



**CITY OF HUBBARD**

**“The Small Town With A BIG Heart”**



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**March~April 2020**

**Upcoming Meetings**

Held in the  
Council Chambers at  
3720 2nd Street

**City Council**

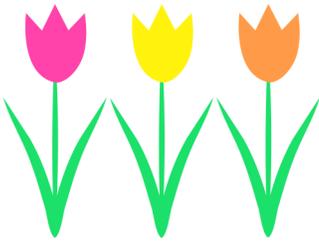
March 10 ~ 7:00pm

April 14 ~ 7:00pm

**Planning Commission**

March 17 ~ 6:30pm

April 21 ~ 6:30pm



**BURNING SEASON**

The burning season is open from **March 1st to June 15th and from October 1st to December 15th**. The DEQ and the Hubbard Fire Department regulates what days you are able to burn during the season.

To find out if it is a burn day contact the automated information line at **503-982-0011**.

For complete regulations contact the [Hubbard Fire Department](#) at

**503-981-9454**.

**MAYOR’S CORNER**

2020 is sure moving along fast. Often it seems difficult to pause things just long enough to appreciate the small things in life, but I do hope over the coming months we all find those opportunities.

The City continues to move forward and has welcomed a few new faces to the team. January 20<sup>th</sup> the Hubbard Police Department swore in Officer Steve Holliman. With Officer Holliman the HPD is finally fully staffed! January 6<sup>th</sup> Public Works welcomed Aaron Caballero to the team. As with the HPD, the Public Works Department is also now fully staffed. If you run into Officer Holliman or Aaron around town be sure to say “hi”.

Volunteer opportunities are available for those that wish to make a difference. Public Works is currently putting together the 2020 Spring Clean Up plans, tentatively targeted for April 11<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to volunteer to help with the Spring Clean Up, please reach out to Public Works. The HOP Festival committee is also kicking off in March for the 2020 event, and they are seeking volunteers to fill vacant board seats as well as to help plan, coordinate, and put on this year’s festival. If you have ideas, then come help make this year’s event something to remember! If you would like to learn more about the HOP Festival opportunities, please reach out to Councilor Dodge. The City still has a few positions to fill on the City’s Budget Committee. If you would like to fill one of the few open seats, please contact City Hall and fill out a volunteer form. The Farmers Market also has a few committee seats open or would welcome those that simply want to help. If you are interested in the Farmers Market please contact City Hall.

I would like to remind all City residents that the City Council welcomes your feedback. Please feel free to reach out at the City Council meetings, via our email accounts that are listed on the City’s webpage, approach us while we are out and about town, or drop us a note in the suggestion boxes around town. We are open to all questions. The best way to get in the “know” is to ask.

Thank you,

Mayor Charles Rostocil

**PEDDLING AND SOLICITING**

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business as a peddler or solicitor as defined in the Hubbard Municipal Code chapter 5.05, within the corporate limits of the city of Hubbard, without first registering as herein provided.

Peddlers and solicitors are required to display their license cards at all times when soliciting or peddling within the Hubbard city limits, and at the request of any citizen.

Please contact the Police Department if they do not display their license card at 503.981.8738.

You may find the regulations on the City of Hubbard website at the following link:

<https://www.codepublishing.com/OR/Hubbard/#!/Hubbard05/Hubbard0505.html#5.05>

### Library FAQs

**What is the North Marion Community Library?** We're a local, community library run by volunteers from Aurora, Donald, and Hubbard. Library cards are available and free to those who live or work in North Marion County or surrounding areas, but we are not associated with any public libraries.

#### **Where are you located?**

We're currently located in the basement of the Aurora Presbyterian Church, 21553 Liberty St. NE, Aurora, but we hope to have a bigger space someday, so stay tuned for a future address change.

#### **What are your hours?**

We're open Tuesday, Thursdays, Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m.

#### **Do you take book donations?**

The short answer is yes. But—the library has limited storage space and we have to pay for it. If you can hold on to your donation until our annual book sale in August—held during Aurora Colony Days—that would be ideal. If you **do** have book donations and can't wait until August, then please bring them to the library during our open hours. That way, we can assess whether we can use the books for our collection or whether we can sell them.

