

# NEWS FROM THE CITY



City of Ashton

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## Neat and Tidy



The City Cleanup was a great success! Residents will now need keep their lots mowed and clean.

Uncut, cluttered lots offer homes to insects

(mosquitos) and small animals (feral cats, skunks, etc.).

When your neighbor's lot is not taken care of—weeds become a problem to both of you.

A neat and tidy lot will help to keep weeds, insects and wild animals to a minimum.

Let's work together to make the best out of the summer!



August 2014

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September 2014

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## Calendar Key

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| City Council Meeting          | Yellow      |
| City P & Z Meeting            | Cyan        |
| Utility Bill Payment Due Date | Red         |
| Utility Bill Mailing Date     | Light Green |
| City Building Closed          | Orange      |



## Door to Door Sales

As per Ashton City Code, door to door sales are not allowed.

The Code reads:  
5.16.010: *The practice of going in and upon private residences in the city by solicitors, peddlers, hawkers, itinerant merchants and transient ven-*

*dors of merchandise, not having been requested or invited to do so by the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of said private residence, for the purpose of soliciting orders for the sale of goods, wares and merchandise is declared to be a nuisance, and punishable as such nuisance as a misdemeanor.*

If a salesman does stop by your door, please notify the City Building at 652-3987. We will notify the City Police and they will notify the salesman that they are not allowed to sell door to door.

Thank you!

## Ashton Visitor Center Volunteers



The Ashton Visitor Center is a great place to get to visit with

people from around the USA and share your knowledge of our area.

Volunteers help tour-

ists by providing free maps and brochures. Tourists are also interested in learning more from the volunteers about Ashton area sites to see or recommendations for fishing, hiking, etc.

This year, Chamber of Commerce members

are assisting in volunteer services at the Visitor Center helping to keep the Center open 7 days a week.

If you are interested in helping out at the Ashton Visitor Center, please call the center at 652-7250.

## NEWS FROM THE CITY

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 (FY2015) CITY OF ASHTON

A public hearing, pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002 for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year that begins October 1, 2014, and ends September 30, 2015, will be held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 714 Main, Ashton, Idaho, on Wednesday, August 27th, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Written or oral comments about the proposed budget are welcome. Copies of the proposed FY2015 City of Ashton Budget (in detail) are available at City Hall from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., weekdays. The budget includes information about the services and facilities proposed for FY 2014 and 2015 and the associated revenues projected within the budget. City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. Any person with disabilities desiring accommodations for the public hearing, please contact the City office 652-3987 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing. **HEARING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27TH, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

| <b>Expenditures</b>                                | <b>Actual<br/>2013</b> | <b>Budget<br/>2014</b> | <b>YTD<br/>2014</b> | <b>Proposed<br/>2015</b> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| General Fund                                       | 117,605                | 108,154                | 88,818              | 137,831                  |
| Police Dept  | 188,048                | 220,331                | 178,334             | 195,831                  |
| Street Fund  | 372,264                | 170,849                | 115,458             | 163,263                  |
| Parks & Recreation                                 | 46,619                 | 54,528                 | 22,574              | 54,528                   |
| Other Special Funds                                | 17,439                 | 25,752                 | 4,637               | 25,952                   |
| Water Fund   | 2,328,346              | 305,000                | 265,084             | 315,000                  |
| Sewer Fund   | 332,667                | 274,200                | 190,544             | 292,889                  |
| Sanitation Fund                                    | 73,720                 | 109,000                | 58,336              | 112,000                  |
| <b>Expenditure Totals</b>                          | <b>3,476,708</b>       | <b>1,267,814</b>       | <b>923,785</b>      | <b>1,297,294</b>         |
| <b>Revenues</b>                                    |                        |                        |                     |                          |
| General Fund                                       | 169,410                | 192,754                | 109,525             | 193,867                  |
| Streets  | 91,823                 | 100,673                | 59,403              | 100,164                  |
| Parks & Recreation                                 | 17,217                 | 18,988                 | 11,138              | 19,386                   |
| Capital Improvement<br>Judgment                    | 7,199                  | 9,493                  | 5,569               | 9,693                    |
|  | -                      | -                      | -                   | -                        |
| <b>Total Tax Levy</b>                              | <b>285,649</b>         | <b>321,908</b>         | <b>185,635</b>      | <b>323,110</b>           |
| General Fund Other                                 | 75,875                 | 28,103                 | 28,748              | 28,103                   |
| State Sources                                      | 84,358                 | 86,019                 | 63,628              | 89,459                   |
| Fines/Fees/Licenses/Permits                        | 12,692                 | 11,940                 | 8,503               | 11,940                   |
| State Highway Users                                | 36,530                 | 36,706                 | 27,564              | 36,299                   |
| County Road & Bridge                               | 16,980                 | 13,400                 | 13,459              | 13,400                   |
| Street Fund Other                                  | 7,648                  | 6,500                  | 4,779               | 6,500                    |
| Parks & Rec  | 28,594                 | 26,800                 | 12,732              | 26,800                   |
| Other Special Rev Funds                            | 9,754                  | 8,259                  | 2,695               | 8,259                    |
| Water Fund   | 1,463,273              | 305,000                | 630,856             | 315,000                  |
| Sewer Fund   | 271,290                | 274,200                | 213,984             | 279,200                  |
| Sanitation Fund                                    | 110,739                | 109,000                | 82,981              | 112,000                  |
| <b>Revenue Totals</b>                              | <b>2,403,382</b>       | <b>1,227,835</b>       | <b>1,275,564</b>    | <b>1,250,070</b>         |
| Cash Carryover                                     | -                      | 1,000                  | -                   | 1,000                    |
| Interfund Transfers                                | 76,552                 | 38,979                 | -                   | 46,224                   |
| <b>Carryover and Interfund Transfers<br/>Total</b> | <b>76,552</b>          | <b>39,979</b>          | <b>0</b>            | <b>47,224</b>            |
| <b>Grand Total Revenue</b>                         | <b>2,479,934</b>       | <b>1,267,814</b>       | <b>1,275,564</b>    | <b>1,297,294</b>         |

