

# TOWN OF LA JARA NEWSLETTER

THE GLORY DAYS COMMITTEE  
WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A BIG

Thank You

To everyone who helped contribute to the celebration, all vendors, musicians, and of course the people who came out to help celebrate with us!

## Important: Water Rates

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(FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE LOOK AT THE LETTER ATTACHED WITH THE BILL) Page 2 for more info.

## Xcel Understanding Rates

As prices for many everyday goods and services rise, natural gas commodity prices are also increasing, leading to higher electric and natural gas bills across the nation. Xcel Energy works hard to keep cost low for customers and is committed to providing ways to help manage bills and save money. Please reach out if you are having difficulty paying bill, because help is available.

Ways to save

With higher natural gas costs, here are several ways to save energy and money:

- Upgrade your thermostat: A programmable thermostat lets you set the tempter in your home to use less energy when your away.
- Use your blinds or curtains to regulate the tempter in your home: Close them on hot days to keep the heat out, or if your home is cold, open blinds to take advantage of the sun's warmth.
- Use ceiling fans to your advantage: Ceiling fans use less energy than air conditioning and can help cool a room during warmer days. And during colder months, running ceiling fans clockwise forces the warm air near the ceiling down.

Find more energy saving tips for all seasons at [xcelenergy.com/tips](http://xcelenergy.com/tips)

## REMINDERS:


-Fun With 911, September 24th, from 10am-2pm at 312 South Main St.

- Paint Drop Off November 1, 2022  
2pm-6pm at 317 Walnut

-The Town of La Jara will be having a trunk or treat October 31. More information will be available in the future.

-For updates happening in the town check out our Facebook page at Town of La Jara.

-With the days getting colder it only means we are closer to everyone making fires to stay warm, we ask that you maintain all of the weeds especially the dead weeds in your area to help the prevention of a fire in our community.

**Town of La Jara**  
  
 221 Broadway - PO Box 273 - La Jara, CO 81140  
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Below is a table that reflects the amount of the increase:

**Water Rates**

	Residential In Town	Residential Out of Town	Commercial In Town	Commercial Out of Town
Base rate per EQR	\$19.25	\$28.88	\$24.06	\$28.88
Usage tier rate				
2,000 gallons	\$0.90	\$1.35	\$1.13	\$1.58
5,000 gallons	\$1.20	\$1.80	\$1.50	\$2.10
10,000 gallons	\$1.50	\$2.25	\$1.88	\$2.63
15,000 gallons	\$1.75	\$2.63	\$2.19	\$3.06
20,000 gallons	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$3.50
40,000 gallons	\$3.00	\$4.50	\$3.75	\$5.25
100,000 gallons	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$7.00
99,999,999 gallons	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$6.25	\$8.75

Water base rate will increase 1% annually and will be reevaluated in 5 years.

**Sewer Rates**

	Residential In Town	Residential Out of Town	Commercial In Town	Commercial Out of Town
Flat Rate (Per EQR)	\$42.00	\$63.00	\$52.50	\$63.00

Sewer Flat rate will increase 5% annually and reevaluated in 5 years.

If you have questions, please call Town Hall at 719-274-5363



## Officer Recognition

We would like to share a little about our Chief Jerry Lujan. Jerry has been an employee for the Town of La Jara for 26 years. For the past six years Mr. Lujan has served our police force as chief. Chief Lujan is a graduate from our very own Centauri High School. We can't forget that he is a fan of the Dallas Cowboys. Our Town Manager Zaragoza had a few words about Chief Lujan as well, " Jerry definitely is an asset to our community and takes good care of our people." Mr. Zaragoza speaks for everyone who has ever had any interaction with Lujan. If you see Chief Lujan out on duty don't forget to thank him for his hard work he does to serve our community.

## Ordinance

Ord. 2004-2: No person shall leave any partially dismantled, wreck, inoperable or junked vehicle on any street or highway within the incorporated limits of the town.

Ord. 2006-1: It shall be unlawful for the owner of any property, lot, block or parcel of the land within the town to allow or permit weeds to grow uncontrolled or to remain when grown upon the property or on along any alleys or sidewalk areas abutting the same. Any waste from all destroyed or cut weeds shall be disposed of so that the premises are clean and orderly, and the spread of such weed is prevented.



**FUN With 911**  
**September 24th From 10am-2pm**  
**312 S Main St**  
**Hamburgers & Hot Dogs**  
**Raffle & Prizes**  
**Games for all ages**