



# CITY OF GILLETTE

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**FROM:** J. Carter Napier, City Administrator *JCN*  
**RE:** General Information  
**DATE:** February 17, 2017

The following meetings are scheduled for the week of **February 18th – February 24th:**

### **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 p.m. Gillette Main Street Ice Fest**  
• Third Street Plaza

### **Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Presidents Day Holiday – City Offices Closed**

### **Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

**6:00 p.m. City Council Pre-Meeting, Agenda Attached**

- Rail Yard Restaurant Progress Update – Brent Eischeid \*
- Leased Parking Discussion – Administrative Services Director Boger
- Customer Service Billing Update \*
- Administrative Services Budget Review
- Review February 21<sup>st</sup> Agenda
- Executive Session
- City Hall – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room
- Dinner Served at 5:30 p.m.

**7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting**

- City Hall - Council Chambers

### **Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**5:30 p.m. City/ County/Town Meeting, Agenda Attached**

- Legislative Issues
- Budget Calendar
- Consensus Funding Discussion
- City Hall – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Community Room

### **Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 a.m. NEWY Meeting**

- City Hall – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room

1. Attached please find a memorandum regarding **Legal Advertising – Further Reduction in Costs** dated February 17, 2017 provided by **Administrative Services Director Boger**.
2. Attached please find a **letter** regarding **Public Notice, BioWest Remediation Landfarm, Highway 16, Crook County, Wyoming** dated February 13, 2017 provided by **ECS Engineers**.
3. Attached please find the **WAM Connection Newsletter** dated January 2017 provided by the **Wyoming Association of Municipalities**.

4. Attached please find a **flyer** regarding **Spring Board Training** on **March 8** and **March 9, 2017** provided by **City of Gillette Administration**.
5. Attached please find a **press release** regarding **Gillette's Got Talent Entries Open Now** dated **February 10, 2017** provided by **Cam-Plex**.

JCN/adw



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## Administrative Services Department City Clerk Division

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**Pre-Meeting – 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall – 3rd Floor Conference Room  
Tuesday, February 21, 2017  
Dinner Served at 5:30 p.m.**

### Pre-Meeting Topic(s):

- Rail Yard Restaurant Progress Update\* – Brent Eischeid
- Leased Parking Discussion – Administrative Services Director Boger
- Customer Service Billing Update\*
- Administrative Services Budget Review
- Review February 21st Agenda
- Executive Session



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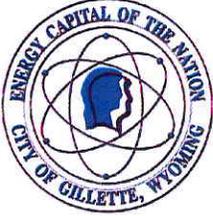
**Dinner Meeting  
Wednesday, February 22, 2017  
5:30 p.m.**

**Location: City Hall 2nd Floor Community Room  
(Hosted by the City of Gillette)**

**Topics for Discussion:**

- Legislative Issues
- Budget Calendar
- Consensus Funding Discussion

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: J. Carter Napier, City Administrator

FROM: Pamela L. Boger, Administrative Services Director *Pamela L. Boger*

RE: Legal Advertising – Further Reduction In Costs

DATE February 17, 2017

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Staff has made significant changes to the Council Meeting Minutes over the past year in order to reduce legal advertising costs. As we discussed, staff has come up with an idea that will save additional dollars in legal advertising costs as follows:

**Bills and Claims were previously advertised as follows:**

Jack's Truck Center Inc.	604.27
MCM General Contractors	25,300.00
Long Building Technologies	11,000.30
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming	22,000.00
Black Hills Power & Light	2,000.00
Dexter's Automotive	1,000.00
Derric Culey	50.00

**Bills and Claims will now be advertised as follows:**

Jack's Truck Center Inc. 604.27; MCM General Contractors 25,300.00; Long Building Technologies 11,000.30; Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming 22,000; Black Hills Power & Light 2,000.00; Dexter's Automotive 1,000.00; Derric Culey 50.00.

It is estimated that this change may save an additional \$13,000 per year. We have made this change effective immediately.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

plb



February 13, 2017

The Honorable Louise Carter-King  
Mayor of Gillette  
P.O. Box 3003  
Gillette, Wyoming 82717

**RE: PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**BioWest Remediation Landfarm**  
**Highway 16, Crook County, Wyoming**

Dear Mayor Carter-King,

This letter and public notice is being provided to inform you of the upcoming public comment period regarding the permit application for the BioWest Landfarm, operated by Golden Valley Remediation, LLC d.b.a. BioWest Remediation. The Department of Environmental Quality, Solid and Hazardous Waste Division (DEQ) has reviewed the application and determined that it is generally complete, technically adequate and suitable for publication. The public will be able to file comments on the permit application from **February 16, 2017** to **March 25, 2017**. For further details, please see the enclosed public notice.

Thank you and please do not hesitate to contact us at ECS with any questions.

Sincerely,  
ECS Engineers

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Michael J. Bullock'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'M' and 'B'.

Michael J. Bullock, P.E.  
Environmental Service Line Director  
mbullock@ecsengineers.net

Enclosed:  
Public Notice

## PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act and Chapter 1, Section 1(f) of the Solid Waste Rules and Regulations, Golden Valley Remediation, LLC d.b.a. BioWest Remediation (BioWest) has submitted a SW Chapter 6 Transfer, Treatment and Storage renewal permit application for a Petroleum Contaminated Soil (PCS) treatment facility called the BioWest Landfarm.

The 15.65 acre facility is located approximately 8.5 miles southeast of Moorcroft, Crook County WY, on Highway 16 and approximately ¼ mile south of Highway 16. More specifically, this facility is located in the SE 1/4 NW 1/4 & NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 32 T49N R66W of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, Crook County, Wyoming. The facility provides for the treatment of PCS which is generated within Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota. The total volumetric capacity of this facility is estimated to be 10,795 cubic yards. The life of the facility is indefinite.

The Department of Environmental Quality, Solid and Hazardous Waste Division (DEQ) has reviewed the application and determined that it is generally complete, technically adequate and suitable for publication. The DEQ's solid waste rules, in Chapter 1, Section 2 (b)(ii), require that the applicant must provide public notice that a proposed permit has been issued and inform the public that there is an opportunity to file comments on the proposed permit before it is issued in final form. The notice is also required to indicate that the public may file formal written objections to issuance of a final permit. This publication provides notice of those opportunities.

Copies of the permit application, the DEQ's review of the application, and the proposed permit can be viewed at DEQ's Casper office (152 North Durbin Street, Suite 100 Casper, WY 82601), at the Crook County Public Library Moorcroft Branch (105 E. Converse, Moorcroft, WY 82721), and the Crook County Clerk's Office (309 Cleveland Street Sundance, WY 82729).

Any interested person has the right to either: provide comments on the proposed permit, which DEQ will consider prior to taking final action on the permit application, or file formal written objections to the proposed permit. The period for providing comments, or filing formal written objections to the proposed permit, shall begin on **February 16, 2017** and end on **March 25, 2017**. Any comments or formal written objections must be received by 5:00 PM on the last day of the notice period. Comments or formal objections must be submitted in writing to the Department of Environmental Quality, Todd Parfitt, Director, 200 West 17th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Formal written objections must be accompanied by a statement of the facts upon which the objection is based. If substantial written objections are filed, a contested case hearing will be held by the Environmental Quality Council.

