



POINT OF VIEW

JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

July-August 2022

MEET JEROME'S NEW MANAGER/CLERK!

Brett Klein will be taking the reins soon as Jerome's Town Manager and Town Clerk. His first day in the office will be Tuesday, July 5.

Residents and other interested parties are invited to attend a Meet & Greet with Brett on Tuesday, July 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. in Council chambers at Jerome Town Hall. Light refreshments will be served. The Meet & Greet will be followed by the Council's regular meeting at 7 p.m.

Brett was born in Chicago and grew up in the north suburbs of Chicago. He received a Bachelor of Arts in legal/political studies from Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, and a Master of Science in Public Administration from DePaul University. Brett completed the requirements for the Certified Public Manager designation from the University of Wisconsin at Madison and continues to attend courses for further professional development.

Brett began his public sector career at the age of 21 with the Lake County Sheriff's Office. Lake County is a large urban county in the Chicago metropolitan area. He was promoted up the chain to Deputy Chief. He also engaged in consulting for other units of government concentrating in human resources, policy design and accreditation. Brett is a certified correctional officer, certified police officer, and certified investigator, among the many other law enforcement and management certifications he holds.



Following a 15-year law enforcement career, Brett transitioned to municipal management. He has 10 years of experience as a municipal manager in both a rural, tourist-driven economy, and an urban, metropolitan community. He has also been a city clerk, and during many of those years held the dual roles of manager and clerk, as he will in Jerome. Brett has worked in and overseen all aspects of municipal management and has a collaborative, transparent, and inclusive management style.

Candace Gallagher is retiring after nearly 13 years of service to the Town of Jerome. She will stay on in a supportive role until July 28 to assist with the transition.

We encourage you to come out on July 12 and welcome Brett to our town!

Scheduled Meeting Dates for July, August, & September 2022

For the last year or two, DRB meetings have been held the first Monday of each month, and P&Z meetings have been held the third Wednesday. This has been changed so that all of the regularly scheduled meetings will take place on Tuesdays.

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 12 at 7pm

Planning & Zoning
Tuesday, July 19 at 6pm

Design Review Board
Tuesday, July 26 at 6pm

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 9 at 7pm

Planning & Zoning
Tuesday, August 16 at 6pm

Design Review Board
Tuesday, August 23 at 6 pm

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm

Planning & Zoning
Tuesday, September 20 at 6pm

Design Review Board
Tuesday, September 27 at 6pm



Join us in welcoming our two newest Jerome Humane Society Board Members, Ann Rees (with twin, Liz's assistance from time to time) and Joyce Richards. Both women have jumped in with both feet.



Flea and tick treatments are available through JHS. Just give us a call.



We recently helped care for three adorable puppies abandoned at the #1 Food Store. All three are adopted and two of them are now JHS patients!

With the monsoon thunder and fireworks, now is the time to make sure your pets are identifiable with tags and chips if they get lost. And make sure your phone number is up to date. If you're a Jerome resident we can provide a chip for you.

Heat kills: make sure your pets have a cool place to rest and plenty of fresh water. Keep an eye out for pets in distress in parked cars or on boiling hot pavement as you go about your day. Call the Jerome PD non-emergency number if you think a pet is in trouble:

[928-634-8992](tel:928-634-8992)



Finally, our wildlife are feeling the drought too. Please consider leaving a tub of water out for them, and donating to <https://www.azwildlifehero.com/support-us/> **#SENDWATER** to help fill remote catchments for our AZ animals. And make sure you're pets are supervised when outside. The wildlife are hungry too!

Have a great summer and stay cool!

Blessings from Haven,

The summer is upon us friends. It brings us challenges to stay cool and hydrated. Please remember to check on your neighbors who may need assistance with these things. Pets also need extra care in the summer months so check on them as well.

The food pantry has become a well-attended social gathering. I hear how much we all look forward to coming together each Wednesday. It is usually crowded in the first hour of our opening at 9:00. We do our best to accommodate the early birds while we organize our bounty, especially in this heat. We understand it's first come first served.

