

City of Union Oregon **NEWSLETTER**

"PROMOTE RURAL VALUES, PROTECT LOCAL ASSETS AND FOSTER COMMUNITY PRIDE"

342 South Main Street P.O. Box 529 Union, OR 97883 541-562-5197 Fax 541-562-5196 cityhall@CityOfUnion.com www.CityOfUnion.com

CITY HALL Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Open During Lunch

UNION CARNEGIE LIBRARY Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

September 2021



From The Desk Of

Doug Wiggins
City Administrator

Many projects were worked on through August and more to continue through September.

I must say and I will probably jinx us, the Wastewater treatment plant in August ran smooth without any major catastrophes. While there are some big projects to get started out there this fall, winter, and spring, it is nice to see this plant running more efficiently, causing so much less downtime.

At the Ranger Station, siding has continued, and the delays have been due to product and schedules. We received word we could begin cover on the inside and will be on this during inclement weather days. New doors are coming, but as with most construction items this year they are taking a very long time.

If you have not had a chance to check the park out at night, the new lights have been installed and we were able to wrap the project up. We believe this has been an excellent upgrade to the park. Comments from the public in general have been well received with the fact the lights are a bit brighter and will make the walking safer.

The final hearing on the new water and sewer rates will be September 13, 2021. If passed by Council these new rates will become effective October 1st, 2021. Copies of the Ordinance are available at City Hall for viewing if you wish to see.

Pothole patching began in August and will continue through September. As most of you have observed Bryan and W. Dearborn Streets were chip sealed with a fog seal that followed at the end of the month. This should add 7-10 years of life to those roads.

For September we will continue to button up projects and work at the Ranger Station. Glad to see school can start up again and with that please watch for children in the mornings.

GO BOBCATS!

BURN BAN STILL IN EFFECT FOR ALL OPEN BURNING

**BURN BARRELS WITH SPARK ARRESTER ARE
PERMITTED WITH A CURRENT BURN PERMIT**

The City of Union has an immediate job opening for an Ordinance Enforcement Officer.

The requirements for this position includes good communication skills, computer knowledge and skills, ability to learn and enforce city ordinances. This position is 16 hours a week, Monday ~ Thursday, 10:00am ~ 2:00pm. This position requires one Wednesday evening once quarterly to represent the city at our municipal court held here at city hall.

Pay for this position starts at \$14.00 per hour.

Applications are available at city hall, or by emailing lauradodds@cityofunion.com This position will remain open until filled.

If you have any questions regarding this position please feel free to call city hall at 541-562-5197 or by emailing lauradodds@cityofunion.com

Student Liaison Seat.....

The City acknowledges the importance of youth participation in local government. The student liaison seat is the perfect way for your student to become involved in his/her community and local government. And it will look great on that college application too!!

Student must be 11th or 12th grade and be available to attend monthly City Council meetings on the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm.

The City of Union will grant a \$500 scholarship upon completion of a successful one year term and enrollment of college.

Applications can be picked up at City Hall or by emailing lauradodds@cityofunion.com.



August Council Meetings

September 13th

Council Work Session @ 6:00pm

Council Meeting @ 7:00pm

September 27th

Council Work Session @ 6:00pm

All meetings are held in the Leonard

Almquist Chambers at City Hall.

Masks are required when attending meetings.

Meetings are live streamed and can be viewed on our Facebook page. Or you can view them any time later on our website www.cityofunion.com

Like us on Facebook!



PIZZA / POTLUCK

PUBLIC MEETING

Join us September 23rd at 6:00pm

Catherine Creek Community Center

667 N Main Street ~ Union OR 97883

Pizza and a facilitated conversation with Ducote Consulting.

Take a few minutes to fill out or survey.

The new Catherine Creek Community Center, which was previously the Union Methodist Church, would like to hear from you!

As we begin to hold events and serve the community, we want to find out what you want from us.

COUNCIL CORNER:

Current City Council Topics Include:



- ⇒ CDBG Grant
- ⇒ New state legislations pertaining to planning laws and homeless.
- ⇒ Ranger Station project
- ⇒ Water/Sewer Rate Study
- ⇒ Recent COVID updates

City Council Members ~

Susan Hawkins

Leslie McMillan

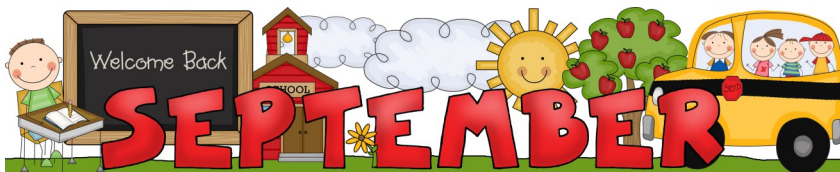
Tim Cox

Terra Richter

John Farmer

Heidi Denton

Mayor Leonard Flint



Union Carnegie Public Library

182 North Main ~ Union OR 97883

541~562~5811

Hours:

Mon ~ Fri 10:00 to 6:00

Saturday 10:00 to 3:00

Storytime Tuesdays 10:00

****Masks and social distancing required****

School Zone Safety Tips.....

