



~ CITY NEWS ~  
**INFORMER & WATER BILL**  
**MAY 1, 2015**

## **FORMER CLERK, SALLY HANSEN'S, SENTENCING HEARING RESCHEDULED**

The Sentencing Hearing for former City Clerk, Sally Hansen, which was set for May 5<sup>th</sup>, has been rescheduled to **June 9<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am**, per the Defendant's request.

If you would like to attend, or write a letter, please let us know, 208-683-2101.

### **CITY BUDGET MEETING**

The City is continuing to hold Monthly Budget Workshops to go over accounts and develop next year's Budget.

The next meeting will be held at the City Hall in the Conference Room downstairs, on **May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**.

For those who missed the last meeting, past city expenses were reviewed. The next meeting, topics such as providing the community center with scheduled and regular cleaning services, public restroom in the park, and additional security cameras, may be discussed as future budgeted items.

Please attend if you are able and provide your input.

### **BUSINESS PROMOTION**

I recently enjoyed a wonderful meeting with Silverwood's General Manager, Paul Norton, to discuss local issues and concerns of our businesses. Mr. Norton provided me with the additional encouragement to develop advertisement and promotion strategies for our local businesses.

This development is essential for the growth and continuation of our local businesses. I have been conducting meetings every Wednesday night to provide area businesses the opportunity to sit down with me to discuss concerns and issues that are important to their operations.

Please contact me if you would like to participate. I am developing a brochure and magazine applications.

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**May 5, 2015  
@ 7:00 PM  
CITY HALL - 30355 3<sup>rd</sup>  
208-683-2101**

#### **On the Agenda:**

Athol Daze - August 8<sup>th</sup>  
Athol Beautification - June 6<sup>th</sup>  
ORD# 402- Changing the Council  
Meeting date from 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday to 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Tuesday of each month.  
Hiring Part-time/On-Call Office Staff  
Review new contract for Kootenai Co.  
Prosecuting Attorney Contract  
Discuss the Beehives on the building  
Citizen Seminar-by the Center for Self  
Governance (6 minutes long)  
Discuss re-paving of joint parking lot  
with the city library.

Mayor:

**Darla Kuhman**

City Council:

**Mary Zichko  
Lewis Miller  
Shane McDaniel  
Josh Spencer**

City Attorney:

**Randy Adams**

City Clerk/Treasurer:

**Lori Yarbrough**

Assistant/Deputy Clerk:

**Tamie Cunningham**

Public Works Director:

**Stephen Williams**

## ON THE CALENDAR THIS MONTH:

<p><b>Sunday -</b> Mountain View Baptist (every Sun) 10am – 1pm, Downstairs Main Room</p> <p><b>Monday –</b> Fit n Fall Proof Class (every Mon, Wed, &amp; Fri) 10am-11am Gym Grandmothers (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday every month) 10am-1pm &amp; (1- 4pm) Downstairs Main Room Real Life Ministries (every Monday) 6:30pm-9pm, Gym, Conference &amp; Main Downstairs Memorial Day 5/25/15 – American Legion Ceremony at the Cemetery 208-683-2614; and City Hall Closed</p> <p><b>Tuesday –</b> Food Bank (every Tuesday) 9am-12 noon &amp; 1pm-3pm, Contact Charlotte Hooper 683-3244 City Council Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month) 7pm Conference Room Heritage Health Mobile Clinic (every Tuesday 8am-12pm)</p>	<p>Eager Beavers 4-H (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month) 6:30pm- 7:30pm</p> <p><b>Wednesday –</b> Fit n Fall Proof (every Mon, Wed, &amp; Fri) 10am-11am, Gym Remington Water District (every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed) Businesses Meeting Sit Down with Mayor, 7:00pm City Budget Workshop 5/20/15, 7pm Conference Room</p> <p><b>Thursday –</b> Lady A's (every Thursday) 9am-10am, Conference Room Farragut Flyers (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month) 6pm Conf. Rm Darla Dryer Dance Classes (each Thur) 3:15pm-5:30pm, Gym Zumba (every Thursday) 7pm Gym</p> <p><b>Friday –</b> Fit n Fall Proof (every Mon, Wed &amp; Fri) 10am-11am, Gym</p> <p><b>Saturday –</b> Bountiful Baskets (every Saturday) 5:30am-7am, Downstairs Main Room Big Book Recovery AA's (every Thursday) 5pm-6pm, Conference Room Grandmother's Club Craft Fair 5/2/15 in the Gym</p>
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**Upcoming:** Athol Beautification Day 6/6/15; Athol Daze 8/8/15

\*\*Request has been made from citizens that I provide a second page to the newsletter to include additional content. If anyone would like a specific article to be written, please let me know by contacting the City Office – 208-683-2101.

