

# Pilot Rock Newsletter

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**Next City Council Meeting August 25, 2015**



August 20, 2015

Mayor: Virginia Carnes  
City Council:  
Ray Corwin, Kacie Moss,  
Raymond Doherty,  
Bob Deno, Jim Hinkle and

**School Starts Monday August 24th, Drive safely and watch  
For children crossing the streets !!**

## City Of Pilot Rock

**Next City Council Meeting will be August 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**

Council meeting dates have shifted somewhat please make note of the following Council Meeting Dates.

August 25th at 7pm

September 8th at 7pm

September 22nd at 7pm

We will resume our regular schedule, holding Council meeting the first and third Tuesday nights of each month, on October 1st.

The following was discussed at the last Council meeting, August 11, 2015.

1. Council was made aware of concerns regarding police coverage on the "Pilot Rock Community Watch" Facebook page, and asked for direction on how to respond. Council asked for more information relating to legal concerns and risk to the City, then tabled the item. See article in this newsletter for more on this topic.
2. Council approved the second reading of Ordinance No. 567, which amends the permitted uses in an M-2 (Heavy Industrial) zone.
3. Council granted permission to Librarian Susan Hilliard to apply for the Ready to Read Grant.
4. Council was asked to consider allowing the County to place an elections ballot drop box in front of City Hall. Concerns about the sidewalk remaining wheel chair accessible cause Council to table the item and asked staff to find out if there were other alternatives.
5. Council will hold a work session on August 25th at 6pm to discuss Lagoon Upgrade options with the City engineers. This is work session is open to the public.

Detailed minutes are available on line at [www.cityofpilotrock.com](http://www.cityofpilotrock.com) as well as at City Hall. Citizens are welcome to stop by City Hall ask questions and get all the facts.

## WHAT'S GOING ON...

By Teri Porter

### Social Media Question Result in a Constructive Debate - Chief Roberts Weighs In

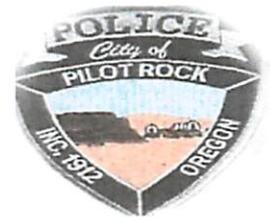
On August 11, 2015, Council was asked to consider how to handle misinformation and concerns regarding police coverage that were being expressed on the "Pilot Rock Community Watch" Facebook page. Needing to make Council aware of the page as well as looking for direction, the topic was placed on the agenda as an action item. Councilor Moss, Officer Badal and Teri Porter had responded to the page all ensured the citizens that we are aware of their concerns and doing all we can to resolve the situation they also encouraged the concerned citizens to attend the August 11th, Council meeting. We also asked Chief Roberts of Pendleton to be present as well as our officers Thompson and Badal. Also in attendance were six members of the community. **See Social Media 1A**

### Officer Badal Gets Bumped Up to the September Academy

Hiring Officer Badal was only one hurdle to resolving our diminished Police staff. Next was to get him into the Basic Academy. When we heard that the next available Academy would be in January, we started making calls encouraging other agencies and the County Commissioners to put a call into DPSST (Department of Public Safety Standards and Training) ) on our behalf, explaining that we were down to one officer and still have not found a Chief. Mayor Carnes made a call. Kurt Chapman part of the CIS (our insurance company) Legal team, also put a call in. **See Officer Badal 1A**



# PRPD



8/4/15	Citizen Contact	NW Cedar	8/13/15	Citizen Contact	NE Elm
8/5/15	Walk Through	SE Cherry		Citizen Contact	NE Douglas
	Menacing	West Main	8/14/15	Vehicle Check	Wagner Gulch Rd
	Building Check	NW Birch St		Vehicle Check	McGowan Dr.
8/7/15	Fire	Hoeft Road	8/15/15	Traffic Stop	Alder Pl.
	Walk Through	McGowan Dr.		Area Check	E Birch Creek Rd.
	Walk Through	West Main		Dog	NE Douglas St
	Citizen Contact	Alder Place	8/16/15	Welfare Check	NE Cherry St
8/8/15	Traffic Hazzard	West Main	8/18/15	Juvenile Complaint	SW Cedar St
8/9/15	Citizen Contact	McGowan Dr.		Open Door	SW 3 <sup>rd</sup> St
8/12/15	Walk Through	McGowan Dr.		Vehicle Check	NW 2nd
	Dog	SW 3 <sup>rd</sup> St			
	Dog	SW Birch St			

