



City of Corning

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THE CORNING FRIDAY NOTES

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FROM: KRISTINA MILLER, CITY MANAGER
DATE: JANUARY 19, 2018

Holidays:

February 19th: City Hall, Finance & the Corp. Yard will be closed for Presidents Day.

CITY MANAGER:

Franchise Hauling Agreement Negotiations:

I met with Waste Management on Friday January 12th to further negotiate the franchise hauling agreement. Waste Management will provide a revised proposal to contract with the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency for ten hours per week of recycling and outreach work specific to Corning. Of course, this requires the TCSWMA to agree to perform this work. Waste Management will also provide a proposal to switch the waste and recycling carts. Recycling will continue to be picked up bi-weekly and waste will continue to be picked up weekly. Residents (except for seniors) as proposed would have a 64 gallon waste cart and a 96 gallon recycling cart. The City of Corning is the only City in the region with a 96 gallon waste cart as its base service. The large size of the waste cart does not give customers any motivation to recycle. Providing more recycling capacity will increase City recycling rates and help the City reach its Assembly Bill 939 and Assembly Bill 341 recycling requirements.

Safety Training Reporting:

Department Heads will be reporting their quarterly safety reports for the period of October 1-December 31, 2017 by January 16th.

Meetings:

January 26th: I will be attending the Sacramento Valley City Managers Department meeting in Folsom.

January 29 – February 2: I will be attending the League of Cities' City Manager's Meeting in Newport Beach.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Public Works Crew:

Crewmembers continue citywide leaf pick-up and pothole patching.

Waterline Project:

The newly installed waterline bacteria sampling results and water pressure testing results have been presented to the City and both meet the project specification standards. Pilot is preparing to dedicate the waterline to the City. Once the Public Works Director, City Engineer and City Attorney are satisfied that the waterline is ready for use, the Public Works Director will prepare a Staff Report for Council's acceptance of the waterline.

The project will not be entirely accepted by the City until satisfactory repairs have been made to the City and County roads resulting from the waterline installation trenching.

Training:

Water Consultant Win Benbow was on-site January 16th. He provided instruction and review of the City SCADA System. SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) is a control system that uses radio contact from each water well site (and the sewer lift station) which relays well data to a computer. The computer is set up to collect production, pressure and security alarm events for staff use.

The data is used to track past and current trends of each of the water wells connected to the City water system which is valuable information for maintenance purposes.

A security alarm can be transmitted on two occasions. The SCADA will send out an alarm for a well fault or for unauthorized entry of the well house.

When the SCADA detects a well fault or intruder event it will initiate a phone call to the Corning Volunteer Fire Department. The Fire Department then calls the Assistant Public Works Director who will take immediate action to investigate the alert.

After working hours a faulted well will require a call-out of one of the City Water Operators. Should the (after working hours) alarm indicate unauthorized entry to the well house, the Corning Police Department is contacted.

The most common 'faulting' alarm is triggered by a power outage. Four of the City water wells have back-up generators that support the water system during an emergency.

The City Water Operators are Lee Blaylock, Brett White and Jeremy Mosher. Their care and dedication to the water system is very much appreciated!

Crosswalk Striping Project:

Public Works Director Dawn Grine has been in contact with the project Contractor. Apply-A-Line has indicated that the project can be completed within a few days pending good weather.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Patrol:

In addition to responding to 182 calls for service, a total of 43 officer reports were taken and there were 118 officer-initiated incidents, including 77 traffic stops. Officers made 25 misdemeanor and 5 felony arrests. Officers issued 32 citations, of which; 2 were felony, 22 were misdemeanors, 8 were infractions during the period of January 10, 2018 through January 17, 2018.

"There are things known and there are things unknown, and in between are the doors of perception." – Aldous Huxley

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Call Volume:

The past week Corning Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD) responded to 32 calls for service. These calls consisted of: 16 medical, 1 structure fire, 1 traffic collision and 14 public service requests. There were also 12 dispatches for Orland and Capay along with 51 burn requests. The department conducted training at their training center which entailed structure fire entry, proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE's), and use of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA's).