



The Town Crier

City of Algona

MAY 2015

Kid's Fishing Derby –Saturday May 30 9am to 1pm—Age 13 & Under Matchett Park—402 Warde St

Reserve your tickets beginning May 18th for our 2nd annual fishing derby! A portable pond will be stocked with trout, and poles and bait will be provided! This is a free event sponsored by Puget Sound Anglers. Get your tickets and start a new hobby or sport, or just come for the fun!

FACT:

Keeping pollutants out of the water isn't just a good idea-it's the law. The Washington State Water Pollution Control Law (RCW 90.48) and the King County Code (KCC 9.12) prohibit the discharge of pollutants to the storm drainage system, surface water and groundwater. Direct dumping of material or polluted stormwater can negatively affect every water body it enters.

Curbside Spring Clean Up! Wed / Thur May 6th / 7th

YARD WASTE:

Yard waste must be separated from other waste, bundled or bagged in **brown paper bags**. Plastic bags will **NOT** be accepted! Bags cannot exceed **65** pounds. Brush and branches cannot exceed three (3) feet in length or three (3) inches in diameter. No rocks, bricks, cement, sod, dirt etc.



GENERAL GARBAGE:

All garbage and/or trash must be in bags, boxes, or cans. **NO** appliances, furniture, or other large bulky objects. **NO** hazardous materials such as paint or chemicals

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The Algona City Council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

The Council conducts workshop sessions the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

All meetings of the City Council are open to the public

Council Meetings
2nd & 4th Tuesday

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Skyhawks Sports Academy Sport Programs for Kids

This summer, Skyhawks will be providing two programs for kids at Matchett Park.

Beginning Golf

Boys & girls ages 5–9 will learn the fundamentals of swinging, putting and body positioning. Using the SNAG (Starting New At Golf) system, instruction is simplified so that young players can make an effective transition onto the golf course. All equipment is provided. This course will be Monday through Friday, 9am to 12pm, July 13 to July 17. Fee is \$79.

Mini-Hawk (Soccer, Basketball & Baseball)

This multi-sport program is tailored to your child's age and skill level while teaching life lessons such as respect and teamwork. This program gives children ages 4-6 a fun and positive first step into athletics. This course will be Monday through Friday, 9am to 12pm June 29 to July 3. Fee is \$79.

Register online at www.skyhawks.com, or call 1-800-804-3509 for more information.

Notice of Availability—Draft 2015 Comprehensive Plan

The City of Algona has published a Draft Comprehensive Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Copies of the Draft Plan and Environmental Impact Statement are available for review during business hours at City Hall, 402 Warde Street. The plan is also available on the city's web page at www.algonawa.gov. Those wishing to comment should submit comments to City Hall by 5 PM May 11, 2015. A public hearing will be held on June 9, 2015.



Mayor's Message

Police Issues

I want to take this opportunity to discuss the recent events regarding Lee Gaskill that have placed Algona in the news. On Friday, April 24th, I accepted Lt. Lee Gaskill's resignation from the Algona Police Department. On May 1, 2014, I appointed Mr. Gaskill to be interim Chief of Police after the retirement of Arthur (Buster) McGehee. After observing Mr. Gaskill's performance for a considerable time, I decided he was not a good fit for the position of Police Chief and on February 6, 2015 I moved him back to his previous position. On February 9, 2015, I placed Mr. Gaskill on paid administrative leave pending an administrative investigation of Mr. Gaskill's conduct. An administrative investigation was conducted by an independent investigator hired by our insurance company.

I cannot discuss this issue any further while there are criminal charges pending. The King County Sherriff's Office is in charge of the investigation.

New Interim Police Chief

On April 14, 2015, I appointed, and the City Council confirmed, Interim Police Chief Michael Sanford. Chief Sanford is retired from the Seattle Police Department where he held several positions over 30 years. Since his retirement he has consulted with other Police Departments. His last assignment was with the City of Wapato. We are lucky that he is available to serve as interim Chief.

Chief Sanford is working with me to determine the job description and requirements for the Chief of Police. He is also reviewing our emergency preparedness and other police issues. When we are ready to hire a permanent Chief, he will help in the selection process.

Boeing Plume

The testing and analysis of the Boeing Plume is ongoing. The Washington State Department of Ecology made a presentation to the City Council on April 28th on the progress of the testing and the planning for remediation. Only a few residents were present. I am urging everyone to stay engaged and informed. Although it has not been as serious as first anticipated, it remains an important issue.

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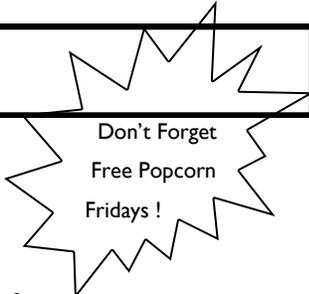
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24	25 CITY HALL CLOSED- MEMORIAL DAY	26 Council Workshop 6 PM Council Meeting 7 PM	27	28	29	30 Kid's Fishing Derby— Matchett Park— 9 AM
31	JUNE 1 Disconnect notices for past due March Bills	JUNE 2	JUNE 3 Water shut off for past due March bills	JUNE 4	JUNE 5	JUNE 6

