



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER JOHN L. BREWER, AICP
DATE: JUNE 12, 2015

EVENTS:

Customer Service Bootcamp 2015: Tuesday, July 7th at 10:00 a.m. at Corning Council Chambers, 794 Third Street, Corning, CA. This is a 2-hour, fast paced session geared to revisit key skills with all Staff in all Industries. The training is being provided by Kathy Garcia, Business Services & Marketing, via the Tehama County Job Training Center and is sponsored by the Corning Chamber of Commerce. Those interested in participating are asked to RSVP to Valanne Cardenas, Corning Chamber of Commerce Manager at info@corningcachamber.org or 530/824-5550.

CITY MANAGER:

Sewer & Water Debt Refinancing:

We're continuing to interact with Mr. Jeff Land and Nicki Tallman at Brandis-Tallman regarding our proposed refinancing of the Water & Sewer Debt. We have responded to questions regarding the Water and Sewer rates and customer counts.

Meeting with Orland City Manager:

I had a lunch meeting with Orland City Manager Pete Carr on Monday. I wanted to give him a "head's up" regarding the Dispatch matter appearing on the City Council agenda on Tuesday. I've since contacted him to let him know that Fire Dispatch would remain staffed.

General Plan Maps:

Eihnard Diaz provided a draft of the Circulation Element and the Land Use Element Maps for review. I provided him my comments via email.

Budget Preparation:

Roy Seiler and I worked on implementing the Council's direction regarding the General Fund component of the 2015-2016 Budget. We intend to provide a staff report that details the status of the General Fund without Capital Improvements and without General Fund support to Street Maintenance duties at the next City Council meeting. We'll also be presenting our thoughts to increase our charge/call in order to generate additional revenue from the Fire Dispatch contracts with Orland, Orland Fire District and the Capay Fire District.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Corning Community Park:

Skate Movement Event Coordinator Kevin Marshall contacted Public Works on Wednesday morning. Skate Movement will be hosting its 2nd annual skating event at the Corning Skate & Bike Park located on Toomes Avenue on Saturday, June 20, 2015, 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Corning Youth Soccer:

City Staff will be meeting with Youth Soccer Board members on Friday. We will be collecting information regarding the goal posts and playing field borders.

WWTP:

City and Severn Trent Staff will be meeting with Charlie Wright on Thursday regarding concrete repairs at the Plant. It appears that the rotating aerator brushes are causing damage to the support-wall.

CDBG Paving Project:

Stimpel-Wiebelhaus Associates, Inc. has been issued a Notice of Award letter. City Engineer Ed Anderson, Consultant JoAnn Anders and City Staff will meet with the Project Contractor on June 19th for a pre-construction meeting. We anticipate a construction start date of July 6th.

Water Leaks:

It is not uncommon for water main leaks to appear throughout the City as seasonal temperatures change. Once a leak is reported to the Public Works Department, it is immediately assessed. Before the repair can be made, Public Works must call in a USA (Underground Service Alert) ticket for service and then wait the required 2 working-day time period (48 hours) before the crew can begin digging up the water line to make the repairs. The leak is scheduled for repairs as soon as the required time period has been met. All water leak repairs are a high priority item within the Public Works Department.

At this time there are two water main leaks that have been reported to USA for utility marking; one located in an alley near 6th and Solano Street, and one located on Elizabeth Avenue. Both locations are scheduled for repairs early next week.

Water leaks can be reported to the Public Works Department at (530)824-7029.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:**Department Calls:**

Corning Fire received 456 calls for service during the period of June 1, 2015 to June 11, 2015, 44 medical aids, 1 false alarm fire, 1 public service, 1 mutual aid traffic collision and 1 structure fire. Also included are calls for burn information, weed abatement, community service and general information.

Training:

The Volunteers have been training for one of the worst fire years predicted as a result of the ongoing drought. We are gearing up for Strike Team and local responses and are starting our local vegetation hazard reduction.

Corning Volunteer Fire sent 6 members to Lassen View School to participate in a County-wide "Combined Response" to a violent incident exercise. This was a huge training event that included all Law Enforcement and Fire Agencies throughout Tehama County. This is the new approach for a response that will save lives in the event of such occurrences like a school shooting. It puts EMS Personnel in the "warm zone" allowing them to get people out to a safe area and increase victim survivability.

Events:

Pancake Breakfast for Sober Grad: Volunteers sponsored a Pancake Breakfast to support sober graduation with the Senior Class at Corning High and with their hard working class and were able to provide \$ 450 towards the Sober Grad evening.

June 13th Rods & Ribs Event: Corning Volunteers will be at Rolling Hills Casino for the Rods & Ribs Event on June 13, 2015 to defend their 3 year run as the "Top Rib Champion" in the Firehouse challenge, please come out and support our local economy and firemen.

Weed Abatement:

Weed Abatement is ongoing and most property owners have complied and properties have been abated. We will now shift our attention to alleys, rubbish and clutter and respond to citizen complaints.

Fireworks:

I have been contacted by a concerned citizen regarding the sale of Fireworks in the City during the current drought. I will be consulting with the City Attorney on options the City has available at this late date, based upon the City's Municipal Code, regarding permits already approved/issued and requests that might be received. Currently the Municipal Code states "the Fire Chief may issue a permit for the sale of Safe and Sane Fireworks to any nonprofit association or corporation organized for veterans, patriotic, youth serving, civic betterment or charitable purpose" with certain stipulations. I will keep the City Manager and Council informed on the status.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 219 calls for service, a total of 36 officer reports were taken and there were 71 officer-initiated incidents, including 26 traffic stops. Officers made 12 misdemeanor arrests and 3 felony arrests, and issued 24 citations of which 1 was a felony, 11 were misdemeanors, 5 were infractions, 6 were parking-related and 1 was unclassified during the period of June 4, 2015 through June 10, 2015.