



The Town Board will meet on November 10th at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited to participate virtually on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81449378638>, or on the Town's Facebook page.

Newsletter

November 2022

Where is Johnson Park? Oak Creek Mountain Park parking lot?

Recognizing Bob Johnson and his family for their many contributions benefitting the community as a whole, and specifically for the volunteer time, expense and effort Mr. Johnson freely provided to maintain the park located at the intersection of Main Street/Hwy 131 and N. Lincoln Ave. the Town Board has named this park Johnson Park. The Town's Public Works Department has been busy installing a parking lot at the base of the trails at the Oak Creek Mountain Park for use this winter; look for this to be open for public use soon!

Don't be a Statistic!

Colorado averages six deaths a year over the Thanksgiving holiday. Five people lose their lives each Christmas season. New Year's turn with four fewer people making it to January 2. Please don't drink and drive. Please watch your speed. Seatbelts save lives and careful driving is the key to your success.

We want to see you in 2023!

Want to See Things Change in Oak Creek? (Here's your first steps . . .)

1. Identify owners/stakeholders.
2. Obtain background information/ talk to the right people/ read past minutes from Board mtgs.
3. Find out challenges.
4. Fundraiser
5. Stay in contact with appropriate people/stakeholders.
6. Find out information from the affected people.
7. Put in writing what changes you would like to see made.
8. Volunteer
9. Attend Town Board meetings to present your ideas.

Where can you use your snowmobile in Oak Creek?

Well, the snow is falling and soon, there will be enough for people to want to enjoy the use of their snowmobiles/sleds. Chief Ralph wants to remind everyone that **snowmobile use is prohibited on the streets and alleys** in the Town of Oak Creek. Town officials don't allow snowmobile use on our roads or alleys because of a number of reasons, all of which relate to the safety of the user. Use of your snowmobile on Town roads and alleys could result in citation(s) and impoundment of your sled.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife have asked Town officials to remind everyone that snowmobiles need to have current/valid registration stickers. Registering your snowmobile aids in recovery of stolen sleds. The fees fund search and rescue efforts and create more and better trails for those who enjoy these machines.

Winter's around the corner; coming soon: Holly Fest, the ice rink opens, Rossi Meadows X-country ski trails, snowshoeing on the Oak Creek Mountain Park trails and family fun on the Moffat Avenue sledding hill.

Support Oak Creek businesses; shop locally.

Snow Removal Reminder

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all residents of the Town's ordinances on snow shoveling, plowing and parking. It is very important that everyone does their part for the safety of our community and the efficiency of snow removal services by considering the following steps:

- Anyone who has the ability to park off the streets and out of the alley right-of-ways simply should do so.
- On trash day DO NOT put trash or recycling cans out where the snow plowing equipment may hit them. Keeping them back in your driveway or on the sidewalk will avoid any problems.
- Remove trash cans from town right-of-ways ASAP after trash has been picked up.
- All vehicles that are parked in or on town roads, alleys and other rights-of-ways must be MOVED out of these areas within 24 hours after the start of a snow storm for the plow crews to do cleanup work. This does not mean shoveling around them, it means MOVING them. Any vehicle not moved within this time period will be towed at the owners' expense.
- Plowing, shoveling or blowing snow into or across public right-of-ways is unlawful and will result in citations being issued. If there is no alternative, please contact the Public Works Director, (970) 736-2459, to discuss obtaining written permission to use the Town's right-of-ways for snow storage.
- Main Street businesses that have permission to shovel their sidewalks into Main Street need to shovel the snow out two or three feet into the road and avoid piling snow into the gutter.
- By clearing driveways of snow to the RIGHT side of drive (as you face out to the street) the next time the plow comes by it will not get pushed back into the driveway. Again, do not push snow out into the street!

We appreciate your cooperation.

Mark your Calendar!

December 3rd from Noon - 3 p.m. the **Oak Creek Library** will be hosting a **Fiber Workshop** with Cho Tin Tun Kirkpatrick - Learn about the different fibers in every medium of work (knitting, crocheting, felting, etc.).

Please Slow Down – School's In Session; and the School Zone is active.

Approx. 30 minutes before first bell to approx. 30 minutes after.

Approx. 30 minutes before dismissal to approx. 30 minutes after.

Approx. 100 children are killed, nationwide, while walking to or from school.

Each year we injure 25,000 children in school zone related traffic crashes

SLOW DOWN; the life you'll save is precious.

SLOW DOWN; the time you spend is well invested.

Checkout the Town's updated website at
www.townof oakcreek.com

LEAP Information

The **Colorado Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP)** is a federally funded program that helps eligible hard-working Colorado families, seniors, and individuals pay a portion of their winter home heating costs. LEAP is designed to assist low-income households with paying their winter home heating costs but is not intended to pay the entire cost. Eligible recipients can receive only one LEAP benefit per heat season. The heat season runs from November 1st – April 30th. If you have questions on how to apply call 1-866-432-8435.

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