



# Tradin' Crows

June 2020 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: Wayne Stuart

### City Council Members:

- Bob Pascalar
- Fred England
- Pam VanArsdale
- Barb Hilty
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

### Planning Commission Members:

- Rick Kempa
- Dee Copley
- Dean Stirm
- Sherri Moss
- Don Collins
- Jay Chick
- Jack Bird

City Administrator: Mark Reagles

Chief of Police: Curtis Whipple

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg

*Thank you to Pat's Sanitation  
for picking up over  
21,460 pounds of citizens  
unwanted items during  
last months  
"Spring Trash Pickup"*

## ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ "City Council's Update" ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Last month's City Council meeting began with Mayor Wayne Stuart asking City Administrator Mark Reagles to deliver the Invocation. Following the Pledge of Allegiance the Mayor and City Councilors gave their Committee reports. The following items were handled during the May 2020 meeting:

- 1 Adopted Council Bill No. 20-2398:** An Ordinance establishing a building code administration program for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, and repealing Ordinance No. 85-104-O and 97-271-O.
- 2 Adopted Council Bill No. 20-2400:** A Resolution certifying the municipal services provided by the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2020-2021 budget
- 3 Adopted Council Bill No. 20-2401:** A Resolution authorizing funds to be used in the financial management of the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2020-2021 budget year.
- 4 Held a Public Hearing** to hear citizens comments regarding the City's election to receive State Revenue Sharing.
- 5 Adopted Council Bill No. 20-2402:** A Resolution declaring the City's election to receive State Revenue Sharing for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2020-2021 budget year.
- 6 Adopted Council Bill No. 20-2403:** A Resolution adopting the budget, making appropriations, and levying taxes for the City of Rogue River, Oregon, for the 2020-2021 budget year.

**7 Approved and authorized the Mayor** to sign a Master Participating Agreement between the City and Jackson County Community Justice for work crew services performed within the City of Rogue River, Oregon.

**8 Approved and authorized the Mayor** to sign an Oregon Public Works Emergency Response Cooperative Assistance Agreement between the City and the State of Oregon, Department of Transportation for emergency support services.

**9 Approved and authorized the Mayor** to sign an Engagement Letter from KDP, Certified Public Accountants, LLP, to perform audit services for year ending June 30, 2020.

**10 Ratified the approval of a request** from Robert Hileman to hang a banner across Depot Street to honor and congratulate the class of 2020 at Rogue River Junior Senior High School from May 6, 2020 to June 7, 2020.

**11 Approved a request from the Rogue River Kiwanis** to donate the City's 2020 Rooster Crow Sponsorship and Advertising fee back to the Kiwanis Scholarship fund.

**12 Regretfully accepted a resignation** from Budget Committee member Carole Poling.




*May your graduation  
be the beginning of  
many more wonderful  
achievements in your life.*

*Congratulations*



## "MAYOR'S CORNER"

JUNE 2020						
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JULY 2020						
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### Scheduled Meetings June 2020

3rd	9:00 am	NO Sign Review Board Safety Committee
4th	9:30 am 10:00 am	NO Personal Committee NO Council/Staff Workshop
9th	10:00 am	NO Planning Commission Workshop
10th	6:00 pm	NO Tree City Committee
15th	2:00 pm 6:00 pm	Finance Committee Municipal Court
16th	10:00 am	Police Commission
17th	10:00am	Sign Review Board
18th	10:00 am	Council/Staff Workshop
23rd	6:00 pm	Planning Commission Meeting
25th	5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Council Advisory Committee Council Meeting
30th	2:00 pm	Finance Committee

### First week in July

1st	10:00 am	Sign Review Board
2nd	9:00 am 10:00 am	Personnel Committee Council/Staff Workshop
3rd	Closed	To Observe Independence Day

Well, with the showers we've had, my May flowers bloomed the best this year. As I write this, a lot of our social events were cancelled for this summer including Rogue River's National Rooster Crowing Contest. I'm hoping by fall we'll be able to participate in the Ride-the-Rogue event sponsored by the Rogue River Greenway Foundation.

In the meantime, I need to remind all of us to keep our city beautiful. Keeping weeds, shrubs and blackberry bushes cut down, sidewalks clear of vegetation, trees trimmed ten feet above sidewalks and walking paths is very important this time of year. We're being told that we are already in drought conditions, resulting in Fire Season being enforced upon us early so we are taking an aggressive proactive approach this year to protect your community.

Thanks once again to the Rogue River Garden Club, staff has hung their beautiful flower baskets on the light poles in the downtown area.

Your City budget committee met on May 14, 2020 and approved the proposed 2020-2021 budget, sending it on to the City Council. And, it was adopted by the City Council during their meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2020.

**Stay Safe and enjoy the beginning of Summer!  
Respectfully, Mayor Wayne**



### NUISANCES REQUIRING ABATEMENT PROCEDURES

#### **8.05.300 Noxious Vegetation and Debris**

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 RRMC 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.