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September 2015

Officials Attend the 2015 **Oregon Economic Summit**

Mayor Henry and Councilor Preisler attended the Oregon Coastal Caucus' 2015 Oregon Economic Summit in late August. This year's theme was "Education: The Pathway to Economic Development for Rural and Coastal They highlighted Communities." the collaborations necessary to help students prepare for our state's rapidly changing economy, as well as a wide range of topics that recognized the unique aspects of coastal and rural economies. With economic development being a top priority for the City Council and the City, this conference



Mayor Henry, Councilor Preisler, & Realtor Tim Sapp with Senator Roblan (top) & Representative McKeown (bottom)

offered some valuable insights. Mayor Henry and Councilor Preisler have both provided their insights and takeaways below.

Mayor Henry



Mayor Henry introducing the Local in Collaboration with

Economic Development Business session.

The Oregon Coastal Caucus was a very intense program sponsored by Representative Caddy McKeown and Senator Arnie Roblan, along with a committee of other legislators, covering two days of back-to-back, onehour sessions. There were many topics of interest to our community that were covered and there were takeaways in each of the sessions.

I was particularly interested in the segments regarding education and its impact on local economies. A panel of Oregon Tribal Governments presented a roadmap for efforts to improve opportunities for Native American youth and it struck me that they are experiencing many of the same challenges that we face in our community in terms of offering a way for their youth to stay in the community. In many ways the Tribes are ahead of us in that they have scholarship funds available for their young

community members. There were several other sessions that discussed the vital role that education plays in economic development.

Many of the other sessions discussed economic development successes that are being achieved in other coastal communities and the many opportunities that might play a part in our economic developments. Cities on the Oregon Coast are having successes in areas such as the fishing industry, research facilities, high tech companies, breweries and distilleries, and,

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Aniko Drlik-Muehleck & Stephen Dobrinich

Lane County Hatfield Fellows

What is your position with Lane County and the City of Florence?

We are Hatfield Resident Fellows placed with the Lane County Community and Economic Development Division. The Hatfield Resident Fellowship program is administered through PSU's Center for Public Service and their Next Generation Initiative. Placements last for 8 months and are generally with public or nonprofit entities. The program places recent graduates of masters and PhD programs in public policy positions with the aim of bringing new ideas and energy to the public sector.

Lane County has brought us on board to develop a rural economic development strategy for the County. The County recognizes rural communities face many challenges - Limited staff time, funding, and technical expertise are barriers for rural communities seeking to strengthen their local economy. The County therefore hopes to develop a framework for providing more support and "filling the gaps" in rural communities. As we begin to develop this framework, we are also piloting what such a support system could look like by working directly with Florence on economic development efforts.

What is your background?

We both completed Masters of Community and Regional Planning degrees at the University of Oregon this June.

Prior to the masters program, we both participated in UO's Resource Assistance for Rural Environments (RARE) AmeriCorps Program. Aniko worked for the City of Pendleton on housing, neighborhood revitalization, and renewable energy. Steve worked for the City of Creswell on a variety of community development projects including the redevelopment of a former light-industrial building as a community center and Creswell's Earth Day Celebration.

Aniko has a BA in Economics and Global Development Studies from Grinnell College in Iowa, and Steve has a Bachelor of Urban Planning from the University of Cincinnati.

What types of projects will you be working on?

In Florence, we will be working closely with the City's newly formed Economic Development Committee (EDC) to develop a business recruitment strategy and improve resources to support existing businesses. We will also be working with groups and organizations concerned with economic development to ensure everyone's efforts are coordinated.

What are you most excited to learn about while working in Florence?

Aniko hopes to spend some time getting to know Florence residents to get a better understanding of what residents want to see in terms of economic development in their community.

Steve is excited to spend time on the Oregon Coast getting better acquainted with the challenges and opportunities that exist in the Florence community.

What is your favorite part about spending time in Florence so far?

Aniko enjoys eating lunch in the interpretive park and watching the boats and birds go by. It's so beautiful and peaceful! Steve enjoys walking down Bay Street during his lunch and stopping in at Siuslaw River Coffee Roasters for a cup of coffee.

What do you like to do in your free time?

Aniko likes to cook and garden – she especially loves making meals in the summer when so many fresh and delicious veggies are available. Steve enjoys swimming, reading and adventures on his bicycle.

Join Us Online!

The City of Florence and the Florence Events Center are both on social media. You can find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Vimeo. Watch for updates on meetings, events, videos, and other important information.

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www.vimeo.com/ florenceoregon

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of course, tourism. We even had an interesting session on the potential economic impact of commercial production of marijuana.

What struck me the most, however, was that these successes were not just achieved by the city or county efforts alone. They were partnerships with other cities and urban renewal agencies, as well as county, state, and federal resources.

