



# Tradin' Crows

January 2026 Edition



## City of Rogue River

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### City Hall Hours:

9:00 am to 5:00 pm,  
Monday - Thursday and  
Closed to the Public on Fridays.

### City Council Meetings:

Held on the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

### City Council Workshops:

Held on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

See Calendar (page 2) for other meetings

**Mayor:** Pam VanArsdale

### City Council Members:

- Sharie Davis
- Grace Howell
- Mark Minegar
- Barb Hiltz
- Sherrie Moss
- Barb Gregory

### Planning Commission Members:

- Dean Stirm
- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Jonna Strauss
- Ed Hudson
- Brandy Lockwood (Alternate)

**City Administrator:** Ryan Nolan

**Chief of Police:** Dave Rash

**Public Works Director:** Michael Bollweg



# 2026

Mayor Pam VanArsdale opened the December Meeting, Tawny Moore of River Valley Church offered the invocation, then the Mayor lead the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance, next the City Councilor's gave their committee reports and took action on the following agenda items:

- 1 Approved the November 20th Meeting Minutes.
- 2 Approved an agreement with ODOT for funds for improvements on Depot Street and Rogue River Highway.
- 3 Adopted Ordinance No. 25-443-O, Emergency Operations Plan Update .
- 4 Adopted Ordinance No. 25-444-O, an update to the Hunter Communications Franchise Agreement.
- 5 Continued Ordinance No. 24-433-O, an Ordinance adopting FEMA BiOp standards in the City's Development Standards to the March 26th meeting.

- 6 Accepted the resignation of Tree City Committee Board member Laura Jones.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The City Council is looking to fill one vacancy on the Budget Committee.

The City is also seeking one volunteer to serve on the Tree City Committee.

The City is also looking for a volunteer to serve as an alternate on the City Planning Commission.

Stop in at City Hall if you are interested. The City of Rogue River has benefitted from a long line of quality volunteers, maybe the next one will be you?

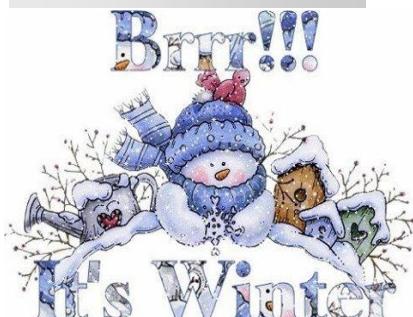


Want to make a difference in the Rogue River community? Food & Friends is looking for volunteers!

Spend two hours once a week ensuring local older adults have a hot meal and social connection. Food & Friends offers two different volunteer roles.

Meal site volunteers help package meals for delivery and assist in serving meals to congregate diners at the Rogue River Community Center. Volunteer opportunities are available Monday-Friday between 8:30am-12:30pm.

Volunteer home delivery drivers deliver meals to homebound older adults and adults with disabilities. Volunteer opportunities are available every Friday and every other Tuesday between 10:00am-12:00pm.



## JANUARY 2026

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<b>FEBRUARY 2026</b>						
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## Scheduled Events January 2026

1st	<b>CLOSED</b> in Observance of New Years Day	
6th	9:00 am	Safety Committee
8th	10:00 am	Council Workshop
8th	11:00 am	Tree City Committee
13th	10:00 am	Planning Commission
15th	10:00 am	Council Workshop
19th	<b>CLOSED</b> in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day	
22nd	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
27th	10:00 am	Planning Commission
First Week of February		
3rd	9:00 am	Safety Committee
5th	10:00 am	Council Workshop (Jail Tour)

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**



### HELP US KEEP THE LIGHTS ON

 The City pays Pacific Power to maintain 174-street 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>

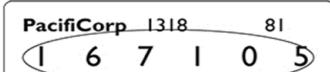
A properly completed streetlight outage report will help ensure a quick and accurate response to your request. Please consider the following tips when completing your form:

**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:



## Mayor's Corner

Happy New Year! Thank you to all of the businesses that decorated for the holidays. And a special thank you to our own Emily at city hall for decorating Rooster Park and Plaza Park. Our town was aglow with Christmas cheer! This year's tree lighting was one of the best attended in many years (I'm sure the mild weather at the time helped lol) so many thanks also to the Chamber of Commerce and everyone that helped Maggie at the Live Oak Grange with her annual before-lighting dinner. If you didn't get a chance to have some of her Creamy Tortellini Soup, you definitely missed out!

As this year draws to an end I can't help thinking about the myriad possibilities and opportunities that a new year brings. Heck, I'm already planning my garden!



*January is here,  
With eyes that keenly glow—  
A frost-mailed warrior striding  
A shadowy steed of snow.*  
—Edgar Fawcett (1847–1904)



# Freeze THE DAY



**SPECIAL OLYMPICS OREGON  
POLAR PLUNGE**

**2026**

Our Police Chief is going to be supporting Special Olympics by participating in the 2026 Polar Plunge.

He's joining forces with the Eagle Point Police Department's Plunging Eagles team on February 28th to raise funds for Southern Oregon Special Olympics.

Way to go Chief Rash!

**Donate now!**



Scan to support  
Dave Rash

Check out this event and how you can support our Chief's efforts at: <https://support.soor.org/fundraiser/6852509>