



CITY OF BROWNSVILLE

Council Meeting

Tuesday – March 26th, 2013

Regular Session 7:00 p.m.

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City Hall – Council Chambers
Tuesday, March 26th, 2013

AGENDA

Regular Session

7:00 p.m.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) ROLL CALL
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4) ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA
- 5) MINUTES: February 26th, 2013
- 6) PUBLIC HEARINGS OR PRESENTATIONS
- 7) DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
 - A. Sheriff
 - B. Public Works
 - C. Administration
 - D. Library
 - E. Court
 - F. Council
- 8) CITIZEN COMMENTS (Non-agenda & Agenda items)
 - ✦ Council asks that comments be limited to three minutes per audience member. Please state your name and address prior to commenting for the public record.
- 9) LEGISLATIVE:
 - A. O 738: Emergency Preparedness Committee Modification (First Reading)
 - B. R 702: Commitment to Safety Committee
 - C. R 703: 2013 Budget Transfers

This Agenda is a list of the subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but the Council may consider additional subjects as well. The location of the meeting is accessible to physically challenged individuals. Should special accommodations be needed, please notify City Administrator S. Scott McDowell at (541) 466-5880 in advance. Thank You.

10) ACTION ITEMS

- A. Pioneer Picnic Request
- B. Park Board – CL Rec Center Fundraiser
- C. Linn County Court Clerk Contract
- D. Meals on Wheels Participation
- E. Authorize Planning Commission Member Advertisement

11) DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. O 739: Garage Sales
- B. O 740: Trailer Homes & Recreational Vehicles
- C. Zoning Permits
- D. McFarland Cascade
- E. February Financials

12) CITIZEN QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

- ✦ Council asks that comments be limited to three minutes per audience member. Please state your name and address prior to commenting for the public record.

13) COUNCIL QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

14) EXECUTIVE SESSION (*If Necessary*)

- Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapter 192.660 governs the conditions for a public body to convene in an Executive Session. The City will invoke Section (e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

15) ADJOURN

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February 26th, 2013

ROLL CALL: Mayor Ware called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Councilors Shepherd, Chambers, Gerber, Cole, Boyanovsky, and Van Sandt present. City Administrator Scott McDowell, Public Works Director Karl Frink, and Administrative Assistant Tammi Morrow were also present.

PUBLIC: Officer Brad Kelley, John Morrison, Aimee & Ed Addison, Natalie Wade, Jo Ann McQueary, Kaye Fox, Marilyn Grimes, Pat MacDermott, and Brandie Simon.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: Mr. McDowell stated that O 738 will be tabled this month due to time constraints related to illness.

MINUTES: The Council reviewed the minutes of the January 22nd, 2013 meeting. *Councilor Cole moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Chambers and was approved unanimously.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS OR PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Ware congratulated Jo Ann McQueary for recently being named a Ford Community Fellow by the Ford Foundation; quite an accomplishment!

1. **Chamber of Commerce – John Morrison and Aimee Addison.** John Morrison presented a Power Point presentation to Council. Mr. Morrison related some Chamber history for the Council. Records indicate the Chamber of Commerce originated in Brownsville in 1938. This organization is a mutually beneficial, non-profit volunteer organization providing leadership and inspiration for the City of Brownsville. The Chamber goals include business development and community enrichment. Some of the ways they have fulfilled these goals is:
 - encouragement of membership in businesses and organizations,
 - participation in community organizations,
 - actively market Brownsville,
 - encourage and/or put on events,
 - provide leadership,
 - and support community needs (flower baskets, gateway planters, Christmas banners, entry signage, etc.)

Mr. Morrison reported that their income for the year was \$19,033, and expenses totaled \$19,656.

Chamber President Aimee Addison was also present and informed the Chamber that she has been actively involved in the Ford Family Foundation Leadership Program. The Ford Foundation mission is to develop successful citizens and improve vital rural timber communities by focusing on leadership development. She would like to encourage anyone interested in this program to contact her for more information.

2. **Park Board – Stabilization Discussion.** Pat MacDermott, Marilyn Grimes and Brandie Simon were present to refresh Council on current Park Board goals dealing with the stabilization project. After the flood of January 17th, 2010 many different avenues of stabilization were pursued. It was discovered that even a



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low-end stabilization project would cost approximately \$300,000 with an uncertain end result due to the ever changing river channel. Council had indicated that they felt this was too much funding to invest in a project with an uncertain longevity factor. Councilor Cole asked if the Park Board has come up with a plan for the stabilization project. The Park Board would like to recommend moving the playground equipment to the “grassy plain” area of the park, due east of the flower building and basically redesigning and giving up some possible land to the river. Councilor Gerber asked if there would be a gradual slope to the river after retreatment. It was indicated that the City would probably need to stick with a cliff-life river edge due to a river slope being cost prohibitive. Park Board Chair Marilyn Grimes is hoping that the City will agree with their plan and begin budgeting for this project now. Brandie Simon also indicated that the safety of the children will increase with less vehicle traffic in the playground areas. The members of the Park Board indicated that there is no time frame just yet for retreatment to begin. It seemed to be a common agreement that river will do what it will, and the City will respond accordingly. Mr. McDowell said that if Council would like, he will begin budgeting for this retreatment in the upcoming budget in order to have funds available when appropriate. Council thanked the Park Board for their plan and for coming to the meeting with their plans and goals.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Sheriff's Report. Officer Brad Kelley reported things have been very quiet. They have one pregnant sheriff, so Deputy Francis will be filling in while she is on light duty. The Willamette Country Music Festival continues the planning for their summer event. The Linn County Sheriff will need to increase their presence at the event, so they may need to bring in an outside agency to assist.
2. Public Works. Mr. Frink reported that Public Works is going well. Monthly projects included grading roads, cleaning catch basins, leaf clean up (13 dumpsters worth), park and cemetery cleaning, patching asphalt on Kirk Avenue, sidewalk and asphalt cleaning in front of City Hall. Councilor Cole asked if Public Works will be pressure washing the sidewalks downtown. Mr. Frink reported that the merchants are responsible for their own sidewalks. Mr. Frink reported that the Oak Street project is officially finished. There was one small sewer problem this month at the Rec Center. Mr. Frink finished up his report by stating that the North Plant is discharging 9 million gallons, and the South Plant is discharging 19 million gallons, with no issue or problems. Mr. Frink indicated that the Water Treatment Facility issue will be discussed later in the meeting.
3. Administrator's Report. Mr. McDowell reported that the Budget Committee notice will be going out soon to members. Mr. McDowell reported that he has been asked to represent the City of Brownsville at a meeting to be held on March 12th, 2013 for the Willamette Country Music Festival. McDowell and Chamber leadership will be discussing issues that will include possible shuttles from town to the Festival, camping in the Park and other opportunities. Mr. McDowell stated that the monthly financials will get back on track soon. McDowell is trying



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to obtain accounting services from Boldt, Carlisle & Smith. The City is having new flower basket brackets made to accommodate the 5 new baskets at the south end of town. Rescheduling of the Council Retreat will be addressed later in the meeting.

4. Library Report. No report this month, but Councilor Van Sandt remarked that she is impressed with the Library report and that Mrs. Lemhouse is doing a fantastic job with the Library.
5. Court Report. No report this month.
6. Council Comments. No Councilor comments at this time.
7. Citizen Comments. Kaye Fox, Senior Center President was present to inform Council of Senior Center upcoming events. In March they are hosting a pancake breakfast and a holiday bazaar in November as fundraising events. Other ongoing events include the Foster Grandparent program through Central Linn Elementary School, waffle suppers, and monthly luncheons. They are in the process of updating their bylaws which will take effect in 2014. They have a newsletter going out very soon. Current membership is 60 people.

LEGISLATIVE:

1. R 701: Water Treatment Plant & The Automation Group. *A motion was made by Councilor Cole to approve R 701, authorizing upgrades at the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$31,500. The motion was seconded by Councilor Shepherd, and the motion passed unanimously.*

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Authorize FY 2013-14 Budget Related Advertisement. *A motion was made by Councilor Cole to authorize FY 2013-14 Budget Related Advertisements. The motion was seconded by Councilor Van Sandt, and the motion passed unanimously with Mayor Ware abstaining from the vote.*
2. Voight and Collins Drainage. Mr. McDowell informed the Council of an ongoing drainage issue between John Voight and Michelle Collins. Mr. Voight is concerned about excess standing water on his and his neighbor to the east, Mr. and Mrs. Bowman's property this year. Mr. Voight indicated that he thought the City should address the issue because of drainage project completed on Galbraith Street in 2006. Mr. McDowell went out and inspected the flooded area, and informed both parties of his thoughts on the City's responsibilities. This particular drainage issue is not within the City's jurisdiction, as the flooding problem has not been caused by the City's drainage on Galbraith. Mr. McDowell encouraged the neighbors to work out this issue out between themselves as the City does not have force of law in this matter but was asked to see if Council was interested in helping in anyway, perhaps donating pipe. *A motion was made by Councilor Shepherd to take no action on this flooding problem as it is outside of the City's jurisdiction, and to let the neighbors work out the situation between themselves. Councilor Chambers seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Councilor Cole commended Mr. McDowell for providing the*



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appropriate documentation to both parties showing them where the City stands on the issue and how they can proceed from here.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Retreat Dates. Mayor Ware restated to Council that it is critical that *all* Councilors need to attend the retreat dates for the City Tour and the Goals Setting sessions. Calendars were consulted and the following dates were set: March 23, 2013 for the Saturday Tour of the City from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and Monday, March 25, 2013 for the Goals Setting session at 7:00 p.m. Mr. McDowell will electronically resend the information packets for the meetings.
2. Challenging Characters. Mr. McDowell will address this issue at the Council retreat based on some information received at the CIS Conference.

