

City of Shelby

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Dear Shelby Residents,

The following is a summary of our current financial situation. If you have any questions concerning this please feel free to contact me.

The City of Shelby ended fiscal year 2014-2015 with a cash balance of \$2,376,965 for all the funds. \$323,537.00 of this was the general fund balance. The 2014-2015 general fund expenditures were \$1,700,781. The general fund balance represents general fund reserve of 13.6%. This compares to a 2013-2014 general fund reserve of \$177,700 or 13.4%. The City of Shelby ended fiscal year 2013-2014 with an all funds balance of \$1,316,734. We have increased our cash balance by over \$1 million between fiscal year 2014-2015.

The 2015-2016 City of Shelby budget recently adopted by the City Council anticipates no rate increase for water, sewer, garbage collection or landfill. The 2015-2016 budget includes the anticipated start of construction for a 4th sewage lagoon and the storm drainage project. Both of these projects, if initiated, would prevent the need for a future, more costly expansion of our sewage treatment facilities. These two projects would not be initiated without future public hearings. The 2015-2016 budget provided for a twenty five cent per hour raise for the City employees and a \$39.30 per month increase in the City's contribution for health insurance.

We will conduct a rate analysis in January 2016 for all of our utility rates. We do anticipate some increases in these rates for 2016-2017.

Sincerely,



Larry J. Bonderud, Mayor

Together We Can Make A Difference! The Toole County Combined Fund Drive serves to provide funding to twenty very deserving organizations throughout Toole County. Your generous support helps fund the following:

Shelby Girl Scouts ~ Shelby Swim Team ~ Sunburst Food Pantry & Emergency Fund ~ Toole County Youth Soccer ~ Sunburst Swim Team ~ Shelby Baseball Association ~ Hi-Line Help for Abused Spouses ~ Multiple Sclerosis Association ~ Arthritis Foundation ~ NTC Youth Program ~ Sagebrush Food Pantry ~ Toole County Crimestoppers ~ Toole County Friends of the Library ~ Sunburst Community Foundation ~ Boy Scouts of America ~ American Diabetes Association ~ Recycle Shelby ~ Prairie Oasis Animal Shelter ~ Relay for Life ~ Center for Mental Health

You, as a resident of Shelby and Toole County ARE THE TOOLE COUNTY COMBINED FUND DRIVE! It was organized by you~ composed by you ~ to serve you. It is guided by people you know and respect. By combining these twenty public appeals into one campaign, it makes the best use of resources, time and energy and provides a simple method to give to so many worthwhile organizations.

Please be looking for your campaign brochure coming the in the mail soon. Your generous support sustains and grows these vital community organizations. We hope you will thoughtfully consider your contribution and give generously to all or specific organizations within the campaign as....**Together we can make a difference!**

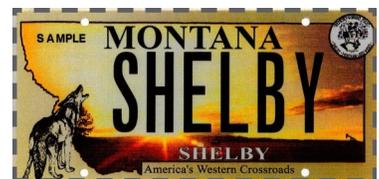


Special points of interest:

- Splash Park
- It's the Law
- Stop for Pedestrians
- Snow Removal
- Recycle
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- Dispose My Meds Program
- Assistance Programs
- Resource List



If you would like to receive the City of Shelby newsletter in electronic format please email sarah@shelbymt.com.



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

Shelby Splash Park

The City of Shelby was very fortunate to receive grant funding through the Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Land Water Conservation Fund for the construction of the Shelby Splash Park. The grand opening was a great success in late August with approximately 350 children and families enjoying the park. We continue to seek community support to purchase the “fun” components that enhance the park for children to enjoy now and for years to come. A water umbrella, flower shower, fire hydrant soaker, raining arms, crocodile cannon and dumping bucket are planned for the Shelby Splash Park.

Our campaign is nearing the halfway point and we hope you might consider a gift to meet our goal. The City set up a donor giving system utilizing Montana’s trout species. The levels are as follows:

<u>Donor Level ~ MT Trout</u>	<u>Funding Amount</u>
Bull	\$5,000 and above
Rainbow	\$3,000 to \$4,999
Brown	\$1,000 to \$2,999
Brook	\$500 to \$999
Lake	\$250 to \$499
Cutthroat	\$100 to \$249



Local businesses and families have given generously thus far. To date, here are the donor level contributors to the Shelby Splash Park project.

