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Mayors Corner



Dear Citizens,

Hello Glenns Ferry,

Good afternoon Glenns Ferry! I hope this message finds you well. We have arrived in my favorite season of the year. No, not pumpkin spice, DEER season. Well maybe some of you don't appreciate that, and I understand. But most of us appreciate the fall foliage, the leaves changing, and definitely the cooler temperatures. Whatever you like about this season, get out and enjoy the wonderful fall sights!

Great conversations going on with the candidates for the upcoming election. It did, however, share the need to let you in on a few things that come up in council or in our daily work that those that haven't attended or are not frequently in City Hall may not know. If you are not aware, the agenda and full packet is available on our website and also has a link from our Facebook page! So, if you feel uninformed, please make sure you are subscribed to our pages. Additionally, we also have a text my gov app that you can sign up for updates and information that we regularly send out from City Hall.

One subject brought up by candidates was limited stop signs around town. This is a great conversation. However, I want to let you know that I had a survey of our street signs and stop signs completed this summer and ordered 22 stop signs and at least that many street signs that are missing throughout town from our Idaho Correctional Industries back in July. I was just informed this morning that they have arrived and will begin being installed.

As for safety, we also have several crosswalk lights that will be placed at some of our intersections that are simply dark and dangerous in town. We have also looked at opportunities to expand our downtown lighting and walkability and will be able to place four new Heritage lights along First Avenue. Keeping to the pattern that is already set, I would imagine this taking us down past the wonderful

new 6 Creeks Mercantile. We will work with business owners to ensure we continue working towards a revitalized downtown. On that note, I also had some funds set aside in the budget so that we can work on expanding and repairing sidewalks, but we are simply working on jumping through the hoops of the law on this as well as talking to property owners and stakeholders. However, I hope to have good news about this soon to increase walkability throughout the city.

These are just a few of the things going on in and around Glenns Ferry and I just want to ensure that while much of this is ongoing, we are committed to making sure the citizens of Glenns Ferry are fully aware of the progress we are making. Thank you, candidates, for helping us see some of the communication gaps we may need to address. As always, you are all welcome and encouraged to come to Council meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month or stop by with your thoughts, questions, or suggestions. We may not always agree, but I am always willing to listen.

Until next time, remember #bekind!

Sincerely,

William L. Galloska, DMin.
Mayor, City of Glenns Ferry