CITIZEN COMMENT: No citizen comments at this time.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: No Council comments at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. pursuant to ORS 192.660 Section (e) and (i).

Mayor Ware & Council returned to Regular Session at 8:28 p.m.

McDowell reported that long time City Attorney Harrang, Long, Gary & Rudnick are getting out of the municipal side of their practice. McDowell will start investigating the City's options moving forward.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilor Boyanovsky moved to adjourn, with Councilor Cole seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

City Administrator S. Scott McDowell

Mayor Don Ware



City Administrator Report

March 26th, 2013

From: S. Scott McDowell
To: Mayor & Council
Re: General Business

Council Tour: Saturday, March 23rd, 2013 meet at City Hall, 9:55 a.m.

Council Goals: Monday, March 25th, 2013 in Council Chambers, 7:00 p.m.

O 738: Emergency Preparedness Committee Modification (First Reading) – Modifies the Committee as discussed at previous Council meetings.

R 702: Commitment to Safety Committee – Council passes this annually.

R 703: 2013 Budget Transfers – Council is being asked to transfer funds to provide an accurate account of expenditures for FY 2012-2013. The City does this annually. Another resolution may be in order for the May or June meeting depending on expenditures through the end of the fiscal year.

Pioneer Picnic Request – Road closures for the Pioneer Picnic parades as per usual. Please see enclosed letter.

Park Board Recommendation: CL Rec Center Fundraiser – The Park Board is recommending that the Central Linn Rec Board be allowed to provide firewood to campers of Pioneer Park for fund-raising purposes. The Rec Board would provide wood bundles and work with the Park Caretakers for the sale and collection of funds. Staff is still trying to determine a few of the logistics from insurance and personnel perspectives.

Linn County Court Clerk Contract – I am recommending modifying this contract so that the City can enter into an agreement with Mrs. Jan Henry for court clerk services. Mrs. Henry plans to retire in November 2013, but would still like to provide services to the City. Judge Lemhouse and I are currently reworking the contract with the County. By reworking the contract, the City will have possibility of returning to the IGA at any point in the future.

Meals on Wheels Participation – Council makes an annual contribution to this program as provided through the Cascade West Council of Governments. Council's financial contribution has been \$1,000 the last two years.

Authorize Planning Commission Member Advertisement – Mr. Damien Sands has resigned due to his move to Central Oregon.

O 739: Garage Sales – Please review the enclosed paperwork. Basically I have tried to incorporate all of the views Council expressed during our discussions. Thank you Councilor Chambers for challenging Staff. ☺ Council and Staff have talked at great length about avoiding the passage of legislation based on a very small group of people or a very limited scope of incident. The solution I am presenting does not require citizens to get a permit, rather it limits the consecutive number of days an event can last and gives Staff the authority to abate a property should the property become a nuisance.

O 740: Trailer Homes & Recreational Vehicles – Again please review the enclosed paperwork. Basically I have tried to incorporate all of the views Council expressed during our discussions. This language require citizens to get a permit if they choose to use a recreational vehicle in this manner.

Zoning Permits – I recommend holding this issue to the Fall due primarily to time constraints.

Chamber of Commerce & Willamette Country Music Festival: – Chamber President Aimee Addison, Sharon McCoy and I will meet with Anne Hankins & Don Leber, Bi-Mart, to discuss the shuttle idea, off-site parking and City camping issues. I will give an oral report at Council.

Park Board: Arbor Day – Arbor Day is set for Saturday, October 19th, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Location to be determined.

O 738: Emergency Preparedness Committee Modification – The change basically deals with Committee composition and appointment. The City Administrator will be responsible for appointing members to the Committee.

Budget Committee – The Committee will consist of the same members as last year. The Committee is set to begin on April 25th, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The Committee has scheduled May 2nd & 9th to complete their business. May 16th is only if necessary. The Calapooia Crossing project will be using considerable resources for this upcoming fiscal year.

Flower Baskets & Gateway – The City got a terrific price from our contractor, Don Sprague (Hubbard, OR), to custom build the flower basket brackets. The bracket have been picked up and are ready for Public Works to work their magic.

Brownsville Art Association's Linn County Grant – The Linn County Cultural Coalition awarded a \$300 grant to the City and the Association for educational programming.

Water Plant Improvements & The Automation Group – Components have been ordered for the installation.

Eugene Kennel Club – The agreement has been officially executed.

Zoning Issues – Included above are some proposed ordinances Council has been considering.

Emergency Preparedness Committee – Please refer to O 738 as included.

From a past meeting: The Brownsville Rural Fire District will be hosting a fire safety open house in September and have invited the City to participate. The Committee has been on hiatus since the Summer and is in the process of reorganizing. I would like to discuss some of the options going forward. Most of the original members appointed by Council have resigned and all terms come to an end in February 2013. I will provide an oral report at the meeting.

Darrin Lane & Kirk Avenue – I had an extensive conversation with Linn County Road Master Darrin Lane recently. Mr. Lane gave a brief history of the Kirk Avenue concept, to which I have added a little research, which is as follows:

March 5th, 2001: Kirk Avenue is initially discussed at Council meeting with Mr. Lane and the County Commissioners. County must determine how to a City street a County road in order to expend funds for the proposed improvements.

Spring 2002: The County indicates to the City that it is possible for the County to deem Kirk Avenue a County interest based on McKercher Road. The City starts planning for drainage projects.

October 2006: The City completes the Galbraith Street storm sewer project.

February 28th, 2008: Linn County Road Master Darrin Lane discusses the logistics of Kirk Avenue with Council. Survey crews are sent to town shortly thereafter to work on a rough design. There are several rules and requirements and multiple property issues that are cause for concern for any proposed construction project.

Meanwhile, County Staff is working on developing the Gateway project in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Transportation. City Staff is focusing on the multimillion dollar Wastewater project. The Economy starts falling apart. The Veterans Hospital is announced in Lebanon. Linn County Commissioners move a whopping \$19,000,000 out of the Road Department's funds to assist with the development. The Commissioners have also taken a \$2,000,000 from the Road Department to assist the Sheriff's Office funding issues. The Road Department is not as financially stable as it was in 2001 or even 2007 for that matter.

2009-2010: Several update conversations.

January 2011: Council asks for an update. The County indicates that they will not start a new project until the Gateway project is complete.

June 2012: Council decides to scale back the project to an overlay.

June 22nd, 2012: Staff meets with Mr. Lane who felt that the first block from Main to Averill could be done with curbs and sidewalks. The rest of Kirk Avenue could be an overlay. Mr. Lane projected the cost to be between 600,000 & \$800,000. Lane indicated that in the next year or two the County would probably be able to get this

project. Lane also indicated at that time that the City would not need to financially participate, if we could be patient.

Mr. Lane indicated that his Department is currently overloaded with Federal bridge projects. The County is still interested in helping the City but timing is difficult.

Outcome

If the City is in a hurry to get the project completed, they can set up a local improvements district (LID) and assess the costs to the affected properties or the City can wait until it is budgeted in Linn County's budget.

What does Council want to see on Kirk Avenue? Overlay or reconstruction?

From the September 4th, 2012 meeting: Darrin Lane Stopped for a visit on August 7th and indicated that County Engineer Chuck Knoll is working on the subsurface investigations.

Water Master Plan Update – No news from the State.

GR 12 Update – *From last meeting:* Erwin Consulting is busy developing a plan to reintroduce this well east of the Main Street bridge. Now that the Water Master Plan has been submitted and the Calapooia Crossing water line project is underway, they can begin to focus on the details surrounding this important project.

Planning Update – Several property owners have been in for miscellaneous permits and the like. McFarland Cascade is working toward starting the peeling operation that was a part of their original application in 2007. Staff is working with McFarland Cascade officials to make the process as user-friendly as possible. They would like to see operations begin as early as June. Staff will be implementing the 'conditions of approval' as required by the Planning Commission.

