

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Board Meetings—You’re Invited

By Board Member Daroll Nicholson

Here is a list of the upcoming meeting dates for the Aurora Rural Fire Board Meetings. The Fire Board rotates meetings between the Fire Hall in Donald at 20909 Feller Street and the Fire Hall in Aurora at 21390 Main ST NE. All meetings start at 7pm and you are welcome to attend.

Oct. 16, 2019 Aurora	Nov. 20, 2019 Donald
Dec. 18, 2019 Aurora	Jan. 15, 2020 Donald
Feb. 19, 2020 Aurora	Mar. 18, 2020 Donald
Apr. 15, 2020 Aurora	May 20, 2020 Donald

Calling All Donald Crafters Holiday Craft Bizarre in Donald

Sign up ASAP to be a vendor at the first Donald Holiday Craft Bizarre, which will be held at the Santa’s Sing-a-Long at the Donald Fire Hall on Saturday, December 7th . Applications can be picked up at City Hall or printed off the City’s website. The Donald Hazelnut Festival is sponsoring this fun event! If you love giving handmade gifts please come shop from your local artisans! The craft bizarre will open at 2pm and close with the Santa’s Sing-a-Long around 8:30pm. We learned that North Marion Schools are also holding a Holiday Market on this day too, so make a whole fun shopping day out of it and go to both events!

City Calendar for October 2019

Tue 8: City Council Meeting 6:45pm
 Tue 15: Water & Sewer Bills Due
 Wed 16: Red Tags for Delinquent Water & Sewer Accts. 10am
 Thurs 17: Planning Commission Meeting 6:45pm
 Mon 21: Late Fees Applied to Water & Sewer Accounts 8am
 Mon 21: Shut Offs for Delinquent Water & Sewer Accts. 10am
 Mon 21: Storytime at the DCC 10:30am
 Mon 21: Donald Beautification Group Meeting 6:30pm
 Mon 28: Street Sweeper: Please move cars off streets
 Thurs 31: Happy Halloween!



What To Do On the City’s Website

Visit the City’s Website to learn more about your town. Recently, City Clerk Randi Meadors added new information about the City Council’s Focus Groups and the Donald Beautification Group. She keeps an updated calendar of City events, public hearings and meetings. You can complete a feedback form online that is automatically received and it will be reviewed at upcoming the Council Meeting or you could read the latest police and fire logs. If you have request for certain content to be added, please let us know.

Donald Beautification Group Report

The DBG is having a lot of fun and wrapping up a few big projects. Sometime in October the new restroom will be installed at the Little City Park and we will need help with moving sand, moving a fence and setting up the Tire Land play tires. If you can help, please contact City Hall. We are still waiting for the restroom kit to be delivered so we can’t plan the date yet. Another project that the DBG is working is a business survey to better understand what the local businesses can give or offer to help serve the community. If you have not returned your survey to Krista Fogelson or Paula Gonzalez, you can turn it in at City Hall. Lastly, the DBG is very excited to work on having the greatest Kids Crafting Fun Table at Santa’s Sing-a-Long event. There will be a “Spin to Win” a prize game, a goldfish give-a-way game, making ornaments for your tree, and much, much more! The DBG meets the third Monday of the month from 6:30pm to 7:30 pm at City Hall.



City Hall:
 City Manager: Heidi Bell
 10710 Main Street
 P.O. Box 388
 Donald, OR 97020-0388
Phone: 503-678-5543
 City Hall Hours:
 Mon - Thurs =
 8am to 4pm
 Fridays = 8am to Noon

City Website:
www.donaldoregon.gov
Public Works:
 Director: Alonso Limones
 Phone: 503-678-1411
Donald’s Emergency
Pager: 503-301-6479
 Subscribe to
Flash Alerts to receive
 Urgent & Emergency
 Notices

DONALD MONTHLY RECORD

Mayor’s Message

Over the past few months the City Council and Planning Commission collectively established new goals and approved them for the City of Donald. These goals focus on current and future plans, and include some lofty but obtainable goals that we feel benefit and support our community over the next several years. Many of our goals focus on providing better access for the community in areas of transparency, transportation, health, welfare and recreation. In addition, providing and maintaining adequate infrastructure, shaping future growth by embracing smart and green technology and a commitment to community safety. Most of these goals center around the Council’s Focus Groups; however, as the governing body we feel they align with our overall vision for Donald which states: “The City of Donald seeks sustainable growth that protects our resources, preserves our values and culture and provide a safe environment for our community”. We cannot accomplish these goals on our own; we value and need input from members of the community to be successful. Therefore, I encourage everyone in the community to be engaged and involved when and where you can. Help us shape the future of Donald.



