

Manager's Message

After a very wet spring we now have warmer weather upon us and yard maintenance has become a focus as keeping grass and weeds cut down is a concern for some properties in the community. The majority of properties are starting to look good with yards being mowed regularly but there are always some properties that need to be warned and some owners are issued tickets for court if they fail to comply. The Code Enforcement Officer will typically issue one warning and will work with residents if time is needed to address nuisances but in general multiple warnings or unreasonable time will not be given. The Board approved several code amendments earlier this year regarding nuisances and one change increased the allowed height of grass or weeds from six inches to eight inches. This change was based upon a recommendation from a landscaping consultant to help grass or sod to survive better in dry conditions and reduce the amount of water needed to maintain yards.

In a few circumstances when a warning or ticket isn't enough a property owner will be issued an Abatement Notice and given a reasonable timeline to have the nuisance corrected. If the nuisance isn't corrected then the Municipal Court Judge will authorize the Town to have the property abated at the owner's expense. During the past year the Town had issued two Abatement Notices and if the property owner doesn't pay the costs for the abatement (i.e., mowing, junk removal, etc.) then the costs are assessed as a lien against the property and is paid in the following year's property taxes. Again, these situations are not common but it does allow the Town an option to get properties cleaned up if the owner refuses to take action.

The Annual Harvest Daze weekend is scheduled for August 18th-20th with most activities occurring again at Lincoln Park on Friday evening and the Community Complex

throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday. This year's theme is "Freedom & Fireworks" and a flyer showing the full list of activities including locations and times is included in this month's utility bill and is also posted at Town Hall, many businesses and on our website at www.plattevillegov.org.

Mountain Constructors continues to work on the Grand Avenue sidewalk and street improvements with completion still expected in early August. The new sidewalks are being formed on both sides of the street and the post office ordered several new mail cluster boxes that will be installed for the residents along Grand Avenue as the individual mailboxes have been removed and won't be reinstalled. The installation of new sidewalks from Main Street to River Street and having Grand Avenue repaved will significantly improve one of our primary roadways through the community and make it much safer for our kids and pedestrians with improved crosswalks with several electronic warning and speed signs located along Grand near the intersections of Division and also at River Street.

Bids are currently being solicited for annual street patching and we're waiting on A-One Chip Seal to let us know when they'll be ready to chip seal Rodgers Farm and Old Homestead once they've completed other larger projects in surrounding communities. Both the patching and chip sealing should be done within the next month as we try to get all road improvement projects completed before school starts again.

Enjoy the summer months and please contact me with any questions.

Contact Information

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Police Dept.

(970) 785-2215
Non-Emergency Dispatch:
(970) 356-1212
Emergency: 911

Public Works Dept.

(970) 785-6415

Recreation & Seniors

(970)785-2245 x. 1101
(720) 438-0711

Platteville/Gilcrest Fire Protection District

303 Main Street
Platteville, CO 80651
(970) 785-2232

Pioneer Museum

502 Marion Avenue
Platteville, CO 80651
(970) 785-6285
Mon & Wed 10:00am-3:00pm
Sat. 10:00-2:00pm

Public Library

504 Marion Ave./PO Box 567
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Sat 10:00am-2:00pm
www.PPLCO.us

Nantes Library (Gilcrest)

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www.nanteslibrary.us