Staff Training – Karl, Jannea & I continue to bring along new personnel. Evaluations will be happening over the next few weeks.

BCS: Payroll – Staff has everything working fairly well on this project. The City also tracks Worker's Compensation hours through this process as well which Elizabeth Coleman will be tracking for the City.

Calapooia Crossing Update – Ryan Quigley will be attending a future Council meeting to discuss the final design plans. Public Works Superintendent Karl Frink and I reviewed the preliminary plans. Frink had some great suggestions that will save time and money in the future.

S. Oak Street Water Line – Staff would like to review/address a few issues regarding this project's outcomes with Council.

Finance Outcomes – *From last meeting:* The City is working on developing a proposal to hire Boldt, Carlisle & Smith to reconcile the general ledger for the current

fiscal year. Staff spent the better part of the last weekend working on this important project. Staff is confident that with the appropriate support from BCS we should be able to get everything back in line.

VLC Update – The VLC has been meeting with key tour providers in its center showcasing highlight Linn County and our area. The next meeting is March 28th, 2013 at the Fairgrounds.

From the last two meetings: The group has put together an RFP for tourism related services. They will be discussing the RFP at the next meeting will be on December 4th, 2012 in Lebanon. The Coalition is still working diligently on bolstering awareness for the Trails to Linn website (<http://trailstolinn.com>). The group is also very focused on developing a strategic plan for the next 3 to 5 years and is discussing the possibility of working with the Linn County Commissioners on tourism development issues. The group has met continuously for over four years.

Canal Company Update – Canal Company Leadership is still working on legal representation, official tax status and setting a date for their annual meeting.

From last meeting: As reported at last Council meeting, Canal Company Attorney Deb Dyson has stepped down as their attorney citing a change in her law practice. I am still waiting to hear from the Canal Company to determine who their new attorney will be and if they have remedied the issue regarding their IRS status.

Calapooia Watershed Council – *From last meeting:* The Council recently reported that they have enough money for a sign in Pioneer Park. If the City is willing to install the sign, they are willing to have it constructed. The City should be receiving a proof of what the sign looks like in the near future.

Central Linn School Meetings – *From last meeting:* Superintendent Brian Gardner is working toward getting this committee back together for discussions involving school related issues. Mayor Ware, Councilor Shepherd and Councilor Van Sandt represented Brownsville last year. The original idea was to bring members from Halsey, Brownsville and the School Board together to discuss common issues and identify ways to improve the School District.

Mill Race Historic Places – *From last meeting:* I've included an e-mail string between Joni Nelson, Councilor Cole and myself about information as it could relate to the Canal Company and have financial implications for the City.

Linn County Flag Pole – *From the last several meetings:* Mr. Dominguez is working on the details.

Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services Update – *From last meeting:* The Board recently passed a few changes to enable WNHS greater flexibility in helping clients. The City also features their information downstairs in the foyer and on the website. The group is asking Linn County to be the sponsor of the new grant application. I've enclosed some information for your review from the meeting last week. They would like to get the word out on a few programs that will help stave off foreclosures. Please refer citizens to the following websites for more information:

<http://www.oregonhomeownersupport.gov> & <http://w-nhs.org>

Several things are being discussed that will affect the future financial well-being of WNHS and the partnership with LCHRP (Linn County Housing Rehabilitation Program.) WNHS provides many home rehabilitation services and counseling for those in need.

Respectfully Submitted,



S. Scott McDowell



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MONTHLY REPORT TO THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE FROM THE LINN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

FOR THE MONTH OF: FEBRUARY

TRAFFIC CITATIONS: -----	5
TRAFFIC WARNINGS: -----	10
TRAFFIC CRASHES: -----	0
ADULTS CITED / VIOLATIONS: -----	1
ADULTS ARRESTED: -----	6
JUVENILES CITED / VIOLATIONS: -----	0
JUVENILES ARRESTED: -----	0
COMPLAINTS/INCIDENTS INVESTIGATED: -----	43

TOTAL HOURS SPENT IN: BROWNSVILLE 246

70 PERCENT COVERAGE OF TWO DEPUTIES PER MONTH= 202 HOURS

**Tim Mueller,
Sheriff, Linn County**

By: Sgt. Brad Kelley

PATRL_RPT#2 City Incident Report

CAD Call#	ENTRY DATE	ENTRY TIME	CALL DESCRIPTION	STREET #	ADDRESS	CITY	DESCRIPTION
130590348	2/28/13	18:38:00	ALARM - POLICE	220 S	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130590008	2/28/13	0:44:20	CRIM MISCHIEF	900	OAK ST	Brownsville	Incident Report
130580429	2/27/13	23:36:51	ALARM - POLICE	203 W	BISHOP WY	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130570376	2/26/13	18:53:29	Trf Speed Viol	600	HAUSMAN AV	Brownsville	WARNING - SPEEDING VIOLATION
130570371	2/26/13	18:41:29	Trf Speed Viol	811 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	CITE ISSUED - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130570354	2/26/13	18:06:13	Trf Speed Viol	600 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	CITE ISSUED - DWS/NO ODL
130570204	2/26/13	12:29:39	ALARM - POLICE	204 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130560380	2/25/13	23:55:18	Trf Moving Viol	200	PUTMAN ST	Brownsville	CITE ISSUED - DWS/NO ODL
130560352	2/25/13	21:50:51	DISTB-OTHER	402 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130560266	2/25/13	16:24:01	PROP-FOUND	255 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130550168	2/24/13	14:14:41	TRAFF-OTHER VIOL	604	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130540199	2/23/13	15:19:41	PROP-FOUND	111	KIRK AV	Brownsville	Incident Report
130540125	2/23/13	11:00:13	CRIM MISCHIEF	310	WALNUT AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130530325	2/22/13	20:33:22	COUGAR SIGHTING/INCID	631 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130520383	2/21/13	22:35:57	WELFARE CHECK	903	ASH ST	Brownsville	Incident Report
130520004	2/21/13	0:23:23	Trf Equipment Viol	800	OAK ST	Brownsville	WARNING - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130510400	2/20/13	23:43:06	911 HANGUP	849	NORTHPOINT LOC	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130500271	2/19/13	16:29:21	DOG COMPLAINT	400	KAY AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130500238	2/19/13	15:06:18	ASST-OUTSIDE AGENCY	190 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	MDT Narrative Update
130500195	2/19/13	13:18:11	ELDER ABUSE	105 E	BLAKELY AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130500152	2/19/13	11:31:01	WELFARE CHECK	1029	PINE ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130500120	2/19/13	10:16:22	ANIMAL - HORSE	1235	ASH ST	Brownsville	Cancelled by Caller
130490271	2/18/13	17:47:18	DOG COMPLAINT	1112	ASH ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130490131	2/18/13	10:14:05	TRESPASS	112	SPAULDING AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130490116	2/18/13	9:35:21	PROP-FOUND	200	PARK AV	Brownsville	Incident Report
130480243	2/17/13	18:06:09	DISTB-OTHER	190 S	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130480081	2/17/13	7:55:55	DOG COMPLAINT	103 E	BLAKELY AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130470226	2/16/13	15:51:15	Trf Moving Viol	700	ASH ST	Brownsville	WARNING - MOVING VIOLATION
130460283	2/15/13	15:20:29	WARRANT SERV	351 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130460252	2/15/13	14:15:46	FRAUD	511	WASHBURN ST	Brownsville	Incident Report
130460242	2/15/13	13:50:53	IDENTITY THEFT	144	HAUSMAN AV	Brownsville	Incident Report
130460084	2/15/13	7:40:36	Trf Aggressive Driver	811 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	CITE ISSUED - AGGRESSIVE DRIVER
130460075	2/15/13	6:53:04	Trf Aggressive Driver	811 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	CITE ISSUED - AGGRESSIVE DRIVER
130440360	2/13/13	20:09:52	CRIM MISCHIEF	200 N	MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130440331	2/13/13	18:06:15	HARASSMENT RPT	1019	OAK ST	Brownsville	Incident Report
130430259	2/12/13	15:41:59	Trf Observe Susp Activity	800 W	BISHOP WY	Brownsville	WARNING - SUSP VEHICLE/ACTIVITY
130430007	2/12/13	0:32:34	SUSP-PERSON	313	SCHOOL AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130420385	2/11/13	21:26:55	Trf Equipment Viol	100	STANARD AV	Brownsville	WARNING - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130420345	2/11/13	17:57:45	WELFARE CHECK	518	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130420242	2/11/13	14:00:49	WELFARE CHECK	1001	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130410220	2/10/13	17:08:39	WARRANT SERV	200	PARK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130410202	2/10/13	15:58:41	DISTB-OTHER	200	PARK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary

