

INFORMATION PACKET

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November 6, 2018**Councilmembers Absent:**

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items	Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances	Resolutions	Minute Action
C = Item is on Consent N = Item is not on Consent					
Pre-meeting: Health Fund Update & Police Budget Amendment					
Bright Spot - Stroke Awareness					
Establish November 20, 2018 as the Public Hearing Date for Consideration of an Ordinance to Vacate Portions of South Oak Street, South Elm Street, West 8th street, West 9th Street, West 10th Street, Two Alleys Located in Block 84, Casper Addition, an Alley Located in Block 92, Casper Addition, and a Portion of an Alley Located in Block 93, Casper Addition.	C				
Annexation and plat a Portion portion of the S1/2NW1/4, Section 9, Township 33 North, Range 79 West, 6th P.M., Natrona County Wyoming, and a vacation and replat of Lot 2, Block 1 and Lot 1, Block 2, Bailey Addition No. 2 and Lot 1 Stoval Brothers Addition, to create State Office Building Addition, comprising 11.06 acres, more or less, located at 444 West Collins Drive, and consideration of a request to establish the zoning of the subdivision as City zoning classification OYDSPC (Old Yellowstone District and South Poplar Corridor). 1st reading		N			
Panhandling Ordinance - 1st reading		N			
Motor Vehicle Operator's License Ordinance - 1st reading		N			
Amending Casper Municipal Code Section 5.08.320 – Hours of Sale of Alcoholic Liquors or Malt Beverages, Uniform for Each Day of the Week. 3rd Reading			N		
Qwest Corporation, d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Franchise. 2nd Reading			N		
Anti-Bullying Resolution				C	
Authorizing the Submission of a Wyoming Business Council Grant, in an Amount of \$3,000,000, for the Midwest Avenue Reconstruction – Elm Street to Walnut Street Project.				C	
Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Certified Local Government FY19 Grant Application for Historic Preservation Funds.				C	
Authorizing Consent to the Sublease of License Agreement between City of Casper and NCWPCS MPL, 33- Year Sites Tower Holdings, LLC (an AT&T Entity) for a Cell Tower at 1903 North Poplar Street.				C	
Accepting a Utility Easement from Natrona County School District No. 1 for Maintenance of Underground Utilities within the Natrona County High School Campus.				C	
Authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperative Agreement with the Wyoming Department of Transportation for the Interstate 25 & Shoshoni Interchange Landscaping Project.				C	
Authorizing Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Stevens Engineering, Inc., in the Amount of \$51,700, for the Casper Ice Arena Chiller System Replacement Project.				C	
Authorizing a Contract for Outside-City Water Service with GEO Group, Inc.				C	
Authorizing Change Order No. 4 with Caspar Building Systems, Inc., in the Amount of \$29,508.97 for the Fire-EMS Station No. 5 Project.				C	
Authorizing an Agreement with Andreen Hunt Construction, Inc., in the Amount of \$256,645, for the Lower Eastdale Creek Channel Improvements-Phase 2 Project.				C	
Authorizing Change Order No. 2 with Wayne Coleman Construction, Inc., in the Amount of \$41,500, and a Time Extension of Seven (7) Days, as Part of the Fairdale Avenue Improvements Project.				C	
Authorizing the Acceptance of a Grant from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, From the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, in the Amount of \$28,173, to be Used for Miscellaneous Equipment.				C	

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Authorizing the Acceptance of a Grant Award from the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security, in the Amount of \$10,041, to be Used to Purchase Breaching Tools.				C
Orphaned agencies (15 Contracts/Resolutions)				C
Authorizing the Purchase of Two (2) New 3/4 Ton 4x4 Cab and Chassis, from Greiner Ford, Casper Wyoming, in the Total Amount of \$61,276, Before Trade-in Allowance, for Use by the Metro Animal Control Division of the Casper Police Department.				C
Appointing Ruth Heald, Emil Gercke, Christy Aksamit, Cathleen Stepp, Jared Fehringer, and Reappointing Robin Broumley to the Citizen's Transportation Advisory Commission with Terms Expiring December 31, 2021.				C

November 13, 2018**Councilmembers Absent:**

Work Session Meeting Agenda Items	Recommendation	Allotted Time	Beginning Time
Recommendations = Information Only, Move Forward for Approval, Direction Requested			
Events Center Audit	Information Only	30 min	4:30
Liquor License Ordinance (John Henley)	Move Forward for Approval	30 min	4:50
Budget Amendments	Move Forward for Approval	40 min	5:10
Legislative Agenda (Carter Napier)	Move Forward for Approval	30 min	6:30
Council Leadership Discussion	Direction Requested	20 min	6:30
Agenda Review		20 min	5:50
Legislative Update		10 min	6:10
Council Around the Table		20 min	6:20
Approximate Ending Time			6:40

November 20, 2018**Councilmembers Absent:**

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items	Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances	Resolutions	Minute Action
C = Item is on Consent N = Item is not on Consent					
Bright Spot - Bike rider assistance			N		
Establish December 4 as the Public Hearing Date for Liquor License Ordinance			N		
Establish December 4 as the Public Hearing Date for Appeal of Planning and Zoning Commission's Decision to Deny a Conditional Use Permit for an off-premise sign (billboard) in a C-2 (General Business) zoning district, on Lot 4, Block 159, Casper Addition, located at 1329 South Poplar Street for Applicants David DeWald and Lamar Advertising.	N				
Ordinance to Vacate Portions of South Oak Street, South Elm Street, West 8th street, West 9th Street, West 10th Street, Two Alleys Located in Block 84, Casper Addition, an Alley Located in Block 92, Casper Addition, and a Portion of an Alley Located in Block 93, Casper Addition. 1st reading		N			
Qwest Corporation, d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Franchise. 3rd reading			N		
Annexation and plat a Portion portion of the S1/2NW1/4, Section 9, Township 33 North, Range 79 West, 6th P.M., Natrona County Wyoming, and a vacation and replat of Lot 2, Block 1 and Lot 1, Block 2, Bailey Addition No. 2 and Lot 1 Stoval Brothers Addition, to create State Office Building Addition, comprising 11.06 acres, more or less, located at 444 West Collins Drive, and consideration of a request to establish the zoning of the subdivision as City zoning classification OYDSPC (Old Yellowstone District and South Poplar Corridor). 2nd reading			N		

