



City of Maupin Newsletter

By Mayor Lynn Ewing

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FIRE SEASON is here! No outdoor burning either in barrels or open burn piles. Most of you know we have already had our first brush fire. On May 19, Maupin, Wamic, Juniper Flat, Tygh Valley, BLM and others all responded to a brush fire just south of Maupin near Highway 197. It was quickly brought under control and extinguished, being limited to about 15 acres.

Emergency Service News:

- Maupin Fire Dept is still looking for more volunteers. We meet monthly in Maupin and join Juniper flats for specialized training. Come up to City Hall and sign up to join the fun. We have 8 new members, are getting new gear and firefighter training classes are beginning soon.
- South Wasco County Ambulance is still in need of EMTs, EMRs and drivers! I can't believe our "NEW EMTs" had to already renew their annual license, time flies! Special thanks to Rod and Virginia for all the drives you've taken us on over the last year! Your skills and time are much appreciated.
- Shaniko Fire Dept will be holding NFPA Driver training June 5-6th at the Shaniko School House 93475 6th St. All drivers for EMS and Fire should attend and all members are welcome to add to your valuable skill set. Contact City Hall for details or email David Long at Sengine110@msn.com to register. Please provide your full name and DPSST number.

Maupin Daze "Lite" was successful in getting the local populace together for some socializing and shopping in Kaiser Park. Planning is already beginning for next year. Maupin was incorporated as a city in 1922. That means 2022 will be the 100th birthday of our fair city! For that reason and to bring back more tourists and visitors, the plan is to have Maupin Daze be a big deal again. Remember some of the activities and events from past years and even from the Wine and Fish Festival before that. If you would like to volunteer to assist with the planning and/or execution of a great community event, please contact City Hall. Also, if you have **mementos from Maupin's early days**, we would love to see photos, documents, or anything else related to the history of Maupin. We have recently received some local documents and scrapbooks we hope to display and also have the Maupin Marshall's revolver and badge.

The City received a Travel Oregon Grant of over \$35,000 for **Kaiser Park** improvements. We will be installing an irrigation system, sidewalks, a grape arbor (as requested by the Kaiser family) and some new picnic areas. Most will remain open and will be re-sodded in the Fall. Contact City Hall if you want more details or to volunteer to assist in some of the work.

DRAC (Deschutes River Athletic Complex) also received a Travel Oregon grant for \$100,000 and a \$250,000 matching grant from Maybelle Clark Macdonald Foundation in Bend. Any further contributions to DRAC will be matched by Maybelle Clark Macdonald. Along with previous donations and grants they are ready to begin construction very soon and **the track will be done before school starts in the Fall.**

Related to the Track, the organization that puts on Hood-to-Coast is creating a new event called **"Ride the Rapids"** to be held in the fall. This year, the funds will benefit DRAC, but in the future, they will work with the City and Chamber to select other local public projects worthy of funding, as they hope this will be an annual event. <https://hoodtocoast.com/partner-events/ride-the-rapids/>

The annual motorcycle event, **Maupin Madness**, will go on this year on **Saturday, June 12**, with some modifications for COVID safety. It will be limited to 200 participants which more than complies with state mandates for outdoor events. The Bike Show has been left off to prevent large crowds gathering. It will begin at Kaiser Park and end at **The Imperial.**

Former Mayor **Frank Kay and his wife Susan**, Maupin residents for about 30 years, will be moving away from our community to assist with some family members who need help. Susan's contributions to the Garden Club and Frank's efforts to secure our Library and Broadband funding will not soon be forgotten. They have pledged to stay involved in the Library Foundation and to visit as often as they can.

We have openings on the **Budget Committee** (meets one to three times each spring). If you are interested in becoming more involved in our City, this is a great place to start. To qualify, you must have been a resident of Maupin for a year or longer. Please pick up an application at City Hall.

CONSTRUCTION seems to be the Maupin buzzword. Avingrid’s Bakeoven Solar Project, The Deschutes Rim Clinic, the Track Project, a renewed BLM compound on Bakeoven Road, and Phase One of the School District’s Bond Project will all be kicking off throughout the next few months. Construction Vehicles will be in abundance and many people will be looking for temporary housing. Combine that with our normal “Silly Season” and summer should be very interesting!

The City would like to work with local business and property owners to provide **temporary housing space** for the work crews so that their per diem funds might be spent locally rather than out of town. If you have a **space available, please let us know** at City Hall and we will pass that along to the construction foremen and managers.

The City has posted an opening for a **Community Liaison**. The main duty for this part-time person will be to work with people to solve issues with Code Compliance and to resolve ordinance violation complaints filed with the City. See the Website for details.

The City has installed a new **weather station** in Kaiser Park. This station will be connected to the National Weather Service (NOAA - <https://forecast.weather.gov/>) to provide more accurate information on temperature, wind, precipitation, and air quality than the one they currently use on Juniper Flat. Thanks to MJ and Tod for help in getting the station and getting it set up.

If you would like a digital copy of the city newsletter, please email any of us at City Hall. It will make it easier to use all of those links!

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	<p>Public Meetings Law Sessions ORS192.640(2) Executive ORS192.640</p>	