

City of Scappoose Newsletter ~ June 2016

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE WEBISTE PHOTO CONTEST ~ DEADLINE JUNE 10, 2016

The City of Scappoose is designing a new City website, thanks to a grant from the Port of St. Helens. The webpage will focus on promoting our community, economic development City services, and our local businesses. We are looking for photos to feature on the website that capture the natural beauty and the essence of our community. Photos must be taken in the Scappoose area. Anyone may enter the contest. You may submit up to 5 photos. Both amateur and professional photographers are welcome to enter the contest. There is no entry fee. Please help us make a City webpage we can all be proud of.

Thank you for taking the time to make a difference ~ City Manager Michael J. Sykes

Judging and Photo Selection: A panel of judges will select finalists and the City Council will make the final selections.

First Prize \$100 ~ Second Prize \$50 ~ Third Prize \$25 ~ Honorable Mention \$10.

Please visit the City website at www.ci.scappoose.or.us for further entry instructions.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Building permits have been issued to WDC Construction for their 16-unit apartment complex on the corner of East Columbia and West Lane Rd. They are the owner, builder & property managers for the site. Remodel Permits were also recently issued to Community Action Team for 2 of their newly acquired senior apartments in Scappoose.

Three new commercial businesses have recently opened in Scappoose; O'Reilly's Auto parts store, Northwest Storage & Bi-Mart. Additionally, Papa Murphy's moved from Fred Meyer's storefront to Chinook Plaza.

We have several new subdivisions in various stages of review which are expected to begin construction sometime this year; South Fork (behind Fred Meyer's) an 88 unit Planned Development Subdivision, Dutch Canyon Estates Phase III (next to phase II) 35 lots, Pioneer Crossing (near SE 6th & Vine) 39 lots, and Five Peak Subdivision (top of NW Peak Rd, on NW Five Peak Terrace) 7 lots. Currently under construction is Unger Subdivision a 9 lot subdivision, which will extend NE Kale Street east to connect with North Road.

Tip of the month: Don't forget to check with the Building Department before beginning your construction project. There are zoning considerations and regulations for common spring projects like fences, decks & storage sheds.

Call our Community Development Center for answers to your site specific questions ~ 503-543-7184.

To report a street light out

Email ~ sreeves@cityofscappoose.org

or

call 503-543-7146, ext 224

Please list the address that the street light is in front of or the nearest cross street.

City of Scappoose

33568 East Columbia Avenue, Scappoose, Oregon 97056
503-543-7146

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SMOKE TESTING OF SEWER LINES

The City of Scappoose will be conducting test of its sanitary sewer system starting Mid July 2016. A "Smoke Test" survey will assist our inspection crews in locating breaks and defects in our sewer system. The smoke you see coming from the vent stacks on houses or holes in the ground is **NON-TOXIC, NON-STAINING, HAS NO ODOR, WHITE TO GRAY IN COLOR AND CREATES NO FIRE HAZARD.** The smoke should not enter your home unless you have defective plumbing or dried up drain traps.

It is advisable for the homeowner to pour a gallon of water into each floor drain prior to our testing. If smoke enters your home there is good reason to assume that dangerous sewer gases may also be entering your home or business. You should evacuate immediately and notify City work crews. If you are not home and discover smoke when you return, please call us at 503-543-7146.

IMPORTANT! If there is any individual in your home or business who has respiratory problems and is immobile, please notify us at 503-543-7146 prior to testing.

More information to follow ~ Thank you!

CITY CODE CORNER

The Scappoose Police Department would like to welcome back Teresa Keller this year serving the department as our Code Enforcement Officer. Teresa was our part-time Code Enforcement Officer last year. In 2016 we have the opportunity to employ Teresa for the next five months.

Teresa's primary responsibility is to address the code violations throughout the City. In 2015, Teresa was able to address 174 code violations throughout the City and with the property owner's assistance was able to correct the violations.

With the weather getting warmer, many people unexpectedly find themselves in violation of the municipal code with regards to trees, tall grass, shrubbery, etc. Teresa will be working with local residents to identify and facilitate resolution of code violations that come to the City's attention. Thank you for working with us to keep Scappoose an attractive and safe place to live.

I am delighted to announce that Robyn Bassett will be joining our City of Scappoose team. She has accepted the position of Public Works Director, and her first day with us will be Monday, May 16.

Robyn has worked for 26+ years in the public works industry. Her strengths include overseeing and participating in the planning and construction of several major capital improvement projects in water, wastewater, transportation, storm water, and parks. Robyn has also been very successful in helping to secure several grants that have helped improve the communities where she has worked.

She is passionate about teamwork, community engagement, emergency preparedness, and ensuring that safety is the #1 priority for the organizations she has worked for.

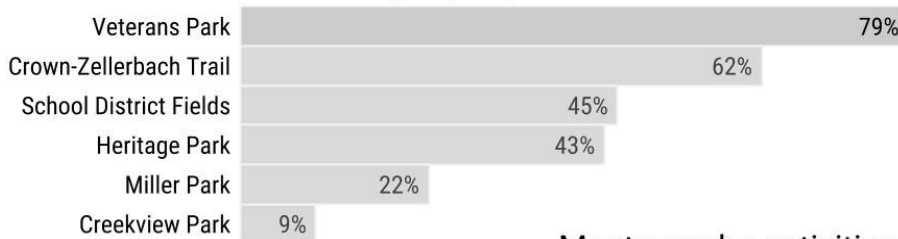
Robyn worked for the City of Vernonia for 17 years; ODOT for 6 years, and currently the City of Corvallis for the past 4 years.

Her years of experience, energy and enthusiasm will serve the City well with all the challenges that lay ahead.

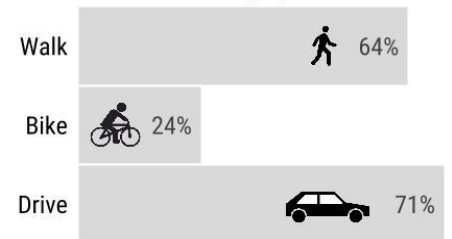
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PARKS SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS 322 responses

Where do people go?



How do they get there?



Most popular activities:

“Walk and bike for exercise”
“Enjoy the outdoors and nature”

How should the City improve parks and recreation opportunities?



Most wanted recreation facilities:

- 1. Pool / Recreation Center**
- 2. Soccer and Football Fields**
- 3. Basketball Courts**

Mark your Calendar

- * Parks Master Plan Open House on June 2, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- * City Council meeting on June 6 & June 20, at 7:00 pm
- * Planning Commission meetings on June 9, 16, & 30 at 7:00 pm
- * Economic Development Committee meeting, June 16, at noon
- * Park & Rec Committee meeting, June 16, at 6:30 pm
- * Photo Contest deadline June 10 ~ call 503-543-7146 for more information

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

Utility Bills are due the 15th of each month.