

### **Welcome to tonight's City Council meeting!**

The elected officials of the City of Bonners Ferry are appreciative of an involved constituency. Testimony from the public is encouraged concerning issues when addressed under the Public Hearing portion of the agenda. Any individual who wishes may address the council on any issue, whether on the agenda or not, during the Public Comments period. Normal business will preclude public participation during the business portion of the meeting with the discretion left to the Mayor and Council.

### **Vision Statement**

Bonners Ferry, "The Friendliest City", strives to achieve balanced growth, builds on community strengths, respects natural resources, promotes excellence in Government, and values quality of life.

**AGENDA**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Bonners Ferry City Hall**  
**7232 Main Street**  
**267-3105**  
**November 20, 2012**  
**7:00 p.m.**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of five minutes, unless repeat testimony is requested by the Mayor/Council

### **GUESTS**

Mike Normandu – Bonneville Power Administration

### **REPORTS**

Police/Fire/City Administrator/Economic Development Coordinator/Urban Renewal District

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of Bills and Payroll
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Approve November 20, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes

### **OLD BUSINESS**

5. City – Update from City Attorney Regarding Conflicts of Interest

### **NEW BUSINESS**

6. Water – Authorize the Mayor to Sign Letter of Acceptance for the Deep Creek Project (attachment)
7. City – Approve Catering Permit for Ralph Lotspeich DBA Mirror Lake Golf Course for Festival of Trees on December 8, 2012 at the Fairgrounds (attachment)
8. City – Authorize the Mayor to Cast the ICRMP Board of Trustees Ballot (attachment)
9. City – Approve Resolution #2013-01 Amending Comprehensive Plan
10. City – Discuss Christmas Party

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE 67-2345, SUBSECTION 1**

- (a) Consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.
- (b) Consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.
- (c) Conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.
- (d) Consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in chapter 3, title 9, Idaho Code.
- (e) Consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations.
- (f) Communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.
- (g) Engage in communications with a representative of the public agency's risk manager or insurance provider to discuss the adjustment of a pending claim or prevention of a claim imminently likely to be filed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

**INFORMATION**

- 11. City – AIC City Officials' Day at the Capitol is January 31, 2013 in Boise
- 12. Electric – Information on Project Share Information (attachment)
- 13. City – Idaho Statesman Article RE: Pool Insurance Program (attachment)

# CITY OF BONNERS FERRY

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November 20, 2012

Mr. Howard Lunderstadt  
USDA – Rural Development  
7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C3  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815

Re: Deep Creek Crossing Waterline Extension Project Closeout

Dear Mr. Lunderstadt:

The purpose of this letter is to certify that the City accepts the work completed by S & L Underground, Inc. for the Bonners Ferry Deep Creek Crossing Waterline Extension project. The work under this contract is satisfactory to the City and the City concurs that close out of this project may proceed.

Please contact me with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,  
City of Bonners Ferry

David Anderson  
Mayor

DA:spm  
cc: Welch Comer Engineers

**CITY OF BONNERS FERRY  
CATERING PERMIT APPLICATION**

Owners Name: Ralph Lotzpeich

Business Name: Mirror Lake Golf Course

Business Address: 5686 Marsh St,

Bonnors Ferry, ID 83805

State Beverage License Number: 11554

I hereby request a catering permit for the following dates: Dec. 8, 2012

from the hours of 5:00 ~~8:00~~ a.m./p.m. to 12:00 a.m./p.m. at the

following location: Boundary County Fairgrounds

Catering will be done for the following group or organization sponsoring the

event: Festival of Trees

Type of Event: Fundraisers

Wine: X Beer: X Hard Liquor: X

Ralph Lotzpeich 11-16-12  
Signature of the Licensee Date

Ralph Lotzpeich  
Printed Name

Address: P.O. Box 3040 B.F. Phone: 208 290-7937

Date Submitted to City Council 11-20-12

A non-refundable fee of \$20 per day is required with the application

Please make check payable to: City of Bonners Ferry  
P. O. Box 149  
Bonners Ferry, ID 83805

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**Idaho Counties Risk Management Program, Underwriters**  
P. O. Box 15249, Boise, Idaho 83715

November 9, 2012

Dear Mayor:

As a subscriber to the ICRMP Joint Powers Agreement, it is your right to participate in the ICRMP Board of Trustee's election process. At the bottom of this letter is the ICRMP Board of Trustees Ballot. Please VOTE for the candidate for Region 1 Representative and return the ballot to the ICRMP office in the self-addressed envelope by Friday, November 30, 2012. You may also fax it to 208-336-2100 or email a scanned image to [intake@icrmp.org](mailto:intake@icrmp.org).

Thank you, for your participation in the ICRMP Board of Trustee's election.

