

▪ Tuesday, December 5, 2023

- Provided an overview of the items, updates, and actions taken at the December 4, 2023, Council Meeting. Thanked the many residents and citizens that came to the meeting. It was great to see so many people wanting to get involved in their local government. Also, Council provided a special thank you to everyone involved in the City's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. It was very well attended and received many compliments.
- Police Department (TPD):
 - Executive Assistant Lacey Larson and Lt. Troxel attended a Countywide Emergency Communications meeting hosted by our partners at Tillamook PUD (People's Utility District). They were very excited to see such a great group of people around the table. They discussed opportunities to work together in our messaging during emergencies, what is working and where we could adjust to do better.
 - Officer Vanderhoff and Lt. Troxel were guests on the Tillamook Today Show on FM 95.9 – KTIL. Both were able to give updates on Winter Driving Tips, Traffic Safety and Show with a Cop. Our Traffic Safety rests on our foundation of Enforcement, Engineering and Education. Without those three we wouldn't have a successful program. It should be noted that initial numbers in traffic crash data show a drop in overall traffic crashes since we have been initially focusing on traffic safety.
 - Officers have completed monthly training. Sgt. Harrell, our training manager, is busy ensuring that we are all receiving the professional development we need to maintain our police certification.
 - Lt. Troxel attended a meeting with a non-profit called "Ant Farm" Youth Homeless Services – AntFarm Youth Services . AntFarm is a non-profit organization that focuses on Youth how are Homeless. This is an area that is lacking in Tillamook. Lt. Troxel, as the Cities Homeless Liaison, is excited to learn more about how AntFarm is helping those Youth who are homeless.
 - Executive Assistant Lacey Larson and Lt. Troxel attended a meeting in regard to the Police Department's Records Management System and who could be utilized for the property and evidence tracking portion of the system to improve our systems and processes.
 - On Saturday, December 2nd, several different law enforcement agencies were at the Tillamook High School helping with a youth wrestling tournament benefiting the Oregon Chapter of the Concerns of Police Survivor's. There

were 269 wrestlers and a total of \$4,000 donated to Oregon COPS. This is the largest single fundraising event for Oregon COPS. This wrestling tournament is called “Battle for the Badge”. Officers are in uniform during the tournament helping in various ways. Officers making connections with all the wrestlers is priceless.

- Public Works (PW):
 - The City of Tillamook would like to express its gratitude to those who joined us at our 21st Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony & Holiday Light Parade on Saturday, December 2nd. This year was highly successful due to our fantastic community. We want to thank Grocery Outlet for donating all of the hot dogs and hot dog buns, Starbucks and Dutch Bros for donating all of the hot chocolate, Denny’s for donating all of the prizes for the children, Twin Ranch LLC for donating their time and equipment to serve food and beverage, Ray Hopfer for photos with Santa, Living Water Fellowship for their volunteers throughout the event, the City of Tillamook’s Public Works Department for their help setting up and taking down equipment as well as assembling all of the Christmas lights, TPUD employees for helping decorate the tree with the use of their bucket trucks, the Tillamook Transportation District for letting us use their property and tree, the Tillamook Fire District for the use of their fire truck to deliver Santa, and the City of Tillamook’s Holiday Committee including Doug Henson, Suzanne Weber, Jamy Christensen, Megan Kjenslee, Lisa Greiner, and Kyle Fetzer for coordinating the event.
 - We would also like to remind the public to exercise caution while driving, especially during stormy weather and flood warnings. Please avoid roads with high water and be mindful of barricades and road-closed signs. For all public works inquiries, please get in touch with publicworks@tillamookor.gov or call 503-372-1823. The City has redone its phone system and citizens can now more easily leave a message that will be returned as soon as possible if someone is not available to pick up the phone.
- I had the opportunity to attend the Economic Development Council (EDC) for Tillamook County this past week and participate in an all afternoon workshop looking at everything from our bylaws to our mission statement, values, and vision statement. Commissioner Bell did a great job of taking the Council back to the basics of why it was founded and how we can move forward to really work with and assist our County and community. I also want to thank our Executive

Director, Assistant, and all other members on the board that serve and contribute so much for the EDC.

- Planning Commission is on Thursday, December 7, at 7 PM. We encourage anyone interested in your local planning commission to attend.
- We have several technician positions available in the Public Works Department. Please visit our website or stop by City Hall for an application.
- A reminder that if you see something, say something by calling 911 for emergencies or Dispatch for non-emergencies.
- The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, December 18, at 7 PM. We encourage everyone interested in your local government to attend virtually or in person.