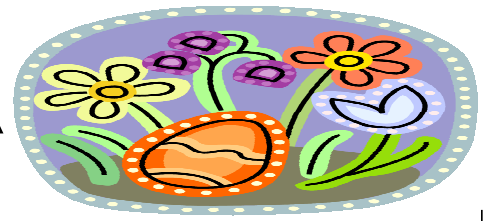


# CITY OF UCON

## APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

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### City Council Highlights – March 18, 2020

Mayor Sturman, John Brasier, Johnalee McDonald, Tyrell Maughan, and Larry Gilmore were present. Mayor Sturman called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Sturman informed the council member that he received a call from Bonneville County Emergency Management, and they will be declaring an emergency due to COVID-19. This declaration is only good for seven days. He stated that he feels we need to hold off for now. IdWARN will be activated tomorrow. IdWARN is a statewide Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network (WARN) of utilities helping each other prepare and respond to natural and man-made interruptions in service.

**POLICE REPORT** – Chief Fullmer reported 160 patrol hours; 10 overtime hours; 3 call-outs; 2 arrests/warrants; 26 traffic stops; 15 traffic citations issued; 23 incidents responded to; 1 special event attended; 2 special patrols; 1 alarm; 1 traffic accident; 1 medical call. This month was busier than last month. Accident at intersection of 113 North and 45 East. Mayor Sturman stated that we may be able to work with Bonneville county to get better pricing on a flashing LED stop sign for the northbound side of the intersection. He is working on the numbers for hiring another officer and will report next month.

**FIRE REPORT** – Chief Scott Norman reported 19 members, 16 attending regular training, and two wildland. 130 training hours; 38 chief hours; 28 hours on one fire calls; 92 hours maintenance; 2 plan reviews. He has submitted the paperwork to the Red Cross for the smoke detector program. The 5-ton pump has been installed will soon be completed. The Easter Egg Hunt has been postponed for now but not canceled.

**LANDSCAPE & REC REPORT** - Tyrell Maughan reported that he is applying for a Planting Idaho Grant. The council discussed plans for Arbor Day and City Clean-Up.

**PLANNING & ZONING** – Mayor Sturman reported on a possible new building project that will require the creation of a new zone. He stated that this will require a public hearing to create a new zone. The council unanimously voted to move forward with the process of creating a new zone upon an official request by the property owner.

Larry Gilmore stated that he attended the Bonneville Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting and reported on various transportation concerns and different projects in the area.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** – Daniel Morgan reported quite a few water meter freeze-ups this year. Mayor Sturman stated that he would like to give a uniform/clothing allowance to public works employees instead of signing a long-term contract with a provider. The council approved the clothing allowance. He is hoping to get the sewer grinder installed and in use by the next meeting. He stated that he plans to clean the entire sewer system and requested \$2,600 to purchase two nozzles (a regular nozzle and a root cutting nozzle) for the jetter. The council authorized \$2,600 from the sewer fund to purchase new nozzles for the jetter. He stated that potholes will be filled soon. The city building remodel is going well and is under budget. They plan to focus on the

council chambers next week and get it finished. Chief Fullmer asked if the school cross walks could be painted. Mayor Sturman asked Daniel to get a quote for painting the cross walks.

**WATER & SEWER SYSTEM REPORT** – John Brasier reported that the sewer flow rates were almost identical to last month.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:45 P.M.**

### UCON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Once again, our amazing Fire Department is going "Above the Call". During this madness with the Coronavirus, the fire department will shop for people who may not be able to get out for whatever reason. If you or anyone you know in our area is in this situation, please call (208) 523-3971. Please leave a message or message us on Facebook.

### 29th Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Given the current situation, the Easter Egg Hunt has been **postponed** until further notice. Watch future newsletters for updated information.

### Arbor Day Celebration & City Clean-up day

**Date and time to be determined. Watch Facebook and next month's newsletter for more information.**

**REMINDER: NO PARKING of unused vehicles, RV's, etc. on city rights-of-way.**

### Mayor's Straight Talk

With all the craziness going on lately, I felt it important to touch on a few things.

First of all, your tap water is completely safe. No need to worry. Do not let anyone convince you otherwise. Also, with the mass hoarding and shortages of toilet paper, please remember that the only thing besides bodily waste that should go down the toilet is toilet paper. Wipes, paper towels, rags, etc. are not permissible and will cause problems for the sewer system. Anything besides toilet paper needs to go in the garbage.

Our awesome fire department has graciously offered to go shopping for things that people need who may not be able to get out and go to town for whatever reason. If you or anyone you know in our area is in this situation, please call the city office or message us on the City of Ucon Facebook page and we will contact the fire department.

Lastly, let's make sure to keep in contact with our neighbors and anyone who may have special needs or situations. We are all here for each other. That's what makes Ucon a great place to live!

Thank you,  
Mayor Sturman

### City Meeting Schedule

• **City Council:** 2nd Wed, 7:30 PM