## Umatilla County Sheriff's Office

8/4/15	Animal Complaint	Shaw Rd.	8/9/15	Dog Complaint	NE 3 <sup>rd</sup> St
				Dog Complaint	Alder Pl.
8/10/15	Extra Patrol	West Birch Creek Rd	8/12/15	Suspicious	Hwy 395 South
	Disabled Vehicle	Road 1006			
8/13/15	Suspicious	Stewart Creek Rd.	8/14/15	Civil Complaint	East Birch Creek Rd
8/15/15	Assist	Hwy 395 South	8/16/15	Harassment	West Main St.
8/18/15	911 Call	Hwy 395 South			

**Emergency Dial 911**  
**POLICE DEPT. - 541-443-1224**  
**Leave a message or call**  
**DISPATCH - 541-966-3651**

To better serve you, The Pilot Rock Police Department would like you to call Dispatch for non-emergency police business, not City Hall.

# Mayor's Minute or Two..

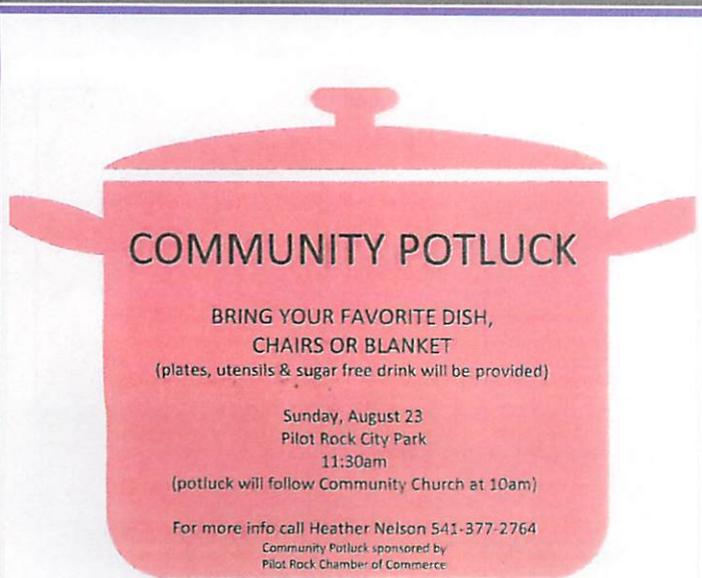
Where did summer go? It seems like just a few days ago we were talking about the swim program and here we start school again on Monday! Wow! However, it is what it is and we are now looking Community Days right in the eye this weekend---August 22 and 23! There is a full schedule of events planned, and you will note that the Community/Reunion dinner has been moved from Friday evening to Saturday evening, right after the Awards Presentation/Parade. The dinner will be located by the Post Office and City Hall. Please note that all community members or interested citizens are very, very welcome to attend. Tri-tip, chicken and hot dogs are on the menu and everyone always has a great time catching up with friends and visitors alike. The Beer Garden will be behind City Hall in the parking area and Terra Arbogast will be manning the Karaoke machine for all to enjoy. We've added some new events this year and brought back some popular ones from past years such as the lawn mower races. Please check the schedule, support the vendor's downtown and bring out your families for a variety of events plus the yard sales! You will also want to be on hand to witness our State Champions receiving their rings and also the introduction of our Jr. /Sn Girls Little League State Champions being introduced at the Awards ceremony. Also Katie and Kourtney Hall will open the Stick Horse Rodeo with the Star Spangled Banner as Katie did at Chief Joseph Days. As I understand it, there wasn't a dry eye in the venue.

A lot of time and effort goes in to producing this event and your attendance is important to its success. So many volunteers have spent countless hours putting this weekend together. We are also grateful for the Fire Department and the help they provide filling barricades for the lawn mower races, putting water in East Birch Creek to float the ducks for the Duck Race, We are also grateful to the City Staff for their help in many directions.

There will be many visitors in town. Let's show our pride in our community. You never know when an economic development opportunity might arise ;- ) I'll look forward to seeing you out and about. I'm also grateful to Art and Karen Falk for providing the use of their golf cart for my use. Their kindness is deeply appreciated. And Paul Ellis----what would we do without you! Our First Citizens are also deeply involved. Thank you Heather Nelson and Daniel Christensen!

Have a great couple of weeks. Welcome home alumni, and welcome to all visitors to our great little community in Eastern Oregon.

