

AGENDA

BELGRADE PARKING APPEAL BOARD

COMMUNITY ROOM

205 E Main Street, Belgrade, MT. 59714

October 13th, 2025, 10:00 am

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1. CALL TO ORDER

*** PLEDGE

*** ROLL CALL

2. DISCUSSION AGENDA

2.1. Consider Appeal - Helgeson

Documents:

[ITEM SUMMARY - PARKING APPEAL -HELGESON.PDF](#)
[PARKING TICKET.PDF](#)
[CFS-COMMAND LOG.PDF](#)

3. ADJOURN



Senior Center Advisory Board Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date:			
Submitted by:			
Consent	Discussion Only	Public Hearing	Action/Discussion
Item Title:			
Suggested Motion:			

Item Summary:



BELGRADE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Thomas B. Quaw Square
91 East Central Ave.
Belgrade Montana

Dustin Lensing
Chief of Police

Parking Ticket

Printed on September 2, 2025

Reference #	PT25-01019
Ticket #	7/31/25
Plate #	
Plate State	MT
Plate Expires	2025
Vehicle Make	CHEVROLET (CHEV)
Vehicle Color 1	Black
Issued	07/31/25 08:39
Officer	Penny, Wyatt
Location	302 RUGGED CREEK AVE
Offense	Belgrade City Ordinance 5-4-5(A): Parking against the flow of traffic
Owner	HELGESON, CHRISTOPHER JOEL 1506 RUGGED CREEK AVE unit a, BELGRADE, MT 59714
Status	Parking Citation - Admin Appeal Denied
Comments	

Offender	
Name	
Address	
DOB	
OLN	
Parking Ticket Paid	
No	



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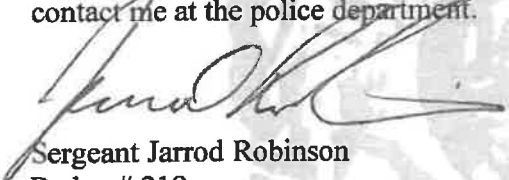
Date: 8/11/2025

To: Mr. Christopher Helgeson
1506 Rugged Creek Ave #A
Belgrade, MT 59714

Ref: Parking Citation #250742 – Appeal

Mr. Helgeson,

I have received your parking citation appeal request (#250742). In these situations we simply review the citation and any applicable body worn camera from the issuing officer to determine if the violation occurred or not. If the violation did occur the appeal is generally denied. While I can understand your reasoning behind your request for the appeal, the vehicle was indeed parked against the flow of traffic. For this reason the appeal is **denied**. You are welcome to appeal the citation further by requesting a hearing in front of the parking board. You can do this by reaching out to Lisa Beedy at lbeedy@belgrademt.gov. If you have any questions, you can contact me at the police department.



Sergeant Jarrod Robinson
Badge # 219
Belgrade Police Dept.
91 E. Central Ave
Belgrade, MT 59714
406-388-4262
jrobinson@belgrademt.gov

PHONE: (406) 388-4262

www.belgradepolice.net
Email: policegeneralinfo@belgrademt.gov

FAX: (406) 388-4708

Please cut along the dotted line and complete this half of the form then return it to the city.

Ticket number: 250742
Issue Date: 7/31/25
Issuing Officer: Penny, 280

I wish to:

- Admit to the violation and pay the associated fine.
- Contest the violation (complete notice of administrative appeal below)

This fine may be paid by appearing in person at the Finance counter at Belgrade City Hall, mailing this part of the citation along with a check to:

City of Belgrade
Finance Department
91 East Central Ave,
Belgrade Montana 59714

or by paying online at:



<https://cityofbelgrademt.municipalonlinepayments.com/cityofbelgrademt>

Note, you must choose parking ticket in the dropdown menu and enter the ticket number listed above as your custom description when paying online. You will be subject to a \$2 or 3% service fee for online payments. Submitting an online payment serves as your admission to the violation. Payment must be received, or mail must be postmarked before 10 business days from the issue date listed above.

Notice of Administrative Appeal

Only complete this section if you wish to contest the violation.

