

DONALD MONTHLY RECORD





New Mayor Brad Oxenford

The city staff and council had a busy, but successful 2018. The UGB, sidewalk project, two clean-up opportunities and the Santa sing along are just a few of the highlights. We are extremely fortunate to have a City Manager and staff who truly care about the city; each of them work diligently to ensure Donald is a safe,

clean and efficient community. If you see the city staff, please thank them for their efforts and dedication. Our main priorities for the New Year will be improv-

Mayor	Term
Brad Oxenford	2020
Councilors:	
Jan Olsen, President	2020
Katie Gonzalez	2022
Gloria Nicholson	2020
Gerry Waller	2022
Troy Hellickson	2022
Vacant	2020

ing communication, transparency, traffic and community involvement. I challenge the council to be engaged in their community, help where they can and be available to answer questions or address concerns when feasible. We are your representatives and exist to serve the community in a positive and effective manner that fosters an environment that our citizens are proud to call home. Lastly, I would like to thank Mayor Olmsted for his years of dedicated service to the city of Donald. I wish him and his family well as they adventure around Oregon enjoying their retirement.

Mayor Oxenford will give a State of the City Address on Jan. 8, 2019 at 6:45m

Well Update

In mid-December the City's well got a new pump, pipe and parts. Thank you for restricting your water consumption because it made a big difference. Over the summer the old pump operated slowly so it was replaced with a new one. The cost was nearly \$14,000 and was absorbed by the Water Fund. Questions? Contact City Hall.





January Citizens of the Month

The City Council unanimously supported awarding Kaitlin Ross and Mattie Perryman as the January Citizens of the Month. The two youngsters were nominated by Dawn Scheller for their outstanding community service in her

neighborhood. "These two are awesome girls. They keep an eye on the neighborhood." The girls walk dogs and never ask for money. They often end up pairing lost animals back up with their owners. Recently, they worked with Dawn to solve a dog-owner mystery that took three days. The ladies still go visit their new fourlegged friend "Buddy" and "that he is happy to see us!" (But I don't know who wouldn't be happy to see these two girls they are full of spirit and joy.) Mayor Rick Olmsted said "Kaitlin and Mattie care deeply about their neighborhood. Their selfless acts benefit the neighbors around them and the City of Donald as a whole". They pay attention to the Friends of Donald Facebook page to find things that need investigating. Their moms believe that these girls are inspired by Nancy Drew, but they looked puzzled by that reference and instead said that they inspire each other. One day these cousins hope to live together. Kaitlin believes that when she grows up, she will be either a cop, nurse or in the Army. Mattie sees herself either in the field of zoology or geology. Both ladies would like to share to the Donald public to recycle and stop throwing your trash



outside because they keep picking it up. Also, if you can keep your dogs and cats indoors. We are lucky to have these youngsters part of Donald, they are the BEST! Keep up the good work! Thank you!!

Donald Beautification Group

If you are looking to make a positive difference in your town then the Donald Beautification Group is a great option. The group meets once a month for about 1 to 1.5 hours in the evening. Currently, the DBG is getting price quotes for park equipment and a bathroom for our Oregon Parks Grant. The goal is to get the improvements installed before school gets out for summer. Also, DBG members are making a brochure with pictures from the Donald Street Tree list to help downtown property owners select a tree for planting when the new sidewalks are installed. Next meeting is on Monday, January 28 at 6:30 pm at City Hall. All ages welcome!

Planning Commission Appointment

The City Council confirmed the appointment of Cammi Hungate for a three-year term and Rod Scott to a one-year term on the Planning Commission. The first Planning Commission Meeting of the year is Thursday, January 24 at 6:45 pm where the Commission will start the work on assigning a geographic location for the new Downtown Mixed-Use Zone. Two other three-year seats are being recruited for and, if you are interested, you can complete an application. The app can be completed on the City's website or a paper copy can be picked up at City Hall. Due date is Wednesday, January 16, 2019 by 4:00 pm.