Bull
Town Pump Corporation

Rainbow

Brown
Bear Paw Credit Union
Ben Taylor Inc.
Dick Irvin Inc.

Brook
Kyle Carter ~ Washington Foundation
Dr. Hardee & Debbie Clark & Family
Elks Lodge #1696
First State Bank
Best Western Shelby Inn & Suites
Seubert Insurance
Jim Devlin ~ Tungsten Properties

Lake
Whitted Funeral Chapel
Dr. Pat & Connie Moore
Harry & Jeanne Benjamin
Melissa Lewis & Associates

Cutthroat
All Season Heating & Air Conditioning
Leavitt Great West Insurance Services
Aaron & Gwen Heaton & Family
Kip & Lori Thacker
Scott & Sharol O'Brien
Shane & Lisa Clark
Tom & Wendy Reynolds

The City of Shelby thanks everyone for their gift of time, food and contributions at the Grand Opening and all those who participated in the live radio and Facebook auctions. Special thanks to all the Shelby businesses who gave generously to the Grand Opening celebration and auctions. The city is very grateful for this tremendous support of the Shelby Splash Park and hopes you might continue to contribute to fund the “FUN” for our children now and for generations to come.

It's the Law!



Ordinance No. 755

Chapter 10.12

Parking on Public Property and Public Right of Ways

10.12.020 Main Street: It is unlawful for the owner or operator of any motor vehicle to park or leave the same at any point or place on Main Street in the city between First Avenue and Fifth Avenue for a period of more than two hours between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays. (Ordinance 755 ~2001; Ordinance 720 ~ 1997; Ordinance 499, Section 2 ~ 1974)



Stop for Pedestrians - Think of the IMPACT you could make!

Nationally, it's estimated that 5,000 pedestrians are killed and 85,000 pedestrians are injured each year. During the last decade, more than 63,000 pedestrians died and more than a million others were injured in pedestrian-vehicle crashes. A pedestrian injury or death happens every 7 minutes in this country!

These are national statistics, but pedestrian fatalities and injuries can happen even here in Shelby! Experts say many of these crashes are due to unsafe behaviors by both pedestrians and drivers. Local law enforcement have personally witnessed several near misses when drivers were not paying attention – whether on the phone, in a hurry or conversing with passengers. They have also witnessed pedestrians/bicyclists crossing wherever they liked and darting out into traffic.

Many of these incidents involve children. After-school and early evening are busy times. Children are walking home from school, to and from bus stops, to friends' houses, and to play. **They don't always pay attention...we ask that you do!**

As drivers we ask that you be alert! Look for people in crosswalks, when turning and at intersections. Keep in mind that when a car is stopped ahead of you, there may be a pedestrian crossing. Pay special attention during evening hours when nighttime visibility affects your driving. Most important, **SLOW DOWN!** Nothing is that important that you risk the lives of community members walking and biking, your passengers and yourself.

SNOW REMOVAL



Below you will find the City of Shelby sidewalk snow removal ordinance. To date, we have experienced several slips and falls due to ice and snow accumulations on sidewalks throughout the city. We note that only approximately 30% of the sidewalks in our community are being shoveled in compliance with our ordinance. Most of the slips and falls have been senior citizens and some of the injuries have been extensive.

We ask for everyone's cooperation in shoveling their sidewalks in compliance with our ordinance.

The City of Shelby will enforce the ordinance following the enforcement provisions as follows:

9-4-1 KEEPING SIDEWALKS CLEAR:

- A. It shall be the duty of the owner of any premises within the limits of the municipality to keep the sidewalk of and abutting his premises clear of more than one inch of snow, any amount of snow pack, any amount of ice, any amount of slush, any amount of mud, and all other threats to safe foot travel and to prevent the accumulation of same.
- B. A property owner shall have twenty-four hours after a snow storm ends to clear the sidewalk of snow greater in depth than one inch.
- C. A property owner shall have twenty-four hours after snow pack, ice, slush, mud, or other threats to safe foot travel accumulate to remove the snow pack, ice, slush, mud, or threat.
- D. In the event that snow or ice cannot be reasonably removed due to possible damage to the sidewalk or it is otherwise largely impractical to remove, the owner shall put on the sidewalk sand or other abrasive material in such an amount and manner to make foot traffic reasonably safe. The owner shall maintain that condition until weather permits the removal of the snow or ice.

