

I wanted to share a couple of stories that are currently happening to us in our parks.

We had a waterline valve replacement that was completed by our staff and employees a couple of months ago. We replaced the valve in a professional workmanship manner and have not had any problems with it and have done so for 35 years. But we requested an adjustment to the water bill as that is the cities policy. When we made the request they decided that the work should have been done by a licensed contractor. Not only that but they wanted to have the little water project engineered by a civil engineer. One of the reasons we use our own people for doing repairs like this is to get it completed quickly and reduce the overall loss of water and reduce our costs. It has taken us months to get the engineer to complete his task, as it is not a high priority for him. We have been sending the engineering firm the threats by the city and their assessment of fines as we have not been able to complete the above project on their timeline, trying to motivate the engineer! We have a licensed contractor to dig up the project area for visual inspection of the area in question, which will end up costing us close to \$10,000 in the end, for something NOT NEEDED!

We have another project that is also partway through completion. We had a home that had to be demolished as there are a number of older homes in the parks. We went through an eviction process, then did the abandonment, on the home. We hired a contractor to remove the home. It was full of debris inside and inside the shed, awning and carport. The home itself needed to have asbestos abatement for a certificate to dump at the local garbage company. The cost for the above project will be about \$20,000 just to get the space VACANT.

I love Oregon, this is my home, but I want to stay in business!

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