



HAUSER HAPPENINGS

ELECTIONS NOVEMBER 3

www.cityofhauser.org

Meeting Schedule

Our City Council meets the second and fourth Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

The Planning and Zoning Commission meets the third and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Both meetings are held at the Hauser City Hall located at 11837 N Hauser Lake Road.

As always, the public is encouraged to attend.

It is time to vote.

Voting will be held at the Precinct 7 at Hauser Fire Station, 10728 N. Hauser Lake Rd . The polls open at 8 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. on November 3rd. There are city elections and the County bond election for the sales tax increase to raise funds for the Jail expansion. The County will make a pres-

entation on the jail expansion at the October 28 City Council Meeting.

The following positions are open at the City:

Mayor—4 years

Council Seat 2 years

Council Seat 4 years

Council Seat 4 years

CALL CITY HALL FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION 777-9315



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WHO IS RUNNING?
Election Profiles inside this newsletter

Did you Know?

Hauser is:

#9 in small cities in Idaho with the most high school graduates (by percentage)

#7 in small cities in Idaho with the most veterans of the armed forces (by percentage)

HAUSER DAZE

Hauser Daze was a HUGE Success! Thanks to all who worked so hard for the first of many Hauser Daze. It was fun for all and volunteers are planning for next year. Any questions contact Amelia Kirk at Kirks Espresso on HWY 53.

HAUSER COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

HAUSER 20/20

A CLEAR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

The City of Hauser Planning Commission, in cooperation with the Kootenai County Joint Planning Commission is reviewing the 1993 Comprehensive Plan and updating the statistics for the Plan. Once all of the statistics are updated, the Plan will be rewritten. A Comprehensive Plan is a document that is used as a guide to plan for future growth and development in and around the City of Hauser. Once the guide is completed, then regulations are amended and implemented. Public participation is critical to the future of this area. There are many ways to participate. Attending Planning Commission meetings and volunteering to help gather research are just some of the ways.

The Planning Commission is looking for volunteers that will facilitate focus groups. These focus groups will be holding meetings and facilitating a series of questions to groups throughout the community. The purpose will be to find out what issues are important to the community and what vision we have for the future of Hauser.

If you want additional information, don't hesitate to contact any of the Planning Commission members. Their contact information is on the Hauser website or you can e-mail them at hausercityhall@roadrunner.com.

Dog Licenses are Available

Dog Licenses

Dog licenses are required in the City of Hauser. The City Council in an effort to ensure that dogs are vaccinated and licensed will waive the license fees for 2009 and 2010. If you choose to donate your fee to the City, that fee will be forwarded to a low cost spay and neuter clinic.

We strongly encourage you to contact the City Clerk during office hours (Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30 to 2:30) OR if that is not convenient, by contacting City Hall at hausercityhall@roadrunner.com or call 777-9315 for additional information.

The dog license is on our website under application forms. You must provide proof of rabies vaccination with your application. The City is also reviewing the regulations on animal control and dog licenses and is interested in any input you have. Please contact City Hall for additional information.

Don't forget to log on to www.cityofhauser.org for more information about City of Hauser and links to other important sites.



Winter is Coming!

The leaves are turning and the upcoming winter season is on its way. The City is preparing for snow season and so is requesting the following from our citizens:

- The City has contracted with the Post Falls Highway District to trim branches and mow weed and brush areas in the right of way. If there are tree branches, weeds or brush in the right of way adjacent to your property, the maintenance crew will be coming by and cutting, mowing and sweeping in the next couple of weeks.
- During snow season, garbage cans and inoperable vehicles need to be off the streets so that the snow plows can do an effective job for all.
- If you regularly park or have visitors that park vehicles on the street or in the right of way, please move the vehicles to your

REWARD

A **\$500.00** REWARD IS BEING OFFERED BY THE CITY OF HAUSER FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON(S) WHO VANDALIZED CITY HALL WITH GRAFITTI. CALL CITY HALL AT 777-09315 OR SGT KNIGHT AT THE KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT AT 446-1300.

REGULATION INFORMATION

SIGN REGULATIONS

There are new sign regulations for businesses, residential and real estate signs. For example, there is a limit on the amount of signs you can display in your yard and real estates signs are now not allowed in the public right of way. You can find the new regulations under Ordinance 156 at www.cityofhauser.org and look under the link code amendments. If you have any questions or need further clarification, contact Cheri Howell at (208) 640-9530 or hausercityhall@roadrunner.com

Home Occupations

If you have a business out of your home or pole barn, there is a permit that you need from the City of Hauser. There are certain criteria and conditions that apply such as the number of employees, screening from view and signage. Please contact Cheri Howell at 640-9530 or be e-mailing the city at hausercityhall@roadrunner.com

NEW CITY CLERK

The City welcome's the newest staff member! Donna Ray will begin duties as the new City Clerk Tuesday, October 20th and be officially appointed to the position on October 28th. Stop in and say hi! Donna is a local resident and has years of office management experience. Cheri Howell will continue on with the City of Hauser as the Code Administrator and Code Enforcement Officer.

