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Cascade Locks' News

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ELECTRIC ONLY
541-392-4109

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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 holds its regular meetings on the second and fourth Monday of each month. The Council will meet on Monday, June 10 and Monday, June 24. 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: 3 vacancies
- Tourism Committee: 2 vacancies
- Budget Committee: 1 vacancy

Consider Serving Your Community On The Cascade Locks City Council:

Four Positions up for election in November: Mayor – two year term. Three Councilor positions – four year terms. Candidates must have been a resident of the City for a continuous period of 12 months immediately preceding the election and must continue residency during the term of office. Candidates must be registered to vote within the City for 12 continuous months immediately preceding the election. Candidates cannot be a candidate in a single election for more than one elective office and cannot serve simultaneously in more than one public elective office. Election packets available at City Hall or at www.cascade-locks.or.us. **First day to file for Mayor or City Councilor is June 5, 2024. Deadline to file for Mayor or City Councilor is 6:00PM, August 27, 2024.**

FREE Hazardous Waste Collection Event: Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Eastgate Park (in front of the Cemetery). Get rid of unwanted dangerous and hazardous materials such as, oil and latex paint, yard and garden products, household cleaners and chemicals, automotive fluids, old gas and kerosene, pool and spa chemicals, propane bottles and tanks, all batteries, ballasts, fluorescent tubes and CFL Bulbs, fire extinguishers. E-waste, cell phones and unwanted medicines. **No refrigerants** will be accepted this year. For more information call Tri-County Recycling 541-506-2529. You may pre-register at tricountyrecycle.com.

Summer Irrigation Rates: will be in effect from May 1 – October 20. The sewer rate will remain at \$45.40 per month regardless of water consumption. The water rate is \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.

Mid Columbia Community Action Summer Cooling Assistance: Begins June 1 for Senior/Disabled first and low income later if funding allows. For more information or to set up an appointment call MCCA at 541-298-5131 ext. 310, leave your name and contact phone number.

Senior Sewer Subsidy: In June of each year the City offers a discount on the basic sewer charge to qualifying senior citizens. The discount is half of the basic sewer rate, \$22.70 per month. Applications for the subsidy are available at City Hall Office. To be eligible for the discount you must be at least 65 years of age, hold a utility account with the City of Cascade Locks, and fall within the federal low-income guidelines. Please provide proof of income, 2023 taxes or 3 consecutive months (October, November, December 2022) of a bank statement, Social Security Benefit Statement. Applications will be accepted beginning June 1 until June 30. Sewer Subsidy is limited to the first 11 qualifying applicants. Seniors who received the subsidy previously must reapply each year.

Community Secure Drug Take Back Receptible: Dispose of unwanted, expired or surplus medications easily and quickly. A secure container has been installed in the Justice Court lobby, 440 SW WaNaPa Street, next door to the Columbia Market store. Unwanted medication can be dropped off Monday – Friday, 8AM to 5PM. 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, June 26, 2:00PM – 6:00PM, and the following Saturday, June 29, 11:00AM - noon at City Hall gym. Food Bank is accepting donations of food items or personal care items such as, soap, toothpaste and shampoo. Please do not drop off clothing or donations of clothing or household items. 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? Contact Samantha Verschuren, 971-258-7348, for more information on volunteer opportunities.

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 is open 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.**

City Yard Debris Collection Program: The City yard debris burn pile is open once a month for residents to deposit yard debris. The hours of operation is the last Thursday of each month from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The dates for the remainder of 2024 are; June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 31 and December 26. The yard debris burn pile is located at 105 NE Herman Creek Lane.

2024 Burn Permits: Burn Permits can be purchased at City Hall Office, Mon. – Thu., 8AM – 6PM for the calendar year of 2024. A residential permit is \$10 and is valid for the calendar year. Current Burn times are 6:00AM – 11AM. Burn Ban begins on July 1. Call the burn line prior to burning to get the most up to date information and burn times, 541-374-8510 option #3.