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Want to win a Free Pizza?

There are 4 fun fact questions in the newsletter based on this month's articles.
The answers are inside. Be the first person to answer all 4 correctly and win a pizza! Bring your answers to City Hall. A special thank you to Pizza Peddler for the free pizzas.

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Successful Christmas In the Park



What a wonderful time was had by all on Sat. Dec. 8th at Aumsville's 2nd Annual Christmas in the Park. We had great music thanks to our carolers...



New this year were twinkle light umbrellas.



A very special princess came to visit... thank you to Magic Memories for the special memories you made possible!



There were 25 gallons of soup, 15 dozen rolls, 14 gallons of hot cocoa, more than 25 dozen cookies and lots and lots and lots of popcorn. Thank you city staff and

families!

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The Christmas wagon was so popular last year that another one was added. We can never begin to thank our public works crew for all of their hard work in decorating the park and Christmas tree, their wonderful bonfire and enduring the cold to drive those wagons!





The police chief and his crew were in attendance too! Thank you to the reserves who were able to find parking for our attendees and the time and dedication the police staff and Corn Festival volunteers put in earlier in the day for their part in our Santa Visit throughout the city. Was Santa great or what?!

Thank you ARFD & fireman Mark Noack for driving the firetruck, as Santa visited neighborhoods.





We'd be terribly remiss if we didn't also thank the local businesses that helped finance this great event: Pacific Power Foundation for new street decorations; Recology, and Blazer Industries for cash donations; Riverview Community Bank and Pizza Peddler for prize donations as well as Pietro's Pizza, Aumsville Community Theater, Bentley's Coffee, Ron & Myrna Harding and our very talented and local Megan McNulty (My Lucky Star Quilting) for that beautiful and very warm Christmas Quilt. Congratulations to the Davidson family for winning our sled filled with toys and games.

We Hope To See You Next Year!



POLICE CORNER

Richard Schmitz, Chief of Police 503-749-2188

The reserves worked a total 113 hours during the month of November: 89 volunteer hours and 24 paid hours.

We completed the hiring process and have hired Phillip Wright as our 7th Officer. Phillip comes to us from Lebanon and was a former Reserve Officer here at Aumsville, as well as at Lebanon PD.

We had a business burglary in the early morning hours, however we identified two juvenile suspects and they were arrested and the majority of the property recovered.

The Aumsville Police Department would like to wish everyone a Happy Holidays and ask that you drive with caution this holiday season.

Value of Property Stolen	\$6,600
Value of Property Damaged	\$600
Value of Property Recovered	\$5,000
Value of Found Property	\$150
Dogs to Pound	0

Traffic Violations	City	County
Providing Vehicle to Unqual Driv	1	0
Driving Uninsured/Suspended	2/4	2/2
Fail to Carry Proof	0	0
No Seatbelt/Improper Wear	1	0
Failure to Yield to Ped in Cross	0	0
Expired Registration/Fail to Reg	1	1
Failure to Change Address	0	0
Careless Driving	0	0
Speeding	1	1
Use of elect. Device/Cell Phone	0	0
Switched Plates	1	0
Failure to Obey Traffic Control	5	1

It takes 24,637 BOLTS to
put a car together, but
only one NUT to spread it
all over the road.
Don't Drink & Drive!

