



# ~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ June 1, 2018

Athol, A New Direction

## Mayor Bob receives his PRIMA Certification

Idaho PRIMA is Public Risk Management Association

This is a certification that takes approximately 2 years to



complete. Instruction covers topics such as: Your role as a risk manager; risk manager and the law; role of risk manager and personnel management; and liability issues & exposure, current trends. Our clerk, Lori Yarbrough, received her PRIMA certification last May 2017.



# ABC FARMERS MARKET

Athol Bayview Careywood

Support your local producers and enjoy your community.

Eggs, garden plants, artisan foods, specialty coffees, handcrafted items and more. New vendors wanted; apply online or in person. Open every Friday from 2-6pm from May to October.



Find us on Facebook @ABCFarmersMarket.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
@ 7:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues.  
CITY HALL - 30355 N. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
208-683-2101

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

**Future Council Meeting Dates:**

June 5, 2018  
June 19, 2018  
July 3, 2018  
*City Hall Closed Wed July 4<sup>th</sup>*  
July 17, 2018  
August 7, 2018  
August 21, 2018  
September 4, 2018  
September 18, 2018  
October 2, 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**

## Athol Daze Planning Meeting

Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

We are looking for vendors in the park, donations for the live auction, and kids to participate in the parade. This year there will be a chance for prizes for every child who participates in the parade.

Parade and Little Miss Athol applications are available at city hall or online at: [www.cityofathol.us](http://www.cityofathol.us)



Don't miss this fun filled day. We hope to see you at the Victory Auto Classic Car Show, the Big Back-In Lawn Mower drag races at 4pm, the Live Auction at 1pm, or at any of the other numerous games like money in the Straw (11am sharp!), the Cake Walk at 11:30am, or many other events and activities!

If you are interested in helping, please join us for the organizing and planning of this great event! Let us know your thoughts.

## Athol Daze "Come Together" Saturday, August 11, 2018

**"Senior Meeting and Lunch" in the Park! ...Unless it's raining.**

Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at noon till 3pm.

Please bring sandwiches, salads, appetizers or a dessert to share.



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Did you know . . . The City is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan and we'd like your input. The current draft of the plan is available on the City's website at: [www.cityofathol.us](http://www.cityofathol.us) or you can pick up a copy at City Hall. The City will be holding an Open House at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27 at City Hall. The consultants that prepared the draft plan will be there to receive your comments on the draft and your thoughts and ideas for the future of our town.

The Comprehensive Plan is a document designed to guide the future land use actions of the community. It expresses a vision of what the community aspires to become and contains goals and policy statements that will help move the community toward its vision.

## Athol Library Activities: ...happening in June:

Wednesday, June 13, 3:00 pm - **Traveling Lantern: The Life of**

Wednesday, June 20, 6:00 pm - **The Noise guy**

Friday, June 29, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm - **Tween NERF Battle**

Tuesdays, June 19<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 am – **Little Rock-It Scientists**

**Summer IT Club** - Tuesdays, June 19<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup> 2:00pm



### Update from Mayor Wachter

➤ **City Street Repairs:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June we will be repairing some of the city streets; filling in potholes and fixing road breakups. Please be careful and patient if work is happening on your street.

➤ **City Hall and Community Building Improvements:** The downstairs floors of the building are getting an update. Over the next few weeks the building will be receiving some much-needed work. Please bear with us during this messier than normal time.

➤ **Athol Beautification and the City-Wide Yard Sales** were a huge success and the weather held out great this year. There were approx. 31 homes that signed up for some sort of help either picking up items for the dump, or having some small repair or yardwork done. We had about 100-120 volunteers who then broke into teams to perform the various tasks.



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So much appreciation goes to the volunteer groups like:

**Church of God, Real Life Ministry, Athol Baptists, Bayview Marina's staff, the Athol/Spirit Lake Grandmothers, Idaho Forest Group, Humana, Richard Cole, and of course Dave with Panhandle Waste Services!**

We collected at least 10,340 pounds plus of household trash, 54 tires, 4 refrigerators, 2 hot water heaters, and numerous other items, and countless hours of manpower!



Meanwhile this year's 16 plus yard sales had oodles of people as the sunshine was full on. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this city-wide clean up.



**Last Day of School at Athol Elementary!**

**Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> Early Release at 1:30pm**

**Hello Athol citizens,**



Hello, for June I would like to invite everyone to a Joint City Council and Board of Fire Commissioners meeting at City Hall on Tuesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 6:00PM. Your Fire District staff will be presenting a presentation to the City Council and Board of Fire Commissioners outlining the direction the District is heading and a little bit of where the District has been. Generally, the District is nearing a financial crossroads where the budget for operating is not keeping up with the growth the area is experiencing. The Board of Commissioners are interested in hearing what our constituents think of the fire services you receive and what you would like to see in the future. The Board is also thankful of the great relationship between the City and the District.

A note from our annual report includes the following: “Our volunteer team continues to grow at a slow pace. However, we believe that quality volunteers are much more valuable to the District than quantity. In other words, our Team is being much pickier than in the past. The trend nationally is that volunteers for most disciplines’ fire service included are becoming significantly harder to recruit and retain, while training requirements are continuing to increase becoming more time consuming and expensive.”

**Thank you, see you on the 5<sup>th</sup>!**

*Bill Steele*- Fire Chief



**Athol Chamber of Commerce meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
at the Athol Community Center**

**Next meeting: June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm**

**[www.atholchamberofcommerce.org](http://www.atholchamberofcommerce.org)**



**A sneak peek- coming next month:  
New playground equipment!**



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

**Monday** –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym  
Grandmothers Club (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month) 10am-1pm  
Real Life Ministries Youth Group (every Mon) 6pm  
Senior Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> 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 (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues each month) 7pm  
Eager Beavers 4-H (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues each month) 6:30pm-7:30pm

**Wednesday** –

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

**Thursday** –

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

**Friday** –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym

**Saturday** –

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

**Upcoming:** The next City Council Meetings for June 2018 are: Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> and again on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> both at 7:00pm. **Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>.**



**WATER BILL ↓**

From the Athol City Hall - June 1, 2018

**ATTN: Water payments due this month by Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> to avoid a late fee.**