

**October 2017 UTILITY BILL INSERT**  
**ALMIRA TOWN HALL -639-2601**

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**OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING:** Steve Marsh, TD&H Steve congratulated the Town of Almira on receiving \$750,000 from CDBG for more water improvements. Steve had marked some utilities while he was in town prior to the meeting. He is currently searching for a GeoTech to work on the Environmental Study. We may be able to use some of the Environmental Study that was completed in 2012.

Steve requested approval to start the Environmental Phase, Cultural Review Study and Surveying as approved by CDBG. Jason made the motion to do so and Marvin made the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**NUISANCE REPORT:** Darrell reported that all of the vacant lots in town have been mowed as requested. David Skinner has slowly been picking up vehicles. He still needs a title for a couple before he can remove them. On resident wants the scrap guy to pay for his dead vehicles or he won't let him remove him. Darrell is going to contact the Lincoln County Sherriff to have them declared junk and have them removed.

Other residents on the nuisance list have been working on clean up. Darrell will talk to the others again to see if we can get cleaned up by snowfall.

**UPDATES BY STAFF:** Jeanette continues to email Sunset Solar Systems but has not heard from them since she called last month.

The revisions to Ordinance 536 – Water/Sewer Service – were made and reviewed. Jason made the motion to approve and Marv made the second. It was approved.

Jeanette had called Key Bank and Wheatland Banks regarding CD's. Neither of them is taking Public Funds. North Cascade Bank's CD rates are less than we are making in our Money Market Account with them.

Jeanette has spent a lot of time working on the budget.

A lien release has been filed as the bill had been paid.

We read meters for the last time this year.

Brent has the stuff to finish the gutters for the back of town hall.

Service Master came and did an inspection of the building to see if we could determine the problem causing the mold/mildew smell in Town Hall. The attic was dry as well as the basement. He asked how old the carpet was, which has been in here for upward of twenty years. This is the same carpet that was in prior to the ceiling falling in. He also had us do a sniff test on all of the plants. Two of the huge plants have been in here for at least ten years and had an odor to them so were removed. That helped the smell problem some but the moldy building smell is still there. Brent and Dave are going to rip up the old carpet, paint the floor with a mild killer primer and put down new flooring. Einar had previously given approval and the flooring has been purchased. Cost is around \$2000.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Jeanette continues to email Sunset Solar Systems but has not heard from them since she called last month.

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**NEW BUSINESS:** An addition to the Personnel Policy requiring a written request at least one week prior to vacation. Council approved.

A verbal zoning request was submitted. They need to submit a written proposal to the Planning Commission. If they have questions they need to talk to Marvin Clinesmith. The Planning Commission approves and then makes a recommendation to the Council for final approval.

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**November Adjusted Hours: (That I know of!)**

**November 1<sup>st</sup> – Possibly closing at 1 p.m.**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Closing at 1 pm**

**November 10<sup>th</sup> - Holiday**

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving**

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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**

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**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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