

**MARCH 2022 Utility Bill Insert**  
**ALMIRA TOWN HALL 639-2601**  
**OPEN MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY**  
**8-4. CLOSED ON FRIDAYS!!!!**

**ALMIRA COMMUNITY YARD SALES ARE APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**THERE IS A SIGN IN EACH PARK STATING NO DOGS ALLOWED. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE YOUR DOG TO THE PARK. FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT CONTINUE TO DO SO PLEASE PICKUP YOUR DOG POOP. NO ONE WANTS THERE KID COMING HOME COVERED IN IT BECAUSE OF YOU.**

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Dogs are not to be roaming at any time. If your dog leaves a deposit outside of your yard please pick it up. This includes alleys as others walk through them.

**THE RECYCLING BINS ARE NOT A PLACE TO LEAVE YOUR TRASH: NO STYROFOAM OF ANY KIND, NO ICE PACKS, NO PLASTIC BAGS, NO CAR PARTS, NO LICENSE PLATES, NO PLASTIC GARBAGE CANS AND NO DARTS. RECYCLIBLES ONLY PLEASE.**

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Bills are due on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month and late after the 25<sup>th</sup>. They are due the 25<sup>th</sup> even if I am not in the office. You can pay by debit or credit card online through the website; OR drop a check or money order off in the payment box. Please do not use my absence as a reason not to pay your bill.

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**MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> COUNCIL MEETING: GUESTS:** Red Croasmun Jr, Matthew and Rachel Barton, Mandy Brink and Dennis Pinar

Mandy Brink presented her building permit for a garage on Fourth Street. Council approved the permit pending Bill Crow's approval.

Barton's were present to request closing the roads and alleys on that side of Highway 2 since they own all of property around the roads and alleys. There are no utilities on that side so council was fine with it.

Red Croasmun III requested they shut 6<sup>th</sup> street by his father's house to protect the sewer line that runs under the street since he is responsible for the line to the main line. Council said they wouldn't close the street as there are sewer lines under a lot of the streets. He also requested having the sidewalk on 2<sup>nd</sup> street replaced in front of the house he owns over there because it was broken up. Council told him he was responsible for the sidewalk, it wasn't the town's. It was also discussed getting water to his property on A Street, Brent will run a line to the edge of Red's property as requested.

They are still waiting to hear from the DOT on who actually owns the piece of land that A Street runs through.

Red made an official Public Records request for all the Ordinances and Resolutions and the last ten years of minutes. Jeanette asked if he would like them copied or emailed and he said he would make an appointment to come in sometime and sit and read them.

Fire Chief Dennis Pinar updated the council on ambulance and fire runs. In 2021 we had 52 calls, 39 of which were ambulance and 31 of those being in town. This year the final payment will be made on the Fire Engine and that payment is already in reserves. Dennis is looking at replacing the ambulance down the road and requested that the Town sit aside the same amount we have been doing for the engine every year. Levi made the motion to change the name to Ambulance Reserve and set aside \$4500 every year for the ambulance, Tim made the second and it motion was approved.

Airlift Northwest is putting in a helicopter ambulance station in Davenport. This is a different company than Lifeflight.

**UPDATES BY STAFF:** The reprint of the Almira History Book has been ordered.

Ordinances have been sent to Josh Grant to see about having them codified.

Jeanette has started the annual report.

Brent continues to spend a lot of time at the school with locates and building permit questions.

Dave will be back to work on the 14<sup>th</sup> and they will be changing out the meter for the portables.

Brent requested a bid from Brian Belsby for surveying the town.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Ordinance 570 – Cemetery Fees: Approved. Wilbert Precast has increased their fee, therefore we need to follow suit so as not to lose money.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jeanette recommended increasing the Utility Deposit to \$175 and also asked about changing turn on fees and late fees. Council approved increasing the Utility Deposit to \$175, leave the Turn on Fee at \$25 and increase the late fee to \$20.

Jason Evers, Mayor, reported on the Fiber Optic Meeting he attended in Colfax with other Lincoln County Mayors.

**STATUS OF UTILITY ACCOUNTS:** 9 water off notices were sent out the end of February.

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The next council meeting is April 12th, 2022 at 7 pm  
Please attend and have an input in our community.  
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**ADJUSTED HOURS:**  
**CLOSED ALL FRIDAYS**  
April 2<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> - CLOSED  
**Other closures will be posted**

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*The Wilbur Food Pantry is open the third Wednesday of every month from 11 a.m. - 1 pm and 5 - 6 p.m. It is located at the Lutheran Church Campus The Food Pantry is for Almira, Wilbur and Creston. If you need more information or want to donate call Lori Rettkowski at 647-5402.*  
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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  
1-509-770-5604 – Mayor Jason Evers  
1-509-237-5320 – Dave Phillips

**IF YOU HAVEN'T PURCHASED YOUR DOG TAGS ADD A \$10 LATE FEE TO THE COST.**