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November 2016 Edition

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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 7:00 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: Pam VanArsdale City Council Members:

- Bill Jones
- Fred England
- Robert Catherwood
- Shelli Spencer
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

Planning Commission Members:

- John Schaeffer
- Rick Kempa
- Cindy England
- Don Collins
- Evan Goeglein
- Dean Stirm
- Carolynn Ryle

City Administrator: Mark Reagles Chief of Police: Chris Snyder Public Works Director/City Engineer: John Krawczyk



<u>City Council Update</u>



Mayor VanArsdale opened the October meeting welcoming Father Carl Schray from St. Anne's Catholic Church who delivered an inspiring Invocation to the City Council and audience then the City Council dealt with the following agenda items:

- » After hearing an update from the City Administrator they adopted an Ordinance granting a Non-exclusive Franchise to Falcon Cable System II, LLP, dba, Charter Communication, to operate and maintain a Cable Communications System within the City limits.
- » A new Patrol Officer was sworn in. Trevor Scott Waldeyer will start his employment with the City riding along with fellow officers, getting to know the City and its citizens. He is scheduled to begin his official 16-week training in February 2017 with the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training but may begin sooner if there are any cancellations. Chief Snyder said that it was a long intensive process and thanked the City Council for their support.
- » A Public Hearing was held to hear comments from the public regarding an application to divide one tax lot into three

parcels outside the City limits and within the Urban Growth Boundary on Wards Creek Road. After hearing the Planning Commission's recommendation along with the City Administrator's the City Council approved for the applicants to apply to Jackson County.

- » The annual retainer was approved for Steven E. Rich, Attorney at Law, to serve as legal counsel and advisor to the City and its officials and authorized agents. Mr. Rich has been the City's attorney for more than 30-years. His background and history of the City is a valuable asset to the Mayor, Councilor's and staff.
- » The final item on the agenda was to approve the budget calendar for fiscal year 2017-2018. We will be providing more budget news in the upcoming months.

The next City Council Workshops are scheduled for November 3rd and 17th at 10:00 a.m. and the Council meeting will be November 17th at 7:00 pm. (Due to the holidays the City Council approved to change the November to the 17th.)

SILENT AUCTION

Rogue River Community Center's Christmas Project Partners
Invites you to come join us THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17th - 18th

at the Rogue River Community Center for a silent auction!
Bidding will begin at noon on Thursday through 6:00 pm on Friday.
All proceeds go to the Christmas Project Partners!
Contact Sue Smith @ 541-582-0609





men and women
enough for what they have given up to
protect us! Come to the parade and
show our Veterans how much





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| 2nd | 9:00am Sign Review Board 10:00am Safety Committee | | | | | | |
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| 3rd | 9:30am Personnel Committee | | | | | | |
| | 10.00am Council/Staff Workshop | | | | | | |
| 8th | 6:00pm Planning/Staff Workshop | | | | | | |
| 9th | 6:00pm Tree City Committee | | | | | | |
| 11th | CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF VETERANS DAY | | | | | | |
| 15th | 2:00pm Finance Committee | | | | | | |
| 16th | 9:00am Sign Review Board | | | | | | |
| 17th | 10:00am Council/Staff Workshop | | | | | | |
| | 6:00pm Council Advisory Committee | | | | | | |
| | 7:00pm Council Meeting | | | | | | |
| 21st | 6:00pm Mur | | ınicipal Court | | | | |
| 22nd | 10:00am Plar | | nning Commission Workshop | | | | |
| 23rd | 10:00am Police | | ce Commission | | | | |
| 24th | CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF THANKSGIVING DAY | | | | | | |
| 25th | 25th CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF THANKSGIVING DAY | | | | | | |
| 30th | 2:00pm Finance Committee | | | | | | |
| First week of December 2016 meetings | | | | | | | |
| 1st | 9:30am Personnel Committee | | | | | | |
| | 10:00a | m City | City Council Workshop | | | | |

Mayors Corner

If you haven't done so already, don't forget to vote!

With the arrival of November, my thoughts turn to the approaching holidays. We can all find so much to be thankful for, no matter how bleak life can sometimes seem. So take a moment this month to look around you and appreciate the blessings, both large and small. If you're able, share with those less fortunate. Sometimes just the gift of a smile can make a difference in someone's day.

The Tree Lighting Ceremony will begin at 6:00 pm on December 3rd this year, and since the December newsletter probably won't be out before then, I wanted to remind everyone now. There's going to be a variety of activities to enjoy all day, starting at 8:00 am with Breakfast with Santa and PTA Bake Sale at the Live Oak Grange, then the Christmas Craft Fair and Santa Cafe at the Community Center from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, and back to the Live Oak Grange for dinner from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Look for more information about the day's festivities on the Chamber of Commerce website and Facebook page. Also, look for more info about the Silent Auction to be held this month to benefit the Rogue River Community Christmas Project Partners. If you'd like to donate or sponsor a family, contact Sue Smith at the Rogue River Community Center.

"November comes and November goes, with the last red berries and the first white snows.

With night coming early, and dawn coming late, and ice in the bucket and frost by the gate.

The fires burn and the kettles sing, and earth sinks to rest until next spring." Clad Watson, Poet

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone! Respectfully Yours, Mayor Pam



ZONING CODE UPDATE: The City of Rogue River is currently working on a comprehensive update to its zoning code. The Planning Commission will be reviewing edits to the city zoning code and the public is welcome to come to meetings. Please see the City website for Planning Commission meeting dates and times, or call City Hall at 541-582-4401.

<u>WHAT IS ZONING</u>? The primary purpose of zoning is to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the public. Zoning is a tool used by cities and counties to promote orderly growth while protecting existing property owners and desired community character. Zoning regulates how land may be used and controls the type, size, and height of buildings. Zoning also establishes standards for parking, signage, and landscaping.

<u>WHAT IS A ZONING CODE</u>? A zoning code, also known as a zoning ordinance, is a set of local laws which regulates development and land use. The zoning code classifies land into distinct areas called "zoning districts". Each zoning district specifies the uses that may occur and establishes standards for new development and construction, such as setbacks, height, and lot coverage. Typically, zoning codes establish districts for residential, commercial, mixed-use, and industrial land use classifications which are shown on a zoning map.