Thank you for your patience with the special people who come as early as possible for your convenience. Thank you to those of you who come and give your time to help the community, we are grateful for every helping hand. A special thank you to John who comes each week to break down the extra boxes and recycle them as well!

Together we make a difference. Together we serve the greater good. Together we make the world a better and more joyful place, loving one another.

Thank you all for being my neighbor!

Pastor Vicki



JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 1025 * JEROME AZ 86331
(928) 649-3034 blair@jeromefire.us

We are looking to once again hold the July 4th parade on Monday morning, July 4th. We will meet at the Fire Station at 9:30 with the parade to begin around 10:30 a.m. Please be there no later than 10:00 or we cannot guarantee participation. If you are interested in participating in the parade, please contact Chief Blair. All are Welcome to participate in the parade or wave from the streets!



The Fire Department hopes that all our residents have a great and safe 4th of July.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT
FIREWORKS ARE PROHIBITED IN
JEROME AT ALL TIME!
This means sparklers too! Per
town code 10-2-2

WATER RESTRICTIONS REVERTED TO STAGE 1

Since June 15, the Town of Jerome has been operating under "Demand Reduction Strategy II - Water Emergency." We thank you for your cooperation, and we are now able to revert to "Stage I - Water Alert."

Effective June 28, Stage I restrictions will be in effect, which mandate the following:

- Water shall be conserved both inside and outside the home or business using best practices available to minimize waste. No person shall waste water.
 - Outdoor water use shall not occur between the hours of 9 AM to 5 PM.
- Vehicle washing shall only be undertaken with a bucket and hose with a shut off nozzle or other water saving devices such as a pressure washer.
 - Cooling of outdoor areas with water or misting devices is prohibited.
- Restaurants shall serve water to customers upon request only and shall display table tents or other types of public notice to this effect.
- Construction projects shall use only reclaimed water or effluent or supply their own water for on-site use and dust control.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

FUTURE FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS

The Fire Department is always looking for new members for fire, EMS, and/or both. Free training, cool t-shirts, drive big trucks with red lights. 5 PM every Thursday. Come on down and see what we do. Everybody is welcome. If fire and emergency medical services don't interest you but you would still like to help out, the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary always welcomes new members. Come join us!! Thank you for your continued support.

Rusty Blair, Fire Chief, JVFD



Firewise Activities

Fire danger is extreme.

With the lack of moisture in May, please be extra cautious of possible fire activities. Jerome Fire recommends that a defensible space of 30 feet be created around your residence.

If any resident needs help from our fuel abatement crew, Firewise applications can be filled out at the Jerome Fire Department, or Jerome Town Hall. On a side note the burn pile is getting pretty full and we will be shutting it down until we are able to burn the pile.

Be mindful to the fact that Jerome and surrounding areas are in stage 2 fire restrictions and to be extra cautious if you are a smoker that you have at least five foot clear of vegetation when smoking and when BBQing use only propane fueled grills only.

STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS

ARE IN EFFECT FOR THE PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST

THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED:



1. Fires, campfires, charcoal, coal and wood stoves (except using a device that is solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels that can be turned immediately on and off with no remaining burning material).



2. Smoking (except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of any flammable material).



3. Operating a chainsaw or other equipment powered by an internal combustion engine from the hours of 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (except generators with an approved spark-arresting device in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within at least 3 feet of the generator).



4. Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame.

5. Discharging a firearm, air rifle, or gas gun, except while engaged in a lawful hunt.



6. Using an explosive. (Explosives, such as Tannerite or exploding targets, are NEVER allowed on National Forest lands.)



7. Using fireworks. (Fireworks are NEVER allowed on National Forest lands.)



Jerome Historical Society

SPRING MAINTENANCE

This Spring the JHS has painted some familiar buildings around town. The trim and body color were painted on the New State Motor Company building; this building was last painted in 1984. The front of the Boyd Hotel was painted and the front of Spook Hall. There are also plans to paint the Mine Museum and Gift Shop building.

