



Tradin' Crows

November 2015 Edition



City of Rogue River

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City Hall Hours:

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed for
Lunch from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30
p.m.

City Council Meetings:

4th Thursday of every month at
7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council
Chambers

City Council Workshops:

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.
in the City Hall Council Chambers

See Calendar (page 2) for other
meetings

Mayor:

Pam VanArsdale

City Council Members:

- Bill Jones
- Fred England
- Robert Catherwood
- Shelli Spencer
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

Planning Commission Members:

- John Schaeffer
- JoAnne Mead
- Cindy England
- Don Collins
- Evan Goeglein
- Dean Stirm
- Vacant

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Ken Lewis

Public Works Director/City
Engineer: John Krawczyk

City Council Update

October's City Council meeting opened with an Invocation given by Pastor Dale Schaffner with the New Beginnings Church then followed with the Mayor leading the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor and City Council heard an update from Rogue River Mural Society President Wanda Nesbitt regarding the new mural being painted on the side of the old MorningStar Press building and their recent photo options of the previous murals.

After the all the Committee Reports were heard here is a brief description of what decisions the City Council made on the following agenda items:

- ✦ Adopted a Resolution amending an earlier adopted Resolution establishing a moratorium on the taxing of recreational marijuana and recreational marijuana infused products
- ✦ Authorized the Mayor to sign an agreement-clarification with the

State of Oregon Building Codes Division

- ✦ Authorized the Mayor to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Jackson County Soil and Water Conservation District
- ✦ Authorized staff to attend the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Managing the Floodplain
- ✦ Declared a 2002 Chevy Pickup as surplus property and directed staff to conduct a sealed bid auction
- ✦ Declared the Regular City Council meeting for November to be the 19th and December to be the 17th to accommodate the holiday schedules

Remember, all meetings conducted at City Hall with the exception of Executive Sessions are open to the public. Please come, sit in and see for yourself how the discussion and decision process is conducted during these meetings.



***** There is going to be a Parade in Rogue River *****

The *Rogue River Veterans Day Parade* on Saturday, November 7th staging at 8:30 am; parade begins at 10:00 am. Drive your old army jeep; wear your uniform, walk or ride; or just come on down and cheer them on. The parade is sponsored by the American Legion Post 69, Rogue River VFW Post 4116, Missing in America Project and Old Guard Riders. This is a family event, bring the kids. To sign up or find out more information contact Bruce Wilson at 541.218.0660.



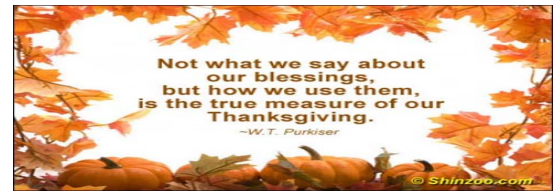
We can never thank these men and women enough for what they have given up to protect us! Come to the parade and show our Veterans how much Rogue River appreciates them.

To All Veterans

Whether At Home Or Abroad
All Americans Say:
THANK YOU!



NOVEMBER 2015						
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DECEMBER 2015						
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Mayors Corner

Coming Soon! Randy Johnson, videographer extraordinaire, has just completed a short video called “The Water Cycle” that highlights the process that the city goes through to provide water and treat our wastewater. Look for a link to it on our website in the near future. I, for one, never realized how complex a process it was until I toured both the water treatment and wastewater treatment plants. It definitely made me more conscientious about what I was putting down the drain – fats, oil, and greases, or FOG, can really wreak havoc, not only on your home plumbing, but our sewer lines and treatment facility as well.

November 11th is Veteran’s Day and I hope you’ll all attend the downtown parade on Saturday, November 7th at 10 AM that the American Legion is organizing. I’d like to see this become a yearly event so come on out and show your support for our vets.

The Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Community Center, will be having the second annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner celebration for any and all who wish to attend. This is made possible through the sponsorship of local businesses and the City. For more information, contact Brian Dorsey or Holly Spitz.

Respectfully Yours, Mayor Pam

Rogue River Community Center’s Christmas Project Partners
 Invites you to come join us **THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19th - 20th** at the Rogue River Community Center for a silent auction! Bidding will begin at noon on Thursday through 6:00 pm on Friday.
 All proceeds go to the Christmas Project Partners!
 Contact Sue Smith @ 541-582-0609

Scheduled Events November 2015		
4th	9:00am	Sign Review Board
	10:00am	Safety Committee
5th	9:30am	Personnel Committee
	10:00am	City Council Workshop
10th	10:00am	Planning/Staff Workshop
11th	CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF VETERANS DAY	
13th	3:00pm	Finance Committee
18th	9:00am	Sign Review Board
19th	10:00am	City Council Workshop
	6:00pm	Council Advisory Committee
	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
24th	10:00am	Planning/Staff Workshop
30th	3:00pm	Finance Committee
26th	CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF THANKSGIVING DAY	
27th	CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF THANKSGIVING DAY	
First week of December 2015 meetings		
2nd	9:00am	Sign Review Board
	10:00am	Safety Committee
3rd	9:30am	Personnel Committee
	10:00am	City Council Workshop



ZONING CODE UPDATE: The City of Rogue River is currently working on a comprehensive update to its zoning code. The Planning Commission will be reviewing edits to the city zoning code and the public is welcome to come to meetings. Please see the City website for Planning Commission meeting dates and times, or call City Hall at 541-582-4401.

WHAT IS ZONING? The primary purpose of zoning is to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the public. Zoning is a tool used by cities and counties to promote orderly growth while protecting existing property owners and desired community character. Zoning regulates how land may be used and controls the type, size, and height of buildings. Zoning also establishes standards for parking, signage, and landscaping.

WHAT IS A ZONING CODE? A zoning code, also known as a zoning ordinance, is a set of local laws which regulates development and land use. The zoning code classifies land into distinct areas called “zoning districts”. Each zoning district specifies the uses that may occur and establishes standards for new development and construction, such as setbacks, height, and lot coverage. Typically, zoning codes establish districts for residential, commercial, mixed-use, and industrial land use classifications which are shown on a zoning map.