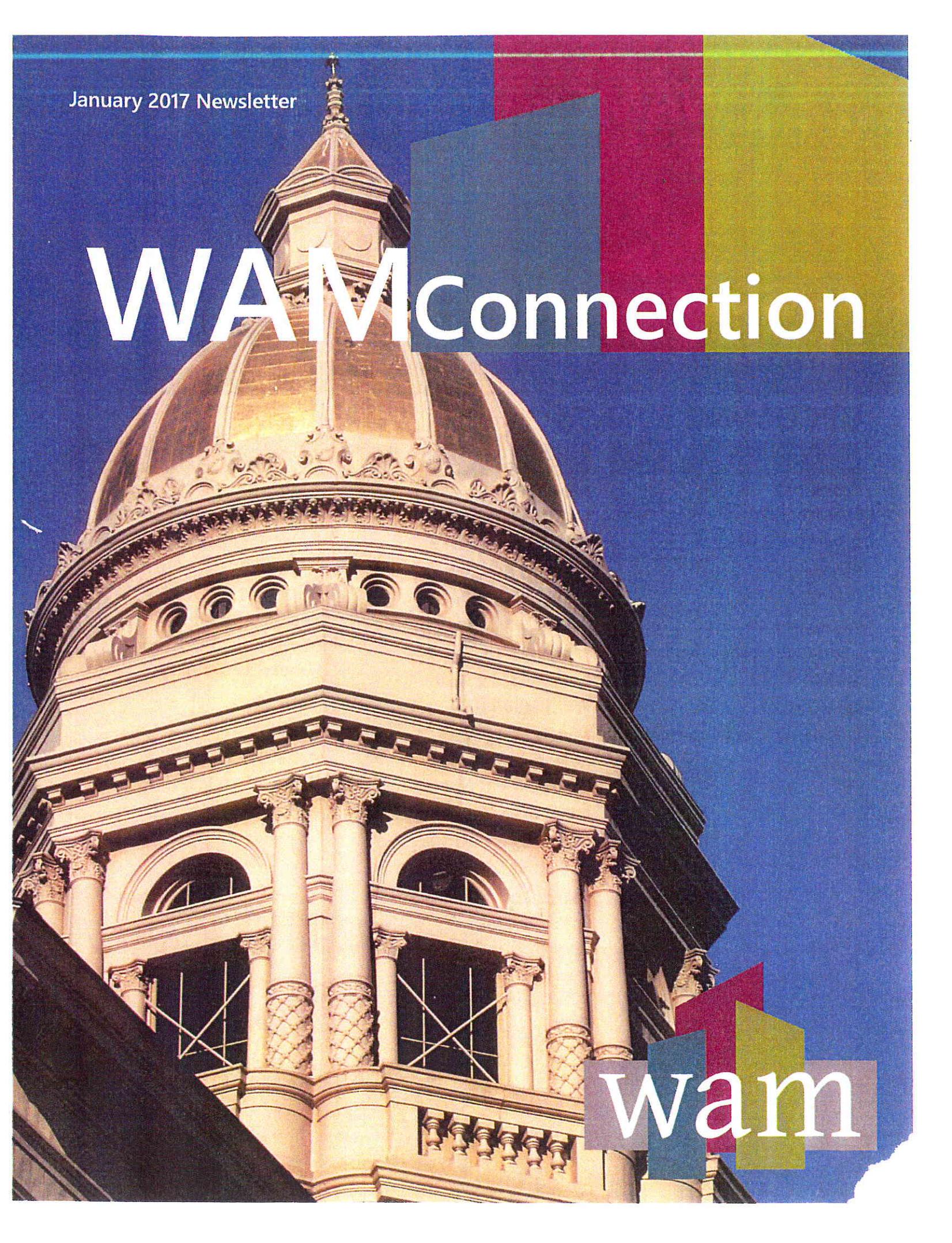
In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, special assistance or alternative formats will be made available upon request for individuals with disabilities.

**NOTE TO PUBLISHER: This legal notice is provided to you as a requirement of the Wyoming DEQ/SHWD rules and regulations and must be published once per week for two (2) consecutive weeks. This legal notice should not be published unless specifically requested by the applicant identified above. If published, the applicant is solely responsible for all costs which are incurred.**

January 2017 Newsletter

# WAM Connection

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

- February 2**  
SLIB Meeting  
Ground Hog Day
- February 14**  
Valentines Day
- February 17**  
Legislative Holiday (No Session)
- February 20**  
Presidents' Day (No Session)

### MARCH

- March 8**  
Last Day of Session
- March 8 & 9**  
Region 1 Meeting & Training  
(Government Operations & Supervisor Training)
- March 12-16**  
National League of Cities,  
Washington D.C.
- March 15-16**  
Region 3 Meeting & Training  
(Government Operations & Supervisor Training)
- March 17**  
St. Patrick's Day
- March 20**  
Spring Begins

### APRIL

- April 5-6**  
Region IV Meeting & Training  
(Government Operations & Supervisor Training)
- April 12-13**  
Region V Meeting & Training  
(Government Operations & Supervisor Training)
- April 16**  
Easter Sunday
- April 27-28**  
WAM Board Meeting, Jackson

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Fremont Motor Company	Lander	(307) 332-8340
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Wyoming Economic Development Association	Cheyenne	(307) 772-9100

# Simonton Says Farewell

BY SHELLEY SIMONTON

About this time three years ago, I packed my Subaru full of professional-looking suits, skirts, shoes, coats and books on leadership. I drove out of my driveway in Jackson after kissing my husband and my 2 black labs good-bye.

I was 110% committed to WAM, to WAM's members, to WAM's mission, to WAM's work within the state. I had previously worked for a city and knew that the REAL effort for public service started at the city and town level. It's as pure as it gets. Garbage. Snow plowing. Electricity. Water. Sewer. Ordinances that make things better or not. Public comment from your neighbor about water rates. Dogs running loose. Downtown development. Teenagers up to no good. Flowers blooming in the city park in May.

Now, three years later I can look back and say much has happened to this organization. Our advocacy and efforts with the Legislature, the Governor's office and state agencies has increased monumentally. Pete Obermueller wrote in my going away book, "I'll miss the 'good cop/ bad cop' relationship we had," meaning our styles were different when testifying, but we worked so well together to get a point across. Our partnership was noticed by others and appreciated. We had excellent communications and respect for one another, and it was demonstrated in our work. That happened through intention from the leadership of our organizations. Cities, towns and counties are stronger together. It was truly fun to work with them, and I will greatly miss Pete's intelligence, preparedness, and humor.

WAM had a training program for elected officials called LTS - Leadership Training Services. Ginger Newman ran the program along with the LTS Board. When she said she was retiring I knew we had to do something big or the program would die. I also knew that I, myself, could not do it. Bring back Bobbe Fitzhugh! The person who originally created LTS and has a private business now that coaches elected officials and staff! Bobbe and Joe Coyne are CBI, and via contract they have elevated the new Government Leadership program. No sooner was Katie hired but I said to her, "you manage the education program for WAM and I have no idea what that means or looks like." I am not going to get the Boss of the Year Award for that. Katie took it on and then some. She added her own insights and ideas and embraced the importance of educating our members. Randy Adams took a full leap of faith 2 years ago when LTS



was in transition, and he guided it along with the LTS Board through a wholly new program. It's exciting what has come out of the partnerships and efforts: a professional, timely, important, affordable, and useful education program.

Communications to members used to be done in Word documents. The newsletter was black and white, and not very dynamic. The website was old and dusty. I'm not being critical, but my resume was in communications, public relations and marketing and through my eyes, WAM's communications were ready for a facelift. Some people might think, "who cares?" But a brand is how you tell what is yours; how you demonstrate who you are. Think of the brand on your cows. If it's smeared or unclear, people think you're not precise, don't pay attention to detail, or maybe don't care. If your cows are all branded clearly with your mark, people respect you and your operation. And if a cow goes missing, they can get it back to you because they know who the brand belongs to. Branding WAM with a new logo, a new

## Simonton Says Continued...

newsletter format, a new weekly communication format and a new website demonstrates to the outside world we are experts, we are professional and well organized, we care about our mission and our work, and we intend to be recognized anywhere. This shift has proven itself in many ways, from people making notice of our new look to nearly 100 media mentions in just 6 months. We are known now as the go-to for municipal government issues.

