

Pilot Rock Newsletter

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Next City Council Meeting May 17th



May 13, 2016

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

THINGS TO DO THIS WEEKEND (SEE ARTICLES)

Pilot Rock High School Greenhouse FRI & SAT 9-NOON

MURDER BY THE BOOK, A PLAY AT THE PR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETORIUM 5/12, 5/13, 5/14 DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

Mud bogs Saturday May 14th, Gates open @ 7:00am, Races Begin @ 10:00 am

City Of Pilot Rock

The following was discussed at the May 3, 2016,
Council Meeting:

The following was discussed at the May 3, 2015, Council Meeting:

1. Council agreed to amend the Librarian job description to read that a BA or MA degree is "preferred" rather than required.
2. Council considered the new wage scale format a 1% adjustment to wages and a position adjustment for the recorder/treasurer position. After much consideration and discussion Council approved the wage scale as presented.
3. Council was asked to approve a new Fee Schedule for City services. The schedule proposed increasing land use permits such as variances, zone change, conditional use etc, that are not outright permitted uses and require a public hearing. In addition, the new fee schedule proposed increasing the Water Deposit from \$100 to \$150 so that it will cover two months' worth of utility bills as it is intended, and aid in recovering delinquent payments. After much discussion, Council was unwilling to increase any fees and did not approve the new Fee Schedule.
4. Council did approve Resolution No. 589 which will allow the City to accept State Revenue Funds.
5. Council agreed that the required incremental sewer rate increases should be \$7 for the 2016-17 fiscal year. And that Council and Staff will pay these increases. More than likely the next increase will be \$5 in 2017-18.
6. Council approved a vacation request for Steve Draper.

The following will be discussed at the next meeting on May 17th at 7pm in the Council Chambers:

See Next meeting 1 A

WHAT'S GOING ON...

By Teri Porter

BUDGET HEARING

The budget hearing for the 2016-2017 fiscal budget, will be held next Tuesday at 7pm during the regular Council meeting. In the last two newsletters I have I reported on the issues discussed in the two budget committee meetings which were held on April 13 and 27, 2016. Those meeting were open to the public as is the Budget Hearing. A notice of the budget hearing along with a summary of the budget was printed in the EO on May 6, 2016. A copy of the approved budget is available at City Hall.
See budget 1A

Making Pilot Rock Beautiful

Have you met Susie Eaton? She's that sweet lady going around weeding all of our flower beds in the park, medians and Veterans park. She is usually out there pretty early trying to beat the heat. Susie joined the City staff about a month ago taking Jackie Carey's place who took Sue Gibson's place last year. It is a part time seasonal job, and although Susie has only been at it a few weeks we can already see the fruits of her labors. So give her a wave and an attagirl when you see her out there making our community beautiful.

Quick Update On Stairs to the School

The property at the foot of the stairs has presented us several challenges. There were property line issues and back taxes issues. Now that we have resolved all of that, Steve is back on task meeting with the engineers and formulating a plan to start moving ahead. You can expect to see some activity over there shortly.



PRPD



TRESPASS	04/26/2016	SE 5TH ST	BURG	05/03/2016	W MAIN ST
CM	04/26/2016	MCGOWAN DR	SUSP	05/04/2016	NW BIRCH ST
WCHK	04/26/2016	SW 3RD AVE	DRVC	05/05/2016	NW CEDAR ST
CIVIL	04/27/2016	SW CEDAR ST	TSTOP	05/05/2016	N ALDER ST/HIGHWAY 395 S
INFO	04/28/2016	NE FIR ST	TSTOP	05/05/2016	NW CEDAR ST/NW 2ND ST
CIVIL	04/28/2016	SW CEDAR ST	CM	05/05/2016	NE ELM ST
TSTOP	04/29/2016	SW BIRCH ST	HAR	05/05/2016	NE 4TH ST
DOG	04/29/2016	W MAIN ST	HIT/RUN	05/06/2016	SE CHERRY ST
DOG	04/30/2016	NE CHERRY ST/NE 4TH ST	HIT/RUN	05/06/2016	NE 4TH ST
HARS	04/30/2016	NE 4TH ST	DOG	05/06/2016	NW BIRCH ST
DRVC	05/01/2016	SW 3RD ST/S ALDER ST	CM	05/08/2016	NE ELM ST
CM	05/02/2016	MCGOWAN DR	TSTOP	05/09/2016	N ALDER ST/HIGHWAY 395 S
TRESPASS	05/02/2016	MCGOWAN DR	TSTOP	05/09/2016	HIGHWAY 395 S/NW CEDAR
SEXC	05/03/2016	SW 2ND ST	CIT CONT	05/09/2016	NE 4TH ST/HIGHWAY 395 N
DIST	05/03/2016	SW BIRCH ST	CIT CONT	05/09/2016	NE 4TH ST/N ALDER ST
JUVC	05/03/2016	SE ELM 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.

**ARE YOUR HOUSE NUMBERS
 VISIBLE FROM THE STREET?**

If not emergency services may not be able to find you if you need them.

