

CITY COUNCIL

John Shafer, Mayor
Rebecca Schroeder,
 Commissioner of Parks
Chet Sater,
 Comm. of Fire Services
Carol Speed,
 Comm. of Public Works
LaVerne Mitchell,
 Comm. of Administration
Pat Gibson,
 Comm. of Library
John Shafer,
 Comm. of Police Services:

CITY HALL HOURS

Monday – Friday
 8am - 5pm
 (open during lunch)
Closed

ATHENA CITY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2017



JUNE MEETINGS

All meetings are at City Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Livestock Commission

As Needed

Library Board

Monday 12th @ 7:00 pm

Planning Commission

Wednesday, 7th @ 6:00 pm

City Council Meeting

Thursday, 8th @ 6:00 pm

Cemetery Meeting

Tuesday, 20th @ 5:30 pm

SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

Construction packets have gone out to bid with a tentative construction start date of July 5. While it is unfortunate that the pool will be closed this summer, a new bathhouse was a necessity for us to be able to secure having a poo facility for many years to come. To date, we have qualified for \$448,250 in grant money and have received approximately \$15,000 in generous donations. The cost of the bathhouse is projected at \$488,000. We are close to meeting our financial goal but haven't quite reached the finish line yet. Donations are still being accepted and are very much appreciated. The names of all donors will be added to the "Wall of Honor" which will be displayed at the pool.

PUBLIC SAFTEY REMINDER

This is just a friendly reminder that there are a lot of phone scams being reported recently. Please remember to **NEVER** give out your personal information (SS#, account #'s, etc). You should also complete an annual credit check to look for any fraudulent activity that may be occurring .

BLOOD DRIVE

The Athena City Hall will be hosting a **Blood Drive** on **June 27, 2017** between the hours of **12:00-5:00 pm** in the **Athena City Hall Community Room**. If you are interested in donating blood, please come by the office.

CITY PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall 566-3862
City Shop 566-0228
Library 566-2470
Emergency 911
Non-Emergency Sheriff Dispatch 541-966-3651

Athena Caledonian Games has a great line-up of entertainment for 2017! Guess When Band from Boise and Trio of One (Michael Mullin) from San Francisco Bay area will bring their best and set our toes tapping in City Park July 8 & 9. Volunteers are always needed to help welcome our guests to Athena for Caledonian: give us a call at 541-566-3880 to sign up. Register now for vendor, clans, athletics and parade. Applications are on-line at www.athenacaledoniangames.org

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Soon after their lovely insect nuptials Mr. and Mrs. Ribble are expecting a baby Ribblet, and they need a new home for their family! Mr. Ribble wants to go big with a four grasshopper garage, but Mrs. Ribble convinces him to build a dream home that is more environmentally and neighborhood friendly. By playing interactive games and discovering basic building techniques the audience will help draw a ground plan while Thia Tweet the bird architect and Gerry the Ant Contractor from Brooklynn assist the Ribbles in building a new home for a better world!

WHAT: TRAVELING LANTERN PERFORMANCE
WHEN: June 9, 2017 @ 10:00am
WHERE: Athena Public Library
WHO: All ages! Join us! You'll love it!

I have taken these performers to the Athena Elem. School on 3 occasions. K-5 students and all teachers and adults in attendance loved watching them! Fun for everyone!
 --Carrie Bremer
 This program is sponsored by Athena Library Friend Assoc. & Libraries of Eastern Oregon. Thank You!



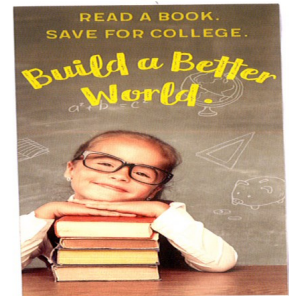
Christopher Leebrick
Storytelling

YOU are invited to:
The Athena Public Library
on June 14, 2017 @ 6:30pm
Family Entertainment

Christopher Leebrick entertains with a variety of stories while he voices the characters and acts the part.