#### **What kinds of books are you looking for?**

- 1) Gently used and newer (the last 5–10 years) fiction, either paperback or hardcover.
- 2) Non-fiction categories of biography, history.
- 3) Collectibles and/or vintage books: we would sell these at our book sale(s).
- 4) Please, no magazines, journals, pamphlets; older science or technology books/pamphlets; reference books; or non-fiction such as self-help or religion.
- 5) Also, please no dirty, scribbled-in, water-damaged, falling-apart books. If you wouldn't want to touch them, neither would we nor would our library patrons.

***A heartfelt thank you to those folks who have donated books, especially those that are in demand, for our library collection. Yes, sometimes you're able to borrow a popular book without being on a lengthy "hold" list. Come check us out!***

Andrea Heid 503-776-9075

### **GO GREEN!!** **GO PAPERLESS!!**

Did you know you can view/receive your utility bill online? The City of Hubbard allows you to receive, view and pay your utility bill online. As soon as your bill is ready to view you will be notified by email. No more waiting for a bill in the mail or misplaced bills! Your billing history is available 24/7. Xpress Bill Pay. Please go to [www.xpressbillpay.com](http://www.xpressbillpay.com) to set up an account and "opt in" to paperless billing or you can call 800-766-2350 for assistance.

#### **Low Income Senior Citizen Discount**

The City of Hubbard offers a Low-Income Senior Citizen discount for City utility charges, dependent upon eligibility. An application for this discount can be picked up at City Hall, and must be renewed annually by July 1st. Submittal of the application must be accompanied by proof of age (65 +) and annual household income.

**<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736721950#/login>**

**Emergency Alert Program** Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for our Emergency Alert Program. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods. You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

**LOVE SANTA INC.**

The organization of Love Santa Inc. would like to take the opportunity to thank the many wonderful residents of the City of Hubbard as well as many others. This includes the French Prairie Lions Club, St. Agnes Church, Dollar General, North Marion High School, North Marion Middle School Library, North Marion Middle School Leadership Class, Hubbard Fire District, the Hubbard City Staff.

The combined efforts of all organizations involved helped to provide food and toys to over 60 families and over 130 children; all of which reside in the North Marion School District.

This is a time of year that our community truly comes together to support those within our communities that are a little less fortunate and/or need additional assistance during the holiday season.

Love Santa Inc. is a nonprofit outlet that provides both non-perishable food and toys as well as an assortment of fresh food to those in need. We are fortunate to have members of the community to support this special cause.

Without the Giving Tree that is facilitated by the North Marion School District and many others, we would not have adequate gifts to distribute at Christmas time to families within our community.

It is times like this that bring us together to create positive relations and the gift of caring to those in need at that time of year.

Thank you to all those who played a part in the giving and distribution of items through the Love Santa program in 2019. we look forward to working with all of you again in 2020. May the year 2020 be prosperous to you and your families.

James Audritsh, Love Santa Board Member.

**Suspicious Activity**

The Hubbard Police Department would like to remind our citizens to take their valuables from their vehicles at night and to make sure their cars are locked. A couple of weeks ago we had several unlocked vehicles gone through by unknown subject(s) and one vehicle was stolen that was unlocked with its keys in the ignition. Other jurisdictions in the area have also been experiencing subjects entering unlocked vehicles and we are working with those law enforcement agencies on identifying and apprehending the suspects. We also encourage our citizens to report suspicious persons or activity in their neighborhoods.

David J. Rash  
Chief of Police  
Hubbard Police Department

**FREE Showerhead Giveaway**

Are you interested in saving energy and water with the added bonus of potentially helping out your pocketbook? Contact Public Works at 503.982.9429 to receive your showerheads—up to two showerheads per household. Showerheads have a three-spray setting, chrome finish, and 1.75 GPM flow rate. This promotion is made available through the Energy Trust of Oregon Products Program.

**STREET SWEEPER — 3RD THURSDAY EACH MONTH**

Just a reminder that our street sweeper comes the third Thursday of each month. Moving your parked vehicles off the street shoulders on these scheduled days helps the sweepers do a more thorough job with a much better end result!



## Waters Rushing Through . . .

*Flooded Umatilla River Floods I-84 — Eastern Oregon Counties Hit with Severe Flooding, Governor Declares State of Emergency — Flooding in Eastern Oregon after River Overflow — Woman Missing — Eastern Oregon Flooding Rescues Continue — Victims Urged to Report Damages . . .*

As I write our Public Works sections for this newsletter, I'm remembering all the recent headlines I've seen about the flooding in eastern Oregon and thinking how quickly Mother Nature can throw out some really intense challenges and how quickly tragedy can happen—possibly changing lives forever—our hearts go out to all involved as they navigate the aftermath and recovery process. . .

