

City of Union Oregon NEWSLETTER

"PROMOTE RURAL VALUES, PROTECT LOCAL ASSETS AND FOSTER COMMUNITY PRIDE"

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CITY HALL Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Open During Lunch

UNION CARNEGIE LIBRARY Monday 10am-6pm
Tues ~ Thurs 10am-5pm Friday 10am-4pm

June 2024



From The Desk Of...

Celeste Tate

City Administrator

The weather forecast for the beginning of June looks bright and beautiful. I welcome the warm weather and bright sunshine.

Thank you to all those that took advantage of the annual community Clean-Up Day last month. Also thank you to the Union Robotics team that helped as well. It is great to see spring cleaning happening around town.

Public Works continues its work on several projects including the well projects mentioned in prior newsletters, water and sewer line expansions and street projects. They have also been busy with pothole repairs as well and will continue that in the next few weeks. The City of Union has filled the vacant full-time vacancy in the Public Works Department. The city welcomes Dylan Gardner who will be starting with the city mid-June. He will be hitting the ground running as he comes to us with a background in public works and we are excited to have him join the city. There are many summer projects that the city has on the schedule, and we can't wait to get him started!

As a reminder, there is a survey in May's newsletter regarding the inventory of all water lines for lead piping within the city of union. Returning this survey will assist with requirements that Public Works must adhere to. Returning this survey by June 3rd will also enter you in a drawing to be held on June 5th for a gift card. I have contributed \$100 personally for this drawing. Please get your surveys turned in by June 3rd.

The city currently has an opening for a part-time position at the library as well as a part-time position for code enforcement. More information can be obtained on our Facebook page, website, or by contacting the city by phone or in-person.

The council will be holding a budget hearing on June 10th at 7:15pm at city hall to consider the 2024-2025 budget. The budget that was forwarded to them from the budget committee will be around \$8.6 million and includes about \$1.7 million in potential grant funding. The budget was also built in a flexible manner to accommodate the results of the Fire/EMS annexation ballot measure, whether voters approved the measure or ultimately voted against it.

The ballot measure for the Fire/EMS annexation appears to have been approved by voters though official election results will not be available until after June 17th. The city will work with the UFRPD and the EMS folks in the transition if the current results hold true and the annexation is officially voter approved.

Make sure to attend the upcoming work session that will be held June 24th at 6pm at city hall on the proposed Parks Master Plan with the architect in attendance. Please attend to give your input on what you would like to see in your town.

The Family Roots Blues and Brews for July is coming up on the 26th and Main Street Union is looking for vendors. Make sure to fill out and application if interested. I encourage you to attend and enjoy the festivities in the city and hopefully great weather.

Celeste Tate

FOOLS

JUNE 2ND ~ 9TH

LET'S STIR~UP SOME FUN!

Sunday, June 2nd ~ Rodeo Royalty Horsemanship & Assessment 1:00pm, Horse showmanship 5:00pm

Monday, June 3rd ~ 4H and FFA horse show 8:00am, horse judging 2:00pm, small animal check in 3:30pm

Tuesday, June 4th ~ 4H and FFA horse shows 8:00am, horse show awards 3:00pm, Queen coronation 7:00pm

Wednesday, June 5th ~ Market Animal weigh in 2:00pm to 7:00pm

Thursday, June 6th ~ Cowboy Breakfast 6:00am, market classes 8:00am, livestock judging 3:30pm, Xtreme Bulls 6:30pm

Friday, June 7th ~ Cowboy Breakfast 6:00am, market classes 8:30am, Queens luncheon 11:00am, Main street parade 2:00pm

PRCA rodeo and pari-mutuel horse racing 4:00pm

Saturday, June 8th ~ Cowboy Breakfast 6:00am, livestock auction 8:00am, PRCA rodeo and horse racing 2:00pm

Sunday, June 9th ~ Breakfast 8:00am to 9:00am, Stockshow Cowboy Church 10:00am, PRCA rodeo and horse racing 1:30pm



