

# CITY of SHELBY... May 2017 Newsletter

## Dear Shelby Residents,

Summer is fast approaching and we are grateful for the great area moisture. We all know how fast we can dry out so we hope for continual rain throughout the summer. This will be a very active summer for the City of Shelby. Street sweeping is well underway and street repairs will soon follow. Work will begin later this summer on our storm drainage project and design on our quiet zones and rail crossing improvements. The City Council has elected to move forward with our 4th cell wastewater treatment facility. In order to complete this project we are faced with presenting a necessary sewer rate increase. This newsletter includes the notice and rate examples. As has been discussed the past two years, our treatment facility is over capacity and the City is being required by EPA/DEQ to address this overcapacity issue. The City Council has come up with what we believe is the most economic fix but this fix is estimated to cost approximately five million dollars. We encourage your input on this and your attendance at the public hearing scheduled for the explanation of the project.

Sincerely,



Larry J. Bonderud  
Mayor



Public Hearing  
Monday, June 12th  
7:30 pm @ City Hall

### Special points of interest:

- Sewer Rate Notice
- Carousel Rest Area
- Mountain of Cans Challenge
- Arbor Day
- Tree Care
- Building Permits
- Automated Bank Drafting
- Recreation Pass Fund
- Pool & Civic Center Schedule



**Shelby High School Community Service Day** >>>> The City of Shelby is pleased to once again partner with Shelby High School for a Community Service Day. Over 100 Shelby students will take part in the city-school partnership for cleanup projects throughout the community. Organizers have planned cleanups for City Park, Albertsons Park, Swimming Pool Park, Meadowlark and Middle School grounds, Main Street, Front Street and cleaning along Roosevelt Highway and Oilfield Avenue.

City officials believe this is an incredible opportunity for our young people to take pride in their community and give back to it with this city-wide cleanup project. The city invites all residents, merchants and chamber members to join the students in the community day. The City of Shelby thanks School District #14 and High School officials for encouraging our young people to take pride in our community and help make Shelby a great place to live, work and raise our families.



### Let's Make our Community Blossom!



The City of Shelby is very fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers who plant and care for the planters and flower containers that line Roosevelt Highway, Oilfield Avenue, Main Street and Central Avenue. These beautiful flowers and shrubs brighten Shelby roadways and welcome visitors and residents alike. There are several planters that need volunteer help. If you, your family or group would like to plant and care for a planter, please contact Lorette Carter at the Office of Community Development; 424-8799 or [shbcdc@3rivers.net](mailto:shbcdc@3rivers.net). Help us make Shelby "bloom" this summer!

### MOW NOTICE

The City of Shelby weed ordinance requires that all vegetation on property be kept below six inches. If vegetation is in excess of this you are in violation of the ordinance. The ordinance is on the City of Shelby website ([www.shelbymt.com](http://www.shelbymt.com)). Unsightly weeds and vegetation are a continued problem in our community and the City Council wishes to eliminate the annual problem. Trees, hedges and bushes at intersections must be no higher than 2 1/2 feet within 30 feet of the street corner. The City of Shelby weed ordinance provides for crews to mow weeds on your property if you fail to comply with the weed ordinance without any notice.



## NOTICE OF SEWER RATE INCREASE AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 15, 2017, the City Council (the "Council") of the City of Shelby, Montana (the "City"), adopted a Resolution of Intention of the City of Shelby, Montana to Increase the Rates and Charges for the Users of the Municipal Sewer System.

Residential. All residential customers of the System are charged a flat rate sewer charge of \$20.90 per month plus \$1.28 per 1,000 gallons. The total annual volume of all sewage is computed as four times the water meter reading for a three consecutive month reading period during the months of November through March of each fiscal year. Residential sewer rates are based on average water usage for three months (January, February, March) of each year and adjusted each May.

Nonresidential. All commercial customers of the city sewer system are charged a flat rate of \$20.90 per month plus \$1.28 per 1,000 gallons. The volume includes a total annual metered usage exclusive of any irrigation water measured through a secondary meter.

### Current Charges

Size of Water Service Line (in inches)	Minimum Monthly Charges
¾ inch or 5/8 inch	\$ 22.18
1 inch	\$ 23.46
1 ¼ inch	\$ 23.46
1 ½ inch	\$ 24.74
2 inch	\$ 27.30
3 inch	\$ 31.14
4 inch	\$ 34.98

Proposed Amendments. The Council proposes to amend the City's sewer rates and charges ordinance, as follows.

Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Beginning with the July 2017 billing, the Council proposes to increase the usage rate per 1,000 gallons from \$1.28 to \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons. The flat rate sewer charge of \$20.90 per month will remain the same.

Assuming 3,000 gallons of water per month are used by a residential user, this represents an increase of approximately 39% over the existing Minimum Monthly Charge.

Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Beginning with the July 2018 billing, the Council proposes to increase the usage rate per 1,000 gallons from \$4.50 to \$5.75 per 1,000 gallons. The flat rate sewer charge of \$20.90 per month will remain the same.

Assuming 3,000 gallons of water per month are used by a residential user, this represents an increase of approximately 11% over the then existing Minimum Monthly Charge.

Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Beginning with the July 2019 billing, the Council proposes to increase the usage rate per 1,000 gallons from \$5.75 to \$7.75 per 1,000 gallons. The flat rate sewer charge of \$20.90 per month will remain the same.

Assuming 3,000 gallons of water per month are used by a residential user, this represents an increase of approximately 15.7% over the then existing Minimum Monthly Charge.

Minimum Charge Tables. The effect of the above graduated increase in charges in terms of the tables relating to minimum charges would be as follows:

(a) Effective with the July 2017 billing.

Size of Water Service Line (in inches)	Minimum Monthly Charges
¾ inch or 5/8 inch	\$ 25.40
1 inch	\$ 29.90
1 ¼ inch	\$ 29.90
1 ½ inch	\$ 34.40
2 inch	\$ 43.40
3 inch	\$ 56.90
4 inch	\$ 70.40

(b) Effective with the July 2018 billing.

Size of Water Service Line (in inches)	Minimum Monthly Charges
¾ inch or 5/8 inch	\$ 26.65
1 inch	\$ 32.40
1 ¼ inch	\$ 32.40
1 ½ inch	\$ 38.15
2 inch	\$ 49.65
3 inch	\$ 66.90
4 inch	\$ 84.15

(c) Effective with the July 2019 billing.

Size of Water Service Line (in inches)	Minimum Monthly Charges
¾ inch or 5/8 inch	\$ 28.65
1 inch	\$ 36.40
1 ¼ inch	\$ 36.40
1 ½ inch	\$ 44.15
2 inch	\$ 59.65
3 inch	\$ 82.90
4 inch	\$ 106.15

Deletion of Correctional Facilities Charges. It is proposed that the charges shown in Section 1-12-12B.4.: Sewer Rates and Charges of the Original Ordinance be deleted in their entirety and that sewer charges for Correctional Facilities be as set forth above.

Determination of Annual Budget for the System. At least once each year the Council of the City shall determine the amount of money needed to pay the costs of the System including but not limited to: (a) the payment of the reasonable expense of operation and maintenance of the System; (b) administration of the System; (c) the payment of principal and interest on any bonded or other indebtedness of the System; and (d) the establishment or maintenance of any required reserves, including reserves needed for expenditures for depreciation and replacement of facilities, as may be determined necessary from time to time by the Council or as covenanted in the ordinance or resolution authorizing any outstanding bonds of the System. Based on the annual needs of the System, the Council will establish monthly charges for the use and availability of the System.

Further Rate or Charge Changes. Subsequent adjustments to the rates and charges for the use and availability of the System will be made by a resolution or ordinance of the Council duly adopted after a public hearing with notice thereof given as provided by law.

Public Hearing. A public hearing on the rate increases for the System will be held on June 12, 2017, commencing at 7:30 p.m. at the City Hall, 112 1<sup>st</sup> Street South, Shelby, Montana.

Further information about the proposed rate increase may be obtained by contacting Jade Goroski, City Finance Officer, 112 1<sup>st</sup> St So, Shelby, Montana 59474, phone: (406) 434-5222.

Passed and approved this 15th day of May, 2017.

# The Carousel Rest Area of Shelby



A group of dedicated citizens spearheaded by Mr. Harry Benjamin are leading the charge in constructing a carousel in Shelby. Mr. Benjamin, a retired farmer has been tireless in his efforts to improve our community and create wonderful projects for the benefit of all our residents. Harry was asked to assist in fixing a carousel that was broken down at the 2016 Marias Fair. There he learned the carousel was for sale and this sparked an idea. He researched carousels across the country, deciding to purchase this carousel for Shelby. Harry set to work bringing the carousel to Shelby; organizing a committee to assist him in forming a non-profit; seeking community assistance in the restoration of the carousel; planning and designing the carousel structure; and developing the business plan to run the operation.

