

POINT OF VIEW

JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

July – August 2015

AS THE EGG FRIES

IT'S BUDGET TIME. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO THIS COMING YEAR?

With the generous assistance of the Yavapai Apache Nation, we've just acquired a new twelve/fifteen seat van to run weekend shuttle service to the 300 level, and we're upgrading that by hiring a full-fledged driver and making it a more professional package. Hopefully that will improve the flow of traffic and commerce.

We're putting \$10,000 into a new program of fire suppression, focusing for the moment on town properties. *This will not use chemicals*, but will work at taking down and removing paradise trees and similar problems. We see this as a trial program. Once we work out the kinks we'll expand the work to the outlying neighborhoods. Think of it as landscaping the town. Maybe we can plant some flowers and ivy as we go?

There's going to be a lot of work on School Street. We'll rebuild the regulator by the sluice. That includes fixing the plumbing underground, and then redoing the pavement in that area. While we're at it we'll fix the wall that supports the Civic Center rear parking lot and reopen the stairs that run from Town Hall down to School Street. We even expect to redo the waterline and brickwork around the stairs that follow the sluice between School and Clark. Jerome always was a walking town. We'd like to restore some of that.

Dwain and his crew want a bobcat, "the perfect tool for our terrain." We put enough money in the budget to get a good one, but as this article goes to press our current backhoe has developed serious problems and may require major surgery. Getting a new backhoe may trump the bobcat, but we may be able to repair the one and wind up with both. We'll see as the year goes forward.

We do need some heavy equipment, since this year we also intend to install a new septic system in the Lower Gulch. For years we've been trying to upgrade the plumbing that handles that whole stretch of the Hogback (from Upper Gulch Road to the Old High School) overlooking Deception Gulch. If you don't know, there are above a dozen homes there

that do not connect to the main sewer plant in Bitter Creek; instead they drain down to an area near the old Lozano gas station. We've improved the road down there, inspected the site and now it's time to put in new tanks and leach field.

We've increased the Library budget (modestly) to allow Kathleen to work on her wish list. She's been nickel and dimeing it for a long time; she's clearly learned to be frugal. So we're curious to see how she does. I'm told in her spare time



she's now repairing the broken stained glass in those beautiful copper doors to both the library and Town Hall. That's encouraging. Details do make a difference.

We also put additional money into the Kid's Art Workshop, so look for more fun stuff there.

There's lots more: Finish the leaning wall, the horseshoe pits and the red rock wall across from the Connor; regulator repair and maintenance on Clark Street and the Gulch; deal with the subsidence and the slide area; and all the time keep the organization running smoothly, the infrastructure working, the troops fed and morale good.

So that's what Jerome's new budget is all about. We hope you approve.

Low Currier

Meeting Dates for July, August and September 2015

Regular Council Meeting
July 14 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
July 1 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
July 13 at 7:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting
August 11 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
August 5 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
August 10 at 7:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting
September 8 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
September 2 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
September 14 at 7:00 pm

Manager's Dugout



Our Town has a new shuttle van, thanks to a generous contribution from the Yavapai-Apache Nation! The new 15-passenger van is a 2012 Ford Econoline, and was much

needed. It's a huge improvement for both riders and drivers.

We continue to offer free shuttle service to our residents on Wednesday mornings. The van departs at 9 a.m. and travels to Cottonwood with stops for pharmacy pickup, grocery shopping, etc. For more information, contact Peggy Tovrea at 634-7943.

In addition, the Town Council has allocated funds in this year's budget for a weekend shuttle driver. We will posting that position soon, so if you, or someone you know, may be interested, keep an eye on our website (Jerome.az.gov) and our posting locations. Those locations are: (1) just outside the main entrance to Jerome Town Hall; (2) at the Old Town Hall, second level (outside of the Blue Bee Boutique); (3) inside at the Jerome Post Office; and (4) at the Gulch Fire Station.



