



~ **ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER** ~
& WATER UTILITY BILL
August 1, 2016



Athol Daze
Saturday
August 13, 2016
9am -4pm (ish)

Parade and Vendor applications available at City Hall or on-line at: www.cityofathol.us

A "Community Review", by the Idaho Rural Association coming this October 2016

We have been selected by the Idaho Rural Partnership to have a Community Review done this fall. The Idaho Community Review is the flagship program of the Idaho Rural Partnership, a non-partisan collaborative effort to make rural Idaho stronger, healthier and more prosperous. It's a mix of public and private sector member organizations and other partners that work closely with rural residents and leaders to cultivate solutions at a local and regional level. They listen and observe, share perspectives, and explore technical assistance and resources appropriate to each community. Ideally, they will help the city to be better prepared to build on shared strengths and work together to achieve common goals.

What is a Community Review? It is a mini strategic planning process designed and conducted in coordination with leaders, business owners, and residents of the community. A 2-3 day visit to your community by a team of community and economic development professionals is the centerpiece of the program. The members of this "visiting team" volunteer their time and talents to help rural communities manage change and pursue goals on their own terms.

We hope the community review process will increase community clarity about its goals and opportunities. We hope it will improve coordination among business and community organizations, which can be used to support future grant applications and increased awareness of available funding and other resources.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
@ 7:00 PM
CITY HALL - 30355 3rd
208-683-2101

(New/Temporary Hours are)
Clerk/Treasurer Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 9:30-4:30pm
Fridays 8:30am- 12:30 pm

Future Council Meeting Dates:

August 16, 2016*
**Public Hearing on the Code Text Amendments 6pm & the FY17 Budget 7pm*

September 20, 2016

(New Fiscal Year)

October 18, 2016

November 15, 2016

December 20, 2016

City website:
www.cityofathol.us

Mayor:

Bob Wachter

City Council:

Mary Zichko

Bill Hill

Shane McDaniel

Josh Spencer

City Attorney:

John Cafferty

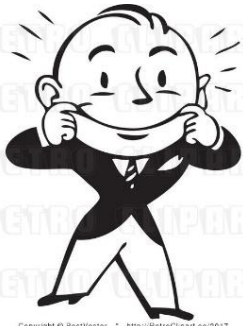
City Clerk/Treasurer:

Lori Yarbrough

Public Works/Water Operator:

Stephen Williams

Did you know that the City Code (Ord. 405) has restrictions for City Park and Playfields usage. The Park is closed 9:00pm until 6:00am. It is unlawful to have animals, motor vehicles, fires or fireworks, and glass containers in the park, as well as no camping unless granted by express authority of the city council.



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Update from Mayor Wachter:

- There's something new and something blue, it's not private, or Pokémon Go! We are replacing all the old worn out street signs in the city with pretty new blue ones. Blue has generally signified a road is private, but that is not always the case, nor the law. We wanted to try something different and thought the blue fields were a nice change, we hope you do to.
- City Park usage is at a high and we ask that you please supervise your children while in the park. Please help in taking pride in caring for our City Park by picking up after yourselves and, notifying city staff if you see anything or anyone abusing or vandalizing city property, to ensure safety and security. We view security cameras and will turn information into the proper authorities when necessary. The city has also nearly completed installing new sprinklers in the baseball and basketball field areas, please be cognoscente while this is being updated.
- On a safety note, we have noticed a significant amount of kids walking the streets playing Pokémon and texting and while not paying attention to traffic and their surroundings. Parents, please talk with your children about walking in the streets as there are no actual sidewalks in the city. And drivers, please take extra caution while driving; with school out and warm weather, there are more people out and about.



4th Annual Pie Tasting Contest at the Library!

Come into the Athol Library during Athol Daze for a whole lot of fun, company, and, of course, pie!

Bakers: Bake and enter your best pie in order to win the Baker's Basket this year! Please sign up at the Athol Library in person or by phone at 683-2979. All pies must be dropped off between 11:00am and 11:45am during Athol Daze in order to prep for tasting.

Tasters: Didn't bake a pie this year? Come in and taste each pie and vote for your favorite. Your votes are the ones that decide the winner. Tasting is available between noon and 3:00pm.

ON THE CALENDAR THIS MONTH:

<p>Sunday -</p> <p>Monday – Fit n Fall Class (every Mon & Wed) 10am-11am, Gym Grandmothers (3rd Monday each month) 10am-1pm Real Life Ministries Youth Group -Done till Fall</p> <p>Tuesday – Food Bank (every Tuesday) 9am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm, Contact Charlotte Hooper 683-3244 City Council Meeting (3rd Tuesday each month) 7pm Eager Beavers 4-H (2nd Tues each month) 6:30pm-7:30pm</p>	<p>Wednesday – Fit n Fall Class (every Mon & Wed) 10am-11am, Gym Remington Water District (every 3rd Wed) 6:30pm</p> <p>Thursday – Lady A's (every Thursday) 9am-10am D. Dryer Dance & Drama Classes – Done till September Heritage Health Mobile Clinic (every Thursday 8am-12pm)</p> <p>Friday – Fit n Fall Class (no Fridays till fall)</p> <p>Saturday – Big Book Recovery AA's (every Thursday) 5pm-6pm</p>
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Upcoming: Next Athol Daze planning meeting this month: Tuesday, August 2nd @ 3:00pm.

Athol Library Activities: ...happening soon:

Tuesday, August 2nd: Water Play Day- 11:00a.m. (Baseball Field)
Also a Kids Cooking Contest on August 4th at 11:00am at the Library

PLEASE NOTE: In order to accommodate staffing needs, Athol City Hall hours will temporarily be changing for the months of August and September (effective Monday August 1st till September 30th). Please congratulate our City Clerk/Treasurer, Lori Yarbrough, will the birth of her new son, Emmett. Hours will be as follows: Monday-Thursday 9:30am-4:30pm and Fridays 8:30-12:30.

↓ **WATER BILL** ↓

From the Athol City Hall - August 1, 2016

Dear Resident,

We have a very concerning problem, and we would like your help to solve this problem.

In any type of emergency, locating the exact address where the problem is occurring is sometimes extremely difficult to do, even with our GPS systems. We can usually get close, but is “close” really close enough when you need us?

Reflective address signs posted at your driveway entrance, or on your house that are clearly visible from the roadway (both day and night), are inexpensive and readily available. If there is more than one residence on your property, please post both addresses at the street and one on each residence. Reflective address signs are available online and also from local retailers.



Help us to help you,

Bill Wright Captain
Timberlake Fire Protection District



Notice of Public Hearings for Code Amendments

Notice is hereby given that the City of Athol, Kootenai County Idaho, will hold a Public Hearing to consider any and all comments on the following:

Case No. OA16-01, a request by HJ Grathol to amend the Athol City Code. **The request is to amend Title 8, Chapter 8, Sections 8-8B-2 and 8-8B-4 to amend the permitted primary uses and the special (conditional) uses in the Commercial zone.**

The request also seeks to amend Title 8, Chapter 12, Section 8-12-4 of the Code to amend the off-street parking requirements for certain uses within the City.

And

Notice of Public Hearing for the PROPOSED BUDGET

FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 A PUBLIC HEARING, PURSUANT TO Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year from October 1, 2016-September 30, 2017.

All interested persons are invited to appear and/or comment on these proposed amendments to the City Code. The full text of the amendments is available for review at the Athol City Hall during regular office hours (8:00am-4:30pm Monday-Thursday and Fridays 8:30am- 12:00pm) The public Hearing will be held at Athol City Hall in the basement of 30355 Third Street on August 16, 2016 at 6:00pm and 7:00pm.

The City will make reasonable accommodations for anyone attending this meeting who require special assistance for hearing, physical or other impairments. Please contact the City Clerk at (208) 683-2101 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date and time.

Lori Yarbrough
City Clerk/Treasurer