

Meeteetse 'going green' with recycling program

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MEETEETSE — After meeting with officials from Cody and Powell and their recycling managers, Meeteetse is moving forward with its “Meeteetse’s Goin’ Green” campaign.

The group mentioned they had some old dumpsters and asked if the containers would work to use for recycling, separating the various items and bringing the dumpsters to Cody or Powell once they were full, Town Clerk/Treasurer Angela Johnson said.

The Meeteetse Town Council made the decision official during their March 3 meeting, according to council minutes.

Mayor John Abbott and the council have agreed to provide recycling dumpsters on Water Street. The dumpsters will be painted green, marked with a recycle symbol and labeled.

The original plan was to have the dumpsters in place by March 30.

“The weather set things back,” Johnson said. “It didn’t happen as quickly as we thought. We’ve had a couple of phone calls wondering why (the dumpsters) aren’t ready.”

After getting the word out in the Meeteetse Visitors Center Newsletter, Johnson said the response has been “huge”. They put out sign up sheets to see just how well the idea would be received.

“It was about equal,” she said. “They understand the importance of recycling.”

According to a press release, the town will provide such recycling dumpsters as long as the recyclables are the only items placed in the dumpsters and are separated as provided on the dumpster.