

▪ Monday, March 5, 2024

- The City is on a two-hour delay this morning and plans to open at 9:30 AM. This delay is due to the inclement weather and ice, for both the safety of our residents and employees.
- Police Department (TPD):
 - Executive Assistant Lacey Larson and Lt. Troxel attended a countywide communications network meeting. This is a well-attended meeting with excellent representation from north to south county. This meeting is a great time to collaborate with our community partners to ensure that we are prepared to communicate effectively in an event of an emergency or natural disaster. The City would like to thank the Tillamook People's Utility District (TPUD) for hosting this meeting.
 - Lt. Troxel attended a meeting at the hospital, representing law enforcement, regarding response to the hospital in an emergency situation. There was a great discussion between all participants. These relationships are priceless and appreciated greatly. When our various entities, especially those providing services to the public work together, that is a substance which helps build a strong and vibrant community.
 - Sgt. Hollis and Sgt. Harrell attended background investigation training. This was an excellent opportunity to have both Sergeants attend together, ensuring that we are doing all we can do when conducting a background investigation with those who apply for any position within the Police Department.
 - City Manager George, Assistant City Manager Jamy Christensen, and Lt. Troxel attended the Citycounty Insurance Services (CIS) annual conference and meeting. This was an excellent opportunity for professional development and for furthering education within our specific fields. This very informational conference also provided excellent information on how to better protect our City from various risks and hazards.
 - School Resource Officer (SRO) Olson attended a planning meeting for the *Every 15 Minutes Program* that will be occurring this Spring at the Tillamook High School. We would like to thank SRO Olson for representing us well and working so hard to keep our youth safe, day in and day out.
 - Lt. Troxel and City Manager George have been working on ensuring that we are on track to obtain our State Accreditation for the Police Department. We are happy to report we are right where we should be and moving this process forward in the appropriate time necessary. For your

information, we learned at the CIS Conference last week that the risk management team that oversees law enforcement looks very highly on departments that are credentialed as it shows they are meeting or exceeding good standards and practices.

- Lt. Troxel was on the *Tillamook Today* show sharing all the good work the Tillamook Police Department is doing. *Tillamook Today* is another avenue for connecting with our community. Thank you to Lisa Griener, host of the show, and to KTL for their continued support of the Police Department.
- Public Works (PW):
 - As the temperature drops, our dedicated team is actively engaged in deicing the roads to ensure the safety of motorists and pedestrians.
 - In light of the chilly conditions, we urge everyone to extend a helping hand to elderly family members, neighbors, or friends, checking on their well-being during this cold spell. The cold weather poses a higher risk for the elderly, as they may be more susceptible to a reduction in body temperature.
 - Hypothermia, a serious condition resulting from excessively low body temperature, can occur not only outdoors but also indoors when exposed to low temperatures. We encourage everyone to be vigilant and take preventive measures to stay warm, both inside and outside.
 - Your care and consideration can make a significant difference in the well-being of our community members, especially those who may be more vulnerable to the cold.
 - Thank you for your cooperation and for fostering a community that looks out for one another during challenging weather conditions. Stay warm and safe!
 - Just a reminder, which I will continue with for the next several months, since the 1970's residents have been responsible for maintaining their private sewer laterals lines and to fix them when problems occur. Fortunately, for our community, the Tillamook City Council has recently changed the compliance timeline from 60 days to 365 days (one year), with possible extensions available for qualifying residents up to an additional 6 months (180 days). 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 are slowly going out to residents who have failed sewer laterals. The City will be working on this a little at a time. Again, the goal is compliance to help our community for the residents are paying at least \$1.4 million extra a year just to treat

rainwater. This is a significant cost for something that should not even be coming into the system.

- Additionally, the City would like to encourage and remind citizens of the Service Line Warranties of America policy available through HomeServe. This very low-cost warranty 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/>.
- Please call the City Main Number and follow the prompts to the Public Works Department or email publicworks@tillamookor.gov with any questions or concerns to report regarding anything to do with Public Works (parks, streets, City buildings, water treatment, water distribution, wastewater treatment, wastewater collection, stormwater, etc.)
- We have several positions available at the City of Tillamook including Public Works Technicians and a part-time Urban Renewal Agency Administrator. 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.
- Due to the weather yesterday, the City Hall was closed and the City Council Work Session scheduled for Monday, March 4, at 6:00 PM, was moved to tonight, Tuesday, March 5, also at 6:00 PM.
 - The City Council will be holding this 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.
- The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, at 7 PM. We encourage everyone interested in your local government to attend virtually or in person.
- On Saturday, April 13 at 9 AM, the City Council will hold a Council Planning and Goal Setting Work Session, which will be held at the Tillamook Main location of the Tillamook County Library.