

# November 2017 UTILITY BILL INSERT

ALMIRA TOWN HALL -639-2601

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**A FEW REMINDERS:**

**IF YOUR DOG POOPS ON THE SIDEWALK DOWNTOWN PLEASE HAVE THE COURTESY TO CLEAN IT UP.**

**DO NOT USE OTHER CITIZEN'S OR BUSINESSES DUMPSTERS OR TRASH CONTAINERS WITHOUT THEIR PERMISSION. IF YOU HAVE EXTRA TRASH, BAG IT AND SET IT NEXT TO YOUR CONTAINER.**

**DO NOT DUMP YARDWASTE AT THE END OF THE FOOTBALL FIELD. WE HAVE A YARDWASTE DUMP FOR THIS PURPOSE.**

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**OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING:** Public Hearings for the Preliminary Budget and Ad Valorem Taxes were held.

Steve Marsh was present to review aspects of the CDBG grant and to get signatures on the contract with TD&H. The plan is to go to bid by the end of February or first of March depending on Environmental Studies. If everything goes smoothly we should complete by the end of 2018. Steve wrote into the estimate \$8000 for the audit on the grant.

**NUISANCE REPORT:** The previously scheduled Nuisance Hearing was cancelled as we were unable to contact the individual. We will send a letter to them certified mail.

All boats and RV's that had been requested to move off the road ways have been moved.

An abatement letter is to be sent to another citizen for property clean up.

**UPDATES BY STAFF:** Jeanette reported that our savings account with NCNB is a Money Market Account and as long as there is more than \$100,000 in the account it will make 1.1%. We will leave the money here for now.

The Mayor signed the liquor application that Pinky's applied for.

Jeanette has been busy providing information and sending letters for the Environmental Review for the CDBG grant.

Jeanette attended the Financial Essentials Workshop in Spokane that was put on by MRSC. She received a scholarship from AWC RMSA to pay for it. She has also attended several BIAS webinars and a CDBG Grant webinar.

Brent and David have winterized everything and are ready for snow.

We had a Community Service person finish painting the City Park restrooms.

Brent has got a bid for the gator from John Deere. Total price is approximately \$13,500 with a USDA grant covering 35% of it. This will replace the old dodge public works vehicle.

The kaboda quit when plowing snow. They are taking it to Wenatchee to have it looked at and repairs assessed.

The surplus pickup was sold the day after council.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There has not been any word from Kathleen at Sunset Solar for months. Council instructed Jeanette to contact the Canadian Mounties again.

Council was presented with the payoff amount for the Berkadia Sewer Lagoon loan. After discussing it further council opted to pay the loan off and save the extra they would have spent on interest. Because of the loan payoff we will not transfer an additional \$10,000 to Sewer Reserves this year. Council would also like the amount that has been going for payments yearly to go into the Sewer Reserve Fund.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Resolution 2017-100 stating how the repairs for Town hall were to be divided was presented. .

Resolution 2017-101 – Credit Card Policy; was approved.

Resolution 2017-102, Property taxes was reviewed and approved.

Council reviewed, approved and signed the CDBG Grant contract.

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**December Adjusted Hours: (Possible/Maybe)**

**December 8<sup>th</sup> – Closing early**

**December 12<sup>th</sup> – Closing at noon**

**December 14<sup>th</sup> – Closing at 3 p.m**

**December 22<sup>nd</sup> thru December 27<sup>th</sup> ish Closed for Christmas**

**Bills will be due on the 26<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to make payment prior to the 26th please call.**

**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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