

Our Town

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Mayor's Corner

Happy New Year!

Ray Smith, Mayor

The new year has arrived. The City of Coburg has a lot going on this new year. We have accomplished much and have much more to do. This is our first year in a decade that the City has not operated with a General Fund deficit. We are in the midst of a Visioning project to receive input from the community about where Coburg should go in the future.

I mentioned in the last edition of Mayor's Corner that this is a very important part of the government planning process. The input received from this process will determine what priorities the council and staff will set in the immediate future and for a ten year planning goal.

Every year the City Council sets goals that create the budgeting and staff time priorities for that year. The input from the Visioning process of community surveys and meetings will help sharpen the

focus on these goals. This is the time to bring your thoughts and wishes forward. Please participate in the information gathering process, so that City Council can act with solid information from the community to set these goals.

We will have a new member on the Council. Nancy Bell will fill the position of out-going Jerry Behney. Former Councilor Behney put in countless hours on the Council and as representative on the MPO and Lane ACT, missing only two of the monthly meetings in four years. He also was on the technical advisory committee for the wastewater project which helped make many tough decisions on that very large project. I personally will miss Councilor Behney's easy going yet very thoughtful attitude in the Council meetings. Thank you Jerry for your commitment and expertise during some very tough times in our City's history.

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City Council Brief

Highlights of actions and topics the Coburg City Council has recently addressed and issues likely to be discussed in the next couple of months.



NOVEMBER

- Congratulations to Judy Baily who retired after 19 years with Coburg Police Department
- Community Visioning | Main Street Citizen Advisory Committee appointed
- Planning Commissioner’s annual appointment
- Appointment of Michelle Healey to the Heritage Committee

DECEMBER

Urban Renewal District

- Review the first quarter financials and the Audit report for FY 14/15

City Council

- Introduction of New Police Clerk | Evidence Technician, David Gregory
- Recognition of Councilor Behney for nine years services as a City Councilor
- Approved a letter of support for Coburg Community Charter School
- Approved Park Committee recommendation to add a budget line item for street tree revenue
- Public hearing and First Reading on ORD A-240; An Ordinance adopting a technology assessment on development permits purchases through the E-Permit Software.
- Adoption of Resolution 2016-19 certifying the results of the November 8, 2016 General Election

Annual City Council Retreat

January 21st, 8:00 am

32790 E Maple St



We Need You!

Have you considered volunteering for the many City committees? Our volunteers are critical to the shared success of our town! You can make a big difference! There are currently vacancies for the following committees. See www.coburgoregon.org for more information, or stop-by Coburg City Hall.

- Audit and Finance Committee (quarterly)
- Budget Committee (weekly in Spring for 3-5 meetings)

Coburg Committee Highlights

Updates on what the Coburg Committees have recently accomplished or are currently addressing.

Planning Commission

November

- Discussed upcoming Development Code Update process
- Discussed Community Visioning and the Planning Commission role

December

- December meeting cancelled



Coburg City Hall looking south from Willamette St.

Heritage Committee

- Voted for new member to fill vacant position
- Committee discussion on new project ideas
- Discussed Community Visioning and the Heritage Committee role

Audit/Finance Committee

- Financial report on the 1st quarter of FY17
- Finance Director presented an update on audit

Park/Tree Committee

November

- Work session on Park Master Plan updates
- Recommendations to City Council regarding trees & tree funds
- Discussed Spores Park improvements
- Discussed moving kiosk

December

- Discussed goals for 2017
- Discussed volunteer opportunities
- Scheduled work sessions for January, February and March before regular scheduled meetings

CITY OF COBURG STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS



PRESENTED BY MAYOR RAY SMITH

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017 | 6:30P.M.

COBURG CITY HALL | 91136 N WILLAMETTE ST. | COBURG, OR 97408

Updated City Website

Check out the City of Coburg's updated website at www.coburgoregon.org and tell us what you think!



Meet Coburg City Councilor — Nancy Bell



Councilor Nancy Bell

Nancy Bell was elected to a four year term as City Councilor in November. She will take the Oath of Office at the January 10, 2017 City Council Meeting.

Nancy is a native Oregonian and grew up on a small multi-purpose family farm east of Salem

in the Silverton hills. She has spent most of her adult life living in rural areas or small suburban communities while raising four children. For the last 30+ years she has been employed as a registered nurse

at Samaritan Health Services in Corvallis, where she continued to develop her passion for healthy communities and a commitment to serving others. During this time she was able to work on many projects to enhance community involvement and address health care disparities.

Since her semi-retirement in January 2016, she hopes to spend more time doing the things she loves in this vibrant small town atmosphere. She loves living in this community because of the many social events, friendly people and beautiful vistas. While on the city council she wants to focus on maintaining the livability, economic sustainability, and the welfare of the citizens of this area.

