

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

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**BACKFLOW TESTS FOR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS MUST BE
DONE BY AUGUST 1ST, 2017 OR YOUR WATER WILL BE
TURNED OFF PER ORDINANCE.**

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JULY COUNCIL MEETING: : Only one of the individuals invited to council to discuss the status of their yards attended the meeting. Darrell Francis, Nuisance Officer gave a report of all the properties that had previously sent letters. We are still waiting for the scrap vehicle guy to come and pick up vehicles.

It was decided to give everyone another month of clean up before we move into abatement

UPDATES BY STAFF: Jeanette reported that she had signed up to attend the AWC Risk Management Annual Meeting Webinar. By attending the Town and the Fire District could earn \$250 Risk Management Grants. AWC was unable to get their equipment to work so called off the webinar. We were still awarded the grants.

She attended the TIB workshop in Davenport as Brent was unable to attend. Steve Marsh has contacted us and is putting in for paving Division Street. He wanted to know if there were any other streets that needed worked on. Brent was going to contact Steve with a list.

Rick Rose is doing the final paperwork for the Grant/Loan for the backhoe.

Meters were read the end of June; there were about 60 customers that were over on their water usage.

Brent reported that they had put 12 new meters in to replace old meters and the new service line to the Ferris property has been made. They just need to complete their connection.

The back up battery pack in Well #5 went dead. This presents all kinds of communication problems and the wells won't run on their own, they must be ran manually. He had Don Adams come down and they took the battery pack out of Well #2 to keep things going. Don is ordering a new one.

Brent wanted Council to know that the Fire District was hosting an ice cream social to let people know that we were putting the ambulance into service.

NEW BUSINESS: The Dog Ordinance was reviewed with the updated fines and dog tag rates. . Ordinance 535 was approved.

Jeanette had recently researched what other communities charge for new connection fees for water and sewer. They ranged from \$700 each to \$3800 each plus expenses. The Town of Almira currently charges \$550 each plus expenses. After much discussion the motion was made to increase the connection fee to \$600 for each water and sewer. The motion was approved.

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**The Ambulance is now in full service! Kudos to our Fire
Department for providing this much needed service!!**

ADJUSTED August HOURS: Rumor has it that I may be in the office all month.....

**HARVEST IS IN FULL SWING,
PLEASE REMIND YOU KIDS TO
WATCH FOR TRUCKS, LET'S
HAVE AN ACCIDENT FREE
HARVEST!!!**

**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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