City Council Meeting Report: September 10, 2019

At this meeting, the Council heard a presentation from John Sullivan the General Manager from North Marion Recycling and Garbage about the rate increase that was approved in 2016 but they never enacted it. However, due to the changes in recycling and garbage costs the company will now increase the cost of their service; a notice will come in your garbage bill. The Council voted to approve a resolution to adopt their goals and another one to apply for a grant for a consultant to do an Economic Development Strategic Plan. There were presentations from the Traffic Safety, Emergency Management and Community Events/Public Health Focus Groups. Council will attend a class on Oct. 7 at 6:30pm about elected leaders and social media at the Donald Fire Hall. The next Council Meeting is on Tuesday, 10/8/2019 at 6:45pm at City Hall.

Councilor’s Corner

By Councilor Gerry Waller

As one of your City Councilors, I have been selected as the Liaison for the Parks and Recreation Focus Group. Councilor Rod Scott is my alternate. Currently, I am looking for 4-6 community members who would like to join our Focus Group. Soon you will see activity at the Little Park as our Restroom Kit is due to be delivered this month. We are also installing a new piece of climbing equipment for the older kids, a tether ball set, sun shades, and a Tire Land. The kids helped us out by selecting their favorite tire designs and GK Machine is prepping all of the tires and helping with the layout of this area. There is going to be a small addition to the park to make room for the tires and this is the side yard of the City Hall. Next projects include a restroom at the Skate Park and resurfacing of the Donald Little City Park. What else shall we do? Once all is done, I will be organizing a ribbon cutting ceremony for everyone to attend. I wish to thank everyone who has helped with this endeavor!

- The Donald Beautification Group
- GK Machine and GK’s Connie Lindsay
- All City Employees

Please contact me at councilorwaller@donaldoregon.gov if you are interested in being part of my Focus Group. I plan on meeting no more than once a month.



**A BIG Thank You To All the
 Clean Up Day Volunteers,
 Councilors, Planning
 Commissioners, & Community
 Members that Donated!**

Ritz Safety for donating the masks and gloves.
GK Machine with logistics & sending employees.

CERT Trainings In Donald

Are you a person that is interested in being prepared for a natural disaster, or other emergency? You should take a CERT class. Councilor Troy Hellickson with his cohort Councilor Sheryl Glenn worked to offer a CERT training in Donald. You need to attend all four classes/days. They will be held at the Donald Fire Station, Training Room, 20909 Feller Street, N.E., Donald, OR 97020. Questions? Email: councilorhellickson@donaldoregon.gov or call City Hall (503-678-5543) and you can leave a message for Councilor Troy Hellickson.



Fri., Oct. 18: 6pm– 9pm
Sat., Oct. 19: 9am– 5pm
Fri., Oct. 25: 6pm– 9pm
Sat., Oct. 26: 9am– 5pm

Thank you Wilco and GK Machine for helping to put up and take down the street banners and flower baskets. Together we are a stronger City! We look forward to putting up the holiday lighting and decoration in November!

Call To Construction Companies

Please help the City of Donald and Marion County find construction companies to bid on the Main Street sidewalk project. It will be posted on ORPIN and the Daily Journal of Commerce websites. Open and close dates are estimates 10/7 — 10/29.

What To Do If You Hear Your Sewer Alarm

By Public Works Director Alonso Limones

It is very important that you understand Donald's septic tank system and report sewer emergency alarms when the alarms sound. Your responsibility is to call the City's emergency pager number as soon as you hear your alarm go off. The pager number is **503-301-6479**. This indicates that there is a problem like the wires getting wrapped up around the floats that operate the pump in the septic tank, the pump and/or floats fail to operate correctly, an electrical problem, or air getting trapped in the discharge side of the pump. Occasionally, weather causes problems with the septic tanks including hot temperatures because methane gas has built up inside and needs to be released. Even too much rain in a 24-hour period can make the alarm sound because rainwater can infiltrate the septic tank by going under the lid and this can overwhelm the system. It is important to call Public



Sewer Tank Lid/Components Inside = Keep Clear!