Virginia Carnes  
Mayor



## Couples' Dance Workshop Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> 9am-4pm

Hear that swing beat? That cha-cha rhythm? The waltz's 1-2-3-? Wanna dance to them? You'll learn how in this one day couples workshop.

We will sample a wide collection of dances for every occasion and venue, including the traveling Cha Cha (always seen on Main St during RoundUp), 10-Step Shuffle, Country 2-step, and the always popular Barroom 2- step.

This will be a no-pressure workshop where students will learn to recognize rhythms and how to move with them. Footwork will be kept simple, and learning how to lead or follow will make it all come together. Having a partner is recommended but not required.

\$30 PER PERSON, \$25 IF PREREGISTERED BY AUGUST 22  
TO REGISTER CALL

THE PENDLETON CENTER FOR THE ARTS @ 541-278-9201  
214 North Main Street

**Social Media**

Some thought that was not a very big turnout, but it was a 500% increase over our usual attendance. Several members of Council were not fans of Facebook and are wary about responding in anyway. Although Chief Roberts does not respond to Facebook, he stated that the important thing is that you stay out in front of any emerging issues like this and not allow the rumor mill to take over. Keeping the community informed of viable, real updated information is important to give the community a sense of contentment and a feeling of safety. They need to know in a time of need that someone is going to respond to the need and that needs to be communicated on a daily basis until they feel like that is the case. Without that sort of communication it will cause citizens to get caught up in speculation, rumor and innuendo that is not positive. It is a difficult thing to do, but it does not take a lot of time if you have someone who can be attentive to that type of communication pushing out real-time information. When asked how they handle this type of situation in Pendleton Chief stated that if there is information out there that he believes there is a fear factor with some event or if mis-information exists, he has more direct access to East Oregonian or Kapps broadcasting to get the information pushed out. They also have an automated system to do mass communication that can make thousands of calls in minutes and they would use it in non-emergency conditions if the circumstance dictates the need. He went on to say that the biggest concern is that if it goes unaddressed or you are unresponsive to it, then you get a vigilante movement of people exercising their right to bear arms, open carry, which concerns him because they are not trained for a conditional response, they are not accustomed to a life and death scenario. He is not against it, he is just concerned that some folks don't think it through and that the mere presence of a firearm is going to be a deterrent for people to run away. That is not always the case, some people will run to the fight and now you have a confrontation that is compounded by the fact that the firearm is present. Communication is the only way you are going to get around these issues. If there are people who are upset and are leading the charge, it is important to go to them and have a conversation to determine what truly are their concerns and what are they willing to do to help solve the situation we are in, putting parameters on what is acceptable and what isn't from a community perspective. Chief Roberts also stated that while our resources are limited we do have partner agencies that will cover emergencies, whether it be the Sheriff's Department, Oregon State Police or at a last resort the Pendleton Police Dept. Neighborhood watch if conducted and managed the right way can be a viable resource. Officer Thompson also expressed his frustration because many of these issues being discussed on this Facebook page are not being called into dispatch. He stated that is important to call dispatch so that he has a record of the call and he can follow up. It also creates a permanent record for future reference. If you don't call dispatch he won't know about it. Everyone, Council, staff and the citizens, agreed DISPATCH MUST BE CALLED. While there was a lot of debate and discussion that resulted in tabling the topic until further information could be provided, everyone did also agree that CONCERNED CITIZENS SHOULD COME TO COUNCIL MEETINGS TO HAVE THEIR CONCERNS HEARD AND GET SOME ANSWERS.

**Officer Badal**

Turns out DPSST was able to schedule another class for November and would more than likely be able to get Officer Badal in that one. Still not satisfied we kept up our plea to get him in sooner. On Monday, August 10th, I received a call from Umatilla County Sherriff, Terry Rowan, informing me that he put a call into DPSST and it looks like they will get Officer Badal into the September class (which is the very soonest class available) but to sit tight until we get a confirmation from DPSST. Today, I received the confirmation. Thank you Sherriff Rowan and all who put in a call for us, we so appreciate your efforts. The academy is a nearly five month course. The sooner we get Officer Badal to the Academy the sooner he will get back, get certified and able to patrol our community solo. Which will also relieve the stress from the Sherriff's dept and State who are covering our emergency calls when Officer Thompson is off and not on call.

