



City of Scappoose Newsletter ~ October 2019

City Council Vacancy

The City of Scappoose is seeking an interested citizen who resides within the City Limits of the City of Scappoose to serve as a Member of the City Council. The term expires December 2020. Citizen Interest forms are available on line at <http://www.ci.scappoose.or.us> or at Scappoose City Hall located at 33568 East Columbia Ave. If you have any questions please contact Susan M. Reeves, City Recorder, at (503) 543-7146, ext. 224.

Please mail, drop off or fax (503) 543-7182 your completed Citizens Interest Form by **5:00 p.m. on October 1, 2019.**

Qualifications:

- Registered to vote in Oregon
- Must have resided in the City limits of the City of Scappoose during the 12 months prior to appointment

Scappoose Police Department adds two new command staff members to the team

Jim Macfarlane was hired to fill the Lieutenant position. Jim has over 20 years of experience in law enforcement. His previous job was with Gladstone Police and prior to that he was with Florence Police Department.

Justin Stevenson was hired to fill the Sergeant position. Justin has over 20 years of experience in law enforcement as well. His previous job was with the Port of Portland and prior to that he was with Dallas Police Department.

Please help us welcome Jim and Justin.



Join the Scappoose Police Department Halloween Night Thursday, October 31st 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Stop by the Scappoose High School
bus turnaround
for some hot chocolate and safety
tips from the
Scappoose Police Department!!
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



City Meetings Calendar

- * City Council meetings ~ October 7 & October 21, at 7:00 pm
- * Planning Commission meeting ~ October 30, at 7:00 pm
- * Economic Development Committee meeting ~ October 17, at Noon
- * Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting & Friends of Scappoose Parks Meeting ~ October 8, 6:00 pm

Meetings are held in the Scappoose City Council Chambers at 33568 East Columbia Avenue

Call Scappoose City Hall at 503-543-7146 for more information and to confirm meetings.

Utility bills are due the 15th of each month ~ pay online at www.xpressbillpay.com or call 1-800-720-6847



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Visit our website:
www.ci.scappoose.or.us

To report a street light out or not working properly

Please contact City Recorder Susan Reeves at City Hall, 503-543-7146, ext. 224
Thank you!

Watts House Information

The Scappoose Historical Society invites anyone who would like to share their historic memorabilia of early families/businesses to contact Karen at 503-970-3920 for an appointment. The Watts House will open: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm ~ Thank you!



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Fall 2019

Street Sweeping Schedule

Beginning Monday October 14th 2019, Public Works Crews will begin the scheduled Fall Street Sweeping. This schedule is in an effort to help reduce the number of leaves within our Community and most importantly, keep Storm Drains clear of debris. Our primary focus will be on streets that have curbs because those are the ones that have catch basins that could become clogged and cause flooding. This schedule will be in effect through November. Please note that our crews may have to respond to an emergency and may not make it on a scheduled day. In the event that the Sweeper does not sweep your street on a scheduled day, we will make every effort to return as soon as possible. Also note that this schedule is subject to change as necessary to provide the best service possible and that the City will not be sweeping County Roads. Please have any vehicles, trashcans or any other items that may obstruct access moved clear on the day of your zone. The schedule will be as follows.