PATRL_RPT#2 City Incident Report

CAD Call#	ENTRY DATE	ENTRY TIME	CALL DESCRIPTION	STREET #	ADDRESS	CITY	DESCRIPTION
130410103	2/10/13	8:30:43	Trf Equipment Viol	100	PARK AV	Brownsville	WARNING - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130400282	2/09/13	17:33:30	Trf Moving Viol	220	S MAIN ST	Brownsville	WARNING - MOVING VIOLATION
130400278	2/09/13	17:23:06	Trf Equipment Viol	300	DEPOT AV	Brownsville	WARNING - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130400273	2/09/13	17:16:07	Trf Equipment Viol	200	N MAIN ST	Brownsville	WARNING - EQUIPMENT VIOLATION
130400240	2/09/13	15:28:18	SUSP-PERSON	300	DEPOT AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130390297	2/08/13	17:39:43	DISTB-OTHER	729	N MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130370338	2/06/13	16:43:21	WELFARE CHECK	906	N MAIN ST	Brownsville	Call completed
130370323	2/06/13	16:12:22	WARRANT SERV	220	S MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130370302	2/06/13	15:21:44	SUSP-PERSON	157	SPAULDING AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130370281	2/06/13	14:40:34	WELFARE CHECK	906	N MAIN ST	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130350315	2/04/13	19:40:08	WARRANT SERV	382	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130350296	2/04/13	18:07:05	INTOX SUBJ	382	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130350008	2/04/13	0:44:33	SUSP-PERSON	100	SPAULDING AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130340269	2/03/13	20:50:15	HARASSMENT RPT	220	KIRK AV	Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary
130340265	2/03/13	20:36:15	Trf Speed Viol	401	HUME ST	Brownsville	Incident Report
130340244	2/03/13	18:30:28	TRAFF-OTHER VIOL	100	PARK AV	Brownsville	WARNING - SPEEDING VIOLATION
						Brownsville	No Additional Report Necessary



Public Works Report March 20th, 2013

Karl Frink, Public Works Superintendent

Water:

- *Billing Support*- Follow through on customer service support and requests.
- *Meter reading* – Water meters have been read for the month of March.
- *Distribution System* – One leak this month, one water meter replaced.
- *Cross Connection Program*- I continue to work on the annual inspections of the water system to identify and correct any unsafe condition that may exist.
- *Water Treatment Plant* –The emergency response plan and operations and maintenance manual are under construction. The computer SCADA system and PLC upgrades are under way, we should be hearing from The Automation group soon for installation of new equipment.

Sewer:

- *North Lagoons* – We will begin discharging to the river Monday, March 25th to lower the lagoon levels down for enough storage capacity until July. The buildings and structures have been power washed and cleaned as needed.
- *South Lagoons*- We will begin discharging from this facility the second week of April to ensure we have enough storage capacity until November.
- *Collection System*- There were no sewer problems this month. Preparations are under way to clean and video inspect portions of the collection system for any begin to clean and video inspect the older portions of the collections system to identify areas in need of repair and/or maintenance work. This work is best performed in the winter time when the water table is up, so Inflow and Infiltration can be located and identified for repair.
- *Misc.*- Nothing further to report at this time.

Streets:

- *Mowing/Tree Maintenance* – Trees are trimmed on an as-needed basis.
- *Asphalt/ Gravel Road Maintenance* – We will be grading the city streets in late April and applying gravel to all streets as needed.
- *Storm Drainage* – Public Works will be cleaning all of the City's catch basins in the next few weeks.

Parks:

- *Pioneer Park* –The shelving in the restrooms is complete. The floors in the restrooms have been resealed and are ready for use when opened. We began mowing the Park except the areas used for the Easter egg hunts. We will open the park on March 29th this year so the restrooms are available to use for the Easter egg hunters.
- *Blakely Park* – We have begun mowing this area, we will be installing a new sign and removing shrubs in the next few weeks.
- *Kirk's Ferry Park* – Mowing has begun. We will be installing the new basketball poles/hoops over the next few weeks.
- *Remington Park*- Mowing has begun at this park.

Cemetery:

- *Grounds* – The cemetery has been cleaned up of tree limbs and debris, mowed and weed-eated around all the headstones.

Library:

- *Grounds*- Mowing has begun at this facility.
- *Buildings*- Nothing to report this month.

Downtown

- *Restrooms* – This facility is cleaned every Friday, or more often needed. The sidewalks around the facility have been power washed.
- *Garbage cans* – Down town garbage cans are emptied every Friday, or more frequently as noticed.
- *Parking Lot* – The sidewalks have been power washed.
- *Misc.* – We have power washed all of the sidewalks around all public facilities.

City Hall:

- *Buildings*- Nothing to report at this time..
- *Grounds* – Public Works will be applying a pre-emergent herbicide to the ground cover areas. The sidewalks and parking lots have been power washed.
- *Community Center*- Nothing to report this month.

Rec. Center:

- *Grounds*- Mowing has begun at this facility.
- *Buildings*- Public works will be painting the new gutters soon if weather allows.

Public Works:

- *Grounds*- Nothing to report at this time.
- *Buildings*- Cleaning and organizing continues as time allows.
- *Misc.* – Preventative maintenance is being performed on all the vehicles and equipment. All of the equipment at public works has been repaired and ready for use.
- We have been recruiting for two seasonal employees for the summer this year. We will be reviewing and interviewing for those positions in early April.
- I attended the annual Management conference in Sunriver the first week of March. This conference provides updates of the newest regulations for drinking and waste water, as well as field related education and new technologies.



Library Advisory Board
Librarian's Report

February 2013

Our Display cases have been full of history this month. Our display coordinator, Rhoda Fleischman arranged with the Linn County Historical Museum to set up a display. Ashley Sharrat, Museum Coordinator brought over toys that children played with years ago. Some of them looked familiar! Many patrons took a moment to stop and read the information about these bygone items. In March we welcome our popular Lego Mania display. Local children bring in their creations for us to look and wonder at. I am always amazed at their creativity and patience.

In February, our library has been host to 8 programs for children with 98 people attending. We hosted 7 programs for adults with 39 attendees. These programs included the popular Genealogy classes, Stitchery group and book club.

Here are a few facts about our library the month of February 2013. We have received 77 new books for the library. Volunteers donated 135.5 hours to our library. There were 1,010 materials checked out. 384 adult fiction books; 132 adult non-fiction books; 107 large print books; 119 children's books; 155 junior books; 35 junior reference books and 78 audio materials.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherri Lemhouse,
Librarian

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ORDINANCE NO. 738

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL, AMENDING SECTION 2.15 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, OREGON;

WHEREAS, Title 2 of the Brownsville Municipal Code (BMC) defines an Emergency Preparedness Committee, and;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to replace the current language and definition as provided herein;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Brownsville ordains as follows:

2.15.010 Establishment of the Emergency Preparedness Committee.

The Council of the City of Brownsville hereby establishes the Emergency Preparedness Committee (hereafter, the "EPC"). The EPC shall consist of seven members to be appointed by the City Administrator. Members shall be selected from the City and can be residents of the Brownsville Rural Fire District. At least one member of the EPC shall also be a member of the Brownsville Rural Fire Department. EPC members shall receive no compensation. [Ord. 730, 2010.]

2.15.020 Purpose.

The purpose of the EPC is to build relationships and heighten emergency awareness efforts to make the Brownsville area disaster ready:

- A. By creating a local plan for domestic and disaster preparedness, emergency response, disaster recovery and hazard mitigation in coordination with the Linn County Emergency Management Plan, the State and in accordance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
- B. By informing and encouraging citizens to participate in individual and family emergency preparedness measures.
- C. By working with public and private groups and organizations to mitigate hazards and to promote and foster community cooperation and awareness.

2.15.030 Terms of Committee – Vacancies.

EPC members shall serve a two-year term. The City Administrator shall fill any vacancies. Re-appointment is allowed.

2.15.040 Removal from Committee.

Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term. A member may be removed by Council, after hearing, for misconduct or nonperformance of duty. A member who is absent for three consecutive, regularly scheduled meetings without the permission shall be in nonperformance of duty and the Council shall declare the position vacant unless finding otherwise following the hearing.

2.15.050 Quorum – Meetings.

A simple majority shall constitute a quorum. The members may make and alter rules, regulations and policy for its governance and procedures consistent with the laws of this

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State, Federal and local ordinances. It shall meet at least once every three months, or quarterly, and at such times and places as may be fixed by the EPC. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Administrator or by a simple majority of members by serving a written notice upon each member by the City Recorder and posted at City Hall at least 24 hours before the time of the proposed meeting.

2.15.070 Records.

The EPC shall elect a Secretary, who need not be a member. The Secretary shall keep official minutes of all EPC proceedings.

