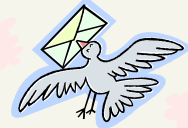


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CALL US *FIRST***

- Monday - Friday
7:30AM-4:30PM
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John Dickinson
(503) 930-8256
- Public Works Maintenance
Worker Jerry Curtis
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**ANNUAL CITY CLEAN UP DAY SET
FOR SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2014**

The City of Mill City, in cooperation with the Linn County Sheriff's Department, Pacific Sanitation and STR Towing are sponsoring a "CLEAN AND SAFE" program. City officials, Linn County Sheriff's Deputies and volunteers are working together to improve the appearance and safety in our community.

The 14th Annual "Spring Cleaning Day" is set for Saturday, May 17, 2014. This is your opportunity to get rid of that pile of junk, broken appliance and even old tires/rims. Some fees do apply. Household garbage **IS NOT** accepted.

"Spring Cleaning Day" is for residents and property owners inside the city limits of Mill City. You will

be asked to show a driver's license or ID to verify you live inside the city. Landlords and commercial businesses will be allowed one free drop off. Each additional drop by landlords and commercial businesses will be assessed a per load fee.

Look for additional information, including Mill City Municipal Code violations, fees and hours for the event in April's edition of *The Mill City Messenger*.

No junk to get rid of but still want to be involved? We'd love to have you as a volunteer! Contact Utility Billing/Court Clerk Kimberley Johnson at City Hall, (503) 897-2302, for more information on how you can help.

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**LINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TAKES OVER ANIMAL CONTROL**

The Linn County Sheriff's Office is please to announce that they have recently taken over the Animal Control Division for Linn County. Sheriff Bruce Riley stated at the January 28, 2014 City Council meeting that there will be

dedicated deputies for this division and he intends to make it a more full service agency. Sheriff Riley noted that the division will handle everything from barking dogs to animal cruelty complaints. If you have any questions or

would like to have a deputy visit you concerning animal control issues, call the Linn County Sheriff's Office at (541) 967-3925 or visit the website: www.linnsheriff.org.

CITY TO APPLY FOR OREGON STATE PARKS AND RECREATION LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT

The Mill City City Council, at their February 11, 2014 meeting, authorized staff to proceed with submittal of a grant application to Oregon State Parks and Recreation for their Local Government Grant Program. The application will request funding

for the Mill City Falls-Hammond Park Phase 1 project. Elements for this project include demolition of existing restrooms and shop building; construction of new ADA restrooms in Mill City Falls Park; ADA accessible overlooks in Mill City Falls and Hammond Parks;

street furniture (benches, trash containers, picnic tables, etc.) and much more.

Applications are due to State Parks and Recreation by April 4, 2014 with presentations to the review committee in June.

MILL CITY PARKS MASTER PLAN NEARS FINAL APPROVAL AND ADOPTION

The City of Mill City is moving forward in the process to adopt a formal Parks Master Plan. An open house was held Thursday, February 13 to allow community members to view the document and maps prior to a public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2014.

The Plan is the result of an Oregon State Parks and Recreation planning grant, which provided funds to cover the cost of hiring a landscape architect to assist with the project.

Upon approval and adoption of the Parks Master Plan the City will have

a conceptual design for existing parks and an outline of parks needs within the City and future development sites. The Plan can then be used as an element in obtaining additional grants/funding to make improvements and maintain our parks system.

CITY OF MILL CITY BUDGET COMMITTEE TO MEET IN APRIL

The Mill City Budget Committee will meet three or four times during the month of April, 2014 to prepare the city's budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. A copy of the Budget Calendar for the upcoming Fiscal year, 2014-2015 is provided at right. Citizens are encouraged to attend City meetings. For information concerning the budget or budget process contact City Recorder Stacie Cook or Finance Clerk Trisha Ruby at (503) 897-2302.

Day	Date	Time	Place	Purpose
Tu	Jan 22			Send out Councilor Surveys
Tu	Mar 11		Council Mtg	Mayor appoints Budget Committee Members – If necessary
W	Mar 12		Newspaper	First notice of 1 st Budget Meeting & 2 nd Budget Meeting/State Revenue Sharing Hearing (public hearing)
W	Mar 26		Newspaper	Second notice of 1 st Budget Meeting & 2 nd Budget Meeting/State Revenue Sharing Hearing (public hearing)
Tu	Apr 1	7:00 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	1 st Mtg: Distribution of Budget & Budget Message
W	Apr 9	7:00 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	2 nd Mtg: Discuss Budget - approve non-personal services funds & State Revenue Sharing Hearing (public testimony)
W	Apr 16	7:00 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	3 rd Mtg: To approve other funds.
W	Apr 23	7:00 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	4 th Mtg: (IF NEEDED) discuss and approve Personal Services subcategories.
W	May 14		Newspaper	Publish notice of Council Hearing re: budget & state revenue sharing & financial summary
Tu	May 27	6:30 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	Council Public Hearing re: budget & state revenue sharing
Tu	May 27	6:30 p.m.	Mill City City Hall	Council Adopt Budget: Resolutions re: appropriations, tax levy & revenue sharing.
	June 30			Department of Admin. Services; Resolutions for State Revenue Sharing: certif. of hearing & 4 + municipal services
	July 15			County Assessor (both): 2 copies of budget resolutions & 2 copies of LB 50
	Sep 30			County Clerk (both): Complete budget & resolutions

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANNING – COMMISSION ADDRESSES MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES

At their February 14, 2014 meeting the Mill City Planning Commission held a discussion concerning medical marijuana dispensaries related to our current City Code. The Mill City Municipal Code does not address marijuana dispensaries within the boundaries of the City of Mill City.