And since this newsletter is going out after the Fourth of July Parade, I thought I'd get a photo in! Great job JKAW!



Police Dispatch Number

For emergencies, always call **9-1-1**.

For all other situations, call police dispatch at **634-2245**.

Kids Art Workshop

A big **THANK YOU** to all who came out to support the Jerome Kids Art Workshop Fundraiser.

And to all who donated items for the raffle which raised \$930.00 for our Jerome kids.

In addition, the Town Council is supporting The JKAW with an additional \$950.00 which will allow the JKAW to extend its summer program this year. The JKAW part two will be July 20th thru the 30th. Space is limited!

Pre- register with Penelope: (928)708-9674

For more info check out [jeromekidsartworkshop](https://www.facebook.com/jeromekidsartworkshop) on Facebook.

Penelope



Jerome Fire Department

Rusty Blair, Chief JVFD



Just as a reminder summertime is here,

so now is a good time to evaluate your defensible space around your home.

This year we had a very wet month of May and now monsoon season has already started. None of the national forest or the surrounding areas ever went into fire restrictions this year.

This is very unusual for our area. However with all this extra moisture, it has expedited the fuel growth in our area. The Fire Department offers site inspections for your defensible space. The Town slash burn site is available for you to dispose of your weeds, brush and trees.

With the short fire season in our area, we were able to send out our brush truck to the Kearny River Fire as the southern counties have been extremely dry. Johnny Braden and Jasper Lanning were out with the truck for four days gaining valuable experience that will help them better serve the town of Jerome. Thanks for your efforts.



The Fire Department is always looking for new members for fire, EMS, and/or both. Free training, cool t-shirts, drive big trucks with red lights. 5 PM, every Thursday. Come on down and see what we do. Everybody is welcome.

If the fire and EMS doesn't interest you, but you would still like to help out, the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary is always welcoming new members as well!! Come join us!!

Thank you for your continued support.

Rusty Blair, Fire Chief JVFD

JEROME PARKING MYTHS VS. ORDINANCES AND STATE LAW

Al Sengstock, Zoning Administrator

First, please know that when I write any of these newsletter articles, I do not intend them to be taken as a veiled threat of some aggressive future enforcement effort. They are intended primarily for information purposes, to be used by the reader as information to be considered when planning future expansion of existing uses, or the establishment of new uses in Jerome. Back to the topic at hand.....

Since I have been here, I have heard many presumptions and statements about what is allowed and prohibited, as it pertains to parking in our Town.

One of the statements that I have heard is, "So and so is parking in so and so's parking space(s) on the street. Fact: Parking spaces within the public right of way cannot be saved for anyone in particular. It is nice if your neighbors are considerate and do not park in the spot in front of your house or business, however, if another member of the public parks in that space, there is nothing that the Police or anyone else can do about it. Putting out cones or other objects intended to save a space is technically not permitted, and is not enforceable should someone ignore them.

Another complaint I have heard is, "They are parking in a space for too long." Fact: Anyone parking in a parking space located within the public right of way, and that includes our "public" parking lots, can leave their vehicle in a particular parking spot, for up to seventy-two (72) hours, based on State Statutes. The Town *can* regulate specifically how long various parking spots can be used within the public right-of-way, however the signs must be approved by Council, and installed according to State Law requirements as they apply to size, color, height etc. Additionally, such signs are only as effective as our ability to enforce parking standards. It is my personal experience that parking enforcement is one of the most time consuming and friction-creating enforcement efforts I have ever been involved in.

Another statement which I have heard is, "They are not parking in their assigned and approved parking space(s), and park downtown instead." Now it would be really nice if people would park in the spaces which were represented and

approved as "designated parking" for a specific business use, however, there is no law which can *force* anyone to *actually* use those parking spaces.

