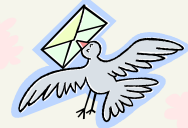


# The Mill City Messenger



CITY OF  
MILL CITY

### FOR WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES CALL US **FIRST**

- Monday - Friday  
7:30AM-4:30PM  
(503) 897-2302
- Public Works Supervisor  
John Dickinson  
(503) 930-8256
- Public Works Maintenance  
Worker Jerry Curtis  
(503) 930-3887

### COMMUNITY GIVING TREE APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Applications for the Community Christmas Boxes are now available and can be picked up at City Hall, 444 S 1st Avenue, during regular business hours. Completed applications must be turned in by December 7, 2012 at the Santiam Canyon School District Office, 150 SW Evergreen Street.



season be certain to get an application in before the deadline.

Giving Tree gift tags will be available at the Mill City Pharmacy and US Bank.

Donations of non perishable food items and/or children's clothing, toys, gift wrap and tape can be dropped off at the Santiam Canyon School District Office to Nichole Cooper.

Interested in volunteering to put food baskets together or wrap gifts? Contact Nichole Cooper at (503) 897-2321 or Mill City/Gates Ministerial Association at (503) 897-2291.

Options include a food basket, gifts or both. Gifts are provided for children ages infant through 6th grade.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance this holiday

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

MCMC Section 13.04.180—Responsibility for Payment of Bills	2
City Hall Closures/Cancellations	2
Unofficial Election Results	2
City of Mill City Website www.ci.mill-city.or.us	3
What's New in Planning—Santiam Pointe Phase 2 Replat	3
Hints & Helpers—Winter Energy Savers	3
Contact Us	4
Councilor's Corner—Councilor Highlight; Fred Smith	4

### MILL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIMES CHANGE

The Mill City City Council recently changed their meeting start time to 6:30p.m. to better accommodate citizens.

The Council has asked for input from the public as to how this change affects your ability or willingness to attend City Council meetings. Please submit answers/general comments to the following ques-

tions to City Hall no later than Friday, December 28, 2012 either in writing to:

City Recorder, PO Box 256,  
Mill City, OR 97360 or mill-city@ci.mill-city.or.us

or by calling (503) 897-2302. Results of this survey will be compiled and provided to the Council for consideration.

1. Have you attended Mill City Council meetings in the past?
2. If no, was that due to the 6:00p.m. start time?
3. With the change in time to 6:30p.m., will you be more or less likely to attend City Council meetings?

We look forward to hearing from you.

MILL CITY MUNICIPAL CODE
SECTION 13.04.180 - RESPONSIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

13.04.180 of the Mill City Municipal Code states:

- A. The property owner of record shall be responsible for the payment of all charges prescribed in this ordinance. If the property is rented and the renter fails to pay the charge, the city shall submit the bill to the property owner. The city will make an effort to notify the property owner if a tenant has not paid the bill by the twenty-fifth of the month.
B. Any person requesting service at a new service address is responsible for

- full payment of all amounts due to the city that have not been paid for service on any prior accounts. The city will not provide service at a new location until all past due amounts are paid in full.
C. The property owner of record is responsible for and shall make full payment of all final bills or past due amounts for any account where a tenant has moved or water service has been discontinued or terminated. The city will not provide

- service to the property until all past due amounts are paid in full.
The following suggestions may help to avoid unnecessary problems concerning tenants:
1. Provide the City notification of new tenants) and move-in date.
2. Advise tenant of required \$125.00 deposit to place account in their name.
3. Provide the City notification of tenant move out date.
4. Review records to confirm receipt of a "landlord noti-

fication" billing for each rental. NOTE- "landlord notifications" are only sent if a tenant is late on their payment. For more information, contact City Hall at (503) 897-2302

Did you know:

Can't make it to City Hall between 9AM and 4PM? We may be able to help! Give us a call at (503) 897-2302. to schedule a special payment drop-off or assistance with other City business.

CITY HALL HOLIDAY CLOSURES / CANCELLATIONS

The December 5, 2012 4th of July Committee meeting has been cancelled to allow members the opportunity to enjoy the holidays. The next meeting will take place Wednesday, January 2, 103. City Hall will be closed Tuesday, December 25, 2012 in observance of the Christmas holiday. The regularly scheduled City Council meeting of December 25, 2012 has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 11, 2013.