I believe this citation was issued in error because (attach additional paper, photographs or documents if needed):

SEE ATTACHED

When the review is complete, I wish to be contacted by:

- Mail 1506 PUEBLO CREEK AVE UNIT A, 59714
- Phone _____
- Email _____

Note – if administrative appeal is unsuccessful, you will have 10 business days from date of notification to pay the fine or a \$60 dollar administrative fee will be applied

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to respectfully contest Citation #250742, issued for Belgrade City Ordinance 5-4-5(A): parking against the flow of traffic. While I understand and appreciate the intent of this regulation—to promote safety and consistency on public roadways—I believe the circumstances in this case warrant reconsideration.

The vehicle in question was parked in a cul-de-sac, a circular, low-traffic residential area where the traditional concept of traffic "flow" is not clearly defined. In this setting, parking orientation does not pose the same visibility or safety concerns as it might on a through street. My vehicle was parked safely along the curb, did not obstruct traffic or driveways, and remained within all other legal boundaries.

Given the unique layout and limited traffic of the cul-de-sac, I respectfully request that this citation be reviewed and dismissed. I appreciate your time and consideration in evaluating the context of this situation and would be happy to provide further information if needed.

Sincerely,

Chris Helgeson

406-671-2193



Belgrade Police Department

91 E Central Ave
Belgrade Montana 59714

No. 250742

Issue Date: 7/31/25

Parking Violation

This vehicle is improperly parked in violation of Belgrade City Ordinance Title 5, Chapter 4.

License No:	State: MT
Vehicle Make/Model CHEVROLET (CHEV) /	Vehicle Color: Black
Vehicle Identification Number:	
Registered Owner: HELGESON, CHRISTOPHER JOEL	RO Phone: (406) 994-5045
RO Address: 1506 RUGGED CREEK AVE, BELGRADE, MT 59714	

The vehicle listed above was parked in violation of:
Belgrade City Ordinance 5-4-5(A): Parking against the flow of traffic

At 302 RUGGED CREEK AVE on 07/31/25 at 08:39.

FINE \$40.00

- This notice of violation represents a determination that the violation of the Belgrade City Ordinance has been committed and this determination shall be final unless contested.
- Written notice of administrative appeal of a contested violation must be submitted to the city within 10 business days.
- Failure to pay this violation may result in immobilization and/or impoundment for which the owner may be liable for a penalty, administrative fee, towing and handling, and storage costs.
- An additional administration fee of \$30.00 will be added to this fine if not paid within 10 business days of the date of issuance on this citation.

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1705 Yeager Parkway
Bozeman, MT 59716
408-582-2082
<https://gallatincount.wireless911.net>

CFS - Command Log

Printed on September 2, 2025

CFS # CFS25-105313
Call Taker Wyatt Penny
Location 302 RUGGED CREEK AVE, BELGRADE, MT 59714
Location Details
Primary Incident Code PARKING : PARKING
Mod Report
Priority 4
Use Caution No
Primary Disposition LE - Citation
Beat BELGRADE PD
Zone
Call Time 07/31/25 08:37:47
Completed Time 07/31/25 08:42:00

Reporters

Unknown (Initial Reporter)

Sex
DOB
Address
Report Time 07/31/25 08:37:47
How Reported
From Phone
Contact Phone
Comments

Other Names

Vehicles

MT (Other)

Description 2024 Black CHEVROLET (CHEV) SILVERADO K1500 LT TRAIL
Owner HELGESON, CHRISTOPHER JOEL

Responders

280 (Primary) 280 - Penny, Wyatt BLGPD (Primary)

Response Times

All

Assigned 07/31/25 08:37:47 *
Enroute 07/31/25 08:37:47 *
Staged
Arrived 07/31/25 08:37:47
Backup Requested
Backup Arrived
Leaving

Arrived At
Completed 07/31/25 08:42:00

Law

Recommended 07/31/25 08:37:47 *
Assigned 07/31/25 08:37:47 *
Enroute 07/31/25 08:37:47 *
Staged
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Backup Requested
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Arrived At
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IR / External Agency Numbers

Command Log Filter: All Commands | Details: Hidden | Units: All Units | Revised Entries: Shown | Discipline: All

07/31/25 08:37:47 | Penny, Wyatt | 280 | Field Event
07/31/25 08:41:56 | Penny, Wyatt | Vehicle was issued a citation for parking against the flow of traffic.
07/31/25 08:42:00 | Penny, Wyatt | 280 | Complete

CLQ

Requested At
Sent To
Status
Received At
Location
Accuracy