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City Council Meeting:
5-6-2008 @ 7:00 pm

City Council Meeting
5-20-2008 @ 7:00 pm

FIREHOUSE #5 MARKET AND RESTAURANT: The City of Adair Village has signed a lease agreement with Ed and Lois Dasteur. The Dasteurs' currently live in Philomath but have indicated interest in eventually relocating to Adair Village. Their children attend Santiam Christian School. They plan to open their market to the public in 45 to 60 days. The market will include a deli with both cold and hot food and there will be an area where deli foods can be taken and enjoyed in the upper part of the building. The lease agreement calls for the full restaurant, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, to be opened by April 1, 2009. We look forward to shopping in our own market again and having a meal in a second dining establishment in our town.

BARBERRY/HIBISCUS RIGHT-OF-WAY SITE: At the April 1st City Council meeting the decision was made to proceed with landscaping this area. This will not be an actual park but simply landscaping to improve the looks of this right-of-way and to make sure it doesn't become a weed problem for neighbors. Any plantings will be of a low maintenance variety and there will be no benches, fences or any type of recreation facilities added to this property.

BUDGET COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: Mike Packard was reappointed at the March 18th Council meeting. At the April 1st meeting Mayor Currier appointed Dina Nasvik for a two year term and reappointed R.C. Widony, also for a two year term. Nichole Real and Jeff Snyder have agreed to continue to serve for another budget season. Matt Webb cannot continue serving on the Budget Committee because he is a member of our Planning Commission. We thank Matt for his service and we also express our appreciation to those who have been reappointed for their willingness to serve our City in this way.

BARRACKS FROM SANTIAM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: Santiam Christian School is offering two barracks that were built and used during the Army/Navy occupation of what was at that time Camp Adair. They were constructed about the same time as the Firehouse #5 building which was in the early 1940's. Although the buildings are offered at no cost there will be considerable cost for moving them, constructing a foundation for them and restoring them to a condition that will permit them to be sold or leased. The City Council is considering whether it would be to our City's advantage to take both barracks, one only, or neither. Our estimated budget for the budget year of 2007/2008 will help us make that decision once it is prepared. Santiam Christian School would like the barracks moved in about three months.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR CITY OFFICIALS: At the April 15 City Council meeting the Council adopted a resolution protesting the new state financial reporting requirements that many find an invasion of privacy. City officials (councilors, planning commissioners, administrators, etc.), must file both annual and quarterly reports to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission declaring their major sources of income, business interests, real estate holdings within their jurisdictions and the names of their adult relatives and their spouses. A recent tally shows that at least 117 city councilors, planning commissioners and other officials in 44 Oregon cities have resigned their position rather than file these reports. If the officials remain in their position and refuse to comply they are at risk of being fined up to \$5,000.00. One of the most objectionable elements of this law is that the personal information would be published on the Internet by 2010. We regret that Adair Village has lost one of our most valuable public officials to this new law. Randy Johnson has resigned from our planning commission rather than comply with this invasion of his and his family's privacy. We will miss Randy and thank him for all of the extraordinary service he has given to our City. Mayor Currier stated at the April 15 Council meeting that the Oregon Mayors Association, a sub-group within the League of Oregon Cities, is developing a strategy to move the protest forward.

ADAIR VILLAGE MISSION STATEMENT

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



-Aluminum Boat for Public Works-The City is interested in finding a small aluminum boat for use at the wastewater lagoon. If anyone has a boat for sale, please contact Drew Foster at 745-5507.



The **Summer Youth Recreation Program** is a program that is offered to all youth ages 5-18 in the City of Adair Village. There have been a lot of questions regarding what the program is all about; here is a summary of what the program has to offer for the 2008 summer! The program will take place in the Kiddie Park located between Willamette and Columbia. Starting on Friday, June 13th, we will have a kick-off barbecue along with formal registration of all children involved. The program and activities will run every Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 – 3:45 pm. However, the free-lunch will be served every day starting on June 16th – August 29th from 12:00 – 12:45. Our curriculum will focus on the James Botvin LifeSkills sessions teaching the children about self-esteem, social skills, and a positive self-image. We will also have sessions on drug and alcohol abuse through the Sheriffs office and Benton County Mental Health Department. Every Tuesday and Thursday we will also offer arts & crafts, sports activities and fun field trips scattered through-out. In order for children to participate we must have a registration form along with other consent forms on file for administrative purposes as well as reporting to our funders. Please don't forget to pre-register so that we can have t-shirts ready for all kids when we have our first event. **The deadline to register will be extended to May 15. For all volunteers who have signed up so far, we will follow up with you after May 15 for our initial meeting.**



ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTES.

-Utility Bills-

The City is changing its process for dealing with overdue water/sewer bills. An overdue notice will be attached to water/sewer bills. If you receive such a notice, you have six days to contact the City (745-5507) and make arrangements for payment. We have some flexibility in the arrangements that we can make, but it is the responsibility of anyone receiving an overdue notice to make the initial contact. Previously, staff has spent considerable time every month making calls to anyone with an overdue notice; this will no longer happen. It is your responsibility to contact the City.

If no contact has been received within six days, a shutoff notice will be placed on the door; this is an automatic \$10 fine. You then have 24 hours to contact the City and make payment arrangements, or your water service will be disconnected. If your service is disconnected, there is a \$36 fee to have it reconnected.

There are many new challenges and opportunities before the City and staff has our hands full preparing to meet those challenges and take advantage of the opportunities. But, we need to remain focused on those tasks and will not be able to make extraordinary efforts to obtain overdue payments. As I said, we do have flexibility to arrange payment schedules, but you must make initial contact to get that done.

-New Nuisance and Animal Control Ordinances and Adair Village Municipal Court-

One of the high priority tasks that I have worked on over my first six months here has been to update our Nuisance and Animal Control codes and to set up a new system for enforcement of those codes. The City Council is committed to having a City that is safe and that looks good. These Ordinances are a first step to achieving those outcomes. The new Ordinances and the Resolutions establishing fines and penalties are available from City Hall and will be on the City's website (www.cityofadairvillage.org) at the start of May. Matt McLin, our Code Enforcement Officer, is very active issuing written warnings and fines, as is appropriate.

In conjunction with enforcing our new ordinances, Adair Village will begin to provide Municipal Court service at City Hall on the first Monday of each month. Rather than needing to go to Philomath to respond to a citation, citizens will be able to come to Adair Village City Hall.

-Adair Village Website-

We want to thank Santiam Christian students Daniel Ziminski and Chris McCarthy for working with Julie Wentland, Assistant City Recorder, in updating the City's website. City Council agendas and minutes are now on the site and Julie will begin to add City Ordinances and Resolutions, starting with the Nuisance and Animal Control City Code. If there are local businesses that would like to have a link on the Adair Village Website, please contact Julie Wentland at 745-5507.