City Hall will reopen for regular business hours on Wednesday, December 26, 2012. In addition, City Hall will be closed New Year's Day; Tuesday, January 1, 2013 and will reopen for regular business hours on Wednesday, January 2, 1013. City Staff and Council wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season.



NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION - UNOFFICIAL RESULTS

Election day has come and gone and you've placed your vote. The unofficial results of the November 6, 2012 Mill City Council election follow:

Mayor:

Tim Kirsch 390

Councilor:

Scott J. Baughman 325

Thorin F. Thacker 298

Ann E. Holaday 216

Elected Officials will be sworn in at the first meeting of the year; Tuesday, January 11, 2013.

Meetings are open to the public and citizens are encouraged to attend.



CITY OF MILL CITY WEBSITE  
WWW.CI.MILL-CITY.OR.US

Interested in what's happening with the City of Mill City but can't attend City Council meetings? Check out our website!

In addition to attending meetings and reading the latest edition of *The Mill City Messenger*, information about the City can be found on our website; [www.ci.mill-city.or.us](http://www.ci.mill-city.or.us).

On the website you will find a calendar of events which includes all City meetings; Council, Planning and 4th of July as well as meeting dates and times for other community organizations such as the Mill City-Gates Recreation Association, Chamber of Commerce and Santiam Canyon School District Parent Teacher Organization. The calendar also provides City Hall closures.

If you are looking for information on an upcoming public hearing you may find info on the PRESS RELEASES page.

Building permit applications and Land Use Planning applications are available under FORMS as are water and sewer applications and 4th of July related forms.

Minutes of each City Board/Commission can be found under DOCUMENTS. You will also find agendas for upcoming meetings and full agenda packets available for download. The Mill City Municipal Code is online as well. To access go to DOCUMENTS then SEARCHABLE CITY CODE.

If you need to contact the City or have a water or sewer related emergency, contact information for each staff member and Council person is found on the CONTACT US tab.

Under DEPARTMENTS you will find information for each City department and emergency services information, including the most recent budget document under DEPARTMENTS, FINANCE; Mill City Rural Fire Protection District contact info under DEPARTMENTS, FIRE DEPARTMENT; links for County building forms under DEPARTMENTS, PERMITS; and water and sewer billing information under DEPARTMENTS, UTILITY BILLING.

Suggestions about how we can improve our website are always welcome. Please contact City Hall at (503) 897-2302 by email at [millcity@ci.mill-city.or.us](mailto:millcity@ci.mill-city.or.us) or send comments to PO Box 256, Mill City, OR 97360.

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANNING

The Mill City Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on Friday, December 14, 2012 at 9:30a.m. to consider the application of Jack Yarbrough for the Villiage at Santiam Pointe Subdivision Phase 2 Replat.

The property owner proposes to abandon the previously approved Phase 2 plat north of Santiam Pointe Loop NE and revert back to the original Villiage at Santiam Pointe subdivision as recorded in the Plat Records of Marion County on May 16, 2003, in the Book of Town Plats, Volume 42, Page 91, Marion County, Oregon.

The applicant proposes to reduce the number of lots from 14 to 4 lots ranging in size from .80 acres to 1.22 acres. The property is located on the north side of Santiam Pointe Loop NE, Marion County Assessor's Map # 9S3E29CC.

The hearing will be held at City Hall, 444 S 1st Avenue, Mill City.

The application, decision criteria and staff report will be available at City hall seven days prior to the hearing. Any person wishing

to provide testimony must address the decision criteria. Failure to raise an issue precludes appeal and failure to specify which criterion to comment is directed precludes appeal based upon that criterion.

City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please call (503) 897-2302 by noon the day before the meeting if you need an interpreter for the hearing impaired or any other special accommodation.

If you have questions related to the application contact City Re-

Planning Commission Members:

- Nancy Kelle, Chair
- Gay Stuntzner, VC
- Dennis Chamberlin
- David Leach
- Frances Villwock
- Cheryl Lundquist
- Ann Carey

order Stacie Cook at City Hall; (503) 897-2302.



HINTS AND HELPERS  
WINTER ENERGY SAVERS

Simple tips to help on energy costs this winter, courtesy of Pacific Power:

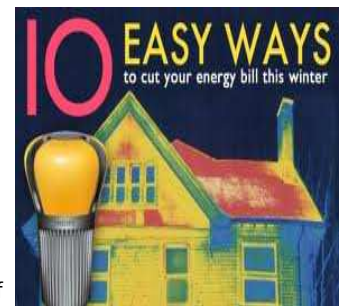
1. Set your **thermostat as low as is comfortable** when you are home. The recommended temperature is 68°
2. **Cover drafty windows** with heavy duty, clear plastic on the inside of frames.
3. Set **water heater to 120°F** and install energy efficient shower

heads.

