

Plummer News June 2018

DATES OF

INTEREST:

- June 14 Regular City Council Meeting 6p.m.

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Rummage & Yard Sale

There will be a rummage & bake sale at Plummer Senior Center on Saturday June 9th from 10:00 a.m.-3:30p.m American Legion Bldg. Several local business gift certificates as prizes with the raffle drawing being held at 3:00pm at the Senior Mealsite on June 9. Tickets \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00 and being sold in front of the Benewah Market by board members or at the Senior Mealsite Tues and Fri's from 11:30 to 1:30. Come have a cup of coffee and home made goodie with us anytime during the day of the city wide yard sale. Money raised goes towards lunches for seniors who can't afford to pay the donation.

Yard Sale

Plummer & Worley City Wide Yard sale will be June 8th & 9th from 8a.m.-5p.m.

**Deadline to get on the map
June 3rd at 5 P.M.**

For more information please contact 208-661-4444 or 208-686-1325



Plummer Day Forms

Plummer Day will be July 14th this year. Forms can be picked up from City Hall, the City Website or you may contact Yolanda Bone by email ybone@cdatribe-nsn.gov or 208-686-1716 or Christine Hodgson 208-987-0067

Thank You Letter for Plummer Gateway Fire Protection District

Many of you probably saw the big white motor home crashed against the hillside just north of US95 & Benewah Road. Well, that was mine.

But this letter isn't about the death of my coach, it is about your WONDERFUL First Responders. It would be impossible to say enough good about Jody, Leon or Mike, and others whose names we don't recall! The care and concern shown to us was so far above anything expected as to require comment!

When I hit the hillside, I was traveling with my wife and four dogs. I thank God that all of us came through the crash without injury (except for few aches and bruises)!

Now, imagine a 74 year old man crowding himself out of a driver's side window about 18 X 22 inches. Your guys helped me, caught me, and gently eased me to the ground, then they helped getting my 120lb Great Dane out of the coach, then our three little dogs all on leash. They cared for our terrified fur babies, while I and Leon helped my wife out of the coach (through the same window).

Leon put us in the ambulance and did vitals, his compassionate concern really helped calm myself and my wife. Meanwhile, Mike, Jody and a sweet gal who witnessed the accident were busy caring for our pups.

Water was provided for all of us, as well as a place to wait while trying to get a Heavy Recovery Tow Rig to come get the coach.

We were treated to lunch at the Gateway with Leon and Mike, while Jody and his son dog sat our puppies.

The kindness, compassion, and care shown to us was ABSOLUTELY above and beyond the call of any duty and was truly heart felt by Jody, Leon and Mike!

These men will always be remembered with a very warm spot in our hearts!

Your town of Plummer is very blessed to have first responders of this quality!

Sincerely,

RICK & ARDEN ROY
Newport, Washington

Message from the Mayor

We finally got our first round of paperwork submitted to USDA and should have our first draw down of money in our account by early June! That means you're going to see a lot of electric pole and other hardware replacement going on throughout the system! We have changed our tack on the project as a whole too. While working with USDA and our electrical engineers, we all came to the conclusion that instead of going through what we just went through (taking over a year) to process this one phase and doing it in four phases, we'll just start the next phase and do it all in one big lump! That way we don't have gaps or delays in the flow of the project and can draw any and all monies we need as we need it instead of formally going through individual processes for each phase of the entire project. Only makes sense! We still have to submit the same forms, but without having to wait for approval and do resolutions for everything we need to do. This will save time and should move the completion of the project ahead of schedule by at least two years! I'm all for that!

That's what checking, rechecking, and consulting with multiple sources and teams does for you. Creates an atmosphere of looking at all angles and being able to be adaptive when the best most efficient course of action presents itself! Kudos to USDA, Toth Engineering, Avista and our staff for being so responsive and timely!

We've received bids on the streets work we want to do (can afford to do as well) and by the time you read this will have made a decision on which organization will actually do the work. Then from this point on we will attack sections yearly and although it may take ten years or more, we will finally fix all the streets in time to start the process all over again! Ten years is about the lifespan of the average city street in the Pacific Northwest. I hope who ever comes after me will have the sense to stay on top of it and not "play house."

We got through the primary elections, and now have kind of a breather before the fervor starts in on the November elections. I'm a member of neither party and am suspicious of both. I'm still concerned about the drive to reduce taxes by our conservative cohorts in the state, as we depend on tax revenue for a good percentage of the services we need here in town. Like streets! A certain percentage of reasonable taxes is needed statewide for those rural communities like ours spread across the state. Cross your fingers is all I can say and hope it doesn't get worse before it gets better!

There will be work happening on the sewer system in a few short weeks if all goes well. I've got my fingers crossed that it alleviates the moratorium and real development can fire back up. Lord knows we need it! You should see some work on water lines and meters too. I know I sound like a broken record, but the big four, water, sewer, electric and streets are my biggest concerns.

Anyway, there's my update! I hope everyone has a fun and safe Memorial Day weekend! See you next month!

Mayor William Weems

Library News

"Libraries Rock!" Sign up for the library's summer reading program online at ppl.northwestreads.org, or at the library between now and June 7th. The program begins June 14th and ends Aug. 2nd. It is open to all ages and families are encouraged to participate.

Help prevent the "summer slide" by reading with your children. A schedule of activities and times will be posted on the ppl.northwestreads.org website.

The next Friends of the Library meeting will be Tues. June 12th at 1:00. For more information please call the library at 208-686-1812.

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

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

Friday & Sunday: Closed

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