City of Reedsport QUARTERLY, NEWSLETTER

Emergency Planning for the Future



A plan and an emergency kit are important, but they only go so far. Ideally, our whole community should be ready, and here are a few projects the City has been working on to ensure the safety of our community during any such disaster that may come our way.

As many of you may know, the City received over \$3 million dollars of state funding to bring both fire stations and the police station to seismic (earthquake) standards. These updates will ensure that our emer-

gency personnel are able to continue operating should an earthquake hit the Central Oregon Coast. As part of the original plans to Turner Station, located on Frontage Road, the station is and will remain the emergency operations center (EOC) for our community. The EOC can be activated in response to both natural and manmade disasters by bringing highly trained experts and state-of-the-art technology to coordinate those response efforts. Turner Station is looking at a rear end like face-lift by expanding the second floor and adding three fire bays on the west (rear) side of the building. Speaking of Turner Station, did you know that in the event of an emergency effecting the water main line in Reedsport, there is not enough water reserved to service the Forest Hills neighborhood which encompasses not only the uptown fire station but also the hospital; not to worry! The City has secured the deed for a parcel of land in the Master Heights subdivision that will be home to a 2 million gallon water tank....that's big! The tank will have a direct gravity fed line to the hospital and Turner Station during an emergency situation. However, when issues arise, like a break in the main waterline, the tower will provide water to the Forest Hills area homes until the repair is complete.

Lastly, staff will be working alongside County and State personnel to update a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (NHMP). An NHMP identifies hazards, vulnerabilities, and potential risks facing our community and prioritizes actions to reduce those risks. A NHMP has two core parts: a risk assessment and a mitigation strategy. The completed plan will be submitted and approved by FEMA. These hazards could include, an earthquake, wildfire or even a tsunami. Having the plan in place will allow us to plan ahead and be prepared when disaster strikes.



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City Council Work Session City Council Regular Session	Monday April 4 th	6:00-7:00 pm 7:00 – 9:00 pm	Council Chambers and Via Zoom
Urban Renewal Quarterly Budget Quarterly Budget Committee	Monday April 11 th	6:00 – 6:15 pm 6:15 – 6:30 pm	Council Chambers and Via Zoom
Parks & Beautification Meeting City Tree Board Meeting	Wednesday April 13 th	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Conference Room
Budget Committee Meeting (OPTIONAL)	Monday April 18 th	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers Zoom & In-Person
Traffic Court Reedsport Main Street Meeting	Wednesday April 20 th	9:00 am-Noon 5:30 pm	Council Chambers Zoom & In-Person
Budget Committee Meeting (OPTIONAL)	Monday April 25 th	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers Zoom & In-Person
Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday April 26 th	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers
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Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday May 24 th	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers
City Council Work Session City Council Regular Session	Monday June 6 th	6:00-7:00 pm 7:00 – 9:00 pm	Council Chambers and Via Zoom
Parks & Beautification Meeting City Tree Board Meeting	Wednesday June 8 th	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Conference Room
City Tree Board Meeting Traffic Court Reedsport Main Street Meeting Planning Commission Meeting	Wednesday May 15 th	9:00 am-Noon 5:30 pm	Council Chambers Zoom & In-Person
Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday June 21 st	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers

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Phone: (541) 662-2062

Email: k9shelter@cityofreedsport.org







Reedsport K9 Shelter



Medication Disposal

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The Reedsport Police department has a prescription drug drop box available in the police department lobby, 146 n 4th Street, Reedsport, OR. The drop box will be available to the public Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.



This is a great way to safely dispose of your outdated, unused prescriptions and over the counter medications. The box is relatively small, the items will need to be removed from their bottles and placed in a zip lock bag. We have some available at location. We do not accept any liquid medications.

This disposal option is intended to help keep our families safe. It will also help keep our waterways clean in Reedsport. This box is intended for use by the public, and not intended for use by commercial facilities. For more information please contact Reedsport Police Department at 541-271-2100

*We do not accept any sharps, used needles or lances at this time.



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Don't Feed Wildlife!

Help keep wildlife wild and healthy. Wildlife Services encourages you to avoid feeding wildlife such as ducks, geese, gulls, raccoons, deer, squirrels or coyotes. One way you can help reduce wildlife conflicts with people is by not feeding wildlife near human populations and in parks.

Wildlife Services experts are often asked to assist with wildlife damage problems related to animals that have been accidentally or intentionally fed by people. Feeding wildlife can lead to a number of serious problems:

- Human food is not healthy for wild animals, and they do not need food from humans to survive. Wild animals have specialized diets, and they can become malnourished or die if fed the wrong foods. Also, animals cannot distinguish food from wrappers or foil and can get sick eating these items.
- ♦ Feeding leads to public health concerns. Too many animals in one place increases the chance of disease transmission to people and among other wildlife.
- Animals accustomed to people often lose their fear of people and can become aggressive. Those that become too aggressive may have to be destroyed to protect people and property.
- Birds gathering near or on airports can become victims of bird-aircraft collisions, potentially causing flight delays, damage to aircraft, and loss of human life.
- ♦ Animals fed along roads tend to stay near roads, increasing the chance of vehicle-animal accidents.
- Large concentrations of ducks and geese can pollute nearby waterways, backyards and athletic fields. Some waterfowl species drop up to a pound of feces every day!

Many people enjoy living near and watching wildlife. You can help keep animals wild by keeping the following tips in mind.

