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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL

- 1 **Census Day**
- 6 **Board of Trustees Meeting**
- 7 **Lyons Municipal Election**
- 13 **Special Board of Trustees Meeting**
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- 27 **Special Board of Trustees Meeting**

MAY

- 4 **Board of Trustees Meeting**
- 16 **Spring Clean Day**
- 18 **Board of Trustees Meeting**

COVID-19

As of this writing, the State of Colorado has issued a Stay At Home Order, which means you should stay at home except for critical activities, such as:

- Obtaining food and other household necessities including medicine
- Going to and from work if you are a critical employee (See the link below for list of State-defined critical businesses)
- Seeking medical care Caring for dependents or pets
- Caring for a vulnerable person in another location
- Participating in outdoor recreation at a legally-mandated safe distance of six feet or more from other parties

We understand the great challenges this brings for many. In an effort to help support the community through this time, please consider the following resources:

Utilities

At the March 16, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board took additional action to provide relief to those impacted by business closures. The Town has suspended all utility shut-offs, and staff will work with residents who are struggling to pay utilities.

Support Local Businesses

The Lyons Business Community is comprised of primarily small, independently owned businesses. The Lyons Area Chamber of Commerce is working closely with the business community in leveraging creative methods to support our businesses. Visit lyonschamber.org/news-events for the latest.

Scams

Cybersecurity researchers have reported a wave of fake COVID-19 tracker maps, aimed to infect computers with malware when opened. Hackers and scammers' tactic is to capitalize on people's fear of Coronavirus, by disguising malware ploys as COVID-19-related information. Please be extra cautious of scams during this event.

Additional Resources

For more resources, please visit townoflyons.com/COVID-19, and select the 'Resources' tab.

Businesses - Revolving Loan Fund

Businesses within Lyons planning area are encouraged to apply for the Town of Lyons Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), for an interest-free loan of up to \$10,000. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, loan terms have been extended from eight months to twelve months, and the first payment due date has been deferred to July 15. Learn more and apply at townoflyons.com/627.

LEAF

Lyons Emergency Assistance Fund (LEAF) is hard at work helping meet the needs of the community. Services such as the Food Pantry and Meals on Wheels continue to operate. For more information, including ways to donate, visit leaflyons.org.

Virtual Board of Trustees Meetings

The Board of Trustees, Planning and Community Development Commission, and Board of Adjustments will hold meetings virtually via Zoom, while social distancing mandates are in effect. Through the month of April, the Board of Trustees will hold weekly meetings, for updates on the Coronavirus: Regular Meetings will continue to be held on the first and third Mondays, and Special Meetings will occur on the remaining Mondays. Additional Special or Emergency meetings may be scheduled as needed.

To tune into the meetings or watch recorded meetings, visit townoflyons.com/livestream.



YOU COUNT!

Respond to the 2020 Census!

The 2020 Census is more than a population count - it's an opportunity to shape the future of the community.

The Official Census Day is April 1, 2020. The census provides critical data, which help support daily services for the community.

To participate, respond to the letter you received in the mail; or, if you did not receive a letter in the mail (PO Boxes will not receive one), respond online - **you do not need the mailed letter to respond**.

Census workers will begin to follow up in-person with households that have not completed the census at the end of May.

Learn more about the 2020 Census, including how to respond online and how your privacy is protected, by visiting 2020census.gov.

APRIL 7, 2020 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The Town of Lyons will hold the next regular Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 as a mail ballot-only election for the mayor and six trustee seats on the Board of Trustees, among over initiatives. The ballots were mailed to voters beginning March 16. April 3 is the last day to register and still receive a ballot in the mail; voters who register after April 3 need to vote in-person. All ballots are due by 7 p.m. on Election Day, April 7!

The following Mayoral and Trustee candidates have been certified by the Town Clerk:

Mayoral Candidates:

Jocelyn Farrell
Nicholas Angelo

Trustee Candidates:

Gregory Lowell
Kenyon Waugh
Michael Karavas
Mark Browning
G. Robert Brakenridge
Hollie Rogin
Wendy Miller

The ballot also includes four initiatives related to the publication of ordinances and contracts and residential waste services. For more information on the April 7 Municipal Election, including a sample ballot and how to register to vote, visit townoflyons.com/elections.



SPRING CLEAN

RecycleMAYnia!

As of now, the Spring Clean Day is on! This year's Spring Clean RecycleMAYnia will take place on Saturday, **May 16**, at the Wastewater Treatment Plant lot (198 2nd Avenue). We're still working on the details, but continue to check lyonscolorado.com/SpringClean for the latest updates and possible impacts of COVID-19.



EMERGENCY WARNING SIRENS TESTING

Boulder County will begin audible testing of the countywide emergency sirens at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 6. The test is the first of the monthly emergency audible siren tests, which take place on the first Monday of each month, from April through August.

The audible siren tests will occur twice on each testing day, at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Siren tests ensure that all systems and procedures are working properly during the season of peak flood danger. Should Boulder County experience severe weather during one of the planned audible tests, the siren tests for that day may be cancelled.

EVENT CHANGES

Due to the Coronavirus, many events have been cancelled or rescheduled. As of the time of this writing, the following changes have been made. Visit lyonscolorado.com for updates.

Rescheduled:

Lyons Outdoor Games & Burning Can: September 5, 2020

Bell of Renewal Unveiling: August 23, 2020

Cancelled or date to be determined, if rescheduled:

April Town Hall Art Show - Cancelled

Earth Day events - Date TBD

LCF Color Run - Date TBD

Art at River Bend - Cancelled

Still On

As of now, the following events are still scheduled for the original date:

Spring Clean - May 16

Sandstone Summer Concert Series - Thursdays, June 11 - August 13

Good Old Days - June 27



DISCOUNT DOG DAYS

April 1 through April 30

Returning a lost pet to its owner is so easy when they are wearing their current Town of Lyons Dog License and an identification tag, and during the month of April, licensing your furry friends couldn't be cheaper!

Throughout the month of April, the Town of Lyons will be offering discounts on dog licenses - just in time for the 2020-2021 season, as dog licenses are valid from May 1 to April 30 annually.

Online Application

In an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the dog licensing process can be done entirely online. Complete the form and payment at townoflyons.com/dog, and new tags will be sent in the mail.

2020 Dog Licensing Cost Information:

1st dog license (regularly \$30):
Discount Dog Days, \$20!

2nd + dog licenses (regularly \$20 each):
Discount Dog Days, \$10 each!

What is the fee for?

Your dog license fees help pay for dog cleanup stations and bags, and the Lyons Dog Park. Plus, licensing your pets helps in returning a lost pet to its owner.

To purchase dog license(s) and learn more about responsible dog ownership, visit www.townoflyons.com/dog.

P.S. To all the dogs out here reading this, please remember your owners must be on a leash attached to you when wandering out and about in Lyons (unless you're in the dog park)!



US-36 CONSTRUCTION

US-36, between Lyons and Estes Park, is now open to regular traffic. Over the coming months, there will be occasional one-lane closures, so the slower traffic limits remain in place.

The flood-recovery project consisted of two major drainage structure installations, and a permanent fix to long-term transportation needs.