Cuimo	Number	Arrested
Crime Assault IV	Number	Arrested
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Burglary/Attempt Burg 1 Misc. Crime		
	3	0
Criminal Mischief	1	0
DUII	0	0
Harassment/Telephonic Elude	0/1	1/0 0
Hit and Run	0	0
MIP Alcohol	0/0	0/0
Poss. Controlled Substance	0	0/0
Reckless Drive	0	0
Curfew/Runaway Juvenile	0/0	0/0
Stalking Complaint	0	0
Stolen vehicle/trailer/recovered	1/0	0/0/1
Theft/Fraud	2/2	1/0
Theft from Vehicle	1	0
Trespass	1	1
Warrant Arrest/Probation Viol.	3/0	3/0
Weapon/Robbery	0/0	0/0
Calls for Service		Number
911 Hang Up/Welfare Checks/Civ	il Dispute	0/0/1
Assist other Agency - City		1
Assist other Agency - DHS		5
Assist other Agency - Fire Dept		4
Assist other Agency - Turner PD		5
Assist other Agency - Stayton PD		8
Assist other Agency - MCSO		9
Assist other Agency - other Agency		3
Assist Person/ Citizen Contact		0/3
Dogs-Barking/At Large/Bite		0/1/0
Driving Impound		3
False Alarms		6
Found/lost/seized property		4/0/0
Misc. Call for Service		1
Noise/Traffic Complaint		2/3
Open Door		1
Ordinance Violation		9
Runaway Juvenile/ Missing persor		1/2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Circum	nstance	2/3/11
Traffic Accidents/hit & run		2/1
Vehicle Repo		3
Verbal Disturbance		5



Unattended Death/Notification

1/0

Aumsville Rural Fire Protection District







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January 2019

Good Day, neighbor!

The Christmas Open House at the Fire Station was a huge success! Our volunteers provided a great time for the kids, as well asthe adults who visited with the firefighters and their neighbors while enjoying the fine dining we provided.

If you had a live tree over the holidays and you are just now getting around to disposal, please do your Fire Department a favor and do not put it in your fireplace or wood stove. While it seems like it might "just burn up", trust me, there's a good chance it will take your house with it! Even a tree that is still green and has been watered diligently, having been cut for 45-60 days, will ignite explosively if placed in

a fireplace. While it may be too late for one of the various donation disposal sites, and if you don't have the ability to compost it, you can always take it to the county transfer station.

The Fire District is proud to enroll 8 volunteer firefighter cadets into the 2019 regional training academy this year! These candidates will provide a welcome relief to those dedicated folks who have served this District through our recent downturn of personnel. At some point, every volunteer fire department (or other volunteer agency for that matter) experiences personnel shortages and Aumsville is no different. By June, we should see more and more qualified firefighters on our apparatus ready to serve you!

2019 is here, and any year that ends in 9 reminds me of when I started; 1979. If I do the math correctly, that's 40 years. But you know what – I still feel the excitement I see in the face of a new applicant as they come in our door hoping to be a firefighter. So, come on in and join our ranks, you'll never regret it! Happy New Year!

Have a safe month!!

Fun Fact #1

The date of Aumsville Historical Society's next meeting?



You are invited to attend the January 14th Council Meeting for the swearing in of our newly elected city officials.

7:00 pm in the Chester Bridges Memorial Community Center

Christmas is for Grandparents Too!

City Administrator Ron Harding

Think about the special role of grandparents.

My grandson brings me the most joy I have felt in a long time. I recall my children being young and the special bond we had, but somehow the bond between a grandparent and a grandchild is different. Perhaps it's because by this time we are older, and life seems more precious at 50 then it does at 20. I really cannot explain it, but I know in speaking with other grandparents and from my own experience the desire to see our grandchildren have a good life is somehow magnified as a grandparent.

I will be the first to admit it... I tend to throw out the parenting persona when it comes to my grandkids. There are times when I say yes, even though I know I should probably say no. But at this stage in my life, yes just seems more enjoyable!

"I don't want to create the impression that I spoil those kids. I do, of course. I just don't want you to THINK I do" This is about as far as grandparents tend to go in self-governing their actions when it comes to grandchildren. When I think about my own children growing up, I wanted to make sure they developed positive values; to be good to people, to respect others and to have a general sense of caring. As a grandparent, I want those same things for my grandchildren, too. I just teach the lessons in a different way.

It's difficult to explain, but what I do know is my two grandsons melt my heart. The bond is mutual and now that I am a grandpa, I look back on my father's relationship with my son and I realize how special the bond they shared really was.

My father passed away when my son (RJ) was around 8 years old. They were inseparable. We lived only a couple of miles away from my parents and it seemed like they would come to get RJ all the time. I didn't mind as we were a close family and I knew even though my father spoiled him, that he would continue to teach him

those values that he taught me. I now understand the way my father felt; how RJ was the one thing that brought him the most joy at that stage in his life. I feel the same way about Lincoln and Holden.

