



Leavenworth Courier

News from the Leavenworth City Council



SPRING 2012

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SPRING CLEAN-UP

City of Leavenworth's Annual Spring Clean-up for single-family residential households is coming. The City crew will pick up yard debris the same day household garbage is collected, at no extra charge.

Leaves, pine needles, and other yard debris must be in plastic garbage bags. Limbs must be cut into 4-foot or shorter lengths and tied into bundles. No furniture, appliances, dirt, rocks, sod, or building debris will be picked up. The yard debris should be out next to your garbage tote and will be picked up the same day. Please limit the extra garbage to 4 bags per week.



A Minute With the Mayor



Mayor Cheryl K. Farivar

After eight weeks in office, I think I'm beginning to get a handle on what's going on here at the City and I want to keep you in the loop. Big things will be happening in town after the snow is gone, and this summer will bring lots of construction. Here's a quick rundown of some of the projects we have planned for 2012.

- The gazebo in Front Street Park is getting a facelift and some long needed maintenance. After nearly 50 years of faithful service, the gazebo will be refurbished from the foundation to the cupola and will be completed just before Maifest. When the construction is complete, we hope to have a re-dedication ceremony and honor a few of the early pioneers who helped build the gazebo back in the 1960's. Special thanks to Projekt Bayern for funding this renovation.

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Conservation and Your Water Rate

The City completed a Utility Rate Study this past year and reviewed several options for designing the water rate structure.

In the past, the monthly rate has been based primarily on a base rate that included 15,000 gallons of water. A charge of \$1.25 per thousand gallons went into effect after the initial use of 15,000 gallons. In looking at ways to promote water conservation and reduce the fee to those that do not use as much water, a new Conservation Rate Structure was developed.

The City Council is now preparing to implement the water billing change on July 1, 2012. The new rate structure will do two things; first it will reduce the monthly base rate by \$2 (rates were increased \$2 on January 1, 2012 as an interim stop gap measure) and second it will implement the new consumption charges based on a reduction of the base rate to 7,500 gallons and a rate of \$.65 cents per 1,000 gallons between 7,500 gallons—15,000 gallons used. The next block of usage is \$1.45 per 1000 gallons used between 15,000 and 25,000. The final block usage is \$1.85 per 1000 gallons for those over 25,000 gallons per month (Note: Commercial

rates are slightly higher per thousand gallons with different block ranges). You may contact City staff to review your normal monthly average water use.

Citizens that conserve their water use will see a reduction in their monthly bill. Since the rate is scheduled to change as of July 1, 2012, consumption charges will not be calculated until August 1, 2012. It will be important to watch the water use carefully for such things as watering lawns and gardens and correcting leaks and running toilets immediately. The City Code allows for some adjustments in costs involved with overage charges from leaks — you do need to be proactive in contacting City staff to address the problem. Contact us here at City Hall to learn more about this benefit.

There are hundreds of ways to conserve water use. Watch for great tips in our upcoming newsletters!





SUPPORT CYCLING!

Bike pedestals are available for purchase through the City. An important addition to our Downtown Master Plan, these slim style bollards may be placed at various locations downtown or in the parks. If you would like to purchase a bike pedestal, please call Development Services staff to discuss possible location. Each bike pedestal will commemorate your contribution with a plaque showing your love for Leavenworth and support of alternative transportation! Dedicate one in honor of a special occasion, individual, business or event.



Call 548-5275 for information



Parking and Sidewalks

DOWNTOWN PARKING

Did you know that parking on many City streets in the downtown area overnight is prohibited throughout the year? A vehicle parked between 3:00 AM and 7:00 AM will subject the vehicle to impoundment on the following streets: Front Street between its intersection with State Highway SR2 and its intersection with Tenth Street; Commercial Street between Eighth Street and Division Street; and Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Streets between Front Street and Commercial Street. It is also unlawful to leave any vehicle unattended in an alley in the city except for bona fide delivery vehicles which may stop for loading and unloading only, which should be accomplished as quickly as reasonably possible, and take no longer than 15 minutes.



USE OF SIDEWALKS

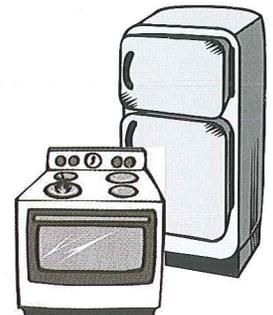
Do you want to put a bench, table, or flower planter on a city sidewalk? A permit from the City is required. Sidewalk fixtures (like benches and planters), when located in the commercial districts, are subject to the Old World Bavarian Alpine Theme and the City's Downtown Master Plan. An application for a Special Use Permit to place fixtures is available on the City's website at www.cityofleavenworth.com. Placing signage within the sidewalk area is not allowed.



