

## City Council:

- Cathy Fallon, Mayor
- Denise Emmerling-Baker
- Pete Happy
- Eric Keller
- Butch Miller

## City Staff:

- Jordon Bennett, City Administrator
- Kathy Woosley, City Recorder
- Dave Peterson, Finance Officer
- Sheldon Price, Public Works Supervisor
- John Logan, Fire Chief
- Derrick Turkington, City Light

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## AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

**ELECTRIC ONLY**  
541-374-8911

**WATER LEAKS**  
541-386-2711

*Where the Bridge of the Gods spans the Heart of the Gorge; where mountain, wind, and water create the best sailing in the Northwest; and where the "CL" on the license plate stands for Cascade Locks, the second largest city in Hood River County!*

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**City of Cascade Locks Public Works Department Snow Removal plan:** The Public Works Department begins plowing City streets when the snow level is two inches deep or as circumstances require. The street snow plowing schedule is broken down into three priority sections:

- First Priority:** Cascade Ave., Watts Ave., Benson Ave., School St., Oneonta St., Wasco St., Venture St., Regulator St., Tahoma St., Edgewood St., Belle St., Sternwheeler Drive, and Spelling Place.
- Second Priority:** Adams Ave., Ruckel St., Shahala Drive, Chinookan Drive, Windsong Drive, Sheridan Street, Warm Springs and Warco Drive and Wyam Court.
- Third Priority:** Forest Lane (to Wheeler Street), Herman Creek Lane, Katani Lane, a portion of Eva Lane, Wheeler St., Pleasant Dr., Hammond and Sunset Ave., Cragmont Ave., Walnut St., Crest St., Riverview Dr., Clark and Lewis St. and Lewis Circle, Bailey Gatzert, Lakeside Dr., Hassalo and Harvest Queen St., Taylor St., John Quincy Ct., Sadie B and Mary St., Moody Ave, and NE Columbia Gorge Way.

**Please note that Parking on the Public Right of Way is PROHIBITED during inclement weather conditions.**

Vehicles parked in violation may be towed at owner's expense. Your cooperation in this matter makes it easier for the Public Works crew to keep the streets clear of snow and debris.

Parking at City Hall is only allowed while doing business at City Hall. Parked cars have created issues for customers doing business at City Hall and the parking lots cannot be plowed when there are cars parked in the lots. The signs posted allows the City to have the vehicles parked in violation towed immediately at owner's expense.

**The swearing in of the newly elected Council Members and Mayor** will be at the Monday, January 9, 2023 City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Council Chambers, City Hall. Elected to the Council for four-year terms are Denise Emmerling-Baker, Pete Happy, and Eric Keller. Cathy Fallon was elected Mayor for a 2-year term.

**Utility Billing This Month:** Cascade Locks has received some snow and ice in December. While it looks very pretty, and takes a while to melt away, it also blocks our City crew's ability to read your water meters. We have either touch read meters, which means we have to get to the lid on the water meter case, or we have to visually read the meters by taking the lids off. Either way, we can't read the meters buried under the snow and ice. Your bill this month may be based on your average water usage. If an estimate is necessary, the actual usage will be adjusted on your account when we are once again able to read the meters.

**City Hall Office Open for Business:** City Hall office is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **City Hall Office will be closed January 16 in honor of Martin Luther King holiday.** To report a power outage when City Hall Office is closed call the emergency power outage dispatch service, 541-374-8911, leave your name, address and contact phone number. For water/sewer emergency, call the Hood River Co. Sheriff's Dispatch at 541-386-2711. They will contact the "on call" Public Works personnel.

**City Committee Vacancies:** Please visit our webpage to fill out a volunteer application form if you are interested in filling one of these vacancies.

- Architectural Review Committee: 1 vacancy
- Planning Commission: 1 vacancy

**Hood River County Dog License Available at City Hall Office:** Did you know you can purchase a Hood River County Dog License at the City Hall Office? Bring a copy of current rabies vaccination and a spay or neuter certificate, if applicable. The license is good for 1 year from the date of purchase. Fertile Dogs are \$30, \$20 for senior citizens. Spayed or neutered dogs are \$15, \$8 for senior citizens. Dogs under 6 months of age are not required to be licensed. If you have any questions, please contact Hood River County Animal Control at 541-387-7037. For the wellbeing and safety of your dog it is important to license your pet. The owner of a licensed dog will be contacted if the animal is picked up. It will also receive medical attention if it is injured.

**Recycling:** Recycling will be picked up by Hood River Garbage on Jan. 11 and 25.

**Garbage Service is Mandatory within the City Limits:** It is important to the health and safety of our community to sign up and maintain garbage service. City Ordinance No. 315 states that *all persons residing or doing business within the City of Cascade Locks shall be a customer and user of the City approved solid waste disposal program.* Contact Hood River Garbage Service at 541-386-2272 to set up garbage service. There are several service options to choose from. Thank you for your cooperation!

