

CITY OF GERONIMO NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR - LESLEY MALLOW

Hello community! I wanted to take this brief moment to thank everyone for re electing me! I will continue to work as hard as I can along with the employees and council to continue improving and growing our community! We welcomed new council members in May. We have several projects coming up. If there is anything I could ask of the community is we need help. We need committed people who want to better this community to step up and help us with zoning committees, possibly a chamber of commerce. We have potential to grow, but we need people who have the desire and ability to make it possible. Please feel free to email me at mayormallowofgmo@gmail.com.

ORDINANCE SPOTLIGHT

This section will typically be used to highlight and inform about different city ordinances and also changes that may be taking place.

This round, we wanted to take a moment to highlight that there may be some ordinance changes taking place at the next council meeting regarding utility rates.

Please take the time to come out to our next council meeting to stay informed and let your voice be heard.

Council meetings take place the second Thursday each month @ 7:15 pm.

NEW TO TOWN?

Opening a new utility account within Geronimo city limits? We offer water, sewer, and trash services.

In order to open a new account, you just need to come to City Hall and fill out a utility contract, provide a current photo ID, and make a deposit payment (\$175 if renting/\$125 if you are the home owner). We accept cash, check (made payable to Geronimo Public Works Authority), or card (adds a \$2.50 service charge fee).

Please note, applicant must be present at service address for water to get turned on and can only be done during regular business hours (7:00am-6:00pm) M-F.

OTHER UTILITIES

Cotton Electric
ph: (580) 875-3351
cottonelectric.com

Summit Utilities (Gas)
ph: (866) 275-5265
<https://summitutilities.com>

TRASH TALK

Trash is collected within city limits for residents twice a week on Tuesday's and Friday's.

Trash must be in a bag or a bin. Any loose trash or bulk items will not be picked up. Up to (3) 55 gallon trash bins are allowed. Limbs or branches will be collected if they are bundled and cut down to at least (3) feet in length.

BULK PICKUP

Large items (subject to what can be put in our trash truck) such as a mattress, can be scheduled for bulk pickup. Please provide a few days notice to confirm your item qualifies for pickup, and then a \$30.00 special bulk pickup fee can be added directly to your utility bill.

Call today to get your special pickup scheduled!

WATER & SEWER

In 2022, the city received \$209,875.00 from Comanche County in ARPA Covid relief funds. These funds were used to purchase 575 new electric water meters. These new meters will help to prevent water waste and higher than necessary utility bills. This will also allow city hall employees more time to focus on other necessary projects. Currently, 220 meters have been installed with an initial goal of completing installation by the end of summer 2023.

HIGHER THAN NORMAL UTILITY BILL?

Leaky toilet?

Pool?

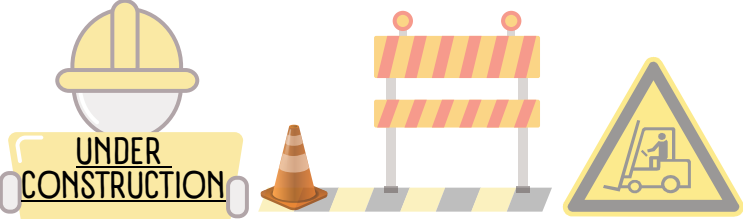
Running water hose?

Water fight?

Still no? Please call us @ City Hall to help you resolve this.

AFTER HOURS WATER EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

(580) 591-3262



Beginning June 5th, Avery Construction will begin replacing old water lines along the East side of Chippewa St., Osage St., and Nebraska St. This project is scheduled to be completed 90 days from the start date and is in thanks to receiving \$747,111 from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) through the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

GERONIMO ANIMAL SHELTER

SLIDE IN TO SUMMER - FUNDRAISER
 Please join us on Saturday, June 10th, from 10am-4pm @ the community center across from city hall. There will be a slip & slide (\$5 unlimited rides), food, a K9 demo, a silent auction.. and so much more! All proceeds go directly to the animal shelter!

