

Dear Citizens,

I hope everyone is enjoying the sunshine and the warmer weather. Everything certainly looks green and springy.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Clean Up Week and the Arbor Day Ceremony. The yards around town are looking great. The Arbor Day Celebration this year was held at the Tetonia Elementary School. All the students participated in the ceremony before we planted a new apple tree to add to the student orchard. I think they also enjoyed seeing the Lorax. Students also participated in the clean-up by gathering trash near the school. Thank you to those students and teachers.

We also have some very good news to announce. Thanks to Jacque's hard work the city has received a grant for a LIBRARY in Tetonia. We hope to have it open and ready to serve the public during this summer. The library is not connected to the Valley of the Tetons Library, so it will be our very own. It will be located on the edge of the park and will be open part-time, depending on how many volunteers we can get to keep it open. We will be happy to accept donations of books or other help, and we will definitely be willing to accept volunteers.

Our next city event will be the Dutch Oven Cook-Off on July 27th in the Ruby Carson Memorial Park. We encourage all the Dutch Oven cooks to come and compete. We have great prizes and great fun. We also encourage everyone in town to come taste and vote for the best of the competitor's dishes. The city will also provide free chicken and potatoes for attendees. You will definitely want to take a chance to win some money with the "Chuck A Duck" competition.

On a more serious note, we have a terrible problem with dog leavings in the park. This makes it very unpleasant for people wanting to enjoy the park. If you haven't noticed there is a "No dogs allowed" sign in the park. We have not enforced this but we will have to start if the mess continues. Also, keep in mind, all dogs are to be licensed according to county and city regulations. They are also to be leashed whenever they are out of your own yard. Please help us make the park a place everyone wants to enjoy.

The other item we need to mention is that permits are required to all structures built in the city. This includes home additions, sheds, and fences. Please check with the city <u>before</u> you begin building. The permits must be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Committee and approved by the City Council before they are valid. Call Jacque at the city office if you have questions.

Thanks for everything and have a happy and safe summer!

Respectfully,

Gloria Hoopes