Union Carnegie Public Library

~June Activities~

Summer Reading Program begins June 10th! Sign up now! All ages welcome

6/10	Slackline (all ages)	City Park	10am
	Coffee Roasting (adults)	City Park	5pm
6/11	Ball Drop (0-5 year olds)	Library	10am
6/12	*Bird Watching (all ages)	Ladd Marsh	8am
6/13	**Horseback riding (all ages)	City Park	10-12am
6/14	Youth Book Club (school age)	Library	10am
6/17	Mini Pinatas (school age)	Library	10am
	Penmanship (adults)	Library	5pm
6/18	Upcycled Puzzles (0-5 year olds)	Library	10am
6/19	Blacksmithing Demo (all 10+ years)	702 Adams La Grande	10-11:30am
6/20	*The Compost Chick (school age)	City Park	10am
6/21	Youth Book Club (school age)	Library	10am
6/24	Catherine Creek Hides (all ages)	Catherine Creek Comm Cntr.	10am
	Titanic (adults)	Catherine Creek Comm Cntr.	5pm
6/25	Box Drive in Theater (0-5 year olds)	Library	10am
6/26	Box Night Lights (school age)	Library	10am
6/27	Titanic Interactive Exhibit (school age)	Catherine Creek Comm.Cnt.	10am
6/28	Youth Book Club (school age)	Library	10am

All events are free, program sign up is required to attend any event.

* events with an asterisk will require additional sign up through the library

** to pre-register for horseback riding select the box on the sign up sheet. Pre-registration is required.

Thank you to our June summer reading program partners:

EOU Outdoor Adventure Program

Jim Sheehy

Pat Kennedy

Hank Stockhoff

Fire Arts Blacksmithing School

The Compost Chicks

Catherine Creek Hides

These neighbors have donated their time, talents, and energy to make a wonderful summer program for us all.



Thank You to Becky Platz and Titus, Linda Palmer, Sarah Watson, Jennifer McBride, Kalyn Meeker and Laura Anderson for all of your volunteer help this year!

Thank You to everyone who helped us with our stockshow parade float!!

Storytime Tuesdays Due to our summer schedule there will only be one Storytime before the summer reading program starts

Read together time from 10:00am ~ 10:30am

Craft together time from 10:30am ~ 11:00am

6/4 Father's Day Cards



We all want to wish Jerry a wonderful retirement!!



Library Hours:

Monday ~ 10am to 6pm

Tuesday thru Thursday ~ 10am to 5pm

Friday ~ 10am to 4pm

Union Carnegie Public Library

181 S. Main

Union, OR 97883

541~562~5811

Tiffany Derichsweiler ~ Librarian



Check us out on Facebook @Union,OR Carnegie Library

**Code Enforcement Officer~
Part-time position**

Duties include, but not limited to: Patrol, inspect, educate, and/or cite violations within the community. To monitor and respond to complaints of potential code violations. Organize and keep a daily log, write reports, maintain orderly records and track complaints. Perform follow-up on cases to ensure compliance. To read and understand city ordinances. Testify in court, if needed, objectively, concisely and professionally.

Must be 18 and have a high school diploma or equivalent. A current valid drivers license is required.

Contact Laura at 541-562-5197 or email lauradodds@cityofunion.com for an application. Application deadline is June 10th, 2024



**Library Assistant~
Part-time position**

Duties include, but not limited to: Assists with daily tasks, such as checking out books, issuing new library cards, return books to shelves, locates books or other materials, assist patrons, manages inquiries in person, via telephone or email. Must have excellent verbal and written communication skills, attention to detail and problem solving skills. Must have a knowledge of basic office equipment, accurate keyboarding skills to manage cataloging duties. Must be able to climb stairs, ladders, or stepstools, push and pull book carts, lift and carry books.

