

Tradin' Crows

January 2024 Edition



# **City of Rogue River**

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## **City Hall 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 the Calendar for all the meetings being held at City Hall on page 2.

## Mayor: Pam VanArsdale

#### **City Council Members:**

- Sharie Davis
- Grace Howell
- Rick Kempa
- Barb Hilty
- Sherri Moss
- Barb Gregory

# Planning Commission Members:

- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirm
- Jonna Strauss
- Debbie Kenny
- Mark Minegar

City Administrator: Ryan Nolan Chief of Police: Jim Williams Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg





Mayor Pam VanArsdale opened the December Meet- 7 ing with a moment of silence. After the Pledge of Allegiance the City Councilor's gave their committee reports and took action on the following agenda items: 8

- Adopted an Ordinance re zoning property described as T36S, R4W, Section 22B, Tax Lot 502 at 5450 North River Road, Rogue River, Oregon.
- 2 Adopted an Ordinance establishing a Building Code Administration Program known as Rogue River Municipal Code Title 15 for the City of Rogue River, Oregon and repealing Ordinance No 85-125-0 and 20-407-O.
- 3 Adopted a Resolution declaring support for an application for a DLCD grant to review parking management.
- 4 Canvassed the Votes of the November 7, 2023 General Election
- 5 Approved an Oregon Liquor Control Commission Limited On-Premises Liquor License application for Rogue Pub, a newly approved restaurant at 410 East Main Street, Rogue River Oregon, from Bryan Jackson.
- 6 Approved an Oregon Liquor Control Commission Limited On-Premises Liquor License application for a Double R Bar. This is a change of ownership for an existing bar at 108 Depot Street, from Thomas Fees as representative of Bar 108 Depot Inc.

- Accepted a letter of resignation from Sharen Rockefeller (Planning Commission Alternate) effective November 28, 2023.
- Accepted a letter of resignation from Rachel Reber (Citizen Advisory Committee) effective November 29, 2023.
- Reviewed the minutes as presented for the Tree City, USA, Committee for December 14, 2023 and the Citizen Advisory Committee for November 16, 2023.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Council is looking to fill three vacancies on the Budget Committee. The first Budget meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering contact the City

# PROTECTING YOUR HOME AGAINST FROZEN & BURST PIPES

Identify the main water shut-off to your home or business and try it before you have to use it.

- Turn off outdoor faucets and disconnect hoses.
- Turn off and drain irrigation sprinklers and supply lines.
- Insulate pipes in your breezeway, crawl spaces and attic.

These exposed pipes are the most susceptible to freezing.

If your system is vulnerable, turn on faucets (both hot and cold) until they trickle slowly if you have any concern about pipes freezing.





*Congratulations to the Rogue River Kiwanis on their sold out Christmas See's Candy Sale!* 



JANUARY 2024							
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FEBRUARY 2023							
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Scheduled Events January 2024							

# Mayor's Corner

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a joyful holiday. Now we look to a new year and all its possibilities and promise.

As many of you might already know, I am not one for making the usual New Years's resolutions (dieting, exercising more, drinking less, that sort of thing) but instead, every year I set a goal to be a good human being – kind, patient, helpful and tolerant. It sounds simple and easy enough but there are days when those are very difficult traits to exhibit lol!

As we say good bye to 2023, we also say farewell to City Recorder Carol Weir. Her retirement is well deserved and although she'll be missed, we look forward to welcoming a new member, Diane Oliver, to our front office team. If you have a chance, come by and meet her - I'm sure that you'll find her to be an excellent addition to City Hall.

Respectfully Yours,

A good New Year to one and all, And many may ye see; And during all the years to come, O happy may ye be. -traditional Scottish poem

Mayor Pam



# "NO WIPES IN THE PIPES"

A mission campaign is in place that affects our city! The mission is to save sewer systems from flushable wipes and other things people flush that *don't* belong in our sewer system. People are flushing all kinds of things down the toilet that they shouldn't be. It's not a trash can, but people treat it as such. Some products and wipes are advertised as flushable, but they are not! They might flush down, but they are not biodegradable. Instead of breaking down, they get caught in wastewater pumps in the collection system and make their way into the wastewater treatment plant. They wreak havoc in the wastewater treatment process, clogging screens, damaging pumps and possibly creating permit compliance issues. ALL this cost the utility department serious monies in increased cost to operate and maintain the collection and treatment facilities. So please help out and put the following items in the trash not the toilet!

Diapers	Paper to	wels	Facial tissues	
Cotton swabs	Baby wipes		Adult wipes	
Hair	Gum wrappers		Candy wrappers	
Facial pads	Dental f	loss	Cigarettes	
Cotton balls	•	Scoops	of kitty litter	
Women's hygiene products		All-purpose cleaning wipes		
Adhesive bandag	ves	Make up remover wipes		

If we all do our part and put trash in the trash it can save big money and greatly improve the function and efficiency of managing and operating our wastewater collection and treatment systems. For more information please feel free to contact Rogue River City Hall at (541) 582-4401 or go on line and visit Patty Potty at <u>www.pattypotty.com</u> for an entertaining, educational message on what "NOT" to put down the drain.

January 2024					
1st	CLOSED in Observance of New Years Day				
2nd	9:00 am Safety Committee				
4th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee			
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop			
	11:30 am	Finance Committee			
9th	10:00 am	Planning Commission			
11th	11:00 am Tree City Committee				
15th	CLOSED in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day				
18th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop			
	11:30 am	Finance Committee			
23rd	6:00 pm	Planning Commission Public Hearing			
25th	4:30 pm	Citizen Advisory Meeting			
	5:30 pm	Finance Committee			
	6:00 pm	City Council Meeting			
	First Week of February				
2nd	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop			



# HELP US KEEP THE LIGHTS ON

The City pays Pacific Power to maintain 174street lights in town. We do our best to keep the lights on, but sometimes we need your help to let Pacific Power know if streetlights are out in your neighborhood. You can always call Pacific Power toll free anytime at (877) 508-5088 to report an outage or report online at:

https://www.pacificpower.net/ed/streetlights/raso.html

A properly completed streetlight outage report will help ensure a quick and accurate response to your request. Please consider the

following tips when completing your form: Nearest address – e.g.; 123 Main Street Nearest cross street – e.g.; First Street

The six-digit pole number from the pole plate (if you have it). Example:

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