Meet City Staff — Joanne Luckey

Joanne Luckey spent nine months at the City as administrative support through the Experience Works Program. In October 2016, she applied for and was hired as Utility Billing/Administrative Assistant. This means she will be the primary point of contact if you have question regarding your utility bill, making payments or setting up auto-pay. She will also be assisting finance with accounts receivable and payables.

Joanne is a native Oregonian. She worked in automotive accounting and payroll for 20 years. She retired from Kendall Auto Group in 2013. After

enjoying a few years of retirement she decided to go back to work part-time.

Joanne enjoys working in Coburg and has recently moved here. She also enjoys being outdoors, spending time with her daughter, and reconnecting with old friends. Stop by City Hall and introduce yourself.



Joanne Luckey

Shop With a Cop 2016



Due to your generous donations we were able to take five kids shopping this year. Each child had \$125 to spend on themselves and their family for Christmas presents. As you can see they were all pretty good shoppers.

Thanks for all the support. — Chief Larry Larson

HAVE YOU ENJOYED the COBURG QUILT SHOW These Last 12 Years?

We certainly have . . . but unless someone steps forward to Chair the Quilt Show Committee, it doesn't look like we'll be having a show in July.

Some of the committee leaders (Quilt Take-In, Hoffman Challenge, Entertainment, Information Booth, Silent Auction and Park Set-Up) will be more than happy to return if we can find someone to Chair the show.



Also needed will be a Secretary and the following committee leads: Volunteers, Sponsorships, Raffle Quilt, Printing & Banners, Treasurer, Program Guide, Advertising, and Vendors.

Please contact Karen Klemme at (541) 343-6407 if you would be interested.

Coburg Community Visioning 2017

A Super Opportunity to Get Involved!

The community of Coburg and RDI are working on a collaborative process to create a 20-year Community Vision for the City.

Through this visioning process, residents of the city will reflect on current and potential opportunities and think creatively about the future.

The key objectives are to:

- Produce a 20-year Vision Statement that will guide future actions and support any future Comprehensive Plan update
- Engage a broad and inclusive representation of voices in the community to ensure that the aspirations and priorities reflected in the vision are community driven

- Ensure community buy-in, awareness, and coordinated follow-up actions for the Coburg Community Vision

The community Vision Statement generated by this process will help the community create tangible options for City Council direction!

Join us for our Kick-Off event! All members of the Coburg area are invited. Contact Jess Hampton at jhampton@rdiinc.org, 541-684-9077 x7026.

January 9th, 5:30pm
Coburg City Hall
91136 N Willamette St

Parents Night Out



Coburg Police Department would like to send out a special thanks to everyone who supported our annual Parents Night Out.

It was a record year with over 70 kids and \$593 in donation to the Coburg Reserve Police Officer program.

A special thanks to all the volunteers, Coburg Reserve Police Officers and Coburg Pizza Company for all they did for this year's event.

Thanks!



Celebrating People in Coburg!

Do you have a success story you would like to share?

Please email your story – and a photo - to sammy.egbert@ci.coburg.or.us.

CCCS Bronco News January/February 2017

School is back in session after a longer than usual winter break due to weather, but the students sure enjoyed the extra few days off! CCCS was very fortunate during the ice storm; the building was not damaged.

With the new year ahead, we have exciting events coming up and opportunities for community members and volunteers to be a part of teaching our youth!

Skill Days begin February 24th. This unique program allows our students in Kindergarten-5th grade to learn a skill and/or hobby in which they have little to no prior experience. The program is completely taught by volunteers. If you or someone you know has a skill to share, please contact Jen Kelley at j.kelley@coburgcharter.org or 541-344-4113, or just stop by. Class sizes are small, typically 8-15 students depending on volunteer preference. This is one program many students look forward to every year!

The CCCS Annual Auction is quickly approaching and we have quite the beachy theme! Auction tickets will go on sale beginning mid-January. This year's auction is at Valley River Inn on Saturday, March 4th. Tickets will be sold at the CCCS front office. If you or your company would like to be a part of the auction by donating or becoming a sponsor please contact Andrea McGarvey at pcs@coburgcharter.org. The annual auction is the largest fundraiser for CCCS!

CCCS will be holding an Art Walk for the first time this spring on April 13th. All are welcome to attend! This is a way for our students to showcase art work they have created while raising money for CCCS. More information will be posted as the date nears. If you would like to be a part of this event please contact PCS at pcs@coburgcharter.org.

