City of INKOM

~2019~ Newsletter

Thank You

Mayor Jolley, Thank you for your 23+ years of exemplary service to our beautiful community. As our Mayor for 14 years he has overseen and completed many various projects. Mayor Jolley has ensured that the everyday running of our City has gone smoothly and taken care of the Cities employees and residents. Very few know of the many hours that go untold, unseen, and un-thanked. Though the words seem too small and not nearly enough THANK YOU!!

Knowing that your service is continuing as a City Council member only highlights your willingness to serve this great community. Again, Thank You!!

Cal Edwards has given 22 years of notable service to the City of Inkom. Cal served as Inkom City Police Chief for 20 of those years. The City has been the recipient of his distinguished service and outstanding skill set. Cal and the officers he has put in place have worked hard to keep our City safe. His shoes will not be easily filled and we will miss his influence within the City.

Thank You and best wishes to you Cal!

Boyd Clark has served as a City Councilman for 12 years. Boyd has been a valiant representation of service through many different avenues. Boyd was often the first to show up for work and was the last to leave after clean-up. Boyd volunteered many years for the 4th of July breakfast and events, he cooked hundreds of hotdogs for our Arbor day celebrations, he has faithfully taken care of Sherry's garden, served as our Gem Community and Neighborhood watch committee chairman and member of the Tree Committee. Boyd is the definition of service. Boyd will be greatly missed and we wish him all of the best.

If you see any of these great examples, please take the time to THANK them for going above and beyond the call of duty, often times past any reasonable time, hour or expectation. Thank them for a job well done.

Mayor's Corner

This is my last opportunity as Mayor to write an article for the City's Newsletter. So I thought I would reminisce over the past fourteen years that I have had being Mayor of this wonderful community.

First and most importantly, I want to thank each of you residents. Over time, as the need arose on the many projects that were necessary to do, we felt your support. We as the City's governing body were able to obtain the funding, finish construction and complete many projects.

Almost ten years ago, we did a major upgrade to our City's water system (replacing the main water line running along Rapid Creek road, adding another 200,000 gallon water reservoir, upgrading our system to make it automated and/or updating, rehabbing any old components to make them as good as new. During this same time, the first phase of a new subdivision (Rocky Mountain Estates) was being constructed at the corner of Rapid Creek Road and Inkom Road. Upon completion of all of the phases, this subdivision will provide homes for almost one hundred families (growth of nearly one-third of the current city's population and size). The Developer was required to drill and construct a new well in order to add to the City's water capacity. The City partnered with the Developer on the new well house to increase its size and to insure it was updated with all the necessary treatment equipment.

Events of the past are sometimes forgotten which at times may be a good thing. One event that some of us have put back in our memory is the flood we dealt with one year during our Fourth of July celebration. Rapid Creek was swollen over with water coming from Jackson Creek because of a flash flood created by a micro-burst thunder storm. Unfortunately, a few homes received damage during the flooding (one was a total loss). This unfortunate event helped create the urgency to upgrade the Main street bridge crossing over Rapid Creek. The City applied for and received a grant to replace the old bridge with a new bridge. The new bridge allows one hundred fifty percent better flow of the creek and should serve the community for many years into the future.

For some time, we have needed to do something with our wastewater system. This past year we have completed construction and are now in the operation mode with our new and upgraded wastewater system. This project has been one of the most difficult projects I have ever been involved with, but we are finally at the finish line. Four years ago, when I made the decision to run again for Mayor, I had one dream and that was the hope to see this project to completion. My dream and hope has now come to fruition and the City has a system that should last for many years of use and through continuous growth. I won't go into details about the struggles we encountered, but I will thank those who helped to make it a reality. Our City has a wonderful City Engineer, his name is Dick Dyer (Dyer Engineering), he has probably done more to see this completed than anyone else involved. We could not have moved forward with this project if Jim and Carol Guthrie had not sold us the necessary land we needed to build a winter storage pond and an area to use for land application. The City Council has always given their support and trust from the beginning to the end. Councilman (Mayor Elect) Max Shaffer has been willing and was very involved in the construction and as of late the operation of this system. We were fortunate to get funding from Rural Development and had the opportunity to work with Lana Duke and Dave Flesher. They both worked with us through all the problems and saw this project to the end.

Lastly, I will recognize the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Bruce Olenik, Scott McDonald and the many others who have been very patient and helpful in order for us to have gotten to where we are from where we were. This is a project that the residents of the City of Inkom should be very proud of accomplishing. We the City are doing our part to help protect the environment.

Three years ago as we were working on the wastewater project and as part of the funding requirements, we were notified that an update to City Hall was required to be ADA compliant. This meant we needed to make it more accessible for anyone who may have disability needs. Around the same time, the City received notice from the trustee of the John and Melanie Chandler Estate stating that the City was a benefactor. Perfect timing? Part of the money received from the Estate was used to build an extension to City Hall to include a new entrance, ADA restroom, and a new council chambers. Upgrades were made to the plumbing, electrical, and a new HVAC system was installed. All of the office spaces were repainted with a new coat of paint, new flooring installed and new data technology was installed throughout the building. The parking lot was reconfigured to increase the ability to park more vehicles and make entering and exiting off Rapid Creek road at City Hall much safer and easier. City Hall looks much different and hopefully much better. Many thanks to the Chandler Estate for their contribution.