Mondays – Curbed Streets West of Hwy 30 and South of EM Watts

Tuesdays – Curbed Streets West of Hwy 30 and North of EM Watts

Wednesdays – Curbed Streets East of Hwy 30 and South of Elm Street

Thursdays – Curbed Streets East of Hwy 30 and North of Elm Street

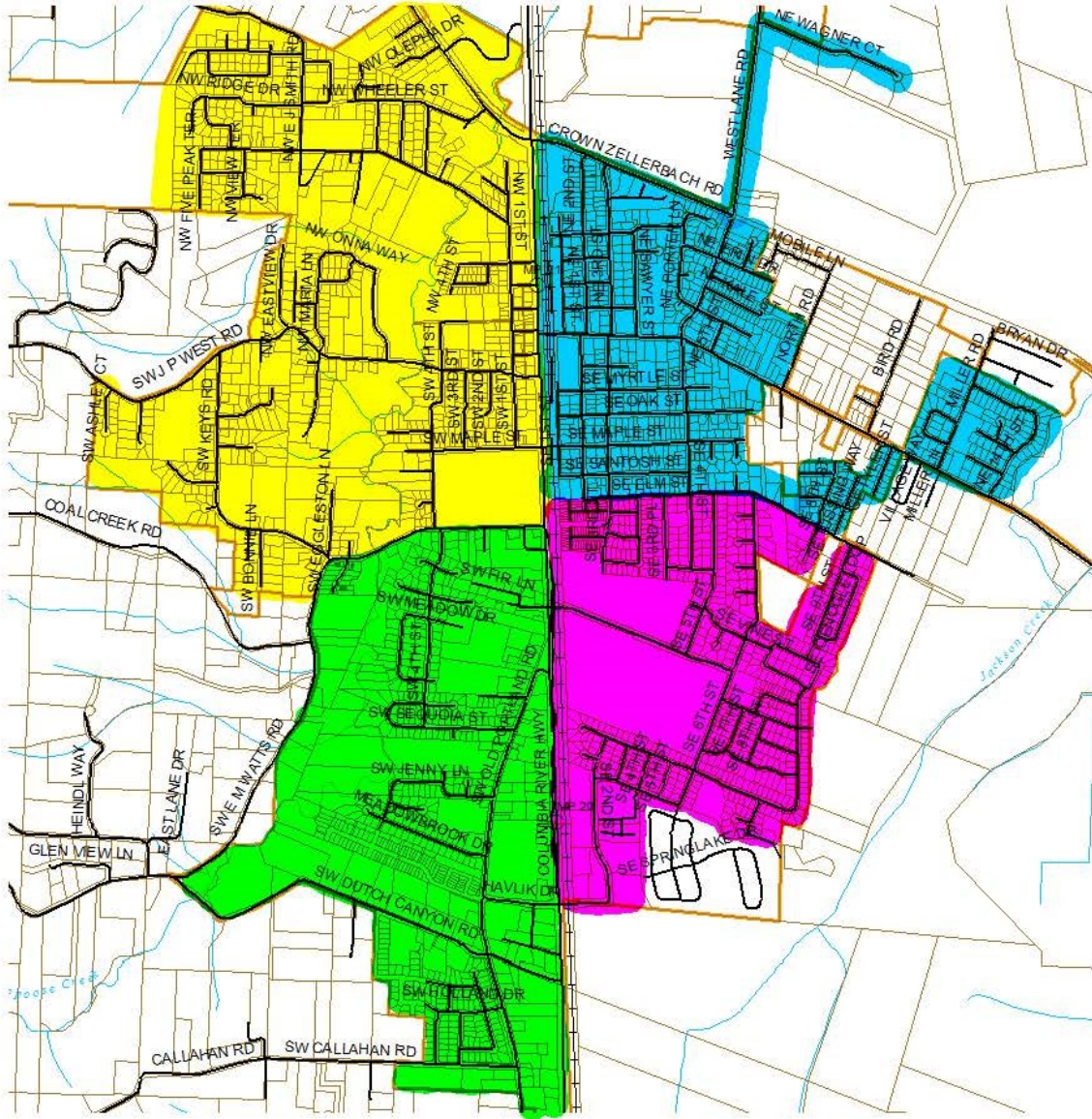
Fridays – Non-curbed Streets throughout the City that have heavy leaf buildup

****We want to remind you that raking or blowing leaves from your lawn into the street is still prohibited.***

Thank you,

City of Scappoose Public Works

Sweeping Zones



- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday

City Council Referred Proposed Local Fuel Tax – Measure 5-275 to the ballot on August 5, 2019. Below is a summary of this Measure.

Why is the tax being presented for voter consideration?

- In 2018, the City conducted a community survey, on which more than 80% of respondents indicated that development and maintenance of streets and sidewalks was important to them
- At the 2019 Town Meeting, the City engaged community members as to the current state of streets and sidewalks in Scappoose – 92% of attendees would favor a proposed local fuel tax over a street utility fee or property tax levy
- The City Council referred a \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax to the 2019 November ballot

If passed, what would funds from the fuel tax be used for?

- Under Oregon law, local fuel taxes can only be used for repair and construction of new and existing streets and street improvements, including sidewalks
- A local fuel tax would be used to fund street paving projects and new sidewalk projects from the City's Transportation System Plan
- A 2017 pavement report update found that the City's average Pavement Condition Index would decrease under existing funding
- If the measure does not pass, no additional funds would be provided for street paving or transportation improvements; no tax would be assessed, and fuel prices would remain the same

If passed, who would pay the fuel tax?

- All motorists who purchase fuel in the City of Scappoose, unless exempted from fuel taxes by state or federal law
- 30,000 daily vehicle trips experienced through Scappoose on Highway 30
- According to the Oregon Employment Research Division, Scappoose residents account for about 7,000 of the trips

If passed, what would the cost to residents be?

- The average Scappoose resident that commutes for work in the Portland area drives 40 miles per work day. A proposed \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax would cost an average of \$1.20 per month at 20 miles per gallon
- The proposed \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax would cost residents an average of \$1.20 per month. Other options considered included a utility fee option of \$10.00 per month per household, or a property tax levy with an anticipated cost of \$13.00 per month.

If passed, how would Scappoose compare with other communities?

- More than 20 cities and counties in Oregon have local fuel taxes, including: Washington and Multnomah Counties, Milwaukie, Cornelius, Troutdale, Tigard, Sandy, and Portland
- For example, every gallon of fuel sold in Portland includes a \$0.03 per gallon county fuel tax and a \$0.10 per gallon local fuel tax that go towards maintaining and improving their roads

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