My grandsons live in Washington and we get to see each other a weekend here and there. Lincoln is three years old now and Holden is about 10 months old. When they come for a visit, it is truly special. I wouldn't trade anything for that time. When we cannot see each other, we call regularly. I called Lincoln last week and we talked about Christmas, and his brother and all the fun things he has been doing. I told him it was time to hang up and Lincoln said, "Grandpa I want you to stay on the phone forever." This was a three-year-old's way of saying he misses me and wants to be with me.



I write this column as a little message to parents; if you are fortunate enough to have the option, please make sure grandparents are a big part of your children's lives. That relationship is more valuable than you may realize, both for the grandparent and grandchild.

Bits and Pieces...

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Contact City Hall if you have any volunteer opportunities you would like to share with Aumsville residents.

Santiam Village Clothing Closet (at the Elementary School) - Hours are Saturdays from 2pm to 5pm and Sundays as announced. They need volunteers to staff the closet when it is open. Also, if anyone has any commercial storage they want to let them use to store things, they would be forever grateful. A check to cover storage

costs works too! A sincere thank you to those that contributed to covering the costs of filing for their 501c3!

Upcoming events:

School kids return to school on Jan. 7 from Winter Break.

Jan. 14th - Council swearing in at beginning of council meeting.

Jan. 15th - Exchange Club lunch

Jan. 30th, 6pm - Visioning Sessions continue...

City Offices closed for holidays Jan. 1st and Jan. 21st.



Legislative Update

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DENYC BOLES



I hope your New Year is off to a good start. I'm excited to serve on your behalf in the upcoming regular (aka long) legislative session. Legislators will be sworn in on January 14, 2019 and we will be off and running. According to the constitution, we must wrap up all legislative business by June 30, 2019.

This month the legislature is preparing for session. Committee assignments will be determined, schedules will be made and beginning January 14th we will meet every day until legislative business is finished. The balance of power will make this legislative session interesting and likely frustrating. Elections impact how things get run in our state. The democrat party have what is called a "super

majority" in both chambers and Governor Brown was re-elected as our Governor. Super majorities do not require the support of anyone in the republican party to pass legislation, including tax increases. Chairs of committees determine the agendas, what bills will be heard, and sometimes even who gets to testify. This creates an interesting dynamic and we will see what kind of inclusion and respect the minority party receives as we go forward.

My office is ready to assist you, representing your concerns and needs when it comes to state government. If you are having difficulty with state agencies you interface with to run your business, farm, or family life please don't hesitate to contact our office. My Senior Policy Advisor is leanine Stice who has lived in Salem since 2000 and has two decades of experience in health care and public health and was a prior columnist for the Statesman Journal. My Office Manager and Scheduler is Anna Boles who has worked in my office and around this process for many years and recently completed a six-month overseas experience with Youth with a Mission in countries struggling with a high influx of refugees and human trafficking.

The legislature is poised to pass major legislation around environment policy, education,

housing, and considering the Governor's \$23.6 billion budget proposal which is a more than \$1 billion increase over the current budget. Your voice is important, and I hope to hear it. If you'd like to receive regular updates on these topics during session, please email or call our office so we can add your email or address to our constituent updates.

Thank you again for electing me to serve you. It is an honor.

Constituents may contact Representative Boles via email at rep.denycboles@oregonlegislature.gov or by phone at 503-986-1419

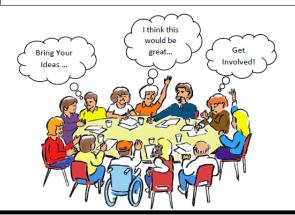
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Join Us for Our Next Visioning Session

At our first session City officials and approximately 30 Aumsville residents met to begin development of a new Visioning Plan. The audience discussed what they would like to see in Aumsville for the future. There was a lot of input from the public in attendance. This meeting will be dedicated to developing (writing) the initial vision statement of the Vision Plan, with general discussion. Join us!



