



## Sky Valley Times December 2019

### Announcements

City Hall will be closed in observance of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day on Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>. We will also be closed in observance of the New Year on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of MLK Day.

Garbage pick-up will be on the Tuesday after an observed Monday holiday. Thursday recycle pick-up will not be affected. If you need to dispose of garbage at any other time, the compactor is available on Knob Drive behind the postal facility to use at your convenience.

### Administration

City Hall would like to take this opportunity to remind anyone renting out a residence, shall report the rental income and submit the tax due to the city. Monthly reports are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the following month of collection. The hotel/motel tax form can be found on our website, [www.skyvalleyga.com](http://www.skyvalleyga.com). If you have a month with no rentals you are still required to submit a return with a signature, stating that you collected no funds for the month. Any questions please refer to the city's ordinance that is listed on our website or give us a call. Fines can ensue with violations of ordinance.

We still have Sky Valley T-Shirts available for sale, \$20.00 each. Sizes range from Youth Small and Extra Large to Adult Small through 3XL. Adult Medium is sold out. **These shirts would make wonderful Christmas presents.**

The holiday lights are up and hopefully enjoyed by all. They will stay on display through the holidays and will be taken down in January.

Tax bills have been mailed and are due by Friday, January 17, 2020. If you have not received your bill, please contact Alyssa Mullins at City Hall for a duplicate billing.

The city just received notification that the 2019 Safety and Liability Grant Application through GMA, was approved and will be receiving soon, a reimbursement check in the amount of \$5,840.20.

Our website is currently in the process of being revamped and should make its debut shortly. The codification of our ordinances is also nearing completion. A notification will be sent out when these are completed.

[The latest Ad Valorem Tax Report will be following this newsletter.](#)

### **Code Enforcer/ Building Inspector**

Please check with City Hall, 706-746-2204, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., if you need to find out if your project needs a permit. A simple phone call could answer this question and help avoid a fine for not having the proper permit. These permits are issued, and inspections are done for your safety, along with your neighbor’s safety. This is a great service provided and could help you save money in the long run.

Reminder.....

911 address postings must be visible at the beginning of your driveway. This is in accordance of a Rabun County Ordinance which is a must for timely response from Public Safety personnel. For clarification on where to post the 911 address or where to purchase, call City Hall.

Each publication we will list examples of items that are addressed under our City’s Ordinances and/or Work that requires a permit:

#### **Requiring a Permit:**

1. New deck construction
2. Deck repairs (all)
3. Driveway replacement or enlarging footprint of driveway (apron & culvert required)
4. New doors or windows requiring structural alterations
5. Electrical service, upgrade, relocation or repair

[The latest Housing & Development Departmental Date Report will be following this newsletter.](#)

### **Public Works**

The leaves have fallen, and the workers are in the process of picking them up. Please remember to call City Hall if you have an excess amount of leaves.

Road signs and stop signs have been realigned to give intersections a cleaner appearance.

The brine tank is ready, and snowplows have been attached to the appropriate vehicles.

### **Police Department**

From the desk of Chief Estes:

The holidays are upon us and we want to wish everyone a happy holiday season. Please remember to place your home on our "out of town list" for security reasons. Also keep in mind that we have already had ice on some of our roads.

The remodel of the Police Department is coming to an end and we are very glad to move back in. The black mold has all been removed and new walls raised. We invite the entire community to join us Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00 for coffee and treats. A big "Thank You" goes out to Mrs. Maureen Platt and members of the Sky Valley Town Watch for this event.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @SkyValleyPolice, as we post road closings and conditions as necessary.

[The latest Police Department Report will be following this newsletter.](#)

**City Hall would like to wish you and yours a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!**

As always, please feel free to give us a call at City Hall if you have any concerns or questions, 706-746-2204.

Totals Report For 2018 Taxes November 2019 Tax Commissioner				
	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2018 Ad Valorem Tax	944,940.45	943,859.77	+(1,782.83)	2,863.51
Interest	1019.43	817.80		201.63
Penalty	488.71	376.56		112.15
Costs	9788.22	6659.55		3,128.67
<b>Totals</b>	<b>956,236.81</b>	<b>951,713.68</b>	<b>+(1,782.83)</b>	<b>6,305.96</b>

**Collected 99.70%**

Totals Report For 2019 Taxes November 2019 Tax Commissioner				
	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2019 Ad Valorem Tax	916,694.65	15,081.44		901,613.21
Interest				
Penalty				
Costs				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>916,694.65</b>	<b>15,084.44</b>		<b>901,613.21</b>

<b>Housing &amp; Development Departmental Data Report</b>	<b>For month ending November 30, 2019</b>		
	<b>Nov. 2019</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>2018 YTD</b>
New Residential & Commercial permits issued	0	1	0
All other addition, remodel and repair permits	15	111	119
Certificates of Occupancy issued	0	1	0
Total New Construction not yet finalized	2		0
Total Other Construction not yet finalized	15		0
Notices to Comply issued	1	14	0
Stop Work Orders issued	0	3	0
Tree Cutting permits issued	12	75	88
Code & Ordinance Violations cited	0	1	1
<b>Fees Collected</b>			
	<b>November 2019</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>2018 YTD</b>
New Residential or Commercial Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Addition, Remodel, Repair Permits	\$1,564.00	\$9,996.00	\$7,083.00
Tree Cutting Permits	\$570.00	\$4,055.00	\$4,395.00
Land Disturbing Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fines Collected for Ordinance Violations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00

# Sky Valley Police Department



## Monthly Count Sheet For Nov. 2019

Fire	1
Med Call	2
Accident	0
Family Viol.	0
Fight/Assault	0
Death/Suicide	1
Missing Person	0
Burglary/Break in	0
Theft	0
Susp. Activity	0
Susp. Person	2
Susp. Vehicle	2
Alarm	4
Investigation	1
DUI/PUI	0
Drug Related	0
Juvenile	0
Traffic Control	0
Traffic Stop	43
Citation	36
Warning	7
Lost And Found	0
Complaint	0
City Ord.	0
Resident Assist	22
Resident Check	347
Business Check	270
Welfare Check	14
Visitor Escort	2
Visitor Assist	0
Arrest	0
Animal	1
Mutual Aid	1
911 Calls	8
Mileage	3567