JHS has contracted to reseal the roof of the JHS archives building (the former Christ Church building across from the Haunted Hamburger). We will be getting rid of the awful, pink-colored roof in favor of a terracotta color.

PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION FOR HISTORICAL PROPERTIES

Did you know that, if you own a historical residence in Jerome, you may be eligible for a considerable property tax reduction? The JHS may be able to help you with documentation about your property that would be needed to submit with an application. Contact the JHS office; we're happy to help you out and maybe save you some money.

JEROME RESIDENT VIDEO INTERVIEWS

Have you seen the interviews with long-time Jerome residents posted on You Tube? Michael McDonald has produced 27 engaging interviews. You can find them on the JHS website at the link below.

<https://www.jeromehistoricalsociety.com/jhs-resident-video-interviews/>

Consider becoming a member of the Jerome Historical Society. As a resident of Jerome, you are part of the ongoing history of our town.

Don Feher
Board Member, Jerome Historical Society

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU ... AND FAREWELL

It is with so many mixed emotions that I approach my retirement on July 28. I have served as your Town Manager and Town Clerk since October 5, 2009 ... and it has been an incredibly rewarding (and at times challenging!) experience.

I am excited to be looking forward to this next chapter in my life, where I hope to pursue many creative endeavors ... making music, art and jewelry ... and perhaps work my way through the stack of books on my nightstand that have been patiently waiting for me to read them. It will be wonderful to have more time with my husband, Michael and our small menagerie of pets ... four-year-old Rosie (rescued Sheltie-ish mutt), seven-month-old Grendel (rescued Husky-Malamute-Great Pyr mix) and seven-year-old Hamlet (rescued and well-named crazy kitty). And to enjoy more time in my kitchen ... I love to cook (and to eat!).

BUT ... there is much I will miss about this job. I loved coming to work each day and interacting with Jerome's AMAZING staff, Council and residents, and doing what I could to keep the town on an even keel. I hope I have made a positive difference. I truly love this town, and I am so glad I have made it my home for the last 13 years. I have no plans at present to move away, so you'll still see me around (maybe more than ever).

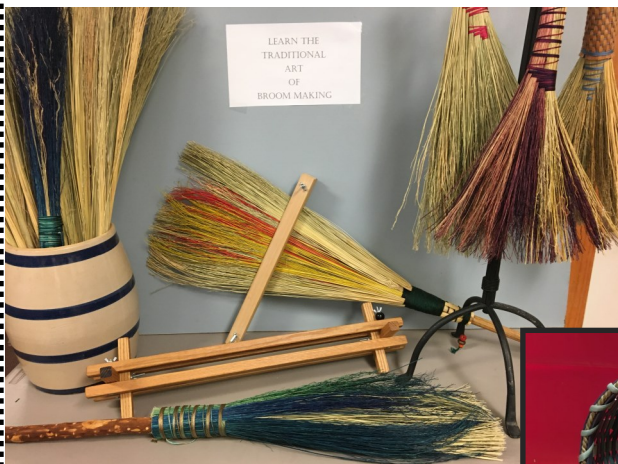
I am grateful to every one of you for your support, your wonderful Jerome spirit, and for being a part of what has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my lifetime. At 70 years old now, that is saying a lot!

See you around the bend ...

Candace

Summer of 2022

Baskets, Brooms and Boro Sashiko at the Library



Learn the nearly lost art of Broom Making, Beginning Basketry techniques



and Boro Sashiko, the Japanese art of visible mending and embellishment in the Community Art Workshop



Call the Library at 928-639-0574 to sign up for classes



Have Some Old, Broken, or Unwanted Electronics Laying Around? Good News!