9-4-2 FAILURE TO COMPLY: Upon the failure of the owner of any premises to keep the sidewalk abutting his property in compliance with 9-4-1, SMC, the City of Shelby shall have the right to remove such snow, snow pack, ice, slush, mud, and other threats to safe foot travel and assess the cost thereof against the property abutting the sidewalk.

9-4-3 NO NOTICE REQUIRED: The City of Shelby is not required to provide any notice to the owner of the premises abutting a sidewalk before it exercises its rights under 9-4-2, SMC.

RECYCLE READY



Thanks to the efforts of the entire community, recycling continues in Shelby. Sadly, the market for paper recyclables has fallen off and the Shelby Recycling Association is unable to lease the paper trailer at this time. Market analysts predict the paper market will return in the next year at which time Recycle Shelby will bring back the paper trailer. The Recycle Shelby program still recycles the following:

Aluminum/Metal Trailer: Bins are available for beverage cans and tin/steel food cans.

- All aluminum should be crushed. Crushed cans take up less space.
- All metal cans must be washed. Dirty cans contaminate the entire bin. Labels and lids can be left on.
- Please don't mix the aluminum and tin. Separate bins are available. Just check the signs on each bin.
- No bags, sacks or boxes....**CANS ONLY!**

Cardboard Bin: Corrugated Cardboard Only.

- Only sturdy shipping boxes
- No food boxes, paper rolls or paper
- Please don't leave plastic bags or trash in bin

A metal bin is on the site for those people who are unable to dump their own aluminum/tin. Please don't use this for garbage or plastic. There is a dumpster on site for plastic bags and trash. Please keep our recycling containers and site clean

And PLEASE...REDUCE – REUSE - RECYCLE

Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce

The Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association will once again be hosting the Christmas Stroll to kick off the Christmas holiday season. The Stroll and chili feed are scheduled for Sunday Dec. 6th. The Rockin' and Shoppin' weekend will be held Thursday, December 10 through Saturday, December 12 with extended evening hours. The kid's holiday movie will be on Saturday, December 19th.



It is not too early to be thinking of your Christmas shopping list and the Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce encourages you to shop locally. Your community merchants rely on your patronage all year long but a large part of their annual income comes during the holiday season. Our local businesses are the one who support local fundraising efforts for our students, athletes, yearbook ads, 4-H animal sales, and more. Watch for their extended hours during the holiday season.

The upcoming hosts for the Chamber After Hours are: November 10- Best Western Shelby Inn & Suites, December 9- Comfort Inn & Suites, January 12- 1st National Pawn, February 9- Marias Medical Center, March 8- Tiber Agency, April 14- Friends of the Library. These events are **open to the public** and always include refreshments, great door prizes and a 50/50 drawing.

Dispose My Meds Program



Not sure what to do with your expired or unused medications?

Each year in the United States more than 71,000 children aged 18 and younger are seen in emergency rooms for unintentional overdoses of prescription and over-the-counter drugs. The most common medications accidentally taken by children are acetaminophen (Tylenol), opioids, benzodiazepines, cough and cold medicines, anti-inflammatories (ibuprofen, naproxen...), and antidepressants. More than 100 different pharmaceutical compounds have been detected in lakes, rivers, streams, and reservoirs around the world.

To help dispose of unused medications properly, Northtown Drug is a participating pharmacy in the National Community Pharmacist's Association sponsored program called "Dispose My Meds".

Non-controlled, expired or unused medications may be brought to the pharmacy for disposal or pre-paid envelopes may be picked up for personal at-home use. The medications are then shipped to the Sharps Compliance treatment facility for incineration. Upon receipt they are processed, witnessed, and destroyed by the licensed and regulated facility.

The DEA also holds National Drug Take-Back Days for disposal of controlled substances. The dates and locations for that can be found at www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/index.html

The program is intended to prevent children from harm, potential abuse, and pollution in the water system.

- ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS -

With winter right around the corner the City of Shelby would like to make you aware of the resources available to assist if you are in need.

