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**Planning for the Future**

Strategic planning is essential to a city for decision-making and allocation of resources to meet future objectives. It allows a city to be proactive and not fall into the rut of managing only by crisis. The Ammon City Council has started working to establish a strategic plan for the next three, five, and ten years. This process comprises evaluating all infrastructure including roads, parks, water and sewer lines, and fees. The findings will be paramount in determining the 2015 budget.

The Street Department has already instituted a maintenance plan that rotates through a three-year cycle addressing chip seal and general road maintenance. A water and sewer study were recently completed determining depreciation, line maintenance and replacement in order to keep the city's system in optimum condition.

In addition to establishing a strategic plan for the entire city, community meetings will start this spring for public input regarding the Master Plan for the Original Ammon Town Site and the Hillview/Hillsdale subdivisions. We look forward to meeting with the citizens to hear their vision for their neighborhood.

Bonneville County and surrounding cities have begun quarterly meetings to discuss regional concerns. April 25th the City of Ammon will host the Idaho Falls City Council to continue the conversation about the Hitt Road Corridor. We look forward to working together to solve some of the issues we face on our shared border.

We are taking applications for the Mayor's Youth Council for the 2014-15 school year. If you will be in High School (9th -12th grade) in 2015 and would like to be part of this leadership organization please apply. Applications are available online at [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us).

Thank you for the opportunity to serve this community. On behalf of the Council and Staff it is a privilege to represent the people of Ammon.



Mayor Dana Kirkham

**IMPORTANT  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

**PUBLIC INPUT REQUESTED!**

We are excited to announce approval of a contract with Keller & Associates to begin the development of a Master Plan for the City, which will include infrastructure upgrades in the Original Ammon Town Site and the Hillview/Hillsdale subdivisions. The City is asking for resident's participation as their input is critical to the development process. The City will host a series of public meetings seeking your input beginning May 14 at Ammon Elementary at 7 PM.

The Engineers, staff, Council and Mayor will explain the existing problems, and answer questions, and listen to suggestions. The engineers will prepare and present some possible alternatives.

It is very important that we receive public input so that the end result reflects the desire of the residents.

In addition there will be a survey available on the city website or mailed to you upon request.

Again, the City encourages all residents to participate in this very important Master Plan.

Particularly if you live in either Hillview or Hillsdale, please plan on attending May 14th!

**MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING:**

**DATE: May 14, 2014**

**TIME: 7:00 PM**

**LOCATION: Ammon Elementary, 2900 Central Ave in Ammon**

## Summer Water Use

City Water use increases by 800% during the summer months. In order to help reduce costs and encourage conservation, the City implements the following rules from May 1st to September 30th:

Water usage for landscape irrigation is limited to every other day. Ammon water customers having even numbered street addresses are limited to water usage on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday; while customers having odd numbered street addresses are limited to water usage on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Persons having newly seeded, hydro-seeded lawns, or sod requiring additional water may apply for a "New Seed/Sod Watering Permit" at no cost. Please check with the City for rules regarding this permit. Churches, schools and City parks which require more time to complete a watering cycle are exempt from this proclamation.

Violations of these rules constitute an infraction and are punishable by penalties set forth in Title 1, Chapter 4, Section 2 of the Ammon City Code, providing a maximum penalty of \$100 per violation. Thank you for conserving water.

## Protect Our Drinking Water

The City of Ammon will spend almost 1.5 million dollars delivering drinking water this year. Each of us plays an important role in protecting that investment and helping to maintain costs.

Please make sure that you apply for a proper permit from the City before installing a lawn sprinkler system. An approved backflow prevention device is required to protect our drinking water from harmful contaminants. Please call the Building Department at 208-612-4021 for more information.

## Dog Licensing

The City of Ammon requires that all dogs over the age of three months be licensed. Failure to license your dog may result in a citation and fines. Licensing can help you find your pet if it becomes lost.

Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required at the time of licensing. Dog owners are required by law to have their dogs vaccinated against rabies by a veterinarian.

Please make sure to renew your dog's City license every year and have the tag on your dog's collar at all times.

## Movie Night In The Park

The City will be hosting Movie Night at the Park. These events will be held at McCowin Park as follows:

Monsters University - June 27th  
Gravity - July 11th  
Man of Steel - July 25th  
Hunger Games Catching Fire - August 1st  
Frozen - August 22nd

Each event is free to the public. For show times and details visit the city website at [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us).

## Parks and Recreation Online

Online registration for Girls' softball, T-Ball, swimming lessons, and other online reservations, visit the City website at [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us) and select Activity/Shelter Signup.

## Parks Commission

The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking volunteers who want to make a difference in their community. If you would like to volunteer please visit the City website at [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us) and select 'Parks' from the drop down menu at the top of the page under 'Departments'. A Commission Mission Statement and Application can be downloaded, filled out and returned to the City to become a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

## Fire Training Trailer

The City of Ammon Fire Department has completed the purchase of a Live Fire Training Simulator. This unit will provide access to real world fire scenarios for firefighters to work through in a safe, controlled environment.

We will also make this training trailer available to neighboring departments for training to improve the safety and knowledge of firefighters all around our region.



## Ammon Days

Put Saturday August 2nd on your calendars and plan on enjoying a day of family fun with us. You can visit with friends and neighbors while taking advantage of the food, local business booths, various activities, entertainment, swimming and more. Or join the competition for Ammon Has Talent, all free to the public.

Ammon Days is made possible through the support of our local businesses. Businesses interested in participating in this year's event should visit the City website at [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us) and click on the 'Ammon Days' link at the top of the menu on the lower left of the home page or call the City at 208-612-4000 for more information.

## Pool Schedule

The 2014 Pool Schedule and Swimming Lessons Flyer will be available on the City website. From [www.cityofammon.us](http://www.cityofammon.us) just select Activity/Shelter Signup. Download the flyer by selecting the '2014 Pool Flyer' just under Additional Info on the right, or simply sign up for lessons by selecting 'Register' from the menu at the top of the page.



Ammon Fire Training Trailer