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**OPEN SEATS AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 5th, 2024**

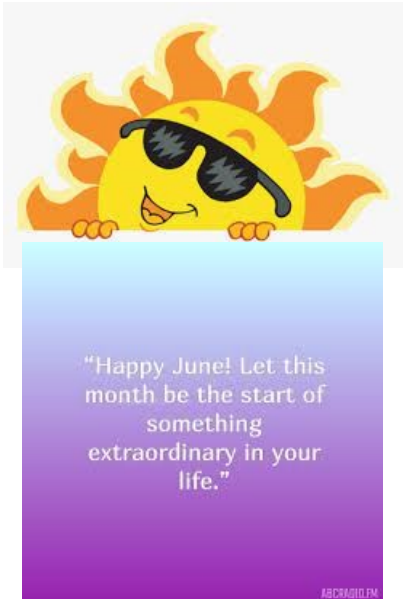
Mayor	2 year term
Council Seat #1	4 year term
Council Seat #3	4 year term
Council Seat #5	4 year term



If you would like to become more involved in your community and have an interest in city government this is an opportunity to make that happen. For more information regarding the duties of an office, or the process of filing, call City Hall at 541-562-5197

Candidate filing packets (forms and signature sheets) are available at City Hall. Filing opens June 5th, and the deadline to have filing papers returned to City Hall is August 15th by 5:00pm, so that we can get them to the County Clerk's office with time for them to review before the county's deadline. If any changes need to be made this gives us time for candidates to correct any errors. If you would like to return your filing papers directly to the Union County Clerk's office you may, their deadline is August 27th by 5:00pm.

City Hall hours: Monday ~ Thursday 10am to 5pm 541-562-5197



Hydrant Flushing

It is that time of year for fire hydrant maintenance and flushing. Through out the summer Public Works will be working hard to get hydrants flushed around the city.

Flushing hydrants can be done to not only test the fire flow capacity in the event of a fire, but also flushed to remove minerals deposits that may occur inside the water distribution pipes.

Citizens who experience unusual water issues during this time, such as air in the lines, or discolored water, are encouraged to turn on an outside water faucet and let the water run for 5-10 minutes to clear water lines.



No Stop Sign?...

The Oregon Driver Manual states that when approaching an intersection with no sign or signal you must look out for and give right of way to any driver on the right simultaneously approaching, regardless of which driver reaches and enters the intersection first.

This would mean drivers that come upon an intersection that has no stop sign, need to Slow Down, Look and Always be prepared to yield and stop!

Union has many intersections without signs on all four corners, and we have a lot of various traffic, such as side by sides, 4 wheelers, motorcycles, cars, trucks and even horses. This means it is so very important to slow down and be aware of your surroundings and all types of approaching traffic!



Do you have a young driver in your family? Teach them proper driving etiquette and intersection laws.

RODEO

Bible Camp



July 7-11, 2024 | Fee \$100
Union, Oregon

GOWBOY EVENTS: Saddle Bronc, Bareback, Bull Riding, Chute Doggin, Calf Roping, Team Roping, & Ranch Roping

GOWGIRL EVENTS: Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Breakaway, Goat Tying, Team Roping, & Ranch Roping

For more information & registration visit rodeobiblecamp.org

Plan to attend Rodeo Day & Auction!!
Thursday July 11th @ 11:00am
Open to the public!

Warm weather and our pets.....

We all love our furr-babies, and want to be with them as much as we can. But you can show more of your love by leaving your pet at home.

On a warm day the temperature inside a vehicle can reach **130 degrees in minutes**. Even opening windows or parking in the shade won't prevent a pet from overheating and possibly die of heatstroke. If you are making a trip, no matter how short, that requires you to leave your pet in the car.....show them how much you love them and Leave Them At Home. Yes, they may show that their feelings are hurt because they can't go....but in the end it could mean the difference of having your pet around for a long time or losing a pet unnecessarily.

Never leave a pet in the car!

Taking your pet to events such as ball games, flea markets or yard sales, or large gatherings can cause anxiety and stress. Add hot temperatures to that and your pet, no matter how healthy, can cause heat stress and can prove very dangerous. As we all know, most animals can't sweat to reduce body heat. Instead dogs, for instance, reduce heat by panting, but there is a limit to how much they can cool themselves down! It's best to not put them in these harmful situations!

