



# Tradin' Crows

November 2021 Edition



## City of Rogue River

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### City Hall Hours:

Monday - Friday from 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 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:

- Dean Stirm
- Jay Chick
- Sherri Moss
- Dee Copley
- Jonna Strauss
- Sharie Davis
- Debbie Kenny

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Jim Williams

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg



## City Council Update



Mayor Wayne Stuart opened the October meeting by welcoming Pastor Rich Wheeler who delivered the Invocation then everyone proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The October City Council meeting agenda consisted of the following items:

- 🍂 The City Councilor's gave their committee reports.
- 🍂 Approved the staffs efforts in continuing the process of Flood Insurance Promotion for the CRS Community Rating System.
- 🍂 Approved to award two local entities with funds from the 2020 Cares Act Grant.

🍂 They continued the public hearing process regarding the Lil' Pantry warehouse appeal filed by owner Dale Hurst, Hurst/HTP, LLC. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

All meetings held at City Hall are open to the public and citizen comments are always welcomed. A list of the meetings can be found on the back of this newsletter.

Please remember when attending any meetings you must always properly wear a mask, sanitize your hands, practice social distancing and sign in on the attendee list if you wish to speak to any agenda item.



*To those in uniform serving today, those who have served in the past, those who will serve in the future, and to their families you are our Heroes.*

**WE HONOR YOU TODAY  
AND EVERY DAY!**

## To All Veterans



## An update on the Public Works Projects

As you may or may not have noticed, all the street lights in town have been changed out to LED. Amazingly enough it took less than a week for the contractor to complete the process. We will be recycling the old devices to recoup some of our money back and all of the cardboard that was accumulated will be used in the parks for mulching.

The North River Road sidewalk project is moving along and should be completed by the end of the year.

The other ongoing project is Rooster Park where the restroom is going up and next will be the pavilion.

Another project is the water meter upgrade. Staff has been meeting with suppliers and installers. Once this process begins it should move quickly and be an easy transition. As a customer you may see someone at your meter but you won't even notice any changes to your bill.



November 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <small>THANKS FOR VETERANS</small>	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 	26	27
28	29	30				
December 2021						
			1	2	3	4

## Mayor's Corner

Once again, the Bears have returned to downtown! And, this year Evergreen Federal Bank has brought some different ones. The Rogue River Press has made a map of where all the bears are located and you can get a copy at City Hall. And, thanks to the Rogue River Press the City Merchants had a great turn out of trick or treaters for the Downtown Business Halloween Trick or Treat event.

Some of the events coming up in the next two months are:

The Rogue River Community Center will have their drive through Thanksgiving Dinner on November 19th and ask that you please RSVP by calling 541-582-0609 no later than November 12th, on December 4th they will be having their Annual Craft Fair from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and the Rogue River Community Center Christmas Project Partners are gearing up to help families in the community with Christmas Baskets, applications will be available at the Community Center and the schools.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4116 and Auxiliary members will be distributing Buddy Poppies on November 6th so watch for their sites around town, on November 10th they will be celebrating the Marine Corp's 150th Birthday, on November 11th they will be serving Thanksgiving Dinner to the first 150-Veterans and check their Facebook for their other events.

And, to finish the season the Rogue River Chamber of Commerce and the City Businesses will be putting on the City's "Winter Wonderland", on Saturday, December 4th starting with Breakfast with Santa in the morning, and the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony with singing, hot chocolate and cookies at 5:00 p.m.

*Respectfully, Mayor Wayne*



Scheduled Events November 2021		
2nd	9:00 am	Safety Committee
3rd	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
4th	9:30 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
9th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
10th	6:30 pm	Tree City Committee
<b>11th</b>	<b>Closed in OBSERVANCE of VETERANS DAY</b>	
15th	2:30 pm	Finance Committee
16th	10:00 am	Police Commission
17th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
18th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
	4:00 pm	Council Advisory Committee
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
<b>25th</b>	<b>Closed in OBSERVANCE of THANKSGIVING</b>	
<b>26th</b>	<b>Closed in OBSERVANCE of THANKSGIVING</b>	
30th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
	2:00 pm	Finance Committee
December 2021		
1st	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
2nd	9:30 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop

## PROTECTING YOUR HOME AGAINST FROZEN & BURST PIPES



### Prepare today:

**Identify the main water shut-off** to your home or business and try it before you have to use it. There should be a valve in front of the water meter at the street. Call City Hall if you need assistance in locating your shutoff. **DO NOT** use the City turn off valve located between the meter and street.

**Insulate pipes** in your breeze way, crawl spaces and attic. These exposed pipes are the most susceptible to freezing.

**Wrap vulnerable pipes** with heat tape or thermostatically controlled heat cables. Be sure to use products that are UL-approved, and follow manufacturer's instructions.

**Seal leaks** with caulk or insulation to keep cold air from coming in near pipes, especially around electrical wiring, dryer vents and pipes.

*Look for more information next month!*

### IT'S LEAF PICK-UP TIME AGAIN!!!

Our Goal is to prevent leaves from entering our streets and storm drains. Why? Leaves clog our drains and cause flooding. When not removed, leaves will rot and release phosphorous into our waterways and cause dangerous algal blooms. These blooms are dangerous to fish, wildlife, and overall water health.

The City's Leaf Pick-up Program officially starts on November 1, 2021 and will continue through December 31, 2021.

### REMEMBER:

This is for **LEAVES ONLY**, no grass, pine needles, animal droppings, tree limbs, rocks or household garbage will be picked up. If you find that your leaves were not picked up it could be for one of these reasons.

The City has a new leaf vacuum and we would like to utilize it as much as possible. All piles of leaves should be in an area accessible within the reach of the 6-foot vacuum hose, but not behind fences, on the sidewalk or in the gutter. We have found that raking your leaves onto a tarp and pulling it out to the front of your property works well.

Also, WET LEAVES are hard for the vacuum to pick-up.

**DO NOT** blow the leaves into the street.

### PLEASE DO NOT RAKE THE LEAVES INTO OPEN DITCHES!

The City will also pick up leaves in bags. Leaf bags are available at City Hall. If you're providing your own bags please make sure they are at least 1.5-mil thick and no larger than 33-gallon in size.

A sure way to tell if the bag is the right size and not filled to full, if you cannot pick up the bag after you have filled it, it is most likely too heavy for our employees to pick up.

***This is just another attempt the City makes to keep our Storm Drains clear and flowing freely during the winter months.***