



Tradin' Crows

November 2020 Edition



City of Rogue River

133 Broadway Street
PO Box 1137
Rogue River, OR 97537
Phone (541) 582-4401
Fax (541) 582-0937
Police (541) 582-4931
www.cityofrogueriver.org

City Hall Hours:

Monday - Friday from 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 other meetings

Mayor: Wayne Stuart

City Council Members:

- Bob Pascalar
- Fred England
- Pam VanArsdale
- Barb Hilty
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

Planning Commission Members:

- Dean Stirm
- Rick Kempa
- Sherri Moss
- Dee Copley
- Jay Chick
- Jack Bird

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Curtis Whipple

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg



City Council Update



Mayor Wayne opened the October meeting by delivering the Invocation then everyone proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The October City Council meeting agenda consisted of the following items:

🍎 The City Recorded Administer the Oath of Service to Patrol Officer Joe Turnham. Officer Turnham's wife Megan pinned on his badge while their son and his mother Mary Turnham looked on.

🍎 Approved a new Oregon Liquor Control Commission application for BACI's Pizza and Pasta at 510 East Main Street. Applicant/owners: Alfred and Kimberly Lane.

🍎 Accepted a resignation from Tree

City Committee member Belinda Torrez.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday City Council will be holding their November meeting on Thursday, November 19th at 6:00 p.m.

All meetings held at City Hall are open to the public and citizen comments are always welcome. A list of the meetings can be found on the back of this newsletter.

Please remember when attending any meetings you must always wear a mask, sanitize your hands and sign in on the attendee list.

Be aware that with the 6-foot distancing requirements please call ahead so that arrangements can be made.



To those in uniform serving today, those who have served in the past, those who will serve in the future, and to their families you are our Heroes.

**WE HONOR YOU TODAY
AND EVERY DAY!**



An update on the Water System Improvements Project –

The water system improvements for the additional reservoirs, hydrants and water meter replacement are moving forward. Thursday at the council workshop there will be an opportunity for the public to make comments and ask questions about the projects. The City has already been through the "one stop" funding process with state funding agencies and with historically low interest rates and possible grants a bargain on these projects looks certainly promising and the timing could not be better. We encourage public input as the possibility of a very modest water rate increase would likely take place and we want the public to have as much information as they might wish to best understand and support the projects.



						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10		12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25		27	28
29	30					
						
		1	2	3	4	5



Scheduled Events November 2020

3rd	8:30 am	Safety Committee
4th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
5th	9:30 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
10th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
11th	Closed in OBSERVANCE of VETERANS DAY	
13th	2:30 pm	Finance Committee
17th	10:00 am	Police Commission
18th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
19th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
	4:00 pm	Council Advisory Committee
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
26th	Closed in OBSERVANCE of THANKSGIVING	
27th	Closed in OBSERVANCE of THANKSGIVING	

December 2020

1st	9:00 am	Safety Committee
2nd	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
3rd	9:30 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop



PROTECTING YOUR HOME AGAINST FROZEN & BURST PIPES



Prepare today:

- ❄ **Identify the main water shut-off** to your home or business and try it before you have to use it. There should be a valve in front of the water meter at the street. Call City Hall if you need assistance in locating your shutoff. **DO NOT** use the City turn off valve located between the meter and street.
- ❄ **Insulate pipes** in your breeze way, crawl spaces and attic. These exposed pipes are the most susceptible to freezing.
- ❄ **Wrap vulnerable pipes** with heat tape or thermostatically controlled heat cables. Be sure to use products that are UL-approved, and follow manufacturer's instructions.
- ❄ **Seal leaks** with caulk or insulation to keep cold air from coming in near pipes, especially around electrical wiring, dryer vents and pipes.

Look for more information next month!

Mayor's Corner

If you haven't noticed the Bears are back in town. This year there are a couple new ones.

Don't forget Veteran's Day and Buddy Poppy Day. Look for Veterans and people to be around town distributing Buddy Poppy's. Make a donation and wear your Poppy to show your support to honor past and present veterans.

The people who are in the Military and serving our country from Rogue River have been on display again on banners throughout our downtown streets. We're honored we can do this small gesture.

Wishing you and your families a blessed Thanksgiving and I hope that you're able to spend time with them.

Respectfully, Mayor Wayne



IT'S LEAF PICK-UP TIME AGAIN!!!

Fall is once again upon us and with that leaves are beginning to drop. The City's Leaf Pick-up Program officially starts on November 1, 2020 and will continue through December 31, 2020.

REMEMBER:

This is for LEAVES ONLY, no grass, pine needles, animal droppings, tree limbs, rocks or household garbage will be picked up. If you find that your leaves were not picked up it could be for one of these reasons.

The City has a new leaf vacuum and we would like to utilize it as much as possible. All piles of leaves should be in an area accessible within the reach of the 6-foot vacuum hose, but not behind fences, on the sidewalk or in the gutter. We have found that raking your leaves onto a tarp and pulling it out to the front of your property works well. Also, WET LEAVES are hard for the vacuum to pick-up.

DO NOT blow the leaves into the street.

PLEASE DO NOT RAKE THE LEAVES INTO OPEN DITCHES!

The City will also pick up leaves in bags. Leaf bags are available at City Hall. If you're providing your own bags please make sure they are at least 1.5-mil thick and no larger than 33-gallon in size.

A sure way to tell if the bag is the right size and not filled to full, if you cannot pick up the bag after you have filled it, it is most likely too heavy for our employees to pick up.

This is just another attempt the City makes to keep our Storm Drains clear and flowing freely during the winter months.