Want to take your pet for a walk? If the pavement is too hot for your bare feet, it's too hot for your dogs feet too! Walk in the morning or later evening when weather and pavement is cooler. And don't forget to take shade breaks often.

If your pet is an 'outside' pet, provide plenty of cool areas if they aren't able to come inside a cool house. Trees or awnings to provide adequate shade, and provide plenty of fresh water. Always refrain from tethering a dog outside, this can leave them without the ability to find proper shade and/or water.

Recognize the signs that your pet is suffering from being too hot: * excessive panting *salivation *vomiting *anxious pacing, uncoordinated, stumbling *seizures or strange behavior *collapsing.



Heat can affect pets in an instant! If you suspect your pet is experiencing any of the above symptoms move them to a cool area, wrap them in a cool, damp towel and place them in front of a fan, cool your pet slowly to avoid hypothermia. Never use ice water or ice packs, only cool tepid water. Contact your vet immediately, a quick response can make all the difference!

When Using The Park.....Be Respectful

We all love to visit our city park. It's a beautiful way to spend a summer day or evening. And yes, our dogs love visiting the park with us....but not everyone who visits the park is a dog lover. There are many adults and children who are afraid of dogs. Although we feel our dogs are sweet and safe, We should all be respectful of others.

Park rules state:

All dogs must be kept on a leash and not allowed to run at large.

No one wants to step in poo.....!

There are doggy poo baggy stations at the front and rear of the park as well as trash bins. Pick up after your dog and dispose of properly. Nothing can ruin someone's day more than stepping in dog poo!!



Also, Remember when using the park:

- ◆ Park hours are dawn to dusk
- ◆ BBQ's in the designated park area only
- ◆ Drugs or alcohol are not allowed
- ◆ Park permits are available at City Hall for any special event you may be planning. We can't 'reserve' the park, but we will put you on the calendar and will inform others of your event if they try to schedule on the same day. We recommend getting to your spot early and setting things up to save your area.
- ◆ If it appears someone will be using the gazebo or other area of the park, be respectful and don't intrude.
- ◆ Make sure all your trash is disposed of in the park trash cans. And if you see a piece of trash go ahead and pick it up too, helps keep our park beautiful for everyone.



The city workers



work hard to keep our park clean and beautiful for all to use. Be sure to take time to have a picnic, take a stroll on the walk path, stop at the library, get a book and sit on a bench under a tree, maybe sit on one of the benches by the creek and listen to the water rushing by, have a family reunion, have a wedding or just take the kids to the enclosed play ground.

We hope you have a wonderful summer and get the chance to enjoy our beautiful city park!





What's Happening at the Museum in June....

It is so nice to be able to welcome visitors to the museum. Our Mother's Day opening was a well attended event with the special dedication of an entry way blacksmith display in memory of Gordon Drummond. Now, June brings to Union many Eastern Oregon Livestock Show activities which, for some reason, made me think about hats. Take a moment to look at the great variety of hats worn by almost everyone. We can all identify Stetsons, straw hats, baseball caps, Cowboy hats and stocking caps. There was a time in history when it was highly unusual not to encounter a person wearing some type of head covering.

Women's hats have an elaborate history and there are many unique types of hats that women of today should be quite happy they are not the required headgear. Until the 20th century most women wore a head covering at home known as day caps. These house caps could be plain or elaborate and often had long extensions called lappets. Lappets actually resembled the long ears of a Basset Hound that hung down almost to the middle of the torso.



'Poke bonnets' for the well dressed lady were quite popular. These bonnets had cane or whale bone hoops that kept the fabric stretched over the form. Often, there was a small cape attached to the back of the bonnet to prevent the neck from sunburn.

During the late 1800's women's hats were quite tall and were called "three story hats" which had to be held in place by eight to ten inch hat pins. It wasn't unusual to see hats with giant feathers or frequently adorned with an entire bird.