Visioning Continues...

Join Your City Council
Wednesday, January 30th
6:00 PM

Aumsville Community Center 555 Main Street, Aumsville

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Exchange Club OPEN HOUSE

Volunteer Opportunities in Our Community

When: Tuesday January 15th – Lunch from noon to 1 pm

Where: Aumsville Community Center, 555 Main Street Do you have the desire to volunteer with no idea of where to start?

Aumsville is at a point of decision regarding its future.
After 50 years, Aumsville is at risk of having seen its last
Corn Festival. That would be a shame; in August
thousands of people attended, so it is clear that there is
interest in enjoying the event. The question is, will people
in Aumsville commit their time and money to seeing it
continue?

All that is needed is for a group of people to commit to making the effort. This is just the kind of project a local service club could undertake successfully. The Exchange Club is involved in building such a club in Aumsville. We will be present at the Corn Festival meeting on January 7 to encourage people to step forward to continue this event, and in the longer run, to undertake other projects to Aumsville's benefit as well.

We will sponsor a pizza lunch at the Community Center on Tuesday, January 15 from noon until 1 pm with the intent of organizing to respond to Aumsville's needs. Aumsville needs 15 people who are willing to make an effort for our future.

The Corn Festival needs your HELP!

Our city's Golden Legacy is

in danger of going away! Volunteers are needed to continue this long-honored event.

Please come to the next Corn Festival Board meeting and ask, "How can I Help?"

Monday, January 7th, at 6:30 PM in the Chester Bridges Memorial Community Center, 555 Main Street.

If you can't be there but would still like to be part of the 2019 Corn Festival planning and event, you can contact Sonny Newson 503-313-2325 or email him at Itsonny@gmail.com.



Hi, my name is Taylor, and I am 8 years old. I live in Aumsville, Oregon. I have been trying very hard to get on the nice list this year, so I've been doing some really nice things like picking up my bedroom, doing the dishes, and vacuuming the living room. This year, I have a few special wishes. I would like a basketball hoop for me, cocoa mugs for my mom and Aaron, and a toy reindeer for my sister. I am so excited for your visit. I promise I'll leave some cookies and milk for you to snack on while you're here! Please give Blitzen a hug for me because he's my favorite reindeer. Thank you, Santa! Your pal, Taylor PADA A

My name is Laela, and I am 8 years old! I have been trying very hard to get on your nice list this year. I gave some clothes away to other people because they didn't fit me anymore, I helped make gift boxes for people who don't have a lot, and did nice things for other people. I have a few special Christmas wishes. I want to help other people more this Christmas and for everyone to have a merry Christmas. I would also like the book A Wrinkle in Time. I am very excited for you to visit, and I promise to leave out some cookies for you to snack on! Please give my favorite reindeer Blitzen a hug for me!

From Ms. Cromwell's 3rd **Grade Class:** Some letters to Santa



My name is Grace, and I am 8 years old. I

have been trying really hard to get on your

up some things when they drop them on

accident, and I help people when they get

This year I have a few special Christmas

wishes. I want a camera, and I want to give

holiday gear to people who don't have warm

I am so excited for your visit! I promise to

leave milk and cookies for you to snack on!

Please give Rudolph a hug and a kiss on the

Hi! My name is Kyson, and I am 8 years

old from Aumsville, Oregon. I have been

nose for me!

Your pal, Grace Wright

nice list this year. I have helped people pick

Fun Fact #2 List 4 of our "Christmas in the Park" sponsors.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW STORM WATER QUALITY

From Public Works Director Steve Oslie

The U.S. Clean Water Act requires the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to establish water quality standards and monitor the health of water bodies. Water quality standards set limits for pollutants that impact the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the water source. DEQ is required to establish a list of 'impaired' streams and other water resources. DEQ has developed set goals for each body of water. Their list of impaired streams includes the Willamette River which does not meet water quality standards. Our stormwater discharge eventually ends up in the Willamette River so it is important we do our part to improve the river.

