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JANUARY 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



PAVILION RENTALS

Wishing you all the Happiest New Year 2022! If you have a Special Event to celebrate this year, please consider renting the Grass Valley Pavilion! We have weekend dates available still. Be sure to pay your deposit and reserve early to get your preferred date!

WASTEWATER FEASIBILITY STUDY

As long as the weather holds up, we plan to have Mr. Hodges here for our February City Council Meeting to update us on the Wastewater Feasibility Study! Please join us if you have any questions or just want to learn more about the study or the proposed project.

THANK YOU!!!

A HUGE Thank You to the State and County Road Departments, and our own Walter Grzeszczyk for keeping our roads and sidewalks passable and as safe as possible during the winter storms!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mighty Max's Bingo Night – POSTPONED! The planned Fundraiser night for Max (a Kindergartner at Sherman Elementary School), who has been diagnosed with vacterl and aberrant right subclavian artery, will be held at a later date.

HANS THE PRODUCE GUY

He has recently released his 2022 schedule. He plans to begin around April 15th and be in Sherman County on *Mondays*. His scheduling is as follows:

10:30 - 12:00 - Rufus

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4:30 - 6:00 - Grass Valley

<u>City Council Meetings</u> –1st Monday of each Month, unless otherwise posted, beginning at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: February 7th, 2022 – in the Grass Valley Market Annex!)

REMINDER: CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE GRASS VALLEY MARKET ANNEX THROUGH THE WINTER MONTHS!

<u>South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings</u> – Next Meeting: February 9th, 2022 at 6:30 PM

<u>Grass Valley Easter Egg Hunt</u> – Saturday, April 9th, 2022 at the Grass Valley Park/Pavilion. Save the Date!

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FEBRUARY 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Mid-Columbia Community Action has funding to help with utilities for low-income households. To schedule an appointment in Sherman County, call 541-298-5131 or try their new option to apply online at www.mccac.com today. They offer walk-in services at The Dalles office on Thursdays from 9am to 3pm (closed 12-1 pm for lunch) for households with past due or shutoff notices or a crisis situation. Households with a crisis situation and a past due bill may be eligible to receive assistance even if they have already had assistance this year. For more information, please call 541-298-5131 or email kbuckles@mccac.com

For garbage service, if a household has either The Dalles Disposal or Hood River Disposal service in their name, and has either a member of the household 60 or over or disabled, there is a small discount (\$3/month or \$6/billing cycle) AND if someone has the above garbage service in their name/spouse's name and reaches the age of 85, they qualify for FREE GARBAGE. This benefit does not require an income screening and they are eligible for the remainder of their life but it must be renewed yearly. For more information, or to sign up, contact MCCAC at 541-298-5131.

WASTEWATER SYSTEM

The City Council has recently completed a Feasibility Study for the possible addition of a Wastewater System for the City of Grass Valley. At our upcoming City Council meetings, there will be discussion on this topic. We would appreciate any input from residents on this matter! Our next meeting is Monday, March 7th at 7:00 PM in the Grass Valley Market Annex.

NOTICE OF VACANCY

The City of Grass Valley is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the City Council. If you are interested in this position, please submit a Letter of Interest to City Administrator, Whitney Cabral by March 30th, 2022. Letters can be dropped off at City Hall, emailed to cityofgrassvalley1901@gmail.com or mailed to: PO Box 191, Grass Valley, OR 97029.

To be eligible applicants must have been a resident of Grass Valley for the previous 12 months, and a registered and verified voter for the City of Grass Valley.

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MARCH 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



PARKING & UNINSURED VEHICLES

The City of Grass Valley is committed to maintaining a high-quality community environment. Our citizens expect us to do everything we can in this regard. However, this can only be achieved through the cooperation of everyone involved.

The City Council has identified multiple vehicles parked within City Right-of-Way that obstruct drivers' views creating a traffic hazard for drivers and individuals in the street, and vehicles that are not properly registered.

Exceptions have been made for parking along City Streets when off-street parking is not available; however, it is a violation to obstruct traffic or impede the flow of traffic whereby two vehicles cannot pass each other safely. This includes storage of inoperable, unlicensed and/or uninsured vehicles on City Right-of-Way.

