



Tradin' Crows



July 2023 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 for other meetings on page 2

Mayor: Pam VanArsdale

City Council Members:

- Shari Davis
- Vacant
- Rick Kempa
- Barb Hilty
- Sherrie 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



Warning
Fire risk

It's fire season and everything is getting very dry here in town. With the persistent hot weather the police department has been out looking for high weeds, grass, brush and blackberry bushes that are dangerous fire hazards. If you have not received a letter from the City thank you for keeping your property clear of noxious vegetation and we ask that everyone keep maintaining their property clear of fire fuel.

City Council Update ...

Mayor VanArsdale called the June City Council meeting to order having a Moment of Silence followed with the Pledge of Allegiance. The individual City Councilors then delivered their committee reports and followed up with taking action on the following agenda items during the meeting:

- 1 Adopted Council Bill No. 23-2466 a Resolution establishing a Business and Occupation Tax fee schedule for Rogue River Municipal Codes 5.05 and 5.15 and rescinding Resolution No. 17-1316-R.
- 2 Adopted a Union Contract between the City and Teamsters Local #223 for the period ending June 30, 2026.
- 3 Adopted to Provide the non-union employees with the same benefits included in the Teamsters Local #223 contract for period ending June 30, 2026.

4 Approved a request for a Special Event Brewery application from the Weekend Brewing Company to serve beer and wine during the Rogue River Greenway Ride the Rogue Event on Saturday, September 23, 2023 in Palmerton Park Arboretum.

5 Accepted a resignation from Citizens Advisory Committee member JoAnn Dixon.

6 Approved to discontinue monthly media support to the Rogue River Chamber of Commerce.

7 The Mayor read a Proclamation declaring Rogue River's "70th Annual National Rooster Crowing Contest" weekend event during June 23-25, 2023.

The July City Council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 27th at 6:00 p.m. Workshops will be held on Thursday, July 6th and 20th at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The following Ballot Measures will be on the **November 7, 2023** General Election:

Ballot Measure #15-218 is a Charter Amendment changing the Mayor's term from two to four years.

Ballot Measure #15-219 is a Charter Amendment repealing term limits for elected City Councilor's and Mayor.

Carol J. Weir, MMC - City Recorder/Elections Official

"70TH ANNUAL ROOSTER CROWING CONTEST WEEKEND WINNERS"



Parade Results

Judges Choice:

- 1st - Tarasco's Mexican Restaurant
- 2nd - Jackson County Disabled American Veterans #8

Best Themed:

- 1st - Personalized Grooming by Tarey
- 2nd - Main Building Supply

Non-Commercial:

- 1st - City of Rogue River
- 2nd - Story Telling Guild

Commercial:

- 1st - Tarasco's Mexican Restaurant
- 2nd - Red Dog Pet Supply

Best Youth:

- 1st - Tarasco's Mexican Restaurant
- 2nd - Trail Trotters

Tractors:

- 1st - Jeff Black

Best Adult:

- 1st - City of Rogue River
- 2nd - Rogue River Class of "1963"

Car Club:

- 1st - Rogue Valley Ole Volks & Folks

Antique Auto:

- 1st - Jim Stearns
- 2nd - Dick Ellingson

Adult Riders:

- 1st - Cal-Ore Hydroplane Racers

Marching Unit:

- 1st - Marine Corp League Detachment 286
- 2nd - Boy Scouts / Cub Scouts

Motorcycle Group:

- 1st - Old Guard Riders

Veterans Group:

- 1st - Jackson County Disabled American Veterans #8

Rooster Crow Results

- 1st - Buffy with 19 crows
- 2nd - Marshall Dillion with 12 crows
- 3rd - Tied with 11 crows was Free Range Randy and Butters

Human Crow Results

- 1st - Trisha Cromwell of Rogue River
- 2nd - Barbara Loya Sanchez
- 3rd - Trisha Cromwell of Rogue River

Car Show Results

Best of Show: Joan Knoeppel-Lopes of Rogue River
1946 Ford Pickup

People's Choice: Judith Caltabiano of Grants Pass
1974 GMC C-1500

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August 2023						
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“Mayor’s Corner”

Well the weather gods certainly smiled on us for Rooster Crow Weekend this year! With temperatures under 90 it was quite enjoyable. Something that I think was a first ever – waiting on the city float for the parade to start Saturday morning I actually said “I need to find some sunshine to warm up a bit!” Thank you to the Kiwanis, Rooster Crow Committee, Public Works and all the others that volunteered their time. The amount of work that goes into having a weekend-long event is more than I think most people realize and each year we seem to have fewer volunteers. Please consider helping with next year’s Crow. Even if you can only give a few hours, anything helps! The Rooster Crow Committee will be meeting again in August to start planning for 2024 so if you’re interested, call or stop by city hall.

