

City of Post Falls, Idaho

Popular Annual Financial Report

Fiscal Year Ended
September 30, 2008



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Seated: Larkin, L-R: Hissong, Wilhem, Bodman, Grant, Thoreson, and Jacobson

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor

Clay Larkin

Council Seat 1

Kerri Thoreson

Council Seat 2

Ron Jacobson

Council Seat 3

Scott Grant, *Council President*

Council Seat 4

Joe Bodman

Council Seat 5

Skip Hissong

Council Seat 6

Linda Wilhelm

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

City Administrator, Eric Keck

Finance Director/Treasurer, Shelly Enderud

City Clerk, Christene Pappas

Public Works Director, Terry Werner

Parks & Recreation Director, David Fair

Chief of Police, Cliff Hayes

Human Resources Director, Teresa Benner

POST FALLS AT A GLANCE

Fiscal Year	1999	2008
City Assessed Valuation	\$742,251,793	\$ 2,738,909,864
Total Tax Levy	\$3,211,944	\$8,370,420
Total Budget	\$16,426,433	\$46,882,181
Outstanding Debt	\$9,318,783	\$18,880,618
Population	16,684	25,358
Employees	141	192
Park Acreage	245.3	437.4
Sanitary sewers (miles)	84	158
Police Units	29	54
Street Miles	101	151

Miscellaneous Statistics

Date of Incorporation	1891
Form of Government	Mayor and Council
Population	25,358
Number of Employees	192
Miles of Streets	151
Police:	
Calls for service	29,074
Burglary	94
Phone harassment	33
Motor Vehicle Theft	30
Municipal Utilities:	
Water Customers	9,300
Wastewater Customers	9,600
Public School Enrollment	5,500

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Message from Mayor Clay Larkin



It gives me great pleasure to present the 2008 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the City of Post Falls on behalf of Post Falls City Council.

The PAFR is a brief analysis of where the revenues come from to operate the City and where those same dollars are spent. It is our goal to provide a means of communicating the financial operations of the City in an easy to understand financial report.

The PAFR is a summary of the financial activities for the City of Post Falls and was drawn from the 2008 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and contains information only from selected funds. Copies of the City's CAFR are available on the City's website at www.postfallsidaho.org.

This year the city began to see a slowdown in economic growth. My staff and I are committed to continue to promote economic development along with addressing the slowdown of the economy.

During the coming year, city officials and administration will continue planning for the future by developing long-range strategic plans and continue to promote economic and smart growth. The city will also continue to listen to the citizens and their concerns about the direction of the city and the economic slowdown. A new forum added during FY 08 was Coffee with the Mayor. The intention of this forum was to hear what the citizens want to convey to the Mayor and Council.

With these initiatives and our commitment to sound financial management practices and reporting standards, Post Falls City Council is working with and for our community to build an impressive legacy that will benefit our city in both the near and distant future.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Current Year Projects

Our area has seen a downturn in growth over the last year. The following are projects the City was involved with during FY 08:

- Implementation of a Crime-Free Multi Housing program through the Police department.
- Tennis and basketball courts at Black Bay Park were constructed in 2008 and will open in 2009.
- Syringa Park was opened.
- Revised the City's Impact Fee Study and related CIP to ensure that adequate funding is gleaned from new growth for future infrastructure needs.
- Implemented the use of a fiscal impact analysis model that evaluates the financial viability of new and proposed annexations and development.
- Finalized new 42,000 square foot City Hall and administration building.
- Complete 4th Ave project with funding from URA and CDBG grant.
- Completed Mullan Ave widening and overlay project.
- Initiated workshops between department heads and City Council which led to greater communication and understanding of organizational goals and objectives.



Future Projects

Highlights of some of our future projects are as follows:

- We are expanding our senior volunteer program in 2009.
- Start construction to upgrade the Water Reclamation Division to treat 4 million gallons per day.
- Scheduled to complete a bike/pedestrian path on 15th Ave.
- Continue to work aggressively to draw economic development to the area.