If you need to park on City Right-of-Way, please be considerate of others and park as far off the street as possible and limit the number of vehicles to those driven on a daily basis. This will eliminate congestion on some of our narrow streets and help keep our City safe.

If you have questions relating to this issue, please feel free to contact the City Administrator at 541-993-2929 or the Mayor at 541-714-3169.

WASTEWATER SYSTEM

The City Council has recently completed a Feasibility Study for the possible addition of a Wastewater System for the City of Grass Valley. Your City Council is hosting a Community Outreach Informative Meeting on April
19th at 7:00 PM in the Grass Valley Pavilion. Snacks & refreshments will be provided by the City Council!

Please review the enclosed informative sheet and bring any questions, comments or concerns you may have to the April 19th Outreach Meeting!

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH – WASTEWATER

SYSTEM – Tuesday, April 19th, 2022 – Grass Valley Pavilion – 7:00 PM

<u>South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings</u> – Next Meeting: April 13th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM

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MARCH 2022

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WELCOME NEW COUNCILMEMBER!

The City of Grass Valley would like to WELCOME newly appointed Member, Joe Danielson to the City Council! The City appreciates Joe stepping up and assuming this position!

WASTEWATER SYSTEM

The recent Community Outreach Meeting was a great success! The Council would like to say THANK YOU to each and every one of you who came out to the Meeting, and those who joined online. Missed it? Check out our Facebook Page for the Live replay! We will also try to get it uploaded to our Webpage soon.

If you have any input, questions, comments, concerns or would just like to discuss this matter further, plan to attend any upcoming City Council Meeting! The Council welcomes all guests!

EASTER EGG HUNT - SUCCESS!!

Grass Valley's Annual Easter Egg Hunt was held in the Park/Pavilion on April 9th and once again, was a huge success! Unfortunately, due to the increasing winds however, the Bouncy Houses had to be postponed. They will be coming to the park in the near future in conjunction with the Farmers Market! Don't miss out! Come down, get your shopping in and let your kids enjoy the fun!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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<u>Budget Committee Meetings</u> for both the City Council and South Sherman Fire District will be held 30 minutes prior to their respective May Council & Board Meetings!

<u>South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings</u> – Next Meeting: May 11th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM

<u>Wasco Memorial Day Parade</u> – Monday, May 30th – held in Wasco - Festivities include Memorial Service, Parade, Car Show, Artisan Market, Food & Drink & Hootenany!

<u>Sherman County Harvest Fest</u> – Saturday, June 18th – held in Moro beginning at 4:00 PM – Enjoy Food & Drinks, Local Vendors, Wheat Tribute, Children's Fair, Games & Cornhole, Artisan Market, & Live Music!

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** Check out page 2 for more City Info & Updates! **

A LETTER FROM YOUR MAYOR:

Dear fellow Grass Valley Residents,

I hope everyone is able to get out and enjoy the warming weather as we ease out of winter and into spring.

During this time, I ask that we all keep each other in mind as fellow neighbors, you know the #1 rule "do unto others..."

The City and County provide recycling of many plastics, tin, glass and cardboard as well as burning or mulching of yard debris. Mr. Grzeszczyk, City Maintenance Manager, has done a great job of providing marked areas to dispose of all our yard debris at the recycling/burn pile.

Please limit burning in your barrels to personal mail/papers etc. It is against City Ordinance (and rule #1) to burn caustic materials or leave a burn barrel smoldering.

On the topic of burning, if you must burn, please be careful and follow posted burning rules. It is very easy for a small fire to get out of control and quickly escape your yard. We rely strictly on volunteers for our fire suppression and though they are highly motivated and well-trained individuals, it takes time to gather and dispatch a fire crew.

In closing, get out, enjoy the nice weather, and our town!

If anyone has questions about when or how to safely burn, there are notices in the Post Office or you can contact City Hall (541) 333-2434.

All ordinances are posted online at www.grassvalleyoregon.com

PROPERTY CLEAN-UP

It has been brought to the attention of the City Council that there are various residences around town that have excess garbage and "junk" piling up, as well as overgrown vegetation and unlicensed vehicles. Ordinance 400 Section 2 prohibits nuisances affecting public health, which includes the accumulation of garbage.

