



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP
DATE: AUGUST 9, 2012

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FURLOUGH DAYS:

August:

Friday, August 10th
Friday, August 24th

September:

Friday, September 7th
Friday, September 21st

October:

Friday, October 5th
Friday, October 19th

HOLIDAYS/VACATION SCHEDULES:

July 5th – August 31st: City Attorney Michael Fitzpatrick will be unavailable.

July 30th – August 13th: Chief Atkins on vacation; Sgt. Schmidt Acting Police Chief in his absence.

September 3rd – LABOR DAY HOLIDAY!

September 15th – September 23rd: City Manager John Brewer on vacation.

CITY MANAGER:

Public Works Crew Compliment Letter:

I received a letter and some photos (copy attached) from a resident on Dolla Court complimenting the Public Works crewmembers who recently repaired a leak in the City water main. The compliment was directed to Lee Blaylock, Troy Grootveld and Tracy Johnstone.

Note the letter mentions a delayed fix. The crew has been particularly busy lately with the reconstruction of Marguerite Avenue. Of course while that was occurring, some tasks were briefly delayed, including some minor water leaks.

Council Chambers HVAC

Patterson Electric was onsite on Tuesday repairing the wiring for the Council Chambers HVAC System. That system also serves the back part of the Police Dept. It seems to be working fine as of this writing.

Flags at Half Staff:

We received an electronic memo advising of the Presidential Order to fly the flag at half-staff in honor of the victims of the tragic Oak Creek Wisconsin shootings. We put the flags at City Hall and Transportation center at half-staff and advised Fire Chief Spannaus of the Presidential order. That will expire at sunset on August 10th.

Recreation Commission Meeting:

The recreation Commission met on Tuesday. Staff presented plans for Phase 1 of the new park.

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The plans are nearly complete. City Engineer Ed Anderson presented them to the commission and advised that the written specifications were also being prepared and would soon be circulated to contractors for bidding purposes.

The Commission directed staff to present the idea of a Park Naming Contest for Council consideration. The contest would solicit candidate names from each of the local schools. The candidate names would ultimately be presented for Council consideration and decision. Staff will present that item at the next Council meeting.

Corning Chamber of Commerce 2012 Olive Festival:

The Olive Festival is a long standing traditional event that occurs annually in August. The parade and bed races are scheduled for Friday, August 24th to be held on Solano Street.

The Festival will be held on Saturday, August 25th at the City's Woodson Park. South Street is normally closed for the Corning Fire Department activities and for the Rotary sponsored "Olive Drop". Walnut Street is also closed to westbound traffic to allow vendors access to and from the park for equipment/booth set up.

The Chamber has reported that Festival public involvement continues to grow. The Chamber is requesting that northbound traffic on Peach Street and the southbound traffic on Pear Street also be closed in order to accommodate the increase of vendors and community member attendance. Please see the attached map reflecting street closure information.

The Chamber is making arrangements with New Life Assembly for public parking and will be providing free shuttle rides to and from the festivities. City Staff has approved this request for street closures surrounding Woodson Park on August 25th.

CITY CLERK:

"Notice of Offices to Be Filled" and Election filing dates:

Filing period for offices in our District **is now open and closes on Friday, August 10, 2012**. If any incumbent fails to file during the nomination period, There will be a five day extension through 5 p.m. on August 15, 2012 for anyone other than the incumbent officer. Corning's elected "Offices to Be Filled" at the November 6, 2012 elections are:

- ❖ **Mayor** (2 Year Term)
- ❖ **City Council Member, 2 Positions** (4 Year Term)
- ❖ **City Treasurer** (4 Year Term)
- ❖ **City Clerk** (4 Year Term)

Public Works Director's Notes:

2012 Paving Projects, etc.

City Staff and City Engineer Ed Anderson met with Jason Abel and Todd Alabaugh of his crew on August 2nd for a pre-construction meeting. The meeting went well. We spoke at length about the urgency of the Blackburn Avenue waterline installation and repaving prior to school starting.

I had provided a drawing showing a proposed street repair to address the sunken utility trenches on Marguerite Avenue, south of Fig Lane. The idea was that we might incorporate that fix into the project as a Change Order. Jason presented an estimate of those trench repair costs. We felt the estimated cost could not be justified at this time.

After the meeting we assembled at Marguerite Avenue, south of Fig Lane to see if we could come up with another remedy. While there we asked Jason to give us a price for an asphalt overlay of the entire street segment. He used his bid pricing to generate an estimate (approx. \$88,000) and provided that the next day.

We hope to resurface that segment of Marguerite Avenue within the next few years. In the meantime, the sunken trenches really need to be addressed. For now, we're looking into utilizing our crew to complete some asphalt "skim coating" within the sunken trenches to improve the street surface.

CORNING CITY MANAGER: JOHN BREWER

ASST. DIRECTOR: PATRIC WALKER.

A small note to compliment, the team work of ; TROY, TRACY, LEE.

I have to wait more than a month for the job done by the City,

But that was OK, I did understand the situation, the problem is been

Taken care with no problems, those guys work hard, and did it very

Good, I watch them work, and was fantastic.

In Corning I COULD SAY WE DO HAVE GOOD WORKERS, a wonderful

Team work. I want to thank you, for this work done, and to have

Such a good people working for the City of Corning.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ana L. Becker". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Ana L. BECKER.

I AM SENDING SOME PHOTOS.

The work was a water leak in the main line.