Performances in Israel: Chris recently returned from a trip to the holy land where he had the chance to tell stories on a boat in the Sea of Galilee, on the Temple steps in Jerusalem, and perform a short piece of humor on the stage of the Roman amphitheater at Caesarea Maritima.

Sponsored by the Oregon College Savings Fund Oregon Library Assoc. & the State Library of Oregon.



Enroll your child in summer reading at your local library and enter for a chance to win a \$229 Oregon College Savings Plan account! Your library could win \$500 too!

Learn more at OregonCollegeSavings.com
 Consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing in the Oregon College Savings Plan. Please visit OregonCollegeSavings.com to obtain a Plan Disclosure Booklet containing this and more information. Read it carefully. Investments in the Plan are neither insured nor guaranteed and there is the risk of investment loss.



MINUTES OF THE MAY 11th REGULAR MEETING OF THE ATHENA CITY COUNCIL

May 11, 2017

Attendance: Mayor John Shafer called the regular meeting of the Athena City Council to order at 6:00 pm in the City's community room. Roll was taken with Councilors Pat Gibson, LaVerne Mitchell, Chet Sater, and Carol Speed present. City Recorder Nancy Parker and six guests were also in attendance. Schafer led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Business from the Public: Members of the Athena Chamber reported on the success of the "Athena Clean Sweep Day". Although they did not have as many volunteers as last year, they were able to wash all the windows on Main Street and trim the roses in the rose garden.

Councilor Becky Schroeder arrived at 6:11pm

Consent Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the 4/13/17 regular meeting, the financial statements and bills. Motion passed 5-0.

Actionable/Discussion Items:

A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2017-06 to Accept and Expense AWERE Grant funds and donations to the pool project. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made, seconded and carried 5-0 to approve a business license for Sweet Rewards, an Ice Cream Truck that will visit Athena weekly.

A motion was made, seconded and approved 5-0 for a Livestock Permit for Brett Speed.

Planning Commission: Permit #2017-06 for Jim Schroeder to build a shop was approved. Following recommendations from Umatilla County Planner Tamra Mabbott, revisions to the Annual Growth Report, Buildable Lands Description and the Buildable Lands Map portion of the Comprehensive Plan will be discontinued due to the \$1,300 cost and time involved.

Old Business:

Water System: Brad Baird reported the well pump station is 98% complete. A motion was made to approve change order # 4 to cover the underground power extension to the new well pump station. The power was bid as overhead, and to remain in compliance with City ordinances, underground power service is required. Motion was seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0. Painting on the existing reservoir is scheduled for completion next week, with filling, flushing and testing to occur the week of the 22nd. Fencing of the reservoirs and well pump station should be complete this week. Budget wise the project is in good shape.

Pool: WC Construction is putting together the bid packet, which should publish next week.

Bank Accounts: A motion was made and seconded to move city bank accounts from US Bank to Bank of Eastern Oregon. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business: Councilor Speed is working with Public Works, Bob Walder and Thacker Construction on replacement trees and containers for Main Street. Three design concepts were presented. Because the trees will not be planted until fall, and bids for the concrete work have not been received, Council agreed to revisit the proposal at the August meeting.

Business from the Departments & Councilors:

Administration: Parker reminded councilors of the Budget Meeting on Wednesday the 18th at 6:30pm.

Library: Gibson encouraged everyone to view the backlighting installed on the library windows after dark. It really makes the stained glass designs stand out!



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Mayor: Shafer announced Bank of Eastern Oregon will be holding their open house and ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, May 19th at noon and encouraged everyone to attend.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm. The next regular council meeting will be **June 8, 2017 @ 6:00 pm** in the Athena City Hall meeting room.

*Minutes are subject to council approval, any corrections or additions will appear in the next newsletter.

