



CITY OF ANGOLA
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Richard M. Hickman, Mayor
665-3556

City Council meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month (unless it's a holiday) beginning at 7:00 p.m., second floor Council Room 201, City Hall. All City Council meetings are open to the public.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

District A	Gary L. Crum	665-3664
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District C	Kathleen Armstrong	665-3559
District D	David B. Martin	665-6116
At-Large	Edward J. Nagle	665-5862

2010 CENSUS

Counting Everyone Once – and Only Once – and In the Right Place

The foundation of our American democracy is dependent on fair and equitable representation in Congress. In order to achieve an accurate assessment of the number and location of the people living within the nation's borders, the U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years. The census population totals determine which states gain or lose representation in Congress. It also determines the amount of state and federal funding communities receive over the course of the decade. 2010 Census data will directly affect how more than \$3 trillion is allocated to local, state and tribal governments over the next 10 years. In order for this funding allocation to be accomplished fairly and accurately, the goal of the decennial census is to count everybody, count them only once, and count them in the right place. The facts gathered in the census also help shape

decisions for the rest of the decade about public health, neighborhood improvements, transportation, education, senior services and much more.

Reaching an Increasingly Diverse Population

The goal of the 2010 Census is to count all residents living in the United States on April 1, 2010. The U.S. Census Bureau does not ask about the legal status of respondents in any of its surveys and census programs. To help ensure the nation's increasingly diverse population can answer the questionnaire accurately and completely, about 13 million bilingual Spanish/English forms will be mailed to housing units in neighborhoods identified as requiring high levels of Spanish assistance. Additionally, questionnaires in Spanish, Chinese (Simplified), Korean, Vietnamese and Russian – as well as language guides in 59 languages – will be available on request.

10 Questions, 10 Minutes to Complete

With one of the shortest questionnaires in history, the 2010 Census asks for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. It takes only about 10 minutes for the average household to complete. Questions about *how* we live as a nation – our diversity, education, housing, jobs and more – are now covered in the American Community Survey, which is conducted every year throughout the decade and replaces the Census 2000 long-form questionnaire. Responses to the 2010 Census questionnaire are required by law. All responses are used for statistical purposes only, and all are strictly confidential. For more information, visit the 2010 Census Web site at <http://www.census.gov/2010> Submitted by Jim Myers

Did you know that city revenue is generated from the census count? Approximately \$400 per year per person. Be counted! Be sure to fill out and submit the census voucher.

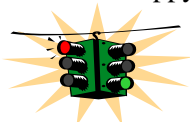


FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stu Hamblen, Police Chief
665-2121

With winter approaching citizens are reminded that there is a city ordinance that requires all sidewalks to be cleaned off in a timely manner. **Ordinance §96.04 Sidewalk Cleaning; Owner Responsibility.** The person owning or occupying any lot bordering on any street shall keep the sidewalks adjoining such lot free and clear from all obstructions, including weeds, rubbish and

accumulations of ice and snow. Snow shall be removed from sidewalks within 12 hours after any snowfall. This is also a reminder that at this time of year burglaries and thefts from vehicles pick up. So please remember to lock your car and take all valuables inside. Also if you plan to leave town let your neighbors know so they can keep an eye on your house. You may contact the police department at 665-2121 and let us know when you will be gone and we will have an officer walk your property to make sure it is safe. Have a Happy New Year!



FROM THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Doug Anderson, Superintendent
665-7656

City residents are also reminded that with winter approaching, our streets will have constant attention when it comes to snow removal. **Angola Code of Ordinances Section §72.15 et seq** addresses routing snowfall as being four (4) inches or more. This requires owners/operators with vehicles parked or stopped on any street, alley, public square or designated parking lot, to remove those vehicles each 24 hours. Movement must be sufficient enough to allow for and facilitate the efficient removal of the snow and ice that is in excess of four inches, from the public ways. Failure to abide will result in **red tagging** and ultimate towing of vehicles in violation. Towing will be at the owner's expense. The street department is asking that all residents and business owners of any property in the city **not push or pile snow into the street**. The snow creates view obstruction hazards on public streets and it is a safety hazard for the snow plow drivers. **City Ordinance §72.19:** It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any property, or for any person to allow or cause snow to be pushed, piled, or collected into piles whereby the same shall obstruct the view of persons using the public streets and area upon which the public is allowed to park when the obstruction of view creates a hazardous and dangerous condition to public safety, and it shall be unlawful to push snow into a city street, unless such snow is then removed at once.

Christmas tree collection. Curbside collection will begin December 28th and run through January 8th. *Please place your tree next to the curb, not in the street.*

“The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard, but must be felt with the heart.”
Helen Keller



FROM THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

Bob Walter, Park Superintendent
665-1588

The Park Staff and Board would like to wish all Angola residents a healthy, Happy New Year. If weather conditions permit, we plan on offering cross country skiing and ice skating. Check local news media for information or call the park office at 665-1588.



FROM THE MS4 DEPARTMENT

Eric Henion, MS4 Coordinator
624-2663

City of Angola Rain Barrel Program

The Steuben County Soil and Water Conservation District, Steuben County Health Department, Steuben County Lakes Council, and the City of Angola were awarded an Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) 319 Grant in September for Phase II implementation of the Pigeon Creek Watershed Management Plan. As part of the grant, the City of Angola has purchased 40 Raintainer “Lily” Rain Barrels that will be distributed to qualified residents that live within the corporation limits and within the Pigeon Creek Watershed. With the help of the grant, the City of Angola is able to offer the Raintainer “Lily” Rain Barrel for around \$25 (typically \$126). Please contact this office to learn more about the Rain Barrel Program and to see if you qualify to reserve one.

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Blessed are those that can give without remembering and receive without forgetting!