



Pilot Rock Newsletter

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To assist the Community
Monday-Friday 8 AM – 5PM
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Next City Council Meeting Dec 15, 2015



December 11, 2015

Mayor: Virginia Carnes
City Council:
Ray Corwin, Bob Deno,
Raymond Doherty, Terry Womack
Jim Hinkle and Deacon Perkins



Christmas Light contest judging will be on Sunday December 20th 5:30-7:30



City Of Pilot Rock

Next Council Meeting December 15, 2015

The following topics were discussed at the
December 1, 2015 Council meeting:

- Council approved the second reading of Ordinance No. 569 banning marijuana related businesses within Pilot Rock. The Ordinance took immediate effect.
- Council approved the purchase of a new (computer) server for City Hall. The server we had was 10 years old and quit working last week.
- Council after much debate approved the annual \$25 bonus check for City Employees. The long standing practice was brought to question in light of the demands the lagoon upgrade will put on the city budget. The expense was already approved in the current budget and those in favor argued that \$25 for 8 employees is a small token of appreciation for the quality employees we have.
- Council after much debate approved holiday hours for City Hall and city employees. City Hall will close at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve with employees receiving holiday hours for the half day they are off. This was another long standing practice that some were reluctant to continue. Staff will look at trading another holiday and upgrade the policy in the handbook.
- Council approved the transfer of funds from the Police Chief line item of the budget to the Police Services line, to pay expenses for the coverage provided by Pendleton Police. Cpl Ryan Lehnert provide 40 hours coverage to Pilot Rock weekly.
- There was discussion regarding the amount of Police Coverage Pilot Rock is receiving with several folks giving testimony that they feel safe and have seen all agencies (State, County and Pendleton) respond quickly and handle the situations efficiently. Others stated that they do not see the Police cars as much as before.
- Cpl. Lehnert after explaining the difficulties of hiring a chief, encouraged everyone to attend the Police Department work session on December 14th at 6pm in the Council Chambers.

See Topics 1/A

WHAT'S GOING ON...

By Teri Porter

Public Meeting to Discuss the Pilot Rock Police Department

Date: December 14, 2015

Time: 6PM in Council Chambers

Subject: Pilot Rock Police Department

Council will hold a work session open to the public, to review the wants and needs of the community as it relates to the Pilot Rock Police Department. Public comment is welcome and encouraged.

A few item up for consideration are:

1. What can we do to make the Pilot Rock Police Chief position more attractive?
2. Competitive wages for the Chief position.
3. The current requirement that the Chief and officers must live within the Pilot Rock School district.
4. Size of the police department. Is a 3 man department enough or too much?
5. Where and how to advertise.
6. Do we want to contract with other agencies such as the Sheriff's dept. and Pendleton PD to take over all police duties?





PRPD



11/23/15	Trespass	SW Birch St.	12/09/15	Dog Complaint	NE Douglas St.
11/30/15	Hit and Run	SW Cedar St.		Dog Complaint	SW 2 nd St.
	Criminal Mistreatment	SW Cedar St.		Civil Issue	SW Cedar St.
12/01/15	Citizen Contact	SW Cedar St.		Traffic Stop	Hwy 395 S.
	Missing Child	NW Birch St.		Suspicious Circumstance	McGowan Dr.
12/02/15	Warrant Arrest	Pendleton Municipal Court		Agency Asst. Wrnt Arrest	NW Birch St.
	Code Enforcement	W. Main St.		Domestic Violence	NE Douglas St.
	Citizen Contact	PRPD		Area Check	SW Birch Pl.
12/03/15	Restraining Oder Arrest	SW Birch Pl.	12/10/15	Area Check	PR OHV
	Warrant Arrest	SW Birch Pl.		Fraud Complaint	NW Alder St.
	Bar Check	W Main St.		Traffic Stop	SW 3 rd /Hwy 395
	Welfare Check	S Alder St.		Traffic Stop	NE 4 th /Hwy 395
12/05/15	Parade Escort	PR		Traffic Stop	NW Alder/Hwy 395
				Agency Assist	Hwy 395/SW Birch St

Please check that house numbers are visible for emergency services!!

