



# Tradin' Crows

May 2026 Edition



## City of Rogue River

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## City Hall Hours:

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

## City Council Meetings:

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

## Council/Staff Workshops:

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

See Calendar (page 2) for other Meetings

## Mayor: Pam VanArsdale

## City Council Members:

- Grace Howell
- Mark Minegar
- Barb Hilty
- Sherrie Moss
- Barb Gregory

## Planning Commission Members:

- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirm
- Joanna Strauss
- Ed Hudson
- Brandy Lockwood (alternate)
- Paul Allen (alternate)

City Administrator: Ryan Nolan

Chief of Police: Dave Rash

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg

## City Council Update

Mayor Pam VanArsdale opened the April meeting, pastor Dale Schaffner, Rogue River Assembly of God, offered the invocation, then the Mayor led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. After the Council Committee reports were heard, the Mayor Pro Tem read a proclamation declaring National Police Week & Peace Officers Memorial Day. Then the Council approved the March 26th minutes and took action on the following agenda items:

- 1 Adopted Ordinance 26-446-O amending the public safety fee and transient room tax applicability.
- 2 Adopted Ordinance 26-447-O renewing the Charter Cable franchise agreement.
- 3 Approved Resolution 26-1469-R amending the City's Committee Rules.
- 4 Approved Resolution 26-1470-R approving a minor supplemental budget accounting for intended interfund transfers.
- 5 Approved a use agreement with Pacific Power.
- 6 Accepted the April 9th minutes of the Tree City Committee.



## YARD SALE TIME!

- Unofficial City wide yard sale is May 29th & 30th  
Contact Tracy at 541-236-2207
- No permits needed for residential yard sales!
- Sales allowed up to three continuous days
- Sales allowed four times per year
- Signs cannot obstruct driver vision or foot traffic
- Signs need to be removed the day the sale ends

Honoring  
Pam Van Arsdale  
and  
Rogue River  
Mayors

Woodville Museum  
Thursday  
May 14, 2026  
4p-6p



celebrate our public officials during  
Public Service Recognition Week  
brief program and light refreshments

Interested in taking an active role in guiding the future of Rogue River? Volunteer to serve as a City Councillor!

To qualify, candidates must:

- Be a registered voter
- Live within City limits for twelve months immediately preceding the November 3, 2026, General Election
- Obtain 25 qualified signatures

Election packets will be available beginning June 3, 2026, on our website at [www.cityofrogueriver.org](http://www.cityofrogueriver.org) and at City Hall.

MEMORIAL DAY  
REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED

The 2025 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is available at [www.cityofrogueriver.org](http://www.cityofrogueriver.org)

This report informs you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day.



Happy Mother's Day



Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was initiated to honor the Union and Confederate soldiers who died during the American Civil War.

Celebrations honoring Civil War heroes started the year after the war ended. The establishment of the public holiday was meant to unify the celebrations held by Union and Confederate states, signifying a national day of remembrance. By the late 19th century, the holiday became known as Memorial Day and was expanded to include deceased veterans of all the wars fought by American forces. In 1971, Memorial Day became a federal holiday.

Join the Mayor, City Council and Staff in observing Memorial Day by remembering those that have given their lives to protect us and protect our freedom.

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June 2026						
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Scheduled Meetings—May 2026		
1st	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
6th	9:00 am	Safety Committee
8th	11:00 am	Tree City Committee
	10:00 am	Budget Committee Meeting
13th	10:00 am	Planning Committee Workshop
15th	10:00 am	City/Staff Workshop
22nd	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
26th	MEMORIAL DAY – City Hall Closed	
27th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Meeting
First week in June 2026		
3rd	9:00 am	Safety Committee
5th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop

## Mayor's Corner May 2026

The Council and the Planning Commission have had recent discussions about whether or not to ban the feeding of wildlife in the city. It was decided to not create a new ordinance but to rely on our nuisance ordinance and public outreach instead.

Although the folks who feed the turkeys, deer, ducks, geese, etc. think they are helping the wildlife, they are actually doing more harm than good. Birds, especially ducks and geese cannot properly digest “people food” such as stale bread. Then there’s the impact it has on your neighbor’s yards and property when you’re attracting wild turkeys and deer with seed and other types of feed. That feed that you intend for the turkeys and deer is more likely attracting rats. Even feeding feral cats does more harm than good.

So please consider the consequences before you throw that old bread out in the yard or dump a bag of bird seed or put out a deer block. Your neighbors will appreciate it!

Respectfully Yours,

Mayor Pam

*May is a green as no other,  
May is much sun through small leaves,  
May is soft earth,  
And apple-blossoms,  
And windows open to a South wind.*  
—Amy Lowell (1874-1925)

### Tree City USA Committee Announces

#### Spring Walk in the Park!!



Tree City USA Committee of Rogue River invites you to come to Palmerton Arboretum on Saturday May 16, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. We will point out some favorite trees in the Arboretum and some of our newer trees.

### Help the City conserve water



#### Check faucets and pipes for leaks

A small drip from a worn faucet washer can waste 20 gallons of water per day. Larger leaks can waste hundreds of gallons. Some faucet leaks are easily spotted, but others take a little more effort to locate. Dry sinks and tubs thoroughly and allow to sit for an hour. If you notice wetness, you’ve found a leak. To find leaks from faucet handles, dry the area around them before running water. You’ll see water collecting next to them if there’s a leak.

## SPRING TRASH CLEAN-UP

The City of Rogue River along with Southern Oregon Sanitation (SOS) will be conducting their annual Spring Trash Clean Up on

**Friday, June 5, 2026**



This is a free service provided by the City and SOS to encourage city residents to clean their property and garages prior to the Rooster Crow weekend. **We have included a small flyer with the requirements and restrictions for your trash pick up.**



Remember, the City only stops by once at each address to pick up starting at 7:00 a.m. We suggest you have your items out the night before.



For more SOS disposal information go to:  
<https://sosanitation.com>



The City of Rogue River designates May 11th through May 16th as National Police Week & Peace Officers Memorial Day to recognize National Police Week 2026 and to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy.