



CITY OF HAUSER

March 2020
Newsletter

"Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed...Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders."

~Henry David Thoreau

Dear Hauser Resident:

Thank you for choosing Hauser as your home. If you are new to our fine community, do not hesitate to contact our City Clerk, Donna Ray 208-777-9315, for any questions you may have about the City regulations.

FROM THE MAYOR

I am reaching out to share some thoughts with you today. Your City is working diligently to make the City of Hauser the peaceful and relaxing community that we all love. It is the type of community where the kids are safe at home when the street lights come on, and parents watch out for each other's children. You remember the kind of community that you are proud of and the type of place that cherishes our environment and the people in it.

Some of the items your Council is working on are:

Upgrading the City's computer system and web presence. We have had some feedback from the community that they want the ability to find and browse key documents, i.e., Council agendas and minutes, Planning and Zoning information, etc. We have been working with a web designer and that process should be operational within two months.

The City has purchased two park benches that will be installed in front of City Hall on the porch, which is under cover of the roof and are at the City Hall parking lot. These benches should get a lot of use when Lakeland School buses drop off children where parents and/or grandparents wait for their arrival.

You surely have noticed the new traffic calming/reactive speed signs. I am so pleased to see those of you that did not realize how difficult it may be to drive the speed limit of 25 mph, but, you are doing it. Thank you for your cooperation. We understood that the signs would not cure the speeding issue, but I feel the signs are working. For some who do not utilize the information relayed on the speed signs, I am negotiating with the County Sheriff's Dept. to request extra patrol within our City. With the summer months quickly approaching, people will be walking, running, or riding bicycles along the road.

I can think of two incidents of motorists deciding to drink and drive. Please do not let this happen. Call for a ride for them or offer to take them home so they and the community are safe. Our roads are narrow and leave very little room for miscalculations. Also, if you see a motorist and you suspect they are impaired, please contact the Sheriff's office, 208-446-1300. It may take a few minutes but ultimately it may save a life.

We have listed your Council member's email addresses on the new web page. Feel free to visit that web page and reach out to your City Council with suggestions and/or concerns.

The culvert by Embers by the Lake is scheduled to be replaced this Spring. They are going to install a much larger culvert that should not be so easily plugged by sticks and debris. For those of you in that area, thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

I would like to say how honored I am that you have entrusted me with your vote and confidence to keep our Community safe.

Bill Ray, Mayor

THE STREET BEAT

As we come out of another winter, we have a new season on the horizon; construction!

One of the projects slated for this year is the culvert replacements on Cliff House Road and Wildwood, both being in the area of seasonal drainage near Embers. These culverts require a lot of permitting by numerous government agencies due to the water draining into the lake. Post Falls Highway District, the contractor for the project, says the roads will remain passable during construction. Please be patient with them.

Last year one of the projects was the installation of traffic calming speed signs placed around the lake. They have helped greatly. Please remember to slow down and obey the speed limits. As summer approaches, we will have more people out enjoying this beautiful place we call home.

Jeff Hoerner, Council Member -

Streets and Roads

OUR COMMUNITY

The high volume of snow results in high volume of water and possible flooding to take place these coming months. It is a good idea to review your home-owners insurance policy to make sure you are covered. The National Flood Insurance Program covers direct physical damage by flood to your building and/or personal property, if that is something you may need to look at acquiring in the meantime. In your declarations page, make sure the following are listed as covered in case of a flood: electrical and plumbing systems, furnaces, water heaters, heat pumps, appliances, carpeting, paneling, wallboard, foundation walls, staircases, detached garage, fuel tanks, and personal belongings to name a few. If you have questions about this, now is a good time to contact your insurance provider with questions about coverage.

Tips Column – City Clerk, Donna Ray

The City of Hauser values your input at all meetings and invites you to bring your comments to share with City Council and the community. In the interest of conducting all City business in an orderly and efficient manner, we ask that you complete the Public Comments Register located at the door so time can be allotted to address your questions or concerns at the end of regular business under the Public Comments section of the Agenda and prior to adjournment. Please write your name, address, phone number, and topic on the Register, and, at the appropriate time, the Mayor will call your name. Please raise your hand to be recognized and speak clearly since City of Hauser Council meetings are recorded.

All questions should be addressed to the Mayor who will refer them to the appropriate Council Member or staff member. Please keep your comments succinct and to three minutes or less. Be prepared for questions from Council and/or staff members.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CITY COUNCIL NEWS

There is a new position open for the City Council if anyone would like to participate in the City of Hauser's governing body. Requirements are simple; live in the City of Hauser limits for 30 days, have a valid driver's license, and provide proof of voter registration. Meetings take place on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm, with a set salary provided monthly. If you have questions or would like to apply for the position, please contact the Hauser City Clerk at 208-777-9315.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission is always looking for volunteers. This commission, acting as an advisory body, hears, reviews and makes recommendations to the City Council regarding land use decisions. The Hauser Commission advises on planning policies and goals, major projects issues related to land use, zoning, transportation, and housing issues. Appointed members must live in the City of Hauser and do not need to have a background in land development to be a part of the Commission. Please contact Hauser City Hall if interested in joining.

HAUSER LAKE WATER ASSOCIATION

Elections for Board members (two openings) are coming in May. If you are a member of the association and interested in becoming a board member you may submit a nomination form By April 1, 2020. The nomination form is available at <https://hauserwater.com/board-members>.

HAUSER FIRE DISTRICT

Please visit us on the web at www.hauserfire.org. Will the fire department, ambulance or sheriff be able to find your house when you need them? Precious time is often lost trying to find the right address. The numbers are small, or they might be large enough but, because of color or placement, are hard to see—especially if it is dark, foggy or bad weather. The blue address signs can be purchased from the department.

Remember that during the winter it is important to keep the fire hydrant near your home shoveled out so that it is accessible. Having to dig a hydrant will delay us connecting to the hydrant.

Be sure to check your smoke detector batteries. We will be happy to assist you checking batteries. Also smoke detectors need to be replaced every ten years. If you need assistance in replacing an old or inoperative smoke detector due to finances, we have a limited amount that we can provide to families or seniors, so please call for more information.

REMINDER

We would like to remind everyone that dogs must be licensed in the City of Hauser, and they must be kept on a leash or in your yard. If your dog/s is not licensed in Hauser, contact Donna Ray, Hauser City Clerk at 208-777-9315. She will provide you with an application and licensing information. The Hauser Tag is \$5.00 per dog. An application for a dog license is in this newsletter.

CITY OF HAUSER CONTACT LIST

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CITY OF HAUSER
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Hauser Dog License Application

You are required to purchase a Hauser Dog License only if you reside within the corporate city limits of the City of Hauser. To obtain your dog license, mail or bring this form with the required paperwork and appropriate remittance amount to the above address.

OWNER INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____, First Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Phone: ____ - _____; Message Phone: _____; Cell Phone: _____

PET INFORMATION:

NOTE: Proof of Rabies Vaccination must be attached. To qualify the altered fee rates, you must provide a veterinarian's Spay/Neutered Certificate.

____ *Spayed or Neutered: \$5.00;* ____ *Un-spayed: \$15.00, or Un-neutered: \$15.00*

Name: _____ Breed: _____

Color: _____; Sex: M ___ F ___; Spayed: _____; Neutered: _____

Microchip Number: _____

____ *Option #1 – One Year License* ____ *Option #2, Three Year License*

I certify that the above information is true and correct:

_____ **Date:** _____ **Fee Paid:** \$ _____

Pet Owner Signature

License Tag Number Issued: >>>>

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Signature of City Clerk

Date