

November 15, 2022: Multicultural Committee Meeting - Admin Building 11:50 AM

November 23 - 25, 2022: Thanksgiving Break - No School December 8, 2022: School Board Meeting 7:00 PM

# Ignacio Creative District

Join us on December 2, 2022 for Ignacio's annual Taste of Christmas celebration as we LIGHT up the town! Enjoy the light parade with a Santa Helicopter Flyover, Town light display, holiday market, photos with Santa, games and prizes, festive treats and more!!! It's time to be Merry, it's time to be BRIGHT! The Parade starts at 5:30 PM and festivities last until 8:00 PM.

# Ignacio Community Library

Taste of Ignacio Cookie Contest: Tues, November 8, 2022 at 11:00 AM - We're inviting bakers of all ages to bring in their best cookies and recipes! THE RULES: only cookies are eligible. Bakes must submit 12 cookies, cookie name/type, and a copy of their recipe for judging. Please enter cookies on any types of disposable or recyclable plate. COOKIES MUST BE DROPPED OFF BY 11:00 AM ON TUES, NOVEMBER 8, 2022. (They can be dropped off the day before if needed.) Cookies will be judged at 2:00 PM November 8, 2022, on appearance, teste, and overall appeal by a panel of cookie-loving experts. Night Sky Party: Sat, November 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM - We're hosting our first Night Sky Party! Join us to view the stars and other astronomical objects and share stories of the recent lunar eclipse! No registration required. Telescopes will be provided for viewing. Dress accordingly!

### Southern Colorado Community Action Agency

SoCoCAA is now hiring for multiple positions: Clerical/Dispatch; Substitute Teachers; Monitoring Technicians; Janitor; Bus Driver/ICB Operator; Dial-a-Ride Driver; Clerical/Dispatch; Bus Cleaner/Building Maintenance Technician; Addiction Specialist. All positions open until filled. Visit our website (www.sococaa.org) or call 970-563-4517.

### Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a 12 Step Recovery Program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling your life. The Ignacio CR group holds meetings every Monday night from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM at 405 Browning Avenue in Ignacio, CO. For additional information please contact Teresa at 970-779-8133.