2.15.090 Responsibilities.

The responsibilities of the EPC are to assist the Administrator in advising Council, Brownsville Rural Fire District Board and to work with Staff as follows:

- A. Developing and maintaining an Emergency Preparedness Plan;
- B. Defining goals;
- C. Implementation of priorities and strategies for accomplishing Emergency Preparedness and Planning goals;
- D. Determining logistics and developing working relationships with partners and stakeholders;
- E. Creation of public documents, both electronic and printed formats, designed to inform and encourage the general public;
- F. Recommendations on proposed emergency preparedness needs for operating and capital budgets.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____
day of _____, 2013.

Mayor

City Administrator

ORDINANCE NO. 730

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL,
REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 2.15 EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION OF THE MUNICIPAL
CODE OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, OREGON;**

WHEREAS, Title 2 of the Brownsville Municipal Code (BMC) defines an Emergency Management Advisory Commission, and;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to replace the current language and definition as provided herein;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Brownsville ordains as follows:

REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

**Chapter 2.15
Emergency Preparedness Committee**

Sections:

2.15.010 Establishment of the Emergency Preparedness Committee.

2.15.020 Purpose.

2.15.030 Terms of office – Vacancies.

2.15.040 Removal from Office.

2.15.050 Quorum – Meetings.

2.15.060 Officers.

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O 730 Emergency Preparedness Committee

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2.15.030 Terms of Office – Vacancies.

EPC members shall serve a two year term. The Mayor shall fill any vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term after advertising in local newspapers and posting a public notice. Re-appointment is allowed.

2.15.040 Removal from Office.

Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term. A member may be removed by Council, after hearing, for misconduct or non-performance of duty. A member who is absent for three consecutive, regularly scheduled meetings without the permission of the EPC Chairperson shall be in non-performance of duty and the Council shall declare the position vacant unless finding otherwise following the hearing.

2.15.050 Quorum – Meetings.

Four members of the EPC shall constitute a quorum. The members may make and alter rules, regulations and policy for its governance and procedures consistent with the laws of this State, Federal and local ordinances. It shall meet at least once every three months, or quarterly, and at such times and places as may be fixed by the EPC. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Chair or by four members by written notice served upon each member by the City Recorder and posted at City Hall; at least 24 hours before the time of the proposed meeting.

2.15.060 Officers.

At the first meeting of each calendar year, the EPC shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair that shall hold office during the course of the year.

2.15.070 Records.

The EPC shall elect a Secretary, who need not be a member. The Secretary shall keep official minutes of all EPC proceedings.

2.15.080 Powers and Duties.

The EPC shall have all the powers and duties which are now or which are hereafter granted to it by ordinances of this City, the Brownsville City Charter or by the general laws of the State of Oregon and the United States of America.

O 730 Emergency Preparedness Committee

2.15.090 Responsibilities.

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- E. Creation of public documents, both electronic and printed formats, designed to inform and encourage the general public;
- F. Recommendations on proposed emergency preparedness needs for operating and capital budgets;

Severability. If any section of this ordinance, or any portion thereof, is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction or administrative agency, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof, except as otherwise provided for herein.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 23rd day of November, 2010.

Mayor

City Administrator



City Administrator

2.05.010 Appointment – Qualifications – Duties.

There is hereby established the office of City Administrator, whose qualifications, term, powers and duties shall be as follows:

A. Qualifications. The City Administrator shall be the administrative head of the government of the City. She/he shall be chosen by the Council without regard to political considerations and solely on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications. She/he shall have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university or experience in city management. She/he need not be a resident of the City or of the state at the time of his/her appointment. Before taking office, she/he shall give a bond in such amount and with surety as may be approved by the Council. The premiums on such bond shall be paid by the City.

B. Term. The City Administrator shall serve for an indefinite term and may be removed at the pleasure of the Council.

C. Powers and Duties. The powers and duties of the City Administrator shall be as follows:

1. She/he shall devote his/her entire time to the discharge of his/her official duties, attend all meetings of the Council unless excused therefrom by the Council or the Mayor, keep the Council advised at all times of the affairs and needs of the City and make reports as requested by the Council.

2. She/he shall see that ordinances are enforced and that the provisions of all franchises, leases, contracts, permits and privileges granted by the City are observed. Except as provided in BMC 2.05.010(A), she/he shall approve all bonds of City officers and bonds for licenses, contracts and proposals.

3. a. Except as provided in subsections (C)(3)(b) and (c) of this section, the City Administrator shall hire all City employees and nonelective City officials; exercise general supervision over them and their work; and assign all duties to be performed by City employees and nonelective City officials. Selection of employees and nonelective City officials shall be made upon basis of merit and fitness alone. She/he may appoint such advisory boards as he/she may deem desirable to advise or assist him/her in his work; but the members of such boards shall receive no compensation as Board members.

b. She/he shall have no control over the City Council or City Attorney.

c. Prior to the removal of a nonelective City officer, the City Administrator shall review the matter with the City Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 702

A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE SAFETY POLICY AND LOSS PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE

WHEREAS, the City holds in high regard the safety, welfare and health of our employees; and

WHEREAS, the Council has a responsibility to make every reasonable effort to maintain a safe and healthful working environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Brownsville, State of Oregon does hereby reaffirm a strong commitment to employee and workplace safety as articulated below:

Introduction:

The City of Brownsville has always believed that our employees are our most important and valuable asset. We will always place a high priority on safe operations and the safety of employees. The City considers no phase of operation or administration more important than safety and health. We will provide and maintain safe and healthful working conditions, establish and insist on safe work methods and practices at all times. All members of management and all employees must make safety a part of their daily and hourly concern.

Goal/Purpose:

Our goal is "No Accidents" and we consider it a realistic goal. We want to make our safety efforts so successful that we make elimination of accidents and injuries not just a goal, but a way of life. Our goal is to involve both management and employees in safety planning, development and implementation.

Objectives:

- The City of Brownsville will work consistently to: Maintain safe and healthful work conditions; Observe Federal, State and City safety regulations; Ensure that no employee is assigned to a job without necessary training;
- Require safety orientation for new employees, timely and appropriate training, an employee safety committee, a self-inspection program, proper mechanical guards in adherence to safety standards, and a personal protective equipment program;
- Provide safety and fire inspections to identify potential hazards of operation, then developing necessary protective measures;
- Conduct accident investigations to determine the cause of accidents and the action required to prevent recurrences.

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Responsibilities:

Management Personnel of the City are responsible for developing an effective Loss Prevention Program. The department heads and supervisors are responsible for preventing accidents in their departments. Each level of management must reflect and interest in the City's safety objectives and set a good example by complying with safety rules. Management interest must be vocal, visible and continuous.

Employee Participation:

All employees are expected to follow safe working practices, obey rules and regulations, and to work in a way which maintains the high safety standards developed and sanctioned by the City.

All Employees are expected to give full support to safety and loss-prevention activities.

Every employee must observe established safety regulations and practices, including the use of personal protective equipment.

All employees are expected to take an active interest and participate in the safety and health program, and abide by the rules and regulations of the City.

All employees must recognize their responsibility to prevent injuries and illnesses and take necessary actions to do so. Their performance in this regard will be measured along with their overall performance.

Closing Statement:

By accepting mutual responsibility to operate safely, we will all contribute to the well-being of all involved with City operations. We must be so successful in our efforts that total elimination of accidents and injuries becomes not just an objective, but a standard practice.

PASSED by the Council and Approved by the Mayor on this 26th day of March 2013.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

S. Scott McDowell
City Administrator

Don Ware
Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 739

AN ORDINANCE ADDING TITLE 5, BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS, SECTION 5.15, GARAGE SALES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES, TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, OREGON;

WHEREAS, Title 5 of the Brownsville Municipal Code (BMC) defines Business Licenses and Regulations;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to add garage sale regulations;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Brownsville ordains as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

(1) **Garage Sale.** General sales open to the public conducted from or on a residential premise in any residential district, or from a temporarily arranged site elsewhere within the City, for the purpose of disposing of personal property including, but not limited to, all sales entitled "garage, moving, lawn, yard, attic, porch, backyard, patio, basement," or other similarly intended nature.

(2) **Personal Property.** Property which is utilized, owned and maintained by an individual or by members of a residence and acquired in the normal course of living in or maintaining of a residence.

Section 2. Number of Garage Sales. No person or household shall hold more than five (5) sales in a calendar year. A calendar year begins January 1 and ends December 31. If members of more than one residence join in holding a garage sale, then such sale shall be considered as having been held for each and all such residences.

Section 3. Hours of Operation. Garage sales may only be held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Section 4. Number of Days. Garage sales may be held for no more than four (4) consecutive days. Any sale lasting for more than four (4) consecutive days shall constitute a nuisance under Chapter 8.30 of the Brownsville Municipal Code.

