



**CITY OF HUBBARD** “The Small Town With A BIG Heart”

January~February 2017



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**Upcoming Meetings**

Held in the  
Council Chambers at  
3720 2nd Street

**City Council**

January 10 ~ 7:00pm  
February 14~ 7:00pm

**Planning Commisison**

January 17 ~ 6:30pm  
February 21 ~ 6:30pm

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Neighbors,

Thank you for electing me as your new mayor. I am humbled and honored.

As we move into 2017, we will hit the ground running. I will be remembering the promises made for accountability, good communication, accessibility, and transparency. I am eager to work with city council, city staff, businesses, volunteers, and members of our community toward our city’s success.

A major part of that success in our community depends on volunteers, with people willing to give generously of their ideas, time, and energy. I want to thank outgoing Mayor Jim Yonally and outgoing City Council President Matt Kennedy for their many years of committed volunteerism in our community.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to what this new season brings!

Thia Estes,  
Mayor

City Hall Closure Dates:

Monday, January 2, 2017,—New Years Day.  
Monday, February 20, 2017,—President’s Day.

*The **Hubbard Police Department** keeps a list of elderly and those with disabilities who would like to be checked in on during periods of inclement weather—hot or cold. If you are aware of elderly or disabled residents of Hubbard who would like to be added to this list, contact the **Hubbard Police Department** at (503)981-8738.*

**READ LOCAL, READ FREE AT YOUR NORTH MARION COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

The **North Marion Community Library** is located on the lower level of the Aurora Presbyterian Church at 21553 Liberty St. NE, Aurora. Library hours are Mondays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Thursdays, 1 to 5 p.m. The library is staffed solely by VOLUNTEERS, if you can give us just a few hours each month, we may be able to offer more library hours. You’ll be trained and will work in pairs. Call Josie Hyde at 541-749-8088.

**DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITORS**

The City of Hubbard requires all door-to-door solicitors to have a City-issued permit displayed on their person while soliciting in the City limits. Please contact City Hall at (503)981-9633 or the **Police Department** at (503) 981-8738 with questions or concerns.

**WINTER DRIVING SAFETY TIPS**

- **Do not use your cell phone when driving**
- **Slow down your speed of travel on snow and ice and wet roads.**
- **Turn On Your Headlights**
- **Increase your traveling distance between you and the vehicle in front of you**
- **When you come to a stop behind a vehicle – allow enough room for you to see the bottom of their tires or the under carriage of their vehicle**

**As always, make sure you and all passengers are buckled and DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE**

## JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2017

### Emergency Preparedness — Flood Myths v. Facts

**MYTH #1:** SUV's, pickups and other large vehicles are safe to drive through floodwaters. NOT TRUE.

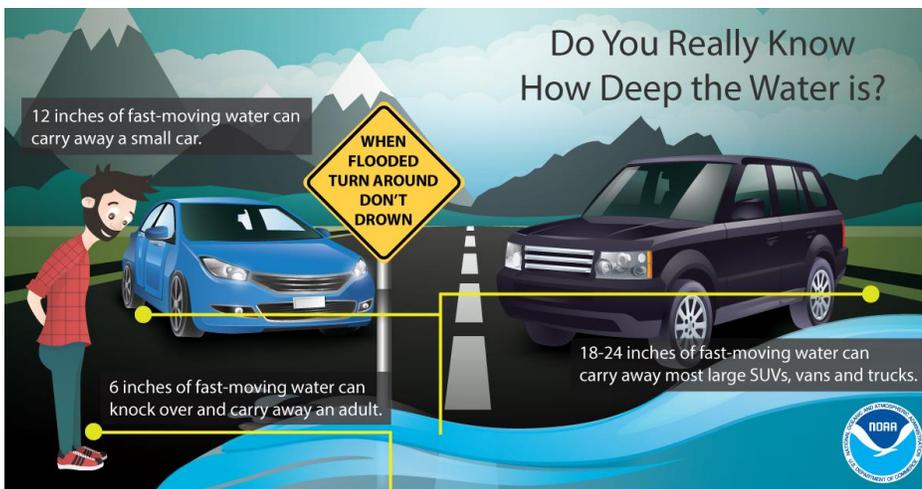
**FACT:** Just two feet of water can float most vehicles and, if the water is moving quickly, vehicles can be swept away. If you come to a flooded road, turn around and go another way.

**MYTH #2:** Flash floods only occur near streams and rivers. NOT TRUE.

**FACT:** Flash floods also occur in areas where no streams are present, even urban areas.

**MYTH #3:** You can walk through floodwaters as long as the water is not too deep. NOT TRUE.

**FACT:** Always avoid floodwaters. Just six inches of swiftly moving water can sweep you off your feet. If you come upon a flowing stream where water is above your ankles, stop, turn around and go another way.



Flooding can happen at any time of the year. Know your risk of flooding water before it happens—and be prepared! 50 percent of all flood fatalities are vehicle-related. It is impossible to know how deep the water is just by looking at it. Don't risk your safety, or the safety of the people who may have to save you — remember—"When Flooded, Turn Around, Don't Drown!" Speaking of flooding—keep reading (below) to learn about the London Beer Flood of 1814!

And some more history from OEM . . . October 17, 1814 - The London Beer Flood of 1814 occurred when a 22-foot high wooden vat ruptured, causing adjacent vats to rupture as well, pouring more than 380,000 U.S. gallons of beer in a 15 foot high wave through the streets of London, England, killing at least 8 people. Several of those killed died when the basement they were in flooded, and a mother and daughter were killed when the tsunami of stout caused their home to collapse. Reportedly, a ninth person died due to alcohol poisoning after consuming too much of the beer they had collected following the ale avalanche. Lessons learned: This disaster led to the replacement of wooden fermentation tanks with lined concrete tanks for fermenting beer. It also serves as a reminder of the importance of knowing the unique hazards in your community. The Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act required community access to information about hazardous materials stored or used in communities, and assists emergency management in planning to address emergencies in facilities using hazardous materials. It's recommended citizens take periodic "hazard walks" around their neighborhoods to identify hazards or obstacles that could become a challenge in an emergency, like bridges, overhead wires, or low water crossings.

Knowledge and preparation are your best defense and are your responsibility! For more information on EMERGENCY PLANNING, call 503.982.9429, or visit our website at [www.cityofhubbard.org](http://www.cityofhubbard.org).



### Winter Water Conservation

While we might not be watering our lawn or maintaining much of garden during these winter months, there are still ways to cut back on our water usage in the chilly months! A big part of using less water in the winter is anticipating the cold weather's effects on your home and on your pipes.

- If you haven't already done so, consider winterizing your pipes—both inside and outside.
- When temperatures drop below freezing, consider dripping any vulnerable faucets to prevent frozen and burst pipes. Place a bucket under the drip to use for your house plants and cleaning.
- The winter months are a great time to check for and fix any leaks inside your home.
- A bucket in the shower can catch water for your houseplants and clean-up jobs.

For additional ideas to conserve water—give Public Works a call at 503.982.9429.

### Protect our Waterways—Fix that Vehicle's Oil Leak

Check for oil leaks regularly and fix them promptly. If you can't get the leak fixed right away, use ground cloths or drip pans beneath your vehicle. NEVER dispose of oil or other engine fluids down the storm drain! Recycle it through Republic Services.