The Mayor's Minute

This edition brings a huge thank you to the 50+ high school students who worked so hard for the Senior/Disabled citizens in our community. We helped with 19 requests, filling a full dumpster that was crushed down twice by Steve Draper and Tim Britain, Thanks also to Jimmy Doherty of Eastern Oregon Waste Management, Randy Ziegler, Bob Deno, Deacon Perkins, Rollie Winks and Raymond Doherty for their help and supervision. Kudo's also to Annie Tester and Nancy Weinke for making sure everything ran smoothly with all of those kids coming and going. It was a great day for Pilot Rock.

Please Plan to attend the Mud Bogs on Saturday, May 14th out at the Bike Pit. Races begin @ 10am and it's really fun to watch and probably more fun to participate :O)

This spring is really running into another busy time and now we get to add our yards to the mix. I thought I would pass on a Weed Killer recipe shared by Daniel Christensen. It's very simple and probably more environmentally friendly than some of the commercial products.

Mix together:

1 Gallon white Vinegar

¼ Cup Blue Dawn (not concentrated)

2 Cups Epsom salts

Place in a sprayer and proceed as usual (spray on weeds) on a hot morning, you should see weed kill in about 4 hours.

Please take advantage of the Hayden Family Dentistry offer (May 21st) if you qualify. Thank you to them for doing this in our community.

Happy Spring !!

Virginia Carnes

Come check out what's new at the Library

From a single plank...
Infinite possibilities.

KEVA
planks

KEVA was selected to build the Model City for a Department of American Exhibit.

Every child is an artist. The challenge is to sustain an artist once they grow up.
- Pablo Picasso

KEVA Gallery of Art

See beautiful KEVA structures at science centers and art museums worldwide.

World Record Tower
National Building Museum, Wash. DC
Single planks, 31 ft. 6 inches, 3x123 Blocks

Structures
Contraptions
Benchmarks

KEVA Education Products

1000 Million KEVA Planks (2x123) and 3000 Million KEVA Planks (3x123) available in 1000's of colors.

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Pilot Rock High School Greenhouse

Remember the Greenhouse for all of your
spring/summer flower needs!

**The Greenhouse will have a GREAT
selection of petunias, hanging baskets,
vegetables, & more**

Greenhouse OPENS: May 4



Hours: Mon-Thur 2:30-3:30 pm & Fri & Sat 9:00am

PILOT ROCK SENIOR CENTER

PRESENTS THEIR 2ND ANNUAL

SPRING YARD SALE

&

BAKE SALE

JUNE 4, 2016

9 AM TO 4 PM

235 W. MAIN PILOT ROCK

Taylor's Estate/Moving Sale

May 13th & 14th
(Follow the Yellow signs)

Antiques

Furniture

Tools

4 vehicles

Fishing Tackle

Great Fishing boat

Equipment

Much More

No Junk

444 NW Elder

We're off to Sunridge

Join Pilot Rock
Theatre Department for our
annual Spring Play

Presenting

Murder By The Book

The Play will be held at the Pilot Rock
High School Cafetorium on
May 13th, and 14th

Doors open at 6:30pm and the
production will start at 7pm
Dinner will be served beforehand.
Friday: Linguine & Alfredo
Saturday: Spaghetti & Meatballs

Written and produced by Craig Sodaro & Pioneer Drama

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2016
MUD BOGS

800 RA Koch Road • Pilot Rock, OR 97868

2016 MUD BOG DATES

SATURDAY **SATURDAY** **SATURDAY**
May 14 **June 18** **Aug. 20**



Gates Open @ 7 AM
Races Begin @ 10 AM
Gate Fees: \$10.00
\$5.00 children 12 & under
Race Fees: \$30

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PR CITIZENS PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING MAY 17TH, 2016 @ 7PM, COUNCIL CHAMBERS PLEASE ATTEND BE INVOLVED WITH HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT

BY MARY LOU SLABIK

FREE MEDICAL/DENTAL EVENT PILOT ROCK COMMUNITY CENTER 285 NW CEDAR PLACE

MAY 21, 2016
9:00 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

This will be a first come first serve event for anyone living in Pilot Rock/Pendleton/Ukiah who does not have dental insurance. Free Dental exams, digital x-rays, extractions, fillings, and cleanings will be provided. Other services provided will be glucose and cholesterol testing, life style counseling (diabetes reversal), spiritual counseling, mental health, physical therapy, and medical consult. This event is being sponsored by the local Seventh-day Adventist Church and International Caring Hands. We hope to help relieve the pain and suffering in our community.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: RANDY MEYER @
541-937-2786 OR RANDY@CARINGHANDSWORLDWIDE.ORG

PILOT ROCK HIGH SCHOOL

Friday, May 13th – HSTK District at Athena-Weston @ 10:00, Theatre Production of “Murder by the Book”. Doors open at 6:30 with the play starting at 7:00. Dinner will be provided – Linguine & Alfredo. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors/students and under two years are free.