The City Council asks all residents to please inspect their properties and remove anything that is in violation of City Ordinances.

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MAY 2022

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<u>South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings</u> – Next Meeting: June 8th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM Budget Hearing – 7:30 PM

<u>Grass Valley Farmers Market</u> – Saturday, June 11th - The Sherman County Garden Club will be hosting a Garden Workshop in the Pavilion, in conjunction with the Farmers Market! Be sure to check them out! Weather permitting, there will also be bounce houses for the kids thanks to the generous donors throughout the County. Family fun for everyone!

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JUNE 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



ANNUAL CCR REPORT

Our Annual Quality Water Report is listed on our website (along with all past years' reports) for anyone who would like to view. You will find the report under the Announcement & Forms tab of our website: www.grassvalleyoregon.com

REMINDER - ORDINANCE #400

Section 29 – Junk Paragraph A. "The term "Junk," as used in this section includes but is not limited to, all old motor vehicles, old motor vehicle parts, abandoned autos, old machinery or machinery parts, discarded appliances or appliance parts, old iron or other metal, glass, paper, lumber, wood, or other waste or discarded material. For purposes of this subsection, the term "old" shall include, but not be limited to, a description of items that are dilapidated, abandoned, inoperable, or otherwise in a state of disrepair."

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>City Council Meetings</u> –2nd Monday of this Month due to **INDEPENDENCE DAY!** Begins at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: July 11th, 2022 – in the **Grass Valley Market Annex**)

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**Reminder: Sherman County Burn Ban is in effect as of June 1, 2022. **





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JULY 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:

THANK YOU!!!!

The City would like to extend our gratitude to Rita Wilson & Margaret Mahaffey, as well as Walt Grzeszczyk and the OYCC Crew for their efforts in cleaning up our sidewalks on Highway 97! Their efforts made a huge improvement on the appearance of our town and are much appreciated!

UPDATES FROM PUBLIC WORKS

The City will be flushing lines and hydrants next month and residents may experience fluctuations in water flow during those times. This may also cause particles from your lines to accumulate in faucet screens and filters.

As a new state requirement, all hose bib and frostfree spigots need to have an NSF - 61 Certified Hose Connection Vacuum Breaker attached to the outlet. This is in accordance with OAR 333-061-0070 Section 6.

Visit our website for information on the upcoming ODOT Curb Ramps coming to Grass Valley.

WASTEWATER SURVEY

Included in this mailing is a Community Questionnaire in regards to your opinion of the proposed Wastewater System. PLEASE fill this out and return it to City Hall. You may mail it back with your monthly water payment or drop it in the silver payment box in front of City Hall. Your individual response will not be made public, and is only to give the City Council an idea of if our residents want to move forward with the project.

A NOTE FROM YOUR MAYOR

Hello Everyone,

Please note the wastewater survey included in this water bill.

It is important that you return these surveys so the City has a good idea how many residents are willing to hook into a sewer system should one be built.

The recent "One Stop" funding meeting that I participated in shows funding is available from a variety of sources such as grants, forgivable loans and lowinterest loans. However, we won't be able to secure those funds without knowing how many hookups to anticipate.

We will be having another public meeting to discuss all the scenarios available to us, and provide everyone an opportunity to express their opinions and answer any questions anyone has. That meeting will take place on Thursday, September 15th.

I hope everyone is staying cool and enjoying your summer! Mayor Meinrad Kuettel

UPCOMING EVENTS

» City Council Meetings – Begins at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: August 1st, 2022 – in the **Grass Valley Market Annex**)

» South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings – Next Meeting: September 14th – Grass Valley Pavilion - 6:30 PM

» Grass Valley Farmers Market – Saturday, August 13th- Family fun for everyone!

» Community Wastewater Meeting – Next Meeting: September 15th – Grass Valley Pavilion - 7:00 PM





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AUGUST 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



PLEASE RETURN YOUR SURVEYS!

We would like to ask all residents to PLEASE return your Wastewater Community Questionnaires! If you need another copy, they are available online at www.grassvalleyoregon.com or you can email City Hall at cityofgrassvalley1901@gmail.com and we will gladly send you another! This project largely depends on the opinions of our citizens and we need to hear from everyone. Once Questionnaires are completed, you may mail them or drop them in the silver payment box in front of City Hall.

