



## City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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### IN THE NEWS

#### City Leaders Express Appreciation for Panhandle Health District Face Covering Mandate

It is with much appreciation that we accepted Panhandle Health District's action to require face coverings within Kootenai County. It is the City's hope that the spread of the COVID-19 virus will slow to a point where schools can fully re-open in the fall. Please continue to practice health safety by wearing face coverings, practice social distancing, and diligent hand washing in order to slow the transmission of COVID-19 through our community.

# STOP THE SPREAD



# WEAR A MASK

*Wash Hands & Social Distance*

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### CITY FACES



**JOSH HOSTON**  
**COEUR D'ALENE FIRE**  
**ENGINEER/EMT-I**

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with Coeur d'Alene Fire Engineer/EMT-I Josh Hoston to learn more about his role with the City.

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## Mayor's Awards In the Arts

The Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission is seeking nominations for the 25th Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts. Please note that nominations must be submitted by August 31, 2020. The Mayor's Awards in the Arts is an annual event, held each year in October. Please consider nominating a deserving individual, student, business or organization for this award. [CLICK HERE](#) for the Guidelines and a 2020 Nomination Form.



## Water Department on the Move!

The City of Coeur d'Alene Water Department has moved into the recently completed Water Administration and Maintenance



Facility located at 3145 N Howard Street. The entrance is just off the Howard St. and Neider Ave. intersection. This is the fifth time the Water

Department has moved since the City acquired the public water system from Idaho Water, a private water company, back in the late 1970's. We are hopeful that this is the last move we will have to make. Idaho Water was originally located at the bottom of Tubbs Hill which is now a small park. The department was first moved into the basement of the old City Hall on Sherman Ave. The offices were later moved to Harbor Center. From there, the entire operation was moved to what is now Lake City Rental on Ramsey. Once the Ramsey Complex was initially constructed, operations were moved to the Streets and Water building with additional offices constructed in 2004. Since then, the expansion of several departments operations has left very little room for necessary growth of our operations.

The new 25,000 square foot facility consolidates what was previously housed in five separate buildings, with future expansion capabilities as needed. The structure sits on approximately 4.5 acres of property next to the Compost Facility with direct street frontage for the first time in decades. The new location offers

## Tell us a little bit about your background and experience:

I grew up in Mountain Home, Idaho (Southeast of Boise) and went to the University of Idaho after high school. I served as a Cavalry Scout in the Army for 10 years. I started in the fire service in 2000, doing wildland firefighting for 3 years. I also worked with Mosco Volunteer Fire Department in 2001, and was in the Resident Firefighter Program for 4 years. I started with Coeur d'Alene Fire in January of 2007.

## What are your current duties and responsibilities:

Currently I have the best job in the world! I get to drive fire trucks for a living. My actual title is Fire Engineer/EMT-I. I am on Blue Shift and drive Engine 2 at Station 2. I am responsible that the readiness and serviceability for the \$750,000 Fire Apparatus and all the equipment so that we can go anywhere we need to go.

## What is the most fulfilling aspect of your job, and why?

Everyone knows fire trucks are awesome, but the best part is telling all the girls and boys (and some adults) that they too can do this job, and they say "Really?!".

## What about your family and interests?

I am married with 3

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Direct and safer customer access as well as vehicle egress onto low traffic volume streets. The facility uses the latest technology for lighting and climate control as well as simplicity of design for cleaning and maintenance.

## Coeur d'Alene City Park Bandshell Concert Series

**Sundays 1:00—4:00 p.m.**

August 2: LakeTown Sound

August 9: Zonky

August 16: The Kelly Houghes Band

August 23: The Theresa Edwards Band

August 30: Master Class Big Band

## Monday Night Concerts in the Park



The Coeur d'Alene Public Library will feature their Outdoor Summer Concert Series every Monday.

All concerts are 6-7:30 p.m. and performed on the park side of the library.

**AUGUST 3:** Dr Phil & the Enablers

**AUGUST 10:** Rusty and Chrissy perform classic country and Americana as well as a few of Rusty's compositions. Harry Batty joins them on bass guitar.

**AUGUST 24:** Crooked Kilt

**AUGUST 31:** Spring Tonic



## 2020 Summer Concert Schedule at Riverstone

**AUGUST 6:** The Powers (Americana/Alternative Country)

**AUGUST 13:** Van Paepeghem Quartet (Swing Jazz)

**AUGUST 20:** The Barry Aiken Group (Contemporary Jazz)

### SATURDAY SPECIAL CONCERT

**AUGUST 22:** CDA Symphony

**AUGUST 27:** Kelly Hughes (Country)



daughters, (10,8,4). We live in Coeur d'Alene. I feel very strongly about living in the city that I serve. We like to camp and have campfires, ride bikes. The girls like to swim, eat popcorn and s'mores, and hang out with friends and family.

## What do you love about Coeur d'Alene, and North Idaho?

I am lucky enough to have my dream career in a beautiful place like Coeur d'Alene. The opportunities in Coeur d'Alene are numerous. I think it's refreshing how the City leadership values art and there are wonderful art pieces around the City. Parks are awesome, Tubbs Hill is amazing, the festivals, food and beverage selection just keeps getting better as we grow. The teachers are awesome and the schools are great. The weather is perfect. It is close to Spokane, which has even more to offer and an airport that's close. Lots of places to camp, fish and hunt (someday). I love many things about this City and this area.

