



City of Maupin Newsletter

By Mayor Lynn Ewing
November 2017

Veterans' Day, November 11 was originally Armistice Day, celebrating the cease fire that began at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 and the end of World War I. This continued until 1954 when the name was changed to Veterans' Day, a celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. Because the 11th is on a Saturday, federal, state, and local offices will be closed on Friday, November 10th in honor of Veterans. Be sure to thank a veteran on this day and any other time you get a chance.

Congratulations to the Redsides Volleyball Team for winning the Big Sky Championship allowing them to move on to the state Play-In game October 28 in Maupin which they won. They now move on to the State Playoff Tournament to be held in Redmond November 3rd – 4th.

Deschutes Rim Clinic We Care! Building Campaign Our clinic was awarded a million dollars from the Oregon State Legislature to apply toward building a new clinic in Maupin. Plan to attend the fundraiser Prime Rib Dinner to be held Saturday, November 11 at the Wamic Community Center. See <https://www.deschutesrimclinic.org/we-care-building-campaign> for more information.

Legion Hall – Councilors Helquist and Ross along with community representatives on the Legion Hall Improvement Committee will be meeting at the Legion Hall at 2:00 on Thursday, November 2 to begin assessing the needs for the Legion Hall and developing plans for beginning improvements.

Park Committee – Councilor Randy Bechtol will be hosting a Park Committee meeting to consider improvements and possible grant funding for Kaiser Park on Saturday, Nov. 4 in the Chamber Visitor Center at 10:00 AM.

Recycling – Watch our website for the return of glass recycling. Emerald Systems will be opening November 1 at the old Mel's Sanitation site in Tygh Valley. We are working on a plan to do our glass recycling with them. They will be open Tuesday-Saturday every week from 10:00 to 3:00 for all types of recycling.

Fiber Project The fiber project is progressing. The remainder of the project will go out to bid in December with a proposed June completion date. Our Public Works crew are doing some "Make-Ready" work to help bring the costs down. In addition to providing businesses and residents in Maupin with Internet speeds as fast as or faster than any available in Oregon, this project will enable improvements in wireless Internet speeds to surrounding communities in South Wasco County.

Thanksgiving City Hall will be closed November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Clean-up Day We had another successful Clean-Up Day. Waste Connections supplied two very large dumpsters and a manned garbage truck. One dumpster was for junk and the other for yard debris to be hauled to Dirt Huggers for composting. Jim “The Ugly Scrapper” had his truck and trailer here from Tygh Valley and got more than a full load of metal. Emily Black and Sara Morelli organized a group from the Community Church to pick up yard debris for those that could not haul it themselves. I know they hauled over 10 pickup loads. Howard Vejar from the City Park manned the site all day. Kirk Shields from Public Works brought the City’s backhoe in to compact the yard debris at mid-day to make room for more. We handed out nearly 200 yard-debris bags and most of those came in packed full. We will continue with this program with another Clean-Up day in the Spring.

Southern Wasco County Library We have been hard at work developing funding plans for the new library and Civic Center to be built behind Kaiser Park in the downtown area. We are working closely with the Deschutes Rim Clinic and Westby Associates to try to get both projects funded so that a single contractor could do both at about the same time. We are sharing many professional resources to further reduce costs on these two very important projects for our area.

The City has selected a different company as our **Engineer-of-Record and Planning Services**. Though we have used Tenneson for many years, it became clear we needed to make a change. We will now be working with Anderson-Perry, with offices in LaGrande and Redmond. They have worked with many small Central and Eastern Oregon communities and bring some great people to the table. They are excited to assist us with projects as we move forward.

November 2, at 6:00pm at the American Legion Hall in Maupin, citizens are invited to meet and to hear from **Jamie McLeod-Skinner**, who will be running for the **Democratic nomination for the District 2 House of Representatives** seat in May 2018. McLeod-Skinner is a resident of Terrebonne and has family ties throughout the district. She will be competing for the Democratic Party nomination to challenge long-time incumbent Congressman Greg Walden. The evening is being organized by a committee of local citizens dedicated to creating opportunities in South Wasco County for citizens to hear from national candidates. Community members will have an opportunity to ask questions in the “Q & A” portion of the evening, and refreshments will be available

Feel free to stop by or call City Hall if you have questions or concerns. The city staff and I are always glad to help out if we can.

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<p>11/10 City Hall Closed 11/11 Veterans' Day 11/23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday</p>	<p>Public Meetings Law ORS192.640(2) Executive Sessions ORS192.640 Notice of Meetings ORS192.640(1)</p>		