City of Inkom

2016 Fall ~ Winter Newsletter

Mayor's Corner

Inkom City Residents,

It has been a few months since I last wrote a column for the Newsletter and I believe an update is in order.

As a governing body for the City, we have been continuously involved in working to bring certain projects to completion. One of the projects I am referencing is the new well and well house that has been built on the property located along Highway 91 across from the school property. This well is a requirement that the City put in place with the Developer who built the new subdivision at the corner of Rapid Creek and Inkom Road. Originally, this development was to be a three-phase project, in what would include the building of one hundred new homes. The Developer has completed the first phase by constructing infrastructures (water, sewer, roads, etc.) and approximately thirty-three homes have been constructed. The Developer has fulfilled his responsibility by assuring the construction of the well and currently working to pass the necessary tests required by the regulatory agencies. Over the past few weeks some of you may have noticed water being discharged out into the field near the well house. This is all part of flushing and cleaning process of the line to rid it of any possible contaminants. Our hope is in the very near future, to take ownership once the testing is satisfied. This added well to our water system will provide us the backup necessary in the case one of the other wells was to shut down.

The other important City project we are currently working is the new wastewater system. This project derives from a mandate that the City received from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Approximately, four years ago the City received a Notice of Violation along with a fine that mandated the removal of our treated wastewater discharge from the Portneuf River. The problem then, and currently, is that our discharge has higher limits of nitrogen and phosphate than what our system can remove during the treatment process.

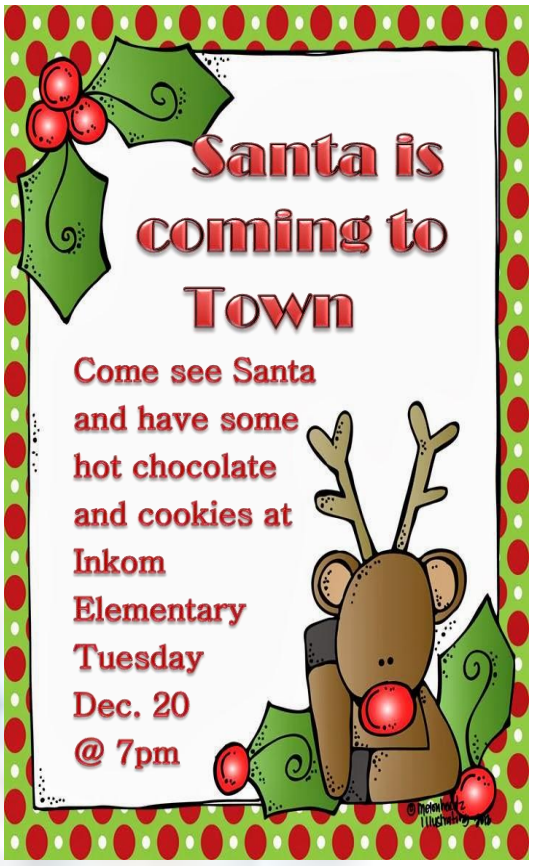
Through the process of a Public Hearing, the City Council received approval from the City residents to obtain the necessary funds (Bond) needed to correct the problem by constructing a Land Application Process. Rural Development is the agency that has provided the City with the necessary funds. The project required approximately fifty-five acres of land, of which eight acres will be used for winter storage ponds. The City looked into various parcels of land, although limited because of distance, proximity, costs and usage of the land. The parcel of land that made the most sense and had the closest proximity to our current wastewater system was just across the Highway. Unfortunately, we encountered various obstacles along the way and it has taken quite some time in order to acquire all the necessary land. The property we once thought was owned by just one landowner resulted in the negotiations with four property owners due to it being owned by four separate owners. To date, we have purchased the property needed for the project. We are currently working with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) the state agency over wastewater systems.

The City Engineer will finish the design of the project in the coming weeks and we will submit and wait for approval. We have a projected timeline and hope that with no other delays to finish the project before the end of next year (2017). We have been in communications with the EPA along the way, although we recently requested a formal extension for the project and are currently waiting on their response.

Finally, Rural Development is requiring the City to update the City building to be ADA (American Disability Act) compliant in order for us to receive the necessary funding for the wastewater project. This requires us to have ADA compliant accessibility to the building and a restroom that is also ADA compliant. Our current City building, the way it was built and the current layout does not have the ability to meet these requirements. We have had an architect design a new addition to add on to the existing building which will include a new foyer entrance with a nearby ADA compliant bathroom. In the remaining space of the new extension a City Council chamber will be built to hold a larger capacity of persons participating in the meetings. The existing building will then be reconfigured and offices moved to best meet the needs of City operations. The plans have been sent to Rural Development for their approval and once received, construction would then soon begin.

May you all have a joyous season of thanks and in giving as the holidays approach. Happy Thanksgiving and Holidays to each of you and your families!

Mayor Jolley



Neighborhood Watch

~Just a Reminder~

Crime does Not take time off for the Holidays. Keep your homes and cars locked when unoccupied. If you see anything suspicious contact our local Police.

775-4423

Blue Ribbon Award

Several property owners have previously been rewarded for the hard work they have done at their homes. The City has given recognition to the following residents

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Dave & Sue Wright
1624 Hellmandollar

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Tressy Vanhorn
259 Stephen

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Ken & Denise England
270 Roscoe Street

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YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

Be sure to nominate your favorite yard, home, decorations, etc. each month for the Blue Ribbon Award. Please do so in writing and submit before the 2nd Thursday of each month. Thank You to all of those who have voted!

