



City Newsletter

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City Calendar

- ◆ City Council meeting
January 10- 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Planning & Zoning Commission
January 11- 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ City Council study session
January 11- 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ City offices closed in observance
of Martin Luther King Jr. Day-
January 17
- ◆ Municipal Court
January 20- 9:00 a.m.
& 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ City Council meeting
January 24- 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Planning & Zoning Commission
January 25- 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ City Council study session
January 25- 6:30 p.m.

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City Renews Refuse Contract with Gator Rubbish

The City Council voted in December to renew the refuse removal contract with Gator Rubbish, LLC. The new 5-year contract includes weekly refuse collection and every-other-week curbside recycling. The cost of the monthly service will be \$8.35 and the City's weekly trash pick-up day remains on Thursday. Monthly trash service is billed by the City of Dacono. "Gator Rubbish has provided excellent service and is responsive customer needs," said Assistant City Administrator AJ Euckert. "They are also great corporate citizens and sponsor annual events such as the Carbon Valley Summer Festival and participate in the City's spring clean-up event", he added. The City solicited sealed bids for refuse collection services and three bids were received. The City explored the concept of providing 96 gallon uniform totes to each household, however in the interest in cost savings to residents this idea was waived. The 5-year contract is renewable and caps the annual increase at 10%.



2011 Kicks off Weld County 150 Year Anniversary Celebration

The year 2011 will mark the 150th anniversary of Weld County. In 1861, Weld County was one of the seventeen original counties in the Colorado territory. The County will celebrate a year-long event of this Sesquicentennial anniversary. The County's website will feature a year-long series of stories,

artifacts and photographs. Mary Gavin, planning commission chairwoman, former city council member and long-time Dacono resident, will serve as the City's liaison to help recount Weld County's historic events. For more information about this historic event, go to www.co.weld.co.us.

Land Use Matters in Dacono

Changes Targeted at Improving Transparency to Residents

In an effort to be more green and improve transparency in local government, most land use applications will be now posted online. The City is also rolling-out new & improved public notice signs which will be posted on sites scheduled for public hearings. The signs feature the City logo, web address and telephone number to call for more information. These signs are reusable, more durable and will withstand the weather elements. "We have made significant code amendments and procedural changes over the last year to improve communication with our residents", said City Administrator Bill Efting. "We never want residents to feel they were not given an opportunity to be heard and the land use matters program is one more step in the right direction," he added. In 2010, the City adopted new standards for public hearing notice and posting of sites. Go to www.ci.dacono.co.us for information. Under the "residents page" look for "land use matters".

A New Year, A New You

Check out Carbon Valley Recreation District Programs

Fight the winter doldrums at the Carbon Valley Rec. Center. The rec center offers a variety of great recreational opportunities including fitness, aquatic, senior activities and special events. The recreation center includes a pool, fitness areas, indoor walking track and many more amenities. The District publishes a seasonal Recreation Review listing program and membership information, fitness schedules and special events. Go to www.recdistrict or call 303.833.3660 for more information.



Ho-Ho Holiday Lighting Contest Winners

The City Council traveled throughout the City of Dacono on December 8, to judge the brightest and best holiday lights and decorations for the 2nd annual Ho-Ho Holiday Lighting & Decorating contest. What an amazing display of lights throughout our community! The winning addresses are: 440 Hass Court – Matt and Laura Owen, 4731 Sedona Lane – Chris and Libby Campbell, 523 Glen Creighton – Jan and Dan Mills, 1125 Glendale Circle – Jose Hernandez and Olga Rivera, 126th 5th Street – Mike and Michelle Cowen, Sundance Parkway Circle (entire cul-de-sac): 400 Sundance Parkway Circle – Lewis and Bette Bierwirth, 401 Sundance Parkway Circle – Sheree Stroud, 402 Sundance Parkway Circle – Christina Smith and Jeff DeLauter, 403 Sundance Parkway Circle – Charles Leonhard, 404 Sundance Parkway Circle – Travis and Gretchen O’Hair, and 405 Sundance Parkway Circle – Adelaido Armendariz. These addresses will all receive a Pride of Dacono award at the January 10, 2011, City Council meeting. Thanks to all who participated.



City Government

City Hall
512 Cherry Street
Dacono, CO 80514
Phone: 303-833-2317
Hours: M-F 8 a.m.– 5 p.m.
Water: 303-833-2317 x121
www.ci.dacono.co.us
Trash (Gator Rubbish): 303-655-0710
Sewer (St. Vrain Sanitation): 303-682-4693
Emergency Police/Fire: 911
Police (non-emergency): 303-833-3095
Dacono City Library
512 Cherry Street
Dacono, CO 80514
Phone: 303-833-2317 x129
Hours: M, T, TH 12-5, Wed. 2-7, Fri. 1-5
Closed on Saturday & Sunday

Elected Officials

- Charles Sigman, Mayor
- Joe Baker, Mayor Pro-Tem
- Steve Bruno, Councilperson At-Large
- Kay Cole, Councilperson At-Large
- Tom McCune, Councilperson At-Large
- Kevin Plain, Councilperson At-Large
- Lori Saine, Councilperson At-Large

City Council Adopts 2011

Fiscal Year Budget

The City Council adopted the 2011 fiscal year city budget on December 13, 2010. The City’s budget and revenue forecast for 2011 remains conservative. The City’s overall assessed valuation is \$32,601,130, a decrease of 9.1% due to foreclosures and declining real estate values. The City’s general fund mill levy will remain the same as in 2010. The adopted budget continues to freeze salaries for staff members for the third consecutive year. “The City has weathered nearly three years of this recession through conservative fiscal management, by holding the line on expenses and maintaining a small, but dedicated staff,” said Mayor.

Keep Up With City News & Events with YouTube and Facebook

Stay informed of City news and information through Facebook. Go to City of Dacono, CO and click the “like” button. City Council meetings are now available online through YouTube. Go to <http://www.youtube.com/cityofdacono1908>.

Pride of Dacono Award

City Recognizes Quest Academy Students

The Dacono City Council is proud to recognize four students from Quest Academy with the City’s Pride of Dacono award. The following narratives were provided by Quest Academy teachers.



- ◆ 8th Grade – Courtney Cook – Courtney is a truly remarkable young lady who epitomizes all the wonderful qualities that are admired by adults and teachers alike. As a National Junior Honor Society officer, she fulfills her duties happily without complaining. Courtney is trustworthy, organized and encourages other students when they do a good job.
- ◆ 7th Grade – Cassandra Horton – Cassandra was nominated for a number of reasons. Cassandra pushes not only herself to excellence, but also those around her. Her desire to constantly better herself is quite commendable and even contagious. A true asset to this school, Cassandra sets a reasonable standard for all in terms of work, behavior, friendship, and attitude. Teachers and students alike enjoy working and being around Cassandra.
- ◆ 6th Grade – Addison Rice – Addison is a diligent student. He works hard every day completing his homework and class work. Academics are a high priority for Addison. If he is struggling with something he seeks help. He is kind, funny and always eager to make new students feel they are part of the group. Addison consistently makes good choices about how to conduct himself even if those around him are not.
- ◆ 5th Grade – Tyler Gutowski – Tyler is a young man who has grown by leaps and bounds as a student, classmate and as a boy full of integrity. He works hard each night reading to his parents, sister and grandma. He studies for his tests and is responsible for all of his homework. His classmates know he is great to chat with and they enjoy playing soccer and flag football with him. Tyler has even worked hard on his character education and is a young man who isn’t afraid to tell the truth and own up to any mistakes he may make.