



Tradin' Crows

August 2021 Edition



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 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:

- Jack Bird
- Pam VanArsdale
- Rick Kempa
- Barb Hilty
- Don Daugherty
- Barb Gregory



Planning Commission Members:

- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirn
- Sherrie 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 Stuart opened the meeting by delivering the Invocation and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance. After the City Councilor's gave their committee reports the following items on the agenda were handled:

- 1 Adopted an Ordinance adopting Riparian Protection Requirements for the City of Rogue River, Oregon.
- 2 Adopted an Ordinance amending Rogue River Municipal Code Chapter 17, Zoning.
- 3 Adopted a Resolution amending Resolution No. 21-1381-R adopting an Employee Handbook for the City of Rogue River, Oregon.
- 4 Approved and authorized the Mayor to sign a new Oregon Liquor Control Commission application for Rogue River Spirits at 502 East Main Street #D, Rogue River. Applicant: ReidCorp, LLC.

5 Approved a Special Event Permit for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Rogue River Post 4116 to hold an event on September 11, 2021 at 410 East Main Street, Rogue River, Oregon.

6 Approved a request from the Rogue River Greenway to have a beer garden at the Ride the Rogue event on September 18, 2021.

7 Appointed Jonna Strauss to fill the vacancy of Planning Commission Position No. 5.

8 Appointed Debbie Kenny to fill the vacancy of Planning Commission Alternate.

9 Declare a 1982 Ford dump truck, 1994 Ford F-150 pick-up, 2000 Ford pick-up and the construction fencing from Rooster Park as surplus property.

The next City Council meeting will be held on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ROOSTER CROW PARK UPDATE: With much gratitude to the Army National Guard (IRT) the underground plumbing and electrical work has been completed at Rooster Park. The concrete work and the Rooster were placed at the parks entrance. The cement for the stage area was poured and the underground work for the splash pad is coming along. There is still more plumbing to be completed for the restroom and a contractor will be hired to build the restrooms. Then staff will start preparing the walking paths to install pavers and then preparation for laying grass will be started. Plans are that the IRT will be coming back next summer to help finish the park and hopefully some other projects around town.

INVITATION TO HIROSHIMA PEACE TREE DEDICATION

AUGUST 12, 2021, at 9:00 A.M. in ROGUE RIVER

The Tree City, USA, Committee of Rogue River is pleased to announce the date for the dedication of our Hiroshima Peace Tree, a lovely Gingko. This dedication was originally planned to be held in 2020 but was postponed due to the pandemic. The significance of this tree, along with the concept of the Hiroshima Peace Trees and Green Legacy Hiroshima, will be discussed.

Seeds were saved from trees that survived the bombing of Hiroshima in 1945. These seeds were distributed, and seedlings from them were planted all over the world to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the close of World War II and to 'promote a nuclear-free and more ecological planet. There will be several speakers, including the Mayor of Rogue River.

The event will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at John F. Fleming Memorial Park, 8880 Rogue River Highway. The Park is located off I-5, Exit 48, near the foot of the Depot Street [Rogue River] Bridge and is across from the Best Western Inn at the Rogue on Rogue River Highway.

We look forward to seeing you at 9:00 a.m. on August 12th.

For further information on the Hiroshima Peace Tree project and how this came to be, please visit the website of One Sunny Day Initiatives at <https://osdinitiatives.com> and <https://www.oregon.gov/ODF/ForestBenefits/Pages/>



August 2021



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Scheduled Meetings August 2021



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| 3rd | 9:00 AM | Safety Committee |
| 4th | 9:00 AM | Sign Review Board |
| 5th | 9:30 AM | Personnel Committee |
| | 10:00 AM | Council/Staff Workshop |
| 10th | 6:00 PM | Planning Commission Meeting |
| 11th | 6:30 PM | Tree City Committee |
| 13th | 2:00 PM | Finance Committee |
| 17th | 10:00 AM | Police Commission |
| 18th | 10:00 AM | Sign Review Board |
| 19th | 10:00 AM | Council/Staff Workshop |
| 24th | 10:00 AM | Planning Commission Meeting |
| 26th | 5:00 PM | Council Advisory Committee |
| | 6:00 PM | Council Meeting |
| 30th | 2:00 PM | Finance Committee |
| First week in September | | |
| 1st | 10:00 AM | Sign Review Board |
| 2nd | 9:30 AM | Personnel Committee |
| | 10:00 AM | Council/Staff Workshop |



"The Mayor's Corner"

After 25-days of over 95 degree temperatures in July I'm looking forward to autumn. Maybe getting the temperatures down to the high 80's would be great.

I've spent a lot of time at Rooster Park this past month. The park is coming right along. I had a chance to meet with many of the IRT soldiers and they all were very impressed with our city. They enjoyed the friendliness of our businesses and citizens. I thank all who made these men and women welcomed. They gave a tour to a delegation of invited guests of their progress.

On August 12th at 9:00 a.m. in John F. Fleming Memorial Park the Tree City Committee will hold a dedication for our Hiroshima Tree. The Hiroshima Tree grew from seedlings from a tree that survived the atomic bomb. The seedlings are distributed worldwide to promote a nuclear free and ecological planet. With the COVID-19 pandemic we had to postpone the event until now.

One last thing, please continue to conserve water through the end of the summer.

Respectfully - Mayor Wayne



PUBLIC NOTICE

The City will be accepting sealed bids for a 1982 Ford Dump Truck, 1994 Ford F-150 pickup and 2000 Ford pickup all **SOLD AS IS**. The items can be viewed on August 18, 2021 between the hours of 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. You must call City Hall at 541-582-4401 to make an appointment for viewing. Sealed bids must be received at City Hall no later than Monday, September 13th at 3:00 p.m. The City reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Bids will be opened and awarded on September 15, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The vehicles can be picked up by appointment between the hours of 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. during the week of September 20, 2021 (payment must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 16, 2021).



Important Information on Protecting your Water Supply!

In the heat of the summer water demand is high, and not just in our community but in the areas that surround our community. With those demands the likelihood of water being taken from our system by *Unauthorized Users* is extremely high. It is not just the theft of the water that creates an issue, when an illegal hauler hooks up to the system they can put the safety of the water system and its users at risk. The potential for an illegal "**cross connection**" (the ability of water that is not potable or SAFE! to be introduced into our drinking water system) is a serious concern. The public should be aware of the following as guidelines for us all to be an active member in protecting our drinking water supply and recourses. If you see a water tanker taking water from a hydrant, the water tanker should be marked and have clear identification as to whom the hauler is. Please report any suspicious activity that might suggest that water is being illegally taken from the City's water system.



Any authorized use to withdraw water from our system will have trained personnel authorized by the City to hook up to our system and the hydrant will have a meter and backflow prevention device in place to protect our drinking water system from contaminants (pictured to the left is a typical installation).

Never fill a portable water container from your home by a hose, this is a serious cross connection hazard as well if the system was to lose pressure the potential contaminants in the tank you are filling would be drawn into the City's water supply. If you suspect an illegal connection to our water system call the City at (541) 582-4401 or Law Enforcement at 541-582-4931 immediately.

You are the front line in protecting public health.