

Our Town

Kalama honors its legacy of community pride, rich heritage and natural beauty while embracing growth and economic prosperity.

City of Kalama May 2022

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SUMMER SEWER NOTICE

Attention Kalama water users connected to sewer: **summer sewer does not go into effect until the <u>middle of May</u> (reading on May 18th). Please remember, any extra water consumption before that water meter reading will be billed at the regular rate. To keep your bill from skyrocketing, minimize activities like pressure washing, turning on sprinklers, filling pools, and/or any of the other extra water consumption until the middle of May 2022. For questions, contact the utility department at 360-673-4554.**

BUILDING OR RENOVATING INSIDE CITY LIMITS?

Starting home renovation or a large improvement project? Contact the building department to confirm whether a permit is required. This may include fences, decks, roofing, additions, etc. **Building Department Contact: Phone: 360-673-5211, Email: building@cityofkalama.com.**

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed! For more information on any of the following, contact Clerk/Treasurer Coni McMaster @ 360-673-4561 or cityclerk@cityofkalama.com.

- ➤ Volunteers that would like to participate in writing a formal statement in the voter's pamphlet "for" and "against" the ballot measure proposing an increase in sales tax by 0.2% to fund the Transportation Benefit District (TBD).
- > **Salary Commission** volunteers to determine salaries for Mayor and Council positions (pending Council adoption of Ordinance 1480)
- **Community Building** Committee volunteers

LET'S TALK HOUSING

The Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments is conducting a survey to assess the housing needs and issues of availability and affordability in Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties. The results will be used throughout the region to support new housing opportunities focused on the needs, challenges and hopes of area residents. The deadline for the survey is May 16, 2022 and can be found here: https://bit.ly/3J1jygM.

LIBRARY UPDATE

Operating Hours: Monday- Friday 12pm-5pm, Saturday 9am-2pm

The library website contains current information on programs and up-coming events. We welcome ideas on programing and can provide a meeting place. Chair yoga will continue through May, Thursdays @ 11am in the Council Chamber. Updates will be on Facebook. Card players will be meeting, dates and times updated on our website.

Storytime: For ages 0-5years, but all children welcome! Caterpillars—May 4th and "A Visit to the Doctor"—May 18th 10:30am-11:30am @ the Kalama Community Building!

Contact Us EMERGENCY/AFTER HOURS

Police - 911

Public Works 360-703-0168 or 911

CITY HALL HOURS-Monday-Friday: 9AM-5PM

Utility Billing-Payments 360-673-4554

Permitting, **Building, & Planning** 360-673-5211

Finance – Accounts Payable 360-673- 4555

Clerk/Treasurer 360-673-4561

City Administrator 360-673-3265

Kalama Police Office 360-673-2165 Hours M-F 9am-4:30pm

Kalama Public Works 360-673-3706

Kalama Library 360-673-4568 **Current Hours of Op:** Mon- Fri 12pm-5pm, Saturdays 9am-2pm

Kalama Community Building (call City 360-673-4908



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www.cityofkalama.com

Police Website www.kalamapolice.com

Library Website www.kalamalibrary.com



Friday & Saturday, May 6 th & 7 th	AMALAK Plant Sale & FOLK Book Sale (@ Haydu Park- 6th 9am-4pm, 7th 9am-2pm)
Friday & Saturday, May 6 th & 7 th	Mother's Day Art Show (@ Toteff Park) 5/6, 8am-4pm, 5/7, 8am-2pm
Saturday, May 7 th	Community Spring Cleanup Day (Shirley Lowman memorial cleanup day - meet 9am @ Kalama post office)
Sunday, May 8 th	Mother's Day
Saturday, May 14 th	Poultry & small animal market (Double D's Feed & Hardware 10am-4pm)
May 15 th - 21 st	National Police Week
Monday, May 30 th	Memorial Day (City offices closed)
Monday, June 6 th	Blood Drive (Community Building)

For detailed event information, please see the City's Facebook Page, the Kalama Chamber of Commerce website at www.kalamachamber.com/events-1, the City website at www.cityofkalama.com, the Kalama Fair website at www.kalamafair.com, or the Port of Kalama's website at www.portofkalama.com.

WHEN DO WE MEET?

Kalama City Council 1st and 3rd Thursdays -7:00 p.m. **Kalama Planning Commission** 2nd Thursday - 6:00 p.m.

Civil Service Commission 4th Thursday - 5:30 p.m. - As needed Kalama Library Board

Bi-monthly beginning in January on the 19th Wednesday - 5:15 p.m.

MEETING LOCATION *Hybrid meetings; physical location: 320 N 1st St, Kalama

POLICE OR FIRE EMERGENCIES - CALL 911

PUBLIC WORKS - AFTER-HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBER (360) 703-0168 - OR CALL 911

Kalama Police Office Non-Emergency(360)-673-2165		
Kalama City Offices (360)-673-4562		
City of Kalama Fax	(360) 673-4560	
Comcast	(888) 226-2278	
Cowlitz County Assessor	(360) 577-3010	
Cowlitz County Bldg. & Planning	(360) 577-3052	
Cowlitz Public Utilities District	(360) 423-2210	
Fire District #5 Office Non-Emergency(360) 673-2222		
Kalama Post Office	(360) 673-3567	
Kalama Telephone Company	(360) 673-2755	
Labor & Industries	(360) 575-6923	
Utilities Locate (Call Before You Dig!) 811 or (800) 424-5555		
Waste Control	(360) 425-4302	

ENROLL IN PAPERLESS BILLING. ONLINE BILL PAY AVAILABLE - ALSO AUTOPAY





