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LAST WATER METER READING

The final water meter reading for 2024 was Friday, October 25th. We will not read meters for the next five months due to the weather. The next reading will not happen until March 2025, weather permitting. You will be billed the basic rate of \$44.80 for 4,125 gallons or 550 cubic feet per month depending on the type of water meter you use. Customers that use above the minimum per month will not be billed for the overage until the next reading in March or April 2025.

STREET & PUBLIC SAFETY LEVIES

The Town of Oakesdale has for the past several years had to depend on the generosity of our taxpayers to pass our street and public safety levies. For the 2025 tax year, we are asking for your support for the public safety levy, Proposition No. 1, at \$14,000 which is an estimated \$0.53 per \$1,000 assessed valuation. This levy allows the Town to have fire protection and emergency medical services provided by Whitman County Fire District No.10 at a yearly contracted cost of \$14,000 per year. The street levy, Proposition No. 2, is at \$60,000 which is an estimated \$2.28 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This levy helps to maintain streets and snow removal, street sweeping, patching potholes, street lights, street expenses and maintenance of street equipment. The second street levy, Proposition No. 3 at \$50,000 which is an estimated \$1.90 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This will allow the Town to rent equipment and pay labor for WSDOT to help lay asphalt mats and patch streets. We continue to appreciate your support in our annual levies!

MOVIE NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

The museum will host a free movie night on Sunday, November 3rd from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. showing Night at the Museum 2. They will be selling pizza, hot dogs, chili, chips, popcorn, soft pretzels, slushies and snacks. All proceeds go towards the Old Mill Day fund.

OAKESDALE MASONIC DINNER FUND RAISER

The Oakesdale Masonic Lodge will be hosting their annual prime rib feed on Saturday, November 2nd from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Oakesdale FFA students will be serving at the community event. The funds raised will go towards the Books for Bikes program and Masonic youth scholarships.

SNOW REMOVAL

Yes...it is time for us to start worrying about that white stuff that falls from the sky...brrr! The Town's snow removal equipment is ready for winter and we are asking for your help in keeping the streets and alley ways free from obstacles for our snow plows. If you can, please park your vehicle(s) off the pavement of the street and/or alley way for snow removal. We realize that not every street can be clear of vehicles, but where possible, please move your vehicle(s) off the pavement of the street so it will allow access for our snow plows. This includes all RV's, trailers, and basketball hoops too. Please remember it takes our Public Works team 10-12 hours to plow out the whole Town when a snow storm hits us. Thank you!

CITY HALL HOLIDAY CLOSURES

City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 11th to observe Veterans' Day. City Hall will be closing early on Wednesday, November 27th at noon, closed Thursday & Friday the 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.