

JANUARY 2018 UTILITY BILL INSERT

ALMIRA TOWN HALL -639-2601

PURCHASE YOUR DOG TAGS.

FEBRUARY 1ST A \$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED.

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**THE COMMUNITY WIDE YARD SALES WILL BE
APRIL 28TH, 2018. START YOUR SPRING CLEANING
EARLY AND HAVE A YARD SALE. IT IS \$8 PER ADDRESS
LISTED. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE YOUR OWN YOU
CAN DONATE ITEMS TO THE ALMIRA LION'S CLUB/
ALMIRA 4H YARDSALE.**

CALL 509-641-2073. Sign up at Town Hall.

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JANUARY 2018 COUNCIL MEETING: Cathy Payne-Ferris was sworn in as our new Council Member!!!!

NUISANCE REPORT: The nuisance yard on south 3rd property has been posted by the bank for foreclosure. Darrell was going to get the bank information so Jeanette could contact them. Dennis would like to move forward with getting a dumpster and getting the property cleaned up before it was a bigger mess. It was decided to wait until we had talked to the bank to move forward.

Other properties that were previously cleaned up are getting worse again. They will be addressed.

There were several reports of dogs at large. Warnings or fines will be sent.

UPDATES BY STAFF: Jeanette reported that we have four new customers move to town in the last month.

The loan through Berkadia for the Sewer Lagoons has been paid off.

We applied for a grant through the Department of Commerce for a Growth Management Update. The update is mandatory.

Funds have been received from TIB to pay for the lighting project in town. The original grant was for \$16,000, it cost \$32,000. TIB paid for everything. Changing the lights to LED is saving the Town between \$300 and \$400 a month.

WSDOT conducted an audit on the Main Street sidewalk project.

We received the Cemetery Endowments donation of \$3500.

Brent and Jeanette have completed all of the USDA grant work for the tractor and the side by side.

The Tractor was delivered last week and the Gator and the broom will be here in March.

Brent has been working on the plans for the upcoming water project, reviewing them to make sure everything is right. There were two engineers from TD&H here for an afternoon going over questions from both sides.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS: The first payment request for engineering and design of the water project was reviewed and approved

Resolution #2018-106 regarding Salaries for 2018 was reviewed and approved

Ordinance #539 – Utility Rates was discussed. Bulk Water from the fill station will be \$15.00 per 1,000 gallons. Jeanette presented council with upcoming expenses regarding Water, Sewer and Refuse Funds. Dennis asked to table it until the next meeting so they had time to review the numbers.

Wilbert Precast has increased their rates \$15. Council discussed and approved to increase our rates accordingly.

Resolution 2018-107, a resolution approving pursuit of USDA funding was discussed and approved

February Adjusted Hours: (Possible/Maybe)
February 9th – Closing at 1:30 p.m.
February 14th, February 15th & 16th – Closed
February 19th – Holiday!!!!!!!!!!!!

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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

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

“This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cut.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866)632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202)690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov.