



~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ August 1, 2018



Athol, A New Direction

Comprehensive Planning ?

What direction should the City take on growth?

- Proceed with caution
- Oppose/resist
- Embrace/encourage

Should City pursue options for a municipal sewer system?

- Yes – high priority
- Yes- low priority
- No – too expensive/unnecessary



Check out the booth at Athol Daze and give your input!

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
@ 7:00 PM 1st & 3rd Tues.
CITY HALL – 30355 N. 3rd
208-683-2101

Clerk/Treasurer Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday 9:00-4:30pm
Fridays 8:30am- 12:30 pm

Future Council Meeting Dates:

- August 7, 2018
- August 21, 2018
- Closed Monday 3rd-Labor Day
- September 4, 2018
- September 18, 2018
- October 2, 2018
- October 16, 2018
- November 6, 2018
- November 20, 2018

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:

Mark Mitchell



Christmas in★July



WIN \$1,000 CASH

Chamber Annual 50/50 Raffle starts July 1st

Tickets available at

**VICTORY AUTO PARTS
&
AMERICAN LEGION**

Tickets: \$20 Benefits Christmas Tree Lighting Festival

Winner announced at 1:00pm at Athol Daze!

Next meeting: July 19th at 7:00pm www.atholchamberofcommerce.org

Please join them for their next meeting at 6pm on

Thursday, August 16, 2018 at the Athol Community Center



**ABC FARMERS
MARKET**

— Athol Bayview Careywood —

Support your local producers and enjoy your community. Open every Friday from 2-6pm from May to October. We are gaining more and more vendors- come check out all the local's goodies we have for you! Also, see us at Athol Daze "Saturday" 11th of August.

Find us on Facebook @ABCFarmersMarket.

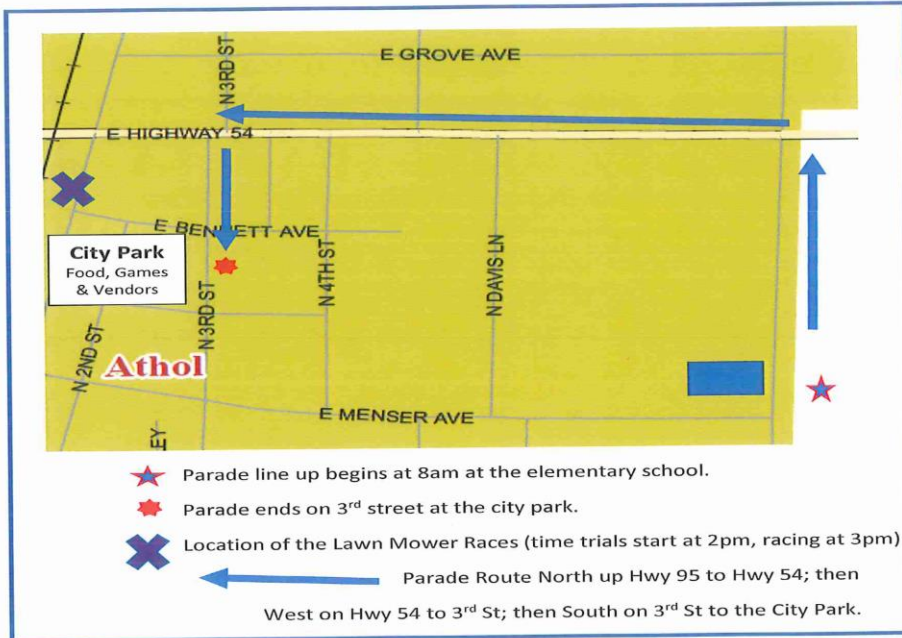


The last Athol Daze Planning Meeting **Tuesday, August 3rd at 1:00pm**

If you are interested in volunteering, please join us!

We hope you join us for this year's exciting line up of events:

Starts with the **Parade at 9am**. From line up at the elementary school up Hwy 95 across Hwy 54 to 3rd street and the City park! **Free great bleacher seating located in front of the old Post Office.**



At approx. 10:15am Parade trophies will be given out after the parade in the city park.

Also, the drawing for the Silverwood winners for the children in the parade and the announcing of the 2018 Athol Citizen of the year

Parade applications are available at city hall or online at: **www.cityofathol.us**

If you are interested in helping, please join us!

Please consider signing up. Trophies are given out in the various classes and “new” this year all kids in the kid’s category in the parade will be entered into a drawing for a FREE Silverwood Ticket!! Multiple names to be drawn

Still Gathering Interest in Neighborhood Watch Groups

Many stories or experiences are shared about what people are experiencing in the park and around the city; we encourage more people to get involved and take a stand; Participate in this program.

