



City of Central Point NEWS FROM CITY HALL

2016 Elections for Central Point

The City of Central Point operates under a “Council/Manager” form of government. The Council consists of a Mayor and six councilors. Two Council Members are elected from the City at large, while the other four are elected from Wards which divide the City into four sections. The Mayor serves as presiding officer and is a voting member of the Council. He has the authority to preserve order, enforce the rules and determine the order of business at the Council meetings. If the Mayor is not present at a meeting, the Council President presides.

The City Council is the legislative branch of Central Point’s Municipal government, the people’s elected representatives. Council meetings are open public meetings where the



Council makes local laws, policies and basic decisions for the municipality. The Council meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 140 S. 3rd Street, Central Point OR 97502. Council Study Sessions are usually scheduled for the 3rd Monday of each month. All meetings can vary in date and time depending on agenda items.

Positions are elected every other year with the general election of the State of Oregon. Mayor and Council positions are elected for four year terms.

The City Council appoints the City Manager whose responsibilities include enforcement of Ordinances and preparation of the bi-annual budget, along with administration and coordination of the City’s operations. The City Manager hires Department Directors to assist him in carrying out his duties.

Hopefully you have already gotten your Jackson County Voters Pamphlet

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Wood Stove Ordinance

Did you know Central Point has a woodstove ordinance? The requirements of the ordinance say that no visible smoke can be emitted from a chimney on a Yellow or Red day in a certified woodstove and that no burning is allowed in uncertified woodstoves at all on these days. Uncertified woodstoves are only allowed to burn on Green days with a limit of 50 percent opacity. What is opacity? When the visibility of an object seen through smoke is reduced by 1/2, then the opacity is 50 percent. Low opacity is best achieved by burning dry wood in a hot fire with lots of oxygen. Central Point’s woodstove Ordinance No. 1897 gives code enforcement officials the authority to cite residents in violation



How do I know if it is a green, yellow or a red day? Jackson County residents can call (541) 776-9000 for the advisory for the day or check online at <https://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/Environmental-Public-Health/Wood-Stove-and-Open-Burning>.

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in the mail and have been researching all the different things requiring Central Point residents to vote on this year. If you have not received your pamphlet or it got thrown away by accident you can always go online to <http://jacksoncountyor.org/clerk/Elections>.

I am not going to go over every item requiring a vote, but I would like to clarify what the City of Central Point has for the 2016 Elections:

Measures - Vote Yes or No

Measure No. 15-146 Prohibits certain recreational marijuana licenses in city of Central Point.

Measure No. 15-147 Prohibits certain medical marijuana registrants in city of Central Point.

Measure No. 15-148 Imposes city tax on marijuana retailer's sale of marijuana items.

Candidates:

Mayor - Vote for one

Hank Williams - Incumbent Completed petition, and official candidate. Hankhope@msn.com

Rick Samuelson Completed petition, and official candidate. judysflorist@gmail.com

Bret J. Barlow Jr. Completed petition, and official candidate. Bretbarlow@ymail.com

Council Member Ward IV - Vote for one

Tanea Browning Completed petition, and official candidate. Tanea@mydirtpark.org

Council Member At-Large - Vote for two

Allen Broderick Completed petition, and official candidate. Allenbrodericksells@gmail.com

Rob Hernandez Completed petition, and official candidate. robhernandez@sbjames.com

Richard Wedsted Completed petition, and official candidate. Richwed@msn.com

Your vote counts! Please make sure that you get your ballot to the Jackson County elections office by 8:00 pm on November 8th. You can put your ballot in the mail, drop it in the elections box located by the front door of the Central Point Library or any one of several locations in Jackson County. Please do not drop your ballot envelope in another Oregon County drop box, it may not get to Jackson County in time to be counted.



Thank you,

Central Point Elections Official Deanna Casey, MMC

Budget Billing Coming Soon

With our Budget Billing option, you can avoid seasonal peaks in your water bills by dividing your payments evenly over the course of the entire year. This plan makes it easier for you to budget and pay your water bill each month, because you'll know your regular payment amount.

Sign-ups will begin November 1st and go into effect for the December 20th billing due in January. You will only be able to sign up once a year and the bills will be recalculated in December of every year.