- **LIEAP- Low Income Energy Assistance Program:** Applications for assistance are available from the North Central Area Agency on Aging. The office is located at 311 So. Virginia, Suite #2 in Conrad. For more information on income guidelines please contact them at (406) 271-7553 or 1-800-551-3191.
- **Opportunities Inc. Emergency Resource Services:** Emergency rental assistance is available to those who qualify. For assistance, please call (406) 216-2300 for appointments.
- **Opportunities Inc. Weatherization Services:** If you qualify for LIEAP assistance, you also qualify for weatherization services. Call (406) 216-3055 for information regarding this program.
- **Energy Share of Montana:** If you've applied for LIEAP and don't qualify or if you need further assistance with your energy costs you can apply for Energy Share. Contact Opportunities Inc. at (406) 761-0310.



At times, we all need help. Our parents, family members and elderly friends especially need care and guidance as they make decisions regarding their health, housing, finances and day-to-day matters. Here is the start of a comprehensive list that gives you, your family or caregivers resources to consider.

Agency/Entity	Programs/Benefits	Contact Information
Marias Heritage Center	This modern facility has 38 retirement and state-licensed assisted living resident apartments. Studio, one and two bedroom apartments are available. A registered nurse administrator oversees the facility with 24-hour individualized care and security & call systems. Activities are offered daily and transportation is available.	Judy Richman R.N. 406.434.3290
Marias Manor	Spacious one bedroom apartments with a manager on site. Adjacent to the Shelby Senior Center and close to Marias Medical Center.	Nayda Puffer 406.434.5661
Crossroads Housing	One and two bedroom units for residents 55 years and older. A short walk to the Shelby Senior Center and Marias Medical & Health Care Center.	Nayda Puffer 406.434.5661
Shelby Senior Center	In addition to nutritious meals served at the center, meals can be delivered to homes. The center also provides respite care for caregivers and homemaker care to help seniors with light housekeeping and small home projects.	Senior Center 406.434.2992
Marias Medical Center Rehabilitation Department	Physical Therapy Services ~ including inpatient & outpatient care, rehabilitation and therapy. Occupational Therapy Services ~ including inpatient & outpatient care/rehabilitation; stroke & neurological rehabilitation; fractures; wheelchair seating; and activities of daily living.	Rehabilitation Dept. 406.434.3234
Marias Medical Center Social Services	MMC provides a social worker to assist families with financial, medical and mental health issues as they relate to the patient. The social worker is available to assist with Medicaid applications, can answer Medicare questions, and is available to assist with financial assistance for prescriptions.	Brenda Gilmore, BSW 406-434-3281
Marias Care Center	MCC provides 24 hour nursing care that is individualized for residents. They offer both private and semi-private rooms and strive to make the care center as home-like as possible. MMC has a full-time social worker that is available for the transition from home to the care center. The social worker assists with financial, medical and mental health issues as they relate to their loved one. Diets are individualized to meet the needs of each resident.	Brenda Gilmore, BSW 406-434-3281
North Central Area Council on Aging	The Conrad office offers several services to residents of Shelby and Toole County. Services include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Health & Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Free health-benefits counseling & advocacy service for Medicare beneficiaries and their families/caregivers. • Commodity Supplement Food Program Distribution through Shelby Senior Center • Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) Contact office for application and income guidelines. 	Conrad office 406.271.7553 Toll Free 800.551.3191
Ombudsman Program	The Ombudsman Program is responsible for advocating on behalf of long-term care patients. This includes individuals living in nursing, board and care, and other assisted living facilities.	Conrad office 406.271.4191 Toll Free 800.332.2272
Adult Protective Services	Specialists help protect vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect & exploitation.	Cut Bank office 406.873.2114 Toll Free 800.551.3191
LIEAP- Low Income Energy Assistance	Applications for assistance are available from the North Central Area Agency on Aging. The office is located at 311 So. Virginia, Suite #2 in Conrad. Contact them for more information on income guidelines.	Contact 406.271.7553 800.551.3191
Energy Share of Montana	If you don't qualify for LIEAP or need further assistance with your energy costs you can apply for Energy Share.	Opportunities Inc. 406.761.0310
Weatherization Assistance	If you qualify for LIEAP assistance, you also qualify for weatherization services.	Opportunities Inc. 406.216.3055

If you have access to a computer, please go to the Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services ~ www.dphhs.mt.gov . You can also access Marias Medical Center services at www.mmcmnt.org . These sites are very easy to navigate and have a wealth of information in regard to services available, contact information and explanation of programs.



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