City of Willcox Newsletter July 2014

City Must Increase Utility Rates

Ruth Graham, Finance Director

The City of Willcox operates the Gas Utility, Water Utility, Wastewater (Sewer) Utility and Solid Waste (Trash) Utility. As a part of its ongoing responsibility to operate the utilities in a business-like manner and to maintain a reserve balance for operations and capital investment needs, the City reviewed its rates for services for fiscal year 2013-2014. The rates established by the Mayor and Council at that time included a provision for an automatic cost of living adjustment that will be applied to the utility rates each July 1st. The rate of the adjustment is based on the change in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the period from January 1st of the preceding year to January 1st of the current year (January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2014). For that period, the Consumer Price Index increased by 1.6%. Effective with the billing period beginning on July 1, 2014, a 1.6% cost of living increase will be applied to the city utility rates. The increase on the charges for gas, water, sewer and trash will apply to the base rates as well as usage rates. The increased rates will appear on the bills issued July 31, 2014 and each month thereafter.

City Golf Course Hosting Chili Cook-Off

Kevin Hagerich, Public Services & Works Director

The Twin Lakes Golf Course is hosting its first annual chili cook-off on **August 9, 2014** at the Twin Lakes Golf Course located at 1000 S. Rex Allen, Jr. Drive. The judging will begin at 11:00 a.m. The entry fee will be \$25.00. Entry fee forms can be picked up at Public Works, City Hall or Twin Lakes Golf Course. There will be plaques awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Bring your hunger and golf clubs!

Library Ends Summer Reading Program With a Bang!

Tom Miner, Library Director

The new fiscal year has begun, the Summer Reading Program is in full swing, with many special presentations, including a Magic Show July 24th with Jeb Earl; Mad Science of Pima County will be back on **July 31**st with a show titled "Fizz, Boom, Pop!", helping us celebrate our 'End of Summer Reading' awards party and Friends of the Library Fundraiser. This exciting event will take place at McDonald's beginning at **4:30 pm until 7:30 pm**. All YOU have to do is show up! During this time period, the Library and the good folks at McDonald's will be donating 15% of ALL proceeds from all of their sales to the Friends!! Some of the Friends will be volunteering their time to the event as well, so everyone please, please bring your whole family and come out for a meal at the restaurant that night, and support your local Library! Thank you all so much.

From the Office of the City Clerk...

Virginia A. Mefford, City Clerk

City Council Meetings

Monday Aug 7, 2014

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Monday Aug 21, 2014

6:30 p.m.

City Council Chambers

300 West Rex Allen Drive