More information coming soon!

Fall Leaf Collection

The temperatures are dropping and so are the leaves. In an effort to keep the storm drains and streets clear, Rogue Disposal and the City of Central Point are working together again to pick up leaves on November 21st and December 16th. Residents within the City limits can bag their leaves in heavy duty yard bags and place tied bags on the curb or just off the roadway. Bags over 40 pounds or that contain any other lawn debris or trash will not be picked up.

For more information, visit www.roguedisposal.com or call 541-779-4161.

Save the Dates!
Leaf Pick Up November 21, 2016
and December 16, 2016

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Why is this important to me and my family?

Unhealthy air is not just found in big cities. It happens wherever tiny particles and toxins in the air get trapped in valleys and “bowls” by a layer of warmer air above, preventing pollution from escaping. In winter months, Central Point and surrounding areas are frequently socked in by these inversions that create stagnant weather conditions. Air pollution can reach unsafe levels for children, the elderly and people already suffering from respiratory and other chronic illnesses. Smoke from fireplaces and woodstoves is the largest threat to healthy air in our community.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the Central Point ordinance please call Mike Ono at 541-423-1030 or email your questions to mike.ono@centralpointoregon.gov. If you suspect someone is burning on a yellow or red burn day please call the Central Point Police Department non-emergency line at 541-664-5578 with the location.

If you have questions on woodstove use (when to burn, what to burn, how to burn) call Jackson County Environmental Public Health at 541-774-8206 or Medford DEQ 541-776-6089



VETERAN'S DAY
FRIDAY, NOV. 11TH 2016
DON JONES MEMORIAL PARK
FALLEN WAR HEROES MEMORIAL
9AM TO 10AM

Join us in honoring our service members, both men and women, who served our country in the defense of our freedoms.

The memorial in Central Point contains the names of nearly 6,000 Oregon servicemembers who have died in the line of duty from the Civil War to the Present.

Join us in celebration of our Veterans!
If you're interested in how you can become involved in this or any other event; as a volunteer or participant, contact Cory Shaw at 541-423-1978.



Trick-or-Treating Tips

If you plan to take your children out on October 31st for a fun night of Trick or Treating, the Central Point Police Department would like you to be aware of the things listed below. Please be respectful of neighbors, and don't go up to houses that are dark.

- Trick-or-Treat in familiar neighborhoods.
- Always trick-or-treat in groups accompanied by an adult.
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries after dark.
- Walk with your head up and be aware of your surroundings.
- Only visit well lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses.
- Don't enter any house unless you know the people who live there.
- Don't cut across yards and stay out of backyards. Respect other people and their property.
- Don't eat any candy until it's been inspected for tampering under bright lights.
- Avoid candy that has loose wrappings, is unwrapped, has puncture holes or is homemade.
- Keep hard candy away from small children to avoid choking.
- Carry a spare Halloween bag, in case yours breaks or you fill your original one.
- Be polite and say, "thank you."



***Report any suspicious or criminal activity to an adult or the police.
Dial 911 for emergencies or 541-664-5578 for non emergencies.***

Arboretum Ribbon Cutting

Skyrman Arboretum is a triangle piece of property directly north of the Oregon State Police property. This is a unique piece of property that was donated to Central Point Parks by Wally Skyrman in 2009. Mr. Skyrman's property is just over 3 acres with many different varieties of mature trees. One of the stipulations of receiving this property is that it would remain an arboretum and be used for educational purposes.

Work began on the trails and parking this past summer. While work has been accomplished for the first phase, this is the type of park project that will be ongoing for many years to come. The City of Central Point will be working with schools and volunteer groups to complete other phases of the project.

The first community work day was on October 5th and over 80 students from Crater High pitched in an hour of their community service time to help the Parks Department ready the site for the upcoming ribbon cutting. Girl Scout troops and church groups have also expressed an interest in helping to continue the work of this great project.

A ribbon cutting for the first phase of work will take place on October 26th at 10:00 am at the Arboretum. The event will be hosted by Central Point Parks and the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF). The majority of the funding for this project was supplied by a grant from the OCF.