- ◆ Be aware for school zone signals and of school zone speed limits
- ◆ When entering a school zone, always slow down and obey traffic laws
- ◆ Always stop for school busses that are loading and unloading children. Often children must cross the road to and from a bus stop.
- ◆ Look for children near school grounds, bus stops, sidewalks, parking lots and in the streets.
- ◆ While driving, never pass other vehicles, change lanes, make U-turns or text in a school zone.
- ◆ Avoid using a cell phone, unless it is completely hands-free while driving in a school zone.
- ◆ Unless licensed to do so, never use a handicap or emergency vehicle lanes or spaces to drop off or pick up children at school.

Please stay vigilant and aware to keep our community's children safe!



Catherine Creek Community Center

Programs and Services

Community Resource Center

Open 10:00 - 2:00 Fridays

Computer, WiFi and Printer

Food Pantry

3rd Friday of each month

10:00 - 2:00

Community Meals

Monthly - 4th Friday

Music Lesson Classes

Events– Music Festivals, Reunions, Weddings, Funerals, Family Gatherings, Church services.

Preschool Playgroup– TBA

667 N. Main Union OR

541-562-2038

Operated by the

Friends of the Historic Union Community Hall

www.CatherineCreekCommunityCenter.com





City Hall Hours
Monday ~ Thursday
10:00am ~ 5:00pm
Closed Friday's ~
or by appointment

For questions regarding your
utility bill call us at 541-562-5197

A Volunteer....

.....Someone who gives their time, effort and talents to meet a need or mission.

Long before there were vehicles in the City of Union for fire protection, there were horse teams, a hose and a wagon, and there were volunteers. Those volunteers responded to the alarms when they sounded, at times dragging hoses themselves or packing buckets. Those volunteers did what they did because of their love for the community in which they lived.

The City of Union's fire and ambulance department still operates by the dedication of volunteers. These departments are in need of additional volunteer help. Do you like learning new things? Do you enjoy being a part of a great team? Do you have the desire to make a difference in your community? You could be just the person we need!!

The City will provide the training and equipment that is required to become a part of this great team of professionals who provide such excellent protection for our community.

If you have the desire, dedication and drive to become a volunteer firefighter, EMT or driver, contact city hall today for more information on how to apply!! Call 541-562-5197 or email lauradodds@cityofunion.com



ORGANIZATION	MEETING DATE	LOCATION	TIME	PHONE
Awana	Every Thurs/during school year	Baptist Church	6:30pm	541-562-5870
Catherine Creek Community Center	4th Thursday of month	Community Center	6:00pm	
City of Union Chamber	2nd Thurs of the month		6:00 pm	unionchamber@eoni.com
City Council	2nd Mon of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
Council Work Sessions	2 nd & 4 th Mon of month	City Hall	6.00 pm	541-562-5197
CUP Medical Association	2 nd Tues of the month	251 S Main	6:00 pm	541-910-6268
Order of Eastern Star	2nd Wed of the month	Masonic Hall	7:00 pm	541-805-0779
EMS Department	1st Mon of the month	Rural Fire Hall	7:00 pm	541-910-6002
EOLS Board	2nd Tues of the month	EOLS Club House	7:00 pm	541-562-5631
Food Bank	3 rd Friday of the month	Catherine Creek CommCtr	10-11:00am	541-562-2038
Friends of the Library	2 nd Tues January, April, July & November	Union Library	7:00 pm	541-562-5807
Grande Ronde Valley Masonic	3 rd Wed of the month	Masonic Hall	7:30pm	
Historic Preservation	3 rd Wed of the month	City Hall	6:00pm	541-562-5197
Library Board	4 th Wed of July, Oct, Jan, April	Library	4:00 pm	541-562-5811
Lions Club	3 rd Tues of the month	Sports Complex	5:30 pm	PO Box 337
Mainstreet Union & Economic Development	2nd Thursday of the month	Call contact # for location	7:00 pm	541-910-7048
Planning Commission	3rd Wed of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
Senior Lunch	Every Tuesday	VFW Hall	12:00 pm	
School Board	2nd Wed of the month	Athletic Complex	6:00 pm	541-562-5166
South County Health Dist	Last Friday of month / Oct, Jan, April, and July	Health Clinic	1:30 pm	541-562-2222
Union Cemetery Board	2 nd Tues of the month	Union Cemetery Office	9:00 am	541-562-5212
VFW Bingo	Every Wednesday night	VFW Hall	5 pm	541-562-6035
VFW Formal meeting	1st Thursday of month	VFW Hall	7 pm	541-562-6035

Community Calendar