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Panhandling Ordinance – Updating Regulations. 2nd reading			N	
Possession of Motor Vehicle Operator’s License – Repealing and Replacing Ordinance. 2nd reading			N	
Legislative Agenda				C
Budget Amendment				C
Release of City's Lien on the Truck Tractor and Trailer of the Food Bank of the Rockies				C
Authorizing the Acceptance of a Grant Award from the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security, in the Amount of \$36,100, to be Used to Purchase Level A Hazardous Materials Suits and Pressurization				C
Approving a One Year Extension for Bar and Grill Liquor License No. 10, Marvin Piel Family, LLC d/b/a The Tower, Located at 100 North Center Street.				C
Authorizing the Discharge of \$22,430.30 of Uncollectible Accounts Receivable Balances, Aged between the Dates of July 1, 2013 and September 30, 2013, Including a More Recent Bankruptcy.				C

November 27, 2018

Councilmembers Absent:

Work Session Meeting Agenda Items	Recommendation	Allotted Time	Beginning Time
Recommendations = Information Only, Move Forward for Approval, Direction Requested			
Wyoming Business Council Grant - River Project (Jolene Martinez)	Move Forward for Approval	20 min	4:30
		20 min	4:50
		20 min	5:10
Council Leadership Nominations	Direction Requested	20 min	6:30
Agenda Review		20 min	5:50
Legislative Update		10 min	6:10
Council Around the Table		20 min	6:20
Approximate Ending Time			6:40

December 4, 2018

Councilmembers Absent:

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items	Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances	Resolutions	Minute Action
C = Item is on Consent N = Item is <u>not</u> on Consent					
Establish December 18, 2018 as the Public Hearing Date for Consideration of the Wyoming Business Council Grant - River Project	C				
Establish February 19, 2019 as the Public Hearing Date for Consideration of the Annual Renewal of Liquor Licenses.	C				
Appeal of Planning and Zoning Commission’s Decision to Deny a Conditional Use Permit for an off-premise sign (billboard) in a C-2 (General Business) zoning district, on Lot 4, Block 159, Casper Addition, located at 1329 South Poplar Street for Applicants David DeWald and Lamar Advertising.		N			
Panhandling Ordinance – Updating Regulations. 3rd reading			N		
Possession of Motor Vehicle Operator’s License – Repealing and Replacing Ordinance. 3rd reading			N		
Ordinance to Vacate Portions of South Oak Street, South Elm Street, West 8th street, West 9th Street, West 10th Street, Two Alleys Located in Block 84, Casper Addition, an Alley Located in Block 92, Casper Addition, and a Portion of an Alley Located in Block 93, Casper Addition. 2nd reading			N		

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December 11, 2018**Councilmembers Absent:**

Work Session Meeting Agenda Items	Recommendation	Allotted Time	Beginning Time
Recommendations = Information Only, Move Forward for Approval, Direction Requested			
Public Services Rate Model Update (Andrew Beamer)	Information Only	20 min	4:30
		20 min	4:50
		20 min	5:10
Council Leadership Straw Poll	Direction Requested	20 min	5:30
Agenda Review		20 min	5:50
Legislative Update		10 min	6:10
Council Around the Table		20 min	6:20
Approximate Ending Time			6:40

December 18, 2018**Councilmembers Absent:**

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items	Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances	Resolutions	Minute Action
C = Item is on Consent N = Item is <u>not</u> on Consent					
Public Hearing Date for Consideration of Annexation Compliance with Title 15, Chapter 1, Article 4 of the Wyoming State Statutes to Determine if the Annexation of the State Office Building Addition Complies with W.S. 15-1-402. 1. Resolution. 2. Third reading Ordinance Approving Annexation, and Zoning of the State Office Building Addition.		N			
Wyoming Business Council Grant - River Project		N			
Ordinance to Vacate Portions of South Oak Street, South Elm Street, West 8th street, West 9th Street, West 10th Street, Two Alleys Located in Block 84, Casper Addition, an Alley Located in Block 92, Casper Addition, and a Portion of an Alley Located in Block 93, Casper Addition. 3rd reading			N		

January 8, 2019**Councilmembers Absent:**

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items	Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances	Resolutions	Minute Action
C = Item is on Consent N = Item is <u>not</u> on Consent					
Election of Mayor and Vice-President					

January 15, 2019**Councilmembers Absent:**

Work Session Meeting Agenda Items	Recommendation	Allotted Time	Beginning Time
Recommendations = Information Only, Move Forward for Approval, Direction Requested			
		20 min	4:30
		20 min	4:50
		20 min	5:10
		20 min	5:30
Agenda Review		20 min	5:50
Legislative Update		10 min	6:10
Council Around the Table		20 min	6:20
Approximate Ending Time			6:40

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January 22, 2019

Councilmembers Absent:

Regular Council Meeting Agenda Items						
C = Item is on Consent		N = Item is <u>not</u> on Consent		Est. Public Hearing	Public Hearing	Ordinances

Upcoming Work Session Agenda Items	
Bar & Grill License RFP (after November 13, 2018)	
Plains Property RFP (after February 14, 2019)	
Casper Mountain Biathlon Club-Crushing Operations	
Pre-Annexation & Island Annexation	
Liquor Ordinance, Part II	
Demerit Point Revisions (Chief McPheeters) Alcohol Demerit Structure: What is the public position? Do you want us to be	
Downtown Parking Study Implementation	
Goodstein Lot Lease (Long Term Plan)	
6th Cent Funding Study	
Property Code Revisions (after January 2019)	
Parking on the Parkways (after January 2019)	
Restricted Parking Areas	
Sidewalk Cafés	

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>7:00p</i> -Youth Empowerment	2	3
4 <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i> 	5 <i>8:30a</i> -Historic Preservation <i>5:00 p.m.</i> - CNFR	<i>Election Day - 6 Get Out & Vote!</i> <i>6:00p</i> -Council Meeting	7 <i>11:30a</i> -Drug Court Commission	8 <i>7:00a</i> -CAEDA <i>10:30a</i> - EDJPB <i>4:30p</i> -Leisure Services Board <i>7:00p</i> -Youth Empowerment	9 <i>11:30a</i> -Chamber Coordination/ Infoshare	10
11 <i>Veteran's Day</i>  <i>Thank you for your service!</i>	<i>Observance of 12 Veteran's Day</i> <i>City Offices Closed</i>	13 <i>4:30p</i> -Council Work Session	14 <i>11:30a</i> -DDA <i>2:00p</i> -Senior Advocacy Committee <i>6:00p</i> -Amoco Reuse JPB	15 <i>7:30a</i> -Mayor/ Commissioner <i>10:30a</i> -Housing Authority <i>4:00p</i> -Contractors' Licensing Board <i>5:30p</i> - City County Board of Health <i>6:00p</i> - Planning & Zoning <i>7:00p</i> -Youth Empowerment	16	17
18	19 <i>12:30p</i> -Senior Services	20 <i>11:30a</i> -Regional Water JPB <i>4:00p</i> -Chamber of Commerce <i>6:00p</i> -Council Meeting	21	22 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>City Offices Closed</i>	23 <i>Day After Thanksgiving</i> <i>City Offices Closed</i>	24
25	26 <i>2:00p</i> -CATC <i>4:00p</i> -OYD Advisory Committee	27 <i>11:30a</i> -Travel & Tourism <i>1:00p</i> -NIC <i>4:30p</i> -Council Work Session	28 <i>7:00a</i> -CPU Advisory Board <i>12:00p</i> -Meth Committee <i>5:15p</i> -CAP	29 <i>7:00p</i> -Youth Empowerment	30	

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2018 3:16 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Comments on Proposed Pet Ordinances

To Whom it May Concern,

In regards to the proposed pet ordinances to the existing animal code: I believe it is ill-advised. As others have said, current codes are not being enforced, so additional codes will also not be enforced.

