



# ADAIR VILLAGE NEWS

December 2018

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### City Council Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 4th  
2018 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

### Municipal Court

Monday, Jan. 7th  
2019, at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

### Planning Commission Meeting

Monday, Dec 17th  
2018, at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

### Adair Living History

TBD, City Hall

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- Stormwater
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### Adair Village Mission Statement

*To build a safe, attractive, vibrant environment with a welcoming sense of community.*

## FINAL LEAF COLLECTION AND STREET SWEEPING

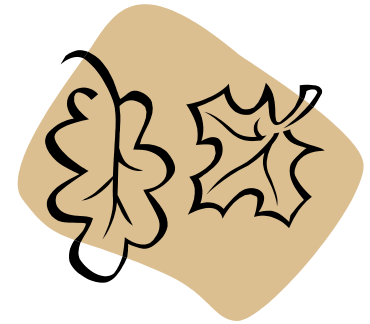
The final leaf pick-up day is scheduled for **Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**. Please rake leaves into the street just before the collection dates. Be sure that you are not blocking bike lanes, storm drains or driveways.

Street sweeping will happen the day after leaf pick up – **December 11<sup>th</sup>**.

Please move vehicles off the streets on both leaf pick up and street sweeping days.

Parking is available at City Hall.

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT LEAVES IN THE STREET AFTER DECEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>.**



## STORMWATER

As the rainy season starts, please remember that the stormwater runoff eventually ends up in our rivers. Let's try our best to protect the health of the rivers by preventing pollution from ending up in our stormwater runoff. Here are some easy things you can do in your own home:

- Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters so that leaves and litter don't enter the storm drain.
- Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil.
- Never dump anything down the storm drain or into a stream.
- Pick up after your pet.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Let's let the recent devastating disaster in Paradise, California be a lesson for us all to be prepared for an emergency. Please visit this website for more information: <https://www.ready.gov/wildfires>.

The City of Adair Village has an Emergency Plan in place for citizens to follow during a disaster. This plan is available upon request by email or in hardcopy format. We also have openings for citizens to be trained as part of our CERT TEAM (Community Emergency Response Team). More information can be found at: <https://www.co.benton.or.us/sheriff/page/cert-community-emergency-response-team>.

## PREPARING FOR FREEZING WEATHER

If you will be out of town for any extended period during the winter months and would like to have your water service turned off in case of a freeze, please contact City Hall at 541-745-5507. We will work with you to turn off your water to help protect your home.

Many of the homes in the two loops have water pipes running through the attic and they are often not insulated. It is worth your time and money to have a professional look at the system in your attic and make sure the pipes are insulated.

With winter comes the threat of damage to your home from snow, ice, and freezing. Did you know that homeowners file five times as many claims for damage due to burst pipes than claims for fire damage? You can help protect your pipes with these tips:

### Turn on the taps

Let the water drip in extreme cold. Even if the water does freeze, this will relieve some of the water pressure and keep the pipe from bursting.

### Open cabinets

Leave the cabinets open under your kitchen and bathroom sinks. This keeps warm air circulating around your pipes.

### Wrap the pipes

If your pipes are in areas that don't get warm air, consider insulating them with insulation sleeves or wrapping. You can get foam rubber or fiberglass sleeves at your local hardware store, or call a plumber to do it for you.

### Seal the gaps

Cracks in your home's outside walls or foundation should be caulked to keep cold air away from your pipes.

### Drain your pipes

If you're taking a trip in the winter, consider draining your pipes to prevent them from bursting. Shut off the main valve and then turn on all the taps (hot and cold) and let the water run until the pipes are emptied.