**Hood River County Library, Cascade Locks Branch:** Hours of Operation: Cascade Locks Library is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:00 – 6:00PM and Wednesday, Friday and Saturdays 10:00AM - 2:00PM. Meeting space is available. For more information or to speak with the Cascade Locks library directly call 541-374-9317. Cascade Locks library is located in the Community Center at the south end of the Cascade Locks School building. Hood River Main Branch Library is open Tuesday – Thursday 10AM – 6PM, Friday & Saturday 10AM – 4PM, phone number 541-386-2535.

**Cascade Locks Emergency Services Auxiliary:** Consider joining the Cascade Locks Emergency Services Auxiliary. When disaster or tragedy occurs, the Auxiliary provides a variety of support to the emergency services personnel of the Cascade Locks Fire and Emergency Services Department. Auxiliary members organize fund raising events and activities to help purchase needed equipment. The **Auxiliary meets on the Fourth Monday of every month**, Jan. 23, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Come to a meeting and see what we are all about. For more information, please contact Nancy Renault at 541-374-8832 or Fire Chief John Logan at 541-374-8510 [chief@cascadelocksfire.com](mailto:chief@cascadelocksfire.com). Cascade Locks Fire/EMS Volunteers needed!

**FISH Food Bank Holiday Hours:** FISH Food Bank will be open on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., and the following Saturday, Jan. 28, 11:00 a.m. - noon at City Hall gym. Should you have any questions, please contact FISH Food Bank at 541-386-3474. Volunteers needed! Can you help one Thursday a month from 9:00 a.m. to Noon unloading the food delivery truck?

**Meals on Wheels:** If you would like a meal delivered to your home once a week, please call 541-386-2060 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to determine if you qualify and to make arrangements for delivery. This program can take care of any special dietary needs you may have.

**2023 Burn Permits:** Burn Permits can be purchased at City Hall Office for the calendar year of 2023 beginning Jan. 3, 2023. A permit is \$10 and is valid for the calendar year. Currently, burning is allowed from dawn until dusk. Should you have any questions, please contact Cascade Locks Fire Chief, John Logan at 541-374-8510. Burning is allowed from dawn-dusk for piles 10 feet in diameter and burn barrels. A 2023 Burn Permit is required. Cascade Locks residents can dump **yard debris only** at the City Burn Pile every Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The burn pile is located at the City Sewer Treatment Plant, 105 NE Herman Creek Lane.

**Play and Learn @Home:** A FREE program for families with children ages 0-5 to receive monthly activity kits delivered to their communities. Age-appropriate craft items, baby toys, sensory materials, parenting resources, community connections, and kindergarten readiness. Please call **(541) 340-1428** to sign up or visit <https://fourriversfamily.com/pals> for more information and to sign up.

**2022/2023 Winter Heating Assistance Program:** Contact Mid-Columbia Community Action at **541-298-5131**, to set up an appointment to apply for assistance with winter heating bills. This program is for Senior Citizens, People with Disabilities and the General Population who fall within the 60% of State median income by household size.

**Christmas Giving Tree 2022:** City Staff would like to thank all those who so generously supported the Giving Tree this year by purchasing a gift card or donating money for children in need who live in our community. This year 47 children received a \$45 gift card delivered to their home. We could not have made this happen if it were not for the generous support of so many wonderful elves! Thank you!

**Keep energy efficiency in mind this winter season.** Preparing your home doesn't have to take a lot of work or investment to keep your home warm and save money.

- Add an insulating blanket to your water heater to save on water heating costs.
- Seal your home by weather stripping doors and caulking around windows.
- Leaky ducts can cause high heating costs. Have ducts inspected.
- Is your dishwasher working overtime? Save energy on every load by opening the dishwasher and air drying dishes.
- Make a perfect match with your pans and stove burners. This saves heat & makes cooking more efficient.
- When you are at home set your thermostat to 68 degrees. Lower it when you are away or going to sleep.

**Meetings:** City Hall is open to the public. The City Council will hold its regular meetings on Jan. 9 and Jan. 23 at 7:00 p.m. Please submit any written comments to the City Administrator ([jbennett@cascade-locks.or.us](mailto:jbennett@cascade-locks.or.us)) prior to 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Council meeting minutes and packets can be viewed on-line at the City's website five days before the meeting. Public access to the meeting is available in person or via Zoom.

1. By smart device on zoom.us, meeting code **872 129 1324**, password is "citymeet".
2. By phone dial 1-253-215-8782, meeting number is 872-129-1324, passcode is 17722174. Remember \*6 to mute/unmute your phone, \*9 to raise your hand if you have a question or comment.
3. Please keep your device muted during the meeting when you don't have a comment or question.

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