



## Shoreacres Shorts

December 2006

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### Trash Collection & Water Rates Increase

Increased energy expenses (fuel & electricity) have had a direct impact on the City's utility operating expenses. The costs have increased despite expenditure reductions these departments have achieved in other areas.

Trash collection, water and sewer are services paid for by service charges and not by your property taxes.

Trash collection costs to the City have increased \$1.35 per month. The increased cost must be passed through to residents resulting in an increase of the monthly charge from \$12.00 to \$13.35.

Water costs have also increased during the last year making it necessary to raise the rates charged for water. No change in the sewer rates has been required.

The increased water rates are now in effect and are reflected effective the December billing (for November consumption).

### Volunteers Needed for City Boards

The City and its parks need you!

We are looking for a few good citizens to fill positions on various City boards and commissions including the Parks Board. Volunteers assist with planning and community projects. *No prior experience is required.*

Applications should be submitted to City Hall. Anyone interested can pick up an application form at City Hall.

### Dogs Running At Large

Please be a good neighbor and keep your pets inside your house, yard or on a leash. Dogs running at large are subject to being impounded and the owner ticketed and fined.

## Seasons Greetings!



### City Hall Holiday Schedule

City Hall will be closed:

- Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>
- Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

### You're Always Invited To Council Meetings

Everyone is always invited and welcome to attend City Council meetings. Our meetings are held in at 7pm in the evening twice a month; on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday. Agendas are posted outside City Hall and are always available for your inspection 72 hours before the meeting. Usually they are posted by 6pm on the Thursday preceding each Council Meeting.

***Wishing Everyone A Very Happy New Year !***