East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District

ASA #5

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on May 16, 2017 at the District office located at 431 E. Main St., in Athena, Oregon. Present were Chrys Wernlund, Carol Kirk, Vickie Jackson, Jeremy Lasater and Elizabeth McIntyre. Also attending was acting Administrator Jeff Rost, office manager Donna Grimes and EMT Riann Roggerio.

Vickie Jackson is working through Special Districts Association to secure a short-term loan if needed which will carry the new District from July 1, 2017 until November 2017 when the tax revenues come in.

There will be a special meeting on June 5, 2017 to interview the Candidates for the Administrators job. Both the 'Old' and 'New' Boards will be taking part. As soon as a new Administrator is on Board, two more paramedics will be hired to fill out the crew.

The Budget Hearing for the new District will be held on June 20, 2017 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The business meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. where the Board will adopt their first Budget for FY 2017-18.

The District has opened a bank account the new branch of Bank of Eastern Oregon located here in Athena.

There will be a CPR Training Class set for July 22, 2017 so if you need to update or renew your certification, please come by the office or call 541-566-3813 to reserve a spot.

East Umatilla County Health District

The monthly Board meeting held at the District office was called to order by Chairman Vickie Jackson. Present were directors Jeremy Lasater, Elizabeth McIntyre and Jim Marquardt. Holly Mays was absent.

The Resolution of Dissolution is finished and will be adopted at the June 20, 2017 meeting which will start at 7:30 pm. The Board will call its final public meeting and they will approve the dissolution resolution, findings of fact, and dissolution plan. Within 30 days of adopting and signing the resolution, they will file a copy with the Umatilla County clerk, pursuant to ORS 198.925(3). Once the resolution is adopted, the Board of Directors becomes a Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees will meet once more to approve the bill of sale of personal property (old District Equipment and Assets) and a deed conveying the real property to the new District. The deed will then be recorded in the Umatilla County property records. The bill of sale becomes a record of the new District.

Once the bill of sale and the deed are recorded, the Board of Trustees will sign a sworn statement declaring that the old District is dissolved for all purposes. Within 10 days copies must be filed with the Umatilla County Assessor, Oregon Department of Revenue, The Secretary of State and the Umatilla County Clerk. When this is all completed, the District will be Dissolved.

The public is invited to attend the budget hearing on June 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. and the Board meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m and 7:30 p.m.

Public Budget Hearing

City of Athena

A public meeting of the Athena City Council will be held on June 8, 2017 at 6:30 pm at 215 S Third Street, Athena, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 as approved by the Athena Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 302 E Currant Street Athena Oregon, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

TUESDAY MARKET

Come to downtown Athena every Tuesday evening of the month from May-October to shop local vendors, eat great food and listen to music.

The market is now is Duggar Park

For more information on being a vendor, providing music and entertainment or promoting your organization, please contact Katie Zmuda at 541.696.4811 or online at athenatuesdaymarket@yahoo.com. Like us on Facebook!



Thank you!!

To all our citizens who participated in the City Wide Clean up .

A special thank you to CPS, Main-street Association and those of you who donated your trucks to help haul garbage to the dump.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

WE APPRECIATE ALL WHO DONATED THEIR TIME!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is going to be July 24-28 starting from 9-11:30 at Athena Baptist Church for K-5th graders. Sign your children up today! I'm available for questions at [907-371-9412](tel:907-371-9412) or fireteammcbean@gmail.com.

Library News:

The Athena Public Library Board is hosting an **Open House on Wednesday, June 28 @ 5:00-7:00!** Come and see what's happening at your library!! **Family Night will commence @ 6:30.**

Temporary changes in Library Hours @ will be:

Closed on Tues. June 27, 2017

Wednesday June 28 Open: 1:00-5:00

Thursday June 29 Open: 1:00-5:00

Needed at the Library:

1-2 adult volunteers, who are brave enough to help children assemble a Go-Kart, on 4 scheduled Wednesday evenings.

The wooden pieces will be pre-cut; the task will be to assemble the cart. Help!

Call Carrie @ 541-566-2470 or 541-566-2342.

Help!

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