What would you do if faced with the sudden need to make an instant decision on how to keep you and your loved ones safe? Even if the actual “emergency situation” recedes relatively quickly, (i.e. the above-mentioned flood waters), working through the aftermath can remain extremely intense for a long, long time.

Flooding can result from rain, snow, coastal storms, storm surges, overflows of dams and other water systems, and can develop slowly or quickly. Flash floods can come with no warning. Floods can cause outages, disrupt transportation, damage buildings, and create landslides. If you are in an area under a flood warning, find safe shelter right away!

**Prepare NOW!** Even if you don't live in a flood-prone area, you could happen to be somewhere that is. Research and know before you go what potential events could happen and how to plan and react in order to stay safe.

**Survive DURING a Flood Event!** If told to evacuate, do so immediately! Never drive around barricades. Local responders use them to safely direct traffic out of flooded areas. Listen to EAS, NOAA Weather Radio, or local alert systems for the current emergency information and instructions. Do **not** walk, swim, or drive through flood waters — **Turn Around, Don't Drown!** Just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of moving water can sweep your vehicle away. Stay off bridges over fast-moving water. The fast-moving water can wash bridges away without any warning. If your vehicle is trapped in rapidly moving water, stay inside. If water is rising inside the vehicle, seek refuge on the roof. If trapped in a building, go to its highest level. Do not climb into a closed attic, as you may become trapped by rising floodwater. Go on the roof if necessary and signal for help.

**Be Safe AFTER a Flood Event!** Listen to authorities for information and instructions. Return home only when authorities say it is safe to do so. Avoid driving, except in emergencies. Be aware that snakes and other animals may have entered your home to escape the water. Wear heavy gloves and boots during clean up. Be aware of the risk of electrocution! Do not touch electrical equipment if it is wet or if you are standing in water. If it is safe to do so, turn off the electricity to prevent electric shock. Avoid wading in floodwater, which can contain and hide dangerous debris and can be contaminated. Underground or downed power lines can also electrically charge the water. Use a generator or other gasoline powered machinery **only** outdoors and away from windows.

**Lessons Learned—Courtesy of OEM:** On January 7, 2003, 17 people were killed when a bus suffered a mechanical failure and careened down a deep ravine in Zacatecas, Mexico. The bus was carrying approximately 40 people at the time of the accident. It plunged approximately 750 feet into the ravine, and many of those who survived suffered serious injury and had to be air-lifted to hospitals in larger cities. **Lessons Learned:** Often when we travel by mass transportation, it is assumed the carrier provides adequate maintenance to ensure the vehicle provided for passenger transport will safely reach its destination. The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration provides a website that can help you do a little research before you travel regarding the licensing and safety records of motor coach and charter bus services. Checking a bus company's safety records before making travel plans can provide a little piece of mind, and if you observe a bus or motor coach operating unsafely or believe it is not being safely maintained, call 888-DOT-SAFT (1-888-368-7238) or visit FMCSA's consumer complaint site to file a complaint. Of course, if you believe a bus is being operated in a manner that could cause an immediate emergency, call 911 or other local emergency number.

## Upcoming Spring Clean-up Day

Plans are in the works for another Spring Clean-up Day to take place in April! As details are finalized, flyers will be posted at Rivenes Park, City Hall and the Post Office plus notices on Facebook.

## Protect our Waterways—

Speaking of spring clean-up, if you're planning to have your carpets cleaned, your home painted, or your driveway washed, before you sign an agreement make sure your contractor will be properly disposing of the waste. Possible questions could be:

- Do they regularly collect wash water and carpet cleaning waste as part of their work? If yes, where are they planning to dispose of this wastewater?
- Do they clean up any moss or paint chips left on your yard after power washing or painting? If yes, how?
- What type of cleaners, if any, do they plan to use?
- How will they wash out any brushes, rollers, or other equipment after the work is done?

Whether using a contractor or doing the work yourself, you are responsible for protecting our waterways from pollutants. **Remember: only rain down the drain!**

- Never dispose of cleaning waste or wash water from paint brushes or rollers in the street or storm drains.
- Use a ground cloth to capture paint chips and drips. Sweep up any loose chips and dispose of them properly.
- When power washing, collect moss and fir needles and put them in the trash.
- Remember even biodegradable and “non-toxic” cleaners should not enter a storm drain.

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

