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MARCH 2012 NEWSLETTER

WATER METER READINGS

It has been five months since we have read water meters. Weather permitting, meters will be read on March 26th & 27th and your water bill may or may not reflect water use overages. During each of those five months you were billed for the minimum use of 4,125 gallons/550 cubic ft. of water. If your household used above the minimum amount then the overage will reflect on the billing you will receive at the end of March due by April 20th. Any water customer whose monthly water charges have suddenly and unexpectedly increased as the result of a water leak may petition the Town Council for an adjustment in the charges for the period during which the leak remained undetected, provided, as a condition of any such adjustment, the Town Council must:

- Find that the customer did not know about the water leak and could not have reasonably known about the water leak during the period for which the adjustment is sought;
- When the leak was finally discovered, the customer took reasonable action to promptly repair the leak;
- The Town Council must find that the increased water charge resulting from the leak during the period for which the adjustment is sought will impose an undue hardship upon the water customer.

INLAND NORTHWEST BLOOD CENTER

On behalf of all the patients in our region, thank you for hosting a blood drive with Inland Northwest Blood Center. On January 26, 2012, 15 faithful blood donors from our community gave the "gift of life" to patients in our region. Your partnership with INBC is especially valuable and appreciated. The need for blood remains a constant all year long. Oakesdale Community plays an important role in helping maintain a safe and adequate blood supply for the patients of the Inland Northwest. Together we are working to save lives! Special thanks to the Oakesdale School District for organizing this blood drive and students for organizing the donors and for being a donor themselves!

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR POSITION

Our Public Works Director, Dick Brown, has decided to retire this year and we will be advertising for the position in the Whitman County Gazette on March 1st & March 8th. Applications and resumes are due by March 15, 2012. Job duties include, but not limited to; maintain water, sewer and streets. We prefer an individual who has their water and sewer certifications. Must be willing to obtain water and sewer certifications within 2 years of service. Salary will be based on qualifications and experience. Excellent benefits package and retirement plan. Please call City Hall to obtain an application. Town of Oakesdale is an equal opportunity employer.

TOWN COUNCIL:

DENNIS PALMER, MAYOR - 285-4209

AL EVANS, COUNCIL POSITION #1 - 285-4727

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