My last words of acknowledgement goes to the many people who volunteer of their time in helping to make City events be successful, members of the Fourth of July committee, Arbor Day committee, Tree City and Gem Community committees. Our newly organized Revitalization committee is already working hard to find ways to improve and beautify our City. Much thanks to the Land Use Board who has worked many hours on the City's Comprehensive Plan, Re-zoning, Land Use Ordinances and building permit applications. Over the years, the City has been fortunate to have had residents who stepped up and been willing to fill these positions and give of their time, knowledge and expertise. Many thanks to the wonderful people who are a part of our Fire and Ambulance Departments; they give many hours a month to receive training and preparation in the event that one of us may need their help at some unfortunate time. The City has a wonderful part-time Police Department. Our Police department has been discussed at many times as an example of how a small city can utilize their need, protection and service that they offer. Chief Edwards has been with the department for twenty years and the past many as Chief. He is retiring at the end of this year. We all should be grateful to him for his many hours serving this community to keeping it safe and protecting us, and also to his officers over the past years for their service. The City has been very fortunate to have and have had loyal employees. Our City Clerks are wonderful and are great at what they are asked to do. They are knowledgeable of the City's services and are a great assistance to each of us as residents. Tara and LeAnn, I will miss the daily interactions I have had with you as Mayor. You both have made my job so much easier. Thank You! Thank You! Andy and Terry are the best maintenance employees. We are fortunate to have them and their skills. They save us in many ways, water and/or wastewater problems they know what to do to divert most crisis. They keep our roads clean of snow, and our parks look wonderful. These two guys, I have no problem calling them "my friend". Thank you for all you both do! Lastly, thank you to my City Council members! Council members currently serving for all your trust and support, Paul Lish, Boyd Clark, Merrilyn Bearnson and Max Shaffer, you all have been wonderful to work with. We have accomplished much over the years. Each of you brings something to the table each and every time we meet. Council members past, thank you for being a part of an important service, for giving of your time. Our City is a much better place because of all of you!!

Mayor Jolley

Welcome as our new

Mayor-**Max Shaffer**

Council Member-**Joel Jolley**

Council Member-**Marshall Brown**

We look forward to our future with more people who truly desire the best for the City of Inkom

Thank you to all of those who vied for the opportunity to serve our great community.

Welcome

Dain & Annie Armstrong~530 Taylor Lane

Richie Turnbeaugh & Kylie Frayer~372 Holstein

Ken & Krystina Bowman~1569 Rapid Creek

Cheryl Bowman~1150 Rapid Creek

Ronald & Judy Hepworth~229 E Roosevelt

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

Resolution #345

IT IS HEARBY RESOLVED by the Inkom City Council to set a fee schedule for the use of City park tables and chairs to be rented and used off premises, WHERES, the fee schedule is as follows:

CHAIRS	$1.25 per chair
TABLES	$7.00 per table

WHERES, a deposit fee of $25.00 is also required and is refundable if the City property is returned undamaged and equipment is returned the first business day after use

BURN PERMITS

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

Permits are good for 14 days.

Burn permits are not needed when using barbecue pit or burn barrel

Police News

Inkom Police Department wishes everyone a Happy Holiday season and reminds everyone to always lock your house and cars. The Police department in Inkom is only a part time department but we are on call 24 hours a day.

When you need an officer, you can call the Inkom Police Deportment at 208-775-4423 and an officer will get back to you if you leave a message for the next officer on duty.

If you have an emergency and need an officer right away, please call 911 and you will get the Bannock County Sheriff's Office. We are dispatched through the Sheriff's Office.

Thank you for a job well done to our Police Chief Cal Edwards who is retiring after 22 years of service.

	Traffic
65	Verbal Warnings/citations
9	No Insurance
7	Motorist Assist
4	Abandoned Vehicle
1	Vehicle Impound
1	Stolen Vehicle
	Calls for Service
4	Theft
3	Suspicious Person/Vehicle
1	Domestic Disturbance
1	Assault
3	Destruction of Property
9	Vin Inspections
4	Animal Problems
3	Trespass
6	Welfare Check
1	Phone Harassment
1	Unattended Death
1	Civil Standby
1	Vandalism
3	Attempt to Locate
1	Alarm
1	Field Interview
1	Mental P.C.
8	Medical Assist
1	Fire Assist
5	Agency Assist

Pavilion 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

Please Remember

At no time can any vehicle be left on City streets more than 48 hours.

Yard of the Month

May Whitworth~750 Steed

Aaron & Judy Collins~194 E Roosevelt

Ernie & Sue Moser~720 Rapid Creek Road

Shawn & Shantel Jones~317 Oxford Peak

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

Be sure to nominate your favorite yard, home, decorations, etc. each month. Please do so in writing and submit before the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Neighborhood Watch

We would like to encourage everyone to go to the Inkom Website www.inkomcity.org and sign up with the Code Red Emergency Notification System to be informed of emergencies and reminders of upcoming Community events. It's really worth the effort for you and your family.

Garbage dumpsters are for HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE ONLY!!!

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.

COMPACTIBLE garbage only. Their trucks are compactors, if it can't be compacted or if it expands it is not to be put in dumpsters.

To avoid possibly receiving a citation, garbage carts **MUST** be removed from the City streets within 24 hours after they have been emptied.

Parking is not allowed on City Streets from Nov. 1st through April 30th during or after snowfall.

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.

Santa is coming to town!

Come see Santa,

enjoy some hot chocolate

and cookies at

Inkom Elementary

Dec 12th @ 7 p.m.

Gem Community

Inkom is a Gem of a Community thanks to all of you who live here. It's been a joy serving you on the Inkom City Council. I hope everyone will get behind the new Inkom Revitalization Committee and City Council and make Inkom an even better place to live.

May the Lord Bless us all,

Sincerely, Boyd Clark

City Hall

will be

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Nov 28 & 29

Dec. 25th & Jan 1

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