DEQ, as part of their requirements, has implemented administrative rules that are designed to clean up the city's storm water discharges. The city has, over the past 10 years, been required to protect the receiving stream and all the waterways to the ocean. The program is the Total Mass Daily Limit (TMDL)

One of the city's requirements by the State of Oregon has been to develop and update a water quality implementation plan, as well as develop reduction strategies to reduce/remove pollutants from water run-off going into our streams.

Current TMDLs (which encompasses many factors), within Aumsville requiring pollutant load reduction strategies include bacteria, mercury, and temperature. Aumsville has developed strategies to address these problems for the properties for which we have authority over land use regulation (i.e. we have no control of properties outside of the city limits).

Some of our projects to help reduce unwanted pollution to the waterway is:

Keep up on street sweeping (Leaves are a large factor in polluting storm water run-off. You can help us by gathering your leaves and taking them to

Recology for composting. Do not sweep them into the street. They end up in our stormwater.)

Riparian plantings along waterways (those "wild trees and grasses" are meant to be there - they filter water run-off)

- Tree planting
- Water quality basins for storm water (a place for water to infiltrate into the ground and for plants to help in nutrient removal, instead of running directly into the stream)
- Mutt Mitts for picking up after Fido (please use these if you take your dog for a walk)
- Erosion control requirements (this includes our banks along the creek that runs through Mill Creek and Porter-Boone Parks and especially development activities)

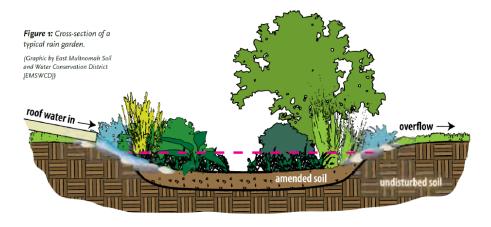
These are a few things we have committed to improving. DEQ has more suggestions we will From: The Oregon Rain Garden Guide: Landscaping for Clean Water and Healthy Streams

What is a rain garden?

A rain garden is a sunken, generally flat-bottomed garden bed that collects and treats stormwater runoff from rooftops, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots, and streets. Rain gardens help mimic natural forest, meadow, or prairie conditions by infiltrating stormwater from hard surfaces. A variety of planting plans are included in this manual for your reference.

Do rain gardens attract or breed mosquitoes?

No. For reproduction, mosquito larvae require a number of days in standing water. Most urban mosquitoes breed in places like junk piles where there are old tires or tin cans. In a well-designed rain garden, water is rarely standing long enough for mosquito reproduction. Ideally, a rain garden should drain so that water won't be standing in it for more than 48 hours.



be following in the future. We are required to make improvements to our water quality implementation plan every five years to continue to improve our water quality. Finding new treatment methods, planting more plants to shade waterways, illicit discharge detection, public education, ordinances to protect waterways, and more are just a portion of things we can do to improve.

Our current plan has been approved and we are looking at elements to improve on that over time. I expect that in the future there will be more requirements for individual homes (as opposed to just the city) and that residents may have to treat the water that comes off their property. One way to accomplish that might be a rain garden. Some material that might be useful for those interested in starting now (as well as ideas for new development we might see in the future) can be found online at https://www.oregon.gov/DSL/SS/Documents/RainGardenGuide.pdf :THE OREGON RAIN GARDEN GUIDE, A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO LANDSCAPING FOR CLEAN WATER AND HEALTHY SYSTEMS. This is a good place to start.

Please, when you are out working in your yard, think about your role in keeping pollutants from entering our waterways. It starts with being careful about what ends up in the street and eventually in our stormwater system. Let's team up together to address this issue. Email me with suggestions or comments on ways we can work on this plan and improve our TMDL's. soslie@aumsville.us.

Fun Fact #3

When is the meeting to determine the fate of the Corn Festival?





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AUMSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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separator produced

skim milk and cream

from the surplus...

Aumsville Historical Society met on Dec. 13th in Riverview Bank's Community Room. Non-perishable food was collected for the local food bank. After the business meeting adjourned, everyone en-...The hand-turned

joyed snacks and conversation.