Dedicated citizens as well as inmates at CCA have been busy painting and restoring the carousel components. In addition, the

committee has recently purchased property from the City on the south end of Champions Park. The property was chosen as it is close to lodging and eating establishments; near the highway system; and allows for shared parking and restroom facilities with Champions Park.

The carousel, property and the restoration of the carousel have been paid out of Mr. Benjamin's original funds, however those funds are now depleted. Donations have starting coming in to the First State Bank and all are encouraged to be a part of this fun project long into the future. We hope you will become a part owner of the "Carousel Rest Area of Shelby". Your donations will allow for the build of the carousel house and complete the restoration. When you donate, please include your name and address that you will be recognized on the donor plaque as part of the GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION! The carousel committee hopes to complete the project by this fall. Please consider a donation to the carousel fund today!



**2<sup>nd</sup> Mountain of Cans Challenge . . .** Shelby Elementary School, in partnership with the Shelby Recycling Association participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mountain of Cans Challenge. As part of Earth Day/Arbor Day activities, elementary students collected and brought aluminum cans to school on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Markers were set up in the school parking lot identifying each grade level. The first grade brought in the largest volume (mountain) of cans and will enjoy a pool party compliments of the City of Shelby at the end of the school year. In 2016, students collected over 1,000 pounds of aluminum cans in the first challenge.

The Shelby Recycling Association is very grateful to Principal Erica Allen and Shelby Elementary students and staff for their participation. Special thanks also to the Shelby High School National Honor Society students who assisted the kids in off-loading the cans and transferring to the recycling trailer.

**The Shelby Recycling Association asks you to continually... REDUCE - REUSE - RECYCLE!**

## Arbor Day • 2017 Montana Tree City of the Year

*THANK YOU from the City of Shelby*

As a Tree City USA for 17 years, the City of Shelby is very grateful for all those who continually volunteer their time, contribute to growing our forestry program planting trees on commercial and residential properties and ultimately, serving as good stewards of the community. Through all these efforts, the City of Shelby was named the 2017 Montana Tree City of the Year.



Thanks to the Shelby Junior High students and staff for all their hard work cleaning on Arbor Day. This is the 13<sup>th</sup> year the City has partnered with students to complete Arbor Day activities in the community. We feel very fortunate to have their commitment each year in completing these great community projects.

Thank you also to all the businesses, organizations and groups who care for our community and give of their time to clean a park, fence line or roadway within the community as part of our Arbor Day activities.

Special thanks to School District #14 and Shelby schools for hosting the Montana Tree City celebration! Receiving this designation speaks highly of the community's commitment to growing and sustaining our tree population and reflects our community spirit and pride.

## How to Kill a Tree!



WHAT... you say??? The Arbor Day Foundation wants to SAVE trees not kill trees. Please look at the side-by-side comparison on planting and caring for your trees.

To Kill a Tree	To Save a Tree
Leave the new tree/root ball in hot sun or wind to dry out roots. Not watering a new tree after planting.	Prepare the site by digging a hole no deeper than the planting ball. To encourage root growth loosen soil several feet around the planting hole. Remove all wire and wrappings around root ball. Loosen roots.
Plant the tree in a narrow hole and deeper than the ground line. Then drown it!	Plant no deeper than the highest main roots just below the soil surface. Backfill with native soil or spread soil amendments throughout planting area.
Pack the soil tightly around roots.	Water the soil to settle it instead of packing. Water area beyond the root ball to encourage root spread. Stake loosely, for no longer than one year.
Let trees and surrounding soil dry out.	In dry spells, water the entire area within and a little beyond the drip line. Water about once a week.
Stake trees tightly, leave wires or tags on as tree grows.	If you must stake young trees, allow room for normal sway in the wind. Cover any wires with rubber or plastic to protect the bark. Remove after one year.
Over fertilize your trees. This can "burn" roots or over-stimulate crown growth, making it harder for trees to survive drought conditions.	Keep vines away from your tree. Keep soil pores open with mulching around individual trees or planting groups of trees in flower/groundcover beds. Fertilizing is usually not necessary. Seek professional advice like our Toole County Extension Office.
Bang lawnmowers into the bark or cut with weed trimmers.	Keep grass away from trees by proper mulching so lawnmower or trimmer damage is less likely.
Over-prune your trees.	Remove no more than ¼ of the live crown of the tree in a single year. Keep a single central leader.
Ignore storm damage to limbs.	Address any wind/storm damage as soon as possible to avoid further damage to tree limbs.
Hire a fly-by-night tree company.	Ask for references and get your cost up front.