GERONIMO ANIMAL SHELTER

IS YOUR DOG REGISTERED?

WHO NEEDS TO REGISTER THEIR DOG?
 ANYONE WHO LIVES INSIDE CITY LIMITS (MUST LICENSE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF MOVING TO GERONIMO) WHO HAS ANY DOGS OVER SIX MONTHS OF AGE.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO REGISTER YOUR PET?
 SHOT RECORDS
 (MUST HAVE A CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION)
 HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?
 \$5.00 PER YEAR (FREE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS 65 AND OLDER)
 HOW OFTEN DO I NEED TO REGISTER MY PET? ANNUALLY

4 REASONS TO REGISTER:

1. IT'S THE LAW
2. IF YOUR DOG GOES MISSING, IT'S EASIER TO IDENTIFY THEM AND HELP THEM GET SAFELY BACK TO THEIR OWNER.
3. A LICENSE COSTS LESS THAN THE FINE
4. A LICENSE PROVES YOUR DOG IS SAFE

EMERGENCY SERVICES

PSA: In case of an emergency, please call **POLICE DEPARTMENT**



- We have two new additions to the Police Department. Our new Full-time officer, Tayler Livingston, who graduated from C.L.E.T academy in Ada on the 24th of May, and Travis Crabtree our new Animal Control Officer.
- The storm season is here. Please beware of the local forecast. Remember, in Oklahoma, severe weather can pop up at any time. *During sever weather, the storm shelter at Geronimo Elementary School is open to public use, but do remember that no pets are allowed inside during severe weather, so please plan AHEAD for your pets.
- School is out for the summer! So drivers please be careful and watch out for those little guys and gals out walking or on their bicycles. Remember to slow down. The child you save may be your own.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Interested in joining the fire department?
Requirements - at least 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license, high school graduate or equivalent, agree to pass a background check, complete an employment application, and interview with fire department staff.
 *Currently in need of daytime members that could be available from 8am-4pm primarily, but we will take all applications into consideration.
 Applications are available to be picked up at City Hall.

GERONIMO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

GERONIMO SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER

The Geronimo Senior Nutrition Center is a place for seniors (60 & older) to get a nutritious meal for just \$3.00 (under 60 is \$5.00) per week day.

Hours of operation: M-F 9:00am-1:00pm
 with meals being served from 11:00-12:00pm

The Nutrition Center would love to have you come by for meals! All you need to do to sign up is fill out a one page application.

Make sure to find us on Facebook @ Geronimo Senior Nutrition Center to check out our menu and find out what else we have going on.

Join Geronimo Events Committee in Celebrating **The 45th Anniversary of GREASE**

June 16 @ 7pm
 Geronimo Community Center
 Box Car Decorating Contest * Car Show
 Photo Booth * Bubble Gum Blowing Contest
 Hula Hoop Contest * 50/50 Raffle
 Concession Stand

FAQ - TOPIC: GARAGE SALES

Do I need a permit to have a garage sale? Yes
 How much are garage sale permits? \$1.00
 Where do I go to get my permit? City hall
 How many days can I have my garage sale? 3
 How many garage sales can I have each calendar year? 12

SAVE THE DATE:
 Geronimo Birthday Celebration 35th Bull Riding
 September 16TH, 2023

Be a part of the fun and become a sponsor today!

Sponsorship Levels:
 Platinum - \$1,000
 Gold - \$500 to \$999
 Silver - \$499 and below

For more information, please contact us @ City Hall!

If you have any questions, please email clerk@cityofgeronimo.com or call us @ (580) 353-5511 or visit us @ Geronimo City Hall (located at 100 West Main St. Geronimo, OK. 73543) M-F from 7:00am-6:00pm

City of Geronimo & Don't forget to refer a friend to our quarterly newsletter @ www.cityofgeronimo.com!