Respectfully, Mayor Pam

*When the heat like a mist veil floats,
And poppies flame in the rye,
And the silver note in the streamlet’s throat
Has softened almost to a sigh. It is July.
–Susan Hartley Swett (1843-1907)*



Scheduled Meetings July 2023



4th	CLOSED	Independence Day
6th	9:00 am	Personnel Meeting
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
	11:30 am	Finance Committee
11th	9:00 am	Safety Committee
	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop
13th	11:00 am	Tree City Committee
20th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 pm	Council/Staff Workshop
	11:30 am	Finance Committee
25th	6:00 pm	Planning Commission
27th	4:30 pm	Council Advisory Committee
	5:00 pm	Finance Committee
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
First week in August		
1st	9:00 am	Safety Committee
3rd	9:00 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
	11:30 am	Finance Committee

Voluntary Water Usage Reductions for the Summer

The water supply as always is of very high quality and safe. **However, WHAT MOST PEOPLE DO NOT KNOW IS!** The primary purpose of a water system is **NOT** to supply drinking water. The first priority is for a water system is actually to provide an adequate water supply, storage and reserve for a community to provide adequate fire protection. Communities seldom realize the importance of this component of the water system until an emergency occurs. In the current high temperatures extreme drought are putting unprecedented strain on our water system. Conservation is critical to maintain adequate water reserves in the event of a fire emergency. This is one of the main focus for the water system improvements that are coming soon to our community.

- 1. Stop leaks.** Check all water-using appliances, equipment, and other devices for leaks. Running toilets, steady faucet drips, home water treatment units, and outdoor sprinkler systems are common sources of leaks.
- 2. Reduce Water Use Outdoors**
 - Reduce vehicle washing and use facilities that recycle water.
 - Exterior paved surfaces should be swept rather than washed, unless necessary for such reasons as public health or safety.
 - Minimize the need to refill pools, hot tubs, ponds, and other water feature.
 - Keep pools covered when not in use so you don’t lose water to evaporation.
 - Reduce water use in the landscape and irrigation system
 - Fix leaks in the irrigation system promptly.
 - Turn off sprinkler zones that are not needed.
 - Do not water every day, water every other day or every three days.
 - Water by hand instead of using your irrigation system if possible.
 - Attach a shut off nozzle on your hose when hand watering plants.
 - It is best to water between the hours of 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Do not water in the middle of the day.
 - Plug up drip emitters that are not watering plants.
 - Turn down adjustable micro sprays.
 - Dry spots – add another emitter or fix sprinkler. Do not run the entire system longer.
 - Adjust sprinklers to keep water where it is supposed to be, no hardscape watering.
 - Hold off on new plantings. New plantings require more water to become established.
 - Amend soil and add mulch/compost to hold in moisture and reduce evaporation.
 - Catch excess water in a bucket and use on the landscape.
- 3. Reduce Water Indoors**
 - Turn off the water when brushing your teeth or shaving.
 - Avoid letting the water run when rinsing vegetables, cleaning dishes or defrosting food.
 - Only wash full loads of laundry or dishes.
 - Avoid using the toilet as a wastebasket.
 - Take shorter showers.

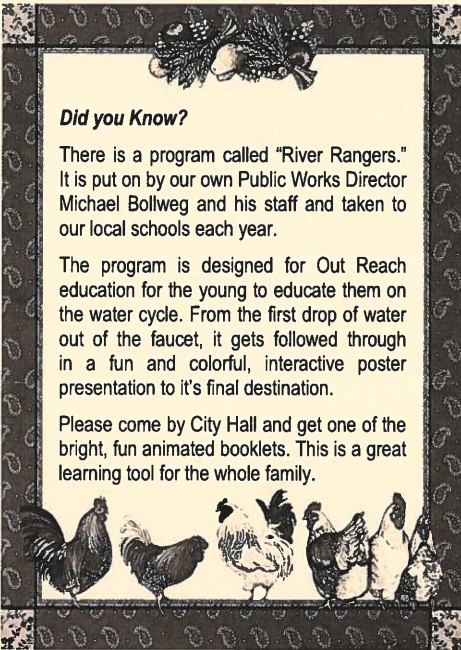


Did you Know?

There is a program called “River Rangers.” It is put on by our own Public Works Director Michael Bollweg and his staff and taken to our local schools each year.

The program is designed for Out Reach education for the young to educate them on the water cycle. From the first drop of water out of the faucet, it gets followed through in a fun and colorful, interactive poster presentation to it’s final destination.

Please come by City Hall and get one of the bright, fun animated booklets. This is a great learning tool for the whole family.



We hope everyone is enjoying the splash pad at Rooster Park!



Load up on Laundry

Save water by only running the clothes washer with full loads; save energy by washing in cold water.

Curb outdoor Water Waste

Don’t water in the middle of the day when temperatures are highest; the water will evaporate before it reaches plants.

Be a Leak Detective

Place a few drops of food coloring in the toilet tank; if water shows up in the bowl, you may need a new flapper. Don’t forget to flush afterward!

WATCH what You Flush

Only three Ps should go in your toilet—pee, poo, and (toilet) paper; disposable wipes don’t dissolve and can clog pipes.

Turn off the TAP

Save 200 gallons of water a month by turning off the tap while you brush teeth, shave, or wash your hands.

SAVE while Showering

Replace your showerhead with a WaterSense labeled model to save water and energy without noticing a difference in flow.