The City of Donald's website is updated weekly to provide you with current information on events, meetings and projects. You can also submit online feedback directly for reading at the next Council Meeting. There is so much available on the website for you. www.donaldoregon.gov

Need Assistance to Find Health & Human Services? Dial 211 From Aurora Rural Fire District

If you or someone you know needs assistance, there is now a simple way to get connected with assistance you need. 2-1-1 is a free and confidential service that helps people across the U.S. and in many parts of Canada find the local resources they need. They are there for you 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Assistance connections include Emergencies & Disasters (For immediate emergencies to health, life or property needing Police, Fire or Ambulance call 9-1-1), Crisis Services, Food, Health, Housing & Utilities, Human Trafficking, Jobs & Employment, Reentry, and Veterans Assistance is all available. For more information or to get assistance started, call 211 or visit www.211.org.





Emergency Management Flash Alerts Account

Newswire The City of Donald setup a Flash Alerts account. This is a way for the City to send out an email to you immediately. You can sign up to receive the City's notifications at: www.flashalerts.net or download the app onto your smart phone. You can get detailed instructions on the City's website. Also, on Flash Alerts you will find many other organizations like: Marion County Sheriff's Office, N. Marion School District or other nearby government agencies and nonprofit organizations. The notifications email address will no longer be used. For those that don't have an email/smart phone device, the City will continue to post emergency posters on all

Storm Water Management By Public Works Director Alonso Limones

community bulletin boards, in the top left-hand corner.

Storm drain system contamination is due to people disposing their trash on the side of the road, ditches and/or on the sidewalk. This trash can be aluminum cans, plastic wrappers, unwanted food, plastic bags and bottles, cigarette butts, paper items and more. Even small amounts of litter around your home and neighborhood contribute to a big water quality problem and storm drain system failure. Trash clogs storm drains pipes and ditch's culverts causing flooding, which can create a big problem damaging streets, homes or businesses. Some trash does pass through the storm drain system into the City and travels down to drainage ditch areas. Eventually, this trash ends up into nearby creeks and rivers, harming drinking water supplies, wildlife in the creeks and recreational use of the rivers.

What can you do to help?

- Never put anything in the storm drain or drainage
- Properly dispose of trash before it becomes litter.
- Keep garbage can lids secure.
- If you see trash in your neighborhood, pick it up and properly dispose of it.



Picture from Oak Street. Storm drain was clogged by a pillow-type packaging material. Caused flooding on Oak Street and Main Street.

On south Butteville a wine bottle blocked a storm drain and caused water backup.

City Calendar for January 2019

Tue 1: New Year's Day! City Offices Closed

Tue 8: City Council Meeting at 6:45pm

Tue 15: Water & Sewer Bills Due

Wed 16: Red Tags Delivered at 10:00am

Wed 16: Applications to be on Planning Commission due by 4:00pm

Mon 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day—City Offices Closed

Mon 21: Storytime at the DCC at 10:30am

Tue 22: Late Fees Applied at 8:00am

Tue 22: Shut Offs at 10:00am

Thurs 24: Planning Commission Meeting at 6:45pm

Mon 28: Street Sweeper—Please move property off streets

Mon 28: Donald Beautification Group Meeting at 6:30pm

Basic CERT Course Starts in January

The Basic CERT course is an introduction to Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training and a refresher for current CERT members. The 10 units cover a variety of topics that include an introduction to CERT, fire safety, hazardous materials, terrorist incidents, disaster medical operations, and search and rescue. Registration for this class is open to the public, but first priority for registration goes to people who live or work within the Aurora Fire District boundaries. We will keep a waiting list in case there are cancelations. We plan to hold additional classes in Donald and St. Paul in the next year. We will keep a list of people interested in future Basic CERT training classes as well as Citizen Corps training opportunities. Dates: Jan. 11-12 and 18-19, 2019 (Friday from 6 to 9pm and Saturdays 8am to 4:30pm with a 30 minute lunch break (lunch not provided). The classes will be at the Aurora Fire Station, Training Room, 21390 Main Street NE, Aurora. Space is limited. Sign up by Jan. 4th by contacting Greg Leo at 503-804-6391 or greg@theleocompany.com if you have questions.







Save the Date: Aurora Fire District BINGO NIGHT Saturday, March 2nd at the Donald Fire Hall

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