



MILLS NEWSLETTER



October 2024

Upcoming City Council Meetings Work Sessions:

Oct. 7th 9am, 8th & 22nd 6pm
Nov., 11th 9am, 12th & 26th 6pm

Council Meetings:

Oct. 8th & 22nd 7pm
Nov. 12th & 26th 7pm

Meetings held at Mills City Hall and are subject to change

Mills Municipal Court is held every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. with the exception of recognized holidays that fall on Tuesday.

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Join us
October 31
6-8 PM in the parking lot of
The Fort Ministry for
trunk or treat

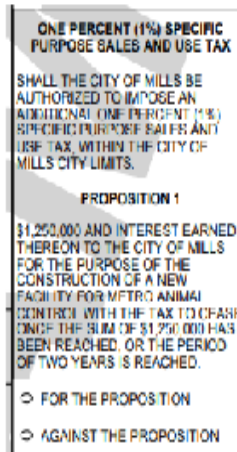
The Fort Ministry
4741 West Yellowstone Hwy
In Mountainview Plaza



Metro Animal Services Fact Sheet – Why is this important to Mills?

Mills is seeking to add a special use tax (spec tax) to the ballot for the construction of a new Metro Animal Control Facility.

Proposition 1 is on the Mills' ballot for a new Metro Animal Shelter. It is anticipated that it will take less than one year to raise the project cost of \$1.25MM. Once the ballot amount is raised, the law mandates that the tax ends.



Sample of November's Non-Partisan Ballot

Why is this important to Mills?

- Metro is not a Natrona county facility – it is owned by Casper and used by Mills, Bar Nunn, Natrona County & Casper
- Mills is a Metro partner, paying monthly to use their facility (\$32,000 annually) to help with strays and hoarding issues. The current facility does not have enough space to address Mills' needs
- Spec Tax will provide Mills a revenue source to improve its animal shelter resources
- Hoarding and quarantine space could remain at current facility with a new building

What are the current Metro building conditions?

- Built for 30 dogs and often houses 50+ animals and is not meeting current needs
- Wooden guillotine doors always in need of repair, unsafe for dangerous dogs
- HVAC system/ Poor ventilation – 1 single forced air system throughout the building has led to disease outbreaks
- Building shifting/settling
- Walls crumbling
- Pipes and ceiling exposed (leads to leaks and "waterfalls" when it rains)
- Kennel sizes small and animals are housed, eating, sleeping in the same area where they relieve themselves
- No outdoor space attached to the kennel for relief area.
- Little office space/ No room for meet and greet rooms
- No quarantine space
- No vicious animal safe space
- Metro handles 6,000+ calls and takes in around 2,300 animals annually

What is Metro doing currently?

- Cat condo revamping
- Annexing kennels
- New outside dog run (Utilized in warmer months)
- Overall organization/ cleanliness
- Processes/ procedures working with partner cities to match processes.

Am I registered to vote?

<https://vote.natronacounty-wy.gov/>

The Casper-Natrona County Health Department is excited to announce its annual Drive-Thru Flu Clinic on September 28th & October 5th from 9 AM to 1 PM. You can conveniently drive up to the Health Department at 475 S. Spruce Street to get your COVID & flu shot without leaving your car. The Mills Health Department location will also hold a walk-in clinic on October 1st from 9 AM to 3 PM at 426 Fourth St. This quick and easy service helps protect you and your loved ones as flu season approaches. No appointments are necessary, so please make sure to mark your calendars and stay protected this season! Flu & COVID vaccines can be billed to insurance. Without insurance, the Flu vaccine is \$35.



The Mills Fire Department will be holding their annual Weenie Roast on October 31st from 5pm to 8pm, at the Mills Fire Station. Come join us for some Halloweenies!



HAUNTED SCHOOL ROOM SPONSOR REGISTRATION
Join us for the Mills haunted school at the old Mountain View School
Saturday, October 26th from 3-9pm

(Setup the night before Friday, Oct. 25th from 4-6pm or Sat. 11-2)

All donations received will benefit the Mills Citizen Relief Fund to help Mills residents who have been displaced by house or business fires.





400 North 3rd Avenue Mills, WY

Contact Summer for more information or to volunteer or sponsor this event:
smelin@millswy.gov 307-234-6679



Fire Prevention MONTH

"Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety"

-  Hear a BEEP, get on your feet. Get out and stay out. Call 9-1-1 from outside.
-  Hear a CHIRP, make a change. A chirping alarm needs attention.
-  Replace the batteries or the entire unit if it's over 10 years old.
-  Test all smoke alarms at least once a month.

National Fire Protection Association nfpa.org

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www.millswy.gov

Pay your bill online at
www.xpressbillpay.com*



CCR Report (Consumer Confidence Report) is available on the City of Mills website (millswy.gov), City Hall, and at the Water Treatment Plant.

The City of Mills offers an extra trash pick-up day, every other Thursday. The extra trash pick-up days in September will be:

October 3rd

October 18th

Please make sure to call the City Hall to schedule a pick-up, at 307-234-6679. This extra trash pick-up is for non-household items such as; boxes, yard waste, tree limbs, shelving, etc.