



CITY OF UCON NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2016

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- **October 12, 2016– City Council Highlights**
Attendance: Mayor David Blain, Councilmembers John Brasier, Craig Sturman, Nadine Ball and 8 citizens. Jon Holst was excused.
- *Mayor Blain called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.*
- **FIRE REPORT** – *Chief Scott Norman reported that he has been selected to serve as chairman of the local USWIG organization for two years. The organization assists local agencies in coordinating mutual aid on wildland fires. He presented a written report and reported 22 people with 19 attending regular training, 2 new people, 105 training hours, 1 call to Ammon canceled in route, 1 call to Ammon, 1 call to Ucon, 1 mutual aid call to Birch Creek (called out by Bonneville County Sheriff), 31 hours maintenance. The department received a \$1,500 grant from the firefighter license plate program. The funds will be used to purchase a projector for the training room. No new information has been received on the SCBA grant and they're still working on the association grant. Fire prevention week is this week and the department will be visiting Ucon Elementary on Friday, October 14th from 10 AM to 2 PM and Fairview Elementary in two weeks.*
- **P&Z REPORT** – *Craig Sturman reported that a meeting was held on September 29th, but had no minutes.*
- **WATER & SEWER SYSTEM REPORT** – *Mayor Blain stated that Daniel Morgan is taking some time off and sent his report in. The park water is off and he will be winterizing the sprinkler systems next week. He will start on the chimney removal at the Ucon park shelter. There are a few leaking hydrants in town and he plans to order seal kits to repair them. He has been cleaning sewers west of Yellowstone and working on getting new snow plow working and will start hauling sand when Bonneville County's loader is available. John Brasier stated that power consumption and sewer flows are in line with previous years. He told the council that Idaho Falls has decided not to meter residences due to the cost in excess of \$90 million. They plan to meter commercial and industrial users as they use 85% of water use. In Ucon the homes use 85% of the water and business use 15%.*
- **IDAHO FALLS SEWER AGREEMENT** – *He reported that the existing agreement expires November*

30th and the new agreement will renew every five years. The council discussed the agreement and the clerk was instructed to forward the agreement to the attorney for his review. Any changes he makes will be forwarded to the city council and to the City of Idaho Falls.

- **BUDGET STATUS** – *Mayor Blain reported that 100% of the budget year has passed and all funds are on track and within budget.*
- **CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:05 PM.**

October-Fire Prevention Month

Please remember change your batteries in each smoke detector and clean the wood stove chimney.

UCON COMMUNITY TRUNK OR TREAT

Monday, October 31st at 6 PM
Ucon LDS Stake Center
and Ucon church parking lots
Be Safe and share your treats
at the Trunk or Treat

Halloween Safety Tips

Trick or Treat with a Grown-up
Visit only people you know
Choose a costume that lets you see & hear
Make sure your costume fits
Wear brightly colored clothing & add glow-in
-the dark patches or strips
Carry a flashlight

Water System

Cold weather is coming—Prevent water freeze ups.....if your water has frozen in the past, remember to leave a thin stream of water running when the temperature is below zero for extended periods.

City Meeting Schedule

- **City Council:** 2nd Wed, 7:30 PM.
- **Planning & Zoning:** Last Thurs, 7:00 PM.
- **Landscape & Recreation:** 1st Thurs, 5:30 PM.

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SNOW PLOWING

Plows please move all vehicles, trailers, etc. off street rights-of-way. Please don't plow snow out into the streets as it creates a hazard for other drivers. Remember snow plows have the right of way.

THE MAYOR'S STRAIGHT TALK

Well, another election is upon us and the most important thing you could do this month is learn about each candidate before you vote. I am providing a link to their web sites. Do your homework and we will see you at the voting booth.

Mayor Blain

US Senate

Mike Crapo, Rep, www.crapoforsenate.com
Jerry Sturgill, Dem, sturgill4senate.com
Ray J. Writz, Con, www.rayjwritz.com

Representative 2nd District

Mike Simpson, Rep, www.simpsonforcongress.com
Jennifer Martinez, Dem, jennifermartinezforidaho.ruck.us
Anthony Tomkins, Con, <http://www.anthonytomkins.com>

Idaho Senate District 34

Brent Hill, Rep, <http://senatorhill.com>

Legislative District 34 Position A

Ron Nate, Rep,

Legislative District 34 Position B

Dell Raybould, Rep, www.dellraybould.com

Proposed Constitutional Amendment,

<http://www.sos.idaho.gov/ELECT/Inits/2016/2016%20Voters%20Pamphlet.pdf>

For more information on elections and candidates visit the following websites

Sample Ballot—Bonneville County

http://www.co.bonneville.id.us/images/PDF/Elections/Sample_Ballot.pdf

Candidates Filed—Bonneville County

http://co.bonneville.id.us/images/PDF/Elections/Candidates_Filed.pdf

Statewide Candidates Filed

<http://www.sos.idaho.gov/ELECT/candidat/2016/Statements/General/Declaration.html>

Additional Voter Information

<http://www.idahovotes.gov/>

Don't Ruin Your Holiday! Fight F.O.G

Keep **F**ats, **O**ils & **G**rease out of your drain! F.O.G. Clogs Pipes-Follow these simple steps to help prevent sewer backups:

1. Pour cold fats, oils & grease into a covered, disposable container and throw it into your garbage. Never pour fats, oil or grease down sink drains or toilets.
2. Soak up spilled oils and grease with an absorbent material such as paper towels or kitty litter and throw into your garbage.
3. Before you wash dishes, scrape food scraps, fats, oils & grease into your garbage.
4. Use sink strainers to catch any remaining food waste while washing dishes.

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TREASURER'S QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

4TH QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

FUND REVENUE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	Percentage
TAXES	\$ 117,500	\$ 120,369	102%
LICENSES & PERMITS	\$ 4,600	\$ 20,351	442%
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$ 170,300	\$ 146,575	86%
ZONING & SUBDIVISION FEES	\$ 500	\$ 598	120%
FINES & FORFEITURES	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,844	92%
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 102,000	\$ 9,525	9%
OTHER REVENUE	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,576	129%
WATER FUND	\$ 252,050	\$ 220,523	87%
SEWER FUND	\$ 435,250	\$ 297,742	68%

EXPENDITURES

FUND EXPENDITURES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	Percentage
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 97,750	\$ 31,238	32%
POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 175,750	\$ 168,507	96%
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 40,100	\$ 20,717	52%
ROADS	\$ 47,200	\$ 24,390	52%
PARKS	\$ 38,100	\$ 16,161	42%
WATER FUND	\$ 252,050	\$ 148,077	59%
SEWER FUND	\$ 435,250	\$ 182,361	42%

Citizens are invited to inspect the detailed supporting records of the above report

Ronda Deason - City Clerk/Treasurer

DATED this 21st day of October 2016

Notice of Quarterly report is being sent by first-class mail to all residents of the City of Ucon.