

# EVERSON CITY NEWSLETTER

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## keep your drains healthy — can the grease —



## Heavy Rains: The Risks

Heavy rains can happen throughout the year, putting property at risk. Cresting rivers, backed-up storm drains, and saturated ground all contribute to significant flooding when there is an excessive amount of rainfall.

## Preparing for a Flood

Residents and business owners need to prepare in advance for flood conditions. Before the threat of flooding becomes imminent, residents and business owners should:

- Purchase a flood insurance policy if they do not already have one.
- Review their current insurance policy and become familiar with what is covered and ensure the limits adequately protect their building and personal belongings.
- Make an emergency kit, plan evacuation routes, and keep important papers in a safe, waterproof place.
- Itemize and take pictures of possessions.

For more information regarding a policy, please call your insurance agent. You also can visit [FloodSmart.gov](http://FloodSmart.gov), or call **1-800-427-2419** to find a local agent.



## Utility Billing—Did you know.....

• 2018 Rates go into effect January 1st, and will show on the billing invoice you receive in February. Please see our website for details about 2018 Water/Sewer Rates. EMC 13.10

• You can pay your utility bill online.



Look for this symbol:

• Avoid water shut-offs and penalty fines. Bills are due by the last day of the month, after that they are considered delinquent and water can be shut-off. Prompt payment is appreciated and saves you money!



**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

## 2018 Business License Changes:

The City is using new licensing software and will be sending out renewal notices to current business license holders. Please review your information and return the form and payment to City Hall before January 31st.

- ♦ Annual license fee is \$30, due by January 31st.  
» Late renewal is \$60, if received after Feb 1st.
- ♦ **New business:** application is available on the City's website.

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## City Hall Office Hours

Mon-Fri · 8:30am—4:30pm

- **Fingerprinting:** By Appointment Only
  - **Passports:** Walk-in Hours on: Tues, Wed, Thur.  
9am—11am & 2pm—3:30pm
  - **Concealed Pistol License (CPL):**  
By Appointment Only  
For residents of Everson & Nooksack
  - **Notary Public** Walk-in: during regular office hours
- 360-966-3411 · [www.ci.everson.wa.us](http://www.ci.everson.wa.us)



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**Safety Tips From Your Everson Police Department:** A few good tips for helping keep you, your home and property safe...

**1) Home Security :**

When you are away from your home and/or during evening hours, keep your doors and windows closed and locked. Dead Bolts are nice for added security. Especially during hours of darkness, lighting is important (porch light / patio light / inside lighting).



Try not to leave valuables outside in the open when you are not home or in the evening. When you are away and during evening hours, closing curtains or blinds is a good way to keep you and your valuables from being viewed from outside the home. Additional security could be added, such as alarm systems. When you are away from your home, especially during hours of darkness, leaving a light, radio or television on inside the residence is recommended.

**2) Vehicle Security :**

- Always keep vehicles locked.
- Keep vehicle parked inside or in a well-lit area. This will assist with both vehicle safety and personal safety.
- Do not leave valuables out in the open (purse, wallet, check book, credit cards, etc). Lock valuables in the trunk or take inside.
- Do not hide a key to the vehicle on the vehicle (under hood, etc).
- Do not leave your Driver's License, Social Security Card or Vehicle Title in the vehicle (keep on you or in your residence).
- Engrave ID onto personal property in vehicle (car stereo, etc) with etching tool (also document serial numbers).



**Free Soup Dinner!**

Every Sunday night at the Everson Community Center.  
**Sundays from 5pm-6pm.**  
 Soup is Free to everyone, and everyone is Welcome!

**Sopa Gratis!** Los Domingos en el noche  
 5pm-6pm @ Everson City Hall  
 111 W. Main Street



**Everson Senior Center**

Enjoy a variety of social activities and have a nutritious meal.  
**Mondays & Fridays - Lunch served at Noon**

111 W. Main Street

**Notable Dates**

<b>Jan 1st</b>	<b>City Hall Closed—New Years Day</b>
Jan 9th	City Council Meeting 7pm
Jan 11th	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
<b>Jan 15th</b>	<b>City Hall Closed—MLK Jr. Day</b>
Jan 23rd	City Council Meeting 7pm
Jan 25th	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
Feb 8th	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
Feb 13th	City Council Meeting 7pm
<b>Feb 19th</b>	<b>City Hall Closed—President's Day</b>
Feb 22nd	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
Feb 27th	City Council Meeting 7pm
Mar 8th	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
Mar 13th	City Council Meeting 7pm
Mar 22nd	Everson/Nooksack Municipal Court 9am
Mar 27th	City Council Meeting 7pm

**Covered Storage Spaces Available for Rent**

The City has covered storage spaces available for rent for boats, trailers, RVs, or cars. These spaces rent for \$100.00 per month and include electricity.

Please contact Amy at City Hall for more information on availability, 360-966-3411 ext 1120.