ELECTION PROFILES

OLITA “OLY” JOHNSTON MAYOR 4 YEARS

It is you the citizens of Hauser that will elect good, sound, responsible decision makers on election day. There are at times tough and difficult situations that arise and should be thoroughly thought through before a decision is made. I believe this council is working towards better communication with you, the taxpayer. It would be good if we had a citizen committee to make reports of what the community would like to see in the future. I personally would like to see a community hall. Let us all help to develop more respect for the land, air and water we depend upon for survival. Let us work to protect our lake from pollutants. I have lived here for forty years and feel like everyone is family to me. I had a newcomer say to me “God I hope no one else finds this place”. Oly

CLAIRE HATFIELD COUNCIL 4 YEARS

Came to Hauser in 2004 and I can't imagine living anywhere else. Right now I am semi-retired. I bring a love of our city, integrity, and a true desire to serve our citizens. All this cannot be accomplished unless we have good community input. My goal is to be accessible to our citizens in the hope that we can get constructive dialogue started. The elected officials will represent you best if they know what the community expects. I take my responsibilities seriously and hope to have the opportunity to serve you in the future.

LACEY HYNES COUNCIL 4 YEARS

Hauser has been home to me since 1991. Growing up on the lake was the greatest thing I could've asked for. I have come to realize how important communication, honesty, compromise, family, and pride are to our smaller community; I have also inherited these values over my eighteen year stay here. In my seat on City Council, I hope to add positive influence to our many goals in Hauser, remembering that these values have been, and always will be important here. I feel that strong relationships between elected officials and citizens is key to ensuring that our city runs strong, and that our lake stays peaceful and beautiful. I plan to be an active member of this community for a long time, and am looking forward to raising my family here as I was.

ED PEONE COUNCIL 2 YEARS

I have been a resident of Hauser since 1958 and was blessed with the chance to grow up in this wonderful community. I have raised three daughters here and had three grandchildren living here for a while as well. This community has been great for me and my children to grow up in and my biggest concern being on the council is to do my best to have Hauser be the same safe and friendly area for future families to raise children. I have spent 14 years as Mayor of Hauser and another 5 years on the Council, so I am well experienced in the proper ways of City government and working with other government entities. Thank you for your support and being such a great community.

MIKE CURRY COUNCIL 2 YEARS

I am new to the neighborhood but not new to Hauser. I moved to Hauser in May of 2009 from Post Falls. I am no stranger to Hauser since I have been representing clients in the Hauser area since 2006 as a design engineer and planning consultant. I am a member of the Hauser Planning and Zoning Commission and have always been very passionate about the work of government and have had plenty to say from the sidelines. I finally decided to put up or shut up. Listening to what the people of Hauser want for the community, gaining respect by the other agencies in our jurisdiction, and working to decide just how much improvement can be made to the City of Hauser when it comes to long range planning and potential services for the residents of the city and the area of city impact. The City of Hauser can be so much more than it is today and still retain its small town feeling. Hauser is a community known for great access to the surrounding cities and a great place to have a home. I think we need to capitalize on this nature and take advantage of every opportunity given when they are presented. This also includes looking to create opportunities and enlisting the help of resources that may be available to the City to help defer costs for capital improvements”.

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COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

Recently, the Planning Commission distributed a community survey to find out what citizens believed were the major issues in this area. Out of 300 surveys distributed, there were approximately 50 surveys returned. Here are the results in a nutshell. Complete results will be available online at www.cityofhauser.org by November 1, 2009.

- ◆ Approximately 50% of the respondents lived in the City Limits, 50% did not
- ◆ Most of the respondents lived in the area between five and ten years
- ◆ The main reason that people chose to live here was the quality of life, privacy, small town atmosphere, and the friendly sense of community
- ◆ Most of the respondents believed that Hauser today was a hodgepodge of development and believed that Hauser should be a stand alone small town. Second place was “unchanged”
- ◆ Most important issues in the area were lake quality, blight (junk, inoperable vehicles), overcrowding, degradation of the environment, snow removal and no cell phone tower
- ◆ The majority of the respondents wanted to discourage development around the Lake and did not want new subdivisions in the rural areas
- ◆ The majority of the respondents wanted to discourage additional commercial development around the Lake
- ◆ The majority of respondents wanted to encourage commercial development along Highway 53
- ◆ The majority of respondents did not want to see industrial development along Highway 53
- ◆ It was evenly split on people who wanted to see more annexation into the City of Hauser
- ◆ It was evenly split on respondents willing to pay additional taxes for open space
- ◆ The majority of the respondents wanted more trails around the Lake
- ◆ An overwhelming majority wanted to see a walking/bike path around the Lake
- ◆ The majority of respondents felt that there was no light pollution in Hauser