The proposed expenditures and revenues for fiscal year 2014-2015 (FY2015) have been Tentatively approved by the City Council. Posting dates for the notice of public hearing are August 16th & 23rd, 2014

Cathy Stegelmeier

City Clerk/Treasurer

Published August 16th & 23rd, 2014

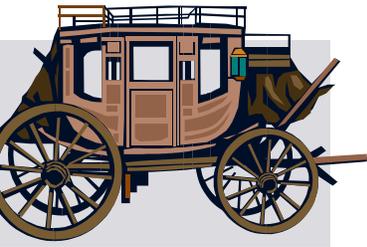
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## MAYORS CORNER



Mayor Stronks



The museum group and the City Park Improvement Committee are continuing to work on proposals. Although I have received some input concerning the proposals, I am still hoping that more citizens will take time to give the City ideas for each group.

A group is proposing the use of the old City building for a museum. I would like get ideas, suggestions, comments or

concerns from citizens about this proposal.

The City Park Improvement Committee is proposing some improvements in the City Park. I would like to get more input from Ashton citizens including your suggestions and concerns about the park and new improvements.

I know that with more citizens involved in both of these projects, we will all be proud of the museum and

City Park.

Please bring your suggestions and concerns about the park improvements and/or the museum to the City Building at 714 Main Street, email them to [cityclerk@cityofashton.com](mailto:cityclerk@cityofashton.com) or call 652-3987.

Your help will be greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

*Mayor Teddy Stronks*

## Backyard Water Savings

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Experts estimate that Americans use more than 400 billion gallons of water per day. On average homeowners use 50 to 70% of their water outdoors, sprinkling lawns and gardens. Here are some tips to help conserve water right in your own backyard.

1. Put a layer of mulch around your plants. Mulching helps to retain moisture and prevents evaporation. A generous amount of 3- to 5-inches is best.
2. Automatic timers save water. With or without a home irrigation system, make sure you're getting the most out of your timer. Automatic, programmable timers save more water than

mechanical models. If you use a hose and portable sprinkler, you can purchase a hose end timer to regulate your watering time.

3. Water in the evening or early morning to avoid evaporation. With a timer, you can set watering times even in the middle of the night!
4. Don't fertilize during hot, dry weather. Applying fertilizer can actually enhance drought problems. When you do feed your lawn and garden use a slow release fertilizer.
5. Raise the blade on your lawn mower. Closely cropped grass requires more water.
6. Recycle your grass clippings back into your lawn by using a

mulching mower. You'll not only conserve water, you'll save time while mowing.

7. Cut back on routine pruning. Pruning stimulates new growth, and new growth requires more water. Only prune your plants when it wilts or leaves die out.
8. Sweep your sidewalks and driveway rather than hosing them down.

Conservation will protect our water resource and save Ashton citizen's money.





# CITY OF ASHTON

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

Regular City Council meetings are held each month on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. For specific dates & other meeting information please

refer to our website:

[www.cityofashton.com](http://www.cityofashton.com)



# Ashton Swimming Pool



**Open Swim**  
**1 to 5 pm**  
**Mon - Fri**

| Discount Day        | What to Wear? |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Monday, August 4th  | Super Hero    |
| Monday, August 11th | PJ's          |

*On Discount days—wear something to match the theme and you will swim for \$2.00 per person!*

**Call 652-7800 to schedule a Pool Party!**