

Branson Town News

Brought To You By The Branson Town Council



Thank You, San Isabel Electric Assn., for sending Eddie Smith and crew to trim around wires just days before our event – and for helping keep Branson safe.

Local Crew Gets Dead Wood Out of Town On Source Water Protection Weekend!

A hard-working crew of neighbors and friends pitched in September 22-23 to help rid the town of dry brush, branches, and limbs as part of our Source Water Protection and Fire Mitigation outreach event. Hats Off! to Craig and Lori Green, Eric and Gabi Freisl, Dean Clausen, Letha Martinez, Tom Weyandt, Pat Wharton, Phil Bernal, Todd Warner, Christine Loudon, Ava, Finn, and Lexi, and yours truly. Costs were covered by a grant we received with support from the CO Rural Water Association. By now, most residents and Branson School students and staff, have received a gift of a stainless steel water bottle with the theme, "Branson Sweet Springs - Water Worth Protecting." Branson water customers will also receive a 2019 wall calendar with a scenic photo of Saddle Rock. As part of the grant, the Mayor also visited classrooms to help students learn where our water comes from and why it is so vital to the health and wellbeing of our community.

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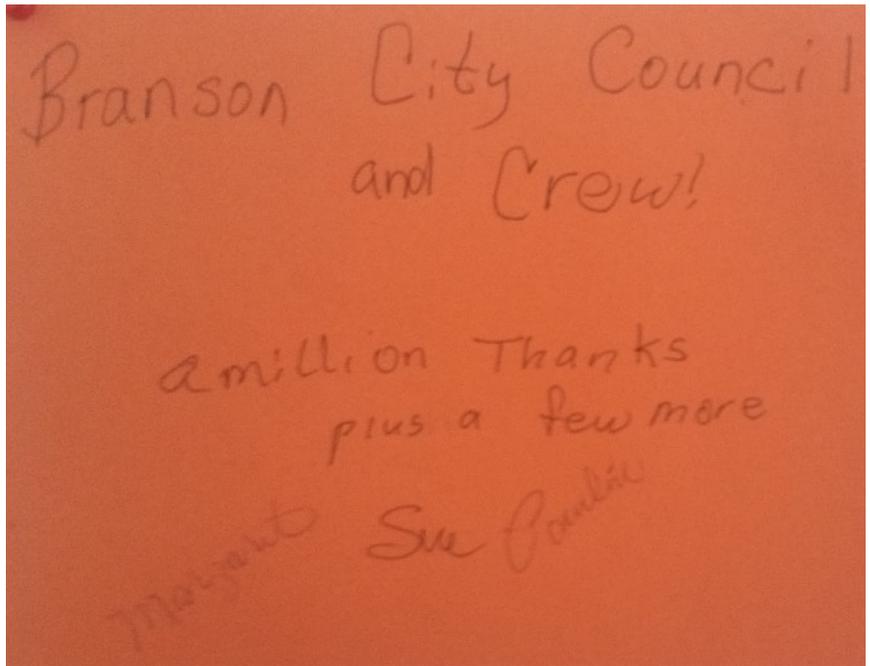
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Regular Council meetings are at 6pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Town Hall. If changes are necessary in order to gather a quorum, posted notices will be highlighted to indicate a change.





How Do You Like Us Now?

We're coming up on seven months since your Town Council was reorganized with a new Mayor, two new Trustees, and three returning Trustees. Since then, another resident stepped up and our Council is now complete at six members. Here's some of what we've got to show for it:

Improved Water Billing Procedures that let us more securely track income from our water/trash customers. Bills can now be sent and paid online. We have tightened up our policy on past due accounts, and have spoken personally with customers and set up payment plans. We have an agreement with a collection agency and will use it if necessary. If you have payment issues, talk to the Mayor, any Trustee, or the Water Billing Clerk. We're here to help!

Better Communications with Community Members We now publish this Branson Town News in both digital and hardcopy versions, which you can find at the Branson Post Office. We have a Town of Branson Facebook page and do our best to utilize it, though please remember that the Mayor and all Trustees are volunteers who already wear a number of hats.



Increased Involvement By Local Residents, as demonstrated by the pictures here of our recent Source Water Protection/Fire Mitigation outreach event. We earned this grant together – because you and other community members took time out to participate in meetings. What's more, our determination to follow through, pulled the grant back from the brink of extinction not just once, but twice! Grant funds covered expenses and labor, including \$674 for the Branson Volunteer Fire Department. Crew members enjoyed a beautiful day working together to benefit our Town. Thanks to all who participated!

Branson Sweet Springs ~ Water Worth Protecting

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Coming Soon To A Wall Near You!

This gorgeous picture sits atop the 2019 calendar poster that will soon grace the walls of homes, classrooms, and community buildings in Branson. All so we can be reminded every single day, of where our water originates, how it wends its way down the mesa, and why it is the very lifeblood of our community. Special thanks to Becky Doherty for designing what will surely become a favorite Branson collectible.



See You Next Year At Chipper Time!