



CITY OF HUBBARD "The Small Town With A BIG Heart"

May~June 2016



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Upcoming Meetings

Held in Council
Chambers at
3720 2nd Street

City Council

May 10 ~7:00pm

June 14 ~7:00pm

Planning Commisionon

May 17 ~6:30pm

June 21 ~6:30pm

The council recently investigate having the recycling pick up on a weekly basis throughout the city. Yard debris pick up would not be affected. Weekly recycling pick up would cost an extra \$2.10 a month. The council decided we would not move forward at this time, however, it may be a negoation point next time the contract comes up for renewal. If you are intrested in adding the weekly recycling pickup please let us know.

Warm weather has arrived! Here are some safety tips:

- Never leave infants, children or pets in a parked car, even if the windows are cracked open.
- To remind yourself that a child is in the car, keep a stuffed animal in the car seat. When the child is buckled in, place the stuffed animal in the front with the driver.
- When leaving your car, check to be sure everyone is out of the car. Do not overlook any children who may have fallen asleep.

Thank You,

Mayor Jim Yonally

BROWSE, BUY, BENEFIT

The North Marion Community Library is holding a Book Sale! The sale includes fiction, non-fiction, and books for all ages! The sale will be held in the parking lot at 4th and Main streets, across from the Aurora City Hall. Sale hours are Friday and Saturday, May 6th—7th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, May 8th from Noon to 4 p.m. All book sales benefit the North Marion Community Library, a FREE library serving the communities of North Marion County. All are invited to come browse, buy a bagful of books, and benefit the library! For more information or to volunteer at the book sale, contact *Nancy Trivitt, NMCLA President*, at (503) 678-5999. Thank you to Mike Byrnes, owner of Aurora Mills Architectural Salvage, for the use of the parking lot.

CITY COUNCIL POSITION OPENINGS

The Mayor and two Council positions will be open for the General Election, held November 8, 2016. The Mayor shall be elected for a term of two years, and the two Councilors shall be elected for a term of four years. No person shall be eligible for an elective office of the City unless at the time of the election he/she is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State Constitution and has resided in the City during the twelve months immediately preceding the elections. Filing forms will need to be completed and returned to the Director of Administration/City Recorder no later than August 11, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in any of these positions, or have further questions, you can contact Director of Administration/City Recorder Vickie Nogle during City Hall business hours at 503-981-9633.

NOXIOUS VEGETATION

Just a reminder, its that time of year again! The sun is shining which means the grass and weeds are growing! Please remember, the **City's Code** states:

"Between May 1 and September 30th, no owner or person in charge of property may allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the right-of-way of a public thoroughfare abutting on the property. It shall be the duty of an owner or person in charge of property to cut down or to destroy grass, shrubbery, brush, bushes, weeds or other noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent them from becoming unsightly, from becoming a fire hazard or, in the case of weeds, or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed."

New Billing Software Updates-Online Billing and Payments Available!

Did you notice your account number has changed? If you use online bill pay through your bank to pay your utility bill, please make sure to update the utility account number so the payment is applied correctly.

The City now has the ability for online utility billing statements and payments! See the enclosed flyer from Xpress Bill Pay for more information. Note: When you link your utility account to the convenient new online billing/payment system, do not use the decimal point when entering your account number. If you have any questions, contact City Hall at (503) 981-9633.

Emergency Preparedness - Heading to the Coast

Planning a trip to the coast anytime soon? Should be a fun trip—right? BUT are you and your family prepared for what could happen when you're visiting?

Learn the facts and make a plan! Understanding what could happen in a great earthquake and tsunami is the first step toward being prepared. You will realize you need to be prepared for anything Mother Nature throws at you. If you need help to get started—now is the time to ask before something happens!



Most people are aware of the Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake potential. This earthquake could occur in the next few seconds, the next few months, or it could be years before it happens—but history tells us it is inevitable — we just do not know exactly when. Our responsibility when we visit the coast is to prepare and make ourselves and our families knowledgeable about what to do if it happens when we are there. If you're inside and you feel the ground shake, drop, cover and hold on. If outside, move to an open area and watch for falling objects. At the coast, not only do you need to prepare for the earthquake, but also for the tsunami which is sure to follow a major earthquake in the subduction zone. According to the Oregon Department of Geology, a local tsunami can come onshore within 15-20 minutes following an earthquake—most likely before any type of official warning would come. Ground-shaking from the earthquake may be the only warning you have, so it is imperative to BE PREPARED & EVACUATE QUICKLY after the shaking stops! Do NOT wait for a warning. Do not pack or delay. Immediately grab your go-kit and GO. Evacuate on foot. Move inland to high ground. Try to get 100 feet above sea level. Do not return to shore after the first wave—more waves are most likely coming, even many hours later. For additional information about coastal safety, call Hubbard Public Works at 503.982.9429 or visit www.OregonTsunami.org.

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Looking back in time at a little more history from OEM . . .

On February 27, 2011 sixteen people were electrocuted during a pre-carnival parade in Bandeira do Sul, Brazil. A powerline fell after being struck by fireworks or metallic streamers, causing a high voltage electrical current to travel through the crowd. This incident also injured over 50 people and the town lost power for over six hours.

Lessons Learned: It's estimated that 1,000 people are accidentally electrocuted in the United States each year, with nearly a third occurring due to power lines. Thousands more sustain burns or other serious injuries as a result of accidental contact with electrical hazards. As with most hazards, situational awareness and recognition of the threat or hazard can go a long way towards reducing the risk of injury, damage to property and/or death. Always be aware of your surroundings when working or playing near utility lines, both above and below ground. NEVER touch downed power lines, even if you think they are not "live" or believe they are only telephone wires. Do NOT touch anything that is in contact with a downed line, like a vehicle, building or water puddle. These, and more, have the potential to conduct electricity to you. Call your local utility company if you see downed wires—or if it is an emergency, call 911.

"If a power line goes down, don't hang around!" ~ Hayley Pickett, 13

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.



My water is discolored and looks funny!!

Are you noticing some discoloration in your water? This is NOT a health issue, but is a temporary aesthetic issue. **Running your water for a short time will clear your lines.** Routine preventative maintenance of the City's fire hydrants require they be periodically flushed. This helps maintain the integrity of the water system, and ensures hydrants are working properly. The Hubbard Fire District has begun annual fire hydrant flushing for 2016, so you may see them working in your neighborhood. As always, please use caution when driving around these areas! Thank you Hubbard Fire for your part in ensuring the City's hydrants are working at full capacity!

What do you think is the greatest medical milestone of the last 150 years?

A global survey says the biggest medical milestone of the last 150 years is not vaccines, antibiotics, open-heart surgery or the discovery of DNA. According to the survey, the answer is — wait for it — SANITATION! Yes, clean water & wastewater systems! For more information on the survey details—give Hubbard Public Works a call at 503.982.9429.

Protecting Our Waterways

Everyone's help is important to keep our waterways clean! Do you always pick up after your pet(s)? Do you wash your cars on your lawn or at a professional car wash? Can you reduce the amount of stormwater runoff from your property? Do what you can to keep our waterways safe for both people and aquatic life! For more ideas give Hubbard Public Works a call at 503.982.9429.

FREE Showerheads Available

Give Hubbard Public Works a call at 503.982.9429 if you'd like to try energy efficient showerheads at no cost to you! They may even save you money. The showerheads have a three-spray setting, chrome finish and 1.75 GPM flow. Made available through Energy Trust of Oregon.