Also, these codes will only be honored citizens that abide by the current codes, not those who already disregard the codes.

Lastly, a "reckless animal owner" has a high likelihood of not having their pets licensed, so the punishment not being able to license a pet is diminished to a non-factor.

While a noble cause/pursuit, the proposed ordinance is misguided and will ultimately lead to no positive outcomes. The motion should be scrapped.

[REDACTED]
Sent from [Outlook](#)

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2018 10:37 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Animal Control Ordinance

To whom it may concern,

I recently read about the new Animal Care and Control Ordinance being proposed by City Councilman Chris Walsh. After numerous negative experiences with dog owners in Casper, I would strongly support this new measure. There is no excuse for an owner to allow his dog to roam at large, and stronger penalties are definitely needed to discourage this behavior.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2018 8:39 AM
To: 'animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov'
Subject: animal ordinance

The shelter requirements still seem weak. Is a three sided shelter sufficient for a medium hair dog in 20 degree weather? Or a senior dog? The shelter requirements need to be better.

What about a dog dying in a hot car? Many states have good samaritan laws, in which one can break a window to save a distressed dog. Citizens need to be able to help in cases when they cannot get police to respond, which happens frequently.

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2018 5:12 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: new dog ordinance

Would please clarify this new ordinance proposal. Are you saying that a dog must be on a leash if it is in your fenced yard? The newspaper article made it sound like it, but when reading the new ordinance proposal it is unclear.

Thank you
[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2018 1:49 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance

I believe the ordinance should read – “Anytime an Owner has their pet/dog off of the Owner’s Private property, the pet/dog must be on-leash except in areas designated as off-leash areas or dog parks” I believe the concept of “owner’s control” be it voice or whatever is not effective 100% of the time – only on-leash provides for the safety of all concerned.

Please consider changing the proposed ordinance per the above,

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2018 12:28 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: proposed animal control ordinance

Kudos for changing the definition of animal. The previous antiquated definition was ridiculous. I agree with the proposed changes, which will hopefully upgrade animal welfare standards. I am a runner, cyclist and hiker, so I appreciate all that you are trying to do but i'm afraid it will only look good on paper. How will people be informed of the changes? And have those changes enforced?

I do have a few comments:

It looks like the need for animal control to set humane traps for cats and dogs within city limits has been changed so that the homeowner is allowed to trap nuisance animals?

I would like to know how some of these changes will be enforced. Will there be an education campaign to alert residents to their responsibilities?

Our neighborhood has many cats that allowed to roam about right now, I can't believe that owners will stop letting their cats trespass on others property. One neighbor even has a cat door in his front door, how is that legal? Educating owners of animals within city limits should be a priority to make good neighbors.

I do hope these changes will be accepted and the new ordinance passes.

--
[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2018 10:21 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Question

Without actually printing the current ordinance and the proposed ordinance as they are quite lengthy, and briefly reading through the two, can you please advise what exactly is different in the proposed ordinance? If you can just tell me the number of the changes I can review them. I would appreciate it.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2018 10:02 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Animal Control Issues

Thank you for the opportunity to give feedback on the concerns the city council has regarding pet ownership.

In our neighborhood I do not see any animals running at large and have never been near an aggressive animal. I wholly understand situations where there should be concern if animals, most likely dogs, have bitten people or attacked other animals in an unprovoked situation.

I am also very much in favor of pet owners being held accountable for negligence in the care of their animals. Having a pet is a luxury & privilege. Animals in our care need to be safe, protected, and fed. (I would add loved, adored, and reveled in.) If animals are found to be otherwise, then the situations need to be assessed to see if it ongoing abuse or a short time situation. For example, I can understand a dog needing to be tethered in short time situations while a fence is being repaired.

However, my biggest concern, lies within the city itself. I believe the situation at Metro to be unconscionable in its treatment and care of the animals it serves. In my view, it is less a shelter and more of a concentration camp. The rooms for the animals are cold and damp. The cat room has no windows and it doesn't seem there is any way for the cats to be out of their cages. There is an outside area for dogs, but I haven't seen any dogs outside. It appears the animals receive no services from vets, if needed as I know there have been sick animals that were not being treated for their issues. Someone I know adopted a mother cat and kitten from there and sought out care on her own because she saw how sick they were. The kitten would have been blind if not for her seeking care from her own vet and it was touch and go for a while whether or not the kitten would even live. The mother cat was sick as well, but recovered much more quickly. For people like us to see, it was a case of neglect and would not have happened if the kitten would have been treated early and had proper medications. I simply cannot fathom why this shelter allows these animals to go without adequate care. Firstly, the animals deserve medical attention if needed. But, beyond that, the animals are certainly more adoptable if they are healthy. And, why allow any illnesses to be passed throughout the shelter.

I think the council needs to think long and hard about the current situation at Metro especially when it is considering treatment of animals by the general population. I know there would be a rather large expense tied to changes and updates. A good use of the One-Cent Tax would be to update this facility and make it a viable shelter that actually had the health and safety of the animals the biggest priority. There is also a need for a TNR program to help with over population situations (cat colonies, for example). And, it doesn't appear Metro has a consistent spay and neuter process in place.

I have spoken with my vet at length about Metro, my personal concerns, and what could/should be done. I am convinced that many people are unaware of how Metro handles the animals in its care. Because, if so, I think the council would have many animal lovers and advocates very upset.

I am and have been very disheartened by what I have witnessed at Metro. I understand there is a cost involved, but I also know there are other governmental facilities for animal control that don't look like ours. They have areas for the animals to thrive; not waste.

While I know some of this email sounds harsh and accusatory, it is based on my personal interactions with Metro in seeking to adopt pets there. Since that time, I have been very saddened by what I saw and have tried to think of how I might help the animals. As I mentioned earlier, I visited with my vet for suggestions. I saw this offer to respond as a first step, but not my last. I feel the animals in the city's care deserve more than they are getting.