For those property owners or lessors who are fortunate enough to have actual on-site private parking or separate approved parking areas located on private property, you should know that it is up to you to post signs and to enforce any private parking standards which you choose to establish for your parking lot. This includes developing a relationship with a tow company to deal with violators. The Town will not enforce parking regulations on private property. If you are one of the lucky people who own such a parking lot, I recommend that you contact your legal counsel regarding the specific wording and statutory references, which must be stated on private parking signs. In Arizona, such signs are generally required to be 18" by 24", are white with red lettering and do not require Design Review Board approval or sign permits, although they must be reviewed by the Zoning Administrator.

And finally, as an effort to assure that any satellite parking spaces approved for a particular commercial use, or residential use located within a C-1 Use District are "permanent," the TOJ Zoning Ordinance requires that all off-site parking spaces must be described on the title of both the property where the use is taking place, and the property where the parking spaces are located. These recordations then run with the land whenever one or both of the properties are sold, thus guaranteeing that the minimum parking standards are protected. Although in the past there have been occasions where temporary agreements and leased off-site parking spaces have been approved, should the property owner where the parking spaces are located rescind their permission, or if the property is sold, thus eliminating the parking space(s), then the actual business owner or home owner (in C-1) is stuck with having to find new parking alternatives.

Needless to say, and in order to prevent a lot of frustration, you should always verify the existence and legitimacy of any parking spaces associated with any primary use, residential or commercial, prior to selling or buying property within the Town of Jerome.

Courtesy of the Jerome Historical Society

Did you know that the Bartlett Hotel was once a three story brick structure?

Yep, that "coin toss" area on the corner of Main Street and First Avenue was built in 1901 at a cost of approximately \$65,000. During its heyday, it was the home of a bank, a saloon & billiard room, a liquor store, a men's clothing store, two cafes, the Jerome Mining News printing office, and a drug store, among others, until it was abandoned in the 1940's because the building was deemed too unstable. The Bartlett was sold for salvage after the mine closed in 1953 and the shell of the building was purchased by the Jerome Historical Society in 1956. You can join the Jerome Historical Society or renew your membership by visiting our website at www.jeromehistoricalsociety.com or by stopping by the Mine Museum at 200 Main Street (open 9:30am – 5pm, 7 days a week).

Your membership gets you:

- Free admission to the JHS Museums
- 15% off Gift Shop and On-Line Purchases
- Subscription to the Chronicle Newsletter
- One Free Hour of Research





“You know, maybe it would be better to talk about it.”

There is currently an opening on
Planning & Zoning.

The Board meets once a month.
 It's a chance to make a real difference.

Talk to Al at Town Hall
 634-7943



The Jerome Library

Online Resources at the Jerome Library

[Arizona Statewide Databases](#) explore thousands of online articles and images from journals, newspapers, and accurate, current research materials.

[Britannica](#) high quality encyclopedia for all age levels.

[Career Transitions](#) resources for job seekers including: Interactive interview practice, job searches, education and training options by career, program and location, resume and cover letter creation.

[Chilton Library](#) repair, maintenance and recall information about automobiles including step by step instructions, wiring diagrams and trouble shooting.

[Gale Databases](#) includes AcademicOneFile, In Context databases, InfoTrac, Newsstand, National Geographic and much, much more.

[Gale Legal Forms](#) create accurate and reliable legal documents.

[Opposing Viewpoints in Context](#) pros and cons on various topics of current interest.

[eBooks](#) read books online.

[EBSCO NovelList](#) search for fiction titles by author, title, or series, and find similar titles, reviews, and reading group guides. Searchable by age group.

[HEIN Online Law Journal Library](#) contains more than 1,620 law and law-related periodicals.

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[Mango Languages](#) create a free account to learn another language.

[UniversalClass](#) over 500 instructor-led online CEU classes that you can take from the comfort of your own computer.

[WorldCat](#) an online catalog to locate items not held in the Yavapai Library Network.

[Zinio for Libraries](#) a collection of 100+ digital magazines currently available on newsstands.

