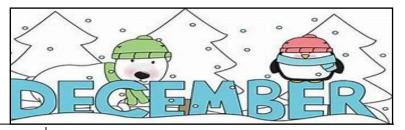


# CITY OF UCON NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2021

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City Council Highlights - November 10, 2021

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

PUBLIC HEARING – WATER/SEWER CONNECT FEES – Mayor Sturman opened the public hearing at 7:33 P.M. He stated that the current connection fees of \$1,750 each for water and sewer need to be increased in order to cover the costs associated with making new connections to the water and sewer systems. He stated that he will send the proposed connection fees to the attorney for review. No public comments were received. Mayor Sturman closed the public hearing at 7:39 P.M.

ORDINANCE 191 - WATER/SEWER CONNECT FEES – Tyrell Maughan read the ordinance by title. Approval of the ordinance was postponed pending legal review.

CANVASSING THE VOTE – The clerk presented the official results from Bonneville County for the November 2, 2021 City Election: Registered voters: 571 Ballots Cast: 97 (16.99%). City Council seats - 4 year terms: Cory Hansen: 35 votes; Tyrell Maughan: 71 votes; Johnalee McDonald: 86 votes. The council unanimously approved the election results. POLICE REPORT – Chief Fullmer was not present. FIRE REPORT – Chief Norman reported 23 members, 18 attending regular training, and six wildland members; 190 training hours; 98 chief hours; 115 hours on actual calls (2 – Ammon; 1 medical assist in Ucon, 1 call to Ucon; 4 medical calls; 30 hours maintenance; 427 total hours. He stated that SCBAs have been ordered for \$77,200. The department participated in a pumpkin drop at Ucon Elementary

LANDSCAPE AND REC REPORT – Mayor Sturman stated that he applied for a \$1,500 beautification grant from Rocky Mountain Power.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Daniel Morgan stated that sewer lines have been cleaned to highway and they will start back up in the spring. He requested and received approval for up to \$10,000 to pull the pump on Well #3 for inspection. He stated that he and Mayor Sturman attended a Bonneville Jefferson Ground Water District (BJGWD) meeting. We will be required to use 3% less water or be billed per acre foot used over our three-year average.

WATER & SEWER SYSTEM REPORT – John Brasier stated that flows are in line with past years.

WATER MITIGATION AGREEMENT – ROB HARRIS – Mr. Harris was not present, but Mayor Sturman said that he had talked to him. He is awaiting a report from BJGWD and as soon as he gets it, he will do more research on joining a different ground water district that is geared more toward cities

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT – Chief Norman stated he is working on a plan review for a new building at Heavy Metal Junction.

BMPO REPORT – Larry Gilmore had nothing to report. CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:40 P.M.

**Thank you!!** To Russ Donahoo for donating the pumpkins for the Ucon Fire Department's pumpkin carving event. We appreciate your support!

#### **Snow Removal**

- Move all vehicles, trailers, etc. as far as possible off street rights-of-way.
- Don't plow snow out into the streets—it creates a hazard for drivers.
- Remember snow plows have the right of way and the city assumes no responsibility for damage to property when parked next to the street.

## Are you ready for winter driving???

- Increase following distance
- Have an emergency kit in vehicle
- · Headlights on to increase visibility
- Leave plenty of time to get to your destination
- Clean off windshield & side windows
- ALWAYS wear your seat belt

### Fire Department Safety Message

Please remember to have your chimneys cleaned & inspected this winter. Turn off your Christmas tree lights off when no one is home and before you go to bed. Be sure to water live trees. Be careful on the snowy roads and have a safe and Happy Holiday season:-)

#### **AVOID WATER FREEZE UPS**

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.

## Mayor's Straight Talk

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season. From Mayor, Council, and Staff.

### **City Meeting Schedule**

• City Council: 2nd Wed, 7:30 PM.