Thanks for the opportunity to respond. Just as you offered my feedback, I welcome a response as well. If there is a place for the me to help, please let me know.



Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 7:49 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Dog ordinance

Greetings,

I have had multiple bad experiences in Casper with reckless dogs and inconsiderate, threatening owners. This has included one serious dog-on-dog attack.

I strongly support the newly proposed changes to the dog ordinance, with one caveat: the laws must be enforced.

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 7:17 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Ordinance

Thank you for considering much-needed change to the current ordinance: The following are my concerns regarding some of the proposals:

1. Requiring that dogs be contained in a fenced yard. My 10-year-old dog has stayed within the boundaries of his unfenced front yard since he was a puppy. This proposal is penalizing dog owners who have spent a lot of time, money and energy training their non-offending pets.
2. Setting the maximum (outside?) temperature dogs can be left in cars at 70 degrees. This is too high –a dog left in direct sunlight could be enduring a lethal temperature far higher inside the car.
3. I have called about loose dogs several times on weekends and evenings and been told animal control is not available at that time. Where will the manpower come from to enforce expanded control?
4. I understand the intent of the proposal is to control dog bites. But I suggest the lack of control over roaming cats is also a problem in the area of health. Who wants to throw out a season of tomatoes because the bed is soiled by cats. And who wants to shut the kitchen window because neighborhood cats have established a litter box outside of it.

I'm pleased there's concern not only for our safety, but for the welfare of animals. If anything, I feel the proposal is overly lenient in giving pet-owners second chances at the expense of innocent animals. Uh, oh. I'm starting to preach - I'll just close with thank you again for your efforts!

[REDACTED]

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Jeremy Yates

From: Jolene Martinez <jmartinez@casperwy.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 3:21 PM
To: Animal Care and Control
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance

I received a call from [REDACTED] today. She asked me to convey to you that she is elderly and has mobility issues. She no longer walks in her neighborhood (or anywhere else) because many of the dogs loose in their owners' front yards come bounding toward her. The owners will tell her they do not bite, but her issue is they easily knock her off her feet. She says she even has issues getting out of her daughter's car because of dogs at large in her neighborhood. She says the neighbors are very nice people, but they just don't get it.

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Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 3:07 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed animal ordinance

I have read the proposed ordinance and submit the following opinion.

1. Line 3 of definitions-- remove the word "dumb". Animals put humans to shame when it comes to intelligence in many cases.

2. The ordinance is too broad in the definition of "Vicious animal". An animal cannot be considered vicious if it is protecting the owner's property. The owner's property needs to be stated as an exception in every place a vicious animal is named or indicated. Even with that, I do not agree with a "blanket" definition of vicious. This gives enforcement people too much leeway. We all know what happens when many people are given too much authority. All the facts need to be considered and a hearing held before an animal is labelled a "vicious animal". This cannot be handled by a blanket definition.

3. As stated, law enforcement can give permission to beat or mutilate animals. This must be modified to make sure no one can beat, mutilate or injure an animal-period. Law enforcement is not a God.

4. I feel all dogs in or on the bed of a vehicle must be tethered. I have seen way too many instances of dogs jumping out of moving vehicles or getting thrown out of them.

5. There must be something in the ordinances somewhere that requires all animal control officers take necessary training to ensure they know how to handle animals correctly and humanely.

I read where there were over 700 dog bites, etc, etc. This is a blanket statement and needs to be broken down to find out what is really happening. Things like when, where, why, circumstances surrounding the attack, etc, need to be sorted out. Like any other situation, one must have ALL the facts before rendering an opinion. Nothing less is acceptable. Animals need to be treated like living beings, which they are, They are NOT property and should not be treated as just plain old property. Dogs have feelings and are in many cases, much more loyal than a lot of humans. They all need to be treated humanely, which is not necessarily addressed appropriately in this proposal. This proposal should not even be entertained until ALL the facts are known.

This ordinance should have been written by, or had input from, someone other than law enforcement. You cannot legislate morality and should not try nor try to write a law to cover anything and everything.

The original ordinance, with a very few minor "tweaks" is very workable IF it is enforced. No law is worth the paper it is written on if it is not enforced FAIRLY.

Possibly this needs to be rewritten separating wild and domestic animals, as they definitely need to be handled in different ways.

Thank you for your time!

Regards,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 1:53 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: What we really need in this town

As a daily dog walker, I worry about getting across E. 12th, Centennial Hills, E. 21st, and similar streets without getting run over. What I routinely see in school zones near Centennial and Summit would curl your hair. I'm surprised that Mr. Walsh and Mr. Henley have the temerity to take up dog ordinances when traffic enforcement is almost non-existent. Let's prioritize risks where people really get hurt.

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 1:14 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance

To whom it may concern:

I support the proposed ordinance that would replace the current ordinance concerning dogs being at large.

I walk with my daughters, aged 1 and 3, several times per week and I often fear for their safety when an unrestrained dog charges at us from someone's unfenced front yard (which happens far more than it should), or reaches out of the back of a truck to bark and growl at us. Often the owner claims the dog is "nice", but I never know when a dog will decide that my young children "deserve" to be bitten. My husband has been bitten 3 times by "nice" dogs in another city. Let's not allow Casper's reputation to be tainted by irresponsible dog owners.

Dog owners and their dogs are out of control and it has become clear to me that more restrictive steps need to be taken to ensure the safety of my family.

I hope this proposal passes.

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 10:12 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Pet ordinance

Your proposal goes way to far. It is time to stop this insidious attack on pets owners and punishing them for no wrong doing! I believe that if there is a pet that is out of control or at large that the owner should be fined heavily. Make the cost prohibitive to not have animals under control. But to say how and exactly what each owner is to do in regards to care and handling of their pets is over reach and not what government is about. Next you will tell us how to manage our children, our friends, parents, and who knows what else. This community will not be dictated to. You have now reached a place that no government should go. We have rights and we will not bow to this dictatorial abuse of them!

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2018 12:25 PM
To: 'animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov'
Subject: Proposed Enhanced Pet Regs

ALL OVERDUE and MUCH NEEDED!

It is about impossible to walk the streets where I live--[REDACTED]--when accompanied by a leashed dog without being accosted by another resident's "free-ranging" canine. The unsupervised assailant(s) may simply be in a front yard (the black lab belonging to whoever lives next to the mailboxes comes to mind; its owners can probably read the nearby posted sign stating that an ordinance prohibits loose cats or dogs from their house!) or emerge from beneath a partially opened garage door to rush my dogs. Some time ago a pair of Great Danes "enclosed" in their two-sided back yard by split rail fencing tore after my male, having no difficulty exiting their property down the driveway to advance on us. And an undersized mixed breed was able to leave his back yard by ducking beneath field fence needing repair; he was most persistent when coming for my three mastiffs. (Informed of his dog's confrontational behavior, the owner said he intended to turn over this persistently troublesome pet to animal control.)

