

EAST HOPE NEWS

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OCTOBER 2024

Fall Has Arrived...



2024

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(2027)

Council

DON WELLS

(2027)

JOYCE BUTLER

(2025)

MICHAEL WILCOX

(2025)

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(2027)

Park Updates: Have you heard? There is a new group that has formed to help raise funds for the park. “The Friends of the East Hope Community Park”, a 501(c)3 nonprofit group, similar to the “Friends of the Hope Cemetery” thanks to Michelle Ward’s hard work in filing all the necessary paperwork. The chairman of the board is Vern Fleisher, Treasurer is Amanda Delima, Secretary is Joyce Butler, and she will also be the liaison to the city council. They are accepting tax deductible donations and are planning a public meeting soon. This group is looking for additional members, if you are interested in joining please reach out to one of the board members or you can reach out to the city and we will pass your information along.

Tree Lighting Celebration: Save the date! December 6th will be the city’s annual tree lighting celebration. Watch for more information next month.

Water and Streets: Fall has arrived!! It is time to winterize your sprinkler systems and outside faucets. It’s also a good time to change the batteries in your fire alarm and carbon monoxide detectors. Are you planning on being gone for an extended time? The city strongly recommends having your water meter turned off to avoid any potential leak disasters. The City adopted a new Leak Forgiveness Policy in January that only allows a certain amount of forgiveness and only one time per property ownership.

Be Prepared! Winter Snow Removal Requirements: Snow plowing season is coming and this will be the first year with our official snow removal policy. A copy of our policy is posted on the city’s website and our Facebook page or you may request a copy at city hall.

Building Permit: The City has both building codes and zoning codes, so if you are starting a project such as a shed, deck, addition or new build please check with the City to see what permits you will need and if it meets zoning setbacks. A simple phone call or email to discuss your project will save you time and frustration as you plan for your project. We are seeing an increase in activity in the area and permits are taking 4 to 6 weeks to process so please plan your projects accordingly.

Vacation Rentals: The City has regulations concerning Vacation/Short-Term Rentals that were adopted with the new Zoning & Subdivision Ordinance #285. If you operate a Vacation Rental/Short-Term Rental, you are required to register with the City. The registration fee for the first year is \$50.00 and subsequent years are \$25.00. Vacation Rentals/Short-Term Rentals Registration forms are available to download on the City’s website.

Mayor’s Thoughts:

As you may know the City of East Hope was selected to attend the Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation “Health Academy”. The concepts behind this education was to make health not about just flu shots but that a healthy community includes, civility, places to congregate as a community, improving communications, food, housing, amenities like walking and bike paths to name a few. It was a very good learning experience for all who attended. For this effort the city will receive \$20,000. What do you think this money could be used for to improve our “health”?

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DATES BEGINS @ 5:30PM

OCTOBER 8TH

NOVEMBER 12TH

DECEMBER 10TH

JANUARY 14TH

FEBRUARY 11TH

OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-THURSDAY
9AM-3PM
Friday 10AM-1PM



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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 City Council Mtg. 5:30pm | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 City Hall Closed Columbus Day | 15 | 16 Boss's Day | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 Halloween | | |

Public Notary Services:

The city clerk is a Notary Public. The City will be offering this service during business hours Monday—Thursday. You may contact the City if you have additional questions.

Burn Permits: Burn permits are required through October 20th and are available at city hall.

City Facebook Page and Website:

Please be sure to follow the City's Facebook page, facebook.com/easthopeidaho and check out the city website at: cityofeasthope.com. The City will be posting their agendas, and public notices on both sites as well as at city hall. Feel free to contact the City for more information if you have questions. The City has a new meeting notice board on the door to city hall, be sure to check it out!

Ellisport Bay Sewer District:

The Ellisport Bay Sewer District Office is now in the Hope City Hall, 148 W. Main St. next to Old Ice House Pizzeria. Their office hours are Tuesday & Thursday 1pm—5pm and their website is: ebsewerdistrict.com

Tips for How to be a Good Neighbor: Always a Good Reminder.....

One of the biggest blessings of living in a community is having good neighbors however, the opposite is true of bad neighbors. Here are some tips to be a good neighbor.....

1. **Maintain Your Property:** Learn City Nuisance codes and keep the exterior of your home and yard maintained.
2. **Promote Good Will:** Giving your neighbors a heads-up of potential loud noise or large get-togethers can promote an understanding attitude and open lines of communication.
3. **Slow Down:** Mind the speed limit and be aware of children playing and neighbors walking or biking.
4. **Practice Pet Courtesy:** Keep your dog on a leash when walking in your neighborhood. Pick up after your pet and do what you can to deter ongoing barking disturbances.
5. **Keep it Classy, Not Trashy:** Set and remove your trash barrels according to the local schedule. Remove your barrels after pick-up.