



# MAY 2021 BUTTE-SILVER BOW NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends & Neighbors,



**JP Gallagher**  
Chief Executive

Welcome spring! The days are longer, the grass is starting to turn green, trees are budding, and the flowers are coming. The vaccine is now available to every citizen over the age of 16. There is optimism in the air, but we must stay vigilant. If you are not vaccinated, please get registered to do so at <https://butteciviccenter.com> or by calling 406-497-6401 or 406-497-5008. If you are choosing to not get vaccinated, I ask you to research the facts about COVID 19 and the truth about vaccinations to make the best decision for you and your family. <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

Over the next few weeks, we will receive guidance from the U.S. Federal Treasury related to allowable spending for anticipated stimulus dollars headed for Butte and Silver Bow County. The city and county will receive American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars divided into two installments both in 2021 and 2022, because of the latest Federal stimulus package. Just as we spent 2020 CARES Act funding, we will again be certain every dollar is spent effectively. An advisory committee consisting BSB department officials, Council Members, and private citizens is being formed to review and advise BSB in how we spend the dollars allocated to Butte-Silver Bow through ARPA.

I am extremely proud to represent Butte-Silver Bow as your Chief Executive in leading our consolidated government's resourcefulness and their commitment to spending your tax dollars wisely. I look forward to working with City Council members, our Department leaders, and the community as we explore new ways to further support infrastructure, building maintenance, and helping our local economy recover.

As we all get out to enjoy the spring weather, let us be safe and respectful everyone in our community.

Respectfully,  
J.P. Gallagher  
Chief Executive

## **Lifeguard positions open at Ridge Waters Waterpark**

Hey summer is around the corner!

Butte-Silver Bow Parks and Recreation is currently hiring lifeguard positions at Ridge Waters for the upcoming season. Apply now!

Parks and Recreation will provide the needed training to become a certified lifeguard.

If you are looking for a rewarding and fun summer job go to the Butte-Silver Bow Website Job Opportunities page and apply online. Or call Bob Lazzari at 497-6535 with any questions.

<https://agency.governmentjobs.com/buttesilverbowmt/default.cfm>.

### **Tee Time!**

Spring is here and the Highland View Golf course is open. Rain or Shine, we have you covered! Enjoy the sunshine on our 9-hole regulation or par 3 courses. On rainy days try our new simulators in the Jack Crowley Clubhouse. Call 497-6578 for your tee times.

## **Essential Public Services**

Water, sewer, and road maintenance are available 24/7.

- To report a water problem, call 406-497-6540.
- To report a sewer problem, call 406-497-6550.
- To report a road maintenance problem, call 406-497-6565.
- To report an animal control problem, call 406-782-4467.

Service Requests Online at our website [www.co.silverbow.mt.us](http://www.co.silverbow.mt.us).

Many Butte-Silver Bow Government services can now be requested online. Visit <https://www.co.silverbow.mt.us/2012/Submit-a-Request> to begin.

## **Butte Civic Center**

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1-2nd	United States Amateur Wrestling Association State Tournament
4th	COVID Vaccine
6th	Civic Center Monthly Board Meeting
10th	Celebration of Excellence – Butte Education Foundation
11th	COVID Vaccine
14-16th	Mile High Classic Youth Basketball Tournament
18th	Tentative COVID Vaccine
19th	Tentative COVID Vaccine
25th	Tentative COVID Vaccine
26th	Tentative COVID Vaccine

Current Events On-Sale

Foreigner	September 11th
Price is Right	November 17th

COVID Vaccine Reservations online at [www.butteciviccenter.com](http://www.butteciviccenter.com)

In conjunction with the BSB Public Works Dept, we have chosen Water Environmental Technologies to design the expansion and upgrade of the Civic Center parking lot, following the clean-up of the Parrott Tailings.

The Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives is now open to the public. The Archives is preparing to bring six masterpieces of William A. Clark's collection to the Archives in June of 2021. The exhibit will be accompanied by a number of speakers including Bill Dedman who will speak about his book Empty Mansions. The Archives accepted 17 collection in the past month, of note is the Nancy McLaughlin's sculpture Collection. For more information call 406-782-3280.