We would like to

WELCOME

The most recent residents to our City

Patricia Woodman
530 Taylor Ln.

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Evelyn Smith
376 Holstein

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Suzanne Bollinger
229 Rapid Creek

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Chance Elam & Caitlin Haugh
308 Oxford Peak Dr.

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Nicholas & Tami Edwards
218 E. Putnam Mountain Loop

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Mike Rodriguez
340 Rapid Creek

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Jeff Pierce
1009 Rapid Creek

Please accept our apologies if we have overlooked anyone.

Dog Licensing

City Ordinance 95-190 section 6.04.020 states the owner shall obtain a license and certificate of ownership for every dog owned by him, which has reached the age of three months.

Dogs licensed between January 1st and January 31st of each year is $5.00. Dogs licensed after February 1st is $10.00. The license is valid from January 1st thru December 31st and may be obtained from City Hall after January 2nd

PAVILLION RENTAL

All day rental
9:00 am to 11:00 pm
City Residents-$15.90
Non-Residents-$31.80
Fee must be paid at the time of reservation. Plus
$20.00 refundable cleaning deposit to be paid at the time keys are picked up.
Call 775-3372 for availability
or www.inkomcity.org

BURN PERMITS

Before any burn, a burn permit needs to be issued. Burn permits are available at City Hall and www.inkomcity.org

Permits are good for 14 days.
Burn permits are not needed when using barbecue pit or burn barrel.

Christmas Tree Removal

As a service to residents, the City dump truck will be parked behind City Hall for disposal of Christmas trees December27th through January 3rd. The City's garbage contractor will not accept Christmas trees placed in the residential carts. *Please do not dispose of any other garbage in the truck.*

Garbage dumpsters are for
HOUSHOLD GARBAGE ONLY.
This is a reminder that the Inkom City Ordinance allows leaves, grass, etc. to be placed in the dumpster but MUST BE BAGGED. **Absolutely No** construction garbage, no lumber, tree limbs, carpet, sheet rock, metal, roofing, oil, tires, cement, dirt, fencing, etc.
COMPACTABLE GARBAGE ONLY.
The trucks are compactors. If it cannot be compacted or if it expands it is not to be put in dumpsters.

Please be aware of what you are throwing in your cart.

Code RED

What is Code Red???

Code Red is the community notification system that has been chosen for the City of Inkom notifications. Code Red will keep residents informed of time-critical information that may immediately impact your safety.

Code Red has provided an easy to use link CodeRED https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/BF414F564D44 . This easy to use enrollment link is on the City website www.inkomcity.org . After you enter your personal information you will be given several options as to how and where you would like to be notified.

Code Red also allows residents to download the CodeRED mobile alert app. Code RED Mobile Alert app this will also be available on the City website www.inkomcity.org If you do not have computer access please ask at City Hall for an enrollment form.

Code Red will be sending out an informational message **Nov. 17, 2016.**

Police News

In early November we had 12 homes/yards vandalized late at night in Inkom. Some of the vandalism was pumpkin theft and destruction but there were also items taken from porches and holiday decor taken from yards. The vandals were caught and are paying restitution because a video camera on a patio helped us capture them. If you keep decorations in your yard, a video system around your home or alarm systems are great ways to help protect the things important to you. Many vandals, thieves and burglars seem to forget that there are cameras everywhere and a video system is great way to catch them.

All Inkom officers are part time officers and when not on duty, the Sheriff's Office covers the city. We also cover for them in the county when they need us. Any time you have an emergency please call 911. Inkom Officers are dispatched through 911 and through the Sheriff's Office. If you want to talk to an Inkom Officer and it is not an emergency, please call the Inkom Police department at 775-4423 and leave a message. We will return your call in less than 24 hours.

Traffic

43	Verbal Warnings
3	Traffic Assist
	Courtesy Transport
2	No Insurance
1	Non Moving Citation
3	Accident
1	Leaving the scene

Calls for Service

2	Theft
2	Vandalism
2	Suspicious Person
3	EMS Assist
1	Domestic Dispute
2	Burglary
5	Vin Inspections
4	Animal Problems Verbal
3	Disturbances
6	Welfare Check
1	Discharge Firearm
1	Phone Scam
1	Civil Standby
1	Battery
2	Alarm
1	Harassment
3	Parking
1	Hit and Run
1	Leaving the Scene
1	Property Destruction
4	Fire Assist
2	Fire works
2	Attempt to Locate
2	Juvenile Problem
4	BCSO Assist
1	ISP Assist
2	Follow Up

Snow Plow Schedule

The following schedule makes the Challenge to keep the streets clear and safe much easier and more efficient. Inkom Municipal Code 10.08. Parking is not allowed on either side, of the entire length of Rapid Creek Road, Grant Street, Main Street and Holstein Street between the hours of 5:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. of any day during the period from Nov. 1st through April 30th (When snow is present) All vehicles must be removed from either side of the entire length of all city streets, with the exception of Rapid Creek road, Grant Street, Main Street and Holstein Street between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. of any day during the period of November 1st to April 30th. Citations will be issued for vehicles, trailers, etc. left on city streets from November 1st through April 30th.

When shoveling or plowing your driveways and sidewalks, please **DO NOT** push snow onto the city streets or other resident's properties.

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