I have complained to Metro 2-3 times formally (and had a court date scheduled in one instance after my boy was attacked by a chocolate lab dashing from a garage--the door was raised about a foot--on our way from the mailboxes); I found staff there to be most responsive. What is wrong is Casper's largely inconsequential rules governing pet ownership, not those whose job it is to enforce them.

An aside: Years ago it was suggested to me by the then-president of the Homeowners Association here that I arm myself with a canister of bear spray in order to safely walk my dogs. This was and remains an outrageous fix, to say the least.

Regarding leaving an unintended pet inside a parked vehicle when the outside temperature is 70o, per the American Veterinary Medical Association, in 10 minutes the interior temp rises to 89o. 20 minutes, 99o. And so it goes--in an hour, 115o. Take a look at the organization's 2018 webpage entitled "Elapsed Vehicle Interior Air Temperature v. Elapsed Time" before a decision is made that a cracked window is an adequate solution if the outside temperature isn't quite 70o. (And I recall witnessing show dogs left in their owner-handler's van "safely" with the AC on; when the engine stalled, at least one trapped occupant died of hyperthermia.)

Lastly, I want to bring up what is regarded as adequate provision for a pet's shelter. A Metro worker told me that a parked vehicle is considered suitable housing since a dog or cat can maneuver beneath it to get out of snow or rain. This is appalling indifference.

I hope you will make all essential changes soonest.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, October 27, 2018 10:18 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Cc: rpacheco@casperwy.gov
Subject: SAFETY FIRST, Feelings Second about Proposed Dog Ordinance

Dear City of Casper,

Thank you for your consideration of adapting the proposed ordinance to the safety needs of innocent citizens around unleashed dogs.

I absolutely love animals, especially dogs, and have had many different types of dogs throughout my life. However, I know that many dogs are often prone to instinctual, primal reactions of giving chase depending on variable circumstances (whether it is intended to be aggressive or not, it increases the chances of a bite), or sometimes unexpected dominance gestures of bites, even if the owner of the dog argues or believes that that is impossible. It is VERY possible and is UNPREDICTABLE. It is also an important fact that regardless of how much someone loves their dog, not everyone is fully competent at training their dog.

A brief example is going to a new friend's house last year and her medium sized Labrador who is very friendly, initially jumped on top of me, knocked me down, and while it did not bite me purposely...as I fell, his teeth nipped my lips and I was bleeding with a swollen lip for 2 days. If that happens on accident, think of the damage that can be done if the dog is being purposely aggressive. This is an example that highlights why it would be important for an otherwise 'friendly' dog to be leashed when a new person or unknown person is nearby.

You don't know exactly how the dog will react to different people, and until that person knows and establishes a relationship with that particular dog, safety risks should be eliminated. A responsible and competent dog owner knows how to train your dog to BEHAVE publicly, but how exactly do you test for that? The solution is the generalized law that you are considering. I was shocked to read that they were over 700 dog bites in the city of Casper between 2017 and 2018, that's a lot more than I would've guessed. It doesn't matter if it was a post office delivery person, or a child walking home from school; **what is relevant is that clearly there is a risk to public safety.**

More importantly, dog owners need to be **REALISTIC** and understand that no matter how much they love their pet, even if the dog has a 'perfect' history, that doesn't mean nothing will ever happen. Once a bite does happen, then there is damage and it could be severe, depending on the bite. "MY SAFETY FIRST, your feelings second" philosophy is definitely applicable.

Now I have an issue with a dog being chained for more than a few hours in its own yard IF the yard is fenced, again unless someone is new and going to be near the dog. As long as the dog cannot jump the fence, I don't think there is anything inherently dangerous with the dogs running free in its own FENCED yard. Responsible dog owners, including myself, know that the first time a new person is near a dog it should be leashed and properly introduced. Most dogs respond to new people according to how they have been trained, and very importantly, if their dog owner is right next to them. Even then, there is no guarantee, only likelihood.

I do understand that many dogs have never bitten, but again, that does not mean they never will. **There are still unknowns that we continue to learn about dogs' reactions in different situations and around different types of people.**

Dogs by nature test boundaries with humans and with other dogs. It is the way they think, socialize, and interact with other beings. Dogs have established (or will establish) dominance hierarchies, even with humans around them. As a person who has experience rescuing dogs and rehabilitating them as a foster parent, I express this truth with credibility.

In nature dogs may nip each other to establish dominance sometimes. That is not something that can be predicted. Therefore it is perfectly REASONABLE and just to ask dog owners to make sure their dog is not loose and able to possibly bite a person, ESPECIALLY if they are OUTSIDE of their RESIDENTIAL domain.

I agree with the City Council representative that mentioned concerns regarding loose dogs in pickup trucks growling at passersby, getting aggressive with someone just walking by with their own dog. All the growling dog has to do is simply jump out and attack, it would take a few mere seconds. That is dangerous to innocent others whose rights to safety should be respected. **In fact, the right to feel safe is paramount above any other rights. Threat of potential physical injury trumps any other 'rights'.**

I write all of this as someone who absolutely loves dogs. I also have educated myself over the years, I also have credible experience working in dog rescue groups as well, and learned by real experience about how dogs think and respond.

My main point is, **dog owners have a responsibility for the safety of innocent others, regardless of their feelings that their dog probably would not chase or bite, the reality is, no one can guarantee that 100%.** Even my own lovely dogs throughout my lifetime, that I love and cherish deeply, are still very capable of biting aggressively, inflicting potential injury, even if in the dog's mind it is just a nip: Sharp canine teeth can cause a lot of flesh and tissue damage in a heartbeat.

It is also nearly impossible to out run a dog unless you are a professional marathon runner or a Marine, and even then, it would be a challenge. Most dogs can quickly and easily out run any human. I have been chased by a dog as a child (I'm an adult now of course), and it was terrifying. It was a loose dog that had its owner about 10 feet away and he did absolutely nothing except laugh as I had to climb up a tree as it barked aggressively like I was its prey trembling up a tree. People should be able to walk about the city without having to worry every time they see a loose dog what might happen to them. *(And not everyone can just climb up a tree to stay safe, nor should they have to.)*

That's not a risk anyone should have the right to take and decide that my safety is secondary to their feelings.

Please consider these reflections, and I remain very confident that I am the voice of many people across our city who would like you to pass the ordinance *prioritizing their safety.*

Thank you and I wish you all a good day.