The Museum has a collection of wonderful and unique hats. One bonnet on display belonged to Priscilla Harris Huffman who was born in 1819 and married Jonathan Huffman in Virginia in 1830. Priscilla was the sister of Joseph Harris for whom the Grande Ronde Valleys' prominent Mt. Harris was named.

One can also view a display of elegant men's formal evening attire including a tuxedo, cane and a top hat donated by the Jack Evans family. In the "cowboy room" there are several kinds of cowboy hats including a much worn trail hat on our talking cowboy Zack.

So, this month let's keep an eye on the many hats people wear and remember the old adage "Home is where you hang your hat." More next month.



Snippet of Union's History.....

Scrimmages

Oregon Scout August 13, 1887

A little "scrimmage" was indulged in by a couple of the boys on the baseball grounds last Saturday, which resulted in them being gathered in by Sheriff Hamilton and paying a fine of \$10 each. Amusement of this kind, besides being hard on the eyes, is expensive.

Oregon Scout April 4, 1887

A lively little "scrimmage" took place in the Montreal saloon last Sunday evening which resulted in \$35 being deposited in the recorder's court the next day, for the benefit of the city.

Looking Forward To:

Grassroots Festival

August 10th

All day family fun!!



Vendors, city wide yard sales, games, car show, duck race, music and so much

~THUNDER AT THE PEAK ~

4th of July Fireworks Show!

PLAN ON JOINING US! VENDORS, CORN HOLE CONTEST AND MORE! AND THEN A BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF INDEPENDENCE AND NATIONAL PRIDE AT BUFFALO PEAK GOLF COURSE! FIREWORKS BEGIN AT DUSK!



CITY OF UNION
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
24/25 Budget Year

A public meeting of the Union City Council will be held on June 10th, 2024 at 7:15 pm at the Leonard Almquist City Council Chambers, Union, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 as approved by the City of Union Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at Union City Hall, between the hours of 10 am and 5pm (Monday-Thursday) or online at www.cityofunion.com. This budget is for an annual budget period from July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

Contact: Celeste Tate Telephone: 541-562-5197 Email: admin@cityofunion.com

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2022-2023	Adopted Budget This Year 2023-2024	Approved by Budget Committee Next Year 2024-2025
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	3,919,612	3,824,595	3,818,180
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	1,881,118	1,730,890	2,151,189
Federal, State and all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations and Donations	399,949	1,585,142	2,180,642
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt			
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	118,810	349,710	114,000
All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes			
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	312,961	290,000	300,000
Total Resources	6,632,450	7,780,337	8,564,011

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Personnel Services	715,430	897,670	854,845
Materials and Services	862,008	854,975	1,009,009
Capital Outlay	845,536	4,258,554	4,464,460
Debt Service	176,232	377,833	378,602
Interfund Transfers	118,810	274,000	114,000
Contingencies	0	300,143	672,328
Special Payments			
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure	3,914,433	817,162	1,079,767
Total Requirements	6,632,450	7,780,337	8,564,011

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM *			
Name of Organizational Unit or Program FTE for that unit or program			
Administration	1,127,137	1,199,526	1,005,829
FTE	1.2	1.6	1.1
Public Safety	621,900	401,670	224,923
FTE	0.5	0.2	0.2
Parks	47,347	86,194	76,703
FTE	0.2	0.4	0.3
Court	1,491	2,975	3,159
FTE	0.0	0.0	0.0
Recycling	598	900	828
FTE	0.0	0.0	0.0
Planning	15,400	26,363	30,873
FTE	0.2	0.3	0.3
Water	1,389,829	2,612,775	3,538,195
FTE	2.2	2.5	2.6
Sewer	1,614,137	1,497,383	1,276,741
FTE	2.2	2.5	2.5
Systems Development	98,826.0	98,826.0	102,779.0
FTE	0.0	0.0	0.0
Street	793,646	938,829	1,107,188
FTE	0.9	1.1	0.9
Library	226,369	237,250	351,495
FTE	1.5	1.5	1.5
Ranger Station	59,747	88,450	122,182
FTE	0.1	0.1	0.1
Downtown Development	36,538	36,653	38,250
FTE	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fire	290,480	259,422	313,382
FTE (Volunteers)	0.8	0.8	0.8
Ambulance	309,005	293,122	371,484
FTF (Volunteers)	0.8	1.0	0.8
Total Requirements	6,632,450	7,780,337	8,564,011
Total FTE	10.6	12.1	10.9