Responses will not be made public.

OSU EXTENSION PRESERVATION CLASSES

The Sherman County Extension Service will be hosting a series of food preservation classes in the Grass Valley Pavilion! The classes are free to the public. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, September 10th – Peaches

Saturday, October 8th – Apples

Saturday, November 12th - Sauerkraut/Kimchi

COMMUNITY MEETING

As a reminder, the City Council will be hosting another Community Meeting to further discuss the option of adding a Wastewater System in Grass Valley. Mark it on your calendars and join us on Thursday, September 15th at 7:00 PM in the Grass Valley Pavilion!

BURN PILE

As a reminder, the City Burn pile is NOT for household garbage. The dumpsters placed at the Burn Pile are property of The Dalles Disposal and are NOT to be used by the public! Please be respectful of the services that are offered to our residents.

The Recycling Depot is open on Monday & Tuesday each week from 1:00 – 3:00 PM and a responsibility of The Dalles Disposal as well. For more information on Recycle & Garbage services, you can call 541-298-5149 or visit:

www.co.sherman.or.us/waste-management

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- South Sherman Fire District Board Meetings –
 Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 7th Grass Valley Pavilion 6:30 PM
- » Grass Valley Farmers Market Saturday, September 10th - Family fun for everyone!
- <u>» City Council Meetings</u> Begins at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: September 12th, 2022 in the **Grass Valley Market Annex**)
- <u>> Community Wastewater Meeting</u> Next
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CITY CLEAN-UP DAY

The City of Grass Valley is once again offering a City-Wide Clean-Up Day!! It is scheduled for Saturday, October 15th, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, for \$5 per load. This will take place at the City Burn Pile. This is a wonderful opportunity for Citizens to dispose of excess garbage! A big THANK YOU to The Dalles Disposal for donation of the dumpsters and the City Council for volunteering their time to make sure it all runs smoothly!

**Reminder: No hazardous materials, no paint, no human garbage or food garbage, no electronics, batteries, or tires. **

ENERGY & UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE

There are multiple resources available for possible assistance to our residents. MCCAC is offering appointments to discuss in person (see enclosed Flyer), or you may visit their website to apply at www.mccac.com

FindEnergy is also offering assistance and programs for help. Check eligibility here: https://findenergy.com/utility-bill-assistance/

Links will be posted on our website as well.

BURN PILE SURVEILLANCE

Due to increased illegal dumping at the Burn Pile, surveillance cameras are being placed. Violators will be prosecuted!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

 South Sherman Fire District Board Meeting – Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 12th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM

- <u>» Grass Valley Farmers Market</u> Saturday, October 8th Family fun for everyone! This is the final one of the year! Come out and support all of the local vendors and take part in a FREE Food Preservation Class!
- <u>» City Council Meeting</u> Begins at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: October 3rd, 2022 – in the **Grass Valley Market Annex**)
- <u>» 10th Annual Max Nogle Dinner Dance</u> Saturday,
 November 19th, 2022 Grass Valley Pavilion –
 Details coming soon!
- <u>» Grass Valley Christmas Bazaar</u> Saturday,
 December 3rd, 2022 in the Grass Valley Pavilion –
 More details coming soon!





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OCTOBER 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



OSU EXTENSION PRESERVATION CLASSES

The Sherman County Extension Service will be hosting a series of food preservation classes in the Grass Valley Pavilion! The classes are free to the public. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, November 12th – Sauerkraut/Kimchi

BURN BAN LIFTED

The Sherman County Burn Ban has been lifted as of October 23rd. Please remember to limit all burning to personal mail/papers, etc. It is against City Ordinance to burn caustic materials and to leave a burn barrel smoldering. It is illegal to burn the following materials in Oregon:

- *Asbestos
- *Asphalt or industrial waste
- *Automotive parts (including frames)
- *Dead animals
- *Plastic and rubber products
- *Tires
- *Waste oil, petroleum treated and related materials
 *Wet garbage and food waste

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CITY PROPERTY SURVEILLANCE

Due to increased illegal dumping at the Burn Pile and residents illegally placing personal garbage in the dumpsters owned by The Dalles Disposal that are stored at the City Burn Pile, surveillance cameras are being placed. Violators will be prosecuted!! There is absolutely no disposal of personal property on City Property.

