



ADAIR VILLAGE NEWS

From the City

Welcome to the Adair Village News! We hope you will find the City's newsletter useful, relevant and timely. It is an important part of the Council's new goal to better communicate with you. We want you to know what is happening in your City and we want your feedback. With your help we will continue to improve the newsletter in the coming issues. Also watch for updates to our website, www.cityofadairvillage.org, in the coming months. We will keep you posted. As always, you are encouraged to attend council meetings to give your input. -Mayor Bill Currier



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Open House @ 6:00 pm
Goodbye to Wanda & City Council Meeting:
12-4-2007 @ 7:00 pm

Office Closed
December 24 & 25, 2007

CORRECTION TO ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 2007-03: A section of this ordinance which addresses the placement and removal of our garbage & recycling containers, etc. was inadvertently omitted from the last issue of the Adair Village News. It should read:

“Containers, (garbage, recycling, yard debris, etc.), may not be placed on or along the street prior to 5 p.m. on the day prior to the scheduled pick up day. Empty containers (garbage, recycling, yard debris, etc.), must be removed from the street by no later than 8 a.m. on the day following the actual day that the container material was collected”.

Section 2. Property Placement,

“Except as provided for in Section 1 above, containers (garbage, recycling, yard debris), must be placed/stored upon the property of the customer/user in such a manner so as not to be visible from the street adjacent to the subject property but may be stored adjacent to the garage”.

We apologize for the omission and hope that the re-printing of the pertinent points of this ordinance will clear up any confusion that may have been caused through the omission.

STATUS OF FIRE STATION NO 5, (AV MARKET AND PUB BUILDING): This old and historic building has been given a face lift! You may have noticed the new windows, new flashing and outside paint and Fire Brick Red trim around the windows, which ties in with the color of the roof and brick chimney. Improvements inside the building include plumbing and electricity which meets today’s code, re-building of the restrooms and the installation of an all new heating and air conditioner system. Sheet rocking, painting, floor refinishing, etc. are just ahead. It is exciting to watch the old building, which has been on eyesore to for so long, begin to realize the potential to become an attractive and functional structure at the entrance to our town. The estimation of Candice Dinnis, project manager, is that the building will be ready for renting or leasing to some future tenant sometime in January 2008.

REVIEW OF ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE: Two Adair citizens approached the City Council during the November 20th meeting with a request that poultry be removed from the Animal Control Ordinance. The ordinance that is currently in effect states that it is illegal to keep livestock within the city limits. According to the language of the ordinance poultry is considered “livestock.” The Council will be reviewing the Animal Control Ordinance at the next Council meeting, December 4, 2007.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE HOURS

The Code Enforcement Officer, Matt McLin, is on-site at City Hall and in the community on Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM. This means that he will not always be able to respond immediately to your calls, but he will respond as soon as possible. You can contact Matt, or leave a message, at 745-5508.



ADAIR VILLAGE MISSION STATEMENT

To build a safe, attractive, vibrant environment with a welcoming sense of community.

Hello, I'm Drew Foster, the new City Administrator. I want to introduce myself to the community and to provide a little personal and work background. I have lived in Oregon since 1975, mainly in Benton County. My wife, Karen, works for the US Forest Service. Our daughter, Shawna, is a junior in college; presently, finishing up a term overseas in Madrid. Our son, Morgan, is a junior at Philomath HS and an avid soccer player.

I got my Masters of Public Administration from University of Oregon. I worked for Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council in the early 90s. We moved back to Benton County in 1995, when I took a job with Cascades West Council of Governments. I worked there for the last 12 years, up until I became your new City Administrator.

I am very excited to be at Adair Village at this point, both in my career and in the history of the Village. This community has the unusual opportunity to reinvent itself and decide what we want our community to be, to look like, and where we want to be in the future. The next few years will be a time of change and challenges and opportunities. I look forward to sharing these times and in developing a new vision for Adair Village.



The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other. ~Burton Hillis

PUBLIC USE OF CITY COMMUNITY BUILDING: At the December 4th City Council meeting the Council will be considering a recommended policy for the use of the community building by outside groups. The City building that burned the summer of 2003 was sometimes rented by groups of people. Some of the folks who rented the building were citizens of Adair Village although some lived outside the City. A request has been received by the City Administrator to allow the current building to be used by groups for gatherings, within certain conditions.

A FOND FAREWELL AND AN AMIABLE HELLO: On December 4, at 6:00 P.M., one hour prior to the 7:00 P.M. Council meeting, the City plans to host an Open House to thank Wanda Tobiassen for serving as Interim Administrator for the six months prior to the hiring of our new administrator. We wish to demonstrate our appreciation to Wanda as well as extend a warm welcome to our new administrator, Drew Foster. Refreshments will be provided. This is your opportunity to say "goodbye" to Wanda and to meet and get to know Drew. We hope to see many of our citizens at the Open House. Again, that is December 4th at 6:00 P.M. See you there!

REMINDER: We need your input to have a vision for the City of Adair Village in the next 10-20 years! Fill out your community surveys and return them to City Hall by December 4th for a chance to win one of three raffle prizes!! Raffles tickets will be drawn at the December 4th City Council meeting and winners will be contacted the day after. The Prizes are as follows: **1st** - \$100.00 **2nd** - \$50.00 **3rd** - \$25.00 off of you December Utility bill.

MORE SPEED BUMPS IN ADAIR? Our new City Administrator presented to the City Council at the November 6 meeting a request from an Adair citizen for speed bumps to be installed at the intersection at the western end of Willamette and Laurel streets. The Council discussed a number of ways to attempt to slow traffic, (signs, speed bumps, enforcement), and our Code Enforcement officer research different approaches to traffic control.

The American city should be a collection of communities where every member has a right to belong. It should be a place where every man feels safe on his streets and in the house of his friends. It should be a place where each individual's dignity and self-respect is strengthened by the respect and affection of his neighbors. It should be a place where each of us can find the satisfaction and warmth which comes from being a member of the community of man. This is what man sought at the dawn of civilization. It is what we seek today. -[Lyndon B. Johnson](#)



May Peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all year through! ~Author Unknown