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES and SOURCES OF FINANCING *

The wastewater treatment plant has the only remaining loan for the City and is on pace to be paid off in 2031. We estimate to receive approximately \$1.7 million in grants this coming year. In addition, user fees for water and sewer were increased. These increases in revenue are offset by decreases in transfers due to COVID monies ending.

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
	Rate or Amount Imposed 2022-2023	Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2023-2024	Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2024-2025
Permanent Rate Levy (rate limit 1.5752 per \$1,000)	1.5752	1.5752	1.5752
Library Special Tax Levy (rate limit 1.05 per \$1,000)	1.21	1.05	1.05

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1.	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1
General Obligation Bonds	\$0	
Other Borrowings	\$983,479	
Total	\$983,479	

City of Union

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Drinking Water Report 2023 Sampling Results

This is our **annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)** on your drinking water system. The most recently required sampling results have been gathered to inform customers about their tap water. With this information, we hope you will learn more about your water and will help protect the water for future use.

We provide quality drinking water that meets all federal and state requirements.

During recent years we have sampled for many different chemicals. Contamination is anything other than pure water. We sample total coliform bacteria as an indicator of microorganisms (bacteria, viruses and other small creatures) that should not be present. **The table below lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the past calendar year or in our most recent tests as noted.** Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling **541-562-5197** or **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791)**.

EPA's website is www.epa.gov/safewater

Terms and Abbreviations

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. **IDEAL GOAL**

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. **HIGHEST LEVEL ALLOWED**

Action Level (AL): the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. **na:** not applicable **nd:** not detectable at testing limit **ppm:** parts per million or milligrams per liter (1 drop in 1 million gallons) **ppb:** parts per billion or micrograms per liter (1 drop in 1 billion gallons) **pCi/L:** picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation).

Regulated Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Our Water	Sample Date	Exceedance / Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
Lead (ppb)	0	15 AL	2.1	7-10-22	No	Corrosive water & home plumbing
Copper (ppm)	1.3	1.3 AL	0.032	7-10-22	No	Corrosive water & home plumbing
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	0.296	1-3-22	No	Naturally occurring
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (ppb)	Na	80	0.99	9-13-21	No	Disinfection byproduct
Combined Radium (226/228)	0	30	0.8	6-7-21	No	Naturally occurring

Fluoride, Barium, Sodium, Nickel, are all natural occurring.

We had no drinking water violations!

The City is committed to supplying their water consumers with a safe and sufficient supply. The City's ground water derived from two deep wells that are trapped into a basalt aquifer. The two wells have the potential to produce four million gallons per day.

The City presents this report to inform their water consumers of the quality of the drinking water supply.



Would you like to receive your newsletter by email?

Just email lauradodds@cityofunion.com and we will put you on the email list.

Noxious Weeds!!....

Weed enforcement is in full force in Union County, including the City of Union! If you know weeds at all, you know how quickly they can get out of control and spread. And none worse than those weeds considered 'noxious', a harmful weed or injurious weed is a weed that has been designated by an agricultural or other governing authority as a plant that is injurious to agricultural or horticultural crops, natural habitats or ecosystems, or humans or livestock.

While there are 28 weeds on the Tri-County Cooperative Weed Management Area, the following are a few that are persistent within our city limits:



Whitetop is a perennial and grows up to 2 feet tall. It has blue green leaves that are up to 4" long. Flowers are small white flowers that give the flower a flat topped appearance. Blooms May into mid summer. Roots can go as deep as 6 feet.



