



October 2022 Newsletter

Please submit questions/comments to admin@sallal.com.

<p>Survey</p>	<p>We need to hear what you think about our options with respect to the City’s intent to purchase Sallal. We intend to launch a member survey at the same time as the Open House (see below), to run for a couple of weeks. To participate by email, please sign up here today: https://sallal.com/sallal-city-water-issues/#notify</p>
<p>The City Wants Sallal</p>	<p>The Mayor for the City of North Bend announced an offer to purchase Sallal’s water system assets during our public meeting on August 16th. No details were provided so it was not a true offer. The next day, the City issued extensive materials on its website and through email about its intent to acquire Sallal’s water system. The City then hired an appraiser to evaluate Sallal’s real estate. The City indicates that a formal offer will be made to the members after the appraisal is concluded.</p> <p>To fully understand the value of Sallal’s water system, we have ordered an appraisal of its water rights. This is for information only – it is not an indication that the Board wishes to sell the water system. The rights are irreplaceable based on current laws and Sallal’s true value cannot be determined without their appraisal. Also, Sallal’s pumps, pipes, reservoirs and all the other parts that make the system run may be need to appraised. The City has not taken those steps so whatever offer it makes may be based on incomplete information.</p> <p>Please go to on our website at: https://sallal.com/sallal-city-water-issues/ for a list of pros and cons regarding the City’s intent to purchase Sallal’s water system.</p> <p>When the City presents an actual purchase offer, the Board will evaluate the offer and decide how to move forward. Under State law, only Sallal members may approve, by a 2/3rds vote, a sale of Sallal’s assets. But a member vote may not occur unless the Board recommends approval of the offer. If and when an offer to buy the water system is received, the Board will evaluate whether the offer is fair and is in the best interests of the organization and its members. That evaluation may include an assessment of what Sallal’s operations will look like without a sale, but the focus will be on the terms of the offer. In any event, we are committed to keeping members informed about the terms of any offer made by the City and we will seek member feedback as we decide whether to either reject the offer or put it to a vote of the members.</p> <p>As a point of information only, if Sallal’s assets are sold and the organization dissolves, any net proceeds of the sale will be governed by special bylaw provisions that come from from federal law. The proceeds would NOT be divided equally among the members, but instead would be divided based on the amount of business each member has done with the Association.</p>

New Location	<p>WE'VE MOVED! Construction of our new shop and office near Truck Town is complete enough for us to move in. We have left our rented space and settled into our new office and shop located at: 47230 SE 144th Street</p> <p>Our P.O. Box has not changed so you can continue to mail payments there. If you want to drop off your payment in person, please come to our new location.</p>
Open House	<p>Please come check out our new building on Thursday, November 17th between 5:30-7:30 (drop-in open house). Board members will be available to welcome members and address concerns, questions and clarifications in person. We will also have information stations available covering a wide array of topics, including the City's intent to acquire Sallal.</p>
New Auto-Pay Feature Available	<p>Online Autopay is the most efficient and accessible method of payment. Pays the same day each month so you won't have to worry about when the bill is due. No fee for recurring credit or debit payments online. Just register online at Sallal.com with your Sallal Water account number. You can edit and update your information yourself at any time. You can also view your payment history. Register today!</p>