Umatilla County Sheriff's Office

11/21/15	Area Check	N Alder St.	11/29/15	Driving Complaint	Yellow Jacket/Hwy
11/22/15	Area Check	N Alder St.	395		
11/25/15	Area Check	N Alder St.	12/01/15	Area Check	N Alder St.
11/28/15	Criminal Mischief	W Main St.	12/02/15	Area Check	N Alder St.
	Area Check	N Alder St.	12/03/15	Agency Assist Warrant Arrest	SW Birch Pl.
			12/04/15	Traffic Hazard	NF Elm St.

Oregon State Police.

12/06/15	Fight/Assault	W Main St.
12/10/15	DUII	Hwy 395/SW Birch St.



Emergency Dial 911
POLICE DEPT. 541-966-3651
FOR ALL POLICE MATTERS PLEASE 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..

Congrats to Nancy Hinkle for putting together the Christmas Bazaar last weekend. We had 28 vendors and the event was enjoyed by all who attended!! Jim Hinkle also provided support and has agreed to take on the chairmanship of the Light Parade next year. Award winners for the parade include the Christensen family as first place, JT Nelson second place and PR Police/Fire Dept. shared the 3rd place position. We are grateful for all who participated. Heather Nelson was in charge of the chili feed with about 30 residents enjoying the chili made by Michelle Cassidy! Thanks again to all who helped and to Sheila Buckley for being my driver.

Be looking for carolers this next weekend, there will be two groups, the group put together at the chili feed on Saturday evening and a 4-H group on Sunday evening.

Also the light judging contest will be on Sunday December 20th from 5:30 – 7:30.

Please remember to attend the council workshop on the 14th @ 6pm. The council will deal with the direction the community wishes to go pertaining to the police department. Your input is important!

Have a good one!!

Virginia Carnes

Mayor



Community Calendar

It's community calendar time again! We are offering advertising space in the calendar for \$30 (non-members)/\$15 (members) again this year. The space is roughly 3"x5".

If you are interested in an ad this year, please let me know or call Virginia Carnes at 443-5832. We can bill membership at the same time for 2016.

Thank you for your support. Lela Thiema , President Pilot Rock Chamber of Commerce,
<http://www.cityofpilotrock.org/chamber>, PO Box 765, Pilot Rock, Oregon 97868, 541-443-2127

The Pilot Rock JR HG leadership class is having a diaper drive for Pendleton Pioneer Relief Nursery, thru December 22nd. PPRN Mission: "To prevent child abuse and neglect by early intervention that focuses on building successful and resilient children, strengthening parents and preserving families."

Donations of Size Large Diapers or Pull Ups can be dropped off at Pilot Rock high school or please call for pick up. 541.443.2671 Thank you. PRJHL.

Fund-raising during the Rocket Invitational

December 18-19

For Team GrosJacques

Fund raising to help offset the family's travel, medical, and living expenses, during and after treatment at OHSU for Jeremiah, diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia.

Team GrosJacques sponsored fundraisers include donation buckets, 50-50 drawing each session, half time 3 point shoot, and \$5 spaghetti feed on Friday, December 18 from 4-7 PM in the high school cafeteria. A gofundme page has been established as well as an account set up at Old West Federal Credit Union.

An exciting new schedule of workshops and classes will begin with the New Year at the Pendleton Center for the Arts. Check out pendletonarts.org for the full listing.

BUT, if you need to get out of the house for a creativity break this Christmas season, try these **FREE** offerings:
FREE for All - EVERY Saturday 9:30 - 10:15am
Families and kids under 12 enjoy a new "make and take" project each week.

Hip & Handmade - EVERY Saturday 11:00 - noon
Crafty class for adults that mixes social time with fun DIY projects.

No need to sign up, just show up! 214 North Main, Pendleton. Enter by the downstairs door. Need more information? Call us at 541-278-9201 or email classes@pendletonarts.org

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PRODUCE GIVEAWAY

All Community Members Welcome

Get great produce for

FREE !!!!

