## May 2019 UTILITY BILL INSERT ALMIRA TOWN HALL 639-2601

Starting <u>July 1<sup>st</sup></u> garbage pick-up will be on the street in front of your house. They will pick-up on both sides of the street. If you have a permanent marker please write your street address on the container again if it is faded and unreadable.

FIREWORKS ARE ONLY ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD AND ONLY ON THE 4TH OF JULY.

PLEASE PICK YOUR GARBAGE UP AFTERWARDS. BE SAFE AND BE RESPONSIBLE!! THANK YOU!!!

THE JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE AT THE ALMIRA COMMUNITY CENTER. THERE WILL BE A 30 MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD REGARDING THE INCOME STUDY PRIOR TO THE MEETING. (6:00 PM) The Council Meeting will start at 7 pm at the Community Center.

\_\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL MEETING: <u>PUBLIC HEARING FOR USDA GRANT/LOAN FOR LAWNMOWER</u>
Margie Hall with the EDC was here to review the process of the Income Survey. We have 144 households and need 105 responses for this to be successful. The EDC will handle everything. The surveys will be assigned numbers and names will not be used.

There will also be an infrastructure question on the survey for people to give their input. At the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting we will have Margie Hall attend to answer questions. Jason suggested 6:30 pm for the question and answers. The meeting will be in the community center.

Odessa did an income survey a couple years ago to prove they were still eligible and have since received 5 million dollars in grant funds. It is essential that everyone complete their survey and turn in in. Information will go out in the next utility bill with the actual survey going out mid-June.

Gary Petersen on behalf of the Lion's Club will work with Brent for a solution to the water problem at the back of Town Hall. The water is causing problems with the back door.

Rocky Boutain explained he had written an article for the paper based on information from others and then heard his information was incorrect. He wanted to verify that the town was NOT going to change the ordinance and ban animals from town. Council assured him that they were not banning animals in the Agricultural Zone, the sheep were removed in this case because there were too many of them and the smell had become a nuisance. The animal ordinance will be rewritten and clarifications will be made.

**NUISANCE REPORT:** There are numerous people living in camp trailers around town. This is against the Mobile/Motor Home Ordinance.

**UPDATES BY STAFF:** Jeanette attended the BIAS Workshop for the Annual Report.

The papers for the USDA grant were submitted to Rick Rose

The Lion's Club cleanup had about 55 homes taking advantage of the service. They filled a 30 and a 40 yard cubic yard dumpster.

Sunrise Disposal will start picking up trash on the streets July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Trash cans need to go in front of your house and can be on both sides of the street.

Jeanette also attended the EWFOA Spring meeting on Friday.

Brent has been doing the regular spring cleanup of the parks and cemetery.

There is a problem with the Lift Station generator. Beckstedt Electric is coming down to check it out.

Steve from TD&H is looking into sewer grants.

The water project is closed up. We are putting in about \$22,500 on the project for the extra work we had done.

The new lawnmower is working out great. It has cut mowing time in half!

**OLD BUSINESS:** Darrell and Marvin will attend the Lincoln County Regionalization workshop. Brent attended the last meeting but council members really need to attend.

Ordinance #552 – the revised Nuisance Ordinance was reviewed and approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Einar suggested since he was retiring from the Mayor position that council discuss whether they wanted to increase Mayor and Council pay. Jeanette was going to see what other towns paid.

**STATUS OF UTILITY ACCOUNTS:** Twelve water off notices were sent, two paid in full and the others made payments

## DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN EITHER PARK. DO NOT LET YOUR DOG POOP IN EITHER PARK. BE RESPECTFUL.

RECYCLING BINS: They are taking tin cans, plastic and magazines. The Lion's Club has a shed for paper to go in behind town hall. If you have aluminum cans for the Boy Scouts they can be left in bags back by the newspaper shed or over by the recycling bins by the city shop.

## June adjusted hours: June 6<sup>th</sup> – Open at 11 am

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 <a href="http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint-filing-cut.html">http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint-filing-cut.html</a>, 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 <a href="mailto:program.intake@usda.gov">program.intake@usda.gov</a>.