



Catch Culver

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Mayor's Message

You are invited to attend the Purple Heart City dedication ceremony to be held on November 12th at noon in the Culver Veterans Memorial Park. We will have the VFW Honor Guard raise the flag, John Granby will sing the National Anthem, I will read the Proclamation and the Purple Heart City signs will be unveiled. After the ceremony, lunch will be served under the pavilion. According to the website Purple Heart Day, "On August 7, 1782, General George Washington - then the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army - established the Purple Heart award, originally designated as the Badge of Military Merit. The Purple Heart exists in its current form since 1932, and is awarded to service members "wounded or killed in any action against an enemy of the United States or as a result of an act of any such enemy or opposing armed forces". Please join us November 12th.

Many thanks to those who have met with me, asked questions or offered ideas. I appreciate it! If you would like to "Have Coffee With the Mayor", send me an email at the address below.

Congratulations to Kim Symons who has accepted the position of Public Works Supervisor. Kim brings with her an enthusiasm for our city, ideas on how to be more cost effective and also is able to divide her time between her many department job duties and making sure she is able to return phone calls and email. She will be contributing to this newsletter. Thanks to the Volunteers at Opportunity Foundation who have been coming weekly and cleaning areas of city hall! In doing this they are learning job skill and providing a valuable service to the city.

This month's highlighted organization that accepts volunteers is Jefferson County EMS. Read about it on page 3.

Turn to page 4 to find out what one of my favorite things to do is as your Mayor!

On behalf of the City Council, Staff and myself,
may you and yours have a Safe,
Wonderful Thanksgiving!

Nancy Diaz
Mayor
diaznancy735@gmail.com



Calendar of Events	
Election Day	11-6
CCIG Bingo at City Hall	11-16
Workshop 6:00 PM	11-19
City Council Meeting 6:30	
HAPPY THANKSGIVING	11-22
Free BP & glucose check	11-26
TOPS Bazaar	12-1
Planning Commission	12-5
Santas Workshop	12-8
Bingo	12-9

EMERGENCY 911

Fire Department.....	541-475-7274
Burn Info Recording.....	541-475-1789
Police Dispatch.....	541-475-2201
Animal Control.....	541-475-2201
Street Light problems.....	888-221-7070

City Contact List	
City Council	
Nancy Diaz, Mayor	
Sharon Orr, Public Relations	
Hilario Diaz, Buildings & Fire	
Andy Byrd, Public Safety	
Warren Walker, Waste & Storm water	
Bart Carpenter, Parks	
Chuck Rushing, Streets & Trans.	
City Staff	
Donna McCormack...	541-419-5330
Kim Symons.....	541-678-2097



CULVER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Oct. 15, 2018

Workshop – 6:00p.m.

The workshop was opened and Donna McCormack reviewed the building permit program finance and answered questions about how the program works. The city council workshop will be a meeting with the County Commissioners at the next workshop in November.

City Council Meeting - 6:30 p.m. ROLL CALL & ACTION ITEMS: Mayor Nancy Diaz as well as Councilors Chuck Rushing, Bart Carpenter, Warren Walker and Hilario Diaz were present. Mayor Diaz and Councilor Diaz declared a conflict of interest as there was a bill presented for reimbursement of expenses for the LOC Conference. The consent agenda was approved.

CITIZEN INPUT, & PUBLIC COMMENTS: Commissioner Mae Huston invited everyone to attend a costume party and bowling to support Relay for Life.

OLD BUSINESS: Purple Heart City: The ceremony is now scheduled for 12:00 noon on November 12, 2018. Jon Granby is planned to sing the national anthem and the VFW will be participating as well as many others. The Purple Heart City Proclamation was approved by the council. **Fire Department Door:** Kim Symons reported she has been working to complete projects which have been started but not finished with one of them being the fire department door. The door needs replaced because it swells and sticks as well as moisture causes it to freeze closed in the winter. The council authorized a maximum amount of \$1,500.00 for the project.

NEW BUSINESS: Purchasing Policy Revision: Donna McCormack reported the existing purchasing policy has worked for many years but there are times now when the lack of flexibility and the time required makes the city lose opportunity to purchase at the best price. The draft purchasing policy was reviewed and discussed. The council approved the purchasing policy and provided staff guidelines. **OAWU Conference:** Donna McCormack reported EV Smith is available and willing to attend the December Oregon Association of Water Utilities conference in order to maintain his licensing. Kim Symons will also attend the conference in December. **Public Works Superintendent Hiring Process:** The hiring committee will be the Mayor plus Donna McCormack, EV Smith, Bart Carpenter, and Chuck Rushing. The council authorized the committee to make the selection. A meeting was set for 2:00 on Oct. 16th to review the applications.

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORTS: **Patti Carpenter** reported on the Chamber of Commerce meeting. **Jack Icker** reported he attended the water meeting and visited Wickiup Reservoir. **Public Works:** Kim Symons reported: 1) It has been a busy month she is working on her licensing for the sewer system. There is concern about pump #2. 2) The park is winterized but the people are still using the park and she requested renting a porta-potty. 3) She has been working with Councilor Rushing to inventory the street condition and signs. 4) The windows at City Hall are next on the list for replacement. **Councilor Carpenter** suggested the council go out to bid to remove and replace the extension to the building as he feels it is a safety liability. The council decided to discuss it at the next meeting and asked for it to be included on the agenda. **Administration:** Donna McCormack reported: 1) The state parks has received many requests for grant extensions and the council directed Donna to request an extension to Oct. 1 of 2020. **Attorney Report:** Paul Sumner: 1) He attended the Attorney's Conference at the LOC meeting and it was very informative. 2) He has been working with Tammy Wisco on the language for the Code changes and the project is moving forward. **Councilor Diaz** – The LOC Conference was very informative and he learned a lot about the role of the council and preparing for natural disasters. **Councilor Walker** – He is still dealing with health issues but is doing okay. **Councilor Rushing** – He attended the fire department meeting and has been working with public works to inventory the street condition. **MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Diaz reported she attended the LOC Conference and the city received the Gold Safety Award. She appreciates staff's commitment to safety.