Very sincerely,

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Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2018 4:06 PM
To: 'animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov'
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments

If the city is considering amending or enforcing the animal care ordinances, I would hope that you will address spaying and neutering of animals.

Many cities have required spaying and neutering of companion animals and in doing so, have not only built more responsible pet ownership, but have drastically reduced the number of unwanted animals that are abandoned, injured, end up in the few available shelters, and yes bite people or are aggressive to other animals.

Our local animal shelter, Metro Animal Control, should take the lead in this by spaying and neutering all animals before adoption, age/health permitting, and require substantial \$\$ deposits if the animal is too young – refundable deposit when the procedure is done.

Those pet owners who do not wish to spay/neuter their animals should be required to apply for a one year permit to leave the animal unneutered, and the cost should be significant (at least \$500 -- they'll make plenty on the puppies they sell). Their fee could help pay for the enforcement of the requirement or to pay for spay/neuter of the animals at Metro.

If you are looking for responsible pet ownership – it starts with spaying and neutering companion dogs and cats.

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Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments

I ride a bike and walk year around in Casper for exercise and I carry pepper spray for protection from dogs, although it can be ineffective in the wind. I've had close encounters numerous times and was recently seriously bit by a German Shepard while walking down the street, the dog came all the way across the street to attack me. I can no longer walk by that house, because that dog is still there, it seems to have more rights than I do.

I think your laws are too lenient, any dog that attacks a person in the street or any other legal public space shouldn't get a second chance, it should be euthanized. It's a shame one has to carry protection to walk the streets of Casper.

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2018 3:13 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: highlight the deleted, changed or new text

Please highlight the deleted, changed, or new text in the new animal care ordinance proposal. Without doing this, it is hard for citizens to know what exactly is being proposed. This is standard practice for most institutions when proposing a change in important language.

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2018 11:40 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments

Hello! My name is [REDACTED] and I have lived in Wyoming most of my life! I have two olde English bulldogs and would like to make my comments heard! I read through some of the proposals for the ordinance. I am concerned about wording of neglectful pet owner. I know plenty of dog owners including myself who have dogs who can become aggressive not towards others but towards other dogs that have spent 1,000s of dollars on training, interventions, etc. I think this term has a negative connotation to it and that's throwing a negative label on a person. Granted not all folks are dealing with their dogs concerns but sticking everyone in a group is inappropriate. The other thing I'm concerned about is someone who has nothing to do with the owner or dog (a system) making a determination about euthanasia. I would hope that there will be steps put in place before condemning the owner and or the pet. What will be the steps that will be taken to determine course of action!

Thank you for your time

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2018 9:52 AM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments

Sensitivity: Confidential

Your proposed new ordinances will not change anything! For the 20 years I have lived in my house, I have had to deal with vicious pit bulls, coming onto MY property, attacking my pets, attacking other dogs, and kids on bikes in front of my house! I have a disAbled son, and we live in fear of a dog attack daily. Metro has been called, the police have been called, we have gone to court several times. We even got a petition signed by over 200 neighbors once, to make the City do something about a pit bull dog that terrorized our entire neighborhood, even killing other animals. The last problem we had was a neighbor who had THREE, yes three pit bulls. We have a security system, which we HAD to get to prove what was happening with these pit bulls, thinking it would help our case. Repeatedly, we videoed his dogs coming to our front fence, and into our driveway, to get at our dogs, metro refused to do anything except issue a dog at large citation. And this was after an instance, when one of his pit bulls, climbed my back gate and attacked my Lab, leaving several puncture wounds in my dog's neck. Time and time again, we called Metro on these dogs, other neighbors did as well. Nothing was done, he was cited, that's it. Metro said that until the dog actually hurts someone, they couldn't do anything else. So someone has to get hurt, possibly die before anything is done???? Then that neighbor simply moved to another neighborhood, taking his killer dogs with him!

Yes Labs bite, cats bite, German Shepherds bite - But once they bite, they release. A pit bull doesn't bite and release, they take their victim down. It's NOT about how they are raised, it's in their DNA. And I can almost guarantee that the 'lab' bites in your study are not full blood Lab, but lab-pit mix. Look at the dogs in Metro, how many are Pitbull or pit mix? How many owners say their pit bulls are the most loving, gentle dogs, and would never hurt anyone....until they kill a child for no reason. Look it up, not one owner of a pit bull that attacked says that their dog was unpredictable, or couldn't be trusted.

Now I have two small dogs. When I walk them, I have to carry a gun, yes a loaded gun. I am to the point now, that if a pit bull ever comes onto my property again, or approaches me while walking my dogs, I will not think twice, I will shoot the dog! I'm done calling Metro and having nothing done. How shameful is that when you don't feel safe walking down your own street??? This isn't Chicago, it's Casper Wyoming! What kind of City lets their residents live in fear of a dog attack??

Pit bulls need to be banned in Casper, please do your research:

<https://www.dogsbite.org/>

Don't wait until someone is seriously hurt, or killed!! ACT NOW!!

Thanks!

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Jeremy Yates

From: Tory Walsh <twalsh@casperwy.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2018 9:39 AM
To: Animal Care and Control
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments
Attachments: image003.png

Line 219 typo – would recommend 3 days, not 5 – unless 5 is consistent with other city permits.

Thanks, Tory

Tory Walsh
MAS Manager
City of Casper
(307) 235 - 8470



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Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 9:40 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Comments on Proposed Ordinance

Hello,

Could you please differentiate between the current ordinance and what the changes are so we are not needlessly debating something that already exists and can instead see what the proposed changes are?

Thank you!

Jeremy Yates

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 5:28 PM
To: animalcareandcontrol@casperwy.gov
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments
Attachments: image001.jpg; [REDACTED].vcf

Hello,

I think it is about time for Wyoming to step up its protections for animals as well as protecting people from animals. We've long been lagging behind in many of the areas that this new proposal covers in regards to the keeping of animals (items such as tethering animals, cleaning up after pet waste, carrying pets in vehicles improperly, and other such ordinances that protect the health of pets and people). I also am in support of the new measures to protect humans from being bitten or attacked by animals at large and to exercise punishments for people who knowingly harbor and allow vicious animals to roam freely. The state of animals at large in this city has been out of hand for quite a while; to the point where I am often afraid to take a walk alone for fear that I will run into a roaming dog and be attacked by it – which is not all that uncommon, as it has happened to many people. I have also had several close calls in recent years but have been lucky to avoid being attacked so far. All in all, I think this is a good measure that covers a lot of issues that people have been concerned about for years and hope that it will pass into law soon.