I mention these three examples of your strategic plan – Advocacy, Education, Communication – because I am proud of how far the organization has come in such a short time. That progress ONLY happened

because of the PEOPLE who made it happen: Earla, Deborah, Ginger, Dave, Katie, and Laurie. People who stepped up, used drive, ideas, initiative, communication, and cooperation. That's what it takes to make an organization thrive – people who care.

Thank you for allowing me to work with hundreds of people who care so much about their communities, the state, and WAM. What a true honor it has been. I will forever remember this time as the finest experience I have had in my professional career. I will miss WAM, will watch for WAM headlines, and celebrate WAM's next achievements. God Bless.



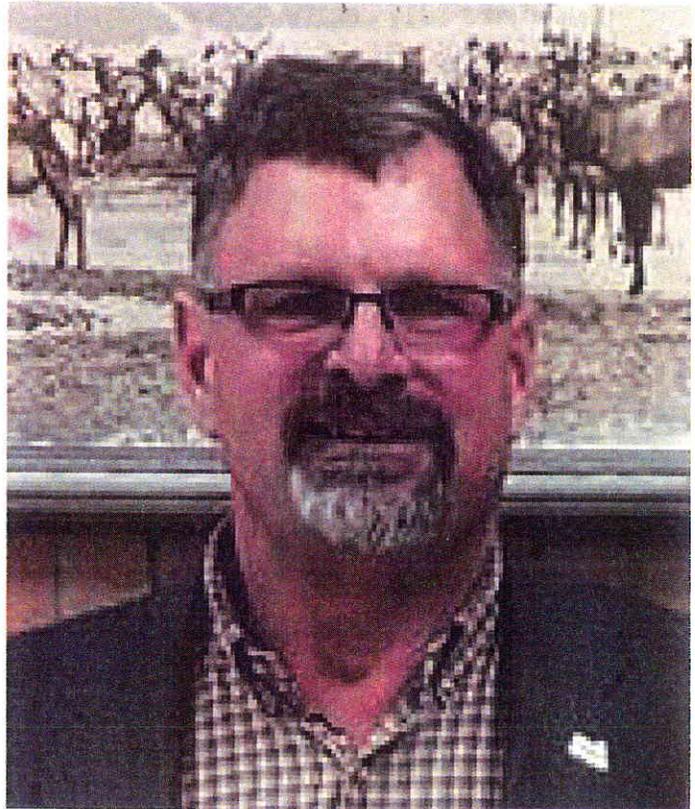
# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Paul Brooks, WAM President

I am honored to serve this year as your WAM Board President. We come together as cities and towns, articulating our priorities with one voice, because we know that together we are stronger. This will be an important year for us at the Legislature, and your WAM staff is hard at work for you. We want to make sure that our legislators know loud and clear what your priorities are for the session. We're focused on the need for Wyoming's cities and towns to have more control and ability to predict their financial conditions.

Earlier this month at WAM Winter Workshop, we held briefings with the Legislative Leadership Committee, WAM's lobbying decision making body. We also hosted a legislative reception providing our members who attended an opportunity to meet directly with their state senators and representatives. The commitment you make, building a relationship with your legislators, and sharing your voice, helps us all advance the needs of our local communities. We do this work, not just for today, but for the needs of our cities' and towns' tomorrow. It is easy to have your focus narrowed to what is directly in front of you. Each of you have an important job in your hometowns serving as an elected official. Your city is facing issues right now that need your attention. But you should also join us and be engaged at the state level- to help advance our collective cause. Working together we have the power to direct more attention and resources to our communities.

This year WAM has launched an improved website that allows for members to be engaged and have the most up-to-date information from the Legislature. Be sure to visit the website and call the WAM staff if you need navigational help. Thank you for your trust in me to serve as your President, and I look forward to working with each and every one of you to advance our cause.



**WAM President Paul Brook,  
Mayor of Sundance**

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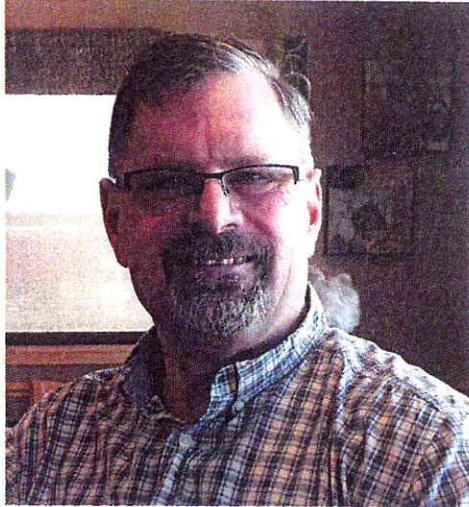
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# WAM's Board of Directors

It's a new year for WAM and along with it comes some new faces. During the WAM Winter Workshop held earlier this January, WAM's membership elected five new Board of Directors and appointed a 2017 Legislative Leadership Committee representative from each region. WAM's Board sets policy for the organization and approves the legislative agenda. The Legislative Leadership Committee meets regularly to facilitate legislative action aligning with the agenda.



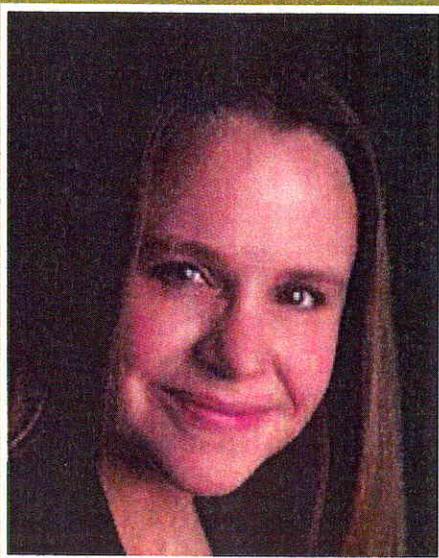
**Paul Brooks**  
WAM President,  
Mayor of Sundance



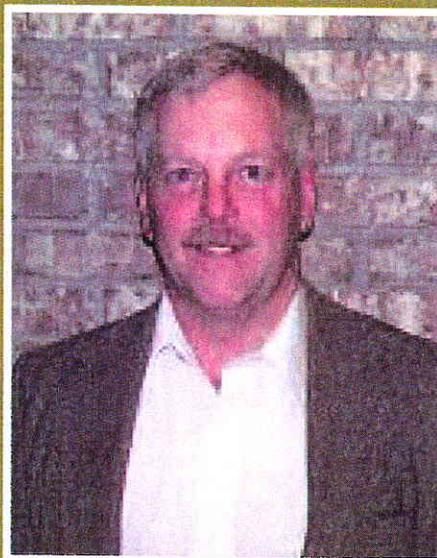
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WAM Vice President  
Mayor of Mountain View

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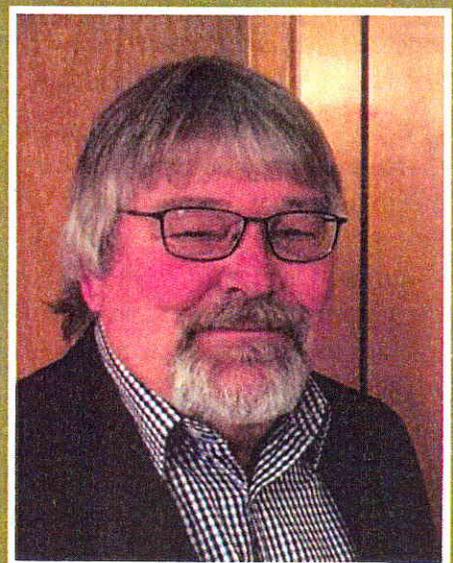
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**Andi Summerville,**  
Mayor of Laramie



