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Welcome

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**Upcoming Events:**

- City Council Meeting  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, May 5  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, May 19
- Budget Committee Meeting  
7:00 pm, Monday, May 11
- Planning Commission Meeting  
6:30 pm, Monday, May 26
- Public Safety Meeting  
6:00 pm, Tuesday, May 5  
Before City Council Meeting
- Adair Municipal Court  
6:00 pm, Monday, May 4

**Planning Commission Members Needed**

The City presently has openings for two Planning Commission members. The Planning Commission reviews and either authorizes or makes recommendations to the City Council on a wide range of issues from land partitions to subdivisions and annexation requests. The PC also is very involved in the upcoming Community Vision process, which will take place over the summer. There is a monthly meeting, generally the fourth Monday of each month. Working on the Planning Commission is a great way to help your City move forward in all levels of planning for the future.

**2010 Census Is Happening**

Preparation for the 2010 Census has begun and from time to time over the summer, you may see census workers in the City preparing for the actual census. The Census helps planners determine where to locate schools, day-care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and it is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs. It is used to determine Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts. The City Council passed a proclamation supporting a partnership with the 2010 Census and "Encourag(ing) people in Adair Village to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness of the 2010 Census and ensure a full and accurate census." This Census will be important to Adair Village's efforts to upgrade our Water and Wastewater systems, please help with an accurate count and information.

**Time to Cut Your Grass**

Spring is here and the weather is (trying to) warming up and grass is growing. With the rains, followed by clear days, followed by cold days, it can be a tough time to keep up with lawns and gardens. But, let's all make a strong effort to keep yards trimmed and the City looking good.

**Parking on Carr-North of Columbia**

The east side of the street is a bike lane, please keep it clear and park on the west (Highway 99W) side of Carr only. The City is organizing efforts to clean and repaint curbs and to repaint bike lanes and street center lines. We will also be replacing older signs throughout the City over the summer. We all need to work together to keep Adair Village looking great.

**Ordinance 2009-04 Impounding Cars**

At its meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>, the City Council passed a new ordinance that will allow the seizure and impoundment of vehicles for traffic offenses. This ordinance is necessary to allow the Police Department to enforce traffic ordinances.

**Preparing for Growth**

Despite the downturn in the national, state, and local economies, Adair Village continues preparations for the growth that will come, now that we have completed our Urban Growth expansion. An Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) study was completed by Civil West Engineering, the City's engineering consultants. Inflow happens when there are openings into the sewer system, most often these come from missing cleanout caps. Infiltration happens at times of high flow and can come from a variety of leaks, in pipe joints, at manholes, etc. Now that the study is complete, the City will initiate a program to repair and cleanup the most obvious problems. The City has also contracted for an aerial photography survey of the City property, the Water plant and transmission line easements, and of the Adair Industrial Site on Camp Adair Rd. All this work will move forward the planning process to prepare for upgrades of the Wastewater and Water plants, so that we are ready when the City begins to grow again.

## ADAIR VILLAGE MISSION STATEMENT

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

### Tid-Bits from the Chief of Police

Things are moving swiftly along here at the Police Department. The first thing that you will notice is that our new marked patrol cars are scheduled to arrive and be in service by May 15<sup>st</sup>. They are 2009 Ford Crown Victorias that have been outfitted for police service. Secondly, I would like to thank everyone for their submissions for the shoulder patch design contest. The final artwork is being done and our patches will be here in mid-May. The shape chosen was the State of Oregon and currently we will be the only police department in the state with this patch shape.

On April 25<sup>th</sup>, we held the first round of physical testing for the selection process of Reserve Officers. We were not able to get the number of applicants we hoped for to move forward in the process, so we will be accepting Reserve Officer Applications until 5:00 pm on Friday, May 8, 2009. The application must include your resume. Preference will also be given to applications that include an ORPAT test time within the last 60 days. ORPAT is the physical agility test accepted by DPSST. For more information about ORPAT visit <http://www.oregon.gov/DPSST/AT/ORPAT.shtml>

Lastly, I would like to remind everyone that with the sun shining and the occasional rain shower, your lawns will start to grow quite quickly. I would like to take the time to remind everyone that City Ordinance limits the height of grasses to 10 inches. Everyone has been doing a great job so far and I would like to encourage everyone to keep up the good work.

**Creative Challenge** is a program aimed at developing teamwork and creative problem solving skills. Participants will have to meet several criteria such as writing their own scripts, designing their own costumes and backdrops as well as solve several smaller issues within the greater problem in order to complete the challenge. Participants will deal with real world issues such as conflict resolution and diversity. This is a great learning experience as well as a lot of fun. Participants are encouraged to bring out their innate creativity and learn important skills that will translate well into education and employment. If interested please call the office and leave contact information for further details.

#### **Donated item wish list:**

Shower Curtains - Tin Foil  
 Canvas - Tempera Paints  
 PVC Pipe - Newspapers  
 Duct Tape - Cloths and everyday items  
 Wire Hangers - String  
 Goodwill giveaways

#### **4th of July Parade and Celebration**

##### **Essay Contest - To become the Honorary Fire Chief**

Adding to this years list to fun we are happy to announce the that all of the children are invited to try out for the position of Honorary Fire Chief contest.

The Honorary Fire Chief winner will get to have a place of honor with Adair's Rural Volunteer Fire Department in this year's parade. The lucky winner will also get a special t-shirt commemorating the day along with a gift certificate to either Jamocha Jo's or the Village Food Mart and a picture taken with our volunteer firefighters here in Adair.

To enter the contest simply write an essay explaining why you think you would make a good Volunteer Firefighter. Essay's need to be at least thirty words in length. Do not put your name on the essay page. Include a cover page with your essay that contains your name, age, contact information, and shirt size. Turn in your essays at the City of Adair's municipal building. Essay's must be turned in no later than June 12 for judging. The winner will be announced June 26.

Essays will be judged by our Adair Volunteer Fire Dept.