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## **ICRMP Ballot**

### **Region 1**

- Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell (incumbent)
- Tom Heston, Council Member, City of Wardner

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Mayor Signature

Utility Name	Size	Contact	How promote?	Funded From?	Typical Yr Amount Donated	Who Administers	Limitation of Used by Utility Members only?	Electric Bill or Fuel Blind?	Program Rules
Bonnors Ferry Electric Department	2,607	Chris	On bill - listed as Project Share	Consumers plus large donation from a church	\$1,000 to \$2,000	CAP out of Lewistown & Sandpoint	Y	Y includes water, sewer, garbage (provided by city also)	
Clearwater Power	10,418	Lisa	On bill - listed as Helping Hands	Consumers plus when estate capital credit pays early - discounted amount is transferred & paid to Helping Hands immediately	\$22,800 in 2012 approximately \$18,000 is from Capital Credit discounted estates	CAP out of Lewistown	Y	Y for electric use only	\$200 within the last 12 month
Northern Lights	18,315	Tim	On bill - listed as Helping Hands	Members only Receive a one year \$500 from an individual	\$12,000 - \$15,000	Northern Lights self administers and works with CAP Sandpoint	Y	Y for electric use only	Typically once in a lifetime - do 150 to 200 per year - amount ranges from \$300 to \$500
Inland Power and Light	38,453	Gene	On bill - listed as Project Share added on opportunity	\$35K from members (some members do yearly large amount) and Inland Power funds between \$10,000 to \$12,500 plus sponsors fundraiser breakfast for SNAP	\$47,500 in 2012 approximately (received \$57,000 back from SNAP last year)	SNAP out of Spokane	N - donations go into the main SNAP Project Share Fund	N - can be used for any utility	Under general SNAP guidelines
KEC	23,251	Chris	Operation RoundUp listed on bill - can up donation to whatever amount wanted	Operation RoundUp member donations (\$5,000) and Kootenai Electric Cooperative (\$5,000)	\$10,000	CAP out of CDA	Y	Y	Maximum \$200 within the last 12 months

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### Idaho cities pay extra into pool insurance program

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The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho — Nearly 40 Idaho cities are facing double-digit increases in health insurance premiums because a pool insurance program they joined earlier this year was hit with some unexpected early claims.

Cities big and small joined the Idaho Independent Intergovernmental Authority program in March, in hopes of lower annual insurance premiums. Cities signed up with the group program after leaving more traditional insurers like Blue Cross of Idaho.

But the newly formed group received 11 claims in the first 40 days of operation that were unexpected and not calculated into the first-year business model, the Post Register reported (<http://bit.ly/ZLbLF>). As a result, pool members have had to kick in extra to shore up the reserve account.

Member premiums increased by 19 percent in September and will rise 36 percent in January, the newspaper reported.

"Basically the story is, we had more people who got sick right off the bat than we thought," said Gary Marks, chairman of the pool's board of directors and Ketchum's city administrator. "We know it's an anomaly because claims have receded down dramatically (since)."

There are 39 cities taking part in the pool, including Rigby, Blackfoot, St. Anthony, Ketchum, Hailey and Stanley.

In Rigby, officials dropped their city's coverage with Blue Cross of Idaho this year because they thought they could get a better deal for their 20 employees by pooling coverage with the program participants' 850 employees. But with the premium increases, the pool could cost Rigby significantly more over time.

City Clerk Dave Swager said Rigby received a quote of \$9,904 per month from Blue Cross but will pay \$15,662 per month through the pool once the 36 percent increase takes effect in January.

Swager said Rigby officials tried to back out of the pool once the problems hit but could not do so without paying a large financial penalty that includes one year's worth of premiums.

At this point, Swager said he hopes the pool will be deemed insolvent by the state and liquidated so Rigby can rejoin Blue Cross.

"We're definitely concerned," Swager said. "We can't afford \$15,000 a month in premiums versus \$9,000 in premiums."

But some officials in member cities still see the value and potential benefits of the pool program. Even with the 36 percent increase, the pool will continue benefiting St. Anthony, City Clerk and Treasurer Patty Parkinson said.

Before joining the pool, St. Anthony employees paid rates adjusted for sex and age, causing the city's insurance payments to fluctuate widely depending on the employee. As a member of the pool, the city pays a flat rate of \$409.15 per month per employee, about \$121 less than the age-variable plan under Regence Blue Shield.

"For us, it's been a good thing because we've been able to maintain the plan we've always had," Parkinson said. "It's leveled out (our rates) and made it a little more predictable."

Ammon Mayor Steve Fuhriman is optimistic that the increasing premiums this year and efforts to bolster reserves ultimately will save money for the pool and make costs for cities more predictable and affordable in the future.

"It's in trouble, but it's not insurmountable or impossible to overcome," Fuhriman said. "Like any young business starting up, it has its challenges."

Information from: Post Register, <http://www.postregister.com>

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