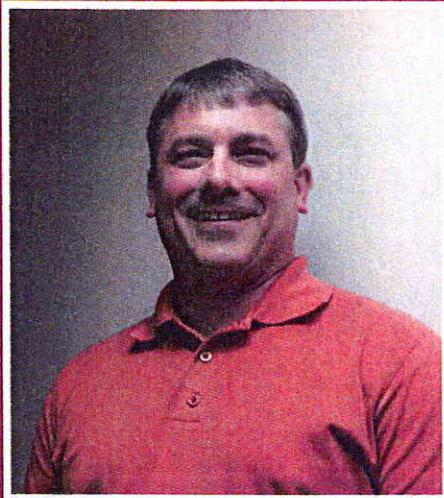
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Mayor of Albin



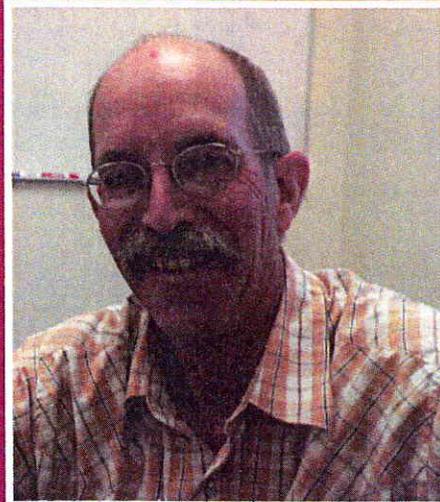
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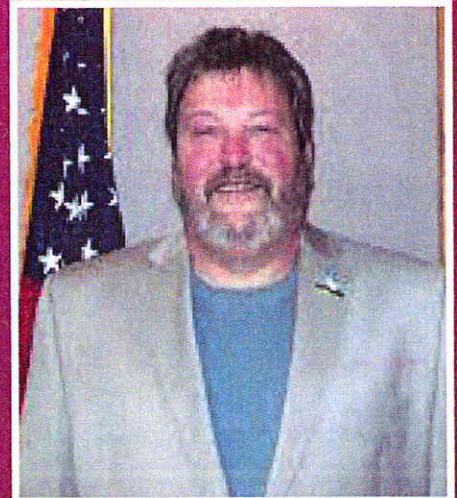
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Roger Miller,  
Mayor of Sheridan



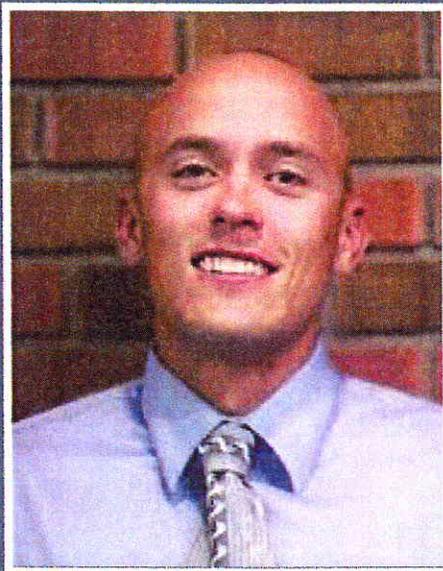
Chris Schock,  
Mayor of Clearmont



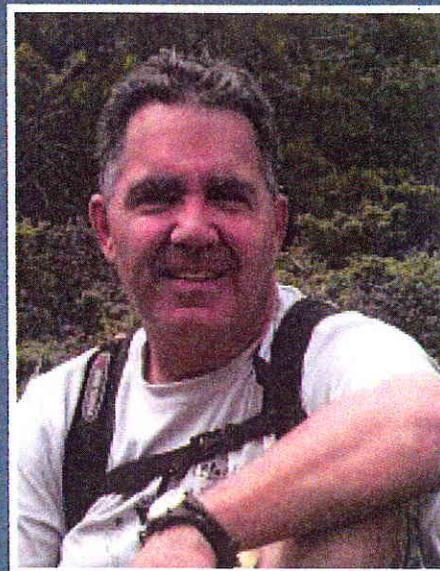
Bruce Jones,  
Mayor of Douglas

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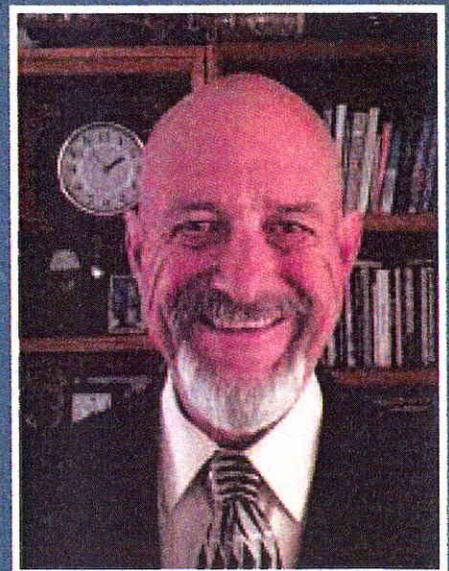
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Landon Greer,  
Council Member of Cody



John Wetzel,  
Council Member of Powell

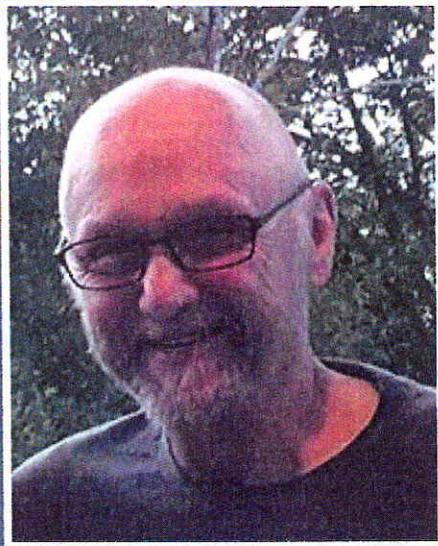


Tim Patrick,  
Mayor of Manderson

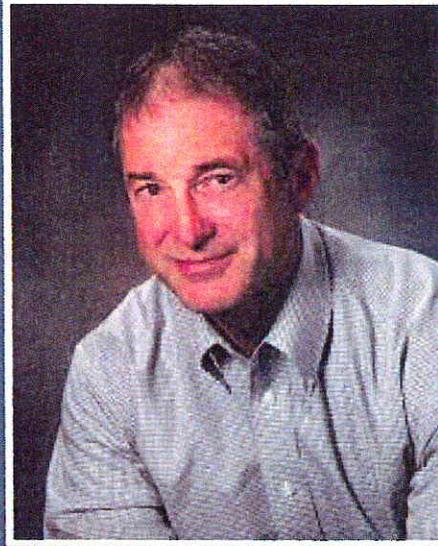
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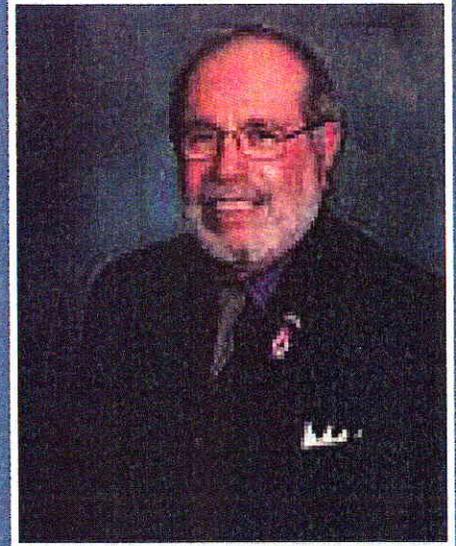
(Bar Nunn, Casper, Dubois, Edgerton, Evansville, Hudson, Lander, Midwest, Mills, Pavillion, Riverton, Shoshoni)



Buck King,  
Mayor of Edgerton



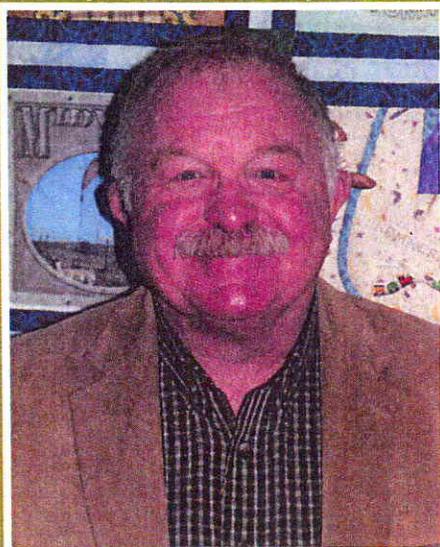
Charlie Powell,  
Council Member of Casper