When: 2:30-3:00 pm on the First Tuesday of

Every month (Weather Permitting)

Where: Pilot Rock Pavilion

Produce brought to you by

CAPECO & Oregon Food Bank



Any Questions

Call 541-276-5073

The Remnant is Closing

Dear Friends,

December 4, 2015

It is with deep sorrow that I write this letter. I wanted to explain some things so there is no speculation as to the closing of the Remnant, and the reasons behind the decision. First of all, the store was a huge success! We were amazed at the support of our donors and the quality of the donations. Thank you for entrusting us with your valuable assets. The mission was and continues to be a scholarship for Pilot Rock students at BMCC. Announcements will be coming soon. We were in the process of setting the scholarship up in November when I had to make the decision to close. Every organization needs a firm foundation. That is a biblical principle. We are dependent on the Presbyterian Church for our liability insurance and 501 C3 status. Problems with the church precipitated my decision to pull the plug on the store. It soon became evident that there would be no help at the Presbytery level since they are not set up to provide insurance. Another factor was the lack of volunteers. Tedde and I were running the store with minimal help. Just for the record...1. The only money that ever went to the church was \$200 a month for utilities. 2. All volunteers worked for free. Anything of great value taken from the store will be paid for unless it is leftover after liquidation week. All liquidation funds go toward the BMCC Scholarship. To our loyal supporters, customers and friends...Thanks again! We love you and enjoyed serving you. *May you all have a Merry Christmas!*

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Share the Warmth!!
 Please Donate
 Gloves and Warm Hats
 For Pilot Rock Kids!
 You can Donate @
 The Coffee Station #1
 and Archies
 thru December



Storytime
 At the Pilot Rock
 Library
 Fridays @ 11:30
 Everyone is
 Welcome!

Pilot Rock School District

Friday, December 11th – JV/VB&G at Enterprise tournament at 12:00

Saturday, December 12th – JHBB at Stanfield @ 8:00, JV/VB&G at Enterprise tournament at 10:00

Sunday, December 13th – If you have gifts that need wrapped, bring them to Mrs. Weinke's classroom at the High School from 1:00 – 3:00 and let the FFA students wrap them for you at no charge (donations accepted)

Monday, December 14th – JHBB home against Helix @ 5:00

Tuesday, December 15th – BMCC Ambassador will be in the Lobby from 11:45 until the end of school to talk with students, JV/VB&G at Umatilla @ 3:00, leave @ 12:30, JHBB basketball pictures at 5:00

Wednesday, December 16th – School Board Meeting @ 7:00.

Thursday, December 17th – Elementary, Junior High and High School Christmas Concert at 7:00 in H.S. Gym

Friday, December 18th – VB&G home for Booster Tournament.

3:00 – Condon/Wheeler girls against Mac-Hi

4:30 – Condon/Wheeler boys against Mac-Hi

6:00 – Pilot Rock girls against Enterprise

7:30 – Pilot Rock boys against Enterprise

Saturday, December 19th – JV/VB&G home for Booster Tournament

9:00 – Pilot Rock JV girls against Mac-Hi JV

10:30 – Pilot Rock JV boys against Mac-Hi JV

12:00 – Pilot Rock Varsity girls against Mac-Hi

1:30 – Pilot Rock Varsity boys against Mac-Hi

3:00 – Condon/Wheeler girls against Enterprise

4:30 – Condon/Wheeler boys against Enterprise

High School Movie Night after Tournament. The cost for admission to the movie night is \$3.00. There is a pizza order form in the office for those who would like to order pizza for the night. The cost of the pizza is \$7.00.

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Monday, December 21st – VB&G at La Grande tournament at 6:00, leave @ 3:30

Tuesday, December 22nd – VB&G at La Grande tournament

Wednesday, December 23rd – Christmas Vacation begins, VB&G at La Grande tournament

Tuesday, December 29 – VB&G at Irrigon Tournament

Wednesday, December 30 – VB&G at Irrigon Tournament

Monday, January 4th – School Resumes

Topics

- Council was informed the former Pilot Rock officer Gary Thompson has requested another hearing. There is no basis for holding this hearing in a closed door session, so the meeting will be open to the public. A majority of the Council agreed to grant Thompson the hearing. Probably at 6pm on December 15th, prior to the regular Council meeting.
- Citizen expressed concern regarding a property that is not inhabitable. Staff will look into it.
- Citizen asked Council to consider an Ad Hoc committee for the Lagoon Upgrade project.
- Citizen commended the last newsletter article regarding the East Oregonian.

It is my intention to include articles such as these in each newsletter to keep our citizens informed. I will make every effort to include all sides and present as much of the facts as possible. If you have questions please stop by City Hall and Steve Draper or I will be happy to answer them to the best of our ability. You are also invited to drop questions in the payment box and if appropriate we will answer them in the newsletter. Teri Porter, City Recorder

