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MAYORS UPDATE

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First of all, on February 5th, the Elk River Lodge and General Store hosted an Ice Fishing Derby that was a huge success! Dixie and Steve signed up 200 fishermen & women to compete on a beautiful winter day. We had around 400 people, tents, a couple dozen dogs, 4 Wheelers and Side x Sides on the reservoir for a fun filled day! Around \$3,000 was paid out in prizes. This was an excellent event for our town and businesses!

On April 30th, Tom's Tavern will host the Annual Elk River Fire Department Auction. The Silent Auction will be at 2 p.m. and the Live Auction will start at 3 p.m. This will be the 9th auction that Kami Nibler has hosted. Kami's dad, Bud Nelson, started the first one for Search and Rescue. And of course, thanks to the crew that puts the auction on! You guys rock!

Our NEW Elk River Fire Station is nearly complete. There is some outside work to be completed when the damn snow melts. Then, Fire Chief Wayne Wilson says we'll be ready for a Grand Opening this summer! Tom's Tavern will cater the bar for that opening as well. Wayne and his guys have developed a healthy volunteer Fire Department. They are anxious to have next year's auction in their roomy, nice building to show everyone what your generosity and hard work has accomplished. We had 5 firemen attending this year's Fire Academy training in March. Thank you guys!

There will be an Elk River Community Sale Weekend May 28th & 29th. Tonya Delphous has a flyer enclosed for you to sign up what you'll be selling and where. There is information at City Hall and the Library. If you have any questions on this feel free to contact Tonya.

I'll be meeting with Latah Sanitation next week to set a date for our spring clean up. We will get that information out to you soon.

This next message is from our local EMT staff and certainly shouldn't be last in my letter. There is a program called "Idaho Yellow Dot Program". You fill out a form showing some of your medical information such as medications, allergies, conditions, etc. You will put it in the plastic pouch that you put in your vehicle's jockey box. Then put a yellow dot sticker in your rear window letting the EMT's know that you have it. This puts them way ahead of the game! You can get these forms and pouches at City Hall, by calling DeEtta Mitchell at (208)669-2476 or Google "Idaho Yellow Dot Program". It's on the Idaho Health and Welfare website.

EMERGENCY 911 ADDRESS SIGNS!!! We still have several that have not purchased their blue address signs for \$20!! **Why not??** The Fire Department will put them up for you! Please call City Hall or Diane Olson at 208-826-3628. Forms are available at City Hall and on the bottom of the front page of the City's website. Call me if I can help you in any way! We need to get this done!

Thanks for listening!

Mayor Dave