

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 Information

- CDC website: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- Oregon Health Authority website to sign up for daily notifications or learn info: www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx
- Marion County Oregon, www.co.marion.or.us/HLT/COVID-19/Pages/Default.aspx
- Phone call 211 to learn about community assistance programs and emergency management responses



City Calendar for November 2020

Tue 3: Election Day!
Tue 10: City Council Meeting 6:45pm
Wed 11: Veteran's Day—City Offices Closed
Sun 15: Water & Sewer Bills Due
Mon 16: Street Sweeper—Move Property Off Street
Mon 16: Donald Beautification Group Meeting 6:30pm
Thurs 26: Happy Thanksgiving! City Offices Closed
Fri 27: City Offices Closed



City Hall:
City Manager: Heidi Bell
10710 Main Street
P.O. Box 388
Donald, OR 97020-0388
Phone: 503-678-5543
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

Community Notes

Elections: Election Day is Tuesday, November 3rd and your ballot must be received by 8pm on that day. Donald does not have a ballot drop box this year. Check the back of the voter's pamphlet for ballot drop box locations. Postage was included this year on ballots. Marion County website provides local election coverage, Track My Ballot Program, and lots more!

City Hall Open Public Hours: Since June 15th the City Hall staff has served the public at a walk-up window for a limited time during the day. Now, we know that our most popular time slot is between 1pm and 3pm. Starting November 1st, City Hall will be open to serve the public between 1pm to 3pm Monday through Thursday, or by appointment. Masks are required at window. Staff works 40 hours per week.

Clean Up Day: Due to the smoke conditions in September, the Council cancelled the annual Clean Up Day. The Council will consider having it in the spring.

Santa's Sing-a-Long is cancelled due to COVID-19. So, Council is looking for creative ideas to hold a community holiday event this year. Please submit your ideas to manager@donaldoregon.gov or call City Hall. The holiday lighting competition is still on.

Water/Sewer Problem? As a reminder, if your sewer alarm sounds or you have a question about your water service please page the Public Work Team. You call 503-301-6479. Leave your name, phone number, address and short description of problem. If you have questions about your bill call City Hall. PW is available 24/7 and will call you back soon after your page.

City Council Meeting: At the Council Meeting on November 10th, there will be a presentation from the City Engineer to review the next steps for drilling a new well, and another one in the distant future. Public can phone/video into meeting.

DONALD MONTHLY RECORD

Councilor's Corner: Rod Scott



When I drive past that sign that says entering Donald, I relax knowing that I have entered my Safe Zone, "My little piece of Paradise". Where I do not have to worry about the Hustle & Bustle of the Big City. This is Our town where are kids are safe, where it is quiet, a place where we can walk safely with our family down Main St and through every neighborhood, where we do not have to be afraid to stop and talk with our neighbors. It takes all of us to make my vision a reality and I will make it start with ME as a City Councilor I will work hard every day for Public safety and growth that will benefit You and Our "Little Piece of Paradise".

Red Tags Starting November 16th

The City will again start delivering delinquent notices for past due water and sewer accounts. If your account is carrying a past due balance of more than 60 days, you will receive a door hanger on 11/19/2020. You will have 48 hours to either make the payment or setup a payment plan to get the balance back to zero. For the months of November and December there will be no additional fees applied. If you are experiencing financial troubles and need assistance, please visit the City's website for a list of helpful agencies or call City Hall for a copy of the list, 503-678-5543.

Traffic Violations

Please remember to drive safety, including obeying the speed limits and traffic control devices. The City of Donald has a contract with the City of Gervais for policing, including enforcement of all traffic codes. If you are issued a traffic citation you will appear in court at Donald City Hall. Starting in December court will also be held for violations of the Donald Municipal Code.

City Council	Term
Brad Oxenford, Mayor	2020
Councilors:	
Gloria Nicholson, President	2020
Sheryl Glenn	2020
Katie Gonzalez	2022
Troy Hellickson	2022
Rod Scott	2020
Gerry Waller	2022



Donald COVID-19 Financial Assistance Program

For our local residents that have been financially effected by COVID-19, the City Council has a program to help. The City has a program to help those people that are behind in utilities or housing, or have experienced extra costs for technology from home school or distance learning for school. The application and details can be found on the City's website or can be picked up at City Hall. You are also welcome to call City Hall and we will have a packet delivered to you. If it's outside of the operating hours, leave a voicemail with your address and we will get the info to you. A third-party reviews and inspects the applications to ensure that the financial issues were due to COVID-19. This is essential to the City being able to provide this funding, since the money is from the CARES Act from the State. The process is anonymous, the Council does not see your name or any part of the application. Program goes until funds are depleted, and awarded on a first-come- first serve basis. Get your application in soon. **For Spanish call 971-715-8573.**

N.M.S.D. Meals for Children

North Marion School district will be continuing the Summer Food Service Program through December 21, 2020. They will be offering breakfast and lunch for any child 1-18 years of age.

All meals will be FREE.

Grab and Go Meal Sites:

- Donald Skate Park: Mon. & Thurs. 10:30am - 11am.
- Hubbard, Rivenes Park: Mon. & Thurs. 10:30am - 11am.
- Middle School Bus Lanes: Mon. & Thurs. 9am - 12pm.

For community assistance programs for individuals or families phone call 211.

Dog Waste in Donald– It's A Problem

By Public Works Director Alonso Limones

Public Works frequently walks the streets, parks and public spaces to pick up dog waste. Lately, we have found more waste being left than what we normally see.

