

SHORE LINES

Bayview Community News
September 2016

**Events &
Activities**

It's The Only Lake We Got



Lake Pend Oreille Waterkeeper (LPOW) celebrated the donation of a 27 foot Catalina sailboat on August 15th at Bitter End Marina. The gathering was an opportunity for Bayview residents to meet LPOW's Board and Staff. LPOW's mission is to protect the water quality of the Clark Fork/Pend Oreille Watershed so that our local waterways remain swimmable, fishable and drinkable for future generations through education, community engagement and advocacy. This sounds like something we can all agree upon.

LPOW's headquarters have been located in Sandpoint since 2009. The organization was founded in response to the excessive use of aquatic herbicides while fighting Eurasian Watermilfoil. However, as our regional population grows, so do the threats to the lake and waterways. LPOW's other priority issues include wastewater, stormwater and coal and crude oil transport by rail.

LPOW helps educate waterfront property owners reduce their pollution "footprint" from sources such as excess fertilizer. LPOW also works together with local and state agencies on various projects such as keeping invasive zebra mussels out of our watershed.

LPOW's Citizen Science Water Quality Monitoring Program has overseen 15 sample locations on Lake Pend Oreille and the Pend Oreille River since 2012. The seasonal program runs from June-October. In Bayview Dave Hamilton, JD's nephew, volunteers with the program and collects samples once a month near MacDonald's Resort.

Steve May, a Bayview Water & Sewer Board member, attended the meeting and said he was interested in making sure that Bayview Water & Sewer performs to the highest standards possible. Steve is interested in working with Shannon Williamson, LPOW's Executive Director on local water quality issues.

LPOW is eager to meet more of the Bayview community and has offered to give a presentation at an upcoming Bayview Community Council meeting to share more about what they do and how residents can get involved.

Fire Commissioner Position Vacancy

The Timberlake Fire Protection District's Board of Fire Commissioners shall fill the vacant fire commissioner position for Zone 1 at the Board meeting on November 15, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Station 1.

All qualified elector residents of Zone 1 who are interested in being considered for appointment to fill the vacancy must mail a letter of interest no later than 4:00pm on November 8, 2016. Please include your physical address and phone number within your request. All persons seeking appointment are requested to also attend the November 15, 2016 Board meeting.

Zone 1 is located north of Parks Road, east of Good Hope and Caravelle Road, including Bayview and Little Blacktail.

No Job Too Big or Small, Community Service Helps All

Thank You BAYVIEW for your kind donations to the Athol Food Bank. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of many. On August 27 volunteers collected approximately 2,000 pounds of food and \$1,014 cash/checks. Wow!

Thank you goes to all who helped with flyers, collecting and/or delivery to the Athol Food Bank: Ski and Joyce Wilkuski, Sheryl Puckett, Marlys Blagden, Martin and Terry Abell, Scott and Tammy McBride, Art and Jan Jones, Dave Hamilton, Chris Ottenbreit, MaryEllen Marston, Ray and Sally Newcombe, David and Teri Tomberg, Laurie Mauser, Bill and Genet Gabica, Ted and Faye Bare, Jenny and Bob Prince, Sharon Meyer, and Debbie Adinolfi.

The Bayview Community Council appreciates your contribution.



ADOPTION OF BYLAWS FOR B. W. & S. OVERDUE

Editorial by Robyn Edwards (views may not reflect the Council)

Having no bylaws governing operations of Bayview Water & Sewer creates serious liability risks. The board must adopt comprehensive policies that provide oversight of day to day operations to meet their statutory responsibilities.

Bylaws provide criteria that insure fair and uniform handling of District affairs including, among others, rules governing personnel matters, and customer relations including technical service requirements for service, payment, connection and disconnection. Bylaws provide a way to capture knowledge, critical institutional history, about the way things are done so that customers, staff, and board members all have a point of reference.

Several board meetings have been consumed with discussions about residents who are not paying their bills on time, illegal connections to the system(s) and problems with access to district facilities on various properties. These are routine matters for a utility district and should be handled by adopting policy not by taking up several entire Board meetings.

Bylaws provide the only way for the Board to set up how legal requirements are met. Idaho law (Title 42, 3212 K) for example, requires that service(s) be discontinued for nonpayment but does not include the "nuts and bolts" information for prudent, fair, uniform application.

The same law indicates the expectation that there will be policy adopted which does. Similarly the law requires concrete responses to information requests. Without policy guidance good faith compliance efforts can place employees and individual board members at legal risk as individuals.

The board needs to act promptly to adopt bylaws to meet their statutory responsibility to provide legal and financial oversight of B. W. & S. operation.

Athol Happenings

Everyone's asking, "What's the construction in Athol about at Hwy 95 & 54?" This site is planned for a 50,000 sq. ft. grocery store, gas station, retail and hospitality center which includes a hotel with parking for 294 cars. View site plan with parking spaces at: http://www.hughesinv.com/.../010616100404_Site_Plan__4_22_16...

Keep Highway 54 Litter Free

Council member, Connie Hammell, has set aside September 30 for Highway 54 trash pick up.

Volunteers may meet at 8 am at the Country Boy in Athol for breakfast, otherwise we'll all meet at 9:15 am at the Farragut Park Headquarters for dispersal of safety vests, bags, mechanical hands and a short briefing on our walking sections.

Gloves and appropriate foot wear is highly recommended. The more helping hands we have, the faster it will go. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact Connie at 683-9437.



- No 55+ PotLuck in September
- Blood Drive - Navy Base, Sept.15, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
- Adilynn Danielle Memorial, Center, Sept.17, 3 pm
- Flu Shot, Panhandle Health, Sept. 21, 1 - 4 pm
- Draft Horse Show Sandpoint, Sept. 22 to 25
- Bitter End Marina Year End Party, Sept. 24, 3 pm
- Oktoberfish: Oct. 1 & 2, Tickets at Ralph's Cafe,

Oktoberfest

Saturday
October 15th
Doors open at 5pm
Dinner served at 5:30



Bayview Community Center

Brats

German Potato Salad
Sweet & Sour Cabbage
Kraut & Dessert!
"BYOB"



GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES!!!

What could be better!!

Suggested Donation \$10.00 per person

(you will receive a FREE raffle ticket with your dinner purchase 😊
Additional Raffle tickets available for \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Come & join the fun!

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Community Council Meeting

September 27, 7 p.m.

Speaker: Allan Wasserman,
CDA Attorney in Elder Law

Public Is Invited

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