

Maupin Newsletter

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WE ARE A SAFE, PROGRESSIVE
COMMUNITY THAT CARES FOR
ALL OUR CITIZENS AND
VISITORS WHILE PROTECTING
OUR NATURAL RESOURCES AND
MAINTAINING OUR RURAL
HERITAGE.



Letter from Mayor Beatty

Congratulations to the Maupin Dig and Hoe Garden Club and the OSU Master Gardeners for the outstanding Garden Expo which was held at the Civic Center on March 14. Over 400 attended, which is the most that has ever attended the event. It was an outstanding event with many vendors and private citizens with their seeds and fledgling plants for sale or exchange. Congratulations on a successful event.

Several citizens have talked with me about the trouble they are having with the wild turkeys coming into yards. Nick Smith, city manager, called ODFW about the problem. He was told that it takes a significant number of complaints before the agency will take action with removal. He was advised to educate residents not to feed wildlife and encourage citizens experiencing issues to contact ODFW, The Dalles District office, to log a complaint: 541-296-4628.

I've learned that the Josh Thompson Memorial Scoreboard is now connected by fiber and can now be controlled at the announcers booth.

SWC Job Fair to be held on April 14th from 5pm-7pm in the high school gymnasium, a joint venture with Marni Malefyt, Dean of Academics, and the Chamber of Commerce. It's available to students as well as the community. Community residents are encouraged to attend.

Jason Hull now holds the single highest season scoring record in all school classifications in Oregon, breaking a record from 1952. Way to go, Jason!!

High School track started March 9th and the middle school track started on March 30th.

Carol Beatty



TEXT "MAUPIN" TO 91896

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**Hazardous
Waste
Clean up
Saturday 4/4
10am-2pm**

4/14 Planning
Commission Mtg
at 4:30pm

**Spring Clean-up
Saturday 4/11
9am-1pm**

4/22 City Council
Meeting at 6:30pm

**OFFICE HOURS
MON-FRI 9AM-4PM
CLOSED 12-1 FOR
LUNCH**

Community News

Spring Clean-up

The City's Spring Clean-up Day will take place on Saturday, April 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Recycle Depot (604 Water Ave). 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.

Hazardous Waste Clean-up

Get rid of unwanted dangerous and hazardous materials. Our Hazardous Waste Collection Event will be Saturday, April 4 from 10am-2pm located **in the lot across from city park**. You can visit tricountyrecycle.com for a list of accepted items, if you have further questions you can call them at 541-506-2529.

Please Do Not Feed turkeys and deer

Refrain from feeding wildlife, especially the deer and turkeys. While it may seem harmless or even helpful, feeding wild animals can create unsafe situations for both animals and people. It can also encourage animals to approach homes, yards, and roadways.

Feeding them increases the risk of dangerous encounters. Animals that become accustomed to humans may lose their natural fear of people, which can lead to aggressive behavior. This poses a potential danger to children, pets, and adults alike. The wildlife critters can also transmit diseases and other nasty stuff.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Maupin Daze

Maupin Daze, our annual community celebration and kick-off to summer in South Wasco County, will take place on Saturday, May 16. Join us for a parade, vendor market, children's activities, special performances and more. Please contact the Chamber if you're interested in participating in the parade, being a vendor, running/walking in the 5k, or would like to add your yard sale to the map! Call or email: 541-993-1708 or director@maupinoregon.com or Maupin Daze website: maupinoregon.com/maupin-daze

Budget Committee

We currently have 3 openings on the City Budget Committee for 4-year terms. The Budget Committee typically meets for one to three meetings in the spring to establish the City Budget for the fiscal year (July 1 –June 30). Application can be found on our website cityofmaupin.org or at City Hall.

News from our City Manager

Chickens in Maupin- Community Input Requested

Chickens are not currently allowed within the City of Maupin. However, at a recent joint work session, the City Council and Planning Commission discussed the possibility of updating the City's ordinance to allow chickens under certain guidelines.

Following that discussion, Council directed the Planning Commission to begin drafting an ordinance that would permit chickens in town would establish reasonable standards to address common concerns like noise, cleanliness, and being a good neighbor. the Planning Commission has been working on this draft and is nearing completion.

We are aware that chickens already exist in some areas of town. This process is intended to bring clarity and consistency to the City's regulations moving forward.

Before moving ahead, the City would like to hear from the community.

We recognize this is a topic people may feel strongly about, both for and against. Whether you support allowing chickens in town or prefer to keep the current regulations in place, we encourage you to share your thoughts.

Comments can be submitted to City Recorder Christine Wolfe by email or in writing. Your input will help inform both the Planning Commission and City Council as this process moves forward.

Nick Smith