Saturday – May 14th – VB at Grant Union @ 11:00, VSB at Irrigon @ 11:00, Theater Production of “Murder by the Book”. Doors open at 6:30 with the play starting at 7:00. Dinner will be provided – Spaghetti & Meatballs. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors/students and under two years are free.

Monday, May 16th – State Golf @ Creswell

Tuesday, May 17th – State Golf @ Creswell, Pendleton is having sport physicals from 7:00 – 8:30 at Pendleton High School. The cost is \$15.00. If you did not get a physical this year, you will need one for next year.

Wednesday, May 18th – School Board Meeting at 7:00 in the Library

Thursday, May 19th – State Track @ Eugene, Choir Concert @ 7:00 in the High School Gym

Friday, May 20th – State Track @ Eugene

Saturday, May 21st – VSB District in Pilot Rock, VBB District at Bob White Field in Pendleton

Sunday, May 22nd – FFA Banquet at 5:00 at the Community Center

Wednesday, May 25th – 1st Round of State for Baseball and Softball

Friday, May 27th – Quarterfinals for State in Baseball and Softball

Monday, May 30th – NO SCHOOL, MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday, May 31st – Semifinals for State in Baseball and Softball

Friday, June 3rd – SCHOOL IN SESSION, State Championship in Baseball and Softball

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2016 MOTOCROSS RACES

800 RA Koch Road

Pilot Rock, OR 97868

2016 RACE DATES

SUNDAY

March 13, 2016

SUNDAY

April 12, 2016 17th

SUNDAY

May 22, 2016

SUNDAY

June 12, 2016

SUNDAY

Sept. 11, 2016

SUNDAY

Oct. 23, 2016



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Gates Open @ 7:00 AM

Practice from 8:00 AM 8-9

Races Begin @ 10 AM

Gate Fees: \$8.00

Race Fees: \$25 first race

\$20 second race



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Next Meeting

BUDGET HEARING. The budget that was approved by the Budget Committee will be presented at this public hearing. Council will consider all comments. All citizens are encouraged to attend. The final budget will be presented on June 21, 2016, for adoption.

1. Council will consider an ordinance amending our Zoning Ordinance that would prohibit marijuana related businesses in any zone. This is just an added measure to support the City's existing ordinance banning the sale of marijuana within the City limits. This will be presented as an information item only at this time.
2. Council will also consider the proposed RV Park Ordinance, again this is information only at this time.

Budget Hearing

I want to explain that an approved budget does not mean changes can't be made. "Approved" simply means that it is approved by the budget committee and now comes before Council, during the Budget hearing, where they will consider comments from the public. Council at that time may request changes up to 10% of each fund. The final action on the budget will be when it is adopted on June 21, 2016. We are required by law to have the budget adopted by the end of June. At the two budget meetings, your Council and Budget Committee went through the proposed budget with a fine tooth comb, looking for areas where we could save money and reduce expenses on our citizens. Fortunately, that is also the goal of the department heads (Steve, Bill and myself), so the budget they had before them is a barebones budget and there is little to nothing that can be cut.

There are two rate increases to the citizens. The required increase to the sewer rates. For decades Pilot Rock has strived to keep both sewer and water rates low, as a result we had some of the lowest rates around. Now that we are faced with the DEQ required lagoon upgrade, which will cost approximately \$5.2 million. Having no saved funds to put toward the project, we must borrow the money. As previously reported, in order for the City to qualify for a low interest rate loan and a \$1.4-million-dollar grant, we are required to have our sewer rates at \$40 (currently the rate is \$28). The reason the lending agency requires the \$40 rate is because they are comparing our City with other similar cities (population and median income), and find that the average sewer fee of those cities is \$40. They ask that if they are going to loan this money at a reduced interest rate and give the City \$1.4 million in grant money, that the citizens, the folks benefiting from the sewer service, pay at least the average rate similar cities pay for the same service. So that is why the rate will increase by \$7 starting July, bringing the rate to \$35 for residential users. We will have one more jump next year to get us to the \$40 mark.

The second rate increase to the citizens is a .50 increase to the Public Safety Surcharge. In 2010 public meetings were held and it was clear that the citizens of Pilot Rock wanted a police department and agreed to a \$6 Public Safety Monthly Surcharge that would help to fund a three man police department. Last year that same desire was echoed in meetings as we searched for a Chief of Police. Since the police department struggled to keep a chief and two officers, over the last two years we have reduced the Public Safety Surcharge to \$3. This year we expect to be back up to full force, and since we had some savings in the Police department due to lack of officers, we are able to carry that saving into this coming year, so we will only increase the surcharge to \$3.50, this year.

All citizens are encouraged to attend the Budget Hearing on May 17th at 7pm and voice their comments and concerns.

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

Employment Opportunities

Part-time Librarian. 35 hours a week. \$13 per hour.

Part-time Seasonal Swim Bus Director. 15-20 per week. \$15 per hour.

Job Descriptions and Applications are available at City Hall or online at cityofpilotrock.org

Planning Commission Members

The Planning Commission meets the second Monday of each month to consider land use issues for the City of Pilot Rock. It is a volunteer position and does not require past experience. All that is required is a desire to serve your community.