

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

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**NO DOGS ALLOWED IN EITHER PARK!!**

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**We continue to have trash put in the recycling bins. If this continues we will have to discontinue this service.**

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**MAY COUNCIL MEETING:**

The Public Hearing for the Conditional Use Permit for the School was called to order at 7 pm. The school had submitted an application because the two elevator shafts would be over the allowed 35 feet. The Conditional Use Permit has been reviewed by the Planning Commission. Marvin Gordon had a few questions pertaining to the project but no concerns. Jeanette had received several calls stating they that they had no problem with the project either.

**GUESTS:**

Madison McCall made a request for council to revisit their rule regarding chickens and allow individuals to have egg laying chickens or to raise them to eat outside of the current parameters. This would require rezoning the town if they decided to move forward with it. Council chose to have a hearing at the next meeting and have people give their input before moving forward.

Please fill out and return the enclosed questionnaire or attend the next council meeting to voice your opinion.

**UPDATES BY STAFF:** Jeanette reported that the USDA Engine Loan was paid off a few months early to save interest.

We have been working on the new meter reader to get it adjusted to our system. We will be reading meters the end of May.

The CARES funding report has been submitted.

Century West Engineering is moving forward with the General Sewer Plan.

Brent requested guidance from council on how much they would like us to do in the Lion's Club park. We do the mowing except for spring sports and he wondered if it was okay to do sprinkler repairs or little things that needed done. Jason it was fine to help out where we could but to keep track of the time.

We have had some vandalism in the parks. (Graffiti, breaking things and tearing up sod) Security cameras will be installed in the City Park, they are already in the Lion's Club Park.

The cemetery damage made by Wilbert Precast has been repaired some. They will be coming back to fix everything by Memorial Weekend.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Council approved the Conditional Use Permit for the school

**NEW BUSINESS:** We have had complaints about the number of stray cats in town. There isn't anything we can do about it other than encourage people to get their cats spayed or neutered.

We had an inquiry about having vacation rentals in town. Council didn't see where it would be a problem but appreciated the individual checking with us.

**STATUS OF UTILITY ACCOUNTS:** 22 water off notices were sent out the end of April. Two paid in full, Rural Resources paid one and the rest made payments.

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The next Council Meeting is June 14th, 2022 at 7 pm  
Please attend and have an input in our community.  
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**ADJUSTED HOURS:**  
**CLOSED ALL FRIDAYS**  
June 9<sup>th</sup> – Closed  
June 16<sup>th</sup> – Closed  
June 20<sup>th</sup> – HOLIDAY  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - Closed  
**Other closures will be posted**

**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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*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**

**METERS WILL BE READ THE LAST WEEK OF JUNE.**