Thank you,



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Jeremy Yates

From: Susan Romer <sromer@casperwy.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 4:34 PM
To: Animal Care and Control
Subject: Proposed Animal Care and Control Ordinance Comments
Attachments: image001.jpg; image002.jpg; image003.png; ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL - Correction.docx

I have made a correction to where the public would apply for a Dog Exhibition, Show and Training Permit. Those are now handled through our office. Thanks

Susan Romer
Admin Support Tech
Casper Recreation Division
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From: Kelly Weidenbach [mailto:kelly.weidenbach@cnchd.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 12:59 PM
To: Kelly Weidenbach <kelly.weidenbach@cnchd.org>
Subject: Kelly Weidenbach's Resignation - New Position

Colleagues:

It's bittersweet that I announce my resignation from the Casper-Natrona County Health Department. My last day here will be Friday, November 9, 2018.

I am taking an opportunity in the Denver area with Tri-County Health Department, Colorado's largest local health department. I will be their new Director of Planning and Information Management. I start in late November.

It was a hard decision to leave CNCHD and the Casper community. I have so much love for both.

At CNCHD, I'm leaving behind an amazing group of passionate colleagues who love their community and work for its betterment every day. I am honored to have served as this organization's leader for the past five years. Casper has a high achieving and accountable health department. I want to ensure this continues. The Board of Health is working to find my replacement.

I'm leaving behind a vibrant and blossoming community of Casper and Natrona County. I'm excited to see what the future holds. I'm frequently reminded of the grace and kindness in this community and it's hard to leave.

I'll be working as Tri-County's new Director of Planning and Information Management. I'll be leading a team of talented epis, computer scientists, health informatics and health planning folks. I'm truly excited and honored to be chosen for this position.

Please stay tuned for announcement on new Director.

My personal contact will be:
kelly.weidenbach@gmail.com
(307) 262-9320

Best wishes!

Kelly

Kelly N. Weidenbach, DrPH, MPH
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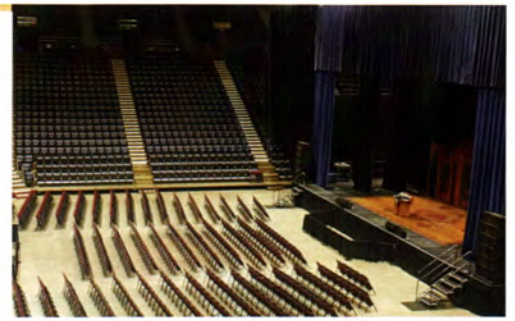
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From: Renee Hahn [mailto:renee@arajpb-casper.org]

Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 12:47 PM

To: 'Michelle Maines' <mmaines@natronacounty-wy.gov>; Renee Jordan-Smith <rjordansmith@casperwy.gov>

Cc: 'Ed Opella' <e.opella@bresnan.net>; 'Robert Hopkins' <wyoHopkins@bresnan.net>; 'Ben Schrader' <ben.schrader@hicofab.com>; 'Roxy Skogen' <roxy@cpawyoming.com>; ScottB@wyocpa.com

Subject: Three Crowns - New Management Celebration

Good Afternoon,

Please notify the County Commissioner's and City Council that we will be holding a "Meet and Greet" with Landscapes Unlimited (the new management company for Three Crowns) on November 8th from 11:00 -2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome and we encourage all to come. It will be open to the public as well. The advertisement for this event is on posters at Three Crowns, social media, and Three Crowns website.

Appetizers will be available as well.

Thank you in advance.

Renee Hahn

Executive Director

Amoco Reuse Agreement Joint Powers Board

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The Wyoming Symphony Orchestra wishes to extend to you, a community leader, an invitation to participate in our 2018/19 season activities. We are in the midst of a search for a new music director who will help us grow our organization for years to come and would like for you to be a part of the process. It is important to us to get feedback from prominent community members because we are your orchestra and want to continue to be a contributing member to the culture and economy of Casper. Music can bring people together for a shared emotional experience in a way few other mediums can, and we want to continue to make it as accessible as possible.

Four candidates will come to Casper who have each created a program to encapsulate the theme "Aspects of Love." They will not only conduct a concert but also spend one week in Casper exploring the area, meeting community members, participating in an educational activity and leading a pre-concert talk. We will then seek feedback from patrons and musicians to gauge impressions of each candidate.

Attending each concert is a great way to see the candidates in action, but we recommend attending pre-concert talks and post-concert receptions as well to get the most out of each candidate's visit. Pre-concert talks will all be at The Lyric at 5:00 p.m. the night of the respective concert.

If you are interested in attending all four concerts and related events, the Maestro Package is still available. It offers tickets to all four concerts at a discounted rate. Howard Hsu will be here November 3rd with cellist Wendy Warner to conduct his program "Exhilaration." Thomas Heuser will join us December 1st with Violinist Tim Fain for "Love of Nature." Then, Chris Dragon will be here for "Dedication" with Pianist Steven Lin on January 19th. Finally, conducting "From Russia with Love," we have Ron Spigelman with pianist Di Wu on March 30th.

We hope to see you this season and to hear your input as we explore each candidate and find the best fit. Helping the WSO reach new heights will have great economic and cultural impacts here in Wyoming, and we want to hear your voice. Thank you for all that you do!



Rachel Bailey
Executive Director, Wyoming Symphony Orchestra



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☆The Pet Gazette☆

Brought to you by: **Metro Animal Shelter**

November 2018

Is your food better than his?...

Of course dogs think so! Just remember, that dog food is formulated for dogs and some people food can actually be harmful to your furry friend...some of those are:

- **Avocados** (contain persin, can cause vomiting and diarrhea)
- **Onions and garlic** (kills red blood cells, causing anemia)
- **Caffeine** (can easily be fatal)
- **Grapes and raisins** (can cause kidney failure)
- **Dairy** (difficult to digest properly)
- **Macadamia nuts** (just a few can cause muscle shakes, fever, vomiting)
- **Chocolate** (contains theobromine, dark and unsweetened baking chocolate are the worst)
- **Fat trimmings and bones** (can cause pancreatitis and bones can splinter damaging his digestive system)
- **Raw eggs, meat and fish** (can have bacteria or parasites)
- **Xylitol** (found in candy, gum, toothpaste, baked goods, etc) known to cause liver failure)
- **Never give your dog human medicine unless your veterinarian directs you do to so** (acetaminophen or ibuprofen are often fatal)

If your dog eats something he shouldn't, contact your vet immediately or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at (888) 426-4435.

And if you can't resist those big, brown eyes and want to give your dog a treat – dogs can eat cooked plain white rice or pasta with some boiled and boneless chicken.

