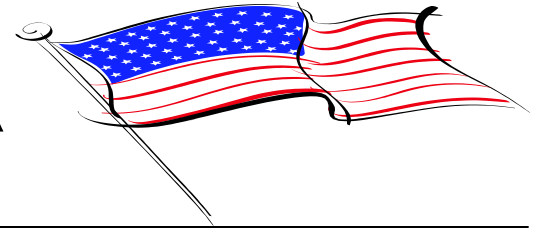




CITY OF UCON

JULY 2017 NEWSLETTER

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June 14, 2017- City Council Highlights

- **ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Blain, John Brasier, Nadine Ball, Craig Sturman, and 0 citizens were present. Jon Holst was excused.
- Mayor Blain called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Daniel Morgan gave the opening prayer.
- The agenda was amended to add Bryant Thornock's Eagle Scout Project presentation.
- **PUBLIC HEARING – INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE –** No members of the public were present for the public hearing. Mayor Blain presented a draft ordinance and stated that the City just needs to adopt the 2012 fire code in the same manner as the State of Idaho has done. Mayor Blain suggested deleting section 503 which deals with driveways.
- **ORDINANCE (1ST READING) - INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE ADOPTION –** the ordinance was passed on first reading.
- **FIRE REPORT –** Chief Scott Norman reported 16 people with 13 attending regular training. Scott Norman thanked Mark Henderson for his 18 years of service to the Ucon Fire Department. 133 hours training; 52 hours on fire calls (two calls to Ammon and two calls in Ucon) and 105 hours of maintenance. Twelve members attended the fire school at EITC. The bike ride with Ucon Elementary went well. He will present a fire fee schedule next month. He's applied for a Volunteer Fire Assistance grant through Idaho Department of Lands in the amount of \$12,732.97 for five full sets of turnout gear. The 10% match (\$1,157.54) will be paid out of wildland funds if the grant is approved. The attendance numbers for the eclipse continue to rise. They are looking for more AED's (automated external defibrillators) and are working with the school to possibly set up a triage center there. Chief Norman stated that he was presented with the Beyond the Call award which is given to law enforcement and firemen that go above and beyond the call of duty. He is very humbled to know that people think that of him.
- **POLICE REPORT –** Officer Jake Fullmer congratulated Chief Norman on receiving the award. He stated it's been a busy month with the warmer weather. He reported 320 hours patrol; 11 investigation/court; 16 grant overtime hours; 2 call outs; 2 arrests/warrants; 31 traffic stops; 14 traffic citations; 2 non-traffic citations; 20 complaints responded to; 2 special events (bike ride/2nd grade field trip); 1 state police assist; 2 alarms; 1 traffic accident; 11 hours other/vehicle maintenance/roads. He commended the fire department and public works for the great job they do with the bike ride. He stated that during the eclipse, the council should be ready to act if needed to make a decision. He's not worried about covering the eclipse. He stated that everything is going really well. Mayor Blain asked him to continue preparing for the eclipse. Craig Sturman has been practicing with the radios and they'll do a class for people who are going to use the radios.