The Town of Jerome is partnering with Westech Recyclers to collect electronic items for recycling. Please bring your items to Jerome Town Hall, 600 Clark Street, during open hours (Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) from July 6th to August 22nd for recycling. If you cannot bring your items during open hours, please call

ahead to arrange for a box or cart to be left outside, **928-634-7943**. The Town will not be held responsible for items left outside during closed hours. Westech's list of acceptable and unacceptable items is shown below. We will also be providing a printed copy of the list of acceptable/unacceptable items at Town Hall.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

AC Adaptors	PCs
Audio / Visual Equipment	Photocopiers
Calculators	Power Cords
Cameras	Power Strips
Cell Phones	Power Supplies
CD Rom/DVD Drives	Power Tools
Circuit Boards	Printers
Credit Card Machines	Projectors
Computers (PCs / Laptops / Servers / Tablets)	Routers
Computer Components	Scanners
Copy Machines	Servers
Digital Cable Boxes	Stereo Equipment
Docking Stations	Network Switches
Electric Motors	Surveillance/Security Equipment
Fax Machines	Tablet Computers
Floppy Drives	Telecom Equipment (Phones, Switches, Etc.)
Hand Held Portable Barcode Scanners	Televisions (LCD, LED)
Hard Drives	Test Equipment
Keyboards & Mice	Two Way Radio Equipment
Laptops	UPS Power Supplies
Networking Equipment	VHS / DVD Players
Modems	Video Game Equipment
Monitors (LCD, LED)	Wires / Cables / Power Cords

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Alkaline batteries	this includes oxygen tanks, helium tanks, fire extinguishers, propane tanks
Chemicals of any kind	
CRT Televisions & CRT Monitors	Radioactive items
Damaged rechargeable batteries	Rear Projection Televisions & DLP Televisions
Explosive Devices - this includes:	Smoke detectors
A. Ammunition	Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCBs) containing items. This includes:
B. Flares	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transformers and capacitors. • Florescent Light Ballasts.
Exit signs	
Fiberglass	
Firearms	Freon containing items, this includes but is not limited to:
Fire extinguishers, whether filled or not	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freezers • Refrigerators • Water Coolers • Air Conditioning units • Ice Machines • Vending Machines
Gasoline or anything with gasoline in it	
Inkjet or Toner cartridges	
Light bulbs	Household appliances, this includes but is not limited to:
Medical supplies with biological hazard, including waste papers, towels, needles, and some small pieces of medical hardware.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacuums • Hair Dryers • Toasters • Coffee Makers • Blenders • Microwaves, etc.
Mercury containing items - This includes thermostats	
Paint	
Prescription Drugs	
Pressurized tanks/containers of anything, whether filled or not. -	

Greetings from Jerome Library's old book room.

Located atop the municipal building on the third floor, left as you exit the elevator and all the way down the hall to the right, you'll find one of the underappreciated gems of Jerome. Freely accessible to the public and exquisitely curated, the voices of the past speak almost deafeningly in the quietude as you stroll the collections and recollections. With the smell of earthy Vanilla, the room itself evokes those warm feelings left from early memories of learning and imaginative adventures. It's easy to lose oneself with such thoughts looking out over the expansive valley below.

Since early antiquity libraries have served as repositories of thoughts and memories. Memories from their communities, personages, deeds, travels, thoughts, experiences. This particular collection comprises almost two centuries of popular literature and popular thought; too many interesting pieces, articles, pamphlets, works of literature and pulp to describe in a few short paragraphs.

To give a couple interesting and relevant examples, glancing around for one of the older pieces, there is an early nineteenth century copy of a Latin commentary on Proculus' letter. He was, in his own words, a philanderer and drunk. This could very well be a fiction perpetuated by Edward Gibbon representing a sort of sensational history. Pretty interesting. Evidently this is commentary on that dubious letter. It is a great contrast to some of the more recent additions to have come to the room in the form of the Katie Lee collection, a collection which we'll return to in articles to come. The former was a gift from the mining company of the day to the town library, the latter a regifting of sorts from NAU, it's a fascinating dichotomy and progression.

There is a living history to every resident and visitor, both young and old. To paraphrase Margret Atwood, in the end we'll all become such stories. There is a finality in the hush of crossing the threshold of a library and I tell you what, this is some library! So if you would truly like to see the shadows of and hear the echoes from the past of old Jerome, please join me Wednesday afternoons between three and five.

Remember, last door to the right—
Christopher Bruneau

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