Lee Martinez,  
Council Member of  
Riverton

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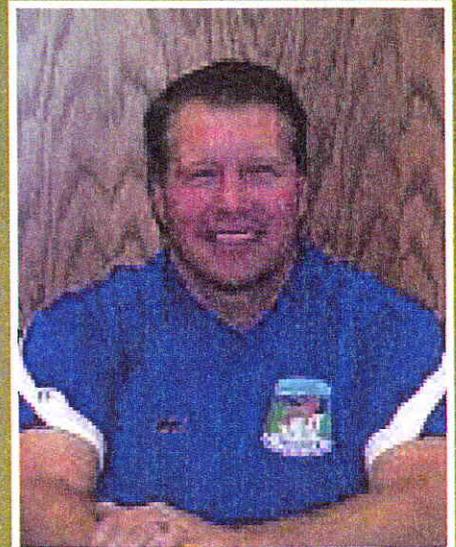
(Afton, Alpine, Bear River, Big Piney, Cokeville, Diamondville, Evanston, Jackson, Kemmerer, LaBarge, Lyman, Marbleton, Mountain View, Opal, Pinedale, Star Valley Ranch, Thayne)



John Lynch,  
Council Member of Star  
Valley Ranch



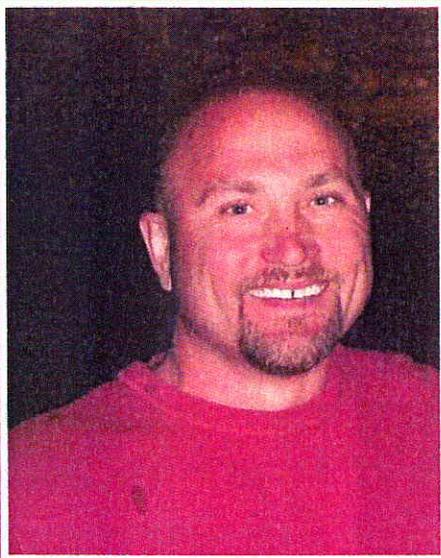
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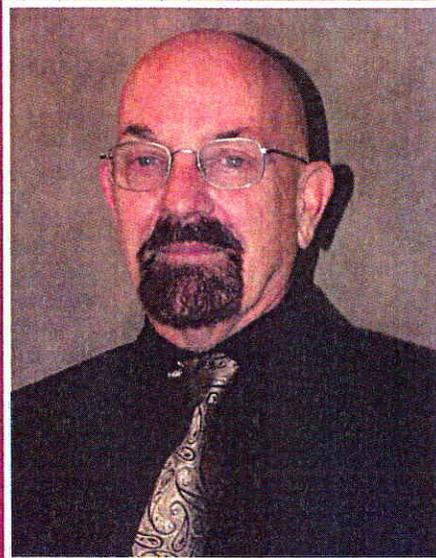
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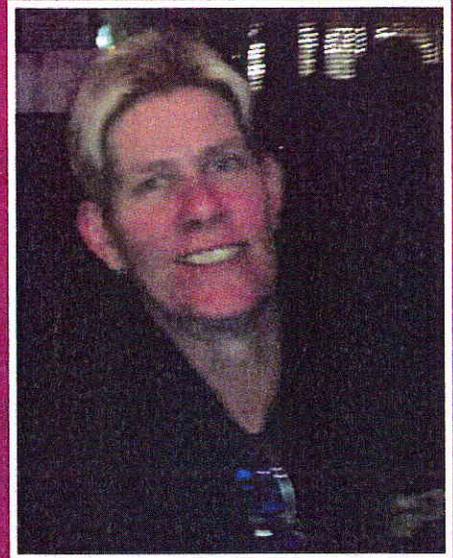
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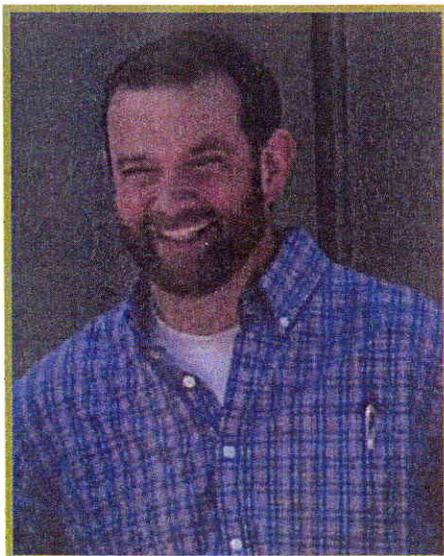
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Tracy Folwer,  
Council Member of Hanna

## Other Representatives

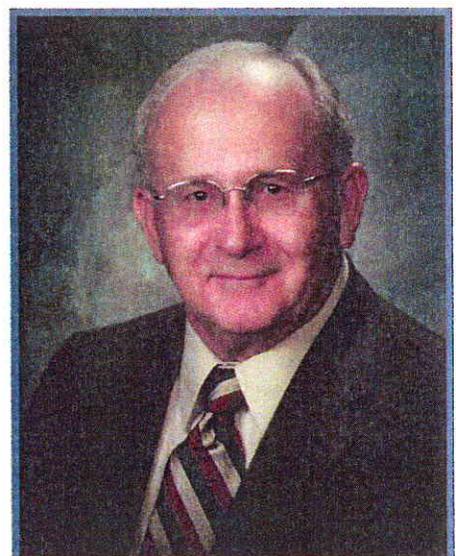
(Wyoming Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers, WAMCAT Representative; Great Open Spaces City Management Association, GOSCMA Representative; Leadership Training Services, LTS Representative)



Carter Napier,  
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Gillette Administrator,



Carol Intlekofer,  
WAMCAT Rep.  
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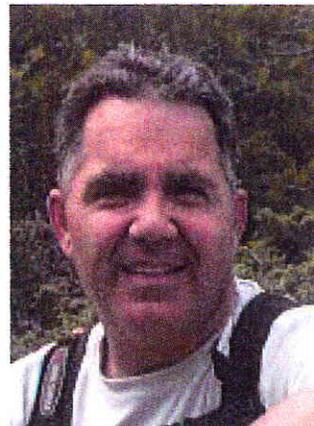
# Legislative Leadership Committee



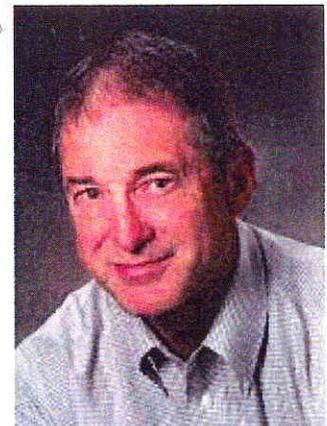
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Mark Harris, WAM Legal Counsel

Rick Kaysen, WAM Interim Executive Director

Laurie Heath, Deputy Director/Legis Mngr

The **Legislative Leadership Committee** is the strong decision making body behind **WAM's Legislative Agenda**. This committee is committed to meeting weekly and providing daily feedback to WAM Staff through the **2017 General Legislative Session!**

Visit the new website!  
[www.wyomuni.org](http://www.wyomuni.org)

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2017 WAM  
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## WAM has launched its IMPROVED Website

### Check Out the Legislative Bill Tracking Feature!

Click on the RED Triangle labeled, "WAM Legislative Tacking"

This will take you to a page where you can review bills the WAM Team has found relevant to municipalities and will provide what position WAM is taking.