### Building or Moving Something???

The City of Shelby wishes to remind everyone that a building/zoning permit is required for construction work done within the Shelby city limits. A permit is required for work done to commercial buildings as well as single-family dwellings. Work such as a deck, front steps with a landing, or any addition to your home (a roof change, structural changes, and any new building over 200 square feet in area) require a permit. Exempt items to single-family dwellings are: reroofing, residing and a remodel without a structural change.

A moving/zoning permit is required for the placement of mobile homes, modular buildings and conventional frame buildings of all uses onto private lots within the city.

Moving a mobile home into a state licensed mobile home court is exempt. However, it does require a Toole County moving permit.

The Building Inspector's office is located at the City Shop (66 City Shop Road, 434-5564).



### Automated Bank Drafting and E-Mail Bill Options



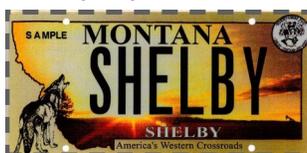
We would like to remind you that the City of Shelby offers Automated Bank Drafting and the option to have your utility bill e-mailed to you.

**Automated Bank Drafting** - This allows billed amounts to be collected electronically directly from your bank account. This feature is also known as Automated Clearing House (ACH). After each monthly billing the billed amount is transferred directly from your bank to the City's bank account.

**E-Mail Bills** - This feature sends your utility bill to your personal email address each month.

If you are interested in one or both of these features please call City Hall at 434-5222 or check out the City of Shelby website ([www.shelbymt.com](http://www.shelbymt.com)) and print out the ACH form.

Check out the City of Shelby License Plate when it's time for your plate renewal!



**Recreation Pass Fund** The City of Shelby attempts to maintain a Recreation Pass Fund. This fund provides financial assistance for those kids who cannot afford recreation passes. If you would like to contribute to this fund please contact Mayor Larry Bonderud at 434-5222 or send your contributions to the City of Shelby - 112 1st St S. The fund is completely exhausted and we need contributions for this summer season.

# SWIM POOL • CIVIC CENTER

MONTHLY PASS PRICE \*prices are prorated by the day so check for daily cost.

	Child (3-8)	Student (9-17)	Adult (18 & over)	Family
Civic Center or Pool	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$45.00
Civic Center & Pool	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$55.00	\$60.00
Walking Pass	\$30.00 per year			

## Civic Center Summer Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am to 6 pm

Summer Classes Start June 5th • 669 Park Ave • 434-5114

### Monday

6 am - Kickboxing/Stations  
10 am - 30 Minute Legs Toning  
Noon - Kickboxing/Stations  
7 pm - Yoga (Racquetball Room 1)

\*Bring Your Own Mat for Yoga Classes\*

### Tuesday

6 am - Zumba  
9 am - 30 Minute Abs Toning  
Noon - Weight Room (upper body)  
1 pm - 30 Minute Yoga  
(Racquetball Room 1)

### Wednesday

6 am - Spinning  
9 am - 30 Minute Arms Toning  
Noon - Spinning  
7 pm - Yoga (Racquetball Room 1)

### Thursday

6 am - Toning/Interval Stations  
9 am - 30 Minute Abs Toning  
Noon - Weight Room (Lower Body)  
1 pm - 30 Minute Yoga  
(Racquetball Room 1)

## Pool & Splash Park Hours June-August

HOURS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AM 6:00-7:00	CLOSED (cleaning)	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	
7:30-10:30	CLOSED (cleaning)	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	
10:30-12:00	CLOSED (cleaning)	Swim Lessons	Swim Lessons	Swim Lessons	Swim Lessons	
PM 12:00-1:00	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	CLOSED Swim Team	
1:00-5:00	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim
5:15-6:00	Water Aerobics/ Lap Swimming	Water Aerobics/ Lap Swimming	Water Aerobics/ Lap Swimming	Water Aerobics/ Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	
6:00-8:00	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	



SPLASH PARK HOURS: Everyday 8am-8pm

Call 434-5311 to schedule a PARTY and for information on Swimming Lessons.



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U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
SHELBY, MT  
Permit No. 1

## Public Alert Notification System (PANS)

You never know when an extreme weather event, accident or disaster might strike. Toole County's Public Alert Notification System (PANS) allows the Toole County Sheriff's Department to quickly notify you in case of a large scale emergency.

Sign-up is FREE and a few EASY steps:

1. Go to: [toolecountymt.gov](http://toolecountymt.gov).
2. Click the PANS link.
3. Enter the information requested.
4. Check all methods of how you want to receive notifications.
5. Click "JOIN" and you are registered!
6. Once you select "JOIN" you will be directed to a second page. You can either exit that page, or you can add additional numbers and email addresses if you wish.

