



We are a safe, progressive community that cares for all our citizens and visitors while protecting our natural resources and maintaining our rural heritage.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Planning Commission

Tues., April 9 at 4:30 p.m.

City Council

Wed., April 24 at 6:30 p.m.

Budget Committee

Thurs., April 25 at 6 p.m.

Meetings are being held in person at the Maupin Civic Center (507 Grant Ave.) and virtually on Zoom. Find the links to join on the agendas. Meetings are ADA accessible. For special accommodations, please contact the City Recorder in advance.

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CITY HALL NEWS

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 - Utility payments
 - Facility rental requests
 - Burn permits
 - Maupin Municipal Code
 - Meeting agendas and minutes
 - Planning and land use forms
 - Code compliance information



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LETTER FROM MAYOR CAROL BEATTY

One of the most important skills I learned as a middle school principle was learning how to listen. Over the last 15 months as your Mayor, I've had the opportunity to listen to the residents and business owners of this town. Whether over coffee in the park, in the Post Office, or in the Library, something I hear over and over again is how people want to know what's going on in town. It's why we've invested in our website, to make information easier to access and understand. It's also why we are launching TextMyGov, a notification service that will send important City information directly to your phone.

This month there are also lots of opportunities to get more involved in the City and in our region.

The South Wasco Times will be hosting the Wasco County Commissioner candidates in a Town Hall on April 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Ask questions and get to know the candidates before you vote in May.

The City's Budget Committee meeting will take place on Thursday, April 25 at 6 p.m. Visitors are welcome to listen to the budget message and there will be opportunities for public input. If you want to know what's going on in the City, what the priorities are, and where funds will be spent, it's important for you to attend.

The Budget Committee also has an opening for a seat. If you are interested in learning more about how the City works and want to contribute your thoughts and opinions to our planning for the next year, please contact our City Recorder Christine Wolfe to apply.

On April 6, the Deschutes Rim Health Clinic will be hosting an Open House from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tour the new clinic, meet the new providers and staff and learn more about the clinic, which is funded through the White River Health Tax District and is such an important resource in our small town.

The Spring Community Clean-Up Day will be held on April 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Recycle Depot. We are also launching the Stop the Spread Challenge as part of our Community Wildfire Risk Reduction program that will provide more opportunities for residents to remove yard debris from their homes.

And mark your calendars for Maupin Daze on May 18. We're all looking forward to our annual event to celebrate the community.

I encourage everyone to make the most of these opportunities to get involved in the community and help shape the future in our town. We promise to keep listening to you all.

Tri-County Hazardous Waste Day April 6

Tri-County Waste and Recycle will host its annual hazardous waste collection event on Saturday, April 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free for households but small businesses must register with TCHW&R one week in advance. Find the full list of materials that can be recycled at TRICOUNTYRECYCLE.COM

Budget Committee Meeting April 25

The Budget Committee will meet on Thursday, April 25 at 6 p.m. at the Maupin Civic Center to hear the proposed budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. A public hearing will also be held during the meeting to discuss possible uses of state revenue sharing money. Any person may join in person or virtually to discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. The link to join the meeting is available on our website. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained on or after April 20, 2024 on our website or in person at City Hall. Written comments may be sent to CWOLFE@CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG.

Debris Removal for Maupin Residents

Thanks to a generous grant from the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office, the City can offer contractor assistance to qualified residents for the removal of dead trees and other fire fuels.

Residents may qualify based on income, physical limitations, or social barriers. To apply for these services, please visit CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG/FIRE or email MNAPOLI@CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG

2024 South Wasco Garden Expo

The 2nd annual South Wasco Garden Expo and Seed Exchange, sponsored by The Maupin Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Maupin, was held on March 9th at the Maupin Civic Center. The event featured booths, vendors, and educators and welcomed approximately 200 guests who enjoyed the opportunity to learn about native plants, vegetable gardening, beekeeping, sustainable farming practices, weed abatement, fire resistant landscaping, and much more.

Sincere thanks to the Dig and Hoe Garden Club and the Expo Planning Committee whose efforts made this event possible.

Spring Clean-Up Day April 13

The City's Spring Community Clean-up Day will take place on Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Recycle Depot. All regular recycle bins will be available along with a dumpster and a garbage truck for junk too large for a garbage can. Metal, including non-refrigerant appliances, will also be accepted. Yard debris can also be dropped off year-round. We have free yard debris bags available at City Hall. Assistance is available for residents who need help with their debris.

Community Yard Debris Trailer

As part of the City's ongoing effort to reduce the risk of wildfire through the Community Wildfire Risk Reduction Program, a community yard debris trailer, featuring the City's logo for easy identification, will be placed in neighborhood "zones" beginning April 1. For a list of zones and the yard debris trailer schedule, please visit CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG/FIRE

Street Design Standards Update & Donkey Trail Plan Project

The City is working on a Transportation & Growth Management program grant that will support a safe, livable community with transportation options for all and provide us with a strategic vision to support long-range planning. We're talking about walking & biking trails, street safety, and more!

Save the date for an open house that will take place on May 28 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. where the public can have an opportunity to see our progress and make comments on the proposals!

Learn more about the project and share your ideas at CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG/TGM

Sign Up for City Text Alerts

Get City updates sent directly to your cell phone via text message! The City is launching TextMyGov, a program to increase communication from the City to residents. Notifications may include public meeting announcements, road closures, utility notifications, and more.

Opt-in today by texting **MAUPIN** to **91896**. The service is free for anyone who signs up. More information about the program is on our website.

Wasco County Commissioner Town Hall April 18

The South Wasco Times will be hosting the Wasco County Commissioner candidates in a Town Hall on April 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Ask questions and get to know the candidates before you vote in the primary election on May 21. Learn more about the election at CO.WASCO.OR.US and see what other County offices you will be voting on. Check your voter registration status online at SOS.OREGON.GOV

Infrastructure Projects

In March the City submitted its application for a Special Public Works Fund loan to repair and rehabilitate the Upper Water Reservoir Storage Tank.

This month staff will be attending a One-Stop meeting with Business Oregon and federal funding agencies to learn more about our options for completing the wastewater facility improvements that are needed.

The Grant Avenue Street Improvement project will be going out to bid soon. Watch for more information about utility work and road closures in the next few months.

We will provide more information about these projects as it becomes available. Find more information and stay updated at CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG/PROJECTS

Reducing Wildfire Risk

The Stop the Spread Challenge incentivizes Maupin residents to create defensible space around their homes by removing fire fuels such as dry grass, weeds, dead trees, discarded lumber, and flammable materials.

Other fire risk reduction projects, such as creating fire breaks, removing gutter debris, pruning overhanging branches and moving woodpiles at least 30' from the home may also qualify for the program. To participate, register your project and pick up an information packet at City Hall. Residents who complete their projects will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate to Canyon Gardens Nursery for the purchase of fire-resistant plants.

For more information, please email MNAPOLI@CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG or call 541-395-2698. Learn more at CITYOFMAUPIN.ORG/FIRE