Section 5. Display of Sales Merchandise. Personal property offered for sale may be displayed within the residence, in a garage, carport, and/or in the yard of the residence; and only in such areas. No property offered for sale shall be displayed in any public right-of-way, sidewalk, alley, or street.

Section 6. Signs.

(1) **Off Premise.** All off-premise signs advertising the garage sale shall be in compliance with the City's sign ordinance.

(2) **On Premise.** A maximum of two (2) on-premise signs may be placed within the property of the sale.

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(3) **Right-of-way.** No "On" or "Off" premise sign shall be placed in the public right-of-way.

Section 7. Illegal Signs, Disposition. Signs found within the City which are unlawfully posted upon utility poles, regulatory signs or posts, or are placed on sidewalks, in the right-of-way, or any other area not allowed by this ordinance, are hereby declared a nuisance to public safety, as they detract from the driving public's attention to traffic signals as well as other vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Police officers may summarily remove posted signs as evidence of unlawful activity in preparation for prosecution. If no prosecutorial action is taken, the signs may be destroyed.

Section 8. Owner Presumption. In the enforcement of this ordinance, it shall be a presumption that an address or telephone number listed on any garage sale sign shall be that of the individual(s) responsible for posting the sign. In addition, any signs directing the public by way of arrows or other directional symbols or phrases to a particular residence shall be presumed to have been erected by the owner(s) or occupant(s) of said residence.

Section 9. Penalties. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a violation and, upon conviction for a first offense, shall be fined not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$250.00, excluding court costs and assessments. In addition, the court may assign to the convicted individual(s) appropriate community service not to exceed forty (40) hours.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Mayor

City Administrator

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ORDINANCE NO. 740

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, UNIFORM DEVELOPMENT CODE, AMENDING SECTION 15.105 MANUFACTURED HOMES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, OREGON;

The City of Brownsville does ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, Title 2 of the Brownsville Municipal Code (BMC) defines an Emergency Preparedness Committee, and;

WHEREAS, the Council desires to replace the current language and definition as provided herein;

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Brownsville ordains as follows:

Section 1. Definition. The terms "**trailer house**" and "**recreational vehicle**" as used in this ordinance shall include a trailer house, trailer coach, motor home, recreational vehicles (RV), auto home, camp car, camp trailer, boat trailer or camperette, and any unit used for living or sleeping purposes which is equipped with wheels or similar devices for the purposes of transporting said unit from place to place, by motor power or other means.

Section 2. Maximum Time Periods.

(a) No person shall use a trailer house for sleeping or living purposes or both sleeping and living purposes within the City of Brownsville for any period without obtaining a permit from the City, except in a mobile home park or trailer park. No one shall occupy a trailer home for more than three weeks or twenty-one days, except in a mobile home park or trailer park.

(b) No trailer house may be parked within the City of Brownsville, except upon the premises of the owner thereof in areas which provide vision clearance for street corner lots of a minimum of fifteen (15') feet and for an intersection of an alley and a street a minimum of seven (7') feet, and in mobile home parks and trailer parks.

Section 3. Wheel Removal. The removal of the wheels for the setting of a trailer coach on posts or footings shall not be considered as removing said trailer coach from the regulations affecting trailer coaches.

Section 4. Public Sewer Connection. It shall be unlawful for any person occupying or using any trailer coach or trailer house within the City of Brownsville to use any toilet, sink, lavatory or similar equipment therein, unless and except the same be connected with the public sewer or an approved septic tank, in accordance with the ordinances of the City of Brownsville relating thereto.

Section 5. Grandfather Clause. Any currently legally parked trailers that come into violation as a result of the passage of this ordinance shall be and they are

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hereby permitted to remain in their present location for so long as the ownership of said trailer shall remain unchanged, or until such time as said trailer is moved to another location, whether on the same lot or otherwise.

Section 6. Trailer Parks to Comply. There shall be no trailer park or camp established or operated within the City of Brownsville, unless the same shall have fully complied with all of the laws and regulations of the state of Oregon and ordinances of the City of Brownsville pertaining to the establishment and operation of trailer parks and camps.

Section 7. Penalty. Any person convicted of a violation of this ordinance shall be fined not more than \$200.00. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this _____
day of _____, 2013.

Mayor

City Administrator

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

15.105.030 Occupancy of recreational vehicles.

A. Occupancy of recreational vehicles is permitted in the LDR, MDR and HDR zones, subject to the following standards:

1. A person may occupy a recreational vehicle on private land with the consent of the owner of the land under the following conditions:

a. If the recreational vehicle is fully self-contained, it may be occupied for up to 30 days in any 90-day period on property occupied by, or contiguous to property occupied by, the owner of the property. An extension for a period not to exceed 15 days may be granted upon request and administrative review.

b. If the lot, tract or parcel of land upon which the recreational vehicle is situated has an area adequate to provide for parking the recreational vehicle so as not to infringe on any required setbacks in that particular zone, and all applicable standards of sanitation, water, plumbing and electrical and sewerage installations prescribed by the laws of this state and the rules issued thereunder, or set by local authorities, are met, the recreational vehicle may be occupied:

i. For up to 120 days in any consecutive 12-month period on property occupied by, or contiguous to property occupied by, the owner of the property; or

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ii. By the owner of vacant property during the course of construction of a dwelling unit on the property, if a valid building permit is in effect for that dwelling unit. [Ord. 618 § 9, 1993; 1981 Compilation § 8-5:4.410.]



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March 5th, 2013

Ms. Michele Collins
620 Calapooia Avenue
Brownsville, OR 97327

Mr. & Mrs. Voight
668 Calapooia Avenue
Brownsville, OR 97327

Mr. & Mrs. Bowman
700 Calapooia Avenue
Brownsville, OR 97327

Re: Drainage Concern

Dear Ms. Collins, Mr. Voight & Mr. & Mrs. Bowman:

Since January 2013, the City has visited with each of you individually to discuss a drainage concern behind your homes. My hope was that a solution could be worked out between all parties. I took the concern to Council on February 26th, 2013 to see if the City could offer any kind of solutions toward a compromise, specifically a few sticks of drainage pipe. Council has dealt with several similar drainage requests over the last several years in many different locations around town. Drainage situations always seem to be emotionally intense due to their very personal nature. Council has been very consistent when dealing with these kinds of requests over the last several years due to past City practice and the concern of creating a potentially costly precedence.

Council recommends all three of you working together to resolve the extra water on the property. After reviewing the situation, it appears that a culvert is needed through Ms. Collins' property to allow the water to flow unimpeded back to the Calapooia which would prevent the excess water that the Voight & Bowman properties have been experiencing over the last several months. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "SM", written over a horizontal line.

S. Scott McDowell
Administrator

c: Council
File

March 16, 2013

City of Brownsville
PO Box 188
Brownsville, OR 97327

Regarding: Service Address of 210 Kirk Ave

My dad, Harry Smith, passed away on December 24. Our family has been working on his property to prepare for sale.

On 2/23/13 my husband was going to turn the water off at the meter to change the washing machine faucet, which was broke off. When he opened the cover, the box was filled with water. He dipped the water out, but it filled back up almost immediately. Thanks to Janaee and the City, we were able to quickly find the problem. The leak was just past the water meter, but of course we had no tools to fix the problem, as we had just had an estate and are in the process of preparing the house for sale

We would respectfully request your consideration to review the usage, and make any adjustments you see fit.

We appreciate Janaee's friendly, helpful attitude when we've been into City Hall.

Sincerely,



Debbie Trammell
Harry's daughter and executor
5140 7th Ave NE
Keizer OR 97303
(503) 463-0119

3/14/13

City Council of Brownsville,

Thank you very much for
sponsoring Brownsville Art
Association for a grant to the
San Antonio Cultural Coalition.
Our award was \$300 for subsidies
for classes and workshops. Your
support for the arts is greatly
appreciated.

Alice Tetamore
BAA Past President



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February 27, 2013

City of Brownsville
Attn: Scott McDowell, City Administrator
255 N Main Street
PO Box 188
Brownsville, OR 97327

RE: Annual Financial Audit

Dear Mr. McDowell,

Thank you for the submittal of your annual financial reports and accompanying items for the period ending June 30, 2012. Based upon our review, your submittal meets the financial reporting requirements of Rural Development. No other action is needed from you at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (541) 967-5925 ext 129.

Sincerely,


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Area Technician

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From: eweberry [eweberry@dswebnet.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2013 1:43 PM
To: 'S. Scott McDowell'
Subject: Thank YOu

Scott

Thank you for joining the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce. Your membership is needed and appreciated. Brownsville is a special place because of the willingness of its citizens to be involved. Thank you for doing just that.