We would be happy to help you explore this feature,  
just give us a call at 307-632-0398.

### Upcoming WAM Event Information

Watch for upcoming Region Meetings, Trainings and Convention Information

### Community Classifieds

Advertise your community' open position or the Fire Engine that is for sale

# From the Legislature...

The Consensus Revenue Estimating Group (CREG) released its January revenue forecast early in the session. Notably, the biennium forecast for sales and use tax revenue is predicted to continue downward by \$8.1M due to the slower recovery of jobs but the severance tax projections are positive reflecting increases in coal production and an increased assessed valuation for natural gas. All factors considered the January CREG indicates some stabilization and even a potential positive balance.

Yet caution is permeating throughout the 64th Session with many bills geared to increasing revenue or implementing program cuts to balance the estimated \$200 million-dollar shortfall. A theme of scrutiny and efficiency abounds. Your Legislators are thoughtfully considering economic development, liquor revisions, employment law, transportation, banking, public health, concealed carry, and many other topics. And the big elephant in the room....education.

Your Legislative Leadership Committee and the WAM staff are reading and carefully evaluating each and every bill to determine if they have anything to do with municipal operations. As of the publication date, there were over 400 bills and WAM is tracking ~125. To provide up-to-date information for the bills that the LLC and Staff have approved, please visit the Legislative Tracking Database that is embedded in the WAM website. For daily updates, please go to <http://wyomuni.org/follow-legislation> or join up for our weekly legislative newsletter.



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# WAM 2017 Legislative Agenda

WAM has taken a proactive approach to the 64th Wyoming Legislative Session with the Legislative Leadership Committee approving the following agenda. Throughout 2016, resolutions were drafted, a Municipal Finance Report with recommendations was published, and other issues relative to Wyoming's cities and towns were presented to WAM members. The following briefly details issues that will be supported or monitored during the session. Other bills that are presented during the session will be addressed accordingly and messaged in the weekly legislative reports. For additional information and daily updates, follow the bill activity on the Advocacy Page of WAM's improved website [wyomuni.org](http://wyomuni.org).

## **MUNICIPAL FINANCE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

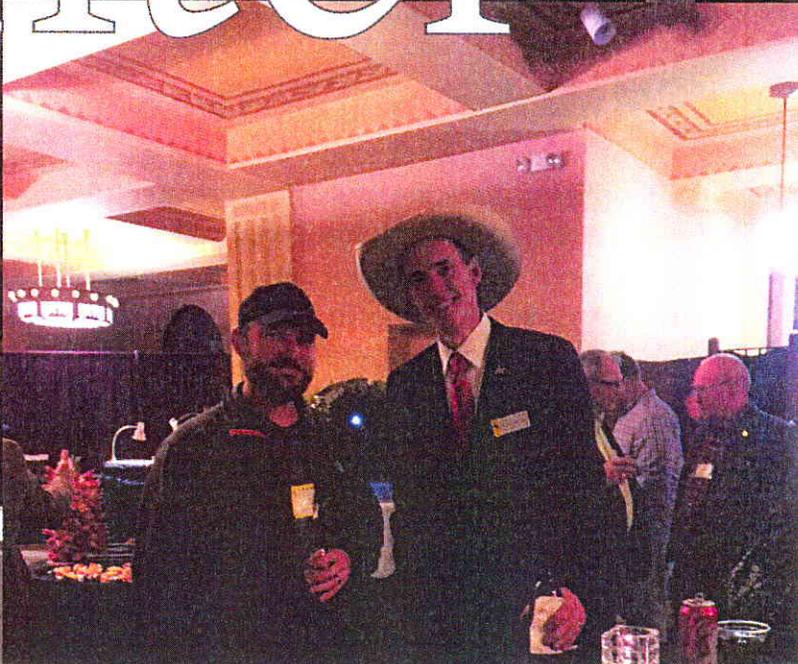
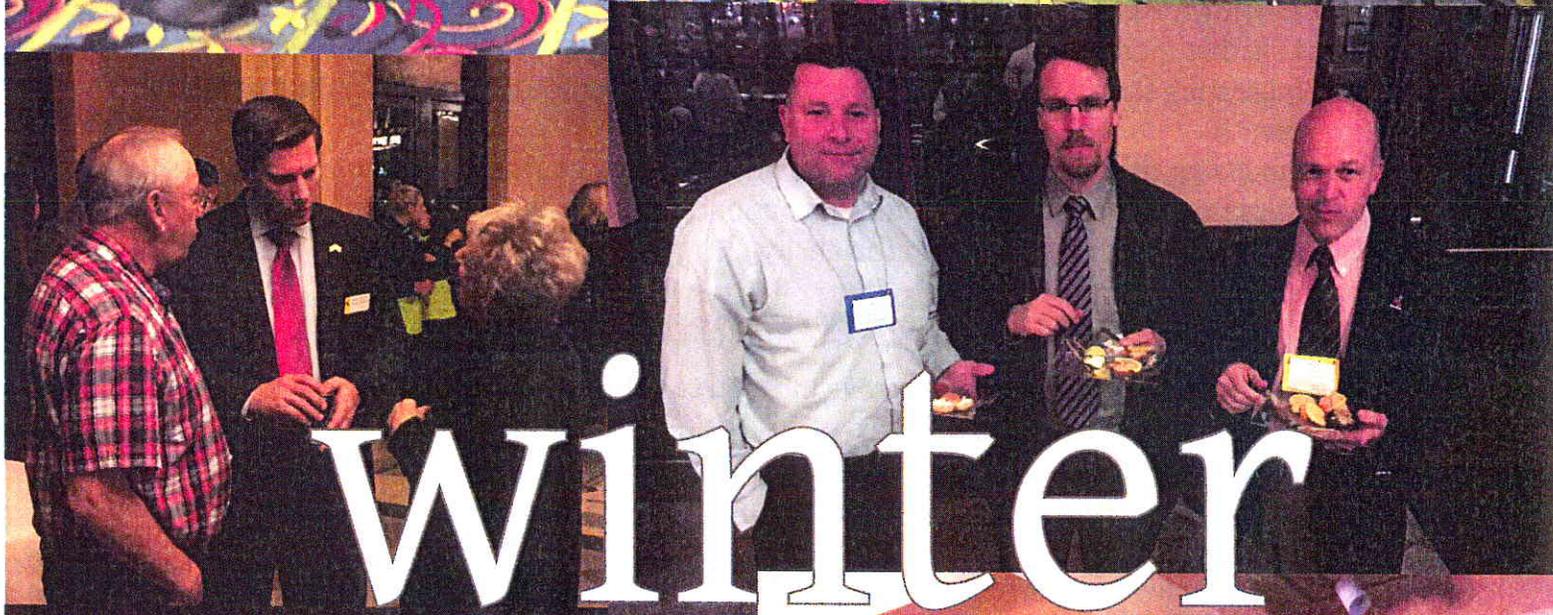
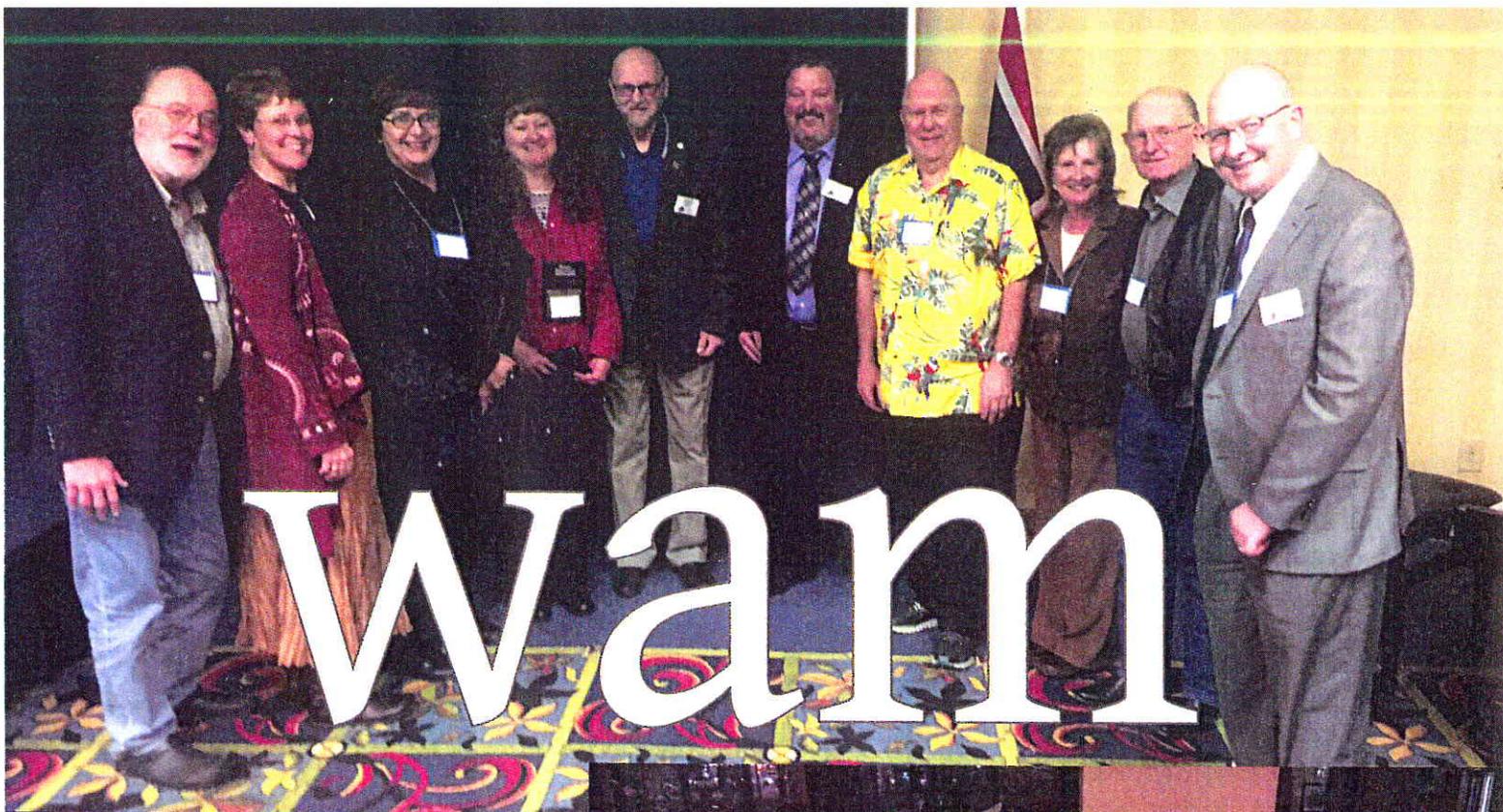
- Support securing the remaining direct distribution (\$52.5M)
- Monitor and provide input if modifications of the direct distribution formula
- Support funding for state grant and loan programs
- Support bills that increase local revenue generating authority
- Support increasing state sales and use tax by 1% or adjusting the split to add funding to local government
- Support amending the property tax limit to add flexibility to local government
- Support sales tax exemptions that promote economic development
- Support efforts to increase operating efficiencies

