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Cascade Locks' News

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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!

Meetings: The City Council will hold its regular meetings on April 8 and April 22 at 7:00 p.m. Please submit any written comments to the City Administrator (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.

Please check the City's Facebook page, website or notice boards in the Columbia Market or the US Post Office for official notices and/or agendas.

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
- Charter Review: 2 vacancies
- Tourism Committee: 2 vacancies
- Budget Committee: 1 vacancy

Annual Curbside Clean Up of Yard Debris: The City Public Works Crew will pick up yard debris only for free the week of April 8 - 11, starting at the west end of town and working east. Place yard debris piles in a location accessible by backhoe and dump truck. Yard debris placed in plastic bags will not be picked up. Public Works Crews will not return to locations already serviced. Please make sure your pile is ready for pick up by April 7. If you have any questions, contact City Hall Office.

32nd Annual City Wide Garage Sale, April 26 – 28: Sign up for the Annual City Wide Garage Sale and your sale will be posted on the official Garage Sale Map. Forms will be available March 25 – April 15th at City Hall Office. More details to follow. Should you have any questions contact Brenda Wood via email at: locksofdogsandtreats@yahoo.com

Spring Clean Up Dumpster Days: Will be **Saturday, May 4, 9:00AM – 4:00PM** or until dumpsters are full. Dumpsters will be located at the Sewer Treatment Plant, 105 NE Herman Creek Lane. This service is for Cascade Locks residential customers only. Please separate metal, electronics and yard debris. Items NOT accepted are hazardous materials, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners or tires of any kind. Hood River Garbage at, 3440 Guignard Drive, is accepting refrigerators, freezers or air conditioners at a cost of \$10 per unit, thanks to a partnership with Tri County Recycle. For more information on dumping refrigerant appliances or other material call Hood River Garbage at, 541-386-2272.

Safe & Secure Disposal of Unwanted Medications: Unwanted or unused medications can now be disposed of in an environmentally sound disposal. A secure container has been installed in the Justice Court lobby, 440 SW WaNaPa Street, next to the Columbia Market store. You may dispose of the medications Monday – Friday 8:30AM to 4:30PM. Please do not flush unwanted or unused medications down the toilet. Flushing means they can get in the ground water system and impact fish, wildlife or even you.

FISH Food Bank Hours: FISH Food Bank will be open on Wednesday, April 24, 2:00PM – 6:00PM, and the following Saturday, April 27, 11:00AM - 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 day a month unloading the food delivery truck or at a regular Wednesday or Saturday monthly distribution? Please contact Samantha Verschuren, 971-258-7348, to take advantage of a volunteer opportunity to help in your community.

Hood River County Dog License Available at 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.

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.

Cascade Locks Historical Museum: The Museum Opens March 2 – October 31. Hours of operation: Thursdays – Mondays 10:00AM – 5:00PM. Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Admission is \$1 for local residents and free for students in Hood River Co. School District. **Museum Phone Number 541-203-0881.** Volunteer Opportunities: Become a Museum Board Member or help with fundraising and trivia night events. Please send a letter of interest to director@cascadelocksmuseum.org

Billing Cycle & Payment Methods: Utility bills are due by the 15th day of the month to avoid a \$3.00 late fee. If the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, the bill is due by the next working day. Accounts holding a balance by the last working day of the month will be subject to a red tag disconnect notice and a \$10.00 fee. Utility payments can be made online at the City of Cascade Locks website; www.cascade-locks.or.us. Xpress Bill Pay offers easy online payment options such as automatic bill pay and e-mail reminders. You can view your utility invoice, print a copy and view the payment and billing history. There is a 3% transaction fee on debit or credit cards, e-checks (electronic checks) will be assessed a \$1.00 fee no matter the amount of payment. For questions or assistance in setting up autopay contact Xpress Bill Pay Customer Support at 800-766-2350. Should you have any questions, please contact City Hall.

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. 457 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 at 541-386-2272 to set up garbage service. There are several options to choose from. Thank you for your cooperation! **Recycling:** Recycling will be picked up by Hood River Garbage on April 3 and 17.

City Yard Debris Collection Program: The City will be changing the date and hours the yard debris pile at the treatment plant is accessible to residents to deposit yard debris. Starting in April the yard debris pile will be open once a month for residents to deposit yard debris. The news hours of operation will be the last Thursday of each month from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Below are the dates for the remainder of 2024. April 25, May 30, June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 31 and December 26.