**The Charles Clark Chateau**

The Charles Clark Chateau will open to the public in May of 2021, for tours and events. The staff will be presenting a radio play: "Mile High Mile Deep" mid-June on KBMF. The Ukulele club meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M.

The Chateau Book Club will start in mid-July, Ivan Doig will be the first author.

Miszka Evans photographs & Photography in the Chateau Gallery May & June.

Summer Internship for High School Students will open up in June For more information call the Chateau at 406-565-5600.

**Butte Public Library**

Starting April 6th, Butte Silver Bow Public Library has evening hours again!

Uptown-Broadway St. library hours will be:

- Monday: 9am-5pm
- Tuesday: 9am-7pm
- Wednesday: 9am-7pm
- Thursday: 9am-7pm
- Friday: 9am-5pm
- Saturday: 9am-5pm
- Sunday closed

Mall library hours are:

- Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm
- Sun., Mon. closed

Find us on Facebook for Storytime, book clubs, new titles, Summer Reading Program, and special events!

Curbside and delivery are still available! Please call 723-3361 for more details.

**Neptune Water Meter Installation**

Butte-Silver Bow MIS is working with Public Works to install the Neptune Water Meter Reading Radio network. Water Meter usage will be transmitted wirelessly to our meter reading software and users may soon be able to see real-time readings for their water usage.

**Cyber Safety and Security**

Butte-Silver Bow IT has partnered with MACO to provide Cyber Security and training to all Butte Silver Bow employees. Employees will be taking weekly micro lessons and annual security exams to increase their Cyber Threat knowledge. Both MACO and The Department of Homeland Security will be completing independent network threat assessment to ensure our continued safety. Dual authentication methods are being installed to further enhancing our network security.

Spring is doing its best to break out. The Government Buildings staff will soon be gearing up to spruce up public buildings, while addressing or removing any hazards that may still linger. Please keep an eye out for ongoing Sidewalk repairs on the north side of the Court House and the Detention Center front entry.

Our best from the Government Buildings management and staff.

**Pat Holland**

Butte - Silver Bow  
Government Buildings

**Finance & Budget Dept.**

The fiscal year 2022 budget was rolled out to Departments on February 26, 2021. The Finance & Budget Department has been assisting departments with their preliminary requests and completing the staffing portion of the budget. The Chief Executive, Chief of Staff, and Finance & Budget Director have also held preliminary budget meetings. Beginning in early May, additional internal budget meetings will be held with the Chief Executive, Chief of Staff, Finance & Budget Department, and the various Butte-Silver Bow Departments to review current operation and maintenance budgets, capital requests and future capital improvements. The tentative budget schedule shows the budgets being distributed to the Council of Commissioners the week of June 21st. This will also begin additional public comment opportunities for input into the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget. The Fiscal Year 2022 Final Budget Resolution will be approved by Council on approximately August 11, 2021.

As part of the update to the Capital Improvement Plan, the Finance & Budget Department has teamed up with the Public Works Department and MIS for a comprehensive review of equipment throughout the Public Works department and City-County vehicles. The review is to determine the condition of the equipment for the implementation of the Fixed Asset Management Module into the Accela software program. The Fixed Asset module within the Accela application will allow Public Works to monitor repairs and maintenance on pieces of equipment throughout the City-County, which will help Departments develop a comprehensive maintenance and replacement plan to be incorporated in the City-County Departments Capital Improvement Plans and budgets. It also assists with implementation of cost savings measures across the government. This project will help ensure proper maintenance of the three Water Treatment Plants, the Waste-Water Treatment Plants, Road snow removal and asphalt equipment, City Busses and Para-Transit Vans, Metro Sewer and Water Line repairs and replacement equipment, and emergency response vehicles. This project will be completed in phases over the next 18 months.

**Online Application Process**

Butte-Silver Bow Licensing, Building and Zoning and Code Enforcement applications are being converted to an online application process that will be available to the public. This will allow the public to apply for and follow their applications online. The online payment process for all departments is being overhauled to provide a more user-friendly interface and reduce the associated fees. All online forms are being converted to allow the public to submit forms and applications electronically.