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Dear Tetonia friends,

Our summer is roaring along! I am amazed how beautiful our valley is this time of year.

As we prepare to celebrate our nation's birthday, (249 years old!), let's remember and celebrate the rights that we enjoy as Americans. We enjoy the benefits of a country that is governed by "we the people." We are a Democracy based on laws that ensure our rights of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." We have the right of Free Speech, Free Press, Freedom of Religion, Right to Assemble, Right to Petition, Right to Bear Arms, along with all of the rights of the accused, rights of procedural and substantive due process, etc.

Let's remember that we have no rights unless we exercise those rights. Let's protect our own personal rights and the rights of our neighbors. This month we're celebrating the success of the longest enduring Democracy in history! We have much for which we should be grateful!

We're expecting a dry summer. Let's be responsible with our fireworks. Let's be respectful of the dry conditions and the health of our pets who may not enjoy the fireworks. Be respectful!

Let's keep our yards tidy and clean. I am sure you are noticing some improvements throughout our city with some of our cleanups and some of our new businesses. I am excited (as I am sure you are!) to see these improvements.

We have sent out a survey for our Comprehensive City Plan. Please take the time to fill this out so that we have your input about the direction we are moving as a city. We are trying to find fair and equitable ways to raise revenue to support our growing city. We will be looking at a Local Option Tax on our November ballot. This would help capture some funds from our visitors.

Please drive slowly through town. Let's protect our youth, pedestrians and pets who may be sharing our streets.

Be safe and be well during our beautiful summer months!

Mayor Brent Schindler