As a member, there are a few actions to be taken:

- Please take a look at your directory listing at the Chamber website www.historicbrownsville.com. Once on the site, click "Welcome" then "Brownsville Directory". Businesses may be searched alphabetically or by category. In addition to your name, mailing address, email address and phone number, you can post two photos and a description of your business. If you have a website or Facebook page, make sure the address is included. Questions should be directed to events@historicbrownsville.com. Serah Mead is at the other end of this email address. If you need assistance with your listing, please stop by A to Z Consulting on Spaulding Ave. Chamber secretary, Aaron Zollinger would be happy to help out.
- The Chamber has a newsletter which you can subscribe too at the home page of www.historicbrownsville.com. This newsletter primarily discusses up-coming events, business openings or happenings in the surrounding area. If you are having an event, you can have it mentioned here.
- We also have a Facebook page ably managed by Linda McCormick. The address is; Brownsville, Oregon – Chamber of Commerce. Linda loves to post interesting things about the town. Give some thought as to how you might take advantage of Facebook and contact Linda; themacs@heavanet.com
- The Executive Board of the Chamber meets on the 1st Friday of each month. The meeting is at 8:00 am in the Brownsville Saloon. The purpose of these meetings is for the Board to make decisions on events and other Chamber business. As a member, you are welcome to attend. Stop by, have a cup of coffee, put your two cents in. Volunteer.
- The Chamber holds a monthly general membership meeting in the Community room above city hall at noon on the second Thursday of each month. This meeting is an opportunity to meet other members and discuss current events affecting Brownsville. We usually have a speaker or two. Subjects such as fire protection, Linn county public transportation, Willamette Country Music Festival, Central Linn Schools and other related items have been discussed. You should receive an e-mail notification of the meeting a few days before.
- Lastly, your Chamber is an all volunteer organization. This is where you come in. We need volunteers and lots of them. You can use you skills to the highest advantage by mixing pancake batter, bussing tables, decorating Christmas trees, selling raffle tickets, etc. Please contact one of the Chamber officers to get involved. You meet a lot of nice people.

regards

John Morrison



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CIS Quarterly Report to Members

March 2013

Highs & Lows in Not-to-Exceed Rates

BOARD ANNOUNCES 8.9% OVERALL INCREASE FOR P/C TRUST; LOW SINGLE-DIGIT CHANGES FOR CIS MEDICAL, DENTAL PLANS

A trend of large liability claims over the past two years, coupled with property reinsurers' concerns about "the big one" in Oregon, have led to an 8.9% overall rate increase in the CIS Property/Casualty (P/C) Trust for 2013-14. The "not-to-exceed" rate increase was announced at the CIS Annual Conference on February 14.

P/C Trust reserves provided an umbrella for this rainy day, lowering what would have been an even more significant increase in Liability rates for 2013-14.

However, the sun is shining on the CIS Benefits program. Members can budget for 2013-14 with no increase in rates between July 1 and December 31, 2013; self-insured medical/dental rates will increase by 5% or less beginning January 1, 2014.

The Board voted on the "not-to-exceed" rates at its February 13 meeting. Final rates will be set at the Board's April 5 meeting. The rate actions reflect the Board's commitment to keep rates as low as possible while maintaining the fiscal health of the CIS Trust.

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The announced “not-to-exceed” rate changes are below. It’s important to remember that rates are only a portion of total member costs. The coverage levels your entity chooses, claims experience, and what and who is covered all will impact your final renewal costs.

It’s also important to remember that despite the recent challenges in P/C Trust claims experience, CIS remains in good financial condition. Getting through the years with bad claims is what reserves are for.

Property/Casualty (PC) Trust

After a 10-year span in which rates in the P/C Trust declined by 3%, the 8.9% overall increase for 2013-14 announced at the Conference was significant. But for most attendees, it was not unexpected.

It’s no secret that claims experience, particularly for liability claims, has been just plain lousy the past two years. The gap between projected claims and the actual cost for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 years is particularly large.

A total of \$8.8 million in reserves has filled the gap between the dollars collected and the claims paid for 2009-2012, but the actuarial projection of the claims still outstanding in those years, and what we can expect for 2013-14, is quite large. Even more disturbing is the idea that this higher amount of claims in the Liability program is a “new normal”.

Additionally, the P/C Trust has been challenged by an increase in property reinsurance rates. CIS self-insures the first \$500,000 of property claims, and purchases reinsurance for losses above that level. There is separate coverage for flood and earthquake events. Sufficient earthquake insurance will be available to CIS members for 2013-14, but it will cost more than last year.

Although CIS’ property claims experience has been good, reinsurers are getting more nervous about the potential for a large

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earthquake in Oregon. Some companies have raised rates and others have stopped writing public entity business in the state.

BOARD RULES OUT CUTS IN COVERAGE, OPTS FOR LONGER-TERM PLAN

In deciding how to address the need for higher rates, the Board considered several options, including implementing the entire increase at once or spreading it out over several years. The Board also looked at – but decided against – reducing coverage, particularly for costly employment claims. CIS’ Liability Coverage Document is extremely comprehensive, covering nearly all of the liability risks that city and county entities face. Many of those risks would not be covered by commercial insurance policies. When, for example, a terminated employee wins a lawsuit and the employer is ordered to pay back pay and ‘front pay’ for future earnings, the front and back pay is covered by CIS. Not to cover it would potentially leave the employer with a bill for hundreds of thousands of dollars, as cases in the past few years have shown.

Instead, the Board chose a rate plan that limited the initial increase, with the thought that if needed, similar increases could be implemented over the next few years. Reserves were also put to work to limit the amount of the increase. Had the Board opted for full implementation in 2013-14, the Liability rate increase would have been 21.7% and the overall increase 13.5%.

RATE CHANGES BY LINE OF COVERAGE

By line of coverage, the rate changes are as follows:

COVERAGE	“NOT-TO-EXCEED” RATE CHANGES FOR JULY 1, 2013
Overall (all coverages with CIS)	+8.9%
Liability	+10.6%
Auto Physical Damage	+8.4%
Property	+9.8%
Workers’ Compensation	+6.1%

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The Board will continue the **multi-line discount of 7.5%** when a member has all coverage with CIS. So, for example, if a member has liability and workers' comp with CIS and then adds property coverage, the discount for property is 7.5%, and the liability and workers' comp discounts increase from 3% (for two lines) to 7.5%.

OTHER OPTIONS TO LOWER COSTS

Members also can reduce their costs for 2013-14 by taking more risk. This means adding or increasing the **deductible** – the amount the member pays – on claims, or considering a **Retro plan**. Retro plans give the member a significant decrease in contribution in exchange for the member paying the full amount of claims up to a fixed amount. Either way, you don't pay until you have a claim. Click here [Need to put Scott's retro plan piece on the web, if it's not there already] for a summary of the Retro program.

The Board of Trustees voted in February to extend the Retro program to all members with Liability contributions in excess of \$10,000; the current level is \$40,000. Your local agent can help you decide if a deductible program or Retro plan is right for your entity.

Also, some members still have **distribution credits** available from the distribution declared in December, 2010. These credits must be used in 2013-14 against the line of coverage for which they were earned. If there is still money remaining thereafter, it will be applied to Liability coverage.

CIS Benefits

After a period of transition, CIS Benefits is officially on a calendar-year plan year. In making the change to a January 1 plan year, the CIS Board committed to providing rates for the next plan year (effective 1/1/14) on the traditional time schedule so that members could accurately budget for the full fiscal year. The Board also committed to using reserves to handle any unanticipated increase in claims, so that the rates projected now are as low as possible.

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The announced rates for 1/1/14 are below; *current rates will continue in the first half of the 2013-14 fiscal year.*

The announced rates are for groups with fewer than 100 employees in CIS/Regence and CIS/ODS plans. Members with 100 or more employees in those plans have an experience adjustment factor that impacts their actual rate change.

COVERAGE Provider	"NOT-TO-EXCEED" RATE CHANGES FOR JANUARY 1, 2014	
MEDICAL	EBS (cities)	AOCIT (counties)
CIS/Regence	+5% (+/- experience mods for >100 ees)	+2% (+/- experience mods for >100 ees)
	add +2% for High Deductible Health Plans with Health Savings Accounts: HDHP -1 w/HSA and HDHP -2 w/HSA - see story below	
Kaiser (no difference between cities and counties)	10%	
DENTAL	EBS (cities)	AOCIT (counties)
CIS/ODS	+4% (+/- experience mods for >100 ees)	+1% (+/- experience mods for >100 ees)
Kaiser (no difference between cities and counties)	12%	
Willamette Dental (no difference between cities and counties)	No change	
VISION		
VSP (no difference between cities and counties)	+5.8%	
LIFE/LONG TERM DISABILITY		
The Hartford (no difference between cities and counties)	No change Rate guaranteed through 2015	

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HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN/HSA PLAN SURCHARGE

High deductible health plans (HDHPs) that are designed to be offered with a health savings account (HSA) have been chosen by a growing segment of CIS members. As of January 1, some 20% of CIS-member employees are enrolled in a HDHP with a HSA.

