

- Tuesday, February 20, 2024
 - Police Department (TPD):
 - Lt. Troxel attended the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council meeting. This meeting was well attended and retired Lt. Mike Lawlis was appointed as the lay citizen to the council.
 - City Manager George, City Planner Carpenter, and Lt. Troxel all attended the Tillamook PUD (People's Utility District) luncheon this week. The lunch was well attended and there were great updates and an overview of our power distribution system.
 - This past week the police department held its quarterly department meeting. This included training from the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). The training topic was regarding identifying and working with drivers who are not impaired by alcohol or drugs, rather a medical or physical condition that could interfere with their abilities to safely operate a motor vehicle.
 - School Resource Officer Trent Olson and Lt. Troxel attended and participated in the memorial service for Beaverton Police Department Sergeant Mark Groshong. Sgt. Groshong started his law enforcement career with the Tillamook Police Department before going to work for the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office and then finally working for Beaverton. The service was well attended.
 - Public Works (PW):
 - As previously announced several times, the City Council adopted an ordinance updating the 1970's City Code regarding private sewer lateral lines. Since the 1970's residents have been responsible for maintaining their private sewer laterals lines and to fix them when problems occur; however, property owners only had 60 days to test and fix their sewer lateral lines if there was a problem. The new ordinance now gives residents 180 days (or 6 months) to test and inspect, 180 days to correct any issues, and potentially up to an additional 180 days if they file for a hardship and are granted additional time.
 - Currently, the City has severe rainwater issues coming into the City's treatment system. Fifty to seventy percent of this issue is on the private side of the City's system. Ordinance violation notices will slowly start going out to residents very soon who have failed sewer laterals. The City will be working on this a little at a time.
 - Additionally, the City would like to encourage and remind citizens of the Service Line Warranties of America warranty

policy available through HomeServe. This very low-cost insurance can help provide financial assistance when fixing sewer laterals, and even your waterline going to your home. More information about this policy is available at City Hall or line at: <https://www.slwofa.com/>.

- 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.
- For any questions, non-urgent issues, or maintenance requests within the city limits, please email our Public Works Department at 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.
- City staff met with the Tillamook Board of Realtors last week to discuss the new sewer lateral ordinance. In addition to the City's focus to help our residents to get their private sewer lateral lines fixed, we discussed the new point of sale requirement for all lines to be properly inspected and repaired, if necessary, as part of the sale/buy process of all properties within the City of Tillamook corporate boundaries. This is a group of dedicated members of our County that are out there working to help new residents join our community, and they were very receptive to our presentation and information. Two members of our Public Works Wastewater Division even stayed after the meeting and answered even more questions after the initial question/answer period following the presentation was over. We greatly appreciate the Tillamook Board of Realtor's willingness to partner with the City and work to create a more livable and viable community.
- 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.
- Finally, 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. Also, the Police Department will be making a presentation about law enforcement in

the City of Tillamook and our ongoing efforts to educate and partner with our community.