UPCOMING EVENTS

South Sherman Fire District Board Meeting – Next
 Meeting: November 9th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM

<u>» City Council Meeting</u> – Begins at 7:00 PM (Next Meeting: November 7th, 2022 – in the **Grass Valley Market Annex**)

<u>» 10th Annual Max Nogle Dinner Dance</u> – Saturday, November 19th, 2022 – Grass Valley Pavilion – Details coming soon!

» Grass Valley Christmas Bazaar – Saturday, December 3rd, 2022 – in the Grass Valley Pavilion – More details coming soon!







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NOVEMBER 2022

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RECENT EMERGENCY EVENT

As you are all aware we have a lot to be thankful for this month. First, a huge **THANK YOU** to our local South Sherman Fire Department who acted so quickly and efficiently at the fire that consumed the Hemp Facility. Each of those individuals put their own lives on the line to save and protect our residents and our town. Other local responding agencies include Moro Fire Department, North Sherman Fire Department and Sherman County Emergency Services along with countless volunteers who stepped up and did all they could to help aid and assist.

Everyone is invited to the City Council Meeting on Monday, December 6th to be held in the Grass Valley Pavilion, where the City Council and the South Sherman Fire District will be there to answer your questions and concerns to the best of their ability with the information that is available at this time. Until all investigations are completed and reports received, not all questions will be able to be answered.

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CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

City Council position #5 has recently becoming vacant. If interested in this position, please submit a Letter of Interest to City Hall by Wednesday, December 21st. This term will be up for election in 2024.

UPCOMING EVENTS

South Sherman Fire District Board Meeting – Next Meeting: Dec. 14th – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM
 City Council Meeting – Begins at 7:00 PM
 (Next Meeting: December 6th, 2022 – in the **Grass Valley Pavilion**)

<u>» Grass Valley Christmas Bazaar</u> – Saturday, December 3rd, 2022 – in the Grass Valley Pavilion – Details below!







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DECEMBER 2022

FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL:



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR

I am confident the new year will find us starting fresh and welcoming new vitality to our town.

Weather and the economy have always posed challenges to our community, but we have learned from several experiences since the Substation Fire. There is growing interest in the benefits of living and working in a rural setting such as Grass Valley. Your City Council and administration will work hard to preserve that, while coordinating with local and regional agencies so as to take full advantage of opportunities available to us in the coming year and beyond.

Wishing everyone a safe and joyful holiday season. Meinrad Kuettel

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PARKING ON CITY STREETS

As winter weather arrives, please remember to park as far off the City streets as possible. This allows for snow plows and other snow clearing machinery/vehicles to clear our streets safely and efficiently, and help keep our residents as safe as possible.

WILDLIFE IN CITY LIMITS

As a reminder, feeding the deer or any other wildlife that may reside or pass-through Grass Valley is <u>against the law</u>. There have been multiple reports of deer with health and soundness issues and it has been determined that the most likely cause of this is the excess amounts of "unnatural" feeds they are consuming.

EVERBRIDGE

All residents of Sherman County are encouraged to sign up for Everbridge, Sherman County's Frontier Regional Alert System. This system provides all evacuation and emergency notices for all of Sherman County. You can find the link on our website under the Announcements Page to sign up!

PAVILION RENTALS

The Grass Valley Pavilion can now be rented online! You can view available dates, reserve, and pay all at your convenience. Visit www.calendly.com/cityofgrassvalley Rentals can still be made by contacting City Hall as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS

South Sherman Fire District Board Meeting – Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 – Grass Valley Pavilion – 6:30 PM
 City Council Meeting – Next Meeting: Monday, January 2nd, 2023 – Grass Valley Pavilion – 7:00 PM

Stay warm, stay safe, and Happy Holidays! If you need space heaters or other such items to have on hand during these cold weather blasts, be sure to check out Mid-Columbia Producers in Wasco. They have a good selection of various space heaters in stock without having to drive to The Dalles.