



# Tradin' Crows

March 2017 Edition



"Charlie"

## City of Rogue River

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City Hall Hours: Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 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
- Bob Catherwood
- Shelli Spencer
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

### Planning Commission Members:

- Cindy England
- Dean Stirr
- Don Collins
- Evan Goeglein
- Rick Kempa
- Carolyn Riley

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Chris Snyder

Public Works Director/City  
Engineer:

## City Council Update

Mayor Pam VanArsdale opened the February City Council meeting by welcoming Pastor Dan O'Donnell from Calvary Crossroads Church who delivered the Invocation. After hearing the Committee reports the City Council dealt with the following agenda items:

♣ Adopted a Resolution supporting the 2017 Oregon Legislative Assembly's promulgation to restore recreational immunity rights

♣ Adopted the Goals and Policies for the 2017-2018 budget year

♣ Authorized the Mayor to sign a grant that the Tree City Committee received from Oregon Community Trees to promote healthy urban and community forests through leadership, education, awareness and advocacy and "Tree City, USA" Arbor Day celebrations

♣ Approved a request from the Rogue River Chamber of Commerce to be a Premier Full Weekend Sponsor for the "64<sup>th</sup> Annual National Rooster Crowing Contest" during June 23-25, 2017

♣ Approved a request from Cattlemen's Saloon Owner, Bill Neiswanger, to waive the required Oregon Temporary Use Liquor License Application Fee to hold a fundraising event on March 11, 2017

♣ Authorized the Mayor to sign an Oregon Temporary Use Liquor License Application for the Cattlemen's Saloon to hold the "Save the Boobies and Green Beer Poker Walk" on March 11, 2017 to raise funds for the Connie Fiske Breast Cancer Foundation through

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♣ Approved a request from Justin Stillwagner, Vice President of the Boozefighters MC Chapter 45, to hang the "Save the Boobies and Green Beer Poker Walk" banner across Depot Street prior to the event

City Administrator Mark Reagles announced the passing of former City Councilor Jo Anne Mead. Jo Anne served the City for 20-years as a City Councilor, Planning Commissioner, Budget Committee Member and as the City's Legislative Representative. Her memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at the Hope Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers the family has asked that donations be made to the Southern Oregon Chapter of Joni & Friends, a ministry meeting the practical needs of people with disabilities. Donations can be made to: Joni & Friends at Box 526, Talent, Oregon 97540.

### ANNOUNCEMENT:

The City Council is looking for two people to serve on the Budget Committee and one person to serve as an Alternate to the Planning Commission. Please contact the City Administrator or City Recorder for any information regarding these two positions. Applications are available at City Hall.



Happy St. Patrick's Day

### ARBOR DAY IS COMING!!!

Mark your calendars for **Friday, April 7, 2017**. Join us in Palmerton Park for a tree planting ceremony at 10:30 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. at the Rogue River Elementary Gymnasium for a special assembly with the kids!

Let's celebrate "Tree City USA" 34 years strong in Rogue River!



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### Scheduled Events March 2017

1st	9:00 am	Sign Review Board
	10:00 am	Safety Committee
2nd	9:30 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/ Staff Workshop
8th	6:30 pm	Tree City Committee
14th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
15th	9:00 am	Sign Review Board
	2:00 pm	Finance Committee
16th	10:00 am	Council/ Staff Workshop
20th	6:00 pm	Municipal Court
22nd	10:00 am	Police Commission
23rd	6:00 pm	Council Advisory Committee
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
28th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
30th	2:00 pm	Finance Committee

## MAYOR'S CORNER

It's hard to believe that Spring is just a few weeks away. I'm never ready for really hot weather, but I'm certainly ready to see this winter fade into the past!

I heard that some people were offended by the banner that was hung for the Connie Fiske Foundation fundraiser this month. Please know that the slogan is part of a national campaign to raise money for research and screening and to bring awareness to the fact that breast cancer kills both men and women. Here are some chilling figures from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control):

In 2013 (the most recent year numbers are available) — 230,815 women and 2,109 men in the United States were diagnosed with breast cancer. 40,860 women and 464 men in the United States died from breast cancer.

Next week Councilors Don Dougherty and Shelli Spencer and I are going to attend a disaster preparedness event in Medford that is being put on by the Red Cross. It's called "Prepare Out Loud" and should be both informative and interesting (and probably a bit scary too). As I've said many times, the more prepared we can be as a community for any natural or manmade disaster, the better our survival rate will be. We could probably get the Red Cross to come to Rogue River with this presentation if enough folks are interested, so please let us know by calling City Hall or me.

It took a while to complete, but it's great to see the new sidewalks on both sides of the Wards Creek Bridge. It should be much easier now for those with walkers, wheelchairs and scooters to get across the bridge.

With thoughts of Spring, I leave you with this,

*When February sun shines cold,  
There comes a day when in the air  
The wings of winter  
Slow unfold,*

*And show the golden summer there.*  
—Philip Savage (1868–99)

Respectfully Yours,  
Mayor Pam



Happy Spring



## Mark your calendars!



The city is excited to announce that "Rooster Park" is moving forward in the designing process. If you are asking yourself, "where is Rooster Park" it is located at the corner of First and Pine. Please come to City Hall located at 133 Broadway on **April 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** to share your comments and thoughts on the proposed design of the park.