

# City of Scappoose Newsletter ~ October 2016

## **The City of Scappoose has been working with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to Improve Safety in Scappoose:**

Here's a brief snapshot of what's been completed:

- \* Updated traffic signal controllers at all the intersections throughout Scappoose along Hwy 30 and added remote communications to Havlik Drive, High School Way, EM Watts Road, Maple Street and Columbia Ave. The addition of the remote communication will allow the ODOT Traffic Engineer to monitor the system from Salem, if road conditions change (i.e. vehicular accident involving a signal pole and disabling the traffic signal) ODOT is able to respond immediately.
- \* Electricians worked on replacing the vehicle detection loops along Hwy 30 at Columbia Avenue and Maple Street; fixing the vehicle loops make the signals more efficient and responsive.
- \* The Signal Engineers are working with the ODOT Rail Division to update the signals at High School Way, Maple Street and at Scappoose- Vernonia Hwy/Crown Zellerbach Road to install a left green arrow that would only turn green in the event of a train. This would make it clearer to the drivers that they have a protected turn and they don't need to yield to pedestrians or oncoming traffic.
- \* The Signal Engineers are evaluating permissive flashing yellow left turn arrows (FYA) at various intersections throughout the Scappoose Hwy 30 corridor, including High School Way, EM Watts and Maple Street with proposed lane configuration changes at Maple Street.
- \* The Signal Engineers are also working with ODOT's Intelligence Transportation Systems (ITS) group to install Blue-tooth devices at all the intersections in Scappoose; this would enable them to collect travel time data along the corridor. This information will assist with improving the commuter travel time through Scappoose.
- \* The City and ODOT will be working together to identify a funding source for adding technology that would track the school busses through the signal at High School Way and provide red light extension for the busses to safely pass through the intersection.

### **Coming Soon Online Bill Pay for Utility Billing Statements**

This is a reminder coming this fall the City will offer an innovative web-based online bill payment system. All of our customers will have the option to take advantage of the following conveniences.

- \* **Online E-Bills:** View your utility statement any time, anywhere.
- \* **Online Payments:** Pay your utility statement via credit, debit or e-Check.
- \* **Auto Pay:** Set up recurring automatic utility statement payments.
- \* **Paperless Billing:** opt out of paper utility statements.
- \* **Automatic Email Notifications:** new utility statements, processed utility payments, expiring credit cards, etc.

Thank you for your input. Stay tuned, more information to follow.

**Learn about the history of the area visit the Watts House Pioneer Museum Open Saturday's from 10 am to 2 pm 52432 SE 1st Street, Scappoose**

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503-543-7146**

Visit our website - [www.ci.scappoose.or.us](http://www.ci.scappoose.or.us)

**Steve Holgate's Lincoln Town Hall;** Coming soon to Scappoose ~ Sunday, October 30, 2106, 7 pm at the Scappoose High School auditorium, an opportunity for a conversation with Abraham Lincoln. A free community performance sponsored by the City of Scappoose, Scappoose School District, and the South County Spotlight.

The annual Christmas Lighting Event will be held in Heritage Park behind City Hall on Monday, November 28, 2016. Activities begin at 6:00 p.m. and include music, refreshments, special guests and a countdown to turn on a whole lot of Christmas lights.

For additional information, contact Bill Blank at [scappoosefm@gmail.com](mailto:scappoosefm@gmail.com).

### **Mark your Calendar**

- \* City Council meetings on October 3 & 17, at 7:00 pm
- \* Economic Development Committee meeting, October 20, at 12:00 pm
- \* Park & Rec Committee meeting, October 20, 6:30 pm
- \* October 31 ~ Police Department ~ Halloween Night Hot Chocolate, High School Parking Lot ~ 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- \* December 17 ~ Scappoose Police Department Donut Day, 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

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

Call City Hall at 503-543-7146 for more information

Utility Bills are due the 15th of each month.

The City has been working hard to update our webpage ~ please go to [www.ci.scappoose.or.us](http://www.ci.scappoose.or.us) to see the new features we have added.

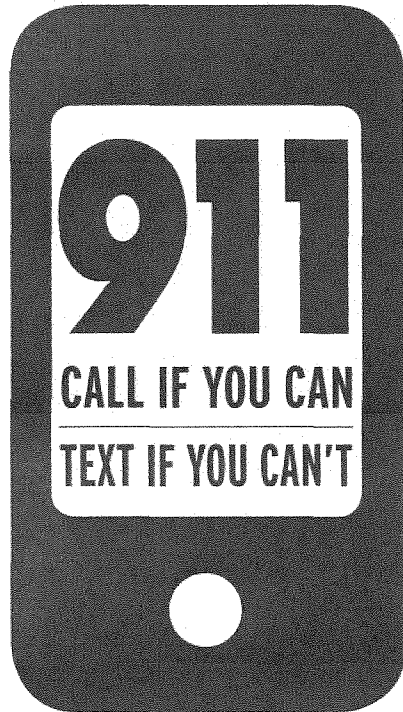


## **HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS**

Join Us Halloween Night  
For Hot Chocolate with your  
local Police Department

From 6:00pm to 8:00pm  
in the Scappoose High School Parking

See you there!



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