The Holidays bring food, friends and family...remember that can be overwhelming for your pet. Before your company comes over, make sure your pet is safe and secure...costumes optional ☺



The Shelter is having an adoption promotion – **NEUTER NOVEMBER!** If you adopt an animal from us this month; once you provide proof you've had your new pet neutered – you'll receive **\$50!** LOTS of featured pets that need homes – come by and see if your friend is here waiting for you.

I'VE GOT MY
THINKING CAT ON



The Shelter will be closed for the Holiday, but we'll re-open on Saturday 11/24. If you need animal control services over the Holiday,

please call 235-8278 for assistance.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday!

Shelter News...

Metro Shelter is proud to provide Pet Therapy to a local assisted living center. Once every month, staff brings animals for the residents to interact with. Pictured below on a resident's lap are "Lulu" and "Tater"; two dogs that were abandoned in a local hotel. Everyone enjoys the visits!



During our last visit, we were given dog toys the residents made. It is a great partnership! Just ask Boone ☺



November is National Adopt A Senior Pet Month!

Shelter pets come in all shapes and sizes...they also come in all ages. It takes a very special person that is willing to provide a senior pet comfort and love in his golden years. Senior pets are often overlooked – but they shouldn't be...they are often already housetrained, obedient and loving. We have had countless senior dogs brought to our Shelter and even when they can't see or hear well; they wag their tails when they feel the touch of a hand. These guys are our spotlight this month – so if you would like to change the life of one of these unwanted senior pets, please visit the shelter.



From: Justin Schilling [mailto:jschilling@wyomuni.org]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2018 7:03 AM
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Word from WAM!
A Weekly Message

Election Day is November 6th

Good Luck to
Everyone
Running for
Office From All
of Us Here at
WAM!



**WAM Fall Workshop Starts Wednesday Evening in
Lander and Runs Through Friday**



Safe Travels and We Look Forward to Seeing You All There

Fall is firmly upon us, and that means it is once again time to come together for WAM's Fall Workshop for Administrators, Managers, and Finance Directors. This year's agenda is full of valuable presentations to keep your municipality's financial house in order, and to drive growth in your community in the years to come. If you're registered for the event we hope you'll take a moment to preview the event program at the link below. See you in Lander!

[Click here for the event program](#)

WAM-WCCA Energy Lease Program Proposal Deadline Rapidly Approaching

WAM and the WCCA want to help your community be more energy efficient

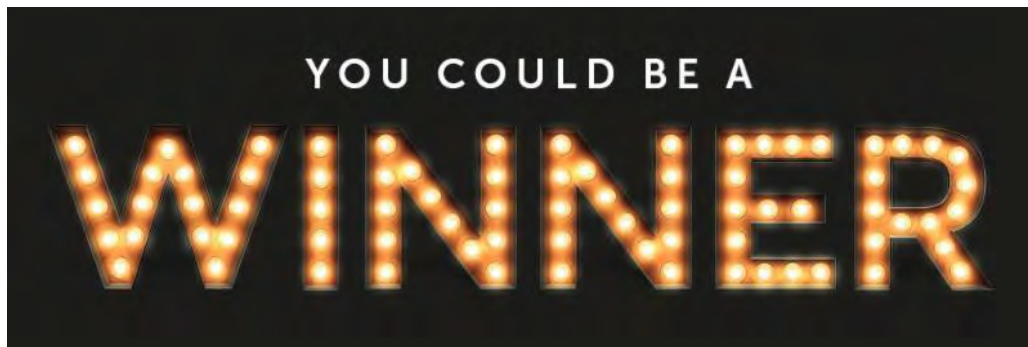
Deadline for proposals for the 2019 Energy Lease Program Awards is December 8th. Click the link below for more information.

[Click Here](#)



Weekly WAM Wyoming Trivia!

This Week's Winner Gets a \$10 Pre-Paid Card



As Executive Director Rick Kaysen always reminds me, "You've got to have a little fun in life." So, every week in Word From WAM, we'll be posting a Wyo-centric trivia question for fun and fabulous prizes. Click the button below to submit your answer, and we'll draw a winner from all the correct answers we receive to get a \$10 pre-paid card from your friends here at WAM. Have fun and good luck!

Question: Which county in Wyoming has only one incorporated municipality?

[Click to Answer](#)

Congratulations to last week's winner Councilwoman Torie Hill from Kaycee! She was one of only a few who recognized Smoky Row Cemetery in Hot Springs State Park just outside of Thermopolis. Thanks for playing and your gift card is on its way!

City of Buffalo Has Holiday Street Lamp Decorations for Sale



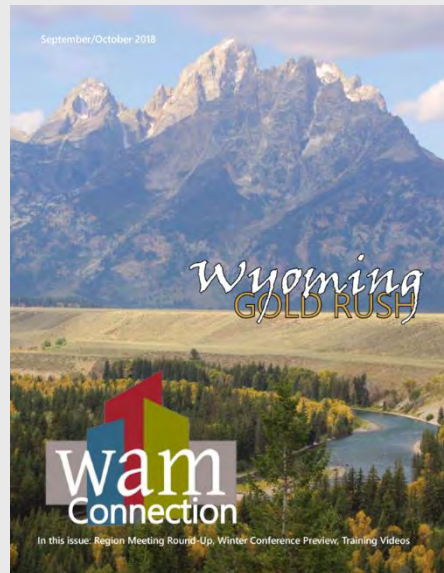
The City of Buffalo is getting new holiday decorations for its downtown, and is looking to sell these old ones if another municipality could use them. There are 35-40 available and they include the lighted wreath and attaching clamps, red bows and lighted pole wraps. Please e-mail Buffalo City Councilman [Scott Madsen](#) for more information.

New Issue of WAM Connection out now

New WAM Connection hot off the presses!

Check out the latest issue of WAM Connection to catch up on all the news and notes from around your association.

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**2019 WAM Winter Conference
Early Bird Registration Open Now!**

Snowy Mountain -Mardi Gras-



FEBRUARY 20-22, 2019



CHEYENNE, WYOMING

**Come join us for the WAM Winter Conference to be held
February 20-22, 2019 at Little America in Cheyenne.**

**Be sure to register for rooms before the 19th of January to receive the reduced
conference rate! See the registration page for participating host hotels.**

[Click here to see this year's agenda](#)



**Gregg Piburn - WAM General Session Speaker
"BIG Leadership in Small Packages"**

[Click Here to Register](#)

Legislative Interim Committee Meetings

Select Water

11/07/2018 - Casper, WY

Livestream available on the Legislature's website at www.wyoleg.gov

Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and Cultural Resources

11/08/2018 - Cheyenne, WY

Livestream available on the Legislature's website at www.wyoleg.gov

Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments

11/12/2018 - Cheyenne, WY

Livestream available on the Legislature's website at www.wyoleg.gov



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