This group would aide in basic crime prevention, disaster preparedness, and help to build a stronger community. **We encourage you to get to know your neighbors and form a watch groups, become more active in your community.**

This group is currently coordinating to get signs placed in various locations of the city. Next meeting sometime in September 2018. Call City Hall for the date and contact information.



Come Together 2018 - Schedule of Events

Parade 9am (Line Up at 8am)

Victory Auto Part Classic Car Show 9-2pm City Baseball field

**Bounce House/Kid Games/Dunk Tank/
Water Slides/Food & Craft Vendors**

Parade Awards/Citizen of the Year/ Little Miss Athol

Nolan Foster Musical Performance

Money in the Straw 11am

Beer Garden -Opens 11am

"Grandmothers Club" Cake Walk 11:30am

Nolan Foster Musical Performance

Athol Chamber of Commerce 50/50 Raffle (1pm)

Live Auction at 1pm

Lawn Mower (BIG BACK-IN) Street Drags

Racing begins at 4pm; time trials at 3pm

Located on 1st Street and the Baseball Field

Other Miscellaneous Attractions Happening All Day!!

ABC Farmer's Market;

Kootenai Electric Bucket Truck Rides;

Kootenai County Sheriff -ID a KID;

Library Book Walk - throughout the day



The Senior Meeting and Lunch is cancelled this month.



Update from Mayor Wachter



- **City Budget for FY2019:** The council has conducted a couple of workshops regarding the next year's budget. There are a lot more levels involved with the city budgeting these days. When you begin receiving grants, planning for long term financing, and deal with an overall increase of the daily activities in the city- the general line item budget gets more complex. I encourage citizens to be sure they too are growing their understanding of the budget right along with the council and staff. We will hold a public hearing on September 4, 2018 at 7:00pm for the FY2019 City Budget. There will also be an update to the City fee resolution at that time.
- **The USDA application is in, and now the City is planning on applying for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant.** A requirement of the funds is to provide income data of the residents within the city limits. In order to accomplish this, an outside consultant for the City, Nancy Mabile of the Panhandle Area Council, will be conducting an income survey to provide the necessary beneficiary data. These surveys will soon find themselves at random households within the City. **All responses are essential in order for the City to be eligible for grant funds, which will help offset the costs to residents.** When you receive your survey, please follow the instructions to complete it and return it in the self-addressed stamped envelope that will be provided with the survey. Questions can be directed to Nancy at 208-772-0584, ext. 3014, or nmabile@pacni.org.
- **On-Going efforts to get more citizen participation for the updating of the City's Comprehensive Plan are still being made.** Only 2 people attended the Open House last month. I really hope more citizens can find the time to help be a part of planning for the future, and not just leave it up to the council and staff. This is your opportunity to let your thoughts and voices be heard.
- **Water Infrastructure Improvements-** to give you an update, we are still working towards preparations for a November Bond Election.



Did you know.... The City of Athol plans on applying for an Idaho Community Development Block Grant to help offset the costs of water system upgrades. =

This could mean a \$5.00 or more of savings on you monthly water bill.

Sunday - Compulsive Eaters Anonymous – Openness, honesty, and willingness (Every Sun) 4pm

Monday –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym
Grandmothers Club (3rd Monday each month) 10am-1pm
Real Life Ministries Youth Group (every Mon) 6pm
Senior Meeting (1st Monday of each month) 12 noon-3pm

Tuesday –

Food Bank (every Tues) 9am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm
(**Contact Charlotte Hooper at 683-3244**)
City Council Meeting (1st & 3rd Tues each month) 7pm
Eager Beavers 4-H (2nd Tues each month) 6:30pm-7:30pm

Wednesday –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym
Remington Water District (every 3rd Wed) 6:30pm

Thursday –

Lady A's (every Thurs) 9am-10am
Athol Chamber of Commerce (3rd Thurs) 7pm

Friday –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym
ABC FARMERS MARKET 2pm-6pm

Saturday –

Big Book Recovery AA's (every Sat) 5pm-6pm

Upcoming: The next City Council Meetings for August 2018 are: Tuesday the 7th and again on Tuesday the 21st both at 7:00pm. **Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Friday the 15th.**



WATER BILL ↓

From the Athol City Hall - August 1, 2018

ATTN: Water payments due this month by Friday the 15th to avoid a late fee.