



# Tradin' Crows~

June 2023 Edition



## City of Rogue River

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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 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: Pam VanArsdale

### City Council Members:

- Sharie Davis
- Vacant
- Rick Kempa
- Barb Hilty
- Sherri 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

**Thank you to Southern Oregon Sanitation for your assistance in picking up over 13,120 pounds of citizens unwanted items during last months "Spring Trash Pickup"**



## "City Council's Update"



The May City Council meeting began with Mayor Pam VanArsdale leading a Moment of Silence then asking the audience to join her with the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Councilors then gave their Committee reports and the following agenda items were handled during the meeting:

- 1 Approved a request from Southern Oregon Sanitation to reconsider a general rate increase of 8.5% to the customers of Rogue River, with a revised rate schedule.
- 2 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2458 a Resolution certifying the municipal services provided by the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2023-2024 budget year.
- 3 The City Council asked for comments from the public regarding the City's election to receive State Revenue Sharing for the 2023-2024 budget year.
- 4 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2459 a Resolution declaring the City's election to receive State Revenue Sharing for the City of Rogue River, Oregon for the 2023-2024 budget year.
- 5 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2460 a Resolution authorizing the funds to be used in the financial management of the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2023-2024 budget year.
- 6 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2461 a Resolution adopting the budget, making appropriations, and levying taxes for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2023-2024 budget year.

- 7 The City Council held a public hearing regarding a Municipal Code Update for the City of Rogue River, Oregon.
- 8 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2462 an Ordinance adopting Text Amendments amending Titles, 2, 3, 5, 15, 16, 17, and 18 of the City of Rogue River Municipal Code and declaring an emergency.
- 9 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2463 a Resolution Amending Rules for City Committees.
- 10 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2464 a Resolution Providing for Voting on a Municipal Measure to eliminate term limits for Council and Mayor Positions.
- 11 Approved Council Bill No. 23-2465 a Resolution Providing for Voting on a Municipal Measure to change the terms of office for Mayor from two to four years.
- 12 Appointed members to the Citizen's Advisory Committee.
- 13 Appointed members to the Tree City Committee.
- 14 Declared unused building materials purchased for the Rooster Park construction project as surplus property to be disposed.
- 15 Approved a request for Local Government recommendation for temporary liquor license for outdoor sales related to Rooster Crow Weekend for Bee Gee's Diner.

**ATTENTION: Job Openings**  
If you or someone you know is looking for a job with good benefits and a lifetime carrier the City is hiring administrative staff, police officers and certified utility maintenance technicians. Apply at City Hall

**FROM CHIEF WILLIAMS:**  
Dog owners please be aware that walking your dogs in this heat can be hazardous to their paws and remember that the City Code does not allow the use of FIRE WORKS in the city limits.

**FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:**  
The 2021 Consumer Confidence Report is available for viewing at [www.cityofrogueriver.org](http://www.cityofrogueriver.org) or you can pick up a paper copy at City Hall.



*May your graduation be the beginning of many more wonderful achievements in your life.*  
**2023!**  
*Class of*  
**Congratulations**



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JULY 2021						
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## "MAYOR'S CORNER"

We're Makin' A Splash! I'm looking forward to seeing old friends and hope to make some new friends at our 70<sup>th</sup> Rooster Crow Celebration later this month. I happen to think we have THE BEST hometown parade so grab your chair, find a spot and have some fun with us!

While we're celebrating this month, congratulations are in order for those graduating from high school and college and of course don't forget Dads!

A quick reminder that even though we had a decent snowpack and rainfall this winter we are still in drought conditions and we need to be vigilant as fire season approaches. PLEASE, if you have blackberries growing on your property, remove them ASAP. Although they look green and lush, they will burn with an amazing intensity that spreads quickly. Let's keep our neighborhoods as safe as we can this summer.

*"In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different."*

John Steinbeck



Respectfully Yours, Mayor Pam



### NUISANCES REQUIRING ABATEMENT PROCEDURES

#### 8.05.300 Noxious Vegetation and Debris - WEEDS

No owner or person in control or possession of property may permit weeds or other noxious vegetation to grow upon his property. It is the duty of an owner or person in control or possession of property to cut down or to destroy weeds or other noxious vegetation from becoming unsightly or from becoming a fire hazard or from maturing or going to seed.

A. The term "noxious vegetation" does not include vegetation that constitutes an agricultural crop unless that vegetation is a health hazard or a fire or traffic hazard within the meaning of subsection (B) of this section.