Chelan County Cleanup Days

White Goods and Scrap Metal Recycling

March 31, 2012



NOTE: This may be the final year of this one day event due to current market prices and an increase in independent scrap metal businesses. For information on local metal disposal options contact Chelan County Public Works.

Items Accepted: Large Appliances such as hot water tanks, 6-foot pipe lengths or less, dryers, steel bath tubs, aluminum siding, bikes, lawnmowers, wheel rims, refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners at most sites (see purging fees below).

Items Not Accepted: Cable, pressurized tanks, propane tanks, sprayers, mattresses, gas cylinders, light ballast, non-aluminum canopies/campers, travel trailers, enclosed barrels, plastics or garbage.

Dryden: Dryden Transfer Station, Highway 2
Wenatchee: 1450 S. Wenatchee Avenue (across from Waste Management Transfer Station)
 Also locations in Entiat, Chelan, and Malaga

There will be a **\$20 purging fee** for any appliances that contain, or once contained, Freon. All other metal is free for disposal. All hazardous waste fluids must be removed from automotive items, including engines and transmission cases.



Questions? Chelan County Public Works:
 (509) 667-6415

Watch What You Flush

Handy wipes, reinforced paper towels, and scrim reinforced wipes are problematic when flushed down the toilet. These products end up at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant where they clog screens, pumps, and water treatment equipment.

These products are not easily bio-degradable and cause our treatment plant to incur additional operational maintenance that drives up costs to you - the customer! Please avoid flushing these types of reinforced wipes and towels down the sewer and instead dispose of them in the trash can.

Thank you.



Pool Season Passes on Sale Now

The City pool opens on Saturday, May 26th. Did you know that we accept Visa and MasterCard for payment on season passes? Please visit or contact City Hall at 548-5275 for more details.

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- The long awaited, (and hotly debated), repair and resurfacing of Ski Hill Drive between Pine and Prospect, is planned for early summer. This is primarily aimed at the intersections and will level and repair the asphalt. Although this is not a complete rebuild of the street, our cars will thank us for the effort! At the same time, there will be a pavement restoration project on Commercial Street between 9th and Division.
- Our "Safe Routes to School" sidewalk project along West Street will also happen in the early summer, and the surveyors will be doing their work starting this month.
- Front Street, from Highway 2 to Division Street, will be completely rebuilt, along with the installation of new sewer and water lines. We will do our best to keep access open to the mer-

chants and homeowners during the construction and we expect completion around September 1.

- The MEND affordable housing project (*Meadowlark*) is gaining momentum and the City is in the process of applying for a Community Development Block Grant, (a HUD grant specifically targeted towards affordable housing projects). This infrastructure grant will be used to extend city water and sewer lines from the high school to North Road and into the area between Titus Road and Chumstick Highway where these affordable family homes are planned. MEND has made several presentations to the City Council illustrating layout of the plat and the architectural styles of the proposed homes, and we look forward to seeing an attractive neighborhood with a great mix of affordable, owner occupied homes, near market homes, and full market rate homes growing there over the next several years.
- Very soon Leavenworth will have one of the first "Electric Vehicle Recharging Stations" in the state. This recharging station will be installed in the corner of the City Hall parking lot and will be able to charge two vehicles simultaneously, encouraging electric car owners to visit Leavenworth.
- As for the fruit warehouse...we have signed a 5-year lease/option agreement with the owners which allows us the time to develop a funding strategy for the purchase of the property between 10th and Division for the purpose of future development of parking and other potential uses. Demolition of the warehouse itself will be a joint venture with the current owners, and will be scheduled at a later time. However, the City has taken over the operation of the lower level parking area near the Festhalle, and the income from this and all future parking will be dedicated to the annual lease payment and/or the eventual purchase of the property.

I'll be writing this column regularly to keep you informed of our progress and to let you know what we're up to at City Hall.