# Yard of the Month

Marty and Darlene Perrine  
280 S. Alder Place



Jim and Jackie Carey  
695 NE Gumwood



## Pilot Rock School District

Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> – School Starts  
Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL  
– LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> – SCHOOL IN  
SESSION



Family, Friends and Neighbors  
Come Celebrate Jean Porter's

90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

1-4 pm

Ukiah Senior Center

Please, no gifts

Nancy Porter 541-427-3044



## Thank you swim bus sponsors

PACIFIC POWER, CASCADE NATURAL GAS  
PILOT ROCK ELEMANTARY PARENT TEACHER CLUB,  
PILOT ROCK EDUCATION & COMMUNITY  
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PILOT ROCK SDA CHURCH, BOISE CASCADE,  
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PENDLETON AQUATIC CENTER &  
PENDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT



We Still Have Bumper Stickers  
To support Lady Rockets  
For State Softball Championship  
Come by City Hall and pick one up  
\$4.00 each

# PILOT ROCK OHV, INC.

FALL MOTOCROSS RACES  
800 RA Koch Road, Pilot Rock, OR 97868

SUNDAY, September 13, 2015  
SUNDAY, October 18, 2015  
SUNDAY, November 22, 2015

Gates Open @ 7:00 am

Practice from 9-10 am

Races be @ 10 am

Gate fees: \$8

Race Fees: \$25 first race

\$20 second race

Come check out our  
New track design



www.pilotrockbikepit.com  
Email: motocross@pilotrockbikepit.com  
Contact Virginia Carnes 541-443-5832



UMATILLA COUNTY  
SPECIAL LIBRARY  
DISTRICT

Strengthening our community libraries

17 SW Frazer Ave - Suite 360

PO Box 1689

Pendleton, OR 97801

Phone (541) 276-6449  
Fax (541) 966-1028

8/14/15

## UCSLD OFFERS LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE TO EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYEES

With the exciting addition of Mango Languages, the Umatilla County Special Library District, through the 12 public libraries in Umatilla County, offers employers and employees a new engaging on-line language and culture learning program.

English speaking employers and employees living in Umatilla County can learn Spanish or American Sign Language, along with 60 other languages. The new language skills can help create better communication among employees, while non-English speaking employees living in Umatilla County have the opportunity to learn English. Mango offers English for Spanish speakers, plus English for 16 other languages.

For English speakers, Mango offers Legal Spanish, Medical Spanish, and Text Talks in Spanish. For Spanish speakers Lengüaje de Text, and Orientación Profesional are offered.

Accessing Mango is free and easy. All you need is a library card in good standing, and an internet connection or app, to access Mango. Then fire up your computer or mobile device and make the most of Mango's fresh, intuitive and flat-out fun methodology. Have questions? Contact Susan at the Library, 541-443-3285.

Umatilla County Special Library District's mission is to ensure the continuation and growth of public libraries in Umatilla County; by supporting our libraries' ability to provide services, programs and continuing education opportunities for all. We believe libraries strengthen communities through individual, family, economic and community development.

Dog Costume contest 1:00 pm  
August 22, 2015  
Pilot Rock City Park



and

## 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WIENER DOG RACES

AUGUST 22, 2015

1:30 PM PILOT ROCK CITY PARK

GET YOUR REGISTRATION FORMS AT

PILOT ROCK CITY HALL

MAKE THIS THE BEST WIENER RACES EVER!

Registration fee \$5.00 prior to Aug. 22  
\$10.00 on Aug 22 race day.

