

City of Scappoose Newsletter ~ January 2016

Season's Greetings from the City! We hope all you enjoyed the holidays and that 2016 is a happy and prosperous year for you and your family. This next year promised to be an exciting and busy year for the City. As we begin a new year, I wanted to ask all of you to consider helping us guide the future development of our community. We have scheduled the first Annual Town Meeting for Saturday, January 23rd from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Scappoose Middle School cafeteria. Bagels and coffee will be served. We will be looking for citizen input in developing a Vision Statement for the Community.

Everyone is welcome to come and we want to hear what citizens like about Scappoose, what they would like to change and ways you believe we can make Scappoose an even better community. This meeting will be a lot of fun and will give the City Council valuable input in formulating future goals for the community.

Over the course of the next year, we hope to complete park improvements at Heritage Park; complete a new Park masterplan; a new economic development strategic plan; a community vision statement; a number of announcements that will mean new jobs for the community; a new Bi Mart and O'Reilly's; a plan for development of Chapman Landing and many other exciting happenings.

This is an exciting time in Scappoose and I hope you will take time to participate to help us build an even more vibrant community than we already have. Give me a call at 503-544-5681, if you have any questions, or, concerns and we at the City look forward to working with you during the year ahead.

Mayor Scott Burge

What's next for Scappoose?
Tell us what you think ~ take the Community Survey and let your voice be heard!
A survey was included in your November Utility Bill.
You can also take the survey online at <http://tinyurl.com/scappoose>
Survey's are due by January 8, 2016

From your Community Development Center

Visit the historic Watt's House and check out the beautiful new upper roof! This much-needed re-roof was completed by Mark's Custom Exteriors and funded by a matching grant from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office. The front porch will be re-roofed in dryer weather.

A Site Development Review application from WDC Construction for a 16-unit multi-family development, on the corner of E. Columbia Ave and West Lane Road, was recently received by the Community Development Center. This proposal will be heard by the Planning Commission in early February, 2016.

Additionally, a subdivision application for Pioneer Crossing Phase II is under review by the Planning Department. This 39 lot proposal is located east of the SE 6th St. & SE Vine St. intersection. This proposal will be heard by the Planning Commission in February, 2016 as well.

Planning Commission

Planning Commission Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month, as needed. With so many proposals lately, the Planning Commission has been holding two meetings a month fairly regularly. If you are interested in reading over the proposals, or seeing the agenda for a particular meeting, please go to The City of Scappoose website and click on the calendar (located on the right side of the home page). All staff reports and agendas are posted one week in advance of the meetings.

Bi-Mart, O'Reilly's & the new Scappoose storage facility are progressing and are quite visible.

Storm Drain Winter Tip

During this very rainy season:

Check storm drain grates frequently to make sure they are free of leaves & debris.

DO NOT remove grates from the drain opening – this does not unclog the system and creates a hazard.

THANK YOU CITIZENS OF SCAPPOOSE

On December 12th the Scappoose Police Department organized a Krispy Kreme Doughnut Day benefiting the Scappoose Food Bank. After braving the rain and stormy conditions Scappoose Police Officers were able to sell 175 dozen doughnuts in 4 hours. With your help we were able to donate \$2,019.50 and 720 pounds on non-perishable food items. We are overwhelmed with the kindness our community showed while helping us fill the shelves at the Scappoose Food Bank.

Scappoose Police Department Receives Top Score on Risk Management Inspection

The City of Scappoose Police Department recently completed a Risk Management Plan that was a result of an onsite best practice inspection recently completed by CIS Insurance. CIS provides insurance coverage to nearly all Cities and Counties in Oregon. This inspection of the Department gave the Department a score of 96%. According to David Nelson, CIS Public Safety/Risk Manager Officer "this is an excellent result and one of the few law enforcement agencies in the state with such a high score." Nelson informed the Council that it was his opinion that the overall condition of the Police Department is very impressive. He stated that "it is one of the most well organized and clean Police Departments I have ever seen. The staff is all very friendly and pleasant to work with."



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Mark your Calendar

City offices will be closed 12/24 & 12/25 for Christmas.
City offices will be closed 1/1/16 for New Years Day.
January 8th is last day to submit your City survey.
Utility Bills are due the 15th of each month.