AHS continues to receive historical articles for the museum collection. Rex Lucas has do-

nated a small section of train track. an alarm and several large, woodframed pictures. The first railroad through Aumsville was built by the Oregon Railway Company in the 1880s. It was narrow gauge, which meant 36 inches between the rails. The segment, now on display at the

museum, is from the spur that served the flour mill. Narrow gauge was replaced by larger gauge in the

1890s. The metal alarm from the Amos Davis School signaled the class starts and endings. Because the pictures are too large to hang in the museum. Jared and Christa

> Radke of the Pizza Peddler will display them.

The museum has the loan of a Royal Blue Junior Cream Separator belonging to Letha Paille. Years

ago, some small-town residents kept cows to provide milk for their families. The hand-turned separator produced skim milk and cream from the surplus fresh milk that the family did not need. Butter could be churned from the cream. This small separator was fastened to a stand. Farmers with numerous cows had

larger separators, which were floor mounted and also hand-turned, twice a day, every day. These days, a big tank truck comes to the farm to get the whole milk.

Dennis Richards contributed a business calendar from Gordon and Sons Automotive Service and two from Newton's Grocery Store. Gordon's business was at the northwest corner of Main and 4th. The Newtons opened a store at 325 Main. In a few years, they relocated to a new building at 630 Main. A big thankyou to the donors and members, who help AHS share Aumsville's heritage.

The next AHS meeting will be on Thursday, February 14th. The museum is closed for the winter, but visits by appointment can be arranged. Please contact Ted Shepard at 503-749-2744 or Karlene Santibanez 503-749-2585.

Fun Fact #4 -

Date of next Visioning Session?

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Saturday 5:00 pm Mass Sunday 8:00 am Mass

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 am

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Don't Miss our Knights of Columbus Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast

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AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The following are highlights from these meetings. You can find the full approved minutes on our website at www.http://aumsville.us/city-council.html

November 11, 2018

Mayor Baugh called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM in the Community Center. Council present was: Mayor Robert Baugh, Jr., Councilors Gabe Clayton, Brian Czarnik, Della Seney, Larry Purdy, Gus Bedwell, and Jim Case. City Administrator Ron Harding (CA Harding), City Clerk Colleen Rogers (CC Rogers), and Public Works Director (PWD) Steve Oslie were also present.

Mayor Baugh asked Council to approve the agenda as presented. <u>Councilor Purdy made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.</u>

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Baugh asked PWD Steve Oslie to come forward and present the 2018 City Employee of the Year award to PW Utility Maintenance Worker III, Matt Etzel. Matt was selected to receive the award this year because he is always a team player and staff really appreciates working with him. He's always willing to do whatever needs to be done; from water/sewer to streets and helping with the parks. He has developed our water/sewer emergency response plans that are required by the state. He also is the Vice President of the Pacific NW Clean Water Association.

Chief Schmitz presented Officer Ryan Bambrick with the Aumsville Police Department Employee of the Year award and Michael Jones Reserve Officer of the Year.

Chief Schmitz introduced Phil Wright, the newly hired 7th officer. Mayor Baugh administered the Oath of Office and welcomed him to the force. Chief Schmitz talked about the selection process and how Officer Wright was a reserve here in the past.

Corn Festival (CF) Board President Sonny Newson gave an update on the 2018 Corn Festival. He announced that they were able to contribute \$3000 back into the community this year by giving to various local charities. He introduced other board members that were present. CF President Newson stated that he was honored to have served on the board for the last 5 years. His plan was to stay on through the 50th Corn Festival celebration, and now it is time for him to step down. He also announced that at their November 5th CF Board meeting there were others that have decided to step down from their board positions for personal reasons. One of the toughest parts of the 2018 festival was not having enough volunteers. It