Thank you to the following businesses who have supported CCCS financially:

- Del Oeste Equine Hospital
- Olsson Industrial Electric



Coburg Community Charter School playground

Upcoming Events at CCCS:

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| January 4th | Classes Resume |
| January 9th | PCS Meeting, Board Meeting |
| January 16th | No School |
| January 20th | Talent Show |
| January 31st | Band Concert |
| February 3rd | No School |
| February 6th | PCS Meeting |
| February 13th | Board Meeting |
| February 17th, 20th | No School |
| February 24, March 3,10,17 | Skill Days |
| March 4th | Annual Auction |
| March 13th | Board Meeting |
| April 13th | Art Walk |

Icy Conditions Review

Coburg Public Works would like to thank everyone for being patient during the clean-up of the storm that came through in December! Crews worked overtime to clear the streets, secure the water and wastewater systems, and help residents. Considering this experience, we would like to remind the community that during the clean-up Public Works will not be clearing limbs and debris from private property; only limbs and debris from the trees that fell into the City Right of Way.



During storm events, if limbs fall on streets and cause road closures or obstructions, please call the Public Works Emergency Pager at 541-683-0081. If possible stay indoors to allow Public Works, Fire, and Police to move about freely and safely. Further, during an event such as the ice storm, don't walk near or under trees due to the high danger of falling limbs and live electric lines. NEVER APPROACH ANY DOWNED LINES. It is very difficult to determine whether the line might be live electrical power or the line of another utility. If you have a downed line in your area or on your property please call Pacific Power and Light at 1-877-548-3768 or 911.

During power outages, it is important to remember that you only have about 24 hours of storage capacity in your septic tank, so please be cognisant of water use.

Again thank you everyone for keeping our local Public Works, Fire District, Police, and Linemen safety in your thoughts.



Crews are working their way through the City from street to street cleaning up limbs and leaves. If you may have questions regarding street trees you may contact the Public Works at 541-682-7857.

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I will give the State of the City address on January 10th at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. I'll announce the Citizen of the Year, and the newly elected officials (including myself) will be sworn in to office. All are welcome to attend.

Last month was notable for a nasty ice storm. We endured cold temperatures, trees snapping under the weight of all the ice, which in turn created power outages. Our public works department worked through the night with our volunteer firefighters to keep our streets clear and the community as safe as possible. My thanks to them, and all the first responders from the power company and more, for a quick cleanup and recovery.

Coburg has a lot to look forward to this year.

I hope we carry on our tradition of being good neighbors to each other and enjoy the wonderful small town and the people that make it such a great place to live.



Happy New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ray Smith".

Mayor Ray Smith

2016-2017 Leaf Pick-Up December 14 - January 22



- THE PICK UP IS LIMITED TO LEAF PILES ONLY
- PILES CONTAINING GARBAGE OR YARD DEBRIS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP
- LEAF PILES MUST BE ACCESSIBLE ON CITY RIGHT-OF- WAYS ONLY

Questions: 541-682-7857

Calendar



STANDING MEETINGS

2nd Mondays

CCCS SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

6:00 pm

3rd Mondays

ODDFELLOW MEETING

6:30 pm, I.O.O.F Hall

2nd Tuesdays

CITY COUNCIL

7:00 pm, Coburg

Contact, Sammy Egbert, City Recorder

541-682-7852

3rd Tuesdays

PARKS/TREE COMMITTEE

7:00 pm, City Hall

Contact, Brian Harmon, Public Works Director

541-682-7857

4th Tuesdays

COBURG FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 pm, Fire Hall

2nd Wednesdays

GRANGE MEETING

7:00 pm, Coburg Community Grange

3rd Wednesdays

PLANNING COMMISSION

7:00 pm, City Hall

Contact, Petra Schuetz, Planning Director

541-682-7871

3rd Wednesdays

HERITAGE COMMITTEE

6:00 pm, City Hall

Contact, Jeff Kernen, Planner

541-682-7858

3rd Wednesdays

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Noon, City Hall

4th Wednesdays (or as scheduled)

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS

6:30 pm, City Hall

Contact, Sammy Egbert, City Recorder

541-682-7852

1st Thursdays

METROPOLITAN POLICY

COMMITTEE

11:30 am (usually at the Eugene or

Springfield library)

Contact, Petra Schuetz, City Administrator

541-682-7871

1st Fridays

POKER NIGHT

6:30 pm Registration, 7:00 pm Game Begins

Coburg Community Grange

541-746-8655

Do you have a community event to share?

Call 541-682-7852

or email sammy.egbert@ci.coburg.or.us

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Questions About City Happenings?



We work for you! The City wants you to get the information you need and care about. Currently, Our Town, the Coburg website www.coburgoregon.org, the 'City of Coburg, Oregon' Facebook page, 'Coburg Police Department' Facebook Page, monthly utility bills, the Post Office (Dari-Mart), and City Hall are all places to get information about what is happening in and around Coburg. Council and committee meetings are also great resources.

What do you want to hear about? How do you like to get information? Let us know.

- Coburg City Staff
