



THE CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE

NOVEMBER 2025 COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Office Closures

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 – Veteran’s Day

Thursday, November 27, 2025 – Thanksgiving

Friday, November 28, 2025 – Thanksgiving

Online services for payments will be available as well as our two convenient drop boxes. www.cityofelephantbutte.com

Annual Fall Clean Up Event

The City of Elephant Butte is pleased to announce our Fall Clean Up event is scheduled for November 1-12, 2025. The following items are prohibited: oil, appliances, paint, chemicals, tires, or construction debris. For any questions, please call city hall; (575)744-4892.

Election Day – November 4, 2025

The Elephant Butte Community Center will serve as a voting location for the 2025 Regular Local Election taking place on Tuesday November 4, 2025.

Animal Complaints/Concerns

The City of Elephant Butte would like to remind all residents of the incorporated city that we are under contract with the City of TorC Animal Control. All animal control services are provided to the City of Elephant Butte by TorC Animal Control. If you find yourself needing animal control services, call (575)894-7111 Central Dispatch Non-Emergency Line.

Code Enforcement Corner

The City of Elephant Butte would like to remind residents/property owners that storing vehicles, boats, RVs, trailers etc. on vacant undeveloped land is a code violation. Over the past month there have been numerous lots found out of compliance for this very code violation. If you have questions regarding this or other code violations please contact city hall; (575)744-4892.

GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Phillip Mortensen

Councilor Cathy Harmon

Councilor Skylar Arnold

Mayor Pro Tem Kim Skinner

Councilor Mike Williams

City Manager Janet Porter-Carrejo

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Zoning Commission -
Tuesday, November 4, 2025,
10:00am

City Council – Wednesday,
November 12, 2025, 2:00pm

BOARD VACANCIES

The Lodgers’ Tax Advisory Board is seeking one (1) board member to be filled by an owner/manager of hospitality, one (1) board member to be filled by an owner/manager of a tourism related industry, and one (1) alternate position. Meetings are held quarterly with a minimum of four (4) meetings a year.

The Zoning Commission has two (2) Alternate Commissioner seats that are vacant. The two positions will each be filled with a two-year term. This is a volunteer position for the City of Elephant Butte. Meetings are the first Tuesday of every month.

Please submit letters of interest to: PO Box 1080 Elephant Butte, NM 87935

Attn: Mayor/City Manager and state which position is your interest.



THE ELEPHANT BUTTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MEETING AND TRAINING SCHEDULE

Business Meeting Tuesday, November 4,
2025, at 6:00pm.

November 11, 18, 25, 2025, are all training
nights for the EBFD Crew.

Additional training and special events may
be added throughout the month.

Burn Ban

The Elephant Butte Fire Department would like to inform the residents that the incorporated city is not under an active burn ban. The burn ban that was in place was rescinded by resolution 25-26-110. This resolution can be viewed on our website in full or in office.

www.cityofelephantbutte.com/departments/fire-rescue/

Volunteering

The Elephant Butte Fire Department has gained three Volunteer Fire Fighters this past month. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Elephant Butte Fire Department, contact Chief Long today. (575)744-5000.

Re-Cap of October 2025

We have been a very busy department! October 4, 2025, kicked off Fire Prevention Week with the 3rd Annual Fire Expo held right here in Elephant Butte. Our crew assisted 91 residents with obtaining carbon monoxide detectors and fire extinguishers to make their homes safer. October 7, 2025, we attended the TorC Elementary School for continued community outreach to teach children the basics of fire prevention, safety, and awareness. October 25, 2025, we participated in the Elephant Butte Lake State Park Trunk-or-Treat Event, with great success.

Fire Extinguisher Safety Tips

P – Pull the pin

A – Aim at the base of the fire

S – Squeeze the handle

S – Sweep from side to side



Elephant Butte Fire Department Contact:
Chief Roger Long
Office Phone (575)744-5000
Cell Phone (575)740-9207

Have you tested your smoke detectors?

Press the test button on each smoke detector to ensure the alarm sounds. A good way to remember is to tie it to a twice-a-year event like the spring and fall time changes. Sunday, November 2, 2025, is the fall time change. Please test and make certain your smoke detectors are functioning properly. If a smoke alarm doesn't sound when you press the test button, replace the batteries. If it still doesn't work, replace the entire unit.