- **LANDSCAPE & REC. COMMITTEE REPORT –** Nadine Ball reported that the tennis camps are finishing up tomorrow. There will be another camp in July. Yard of the Month - Nathan and Teresa Hancock - 3770 E 107 N
- **WATER & SEWER SYSTEM REPORT -** Daniel Morgan reported that the parts for the broken water meters have come in and he will repair them by the end of next week. Pumps at Hitt Road will be installed as soon as possible. Tower Road pumps are in and working well. The walls on the shelter at Ucon Park have been stained and are finished. He requested and received approval for \$2,300 for the wiring at the shelter and moving the power meter off the pole in the park to a pole just inside the park. Daniel stated that the pads for the fuel truck and generator have been poured. The light pole will be installed this week and then the electrical and cameras will be installed. He's working on the bottom framework for the generator and it should be ready to mount on the pad. Daniel thanked Scott Norman for the use of the tools on the generator project. Craig Sturman stated that the weeds outside of the fences at Simmons Park need attention. Mayor Blain stated that Gene Streeper has started mowing the overpass and other weeds in town. John Brasier read a letter from Chris Fredrickson of the City of Idaho Falls stating that a rate study is underway and that any rate increases will take effect late summer of 2017.
- **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT –** Bryant Thornock requested and received approval to build a new roof on the pavilion at Ucon Park. He estimates the cost at \$2,500 for new OSB, roof metal, tar paper, flashing, soffit and miscellaneous screws. He plans to have the roof done before July 4th. The council thanked him for offering to do this project.
- **BUDGET STATUS REPORT -** Mayor Blain reported that revenues are above budget projections and expenditures are under budgeted amounts.
- **EXECUTIVE SESSION (IN ACCORDANCE WITH IDAHO CODE 74-206(1) (b)) –** the council adjourned into executive session at 9:15 PM per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) to discuss personnel.
- The regular meeting reconvened at 10:18 PM.
- **CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:19 P.M.**



Founders Day 2017

Saturday-August 12th At Simmons Park
Contact Jon Holst at 351-8443 with suggestions/ideas or to volunteer.

City Meeting Schedule

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

Annual 4th of July Firefighter Breakfast

7:00 A.M. TO 10:00 A.M. UCON PARK ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH

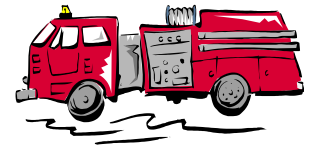
Start your 4th of July off with a BANG!

Please join us for the annual Fourth of July **Fireman's Breakfast** on **Tuesday, July 4th.**

\$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per Family

Hash browns, Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage,
Orange Juice, Milk, or Coffee.

Plates, Utensils, & Cups will be provided.



The City of Ucon and the Ucon Fire Department would like to wish Mark Henderson of the Ucon Fire Department the best in his retirement and thank him for his 18 years of dedication to the fire department. He will be greatly missed!!

ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

The City of Ucon routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water and services we deliver to you every day. Your water is tested for 77 different contaminants. Our goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. If you would like a copy of this report you can pick one up at the City office or the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

YARD OF THE MONTH



June: Nathan & Teresa Hancock—3770 E 108 N
Winners will receive a \$25 gift card donated by
Town & Country Gardens!! Please take a moment
and visit their yard. Your yard could be next
month's winner!!



SUMMER TENNIS CAMPS FOR KIDS

@ Simmons Park—led by Mrs. Nadine Ball

July 17th through July 20th

Beginner (Kindergarten—2nd Grade): 9-9:45 AM

Intermediate (3rd—5th Grade): 10-10:45 AM

Advanced (6th grade & i.e. kids w/experience) 11-11:45 AM

Adult Open Play—Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

Call 847-5706 to sign up.

BONNEVILLE COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Dates: May 13th and September 9th

Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm

Place: Environmental Excellence Transfer Station

2455 Hemmert Ave.

Idaho Falls, ID

For more information visit:

<http://www.co.bonneville.id.us/index.php/public-works/solid-waste>

The Mayor's Straight Talk

This is an election year for the City there will be two Council seats and the Mayor for election this November. I would encourage those of you who care about the city to consider running. It is a great honor to serve the citizens of our city and we need your input. I am not announcing if any of the current council will run again or not, that is up to them to announce. As for me, I have thought long and hard about it. I have served for 12 years now and my frustration with government grows every year. Everyone wants everything now and more of it, but no one wants to pay for it. We want freedom to do anything we want, but no one wants responsibility for the results. My time is more limited now and I am spread thin and the City needs more, so I will not be running for reelection this fall. It is time I focus on other things and let someone else focus on the City. It has been an honor to serve you.

Mayor Blain