



Words From Mayor Beck

Fiscal year 2007 budget has been approved by the City Council & total expenditures for 2007 are set @

\$2,533,451.00 for all departments of city government. Most of the increase is the necessity to begin paying back the bonds for the waste water treatment plant. This bond payment amounts to approximately \$205,000.00 for the fiscal year. The grant for the paving of the north side of the green way trail is included in the 07 budget, which shows as money in - money out. The water and sewer departments continue to be the areas where continued outlays of money are needed to keep these systems operating safely and efficiently. The city has 2 less employees in our public works department than at the beginning of last year. This leaves us with 6 full time employees in the public works department. I find all of our city staff to be very efficient and great to work with.

My thanks to the staff and city council for their efforts in preparing the budget. This is a process that

takes several months, many meetings and many tough decisions.

The new shelter in Keefer Park is under construction. This is being funded jointly by the St. Anthony Rotary Club, the St. Anthony Lions Club and a grant from the CHC Foundation in Idaho Falls. We are excited for this new addition to our park. Also the family of Orme and Ludean Jergenson have volunteered to pay for most of the construction costs to replace the concrete at the sandbar. This is a badly needed project. We thank them for the generous donation. We have applied for the necessary permits and hope to complete this project yet this year.

Thank you all for cleaning up and beautifying your yards. Ann & I drove around St. Anthony a few days ago and found beauty in every area of town. We continue to receive letters from visitors to our community thanking us for the flowers and well kept parks. Thank you all again.

City Announcements & Events

Council Meetings - September 13th, 7:00 p.m.
September 27th, 7:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation -September 20th, 7:00 p.m.
Planning and Zoning - September 6th, 7:00 p.m.

Councilmember's Comments

Garth Rose

Council President

Sanitation, Fire & Finance

Nothing reported

Matt Blanchard

Police, Animal Control/Compliance

Officer, Mayors Youth Group

What a great time of year, the kids are back in school. Football has started, the harvest is on, and with the chill that is showing in the air means hunting season is here also. Man life is good.

The Chief of Police has enclosed a survey on a curfew that has been brought before the council. We would very much appreciate your input on this issue.

Be careful and watch for the kids on the streets as they walk to and from school. Enjoy the season; it is a beautiful time of year, and try to stop and enjoy the change of colors.

Shawn Fransen

Parks & Recreation, Finance

Nothing reported

Cathy Koon, *Streets, Airport*

I want to thank Sam Buckley for his years of service as the manager at Stanford Field, our city airport. Sam has resigned effective Sept. 1, and the city is looking for someone to take over his responsibilities in

maintenance of the grounds and runway. Basically, he inspects the grounds, replaces lights and wind socks, sees that the grounds are clean and in repair, meets with aeronautics officials, fields questions and works with the airport board. Anyone interested in the job, should contact the city office.

Thanks to city residents for their patience with the streets being in disarray and disrepair for the sewer project. Please keep in mind the patch job on the streets isn't done yet. We are working with the contractor, who will be working for another month on the project. This is going to be a huge improvement to the city's infrastructure.

Dee Rausch

*City Properties, Economic Development,
Personnel Committee*

Nothing reported

Darby Merrill

Water & Sewer, Personnel

Due to rising operating costs in the sanitation, water, and sewer departments, it will be necessary to raise the rates in each department by five percent. This will increase the overall monthly base rate by \$2.51 per month. There will also be a 5% increase on

the flow charges for water and sewer.

Phase II of the wastewater project is nearing completion. A substantial completion date has been set for Sept. 15th, 2006. I would like to thank everyone for their patience while this project is being completed.

City Clerk's Corner**Taci Stoddard**

Thanks to Karen and Tina for all their hard work on the city flowers! They have done such a great job. We have received numerous comments and letters again this year about how beautiful the flowers are.

The City is applying for a grant from a new program started this year by the Idaho Department of Commerce and Labor. It is called the Rural Communities New Growth Management Program. Funds are available for rural communities to contract with qualified professionals to assist with various land use planning and growth management issues. The City is applying to be able to use funds to update our subdivision ordinance and zoning ordinances. We'll keep you posted on the status of that grant.

If you are interested in serving on the City's Park and Recreation Committee please contact the Mayor or the City Office.

**Garbage pickup will be the
Friday after Thanksgiving,
Friday November 24th.
The Thursday pickup after
Christmas will also fall on
Friday the 29th of December.**

Pink Tea

October 12th, 2006

Tickets \$20.00

Limited seating so get
your tickets now.

Call Sharon Marler

For more information
624-4706

Tickets will be available @
the health fair on Sept. 9th,