Works immediately to prevent an overflow of sewer onto your property or backing up into your home. Fail to do so, could result in a very expensive repair to the City's septic tank or its equipment and/or damage to your home. Someone is on-call 24/7, every day of the year. Please make sure that everyone in your home knows this information and phone number. Se Hablas Espanol!

Sewer Control Box: Press Red Button



The Importance of Calling 811:

Call Before You Dig

811 is the phone number you call before digging to protect yourself and others from unintentionally hitting underground utility lines. There are millions of miles of buried utilities beneath the surface of the earth that are vital to everyday living like water, sewer, telephone, cable, electricity and natural gas. 811 is the federally designated call before you dig number that helps homeowners and professionals avoid damaging these vital utilities. When you make the free call to 811 a few days before you dig, you'll help prevent unintended consequences such as injury to you or your family, damage to your property, utility service outages to the entire neighborhood and potential fines and repair costs. **DIG SAFELY:** If you're getting ready to work on a project which involves digging—don't forget to call 811 or 1-800-332-2344 for utility locates before you begin to dig!

Underground facilities shall be marked in accordance with the following designated color code:

RED	Electric power lines, cables or conduit, and lighting cables.
YELLOW	Gas, oil, steam, petroleum, or other hazardous liquid or gaseous materials.
ORANGE	Communications, cable TV, alarm or signal lines, cables or conduits.
BLUE	Water, irrigation, and slurry lines.
GREEN	Sewers, drainage facilities or other drain lines.
WHITE	Pre-marking of the outer limits of the proposed excavation or marking the centerline and width of proposed lineal installations of buried facilities.
PINK	Temporary Survey Markings.
PURPLE	Slurry and reclaimed.

For more info visit: <http://call811.com/before-you-dig>

Business Connections: Donald Tavern

Saturday, October 26th @ 2:00pm

Join us for our Bacon Fest/Costume Contest! Bring your bacon dish and/or wear your best costume.

Two Contests, Raffles and Football

See ya there!

Questions call 503.678.5574



If you are interested in sharing something that is happening at your business or a promotion, please email Heidi Bell at manager@donaldoregon.gov and I will include it in the next edition of this newsletter.

Planning Commission Public Hearings

On September 26th the Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding a conditional use permit for a food cart for Fire Tacos. The cart would be located in the green space between the Donald Store and Mane Haven Hair Salon on Main Street. (At the time the newsletter was printed the public hearing hadn't happened yet.) On October 17th the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 6:45pm at Donald City Hall to review a Conditional Use Permit for a Marijuana Dispensary, 10801 Main Street. The public is invited to make comments at the meeting or submit comments prior to the meeting. The full public hearing announcement will be posted on the Donald Bulletin Boards and the City's website. If you are interested in the outcome please check City website, call City Hall or the Donald Bulletin Boards.

*City-owned bulletin board locations: outside of City Hall – 10710 Main Street, outside of Donald Community Center 10790 Main Street, and on the Park Shed at the Little City Park 10730 Main Street.

Community Member of the Month Steve Buckner

It takes a lot of work and dedication to keep up with your yard, and Steve is a shining example of that dedication. His neighbor, Jack Lindsey appreciates all the work that his neighbor Steve gives to his yard. Jack wrote to the City Council requesting that Steve be recognized and without hesitation the Council agreed! Jack wrote that Steve "has a deep appreciation for nature and beauty. Like many, he has to go to work everyday, but he still finds the time to care for his lawns, trees, vegetables, and especially his magnificent flowers. – they are a feast for the eyes and soul." Steve said he enjoys living in the small town of Donald where everyone is friendly and that it is a nice place to raise his 5 year old son. He provided some plant wisdom. "Make the time to do your upkeep weekly. Like everything, time just gets away from you if you let it." He loves being outdoors and "keeping our place a beautiful place to come home to." Thank you Steve for the hard work and artistic eye that you bring to Donald! We all look forward to see what you do next year!



Traffic Safety Focus Group's Traffic Tip

From Councilor Rod Scott

At the September City Council Meeting the Council reviewed the speed limit surveys that were received. There were a total of 45 surveys completed. Overall, people wanted to first see enforcement addressed and then consideration for reduction of the speed limit. You can find the results of this survey on the City's website. There is a lot of information about safe speed limits that can be found by visiting the website for Vision Zero Network if you are interested in learning more www.visionzeronetwork.org. "Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, health, equitable mobility for all."