

# Interlaken Town News - October 10, 2025

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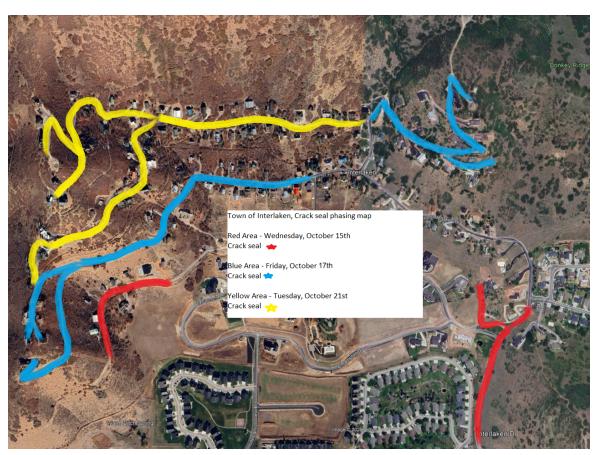
Here's some updates and reminders about current activities in Interlaken Town. Please direct any comments or questions to Bart Smith, <a href="mailto:admin@interlakenut.gov">admin@interlakenut.gov</a>.

## Fire Mitigation Pickup

Thanks to everyone who participated in this year's fire mitigation pickup. We had participation from 55 homes in June and 37 homes in October. This is a significant reduction in potentially flammable material that exposes the town to the threat of fire.

## **Upcoming Road Maintenance**

Eckles Paving will return to town this month to perform crack sealing on our road system. They are scheduled to perform the work in 3 phases on 10/15, 10/17, and 10/21. I will do my best to notify the town if those dates change. No roadway should be closed during this work, but sections may require single lane passage or temporary stoppage. Please be respectful of their crew, drive slowly in work areas, and obey any traffic control instructions.



## Interlaken Elections – Tuesday November 4, 2025

As part of this year's state-wide election, Interlaken Town will vote to fill 3 positions in our municipal government. Here are the candidates.

**Mayor** (one candidate): Greg Harrigan (currently serving)

**Town Council** (choose 2 of 3): Sue O'Nan (currently serving) Erin Merryweather (currently serving Matt Hermann

Mail-in ballots will be sent to Registered voters starting next week, Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### IMPORTANT CHANGE IN STATE VOTING POLICY

Mail-in ballots must be RECEIVED for processing by 8pm on election day – November 4<sup>th</sup>. Utah State has done away with the previous policy of postmark review, counting votes that were postmarked, but not yet received on election day. VOTE EARLY – make sure your ballot arrives for processing no later than November 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information about the legislation that invoked this new policy, visit the utah.gov website: <a href="https://le.utah.gov/~2025/bills/static/HB0300.html">https://le.utah.gov/~2025/bills/static/HB0300.html</a>

#### Winter Parking Regulations

As most of you know, Interlaken's roads present wintertime challenges for both snow removal and driving throughout town. Because of this, the town has a strict NO PARKING policy from November 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. Even if it's not snowing, and the roads seem clear, DO NOT PARK in the 33-foot wide roadway. This includes shoulder areas as well. Please don't force us to tow you. Our intrepid snowplow driver, Super Dave, has his work cut out for him. Please don't interrupt his workflow because of your vehicle. Dave uses shoulder areas to clear snow and navigate equipment, even if it's not actively snowing. Dave does his best to clear out the more travelled roads first, for example Interlaken Drive, St. Moritz, and lower Jungfrau Hill. This is the best strategy to give the maximum number of people access. The upper roads will be cleared, but in a sequence Dave has developed over decades of doing this.

SNOW TIRES – put them on. Without them you will end up in a ditch or someone's living room or blocking the road for everyone else. Nuff said.

# **Short Term Rental Policy**

We've received questions from realtors and new homeowners regarding the town's short-term rental policy. The town enforces our ordinance which requires a minimum 30-day rental. We've fined homeowners for violation of this policy in the past. Don't do it.

## Dark Skies Policy

We've had several complaints about dark skies lighting violations recently. The town has exterior lighting restrictions in our code that are described on our website: https://www.interlakenut.gov/building-05

If your lights shine onto neighboring lots, you are in violation. Even if those lights are on a timer or are motion sensitive. They need to be downcast. We do allow for decorative holiday lighting, starting

around thanksgiving and extending into January. If you're wondering about your home, look at the exterior at night, from your street, and from a lower vantage point, eg by Burgi Hill Park.

#### Renters – Contact Information

This a request for lot owners who are renting out their homes. Please send me contact information for your renters: name, phone#, email. This is for your benefit as well as the renter - for emergency notifications, parking violations, and other critical information. If for example a vehicle is parking in violation, we prefer to contact the owner before towing. If we can't, then we have no choice but to have it towed. Please help with this. All contact information is privately held – not shared with outside entities or individuals or sold.

## January Water Billing

The town's water billing will be sent out this January. This bill covers usage for the current fiscal year (FY2026), from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. In the billing you'll see a base usage fee as well as an overage fee, for water usage in excess of the 10,000 gallon per month allotment. Bills are typically sent out via email (please let me know if you need to update that). I also send out bills via USPS mail for an extra charge. Let me know if you prefer the USPS mail billing option. Payments can be made through a check or through our SmartPay online payment portal. We do not take credit card payments – only transfers from an existing bank account.

Thanks to you all for reading these updates, and your continued support. Let's get ready for snow and a change of seasons.

Best to you all,

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