4. Wash clothes in **cold water**.
5. Use dishwasher at **full capacity and air dry dishes**.
6. Use **ENERGY STAR light bulbs**.
7. Set **refrigerator between 37 and 40°F**.
8. **Unplug old refrigerators** that are used for storage but are

inefficient and not fully utilized.

9. **Unplug appliances (coffee maker, microwave, toaster, TV) when not in use**. Or, plug into power strips and turn off power when not used.
10. **Clean and replace furnace filters** regularly and schedule routine maintenance to help air flow through the system more



efficiently.

For more information visit: [bewattsmart.com](http://bewattsmart.com)



**FIND US ON FACEBOOK!**  
**CITY OF MILL CITY, OREGON**  
**AND**  
**MILL CITY 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION**



**CITY OF  
MILL CITY**

444 S 1st Avenue  
 PO Box 256  
 Mill City, OR 97360

Phone: 503-897-2302  
 Fax: 503-897-3499  
 E-mail: millcity@ci.mill-city.or.us  
 Website: www.ci.mill-city.or.us

Council Meetings, Second and Fourth Tuesday of  
 Each Month, 6:30PM

Planning Meetings, Second Friday of Each Month,  
 9AM

4th of July Meetings, First Wednesday of Each  
 Month, 7PM

**Contacts**

<b>City Recorder Stacie Cook</b>	scook@ci.mill-city.or.us
<b>Finance Clerk Trisha Ruby</b>	truby@ci.mill-city.or.us
<b>UB/Court Kimberley Johnson</b>	kjohnson@ci.mill-city.or.us

**Mayor & Council**

<b>Mayor Tim Kirsch</b>	<b>Ann E. Holaday, Police Comm</b>
tkirsch@ci.mill-city.or.us	aholaday@wbcable.net
<b>Susann Heller, Building Comm</b>	<b>Justin Merrill, Street Com</b>
sheller@ci.mill-city.or.us	jmerrill@ci.mill-city.or.us
<b>Fred Smith, Water &amp; Sani Comm</b>	<b>Thorin Thacker, Parks Comm</b>
fsmith@ci.mill-city.or.us	tthacker@ci.mill-city.or.us

**C O U N C I L O R ' S   C O R N E R**

Councilor Highlight:

**Fred Smith, Water & Sewer Comm.**

Mr. Smith states:

I am a native son of Mill City, being born and raised here for the last 72 years. There have been members of the Smith and Gregory families residing in Mill City since the early 1900's.

I am married with three children to my wife, Linda, who has four children from a previous marriage. We have a four year old grandson who resides with us.

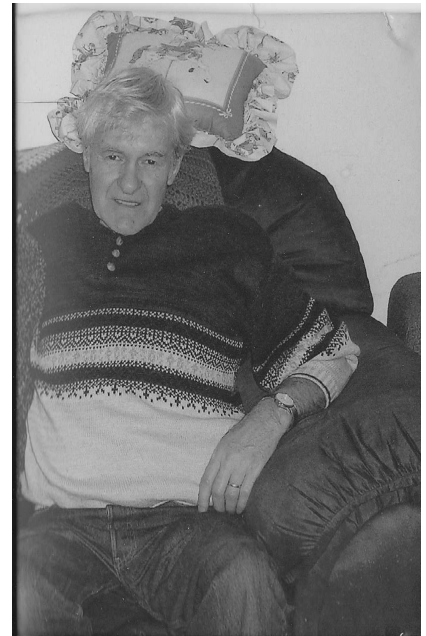
I attended Mill City schools from grades 1-12, graduating in 1959 with the greatest class ever! During that time I saw the rebuilding of both the grade school and the high school.

From 1961 to 1965 I proudly served in the US Navy as a Hospital Corpsman.

I have worked my entire life in the timber industry, beginning with the Simpson-Champion plant in Idanha in 1960 and retiring from Freres Lumber Company in 2006.

I have always felt that Mill City was a good place to grow up and to live in and hope, in some small way that I can help keep it that way for the future.

Councilor Smith joined the Mill City Council in January 2010 and is currently two years into a four year term, serving as the Water & Sewer Commissioner.



**Councilor Fred Smith**