The Planning Commission discussed the need for regulations to be implemented as well as the impending March date that the new Oregon law will take effect. Because the short time frame will not allow for the comprehensive process to make zoning code amendments, the Planning Commission, by unanimous vote

forwarded a recommendation to the City Council to make a modification to the language in the existing Business License code.

At the regular City Council meeting of February 25, 2014 the Council will consider an Ordinance amending the Business License Code *Section 5.04.050 Authorization to Grant or Deny a Business License* to read:

“A business license will be denied if the proposed use does not comply with any of the zoning regulations, building code requirement, public improvement requirement, or state licensing/certification requirement or violates local, state or federal law.”

If approved the Ordinance will give the City more control over whether marijuana dispensaries are allowed to open within the boundaries of the City of Mill City.

At this time, however; the State Senate has proposed Bill 1531 that would allow cities and counties to control certain aspects of dispensaries such as hours of operation and location but disallow banning dispensaries. The Bill was sent to the House Judiciary Committee where it was amended to include a provision which would allow city and county governments the ability to regulate and/or ban dispensaries.

Planning Commission Members:
Nancy Kelle, Chair
Gay Stuntzner, VC
Dennis Chamberlin
David Leach
Frances Villwock
Cheryl Lundquist
Ann Carey

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.

4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO ALTERNATE TIMES - REVISED

In an effort to attract more citizen participation and assist current members with meeting conflicts the Mill City 4th of July Committee has decided to alternate their monthly meeting times.

4th of July Committee meetings will alternate between the first Wednesday of the

month at 7:00p.m. and the second Wednesday at 10:00a.m., every other month.

The new meeting times begins with the Wednesday, March 5, 2014 meeting, which will be held at 7:00p.m. at Mill City Hall.

The April meeting will then begin at 10:00a.m. For additional information about meeting times or the 4th of July Celebration contact Stacie Cook or Trisha Ruby at City Hall; (503) 897-2302.

LOCAL MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

3-1	Hearts to Arts	9:30a.m.	7:00p.m.	Mill City Fire Dept.	3-12	SCSD School Board	8:00a.m.	Mill City City Hall
	Mill City City Hall		3-10	Community Chorus	6:30p.m.	SES Multi-Purpose Room	3-24	Community Chorus
3-3	SCSD PTO	6:30p.m.	7:00p.m.	MC Christian Church	3-13	MCGRA Board Meeting	7:00p.m.	MC Christian Church
	SES Multi-Purpose Room		3-11	Municipal Court	6:00p.m.	Mill City City Hall	3-25	Municipal Court
3-3	Community Chorus			Mill City City Hall	3-13	Skate Park Meeting	9:30a.m.	Mill City City Hall
	7:00p.m.		3-11	Council Meeting	6:30p.m.	Mill City City Hall	3-25	Council Meeting
3-5	4th of July Meeting		6:30p.m.	Mill City City Hall	3-14	Planning Commission	6:30p.m.	Mill City City Hall
	7:00p.m.		3-12	Marion County State of the	9:30a.m.	Mill City City Hall	3-26	Lions Club
3-6	Historical Society			County	3-17	Community Chorus	6:30p.m.	Mtn. Edge Café
	7:00p.m.		3-12	Mill City City Hall	7:00p.m.	MC Christian Church	3-27	Chamber of Commerce
3-10	Mill City Fire Board		6:30p.m.	Lions Club	3-21	Community Roundtable	8:30a.m.	Green Mountain Real Estate
				Edge Café				

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

Planning Meetings, Second Friday of Each Month, 9AM

4th of July Meetings, Rotates; First Wednesday, 10AM / Second Wednesday, 7PM (check calendar for correct time), Beginning December

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**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
UPDATE**

Linn County Sheriff's Office neighborhood Watch Liaison Jim Lepin has been hard at work, assisting local groups in their endeavors to start Neighborhood Watch in their respective neighborhoods.

Mr. Lepin has stated that there are five active Neighborhood Watch groups in Mill City. Between these groups and the four informational forums held at City Hall there have been over 70 citizens participating since October. On Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 6:30p.m. the individual Neighborhood Watch groups will hold a joint meeting in the Mill City Elem-

entary School library.

Captain Kevin Guilford of the Linn County Sheriff's Office as well as a narcotics detective, are scheduled to attend this meeting to discuss progress with current crime reduction efforts and specific needs of the community as we work together to reduce crime within Mill City.

If you are interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch group in your area contact:

Jim Lepin
Neighborhood Watch Liaison
Linn County Sheriff's Office
541-917-9182

**DEQ PROPOSES SMOKE
MANAGEMENT PLAN
CHANGES**

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is seeking public comment on proposed changes to the Oregon Smoke Management Plan, operated by the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF). The plan specifically aims to reduce the public health risks caused by prescribed forest burning, while trying to reduce forest fuels that can cause major wildfires. DEQ will be holding joint public hearings with ODF where oral and written comments will be accepted. Written comments must be received by **5:00p.m. on March 12, 2014.**

Rulemaking documents and hearing locations, dates, times and contact information can be found at: www.oregon.gov/deq/rulesandregulations. Source LOC Bulletin