was one of the lowest volunteer turnouts in the history of the festival. This made it very hard on the ones that did come out to help. Many members are older and can't do a lot of the jobs that are needed. Unfortunately, it only left a handful of able-bodied folks to do all the work. He stated that unless they get some younger people to step up, there would be no festival in 2019. He explained that the planning is a yearround process and they need people to step up in January. He asked Council to reach out to their constituents and encourage them to join the planning process by becoming board members or general members. If they can't get the needed help the board will have to dissolve. Councilor Purdy asked when the Corn Festival Board would make that decision and Newson answered that it would depend on the turnout at the next meeting. Councilor Bedwell asked if any plans have been made for 2019 and CF President Newson answered that most things are moving forward with the exception of the purchase of corn. He explained that the farmer that has provided corn the last couple of years is no longer farming corn. CF President Newson will be checking with NORPAC cannery to find another farmer to take on our needs. He closed by thanking the council for allowing him to speak and if anyone has questions please contact City Clerk Rogers, liaison between CF and the City, or Mayor Baugh.

VISITORS: There were 48 people in the audience of this meeting. Three people asked to speak.

Jim Buchelman and John Hammil from the Salem Exchange Club addressed the council. Mr. Buchelman gave an overview of what the service organization represents. The organization has been serving communities like Aumsville since 1911. It is an organization that honors God, country, family, and community. They promote projects that help prevent child abuse, celebrate accomplishments of others, thank our veterans, help the homeless and working poor.

Mr. Hammil said that he had met CA Harding at a meeting and during a conversation was told that Aumsville doesn't have any service clubs; i.e. Lions Club, Rotary, etc. and suggested that an Exchange Club might be a good fit for Aumsville. They have held several meetings in Aumsville to see if there would be any interest from the community. So far it has been a low turnout. Mr. Hammil encouraged everyone who is interested in finding out more about the club to attend the next meeting on Tuesday at 5:30PM at

Neufeldt's.

CA Harding commented that even though we don't have a club locally, the Salem club has adopted our city and has been helping with some of our needs. By opening a local club, we can design the projects to more directly meet the needs of our community. He feels this is a good opportunity for our community. If you can't make the Tuesday meeting there will be another on December 11th in the community center.

Ramona Hudson, Aumsville resident, thanked the mayor and council for their decision to hire the 7th officer. She also thanked Corn Festival President Newson for stepping up five years ago. She appreciates those who have been serving the city government or as staff for a long time. They bring wisdom to the decision-making process and she hopes the new officials will appreciate them as well.

Autumn Smiley addressed the council to give an update on her Veteran's Day event at Marian Estates in Sublimity. The event was well attended, and she thanked Councilors Case and Bedwell for being there. She also thanked CA Harding and Mayor Baugh for helping to promote the event. Councilor Bedwell stated that he was honored to attend and encouraged Miss Smiley to continue with these kinds of events.

CONSENT AGENDA: Council reviewed the October 22-31, 2018 check registers and the October 22, 2018 Council meeting minutes. <u>Councilor Seney made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.</u>

NEW BUSINESS: Council received Aumsville Planning Commission's (APC) recommendation to reappoint Commissioners Russ Snow and Dan Kluver. Councilor Bedwell moved to approve the reappointment of Commissioners Russ Snow and Dan Kluver to the Aumsville Planning Commission for a two-year term ending 12/31/2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion about legal services. CA Harding explained that the city is at a place that we need more specialized legal counsel. Our current city attorney recently took a six month leave of absence. During that time, we have been using a larger firm that the city had used in the past for specialty issues. He stated that it has been helpful to work with a firm that is current on city issues and laws and it is very important that we have a firm that is going to respond in a timely manner for Council to be able to act on issues quickly. CA Harding asked Council, during this time of transition, if they thought it

would be a good time to compare available services from other firms who may want to be qualified legal counsel for the city. CA Harding also asked if so, how the council wants the process to take place. CA Harding could speak with a couple of prospective providers and bring a recommendation back to Council. The city council would need to take a formal action to appoint a new city attorney if they choose to do that. CA Harding wanted to make sure Council did not take the discussion as a criticism of our current city attorney, only that as the city grows our needs change and he wants to make sure Council understands they have the ability to make changes as well. Council asked CA Harding to get informal proposals from a couple of firms or individuals and bring them back to Council with a recommendation. He will bring his findings back to Council.