An EXECUTIVE SESSION authorized by ORS 192.660 (2) (h) was held and the council authorized payment to FrameWorks Plus with conditions. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m. with the next regular meeting scheduled for Nov. 19, 2018.

(The above is a summary of the city council actions, a complete copy of the minutes are available at Culver City Hall.)

City Hall will be closed from Noon November 20th thru Friday November 23rd for Thanksgiving. It will open and resume normal hours on November 26th.



Worship Services

Culver Christian Church

501 Fourth Ave.
(541) 546-3301

Church of the Nazarene

600 Third Ave.
(541) 546-3473

Grace Fellowship Church

Corner of First & B St.
Culver, OR 97734

The Recycle Center is open each month on the first and third Saturday from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. The recycle center is located immediately west of the rail-road tracks on Iris Ave. (on the right after crossing the tracks.)



Lunch Menu for November/December 2018 \$3.50 per Person

November 1st

Meat Loaf, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Hot Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Dessert

November 5th

Stuffed Chicken Hot Vegetable, Roll, Dessert

November 8th

Holiday Meal

Fruit Salad, Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Roll, Hot Vegetables, Dessert

November 12

CLOSED

November 15th

Chicken Enchilada, Hot Vegetable, Fruit Salad, Dessert

November 22nd

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

November 26th

Chefs Salad, Vegetable Soup, Bread Stick, Dessert

November 29th

Taco Salad, Hot Vegetable Dessert

Volunteer with Jefferson County EMS

Volunteering with Jefferson County Emergency Medical Services brings amazing opportunities; gain professional development with colleagues and other surrounding agencies and immense pride from your accomplishments and the knowledge and skills you can acquire from your emergency medical training here with JCEMS. Volunteers have the opportunity to work in a unique rural EMS experience in a 911 setting along with community stand by's and outreach.

If you would like to be a volunteer feel free to stop by the station to pick up an application during office hours located at 360 SW Culver Highway in Madras. Give us a call at 541-475-7476. Apply online at our website www.jeffersoncountyems.com; be sure to click under the employment tab. You can also message us on Facebook!

Volunteering enriches the lives of our community that we serve and along the way we have fun too.



- The City of Culver will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 6pm to receive public testimony or comments regarding amendments to the Culver Municipal Code Section 16.24 Improvements of Title 16. Subdivisions. The proposed amendments expand the the requirements and options for stormwater management of proposed subdivisions. All interested persons may appear, be heard, be represented by counsel, or send written signed testimony. All written comments must be received by the City prior to the hearing date or submitted at the hearing. A staff report will be available at City Hall



Maintenance Department!

Parks!

It's that time of year. Our city park has been winterized for the season. The bathrooms have been closed, and the water shut down. Please remember when you are enjoying time with pets, to please pick up after them. We are working on getting pet waste removal bags for our park, but for now, please bring your own. The garbage this time of year seems to blow all over. If you are out enjoying our community for a walk or just enjoying the park, please help by picking up garbage. Thank you for helping keep our park clean and enjoyable for all.

Streets!

As we move into snow removal season, please be mindful how you park your vehicles. When they are parked on the streets it gives limited access for our equipment. Also remember our youth are still walking to and from school, so let us all watch our speed.

Grass pile!

Our grass clippings pile is a wonderful perk for our community. Although in the last couple years it has grown to be a little unmanageable. We have had several landscaping businesses use this as a dumping spot for their debris, as well as some in our community, dumping garbage and branches. This is a reminder, it is grass clippings only. We do not want to lose this awesome feature here, so help us all take care of it. Any volunteers for this would be greatly appreciated.

Sewer!

As you may know our community is growing. Our sewer maintenance is a huge part of our growth. In order to maintain good breakdown and flow, it's important to have basic knowledge of the system. We have a very effective, basic system. Our sewer flows out to our lift station, and then is pushed up to our holding ponds. These ponds then start the breakdown process. For this to work without clogged lines or plugged pumps, we need to be mindful of what goes down our drains and toilets. Grease poured down our drains, does not just disappear. It collects and builds blockages that end up collecting everything else. It is important not to flush anything but toilet paper down the toilet. Wipes that say they are flush-able are not. These wipes, baby wipes, and feminine hygiene products, catch on these blockages and create costly problems. They can cause back up issues in our homes and businesses and can create expensive break downs on our pumps. We as a community are responsible to be aware and proactive in helping to do our part in maintaining our system for future use.

Volunteers!

Culver Is an amazing community, with a lot of different programs. If you like to get out, and be a part of the community, maybe volunteering is for you. We also have a position for a back up driver in our meals program. At times we have projects that need volunteers as well. Please contact Donna if you would like to give back to your community.

Sincerely,
Kim Symons
Public Works

On Wednesday, 10/24, I was honored to attend the 3rd grade combined classes of Mrs. Harringshaw and Mr. Ivey. Each year the students will make a city and then the two teachers will add their things, such as businesses, streets, over the students houses, etc. I then get asked to come and explain how the students can take care of these issues