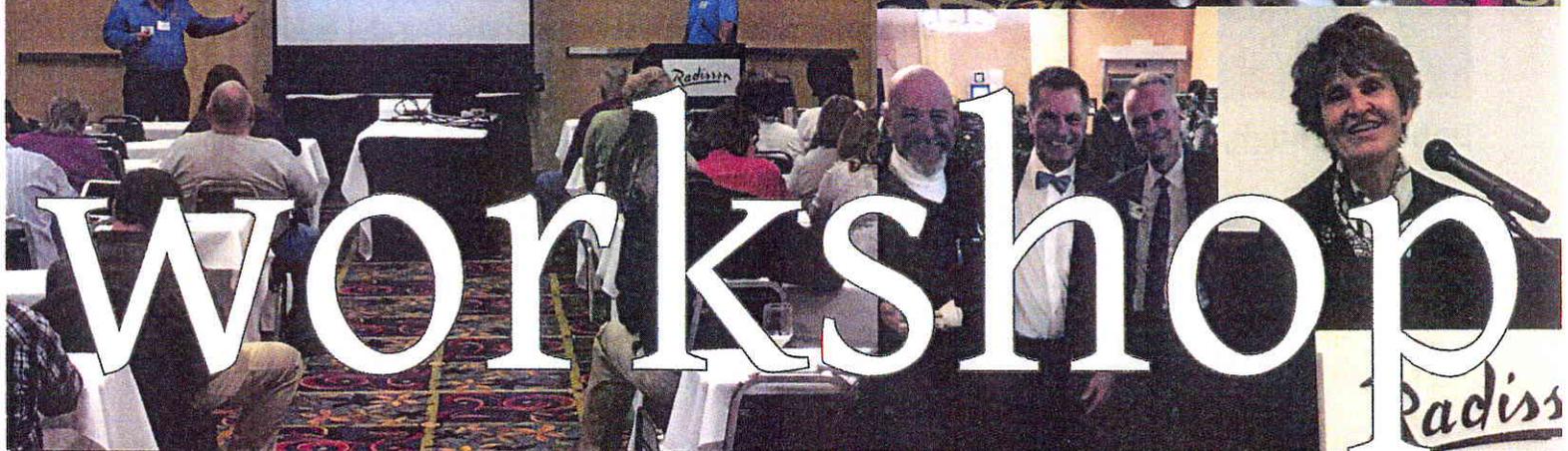
## **WAM ANNUAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS**

- Monitor and advocate for bills that improve intra-state public transportation
- Support statewide repeal of food sales tax
- Support clarification and ease of process for nuisance and dangerous abandoned buildings
- Monitor lodging tax changes to align with the lodging and restaurant association
- Support preserving current wind tax, but oppose increasing the tax in order to enhance economic development