However, a recent study shows that CIS' HDHP plans are priced too low, as the cost of claims significantly exceeds the premium contributions and will likely continue to do so. As a result, the CIS Board of Trustees agreed to place a **2% surcharge on CIS' HDHP-1 and HDHP-2 plans with HSAs** for the year beginning January 1, 2014. The surcharge is in addition to the overall rate change for CIS/Regence medical plans.

The study prompting the surcharge looked at claims of members on HDHP/HSA plans for the two years prior to moving to the HDHP, and the two years after. Although there was, as expected, a large drop in claims when the switch was made, by the end of two years, claims paid were almost as high as for those with similar risks who continued on a traditional, lower-deductible plan. But the amount collected from the HDHP plans to pay for those claims was much less than for the other plans.

The HDHP/HSA plans are popular among employers because they cost much less than traditional plans. Employees like them too. Often, they save enough money to allow the employer to contribute the full amount of the deductible to the employees' HSAs. The employee gets a tax-free HSA contribution from the employer to pay for uncovered medical expenses. The HSA dollars belong to the employee, and aren't subject to any kind of 'use it or lose it' criteria.

And therein, perhaps, lies at least part of the problem.

High deductible plans cost less than traditional plans, because it's expected that the high deductible will curb utilization. These



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plans are often referred to as “consumer directed” because it’s thought that the consumer will try to save on out-of-pocket costs by shopping around for medical services that cost the least and produce the best outcomes.

But if the employer fully funds the deductible year after year, the HDHP is arguably as rich or richer than the former traditional plan. The incentive to use medical services less, or more wisely, is diminished because the employee share isn’t really ‘out of pocket’. And these days, it’s pretty easy to get to \$1,500 of medical services pretty quickly.

The CIS Board asked for further study of the claims data, to more clearly determine if the issue is utilization, or simply more sick people at a higher cost than expected.

New Record Set at CIS Conference; Law Enforcement Track Popular

A record number of 522 people gathered at the Portland Waterfront Marriott February 13 - 15 for CIS’ 12th Annual Conference. If you were among them, thanks for being there! All of the electronic conference materials have been posted to the CIS website: go to www.cisoregon.org and click CIS Annual Conference in the Quick Links. You’ll need your website user ID and password to review the information. Videos of several sessions have been recorded and will make their way to the same website location soon.

Next year’s conference dates have already been determined, so mark your calendars: February 26-28, 2014 at the Portland Downtown Waterfront Marriott.

CIS CHARACTER & INTEGRITY AWARD TO KATHY DICKEY

The winner of the CIS Character & Integrity Award this year was nominated by an individual she had never met, but knew very well. CIS Senior Workers’ Compensation Claims Examiner Kathy

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Dickey received the award on February 14 during the CIS Annual Conference.

In his nomination, Lincoln City Officer Steven Dodds, who was shot by a fleeing suspect in 2011, said Ms. Dickey had performed “with tact and professionalism” as she worked with him throughout his long recovery.

Officer Dodds said Ms. Dickey had been, “more than only the voice on the phone,” a reminder of how the workers’ comp examiners have to earn the trust and confidence of injured workers whom they may never meet, in an often-contentious situation. Kathy has worked with CIS since August 2004, when CIS brought claims services in-house, and was promoted last year to a senior examiner slot.

The CIS Character & Integrity Award was established by the CIS Board of Trustees in 2009 to recognize those associated with CIS whose actions illustrate what it means to be Trust-worthy in service to our Members, and inspire us to do the same. Its first recipients were CIS staff members who responded to the City of Woodburn after its December 2008 bank bombing, followed by retired CIS Executive Director Noel Klein in 2010, Sr. Risk Management Consultant John Zakariassen in 2011, and retired CIS Trustee/Pendleton City Manager Larry Lehman in 2012.



Pictured Above: Kathy Dickey receiving the CIS Character & Integrity Award at the CIS Annual Conference on February 14, 2013.

S. Scott McDowell

From: Calapooia Watershed Council [ksmith@calapooia.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 4:49 PM
To: admin@ci.brownsville.or.us
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CWC Releases Five Year Strategic Plan

Vision of the future of the Calapooia Watershed Council

We are proud to release the Calapooia Watershed Council's Strategic Plan. This document represents over a year of meetings, strategic visioning sessions, interviews with stakeholders, input from outside contractors, and an all-day staff and Board member retreat focused on where we are and where we see our organization heading in the next five years.

We've grown an incredible amount since our founding in 1999, and have changed quite a bit in the short time since we received 501c3 status in 2008. The effort that went into this strategic plan represents our attempt at guiding the organization through the inevitable challenges and changes that await us in the future. We hope you'll take a look and let us know what you think!

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The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) released what I like to think of as its State of the Union message: the *2013 Report Card for America's Infrastructure*. Every four years, the organization evaluates asset condition and repair needs of 16 categories to issue an overall grade and a grade for each.

The stimulus package and aggressive state bridge-reconstruction programs probably nudged the overall grade inched up incrementally from a D (poor: at risk) in 2009 to a D+ this year. Price tag to bring our roads and bridges and water and sewer pipelines up to snuff by 2020: \$3.6 trillion.

The every-four-years report card is a highly visible public relations tool that ASCE deploys effectively in its never-ending quest for more federal funding. So it's in the organization's best interest not to inflate grades. No category's ever failed, but as you see from this chart most are stuck — and have been for a long time — in the C and D (mediocre and poor) realm.

Yes, I know: C is average — nothing wrong with that. Grading on a curve means only a few souls can be deemed good and even fewer exceptional. But is that how you'd want the rest of the world to view your child?

I could spend hours reading this report. In addition to an in-depth assessment of each category, the report card provides information for all 50 states. Take a look: www.infrastructurereportcard.org.

ABOUT THE BLOGGER

Stephanie Johnston



As Editor in Chief of Public Works, Stephanie Johnston directs the brain magazine, website, e-newsletters, & contributes to webcasts and other digital initiatives. In addition to the American Public Works Association,

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Dams	N/A	D	D
Drinking water	N/A	D-	D
Hazardous waste	D	D	D
Levees	N/A	D-	D-
Solid waste	C-	C+	B-
Wastewater	N/A	D-	D
Aviation	B-	D	D
Bridges	N/A	C	C+
Inland waterways	N/A	D-	D-
Ports	N/A	N/A	C
Rail	N/A	C-	C+
Roads	(listed as highways) C+	D-	D
Transit	(listed as mass transit) C-	D	D
Public parks & recreation	N/A	C-	C-
Schools	N/A	D	D
Energy	N/A	D+	D+
Overall	N/A	D	D+

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	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES				
1 GENERAL	\$ 5,124.10	\$ 58,852.89	\$ 555,309.34	43.87%	\$ 710,593.66	1
2 WATER	\$ 16,237.49	\$ 13,495.30	\$ 204,120.70	17.77%	\$ 944,328.30	2
3 SEWER	\$ 20,614.51	\$ 8,208.59	\$ 305,751.73	32.30%	\$ 643,848.27	3
4 STREETS	\$ 13,932.91	\$ 3,621.60	\$ 66,731.56	13.16%	\$ 440,368.44	4
5 WATER BOND	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			5
6 SEWER BOND	\$ 8,716.62	\$ -	\$ 332,072.00			6
7 SEWER DEBT FEE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,798.21			7
8 BUILDING & EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ -				8
9 WATER RESERVE	\$ -	\$ -				9
10 HOUSING REHAB	\$ -	\$ -				10
11 WATER SDC	\$ -	\$ -				11
12 SEWER SDC	\$ -	\$ -				12
13 STORMWATER SDC	\$ -	\$ -				13
14 BIKEWAY/PATHS	\$ 83.38	\$ -				14
15 LIBRARY TRUST	\$ -	\$ -				15
16 CEMETERY	\$ -	\$ -				16
17 TRANSIENT ROOM TX	\$ -	\$ -				17
18 SEWER CONSTRUCTION	\$ -	\$ -				18
19 LAND ACQUISITION	\$ -	\$ -				19
20 COMMUNITY PROJECTS	\$ -	\$ -				20
	\$ 64,709.01	\$ 84,178.38	\$ 70,120.79	28.56%	\$ 175,379.21	

KeyBank Accounts

General	\$ 118,906.65
Utility	\$ 17,399.69
Park	\$ 4,987.50
Court	\$ 3,793.67
Oregon State Treasury	\$ 4,334,665.61
Community Improvements	\$ 8,137.21

2012-2013

Appropriated \$ 1,847,616.12 YTD % of Total 32.51%

DEBT Payments

Water	\$ 54,927.00
Wastewater	\$ 411,115.00

Total Debt

Water	\$ 820,182.00
Wastewater	\$ 6,300,896.00
Total	\$ 7,121,078.00