

DATES OF INTEREST:

- August 9th City Council Meeting 6:00p.m.
- August 9th Budget Hearing

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PUBLIC HEARING-FY 19 BUDGET

A public hearing, pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. The hearing will be held at Plummer City Hall, Plummer, Idaho at 6:00 p.m. on August 9, 2018. All interested parties are invited to appear and show cause, if any, why such budget should or should not be adopted. Citizens have the right to provide written or oral comments concerning the entire City budget. Copies of the proposed City budget in detail are available at City Hall during regular office hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm, weekdays). Anyone desiring accommodations for disabilities related to the budget documents or to the budget hearing, please contact the ADA Coordinator, Sara Gauthier at 208-686-1641 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing. The proposed fiscal year 2018-2019 budget is shown below as FY19 proposed expenditures and revenues.

Fund	Actual FY17 Expenditures	Current FY18 Expenditures	Proposed FY19 Expenditures
General Fund	\$416,630.35	\$325,492.22	\$392,542.00
Electric Fund	\$2,508,236.60	\$2,042,200.14	\$7,443,417.00
Water Fund	\$295,057.55	\$129,164.15	\$253,097.00
Sewer Fund	\$934,347.91	\$177,756.51	\$590,488.00
Garbage Fund	\$129,219.85	\$87,165.82	\$120,000.00
Total	<u>\$4,283,492.26</u>	<u>\$2,761,778.84</u>	<u>\$8,799,544.00</u>

Fund	Actual FY17 Revenue	Current FY18 Revenue	Proposed FY19 Revenue
General Fund	\$466,306.49	\$531,187.96	\$392,542.00
Electric Fund	\$2,521,628.86	\$2,470,636.26	\$7,443,417.00
Water Fund	\$295,899.71	\$164,649.77	\$253,097.00
Sewer Fund	\$932,470.49	\$492,013.82	\$590,488.00
Garbage Fund	\$129,220.28	\$98,463.12	\$120,000.00
Total	<u>\$4,345,525.83</u>	<u>\$3,756,950.93</u>	<u>\$8,799,544.00</u>

Plummer Senior Citizen Volunteers

The Plummer Senior Citizens would like to invite "Up and Coming" Seniors (55 and older) to help with set-up and clean up at our meal site on Tuesdays and Fridays. We offer free lunch to volunteers.

Visit us on Facebook at Plummer Senior Citizens, Inc for monthly menus and announcements. We also offer meals to go, just call ahead, and they will be ready for pick up when you get here.
208-686-1863

Message From The Mayor

You should have noticed by now some of our streets being resurfaced. The guys will be patching holes too in the other streets as we can afford it. We don't have enough funding to do every pothole, but we're getting a start, and street work is going to take probably ten years at least with the size of budget this small community has. I'd like to take this time to thank the Coeur d'Alene Tribe for helping us by pitching in on some of the street work! I've been pounding it home at each Benewah Transportation Planning meeting I've been going to and I think it's finally sinking in. LHTAC is coming down, not just talking about it, for us to have a sit down and strategize about us getting help from them. We are continually "passed over" in lieu of bigger populations for roads assistance, mostly in "mountain time" if you catch my drift, and although there have been denials by the people who work for the various organizations that offer assistance, they are finally recognizing that the data doesn't lie and a significant amount DOES go to Southern Idaho communities rather than up here! I even got Jack Buell riled up at the last meeting and he said, "Plummer is a PART of Benewah County! We need to increase our relationship! We need to help them as much as we CAN!" I told him we would even hug them (the county commissioners), wink wink nudge nudge, if they did increase our relationship (which takes two to tango) and helped us out more over here.

New playground equipment has been installed (just in time for Plummer Day!) and some work is being done to and around our community center. A new roof will go on by the end of summer, and we are looking at ways to properly heat that building instead of using all the "bathroom" wall heaters that are currently there. A new "gazebo," or other outdoor covered building, what ever you want to call it will go up too closer to the main building, replacing the old picnic kitchen out front and we'll expand parking availability there.

We have a new well house under construction down in the pole yard. We are also exploring infrastructure improvements, particularly sewer and water down there so it can be developed for light industry.

We are still finding and repairing leaks in the water system. Seems like this never ends! I wish we hadn't lost that \$4 million dollar water grant a few years ago. That would have repaired almost all the system. Oh well. We're doing what we can, and it has improved our well pump run times and our water levels in the reservoirs. That's a relief in itself, since for a couple summers there, we almost ran the reservoirs dry! Not any more! Folks up in the southwest corner of town who've suffered through years and years of low water pressure, THAT is about to change! Work is starting on that as we move into August so look for a dramatic increase in your water pressure! You'll finally be able to take a decent shower!

The Tribe and Indian Health Service (THANK YOU again!) are looking at starting construction on the catch basin come September 1st. Should take about two weeks. They are looking at making the sides taller so it will hold more. Once it is online, I'm announcing right now, we are going to take a calculated risk and remove the sewer moratorium so development can happen. We need the revenue so we can expand the system and keep the moratorium off the sewer, and try to bring in enough revenue to at least cut into that sewer bond \$40 bucks to try and reduce the burden on the people's backs! It's almost a catch 22 thing; we need to have development (revenue), but can't have development (revenue) because of capacity issues. This new angle with IHS's design increasing capacity of the basin should allow us room to move to break the catch 22 stalemate. I'm willing to take that chance, take the responsibility for it, and I will be the one to blame if the gamble doesn't pay off. But we have to do something!

The electrical system work is continuing as planned and ahead of schedule!

Plummer Days was a success and I'd like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to it! Good job everyone! Let's make it bigger and better every year!

That's it for now. See you next month!

Mayor Weems