Council received Chief Schmitz' Police Department monthly report; there was no discussion.

They also received PWD Oslie's monthly report. It was noted that PW staff found and fixed two significant water leaks in our system. Before the repairs we were losing 17% of the city's water output. They plan to do another report to see what the loss is now that the leaks have been repaired.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: CA Harding reported that the installation of the new IT servers and Microsoft software conversion is largely complete. There are still a few things to work out, but overall it went very well.

He also reported that a community committee was formed with Council's approval to re-write language within the police service fee ordinance related to the way the fee will be collected for non-payment. The work is now complete and is under legal review. He stated that the process worked very well, and he feels that they remedied concerns that the community brought forward earlier this year. This will come back to Council for approval.

CA Harding said that he has seen an increasing need for minor site development reviews. He explained that the code cites that anyone building an accessory building higher than 15 ft is required to enter site development review; the cost is \$1200. A simple variance is \$600 and is cost prohibitive to most citizens wanting to do something minor on their property. These minor reviews are done in-house without the need of contract planners. The current ordinance doesn't allow flexibility on the fees. He added that when we re-write the code this will be addressed; but in the meantime, he would like direction from Council to allow him flexibility in assessing

a cost for these minor applications. Councilor Purdy stated that he supports giving the city administrator flexibility to lower the fees. Councilor Bedwell agreed that flexibility is the key. Councilor Seney said that it makes more sense that the fee would be cost recovery and not a flat fee. Councilor Purdy made a motion that Council grant CA Harding the flexibility to adjust the application fees for minor site development review. The motion passed unanimously.

The Staff Event Committee met last week and finalized the plans for this year's Christmas in the Park event. It is free to attend and will be held at Porter-Boone Park. We are preparing for a larger crowd this year. Staff will be walking in Sublimity Light Parade on Dec. 1st at 6pm to advertise our event the following weekend on December 8th.

CA Harding presented Council with copies of updated results from the recent communication survey. He stated that there is a lot of good feedback that may prove useful in the future.

We have our consultant on board and we are ready to get started on the code review. We will kick off the process with a Town Hall style Visioning Meeting the first week of December. Citizens will be invited to participate in this process. This will be an idea meeting to find out what people like or don't like and what do they want to see for the future of our city. Info gathered at this meeting will help with the code revision as well as feed into a vision plan.

CA Harding stated that the Exchange Club meeting attendance has been 3 to 4 people and not always the same people. He stated that we are nearing the point where we need to step up and commit to starting our own chapter or we stand the chance of the Salem group giving up and moving on.

Council members and Mayor Elect Clevenger have been signed up for the LOC training "Elected Essentials" on January 23, 2019 in Keizer. It should be very beneficial to the council. CA Harding will also provide an in-house orientation for new elected officials.

Mayor and Council reports:

Councilor Czarnik reported that the Aumsville CERT has completed a second CERT class, with two people becoming CERT officers.

Councilor Bedwell announced that he was able to take a tour with Public Works Director Oslie and was impressed with the facilities and the amount of work that Director Oslie and his staff are responsible for. Councilor Clayton reported that the recent Corn Festival meeting was discouraging but understands that life happens to all of us and encouraged people in the audience to step up and help.

Councilor Seney reported on Mid-Willamette Valley Area Commission on Transportation (MWACT) meeting that she attended. She stated that the committee will be reviewing regional projects that they will be voting on for the next biennium.

Mayor Baugh closed the public meeting at 8:10 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council entered into an Executive Session at 8:15 PM under the authority of ORS 192-660(2)(e), to carry on negotiations under ORS chapter 293 deliberation with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions; and (f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection. Information update only, there will be no decisions made. *This was an executive session and the discussion was off the record, matters discussed are not to be disclosed.*

Mayor Baugh closed the Executive Session at 8:36 PM and reconvened the public meeting at 8:38 PM

Executive outcome: There was no further discussion or decision made after the Executive Session. The meeting adjourned without objection at 8:39PM





JANUARY 2019

Aumsville Community Calendar



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