Parking for the ribbon cutting event is limited. The Labor Temple just to the south of the property has kindly provided parking in their west lot along Hwy 99. Please call Jennifer Boardman at Central Point Parks if you would like more information 541-664-3321 ext 263.



Central Point Recreation Classes

All classes require pre-enrollment.

Call: (541) 664-3331, ext. 130

For more upcoming classes, visit our webpage!

Dates to Remember

November

- 1 - Planning Commission (6 pm)
- 8 - Election Date
- 10 - City Council Meeting (7 pm)
- 11 - Veterans Day Celebration ★
- 15 - Citizens Advisory Committee (6 pm)
- 17 - Park Commission Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 21 - Leaf Pick Up
- 24 & 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday ★

Senior Sit to Be Fit:

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays, October 31 – November 21



This class is good for beginning to moderate senior fitness goals. Participants will use chairs with light hand weights and physio-cardio bands that will target all major muscle groups. Basic stretching and deep breathing techniques will be taught, followed by core and lower back development. Participants will need to bring a set of light hand weights - 1 lb - 5 lbs.

Location: City Hall Room 1

Ages: 55 and up

Cost: \$40

Time: 9:00 – 10:00 am

Senior Tai Chi Gung:

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays, October 31 – November 21



This is a senior beginning class. Combining two ancient forms of self-defense and healthy vitality, will enhance oxygen flow, teach the body balance, core strengthening development and total relaxation, good for spiritual and emotional health. We will use simple movements that are easy to learn and memorize.

Location: City Hall Room 1

Ages: 55 and up

Cost: \$40

Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am

Beginning Sewing for Kids: Saturdays, November 5 – December 3

This class will teach younger kids how to thread and use their sewing machine; how to cut out patterns, pin it to the fabric, and cut it out. Students will be using straight stitch and a zig-zag stitch to sew their project. Students will sew a bag, PJ pants, an apron, and another project to be determined later on in the course.

Location: Rec B

Ages: 6 to 11

Cost: \$52

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm



Beginning Sewing for Adults: Saturdays, November 5 – December 3

This class will teach older kids and adults how to thread and use their sewing machine; how to cut out patterns, pin it to the fabric, and cut it out. Students will be using straight stitch and a zig-zag stitch to sew their project. Students will sew a bag, PJ pants, an apron, and another project to be determined later on in the course.



Location: Rec B

Ages: 12 and up

Cost: \$52

Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Meetings are subject to change, please check our website for more information.

★ = City Offices Closed

City Directory

City Manager
541-423-1026

Building Permits
541-423-1973

Code Enforcement
541-423-1034

Community Development
541-423-1973

Library (Central Point Branch)
541-664-3228

Police (Non Emergency)
541-664-5578

Parks and Recreation
541-664-3321 ext. 130

Public Works
541-423-1028

Public Works After Hours
1-800-726-6476

Utility Billing
541-664-3321 ext. 204

CALL 911
for Fire, Medical and
Police Emergencies

City Hall hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Monday – Friday. Feel free to drop in
with questions, pay a bill, or just say
“hello”.

Christmas Lights Parade



Saturday December 3rd, 2016

Theme: 'Twas The Night Before Christmas

Parade Starts @ 5:15pm

Tree Lighting @ 5:50pm

After the Parade, come join us at City Hall some fun activities!

Visit with Santa

Hay Rides

Games and Crafts

Kiwanis Book Giveaway

View the Floats!

Volunteer Needs

It is that time of year again! Our Community Christmas Parade, Santa's Village and Parade all need Volunteers. Go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044aaba722a6fb6-christmas> and sign up.

Float in the Parade!!!

We also have openings for you, your organization, or your business to have a float in the parade! Call Cory Shaw at 541-423-1978 or email cory.shaw@centralpointoregon.gov for an application!

Contact Your **Council**

email: info@centralpointoregon.gov



Mayor
Hank Williams
541-994-0066



Council President
Bruce Dingler
541-324-1842



Ward II
Michael Quilty
541-621-4853



Ward III
Brandon Thueson
503-930-7057



Ward IV
Allen Broderick
541-951-7253



At-Large
Tanea Browning
541-890-8377



At-Large
Rick Samuelson
541-664-1878

If you are not sure who your representative is call 541-423-1026