APRIL 2023 Utility Bill Insert ALMIRA TOWN HALL 639-2601 OPEN MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 8-4. CLOSED ON FRIDAYS!!!!

THERE HAS BEEN VANDALISM IN THE RESTROOMS AT THE CITY PARK and reports of kids trying to break into the storage shed at the Lion's Club Park. Please keep an eye out!

GARBAGE NEEDS TO BE BAGGED BEFORE PLACING IN YOUR TRASH CONTAINER. OTHERWISE IT IS LIKELY TO BLOW ALL OVER WHEN THE CONTAINER IS DUMPED.

MAY COUNCIL MEETING:

UPDATES BY STAFF: Jeanette fulfilled a public records request with <u>Washington@openbooks.com</u>.

She completed the RMSA survey necessary for insurance renewal.

The declarations of candidacies have been mailed in for council members running for office again.

Brent and Jeanette are updating the Directory for the Cemetery before Memorial Day.

The Annual Report was submitted the end of April!!!!

Brent has been working with Garco and the Almira School regarding repairing the roads around the school after construction has been completed. It has been agreed that the three entities will split the cost. Brent has received preliminary bids and an estimate for us to do the crack sealing ourselves. They are looking at approximately \$28,000 for total cost to crack seal and chip seal.

The Department of Ecology was here to inspect the ponds for the Biosolids program.

Brent has repainted the lines for crosswalks, parking and the railroad crossings.

NEW BUSINESS: Century West Engineering had sent a contract to sign for services. Council reviewed and approved.

The Annual Report has been submitted to the Auditor's Office and presented to council.

Water and Sewer policies and procedures were discussed. There have been some misunderstandings of rules or procedures and some are not clear. Council will work on this policy over the next few months. One major

change will be the cost of illegally turning your water back on after it has been turned off for lack of payment. The current fine is only \$50

BUILDING PERMITS: None

STATUS OF UTILITY ACCOUNTS: 17 water off notices were sent. One was turned off but made payment in full to get back on. Two made arrangements and all others made payment. One has been off since February.

The next Council Meeting is June 13th, 2023 at 7 pm Please attend and have an input in our community.

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ADJUSTED HOURS: CLOSED ALL FRIDAYS June 13th & 14th - Closed

June 13th & 14th - Closed June 19th - Holiday - Juneteenth!! June 28th - Closed OTHER CLOSURES WILL BE POSTED.

Bills are due on the 10th of the month and a late fee will be applied after the 25th. The late fee will be added on the 26th 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.

The <u>Wilbur Food Pantry</u> is open the third Wednesday of every month from 11 a.m. - 12:30 pm and 5 - 6 p.m. It is located at the Wilbur Community Church Campus <u>The Food Pantry</u> is for <u>Almira</u>, <u>Wilbur and Creston</u>. If you need more information or want to donate call Lori Rettkowski at 647-5402.

RECYCLING: CORRUGATED BOXES ONLY, NO CEREAL BOXES!! BOXES MUST BE BROKE DOWN. PLASTIC MUST BE CLEAN – NO CONTAINERS WITH OIL OR OTHER PRODUCT. NO PLASTIC BAGS OF ANY KIND, NO EGG CARTONS. IF YOU AREN'T SURE DON'T PUT IT IN THE BINS.

WATCH THE LINCOLN ADVERTISER, FREE TIRE DISPOSAL DAY IS COMING UP JUNE 2ND AND 3RD AT THE TRANSFER STATION.

IF YOU SEE OR HEAR ANY ALARMS AT THE SEWER PLANT, RESERVOIR OR WELLS PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS TO REPORT IT!

1-509-977-1218 – Brent Robertson 1-509-770-5604 – Mayor Jason Evers 1-509-237-5320 – Dave Phillips

METERS WILL BE READ the last week of June..