B. The term "noxious vegetation" includes:

1. Weeds more than 10- inches high.
2. Grass more than 10-inches high and not within the exception stated in subsection (A) of this section.
3. Poison oak.
4. Poison ivy.
5. Blackberry bushes that extend into a public thoroughfare or across a property line.
6. Vegetation that is:
  - a. A health hazard;
  - b. A fire hazard because of its height, density, dryness or because it is near other combustibles;
  - c. A traffic hazard because it impairs the view of a public thoroughfare or otherwise makes use of the thoroughfare hazardous.
- C. No owner or person in charge of

property shall allow noxious vegetation or debris to be on the property or in the right-of-way of a public thoroughfare abutting on the property. The debris shall be removed from areas indicated within seven days by the owner or person in control or possession of the property.

G. The accumulation of high weeds, grass, and other debris is found to create a condition tending to reduce the value of private property; to promote blight, deterioration and unsightliness; to create fire hazards; to create a harborage for rodents and insects; and to be injurious to the health, safety and general welfare. Therefore, the presence of such conditions on private or public property is declared to constitute a public nuisance which may be abated in accordance with the procedures outlined in RPMC 8.05.320 through 8.05.380.

#### 8.05.290 Enforcement and Penalties

A. Enforcement. The Rogue River police department is charged with the responsibilities and the authority for enforcing the provisions of this chapter. The police officer shall have the right to enter upon property at reasonable times to investigate or cause the removal of a nuisance including potentially dangerous animals, dangerous animals, reptiles, or amphibians.

B. Penalties. A violation of a provision of this chapter, or an order issued under authority of this chapter, is punishable by a fine not less than \$50.00 and not to exceed \$1,000.

Scheduled Meetings June 2023		
1st	9:00 am	Personal Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
6th	9:00 am	Safety Committee
7th	10:00 am	Tree City Committee
13th	6:00 pm	Planning Commission Workshop
14th	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
15th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
	2:00 pm	Finance Committee
21st	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
22nd	4:30 pm	Council Advisory Committee
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
27th	6:00 pm	Planning Commission
30th	2:00 pm	Finance Committee
Second Week in July		
4th	CLOSED	In Observance of Independence Day
5th	9:30 am	Safety Committee
7th	9:00 am	Personnel Committee
	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop

The Rogue River Kiwanis and the Rooster Crow Committee presents  
Rogue River's Annual National Rooster Crowing Contest  
Sunday, June 23-25, 2023

\* Raffles \* Awards \*  
\* Vendors \* Music \*

**Friday, June 23, 2023**  
Kick-off Dinner at the Rogue River Community Center at 4:00 p.m.  
Followed with Live Entertainment by "JD the Singing Barber" at the Woodville Museum Gazebo

**Saturday, June 24, 2023**  
Rooster Crow Parade at 10:00 a.m.  
The "Don West Band" at the Woodville Museum Gazebo from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Human Crowing Contest at 2:00 p.m.  
National Rooster Crowing Contest at 2:30 p.m.  
Old Time Fiddlers at the Rooster Crow Pavilion from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.  
Live Entertainment All Day

**Sunday, June 25, 2023**  
Rooster Crow Car Show for Pre-1975 Vehicles at 9:00 a.m.  
Church at the Crow with Pastor Roger Coale from the Cowboy Church at 10:00 a.m.  
Live Entertainment All Day

**EVENT SPONSOR'S**

**GOLD Level**

 UMPQUA BANK  
 Southern Oregon Sanitation Inc.  
 TABASCO  
 MAIN  
 State Farm

 Abby's  
 SUBWAY  
 Ray's FOOD PLACE

 first community credit union  
 COLLECT NORTHWEST  
 PACIFIC POWER

 NBC 5  
 GRANTS PASS  
 EVELYN C. DYER  
 TAILHOLT  
 MURPHY

**SILVER Level**  
CPI (Copeland Paving Inc.) - All Well & Pump Service - Avista - BACI's Pizza & Pasta - Redline Engraving

**BRONZE Level**  
Bee Gees Diner - Rogue River Spirits - Rogue River Rural Fire Protection District - Rogue Express - Rogue River Pharmacy

**SUPPORTERS & SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**  
Rogue River Chiropractic - Rogue River Community Center - Southern Oregon Water Technology - River Station  
And a Special Thanks to the Rogue Valley Classic Cruisers - Diamond Home Improvement  
Gatt Electric - Howard Signery - Redneck Stickers - Rogue River Chiropractic  
Contact Carol Weir at the City of Rogue River for applications to any of the weekend events at 541-582-4401 ext. 102 or by email at [cweir@cityofrogue.com](mailto:cweir@cityofrogue.com)