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**ATHOL BEAUTIFICATION DAY  
IN THE WORKS JUNE 6<sup>th</sup> & PLANT  
EXCHANGE**

Area citizens have been meeting on Tuesday nights at the Athol Community Center to discuss the development of Athol Beautification Day.

At this time a tentative event plan and schedule have been developed by Athol Church of God, Real Life Ministries, and the Mayor. I would love to see participation by Athol Baptist Church, Athol Seventh-Day Adventist, Gates of Praise Assembly, and any local business participation.

The request for additional input and participation is most welcome and deeply encouraged.

The event planning will be addressed at the next city council meeting for city input and discussion. City council meeting is set for May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm at the Athol City Community Center/City Hall, in the downstairs conference room.

The general idea of the event, is to provide citizens with the assistance they need to help with removal of items from their yards and to provide a community sense of awareness for your neighbors.

This event will be combined with a handful of activities for Saturday, and possibly additional assistance for Sunday.

It should commence at 9:00am in the park for meet and greet – Hospitality Services of coffee and doughnuts will be provided by Athol Church of God. If any other church or businesses would like to provide refreshments or services, we would welcome participation, thoughts and ideas.

A brief organization and instruction session will develop and then groups will be formed and sent out to citizens who have requested assistance. After the work teams are completed, everyone will return to the park for a bbq being provided by Real Life Ministries.

The last event of the day will be a scavenger hunt. Teams of youths and adults will be formed, for those who wish to participate, and will be sent out to conduct a Bigger & Better Scavenger Hunt with the citizens of town.

This event is styled to bring the community together to assist and lead a hand for those who have the need.

We would also like to provide citizens with the opportunity to participate in a town wide garage sale. So, if you would like to clean out your yard and your homes, join in the fun and sign up to be put on the map of places to go!

**I would also encourage those of you who have extra plants and flowers in your yards, to thin out your plants and bring them down to the park for a plant sharing and swap meet.**

I will be thinning out my thorn less raspberry plants for anyone who would like some of these plants, they will be available at the park. Limited supplies.

If you would like to volunteer, or participate, contact to the city 208-683-2101 for additional instructions.



**ATHOL DAZE IN THE WORKS AUGUST 8th**

Planning for our annual Athol Daze event is in the works, and we would like to have thoughts and ideas, if you have them.

Victory Auto Parts will be hosting their annual old car show, and it was an amazing turnout last year. We want to increase the interest, and provide them with all the support and assistance they need to make this year's another wonderful event. So pass the information along folks.

Contact for Victory Auto Parts is: 208-683-3375.

We are looking at the choices for entertainment this year, and would like input regarding possible, bands, stand comic routine, solo musicians, and any other performance the citizens might be interested in.

If you would like to volunteer, participate, or any ideas, contact the city 208-683-2101 and let us know how you would like to assist.



**YOUR ADVERTISEMENT HERE**

The Newsletter will be offering the opportunity for local businesses to alternately sponsor the newsletter for a month.

If you are interested in having your advertisement added on the newsletter, please contact the City for more information, 208-683-2101.

**ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS**

The City is reviewing our current Ordinances and updating our records.

With the closer scrutiny and the escalations of citizens' complaints regarding neighbors and city ordinance violations, we are conducting city wide review of properties and issues.

This review falls under Athol Nuisance Ordinance #271, 7-1-2008, primary Nuisance & Junk. Included in this review, will be the animal control, off street parking and behavior in our city park.

This is a very delicate subject and as Mayor it falls within the duties and responsibilities to investigate claims, and to enforce the laws that have been passed.

I want to assure the people that I will do my best to make this review and enforcement upheld in the most civil and understanding fashion.

It is not the intent of my office to embarrass or harass any one property or resident, and I request that any complaints against any member of our community to be addressed to the city office and a written complaint be submitted before any action can be taken. Complaint forms can also be found on the city website at [cityofathol.us](http://cityofathol.us).

This would be a perfect opportunity for citizens to sign up for Athol Beautification Day and take advantage of offered assistance.

Additionally, issues regarding inappropriate behavior of minors in the park will be addressed firmly, and the city will conduct research for actions to develop fines and enforcement.

As with all issues in the city, if you would like to contact the Mayor, please call the city office and your message or request will be formed to me.

Thank you, and all the best,  
Mayor Darla Kuhman



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