Cheri Farivar

Frequently Dialed Numbers

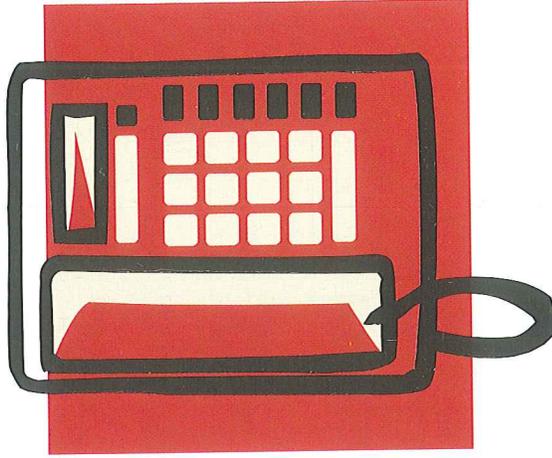
Call Before You Dig	(800) 424-5555
Cascade High School	548-5277
Cascade Medical Center	548-5815
Cashmere City Hall	782-3513
Chamber of Commerce	548-5807
Chelan / Douglas Health Board	886-6450
Chelan City Hall	682-4037
Chelan County Assessor	667-6365
Chelan County Auditor	667-6800
Chelan County Commissioner	667-6215
Chelan County Court	667-6600
City Parks	548-7418
City Pool	548-4142
East Wenatchee City Hall	884-9515
Festhalle	548-6789
Fire Department Business Calls	548-7711
Forest Service	548-6977
Golf Course	548-7267
Icicle River Middle School	548-4042
KOHO Radio	548-1011
Leavenworth City Hall	548-5275
Leavenworth Echo	548-5286
Leavenworth Taxi	548-8687
Link Transit	662-1155
Mosquito Control District	548-5904
Osborn Elementary School	548-5839
Pass Report	(800) 695-7623
Peshastin Dryden Elementary	548-5832
Post Office	548-7212
Public Library	548-7923
Public Utility District	548-7761
Ski Hill	548-5477
Upper Valley Museum of Leavenworth	548-0728
Washington Department of Transportation	548-5773
Washington State Patrol	682-8090
Waste Management	662-4591
Wenatchee City Hall	888-6200
Wenatchee Valley Humane Society	662-9577
Wenatchee World	663-5161

City of Leavenworth

700 Highway 2 / Post Office Box 287
Leavenworth, Washington 98826
(509) 548-5275 / Fax: (509) 548-6429



Important Phone Numbers



Emergency Dial 911

- Chelan County Sheriff – 667-6851
- Fire Department – 548-7711

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Who do I call?

Disturbance	667-6851	Sheriff
Domestic Animals – Barking, Chained, Parked, Roaming	662-9577	Wenatchee Valley Humane Society
Junk Cars	667-6851	Sheriff
Obstructions	667-6851	Sheriff
Park Nuisance	667-6851	Sheriff
Park Maintenance	548-5275	City Hall
Parking	667-6851	Sheriff
Snow Removal	548-5275	City Hall
Street Lights	548-5275	City Hall
Trespass / Dumping	667-6851	Sheriff
Utility Repair / Maintenance	548-5275	City Hall
Vandalism	667-6851	Sheriff
Vegetation / Weeds	548-5275	Development Services Dept.

FESTIVALS

- Autumn Leaf Festival -
info@autumnleaffestival.com
- Bavarian Ice Festival...548-5807
- Birdfest...548-0181
- Christmas Lighting Festival...548-5807
- Festhalle...548-6789
- International Dance Festival...548-0150
- Kriskindlmarkt...548-6605
- Kindertfest...548-5807
- Leavenworth International Accordion
Celebration...206-622-4786
- Maifest...548-5807
- Oktoberfest...860-2887
- Quilt Festival...548-5311
- Salmon Fest...548-6662

Building Permit / Inspection	Development Services – Don Heffner
Cemetery	Deputy Clerk – Angela Reinhart
City Council	City Administrator – Joel Walinski
Design Review Application	Development Services – Cary Siess
Design Review Board	Development Services – Cary Siess
Dog Licenses	Deputy Clerk – Angela Reinhart
Festhalle	Festhalle – Dave Winters
Garbage / Recycle	City Hall – Terry Gildersleeve
Library	Library – Brianna Springer
Lost & Found	City Hall
Park Use / Reservations	Parks – Cathy Boughey
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Planning Commission	Development Services – Nathan Pate
Pool Passes / Hours	Deputy Clerk – Angela & Carrie
Request Public Records	City Clerk – Chantell Steiner
Sewer Line Break	City Hall – Terry Gildersleeve
Sidewalk & Street Repair	City Hall – Terry Gildersleeve
Signs & Sign Permits	Development Services – Cary Siess
Site Distance / Obstruction	Sheriff Burnett
Special Use Permit	City Administrator – Joel Walinski
Street / Sidewalk Closures	Public Works – Dave Schettler
Utility Bill Pay	Deputy Clerk – Carrie Brewer
Utility Shut-Off	Deputy Clerk – Carrie Brewer
Water / Sewer Connection	Public Works – Dave Schettler
Water Leak	City Hall – Terry Gildersleeve

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