



Tradin' Crows

March 2022 Edition



City of Rogue River

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City Hall Staffing 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 6:00 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 all meetings

Mayor: Wayne Stuart

City Council Members:

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

Planning Commissioners:

- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirm
- Sherri Moss
- Jonna Strauss
- Sharie Davis
- Debbie Kenney

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Jim Williams

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg

City Council Update

The February City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Wayne Stuart who welcomed Pastor Dale Schaffner with the Rogue River Assembly of God Church who delivered the Invocation. The Mayor then lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. After hearing the committee reports from the Mayor and City Councilors they took action on the following agenda items:

1 Adopted Council Bill No. 22-2435, a Resolution transferring appropriation authority from the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Street Fund and the Water Fund contingency to the General Fund, the Sewer Fund, the Street Fund and the Water Fund Capital Outlay for the year beginning July, 1, 2021.

2 Approved to Authorize the City Administrator to sign for the purchase of property legally described as T36S R4W 15CC 300, commonly known as 416 Second Street located adjacent to the City's maintenance yard.

3 The City Recorder administrated the Oath of Service to Corporal Ty Darr. Corporal Darr has been with the City since January of 2019. Ty grew up in Rogue River and graduated in 2010 from Rogue River High School where he was active in many sports, such as football, basketball and baseball. Before applying with the City he attended the ROLEA Program at Rogue Community College prior to working for the City of Rogue River.

ANNOUNCEMENT: We are looking to fill an elected position on the City Council and two citizen positions on the Budget Committee. The first Budget meeting is being held on Thursday, April 14th at 3:00 p.m. We are also taking applications for openings on the Sign Review Board. Information for these positions can be obtained from the City Recorder at City Hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! The Rogue River Kiwanis is happy to announce they will be holding their 2022 Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16th beginning at 10:00 a.m. 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



ARBOR DAY IS COMING!!!

Rogue River's celebrating 39-Years of being designated a "Tree City USA"

Check next month's "Tradin' Crows" for the times of celebrations for a tree planting ceremony with the Rogue River Elementary School students!




						
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Scheduled Events

March 2022

1st	9:00 am	Safety Committee	
2nd	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
3rd	9:00 am	Personnel Committee	
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop	
8th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop	
9th	6:30 pm	Tree City Committee	
15th	2:00 pm	Finance Committee	
16th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
17th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop	
18th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop	
22nd	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop	
24th	4:30 pm	Council Advisory Committee	
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting	
30th	2:00 pm	Finance Committee	

Second Week of April

5th	9:30 am	Safety Committee	
6th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board	
7th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee	
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop	

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

MAYOR'S CORNER

While we're still in the middle of winter with Mother Nature teasing us with spring like weather, my flowers and plants are totally confused.

I just want to remind citizens that there are many opportunities to serve your community. The City has openings on the Sign Review Board, Tree City Committee. Other organizations looking for volunteers are the Rogue River Community Center, the Rogue River Kiwanis, the Woodville Museum, the Women Civic Club and the Chamber of Commerce. We are looking for a qualified volunteer for City Council and two people for the Budget Committee.

We have completed the sidewalk portion of the project that goes around the school at the Woodville Shopping Center to Classick Drive.

Some events around town are the Annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Rogue River Kiwanis and Arbor Day facilitated by the City's Tree City Committee.

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated this month so I wish you all a Happy St. Patty's Day.

*May your day be touched
by a bit of Irish luck,
brightened by a song in your heart,
and warmed by the smiles
of the people you love.*

Respectfully, Mayor Wayne



From the Desk of the Public Works Director:

How should Fats, Oil & Grease be handled at home?

To dispose of FOG properly, follow these simple steps:

- Never pour FOG into your sink or toilet
- Pour FOG into a can - a coffee can works well
- Place a lid over the top
- Store it to be reused until full
- When the can is full, throw it in the trash
- When there is FOG residue in a pan or on a dish, wipe it with a paper towel before washing and throw that towel in the trash
- Also, place a strainer in the kitchen sink drain to catch food scraps and other solids, then empty the strainer into the trash

PLEASE!!! If you see anyone dumping anything into a storm drain report it immediately to City Hall or the Police Department!

Fuel Reduction around homes and property to reduce the risk of wildfire!

"NOW" is the time for homeowners and tenants to do the work that may best protect our community from wildfire. Research points to home destruction vs. home survival in wildfires point to embers and small flames as the main way that majority of homes ignite in wildfires. Embers are burning pieces of airborne wood and/or vegetation that can be carried more than a mile through the wind can cause spot fires and ignite home, debris and other objects. Please follow the HOME IGNITION ZONE CHECKLIST with simple steps from roof to foundation to make a home safer from embers and radiant heat! That could cause a wildfire;

1. **Clean roofs and gutters of dead leaves and needles.**
2. **Replace or repair any loose or missing shingles or roof tiles.**
3. **Reduce embers that could pass through vents and eaves by installing 1/8 inch metal mesh screening.**
4. **Repair or replace damaged or loose window screens and any broken windows.**
5. **Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustibles materials from accumulating.**
6. **Move any flammable material away from wall exteriors-mulch, flammable plants, leaves and needles, firewood piles-anything that can burn!**
7. **Remove anything stored underneath decks or porches.**

For more information and details visit **FIREWISE.ORG**

We strongly encourage all to do your part to protect yourselves, your homes and our community from fire! The City of Rogue River staff will be hanging notices for vegetation issues as time permits.

"The City of Rogue River is a beautiful Community, do your part to protect it from wildfires"