



# Tradin' Crows

## April 2022 Edition



### City of Rogue River

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### City Hall Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.  
Closed for Lunch from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm.

### City Council Meetings:

4th Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers

### City Council Workshops:

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

See Calendar (page 2) for other meetings

**Mayor:** Wayne Stuart

### City Council Members:

- Jack Bird
- Pam VanArsdale
- Rick Kempa
- Barb Hilty
- Vacant
- Barb Gregory



### Planning Commission Members:

- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirn
- Sherri Moss
- Jonna Strauss
- Sharie Davis
- Debbie Kenny

**City Administrator:** Mark Reagles

**Chief of Police:** Jim Williams

**Public Works Director:** Michael Bollweg



## City Council Update



Mayor Wayne Stuart opened the March City Council meeting and welcomed Pastor Sharon Boland with Hope Alive Foursquare Church who delivered the Invocation. Mayor Stuart then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. After the City Councilor's presented their committee reports they took action on the following agenda items:

- 1 Adopted Council Bill No. 22-2436 a Resolution establishing fees for land use matters and planning actions for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, and rescinding Resolution No. 13-1238-R.
- 2 Adopted Council Bill No. 22-2437 a Resolution establishing an administrative fee for impounding of motor vehicles in the City limits of the City of Rogue River, Oregon, and rescinding Resolution No. 17-1315-R.
- 3 Adopted Council Bill No. 22-2438 a Resolution establishing an optional special inspection fees for non building code related items for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, and rescinding Resolution No 17-1317-R.
- 4 Adopted Council Bill No. 22-2439 a Resolution amending Resolution No. 21-1381-R, an employee handbook adopted for the City of Rogue River, Oregon.

5 The City Council held a public hearing to hear citizens views and comments about the local government's performance of the Small Business & Microenterprise Assistance (SBMA) project funded with Community Development Block Grant Funds from the Oregon Business Development Department.

6 Adopted the Five-Year Plan for the 2022-2023 budget year.

7 Authorized the Mayor to sign an agreement between the City and KDP Certified Public Accountants, LLP, to audit the City's governmental activities, business-type activities and each major funds for the year ending June 30, 2022.

8 Approved Premium pay allocated from the State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF).

9 Approved a request from the Rogue River Kiwanis and Rooster Crow Committee to Sponsor "Rogue River's 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Rooster Crowing Contest Weekend".

10 Denied a request from Bradley Realty for funds available through the American Recovery Act Plan (ARAP).

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** The City has job openings in the following departments: Administration, Police, and Public Works. Contact City Hall for an application.

## EASTER EGG HUNT



The Rogue River Kiwanis is happy to announce their 2022 Easter Egg Hunt  
Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 a.m. at Beck Field

The event is for children 10 and under - Special Eggs Win Prizes - Special Toddler Area for children 5 and under - Free Hot Chocolate, Coffee & Donuts -Donations accepted



**TREE CITY USA**

The City of Rogue River has been officially designated a **Tree City, USA** for the 39th year!

The City will be celebrating at the *Palmerton Park Arboretum* on *Friday, April 29th at 9:00 a.m.*

The *Rogue River Elementary School 4th Grade Students* will be in attendance along with the Mayor and the Tree City Committee

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### Scheduled Events April 2022

5th	9:00 am	Safety Committee	
6th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
7th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee	
	10:00 pm	Council Staff Workshop	
12th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop	
13th	6:30 pm	Tree City Committee	
14th	3:00 pm	Budget Committee	
15th	2:30 am	Finance Committee	
19th	3:00 pm	Police Commission Meeting	
20th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
21st	10:00 am	Council Staff Workshop	
26th	10:00 pm	Planning Commission Workshop	
28th	4:30 pm	Council Advisory Committee	
	6:00 pm	City Council Meeting	
29th	2:30 pm	Finance Committee	

### First Week in May

3rd	9:00 am	Safety Committee	
4th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
5th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee	
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop	



### SPRING CLEAN-UP



The City along with Southern Oregon Sanitation (SOS) will be conducting the annual "Spring Clean-up" on Friday, May 13, 2022

This is a free service provided by the City and SOS to encourage City resident's to clean their property and garage prior to the Rooster Crow weekend. Next month we will include a small flyer with the requirements and restrictions for pick-up. Also remember, the City only stops by once per address to pick up starting at 7:00 am. We suggest you have your items out the evening before.

### MAYOR'S CORNER

Another busy month April is going to be. We're still working on Rooster Park and things are coming together. April is budget month and we encourage public input from anyone interested in the process. This year's annual meeting will be Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Please join me in some fun activities again around town. The Rogue River Kiwanis will be having their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Beck Field.

On Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Palmerton Park Arboretum the City will be celebrating National Arbor Day and being awarded the designation for the 39<sup>th</sup> year as a "Tree City, USA".

At the end of May the Elk Mountain Highland Games were to take place but unfortunately due to permitting issues with Jackson County the event has been canceled though they are hoping to be able to hold their fall event. We'll keep you posted as we learn more about this event.

Activities are slowly coming back and that's a great sign for our community. I want to wish you all a Happy Easter.

Respectfully, Mayor Wayne



AVISTA reminds you safe digging is no accident;  
Call 811 Before You Dig

Before beginning any outdoor digging project, call 811 at least two business days before you dig. Calling 811 will get a professional locator to your site to mark the approximate location of underground utility lines. There is a two-foot tolerance zone on each side of the line, and it is required to hand dig to determine the precise location of the utility in this tolerance zone. This service is free. Remember, you may have your own utilities that require a Private Locate request at 811.

Knowing where underground utility lines are buried before you dig will help protect you from injury, prevent damages to utilities and service disruptions, and avoid potential fines and repair costs. Underground utility lines can be just about anywhere, so keeping your shovel in the shed or garage and calling 811 first is a smart move (and it's the law).

Every digging job requires a call - even small projects like planting trees and shrubs. The depth of utility lines varies and there may be multiple utility lines in a common area. Here are just a few examples of when to call:

- Installing a rural mailbox • Putting in a fence • Planting a tree or shrubbery
- Building a patio or deck • Excavating a new garden area

Call 811 or go to [www.digsafelyoregon.com](http://www.digsafelyoregon.com)

### A NOTE FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

With the direction of the CDC to increase extremely high level cleaning and hygiene practices, the population is creating a significant problem with the sewage system utilities as they are using the toilets in their homes as trash receptacles (sometimes knowing and other times unknowing). Please do your part and "DO NOT" put the following items down your drain or toilet; they belong in a land fill not your sewage system where they clog sewage pipes causing raw sewage to back up in streets and homes, and wreak havoc on the sewage treatment process.

#### "SO, DO NOT" PUT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS DOWN THE DRAIN OR TOILET:

- Facial tissues, sanitary wipes and face masks, they do not break down even if the package says they are flushable.
- Paper towels, they clog your pipes our pipes and do not break down readily.
- Tampons, feminine napkins and cotton swabs.

When in doubt throw it out! (in the trash can)!