Kathleen Jarvis

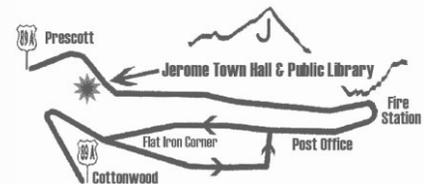
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Tuesday	10 am – 7 pm	Saturday	CLOSED



Old Book Room Hours

Tuesday Noon – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday Noon – 5:00 p.m.

Or call for an appointment – library staff will be happy to open the Old Book Room for you.

Jerome Humane Society

The start of summer has already brought many of us some ups, downs and all-arounds. Same here at the Jerome Humane Society - with plenty more in store in the warm season ahead!

Memorial Day Flea Market a Great Success

In the "up" category, our Memorial Day Flea Market was a great success - raising over \$7K to fund ongoing care for Jerome's animal citizens. We'd like to extend a big thanks to our generous donors and to our volunteers for bringing so much energy and fun to our spring fundraiser! We're already gearing up for our next sale in October, so if you have pass-along treasures to donate, please call Sally at 928.301.5079 or Mary at 928.301.7797 to coordinate a drop off.

A Special Thanks to Dr. Kennaway

This past month we faced a definite "down" as we worked to combat the minor outbreak of plague that affected several Jerome cats. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to Dr. Kennaway who went beyond even her exceptional care standards to help the town address the plague issue, and to provide special care to the animals affected. We're happy to report that cases of plague have dwindled to almost zero, but it's important to remain vigilant. Be on the lookout for early signs of plague in your pets, including lethargy, loss of appetite, fever and tenderness around the mouth and throat (lymph node) area. If your pet is exhibiting these signs, please contact us immediately.

Meet Foxy, Logan and Hyder Our "ups" and "downs" at the humane society always depend on how we meet the never-ending challenge of finding forever homes for pets in need. Last month we introduced you to Foxy,



an elegant 2-year old, silver/white, long-haired female in need of a home. We're still looking for a loving family to give and share TLC with this deserving and delightful lady cat. -This month we're also featuring two

adorable and riotous kittens! Logan and Hyder are 8-week old, brown tabby siblings. Logan (photo on left) is an energetic charmer with dark, vivid stripes. Hyder (photo on right) is the clever one, with white feet and complete sincerity.



They're pals and would love to be adopted together if at all possible.

If you're interested in expanding your feline family to include any of these loveable creatures, please call Sally at 928.301.5079.

Jerome Humane Society Launches Facebook Page

In BIG "all around" news - the Jerome Humane Society now has a Facebook page! While just a few weeks old, we're already 100 "friends" strong! To check out our posts and/or to share information, just go to www.facebook.com/jeromehumanesociety and "like" us.

Thank You and Best Wishes to Carrie Anderson

We owe a big thanks to Carrie Anderson for setting up our Facebook page, and for so much more. Carrie recently accepted a post as an emergency room nurse in her native North Carolina, and has left Jerome to embark on her next adventure. We miss her already, but Carrie has pledged to return in October to serve again as our incomparable auctioneer for the JHS fall fundraiser. Best wishes, Carrie!

Emergency Preparedness is for Pets too

Sometimes owners can do unintended harm to their pets due to circumstances for which they were unprepared. Emergencies come in many forms, and may require anything from a brief absence from your home to permanent evacuation. It's important to take proactive measures to make sure pets are as safe as possible during an emergency. This includes having a family disaster plan - and evacuation kits - for your family *and* your pets. Inside this newsletter you'll find an emergency preparedness brochure that can help you with this important task. You can pick up extra brochures to pass along at the JHS clinic (Thursdays only) and at Nellie Bly. Whether life takes us up, down or all around, being thoughtfully prepared is the best thing we can do for ourselves, our pets, and each other. Thanks for thinking ahead!

Jerome Humane Society Clinic Hours

Thursdays Noon - 5:00 p.m.

Clinic Phone: 634-6166 *(during clinic hours only)*

Appt. Phone: 639-1341

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