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WORK CONTINUES ON THE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS



Crane raises the roof on the Clear Well Tank



Upper View of the Clear Well Tank on Foothill Drive



Ring Footing for Backwash Recycle Tank



North Street Water Line

Important Numbers

City Hall/
Water Division
(530) 841-2386

Fire Dept
(530) 841-2383

Police Dept
(530) 841-2300

Public Works
(530) 841-2370

Senior Program
(530) 841-2365

Elected Officials

Rory McNeil
Mayor

David Simmen
Mayor Pro Tempore

Robert Bicego
Councilmember

Bryan Foster
Councilmember

John Mercier
Councilmember

Liz Casson
City Clerk

Rhetta Hogan
City Treasurer

UTILITY RATE INCREASE

The City is staying on schedule with the 5-year improvement plan adopted June 2008, and utility fee revenue is being put to work immediately, taking advantage of both a good construction environment and record low interest rates. Work continues on the water treatment and distribution system improvements made possible by the new rates that will support the debt servicing on the City's \$6.8 million loan from USDA Rural Development. The City also has a loan application in review with the USDA Rural Development for almost \$3 million of improvements to the City's wastewater collection system and treatment plant.

Water and wastewater rates will increase on October 1, 2011, and will be reflected on the October utility bill mailed to you at the end of October (see table).

WATER SERVICES CHARGES:	Current	10/01/11 Increase
CONSUMPTION CHARGES (\$/1000 GALLONS)		
Single/Multi Family Consumption Monthly Rate		
101 - 10,000 Gallons	\$1.59	\$1.75
10,001 - 35,000 Gallons	\$1.75	\$1.93
over 35,000 Gallons	\$1.91	\$2.10
Non-Single Family Consumption Monthly Rate		
over 100 Gallons	\$1.59	\$1.75
Monthly Services Charges (\$/Month)		
5/8" meter	\$26.90	\$29.80
3/4" meter	\$34.97	\$38.74
1" meter	\$40.35	\$44.70
1 1/2" meter	\$75.32	\$83.44
2" meter	\$107.60	\$119.20
3" or larger, please contact City Hall for rate info.		
WASTEWATER (SEWER) CHARGES:		
Single Family Monthly Service	Current	10/01/11 Increase
Single Family Monthly Service	\$38.00	\$40.00
Lifeline Single Family Monthly Service	\$36.00	\$38.00
Multi-Family Flat Rate Per Unit	\$38.00	\$40.00
Non-Residential (see City Hall-Utilities Dept)	----	----

FALL LEAVES

The City of Yreka, Department of Public Works, is asking once again for your help in keeping the streets clean and safe this fall. **Please do not put leaves in the street!**

Public Works sweeps the streets as frequently as possible in the fall when leaves are falling. However, it does not have the resources to sweep more than once a week and is sweeping less frequently than prior years.

It is important to keep leaves out of the street because they obstruct the flow of water in the gutters and prevent water from flowing into drainage inlets. Blocked drainage inlets cause flooding problems in the street and on private property. Large piles of leaves in the street or wet leaves can also be dangerous for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians.



The California Vehicle Code and City of Yreka Municipal Code prohibit the placement of any type of debris, including leaves, into the streets. We encourage you to dispose of leaves with your regular garbage pickup or by taking them to the Oberlin Road Transfer Station. Leaves can also be burned with a valid Burning Permit that can be obtained free of charge at City Hall. Your cooperation is appreciated.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

In July 2011, the City Council adopted Ordinance 826 establishing a civil enforcement system for the City of Yreka. Code enforcement is a function that local government performs that citizens consider important for accomplishing community goals, such as protecting property values. This ordinance allows the City to deal with code violations administratively. While criminal prosecutions can still occur, the civil administrative citation is a new tool to gain compliance. Citations will allow for a "fix it" notification. However, daily penalties can accrue if the request to fix it is disregarded, and penalties can ultimately become liens against the non-compliant property. The citation form has been developed, and it is anticipated that it will be in use shortly. If you have any questions about this procedure, please feel free to call the City Attorney at City Hall.



The Red Scarf Society for the Performing Arts is presenting The Sun Kings, A Beatles Tribute Band, Friday, October 21st, 7:30 pm at the Yreka Community Theater. Call 842-4656 for more information.

Yreka Art Walks
Come to historical downtown Yreka for a soul warming, eye opening event of great art, fine food, and wonderful people! From 5-8pm on Saturday, October 1 and Friday, October 28. Maps can be picked up at Shoppe Serendipity, Liberty Arts and the Yreka Chamber of Commerce. For more information, please call the Chamber of Commerce at 842-1649.