



Welcome to the Clyde Park Town Council

A Guide for New Council Members

We're Glad You're Here

Thank you for stepping forward to serve the Town of Clyde Park. Your voice, time, and commitment make a direct impact on our community. This Welcome Page will help you get oriented, understand expectations, and know where to find the resources you need.

Your Role as a Council Member

As an elected or appointed member of the Town Council, you will:

- Represent the interests of Clyde Park residents
- Participate in decision-making grounded in Montana law and municipal best practices
- Review and adopt ordinances, resolutions, and policies
- Approve budgets and oversee fiscal responsibility
- Work collaboratively with the Mayor, town staff, and fellow council members
- Engage respectfully with the public and uphold transparent governance

Where to Find Everything

All essential materials for your role are stored in the

SHARED DRIVE: [Clyde Park Council Resource Library](#)

This is your go-to hub for all governance resources.

Expectations for Meetings

- Arrive prepared — review agenda packets ahead of time
- Participate respectfully and stay on topic
- Follow Robert's Rules / Town parliamentary procedure

- Avoid side conversations or interruptions
- Ask questions when uncertain — clarity helps the whole council
- Decisions represent the council *as a body*, not individuals

Communication & Support

If you have questions or need help navigating your new role, the following contacts are available:

- Mayor: Sydney Wiley
- Clerk/Treasurer: Stacy Mills
- Deputy Clerk: Louann Barr
- Community Service Officer/ Water Operator: Bo Danysh

We are here to support your success.

Important Principles We Uphold

- Transparency
- Respectful Dialogue
- Fairness & Consistency
- Montana Code Compliance
- Community-First Decision Making

Getting Started Checklist

- ___ Review the Council Resource Library
- ___ Read through parliamentary procedure basics
- ___ Familiarize yourself with recent agendas & minutes
- ___ Review current projects and pending action items
- ___ Set up access to email, drive, and meeting notifications
- ___ Attend your first meeting confident and prepared

Welcome Aboard

*We're grateful to have you join us in shaping the future of Clyde Park.
Your perspective matters. Your service matters.
And together, we make our small town stronger.*