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City Council
1st and 3rd
Thursday each month.
Public welcome.
7 pm, Council Room
City Hall

March

Wendell City Mayor & Councilmembers

Mayor Lori Swainston

Council President Don Dunn

Councilman Jason Houser

Councilman Herb Allred

Councilwoman BJ Marshall



*Daylight Savings Time begins
March 12th -- Spring Forward*

City Irrigation bills were mailed out in February. The annual Irrigation Assessment Hearing was held on February 16, 2017. Irrigation Assessments for 2017 are as follows: Ditch Rider fees will be \$101.69 and maintenance fees will be figured at \$.0014501 per square foot of property owned. Irrigation fees are billed once a year and are due by April 1st. Any irrigation fees not paid are added to property taxes with a penalty. City irrigation systems are found in Idaho State laws, Title 50, Municipal Corporations, Chapter 18, City Irrigation Systems (50 -1801 thru 50 -1835)



It is time to start thinking about yard work, yard cleanup, maybe planting a garden, fixing or replacing the old broken fence, etc. Please remember that if you want to burn yardwaste (tree trimmings, grass, weeds, etc.) stop in at City Hall and get a burn permit. A permit is good for 10 days and there is no charge. A burn permit helps the fire department keep track of what is going on, in case someone calls in about a fire on your property.

If you are replacing or putting up a new fence, city ordinance does require a fence permit to do so. The permit is \$30 and can be picked up at City Hall.

Wendell has a several new small businesses in town. Please take time to check them out and support them when you can.

ROE Mechanics LLC, small engine repair
Chad Roe owner, 307-575-6558, 30 N Wallace St

Golden Dragon Tang Soo Do, LLC

Briana Low, 184 E. Ave B

Traditional Martial Arts & Self Defense for the entire family. 539-2332

Mobile Force Repair, Randy Stock owner

270 West Ave H, 320-3991

Saldana Flooring, Anselmo Saldana

368 2nd Ave East, 490-6671



New ordinance officer Brian Gailey has been very busy picking up dogs running at large and / or unlicensed dogs. When a dog is picked up running at large there is an automatic fine of \$50. Then if the dog ends up in the animal shelter because the owner either isn't home or can't be located, there is an additional \$25 per day for each day in the shelter. After three days in the shelter, per City Ordinance, the dog is then transferred to either a rescue group or another shelter. If your dog does not have a license or is not "chipped" it makes it that much harder to locate the owner. Dog licenses are \$10 for a spayed or neutered dog and \$15 if the dog is not spayed or neutered. City Hall has dog licenses available during business hours. Recently we have had several people say they got their dog licensed at Walmart. That is NOT a Wendell City Dog License and certainly won't help us get your pet home when we find it roaming the city streets.

Wendell Food Pantry hours are every Thursday from 2-5:30 PM.

The pantry is open to everyone. If you or someone you know, a friend, neighbor, relative, etc. need a little help please let them know about this valuable service we have here in our community.

They are located at 335 1st Ave East, directly west of City Hall.

Also if you would like to help out by volunteering your time each week they would love to hear from you. It is a great way to be of service in our community. Call Jim at 536-6635.

Gooding County has applications available for anyone who has experienced a loss during the recent flooding that occurred when the snow melted so quickly. If you have had a loss you can contact Gooding County Assessor's Office at 934-5666 and they would be happy to help you fill out a claim that could potentially help you with your property taxes this year. If you have pictures that is very helpful on a claim also. City Hall has copies of the 2017 Application for Casualty / Loss Exemption. Under Idaho Code 62-602X, a partial exemption may be granted on property with significant damage due to casualty/loss. Applications must be completed and returned to Gooding County by 5 PM, June 26, 2017. An appraiser will schedule an appointment to do a physical inspection of the property. The Gooding County Board of Equalization will review each application and make the appropriate adjustment to market value. This is a one year exemption on just property tax.

It is not in concordance with any other state or federal disaster relief.

City roads are seeing quite a bit of damage due to the heavy snowfall and subsequent melting and flooding. Please be patient, road repair work will begin as soon as it is warm enough to do so. If roads are patched when the weather is too cold the patches won't stay and will soon be potholes again. One thing that is also detrimental to our city roadways are the semi-trucks and tractor trailers (with 4 or more axels) that are not staying on the designated truck routes. Ordinance 501-2010, specifies that (section 1) F Avenue East from Idaho St. to its Intersection with 3000 South is hereby designated as a collector street. (section 2) Identifying that F Avenue East from Idaho St. to its Intersection with 3000 South, 8th Avenue West from Idaho St. to Hagerman St., H Avenue West from Idaho St. to West Main, West Main from Idaho St to Interstate I-84, & North & South Idaho St is hereby designated as the Truck Route. The only time semi-trucks and tractor trailers would be allowed on other city streets would be for the purpose of local pickup and delivery. There is a maximum of 15 minutes time allowed for delivery. (Ordinance 504-2010).