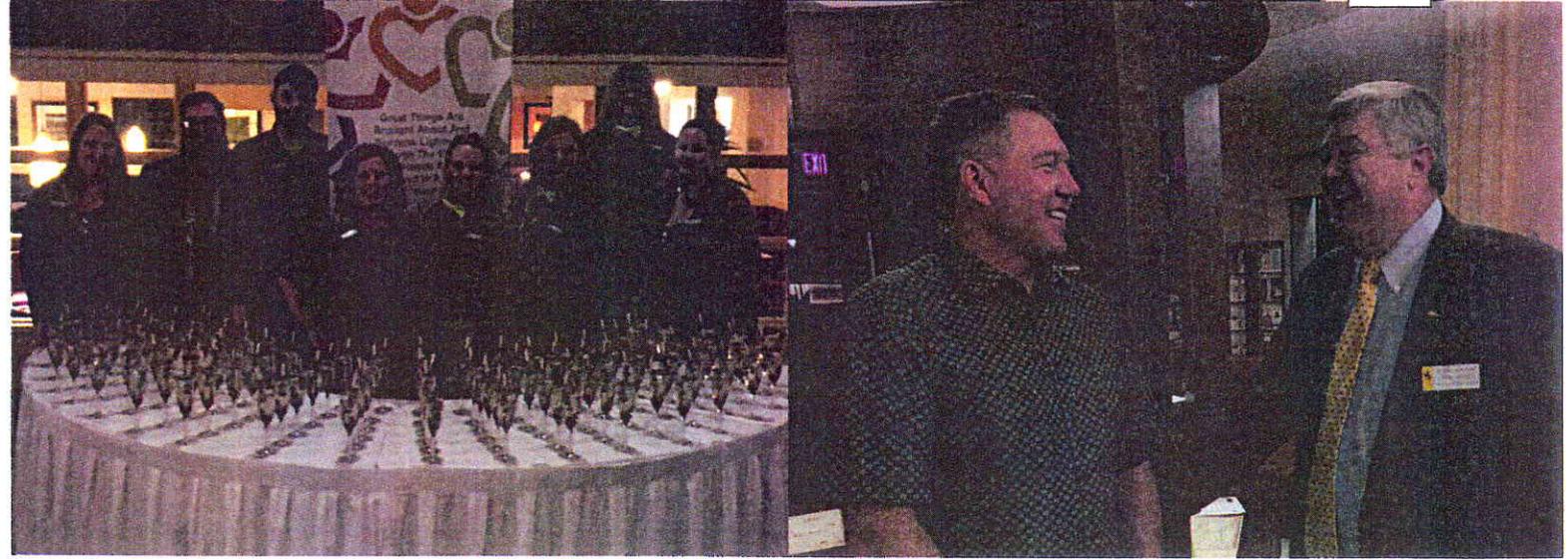
## **WAM MEMBER REQUESTS**

- Support existing bill to allow natural gas pipeline to provide services in NE Wyoming
- Support to maintain municipal extraterritorial jurisdiction
- Monitor transportation bill that will offer UBER or similar services
- Support bills to revise employment laws related to seasonal or temporary employees
- Support bills in line with the Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chief of Police as relates to use of body worn cameras and drones
- Support skier liability codes for communities with ski areas
- Monitor vertical local assessment district bills to encourage infill development improving blighted areas
- Support sales tax on online/internet purchases





# workshop



# WAM Training Near YOU!

We understand that between municipal budgets and conflicting schedules, not all our members can travel to WAM's events for training. This year, WAM is bringing training to its members. Visit our website starting February 1st to register for the following trainings online at [www.wyomuni.org](http://www.wyomuni.org).



**Bobbe Fitzhugh, President, CBI**



## GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Whether you are new to municipal government or just looking for a refresher of the operations of Local Government, this session will be for you. We discuss the meaning of "Home Rule"; the difference between a Town and a First Class City; different forms of Government and Council's statutory and practical roles and responsibilities. We will also focus on how to conduct a meeting; understanding of the Wyoming Open Meeting and Public Records Law; governmental liability and basics of municipal elections. By attending this workshop you will earn credits towards your Local Government Leadership Program with WAM.

## EFFECTIVE SUPERVISORY PRACTICES

Are you looking to become a more effective supervisor by obtaining better results through teamwork? This is the session for you! When you leave this training you will have a better understanding on how to lead your work team through good work planning methods; organizing productivity; selecting, orienting and training employees; evaluating performance and communicating with your employees. We will also focus on coaching, counseling and mentoring; creating a climate for motivation; developing and maintaining discipling; workplace safety and wellness; and working with the budget. By attending this workshop you will earn credits towards your Local Government Leadership Program with WAM.

## REGION MEETING & TRAINING SCHEDULES

### Region I March 8-9

Platte County Public Library  
904 9th Street  
Wheatland, WY

### Region II (NEWY) May 10-11

Gillette City Hall  
201 E. 5th Street  
Gillette, WY

### Region III March 15-16

Lovell Community Center  
1925 US-310  
Lovell, WY

### Region IV April 5-6

Riverton City Hall  
816 N. Federal Blvd.  
Riverton, WY

### Region V April 12-13

Sublette County Administrative Board Room  
665 N. Tyler  
Pinedale, WY

### Region VI May 3-4

Town of Wamsutter  
TBA

**THE TOWN OF JACKSON** is accepting applications for Street Operator/Utility Locator-Public Works. Application and job description are available at [www.townofjackson.com](http://www.townofjackson.com).  
Deadline: 5:00 P.M. Friday, February 3, 2017.

**THE TOWN OF ROLLING HILLS** is accepting applications for a part-time Deputy Clerk. Applications are available at Town Hall located at 38 South Badger Road, Rolling Hills, WY. Deadline: Friday, February 10, 2017.



**THE CITY OF TORRINGTON** is accepting applications for a Part-Time Administrative Assistant. Applications are available at [www.torringtonwy.gov](http://www.torringtonwy.gov).  
Deadline: Friday, February 3, 2017.

**THE CITY OF GILLETTE** is accepting applications for a full-time Police Officer. To apply for this position, please complete a City of Gillette Police Department application for employment available at [www.gillettewy.gov](http://www.gillettewy.gov). The position is open until filled.

**We want to know how your community is preparing and planning for this summer's Solar Eclipse!**

Share your ideas and thoughts with Katie at [katie@wyomunig.org](mailto:katie@wyomunig.org)

The Office of Wyoming Tourism will help promote your community's Eclipse Event. Give them a call at 307-777-7777

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**NON-PROFIT BOARD MEMBERS**

**ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTORS**

To Register and For More Information, Please Contact:

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Email Angela at [angelaw@gillettewy.gov](mailto:angelaw@gillettewy.gov)

County Commissioners Office at 682-7283 or

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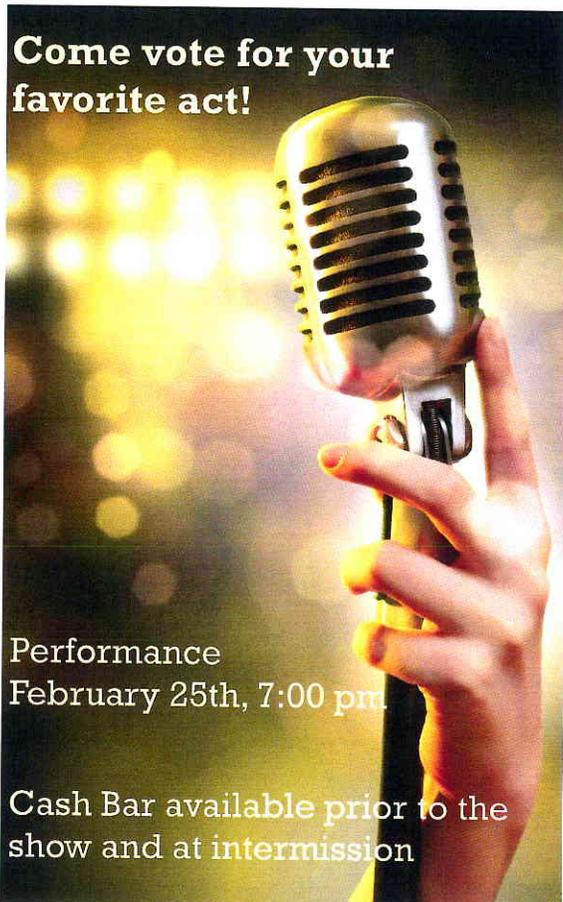


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**PRESS RELEASE FROM THE CAM-PLEX HERITAGE CENTER THEATER**  
For Immediate Release on **February 10, 2017**

# Gillette's Got Talent Entries Open Now!



**Come vote for your favorite act!**

Performance  
February 25th, 7:00 pm

Cash Bar available prior to the show and at intermission

CAM-PLEX Heritage Center Theater is looking for local talent to compete in the 8th Annual Gillette's Got Talent. Up to 25 entries will be accepted for competition, ages 16 and older can register. Performance must be 3 minutes or less. On the performance night, winners will be selected by a panel of judges and an audience ballot vote. First place will win a cash prize!

Entry Fee: \$20 per act  
Application Deadline: Feb. 16  
Register at the Ticket Office  
General Admission Tickets: \$7

Please join the CAM-PLEX Heritage Center Theater staff for **Gillette's Got Talent**, on **Saturday, February 25th 7:00pm**. For more information, contact the CAM-PLEX Ticket Office at 307-682-8802 or visit our website at [www.cam-plex.com](http://www.cam-plex.com).

This performance may be funded in part by the Campbell County Community Public Recreation District, corporate and private sponsors, WESTAF (the Western Arts Federation), and the Wyoming Arts Council through funding from the Wyoming State Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.



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