

# Falls City Newsletter

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY AND PLANTING THE  
SEEDS FOR A SECURE FUTURE.

## FALLS CITY REPORT

The two-year Community Development Block Grant wastewater project has begun for engineering and environmental review and we are currently notifying affected property owners and locating a site to build plans for the lagoon system. As you know, the current drain field under the high school football field does not have enough capacity to handle our wastewater needs and meet DEQ permitting rules. This puts the City at great risk. The project engineer is looking for a site adjacent to or near to the Little Luckiamute River that has shallow sloping and at least 6-10 acres of undeveloped land. The City and Council plan to host a town hall meeting, tentatively scheduled for Wednesday July 18, to discuss the overall project, what needs to be completed in order to maintain permits, and next steps. Stay tuned for posted notices around town. This is a big project and we welcome any and all input as we share in this responsibility.

The City has received and executed a Special City Allotment Grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation. That money will be ultimately be used to pave part of 5th St. Currently, the city is in negotiations with the County to join their paving contract limiting the amount of funds that will have to come out of City coffers to complete the project.

The City is finalizing its code services program and will soon be looking to hire a regular Code Services Officer to aid citizens in complying with the city's various code sections. We here at City Hall are excited to get the ball rolling on this and exposing all of the beauty that Falls City has to offer.

The City is closing in on an agreement with the Sheriff's Department to put a sub-station in the Fire Hall. This will help continue to strengthen ties between our local first responders, Falls City Fire and Polk County Sheriff's Office, ultimately resulting in better all-around service to our citizens and our community.

Backflow testing on the water system of each residence is beginning within the next couple of weeks. Please be helpful to the inspector as he was contracted to ensure our backflows and thus our water system remain compliant with the law. He will also be providing minor repairs which in many cases will save the individual water user from having to pay to replace their backflow valve.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS:

### Summer Celebration Parade and Picnic – July 7<sup>th</sup> @ noon

Join us for a day of fun, family, friends & community. The Boondocks is partnering with the City of Falls City for our third annual Summer Celebration Parade & Picnic in the Park. The Summer Celebration Parade (previously known as the Independence day parade) will begin at noon at the high school. The parade route will follow North Main Street to the bridge and end at the old mill lot. At 12:30 we will gather in the Lower Park for a community picnic where burgers, hot dogs, & cotton candy will be served. Live music and games also provided!

### National Night Out Luau! Tuesday, August 7, 5-8pm

Aloha! Falls City Fire would like to invite everyone to their National Night Out Luau! This free event will be at the fire station. There will be food, games, public safety fair, and a multi-agency motor vehicle collision simulation. A Life Flight helicopter will be landing at the football field during the event.

### Direct Connect transportation

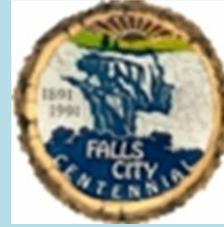
The Polk County Direct connect continues its free bus service from Falls City to Dallas and Monmouth. Feel free to obtain a schedule at City Hall or online at [www.co.polk.or.us/fco/falls-city-direct-connect](http://www.co.polk.or.us/fco/falls-city-direct-connect)

### Fire Season 2018

Fire Season 2018 went into effect on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 1am. Debris burning is prohibited. Tracer ammunition and exploding targets are also prohibited. Please keep your property and your neighbor's property safe!

**If any organization has upcoming events that they would like to see in the newsletter, email event information to: [mayor@fallscityoregon.gov](mailto:mayor@fallscityoregon.gov), before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

## Scheduled City Meetings



**All meetings are in the  
Community Center at 320  
N. Main unless otherwise  
noted.**

City Council 6:00 pm  
July 12, 2018

Parks & Recreation 11:00 pm  
July 19, 2018

Public Works 6:30 pm  
July 19, 2018