We are reminding dog owners to please remove and dispose of dog waste properly. There are five garbage cans on Main Street and three in our City's Parks that are available for public use.



There are two dog waste stations with plastic bags at the parks for dog owners to use to pick up the waste. Public Works makes sure that these garbage cans are empty and that bags are available. Keeping the waste picked up provides a clean appearance of our community. Dog waste also impacts the environment by introducing pollutants into our waterways. Pet waste doesn't decompose in water, instead it adds harmful bacteria that can cause excessive growth of algae and weeds. The EPA agency estimates that just 2-3 days' worth of waste from only 100 dogs can contribute enough bacteria to temporarily close a bay and all watershed areas to swimming or shell fishing within 20 miles! Please remember to pick up after your dog and don't let them run around town off the leash. Keep dogs safe so they don't escape while you are away from home. By picking up the waste, it will reassure other members of the community that you care for your community and the space you live in.

Traffic Tips

From Councilor Rod Scott: Public Safety Focus Group

November Driving brings new challenges. Being prepared is the Big One. Have your vehicle checked out as soon as possible. Make sure all your lights are working.



Make sure your emergency kit is still intact and you that you carry extra drinking water and some snacks. Throw in a big heavy blanket just in case. Try to keep your fuel tank on the full side. Be safe, slow down and teach your passenger to be your co-pilot. My tip for checking your lights is do it at night when you can see your tail lights and blinkers without ever getting out of your car. Happy Travels.

COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program

Arches Project

Call to complete the assessment

503-399-9080 ext. 4003 or go to the website to complete the online application

Mwvcaa.org/programs/the-arches-project/covid-rent-relief

Or email COVID.RentRelief@mwvcaa.org

Documents you will be asked to provide are:

- ◆ ID
- ◆ Documentation of COVID emergency
- ◆ Proof of Income
- ◆ Letter from Landlord listing amount due



Programa de Asistencia de Alquiler de COVID-19

No puede pagar su renta por COVID-19?

Llame hoy para completar una evaluación

503-399-9080 ext. 4003 o

Visite nuestra página web para completar la aplicación en línea o

Envíe un correo electrónico a

COVID.RentRelief@mwvcaa.org

Los documentos que necesitara proveer:

- ◆ La identificación
- ◆ La documentación de su emergencia de COVID-19
- ◆ Prueba de sus ingresos
- ◆ Una carta de su dueño con el pago vencido

Distribution Events: Free KN95 Masks

At the Donald Community Center, 10790 Main Street N.E. Councilor Sheryl Glenn will hand out free N95 Masks. These were gifted to Donald from the Marion County Emergency Management Department and are for the City to disseminate amongst our residents.

On all dates the event runs from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

Friday, November 6th and 13th

Saturday, November 7th and 14th

Donald Beautification Work

The Donald Beautification Group would like you to participate in naming the little park that is by City Hall. Please visit the City's website to cast your vote. One vote per person. Last spring the DBG asked for your ideas to name the park. Out of the 22 entries, five were selected as finalists. The DBG is planning on holding a Park Dedication Ceremony Spring 2021. The top five finalists are:

- ◆ Donald Hometown Park
- ◆ Donald's Little Hometown Park
- ◆ Delightful Donald Park
- ◆ Donald Jubilee Park
- ◆ Little Donald City Park

VOTE at www.donaldoregon.gov

If you don't have access to internet and would like to participate you can write your vote on paper and drop it off through the door slot at City Hall.

New Park Equipment

New park equipment and restroom provided by an Oregon Park's Grant. Councilor Gerry Waller was instrumental in the whole grant process. Thank you, Councilor Waller, for making our park a better place to recreate! Below is a picture of the Fogelson Kids trying out the new climbing structure.



Do you like taking pictures? Email it to manager@donaldoregon.gov and it will appear in the newsletter with your name!

What Will The Future Donald Look Like?

A Call for Volunteer Planning Commissioners

By City Planner Holly Byram

QUESTIONS: How do we build a community that is: (choose your preferred adjective) safe, healthy, walkable, affordable, efficient, attractive, resilient? Can our youth find a local job and raise their family here? Can our seniors age in place with access to services and amenities? Can local employees find a home near their jobsite without a long commute? How can we support business investments in Donald? How does our city grow while also protecting the important friendly small-town feeling?

ANSWER: The physical development of a community is guided by a Development Code. Each city's code is different. One size does not fit all. A Planning Commission is a group of local people who volunteer a couple hours each month to review and consider development applications to ensure they meet the Donald Development Code and Comprehensive Plan, with staff support. When the Development Code is out of step for the community, the Planning Commission also plays a role in revising the code. No prior experience is necessary. Successful Planning Commissioners are committed to learning, critical thinking, and thoughtful discussion.

RECRUITMENT: Planning Commission seats are for a period of three years, with typically one evening meeting per month, and some background reading. Applicants must be of legal voting age, and either live in/own property in/own (or manage) a business in Donald. The City is now accepting applications for three of the seven Planning Commission seats. YOU can play an active role in the development of Donald! Information and applications are available online: www.donaldoregon.gov. Application deadline is November 11, 2020. The Planning Commission will make a recommending vote to Council at the November 19th meeting at 6:45pm.

Current Donald Planning Commissioners

Chair Cammie Hungate, Term Expires 12/31/2021

Vice Chair Neil Strathdee, Term Expires 12/31/2022

Alysha Irvin, Term Expires 12/31/2022

Daniel Afonin, Term Expires 12/31/2021

John Crawford, Mike Mader and Donald Saxton—Terms Expire: 12/31/2020