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# PLUMMER NEWS

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I N T E R E S T :

- September 4 City Hall Closed for Labor Day
- September 14 Regular City

## City Council Election

There are two City Council seats up for election this November. They are four year terms. The Candidate filing period is August 28th through September 8th at 5:00p.m. For more information please contact the City Clerk-Treasurer at 208-686-1641 Monday through Friday 9a.m.-5p.m.

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## Community Review

Community Town Hall Meeting: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday  
September 19th

Community Meeting: 7:00– 9:00p.m. Thursday September 21st

Both Community meetings will be at the Plummer Community Center  
located at 520 C Street

## Library News

Thanks to all who attended Benewah County Library District's recent open house. The Plummer portion of their historical poster boards is on display at the library. Door prize winners were Lucy Cash, Susan Sharpton, Marion Stephens, Sara Eikes and Donna Little.

The next Friends of the Library meeting will be Tuesday Sept. 12th at 1:00.  
Interested persons are welcome to attend.

Monday-Wednesday: 10a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday: 2p.m.-6p.m.

Friday & Sunday: Closed

Saturday: 10a.m.-2p.m.

## Message from the Mayor

On the 17th and 18th of August we held some “listening sessions” for our upcoming Community Review this month. We broke it into categories and times and had a pretty decent turnout. Quite a few tribal department folks showed up and gave input, which is a good thing! We need to start solidifying cooperation between our two respective governmental entities to better serve the residents in and around Plummer.

Surveys have been sent out in preparation for the review and we need everyone to fill them out and send them back in. They came with a self-addressed stamped envelope so it's easy peasy! For those who may have not gotten one there is a link to an online version. It's vitally important that as many people in the community as possible fill out the survey! It lets us know exactly what you all envision for Plummer and the review process!

The URL is: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/plumrev>

The Community Review itself takes place on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of the month, mostly on the 20th. You'll see groups of people going here and there throughout the community as the home and visiting teams tour our community, examine infrastructure, and visit businesses and employers. There will be listening sessions with the school and students as well since it wasn't in session when we did them in August. There will be a community “town hall” type of meeting on that Tuesday night the 19th, at the community Center, and then a recap “town hall” type meeting Thursday evening the 21st at the same location to give the community the review group's findings. A formal completed report will follow in another town hall meeting sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas. I think it will be good for us as a community to see our strengths and weaknesses and what paths we might take to improve the community across the board. I hope to see you all participate!

Election season is upon us, and there are two seats up for grabs in the city council. I urge anyone, particularly younger people, considering serving the community in this capacity to drop by city hall and grab a petition form. You can pay \$40 and submit it on the spot, or get 5 signatures from qualified residents and submit it for free. Making a difference starts here, at the grassroots level. Not in D.C. flowing back down to us. People have a tendency to complain and ask, “When you gonna fix it?” to those in Washington and then get all disgruntled when nothing happens. It works the other way around. If you want to make a difference, run for local office. It is community leadership (councils, mayors, city clerks) at the local level that sets the stage for the next level, our county commissioners and officers, then our Idaho District Representatives and Senators; then on up the chain to the Idaho Representatives and Senators who represent us in Washington D.C. We need to remember too, that our younger generation is our future leaders. We need to get them involved and the sooner the better in my view. Some may argue, “They don't know crap!” But they won't “know crap” until they get involved and learn it! I guess what I'm trying to say is don't let your age deter you from running for office. Even losing is a learning experience!

Anyway, I'll shut up for now! Get up to city hall and get your petition and run for office! See you all at the Community Review meetings!

Mayor William Weems