Puncturevine grows in dense mats lying close to the ground with trailing stems. This weed gets a five petal yellow flower between July and October. Also called Goathead due to the 'horns' on the dried seeds. Seeds are viable 4-5 years!

Knapweed has either a purple, pinkish, or white shaggy flower, numerous in clusters. Blooms from June to September. Once it has gone to seed, seeds are viable up to 9 years! Has an extensive root system up to 3' deep, and spreads by root and seed fragments.



There are several varieties of thistle, some grow up to 12' tall. Thistle can spread by deep dense roots or by seed. Thistle seeds are viable up to 8 years. Flowers are purple with ovoid heads, and blooms July to August.



COUNCIL CORNER:

Current City Council Topics Include:



- ⇒ Ranger Station project
- ⇒ Water System Update Project
- ⇒ Reviewing Ordinances
- ⇒ Committees working on the City Charter, Water/Sewer, Zoning, Trails, and Ordinances

~City Council Members ~

Jay Blackburn
Tim Cox
John Farmer

Dick Middleton
John Black
Anita Davis

Mayor Susan Hawkins

June 2024 Council Meetings

June 10th

- Council Work Session @ 6:00pm
- Council Meeting @ 7:00pm

June 24th

- Council Work Session @ 6:00pm

All meetings are held in the Leonard Almquist Chambers at City Hall.

Meetings are live streamed and can be viewed on our Facebook page. Or you can view them any time later on our website

www.cityofunion.com



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ORGANIZATION

MEETING DATE

LOCATION

TIME

PHONE

Awana	Every Thurs/during school year	Baptist Church	6:30pm	541-562-5870
Catherine Creek Community Center	4th Thursday of month	Community Center	6:00pm	541-562-2038
City of Union Chamber	2nd Thurs of the month		6:00 pm	unionchamber@eoni.com
City Council	2nd Mon of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
Council Work Sessions	2 nd & 4 th Mon of month	City Hall	6.00 pm	541-562-5197
CUP Medical Association	2 nd Tues of the month	251 S Main	6:00 pm	541-910-6268
Order of Eastern Star	2nd Wed of the month	Masonic Hall	7:00 pm	541-805-0779
EMS Department	1st Mon of the month	Rural Fire Hall	7:00 pm	
EOLS Board	2nd Tues of the month	EOLS Club House	7:00 pm	541-562-5631
Food Bank	3 rd Friday of the month	Catherine Creek CommCtr	10-11:00am	541-562-2038
Friends of the Library	2 nd Tues January, April, July & November	Union Library	5:30 pm	541-562-5807
Grande Ronde Valley Masonic	3 rd Wed of the month	Masonic Hall	7:30pm	
Historic Preservation	3 rd Wed of the month	City Hall	6:00pm	541-562-5197
Library Board	4 th Wed of July, Oct, Jan, April	Library	4:00 pm	541-562-5811
Lions Club	3 rd Tues of the month	Sports Complex	5:30 pm	PO Box 337
Mainstreet Union & Economic Development	2nd Thursday of the month	Call contact # for location	7:00 pm	541-910-7048
Planning Commission	3rd Wed of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
Senior / Community Meals	2nd Friday of the month	Catherine Creek Community Center	12:00 pm	541-562-2038
School Board	2nd Wed of the month	Athletic Complex	6:00 pm	541-562-5166
South County Health Dist	Last Friday of month / Oct, Jan, April, and July	Health Clinic	1:30 pm	541-562-2222
Union Cemetery Board	2 nd Tues of the month	Union Cemetery Office	9:00 am	541-562-5212
Union FFA Alumni & Supporters	3rd Wednesday	UHS Ag Science Classroom at the back of the gym	6:30pm	541-975-9495
VFW Bingo	Every Wednesdaynight	VFW Hall	6 pm	541-562-6035
VFW Formal meeting	1st Thursday of month	VFW Hall	6 pm	541-562-6035

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