

JANUARY 2017 UTILITY BILL INSERT
ALMIRA TOWN HALL -639-2601

DOG TAGS ARE \$6 THIS YEAR, \$10 EXTRA IF THEY ARE NOT SPAYED OR NEUTERED. THIS IS THE SAME PRICE AS LAST YEAR. THERE IS A \$10 LATE FEE IF THEY ARE NOT PURCHASED BY JANUARY 30TH, 2017.

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JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING: Despite the power outage we still had the meeting!

NUISANCE REPORT: The vehicles scheduled to be removed were unable to because of the snow. Properties are going downhill despite our efforts. Once spring hits Darrell will crack down on the nuisance yards.

UPDATES BY STAFF: All of the information for Rick Rose for the USDA grant/loan for the backhoe has been submitted. He is anticipating \$20,000 grant and the remaining amount in loan.

The Evergreen Rural membership and enhanced membership have been renewed. This provides unlimited training for Darrell & Brent. We have applied for a scholarship to cover this expense through AWC Risk Management.

Brent reported on the Backflow Certification class that he attended in December. He will take his practicals on the 20th of January. Once they are completed you take the written test.

The Public Works Vehicle has not been holding a charge. A new alternator and batteries have been installed and we are still having issues. Brent has taken it to Barry Chrysler in Ephrata and they couldn't find anything wrong. He is going to take it to OTC to have them check it.

NEW BUSINESS: Ordinance #533 – 2017 Utility Rates was reviewed and approved. A \$5 surcharge was added to the sewer fees and 10 cents per can was added to the garbage fee.

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SNOW PLOW GUIDELINES: Parking on the street is prohibited. Alleys must be kept at a 20' width. Please check your alleyway to make sure it is free and clear by removing all clutter, including all overgrown bushes, shrubs and trees. If a car is parked on the street the snow plow will not clear that side of the road. There will not be a second trip if the plow comes by before vehicles are moved. The same applies to parking in the alleys.

*Snowmobiles are permitted only on arterials, only at a slow speed, only to get in and out of Town.

*Leaving faucets turned on slowly during low temperatures can help avoid frozen pipes.

METERS WILL NOT BE READ UNTIL APRIL 2017!!!!

ADJUSTED FEBRUARY HOURS:

Wednesday, February 15th – Closing at noon

Thursday and Friday, February 16th & 17th – Closed

Monday, February 20th – Closed Presidents day

Mondays and Fridays will be sporadic hours through February.

Thank you for bearing with my hours.

**IF YOU SEE OR HEAR ANY ALARMS AT THE SEWER PLANT , RESERVOIR OR WELLS
PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS TO REPORT IT!**

977-1218 – Brent Robertson

639-2221 or 977-1217 – Darrell Francis

641-0942 – Mayor Einar Larson

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