

▪ Tuesday, February 13, 2024

• Police Department (TPD):

- City Manager George and Lt. Troxel had a great meeting with CARE, Inc. staff and Public works staff on the next steps for establishing our 'safe rest' areas in the City of Tillamook. Next steps are in place, and we will be meeting soon.
- Lt. Troxel is working with our community grocery partners regarding our new shopping cart ordinance. Meetings with all major retailers/grocers have been completed. This partnership is invaluable and appreciated.
- Annual performance evaluations are well underway with all staff at the police department. This is a great time of year to recognize and bring to light the great work our staff is doing.
- District Attorney (DA) Olson hosted another Major Crimes Team Meeting. These meetings are excellent ways to get all law enforcement partners involved in this process of ensuring our response to major crimes are seamlessly completed. Thank you, DA Olson.
- Lt. Troxel attended a meeting with Tides of Change to discuss our Counties need to work adjusting our response protocols for child abuse and response to sexual assaults.
- Reminder that next Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of February, the Tillamook Police Department is hosting a "Coffee with a Cop" at the Starbucks next to Denny's on North Main Avenue in Tillamook. This is from 9am to 10am. Please come by and say hello and have a casual conversation with TPD Officers. I have also been invited to attend and plan on being there.

• Public Works (PW):

- The Streets Division is entering a proactive phase of regular maintenance, demonstrating our unwavering dedication to community well-being and the City's sustainability goals. Our committed team will undertake various tasks, including using specialized street sweepers for thorough cleaning, patching up potholes to ensure smooth and secure roadways, and tending to local parks for the enjoyment of residents. Throughout these efforts, the safety of our personnel and the preservation of our equipment remain top priorities. We take pride in our work, recognizing its pivotal role in maintaining the City's aesthetic appeal, functionality, and sustainability. Your cooperation and understanding during these maintenance activities significantly improve our community's quality of life.
- Our dedicated Public Works crews operate from 6:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday, to ensure the smooth functioning of essential services within the City of Tillamook.

Please get in touch with an on-call employee at 503-842-2472 for urgent matters outside regular hours. That number is also found on the City's website and is the main number for the City. Anyone may call our main number at any time to any needed information. Also, for any questions, non-urgent issues, or maintenance requests within the City limits, please email our Public Works Department at [publicworks@tillamookor.gov](mailto:publicworks@tillamookor.gov). We prioritize addressing inquiries in the order they are received, and we appreciate your patience as we strive to provide timely and efficient assistance. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in helping us maintain the well-being of our community. If you are unsure whether the request falls under the City, the County, or the State, please email us and we'll get it to the correct entity.

- As the City Manager, I want to express a huge shoutout to our Public Works who have really made some giant improvements to our community in the past three years. Public Works doesn't just take care of streets, they are also responsible for all stormwater, City owned building maintenance, parks, water treatment and distribution, wastewater treatment and collection, and many other services. Many people, both residents and visitors have told me personally have been the City has been looking recently.
- Fun fact! Water possesses a high heat capacity, meaning it can absorb a substantial amount of heat before experiencing a significant temperature increase. This quality renders water invaluable in various industries and as a coolant in car radiators. Additionally, the high heat capacity of water plays a role in regulating the rate at which air changes temperature. This phenomenon contributes to the gradual transition between seasons, particularly in areas near oceans, where the water's heat index helps temper the abruptness of temperature fluctuations.
- City staff will be meeting with the Tillamook Board of Realtors tomorrow morning at Alderbrook Golf Course to discuss the new sewer ordinance regulations that the City Council approved towards the end of 2023. In short, the major changes adopted were that the 60 days for testing and compliance of private sewer lines was lengthened to 12 months, with a new appeals process that could give up to an additional 6 months for compliance for qualifying residents. Also, it puts in place a point-of-sale inspection process and requires repairs when needed upon the sale of all properties. This protects not only the City, but also the new property owner.

- **The City is pleased to announce that we will be going live with a new website on March 4, 2024.** The new website will be provided by CivicPlus, which is the same company that is utilized by Tillamook County. While it is still a work in progress, the new website will be a lot for interactive for residents with both the ability to collect more information from residents and the ability to provide better information to our residents and visitors.
- The City has several new employees coming on board soon, which we are very excited about. Also, we have several positions available at the City of Tillamook. 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 Tuesday, February 20, at 7 PM. We encourage everyone interested in your local government to attend virtually or in person.
- Also, on Monday, March 4, the City Council will be holding a Work Session in place of the Regular Meeting to discuss sewer laterals. Some members of the City Council have inquired about the City taking over the private line between the sewer point of connection and the property line. City staff will be providing information so that the Council can make an informed decision.