**Activities for  
all ages!**

# Awards Ceremony

## 2015 Community Days/ Reunion Weekend

Church in the Park  
Sunday

**August 22-23**

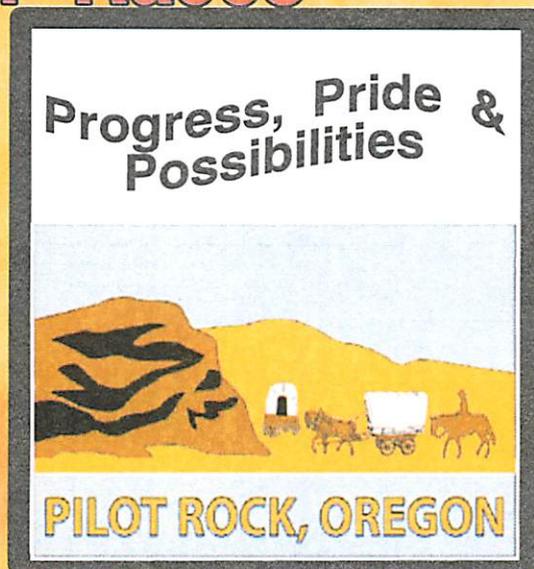
Dog Costume Contest  
Weiner Dog Races

**Lawn Mower Races**

**Food Vendors**

Stick Horse Rodeo

**Children's Games**



**Horseshoe  
Tournament**

Karaoke  
with Terra Arbogast  
in Beer Garden

Movie on Main Street

**Yard Sales**

**Parade at 5 pm**

**Duck Races**

**For Information**

**Pilot Rock City Hall 541.443.2811**

Show & Shine  
Car Show

**Vendors**

PR Foundation Dinner

Sat. 6-8:8:30

Downtown

**Possible Mechanical Bull?**

4,5,6 Dice in Beer Garden  
A fundraiser or Com. Days

**Beer Garden**

Pilot Rock Community Day/Reunion Weekend 2015 Schedule of Events and Locations  
Revised 8.6.15

\*\*Saturday, August 22\*\*

7 am Set-Up: --- Daniel Christensen --Football team---PRFD

8 am Yard Sales: --- City Hall—541-443-2811

8 am Vendors: set up. Main Street---Teri Porter---541-215-5031

8:30 am Horseshoe Tournament: --- City Park---Jason Bedard—541-377-9789

10 am Information Booth/Guest Registration/Pilot Rock Foundation: Main Street ---Annie Smith Tester---541-377-3075,  
High School tours by request

10 am to 5 pm---Cooling Center on Main Street---sit and visit a bit!

11am-12 noon---Stick Horse Rodeo---Lea Van Houten 541-240-1961 on Main Street (Pre-registration at 10 am)

12:00 & 2:30 Lawn Mower Races on Cherry Street

1:00 Any Breed Dog Costumes Contest at City Park

1:30 Wiener Dog Race at City Park-- Jackie Carey 541-443-8551

11-1 pm Children's Games---Memorial Park---Heather Nelson 541-377-2764

2-4:00 pm Car Show Main Street---Mary Ann Low---541-379-4972—Entrees will get ticket to the beer garden

[carshowpilotrock@gmail.com](mailto:carshowpilotrock@gmail.com)

Signup for Barnyard Bingo before the parade—\$5 per square---- Mary Ann Low

Dice 4,5,6 game in the afternoon---- Mary Ann Low

3 pm: Great Duck Race---East Birch Creek---Nancy Hinkle 541-379-1950 & PRFD



Main Street Bridge

6-8:30 pm Class Reunion & Community Dinner @ Next to the Post Office & City Hall (Pilot Rock Foundation---

Make Reservations contact-----Annie Tester---541-377-3075)

Tri-tip Steak or Chicken, Baked Potato, Coleslaw=\$15.00, Senior \$12.00 (65 or older)

Hotdogs for kids \$5.00

(Please call Annie asap to get on the list!)

\*\*\*Food Available\*\*\*

Teri Porter—Vendors---541-215-5031

5-6 pm Parade --- Begins @ Fire Station---south down Cherry St.,

\*\*\*Main St. to south down East Birch to 8<sup>h</sup> (Note Change)--- north up Cedar to 395---back to Fire Station

Sheila Buckley 541-215-0261

Dave Sloodwig=Parade MC's

Awards Ceremony after the parade

7:00-- Wobbling down Main Street by Teri Porter

Movie at Dusk in the vacant lot on Main Street---bring your own chairs

Beer Garden--- 6pm-12midnight ---City Hall Parking Lot

Karaoke by Terra Arbogast

Admission to Beer Garden=\$3.00 single or \$5.00 couple

Beer=\$4.00 & Wine=\$4.00 or 5 for \$20.00 ;-)

Dice Game 4,5 & 6 in Beer Garden---Mary Ann Low

\*\*Sunday, August 23\*\*

Community Church Service: 10 am at City Park—Harley Jeffers---541-240-1478 & Mike Nelson---541-377-0635

Community Potluck after Church

10 am ---Downtown Clean-up PR Football Team

Overnight camping available in City Park/Elem. School or Trailer parking @ Football Field parking lot

If you have additional questions that have not been answered, please call Virginia Carnes @ 541-443-5832/969-6033

Or Pilot Rock City Hall @ 541-443-2811