

CITY OF BREWSTER NEWSLETTER

Spring is here

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FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Spring has finally arrived for the start of the more active time of the year. The Police Department has some new and old areas we would like to cover. We need your assistance to prevent future and even solve past incidents. Help your neighbors by being vigilant and watching their property when they are not home. Please call if you see suspicious activity as we prefer preventing problems over investigating them after they occurred.

Graffiti: We are currently having frequent graffiti reports filed. The majority of the reports involve spray paint and permanent marker being

used. To help prevent graffiti external lighting is one of the better ways. If you see suspicious activity, or have any information as to who may be responsible please contact us.

Junk Vehicles: We as a community made great progress previously in removing junk vehicles and vehicle parts from within the city limits. We will be enforcing our junk vehicle ordinance as we have previously. We are looking forward to the continued cooperation from our residence and business locations in helping to eliminate junk vehicles.

Vehicle Traffic: Our daily vehicle and pedestrian traffic increases noticeably from this time

of year through the fall months. We want everyone to be very careful and aware of theirs and others driving to be as safe as possible. If you have a traffic issue or problem please call, as we are not always aware of specific issues.

Vehicle Window Tinting: The illegal window tint issue will be addressed in a much more obvious manner then previously. We started enforcing this law last year and will increase our enforcement this year. ****Be aware - If you purchased a vehicle with tinted windows or you had the window tint installed commercially does not mean it is legal! *****

We will gladly check your window tint for you if you would like.

Public Nuisance/Loud Music: In 2009 more citations were issued for Loud Music violations then any year previous. This year we will continue our enforcement of this ordinance. We would ask for cooperation from everyone in reporting and compliance with this frequent problem.

We are looking forward to this year with the improvements and positive changes we can help our community.

Sincerely,
Ron Oules
Chief of Police

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY,

8:00 AM—4:00 PM

FOR NON-EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL [509-689-2331](tel:509-689-2331)

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SPRING CLEANUP WEEK

Spring clean-up week will be the third week in April with the City removing and picking up yard debris (grass trimming, tree trimming, etc.) in the alleyways throughout the city. **This will be for the full 5-days of April 19th – 23th.** More information will be sent through the mail and the newspaper and radio.

There are a few rules, which you have to abide by before the crews will pick debris up. They are:

YARD DEBRIS ONLY,

that means grass clippings, limbs, leaves, dead plants, etc. short boards (under 4') without nails are ok.

Please do not bag any materials. We will not pick up anything in bags. It is too difficult to open the bags to inspect for unwanted materials, so we simply will not do it. No bags please!

No rocks, dirt, sod, plastic or metal pipe, sheetrock, roofing or building materials, furniture, junk, car parts, batteries, garbage of any kind, petroleum products. No dead animals, asphalt, metals, rubber or plastic products. This is for our safety and yours as well.

We will inspect all piles for any unwanted materials mentioned above. If unwanted materials are discovered, we will not pick up the pile. So please do not try to “hide” anything in the piles.

Please pile your debris away from walls, fences and wires. We will be using a front-end loader to pick up the piles. Place as far away from obstructions as possible without blocking the alleyway or your neighbor’s driveway. Try to place your piles perpendicular to the alley. This makes it easier to pick up with the loader.



Pot holes will be repaired around the City as soon as we get the filler. We should be filling potholes within the next 3-4 weeks.

Hydrant Flushing will be performed in late April, early May. You may experience some discoloring in your drinking water for a short period of time. Please just run your faucets until

The City will begin reading meters the third week of April. Please do not park on top of your meter vaults or lock your gates (if your meter is inside your Fence).

ANGLE TRAILER PARK—RESIDENTS

There have been many complaints about dogs running around in the trailer park. All dogs in ATP must be kept in an enclosed area consisting of either an approved fence or kennel due to limited space and proximity to adjoining residences. Prior written approval of any such fence or kennel enclosure must be obtained from the city building inspector. This will be enforced. Complainants are now being instructed to take pictures and bring them to City hall for follow-up action. Dog owners who are not in compliance will be cited and fined.

Per paragraph 12-2 of your lease, any sale of your home in ATP requires a 30-day written notice to City Hall, prior to the sale. All sales must be approved by the City.

All residences of ATP need to stop by City hall and sign their leases and those who have not brought in proof of insurance.

Also, if you see a truck from Skirko tree removal do not be alarmed. They will be pruning and cutting the trees back within the Angle Trailer Park.