



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP *JLB*
DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2014

HOLIDAYS:

December 25th & 26th: City Hall will be closed for the Christmas Holiday. City Offices will reopen for business on Monday, December 29th.

January 1st: City Hall will be closed on New Year's Day. City offices will reopen for business on Friday, January 2nd.

EVENTS:

Christmas Party: The Christmas Party has been postponed due to the recent storm event and will be rescheduled in January.

CITY MANAGER:

Rainfall Totals:

We've had a good accumulation of rainfall so far this year. Precipitation is typically totaled by fiscal year, from July 1st to June 30th. To date, we've received 13.52 inches of rain. We normally get about 8.8" of rain July thru December, and 20.6 inches of rain over the entire year. So, we're optimistic that trend will continue and turn out to be a good rain year.

We're also happy to see water flowing in both Burch and Jewett Creeks. Flowing water in those gravelly streambeds helps replenish the aquifer that we rely on for our water system.

Sign Committee:

City Attorney Jody Burgess is arranging a meeting between County Administrative Director Julie Sisneros, County Counsel Arthur Wylene, himself and me to discuss advertising on public properties. It'll likely occur after the first of the year.

Sales Tax:

HdL provided 3rd Quarter Sales Tax receipt totals on Friday afternoon on December 12th. Sales for the 3rd Quarter are up about 5.6% over the 2nd Quarter totals, and up about 3.26% over the same quarter last year. That's really good news. As you know we've been concerned about falling fuel prices and how that'll affect our sales tax totals, since about 56% of our sales tax comes from fuel sales. We're looking forward to getting the more detailed report that will provide information regarding the sources of the sales; i.e. *fuel vs. autos vs. building products*, etc.

Meeting with Marc Nemanic:

I'm meeting Thursday afternoon with Marc Nemanic of 3Core to discuss Economic Development in general and the services they provide to the City of Corning.

Meeting with Managers:

I'm attending a lunch meeting with County Administrator Bill Goodwin, Red Bluff City Manager Rick Crabtree, County Superintendent of Schools Larry Champion and County Superintendent of School-elect Charles Allen in red Bluff on Thursday afternoon.

Public Works Department:

Rodgers Theater:

On Saturday, December 13th, a group of volunteers poured 15 yards of new concrete for the flooring in the theater.

On January 5th, Salt Creek Conservation is going to assist the City with installing base for the flooring in the theater. They will be moving, leveling and compacting base rock. It should take about two days to get this completed.

Potholes:

With the large amount of rain accumulation in Corning also brings a large amount of potholes in town. Public Works Crews are filling potholes throughout town.

Tree Leaf Pick Up:

As the leaf season is winding down, Public Works Crews will be picking up leaves for a few more weeks. As a reminder, please keep the pile of leaves in front of the residence 2 feet away from the curb to let storm water pass.

Police Department:

Patrol: In addition to responding to 191 calls for service, a total of 37 officer reports were taken and there were 68 officer-initiated incidents. Officers made 14 misdemeanor and 2 felony arrests, 35 traffic stops and issued 18 citations of which 1 was felony, 16 were misdemeanors, and 1 was an infraction during the period of December 10 through December 17, 2014.

Personnel: Police Officer oral board interviews were held on Monday, December 15 and the number one applicant has begun the background process.