- Do not encourage wildlife by feeding or leaving food for them.
- Don't allow bird food to accumulate on the ground.
- ◆ Don't place food scraps in gardens or compost bins, and use a closed compost bin.
- Keep pet food and water containers indoors, especially at night.
- ♦ If you have fruit trees, harvest or dispose of fruit when it is ripe.
- Use metal or durable plastic trash containers with tight fitting lids.
- Enjoy viewing wildlife at a distance. Respect their space and remember they are wild animals that should stay wild.

A message from the United States Department of Agriculture. Learn more by visiting https://www.aphis.usda.gov/



REEDSPORT TREE CITY USA 18 YEARS





Volunteer Drivers Needed

Local seniors and those with disabilities need your assistance. You can help when you volunteer to drive for Dial-A-Ride

Call (541) 271-2100 for more details.

NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING AND STATE REVENUE SHARING PUBLIC HEARING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Reedsport, Douglas County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, will be held at City Council Chambers, 451 Winchester Ave. Reedsport, OR. The meeting will take place on April 11, 2022 at 6:20 pm and again on April 18, 2022 at 6:00pm (if necessary). The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 8, 2022 at City Hall, 451 Winchester Ave, Reedsport, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

A <u>public hearing</u> will be held during the Budget Committee Meeting on Monday, April 11, 2022 for the purpose to receive comment regarding the possible uses of the State Revenue Sharing distributions for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. This notice will also be posted on the City of Reedsport website at: www.cityofreedsport.org.

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Umpqua Discovery Center

Riverfront Rhythms Summer Concerts
Tuesday 6:00-7:30pm

July 12— 'Strange Brew' Blues, Roch&Roll, Swing, Jazz July 26— 'Stillwater' Oldies, Roch&Roll

August 9—'Border Patrol' Rockin Country

www.umpquadiscoverycenter.com



July

Saturday, July 9, 2022

Learn more at cij.weebly.com

Neighbors helping Neighbors!



We Did It!

As the mask mandate has now been lifted and the end may just be here, the Reedsport Main Street Program would like to commend our community and our businesses for persevering through these last two years. We still have a ways to go, however our success is apparent throughout our community.

The Reedsport Main Street Program would also like to thank Commissioner Tim Freeman for his exceptional support to our community throughout this pandemic. Commission Freeman spearheaded the county's COVID-19 response and made sure Reedsport had everything we needed to

fight back. When we needed additional PPE supplies and tests for our community, Commissioner Freeman, delivered them to our front door himself. Thank you all for your support during this time and may we continue to strive through this summer.



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Alarm Tips

From the Reedsport Volunteer Fire Department

Smoke Alarms:

Smoke alarms are your first line of defense in the event of a fire.

- Install at least one battery operated smoke alarm in your home.
- Test the alarm at least once a month.
- Change batteries as soon as the alarm chirps indicating the batter is getting low.
- Keep alarms clean by blowing out with compressed air or vacuuming.
- Replace alarms at least every tenyears.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms (CO):

Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon Monoxide poisoning can cause illness and even death. Make sure the venting remains clear of any debris and is unobstructed.

- Install and maintain CO alarms inside your home and RV to provide early warnings of carbon monoxide.
- CO alarms are not a substitute for smoke alarms. Know the difference between the sound of each alarm.

In an emergency dial 9-1-1



DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HONOR RON LARSON AS VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Douglas County Commissioners Tim Freeman and Tom Kress visited our Reedsport Senior Dining Site recently to honor Ron Larson with the Douglas County Senior Services Volunteer of the Month award for February 2022. They were joined by Douglas County Senior Services Director, Jeanne Wright. The Commissioners also stayed and help to package meals for the delivery routes as well.

Ron Larson was nominated for Volunteer of the Month by Karen Robertson, the Food Service Worker/Case Manager at our Douglas County Senior Dining Site in Reedsport. Ron has been a volunteer at the Reedsport site for over 12 years. Karen commented that Ron consistently comes in before 10:00 am each morning to check on the delivery vans, and get them warmed up for the Meals on Wheels route drivers. He then makes sure that the food delivery totes are cleaned, lined up and ready to be filled with meals. He also reviews the delivery route sheets and verifies the meal counts for that day. He is also responsible for the inventorying milk and keeping track of the frozen meal supply.



She remarked that, "Ron goes above and beyond for the senior dining site and for seniors in their community. When he is not at the site volunteering, he takes care of the delivery vans, making sure they are filled with gas, checking to make sure that the tires are stable and by washing them. On the weekends, when he is out and about, if he sees a concern at a client's home he will make a special trip to Karen's office to let her know about the situation and that it needs to be followed up on.



Speaking to his dedication as a volunteer, Commissioner Kress stated, "Ron's dedication as a volunteer is a tremendous asset to our program. We are proud to honor him for his tireless work here in the Reedsport Community."

Douglas County's seven rural Senior Dining Sites and Meals on Wheels programs are facilitated by Douglas County Senior Services staff, but the programs are successful because of the dedication of volunteers like Ron.

"Commissioner Kress and I realized the critical importance of delivering meals to seniors and make it a priority to keep these programs operating,

so that there is no disruption in service for our seniors who count on these meals," said Commissioner Tim Freeman.

Thank you, Ron for all you do to serve our community! You are amazing!

To get involved with Douglas County Senior Dining Sites and Meals on Wheels programs or to learn more about volunteer opportunities, contact the Douglas County Senior Services Department! Email Darla Hilburn at dahilbur@co.douglas.or.us or call 541-440-3677.

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