Florence has had many successes in the past with partnerships. Some of those recent projects include the Siuslaw River Bridge Interpretive Center; Veteran's Memorial Park; the modified Rhododendron Drive Multi-Use Path (now shoulder extension); and highway improvements along Hwy 101 both North and South of town, Hwy 126 east



Chief Tom Turner & Senator Floyd Prozanski serving on the panel for Marijuana Legalization

of town, and the upcoming Hwy 101 project between the bridge and Hwy 126. In talking with all of the agencies involved it is important to note that they do not generally come to us with projects. We have to champion our own projects and requests for funding. Florence has been in a state of "hibernation" for some years and now that Spring is here, in terms of economic development, we need to come out and let them know that we are ready to play. We have made some progress this year and I think that it will continue as we move forward.

Councilor Preisler

better our community.

The Coastal Caucus provided some good takeaways to bring back to Florence for our economic development initiatives. It was a busy few days of back-to-back sessions with a lot of valuable information.



Councilor Preisler & Mayor Henry with Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum

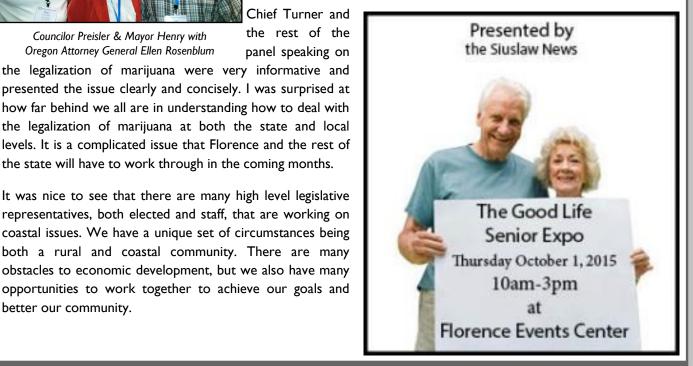
The Regional Solutions Teams through the Governor's Office presented an introduction to the many state and federal agencies that are available to help guide cities in economic development initiatives. They focus on working through the processes and bringing together stakeholders when there are multiple agencies involved.

Chief Turner and the rest of the panel speaking on the legalization of marijuana were very informative and presented the issue clearly and concisely. I was surprised at how far behind we all are in understanding how to deal with

It was nice to see that there are many high level legislative representatives, both elected and staff, that are working on coastal issues. We have a unique set of circumstances being both a rural and coastal community. There are many obstacles to economic development, but we also have many opportunities to work together to achieve our goals and

the legalization of marijuana at both the state and local

the state will have to work through in the coming months.



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Dancing with Sea Lions at the Florence Events Center



Celebrating 20 Years with the Florence Events Center

The 20th Anniversary of the Florence Events Center (FEC) fast approaching in 2016. FEC staff and the Friends of the Florence Events Center have been working on creative ways to commemorate the event. Over the past 20 years, the FEC has provided a location for artists to come together, an opportunity for our community members to be entertained by local, regional, and national talent, and has become a meeting destination for visitors. The City is

excited to celebrate the FEC's impact on the community and region. This celebration will be the Dancing with Sea Lions project and will provide our region with a unique art exhibit.

THE VISION

A public art project of 20 painted fiberglass Sea Lions placed in the community, slated for public display from April to October of 2016 from Reedsport up to Newport, with the majority within the Florence community.

THE MISSION

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Florence Events Center and to celebrate the ripple effect of the arts in the community. The byproduct of this project will serve as a fundraiser for the Friends of the Florence Events Center.

We have built a budget of \$69,000 for the project (the cost of the Sea Lions themselves are approximately \$40,000 and the artists fees will be \$10,000. Additional expenses are built into the budget for advertising and promotion. We have two prime underwriters for the project at this time – Sea Lion Caves and Three Rivers Casino. We are offering sponsorships for Sea Lions at \$1,500 and "Pup" sponsorships at \$500.

A call to artists will go out in October, asking local artists to submit ideas for sea lion creations. Artists will be selected to do the work in December and the final Sea Lions will be revealed on April 8th at the Florence Events center. Public installation will follow and the Sea Lions will be placed around the community until October, when the majority of the Sea Lions will migrate back to the FEC for a final auction and permanent placement.

A Sea Lion Trail map will be created to allow visitors a path to follow up and down the Oregon Coast to view the

Sea Lions. We will also be creating a website and large publicity campaign to promote the project.

The Sea Lion auction will serve as a 20th Anniversary fundraiser for the Friends of the Florence Events Center (Friends). This group of dedicated volunteers is vital to the successful operations of the FEC. The Friends serve as active volunteers for many FEC events, as well as general operations of the facility. They are also instrumental in funding many of the needs of FEC through their fundraising campaigns. Recent contributions include the cleaning and stocking of the commercial kitchen at the FEC in preparation for the approved caterer program.



Rhododendron Drive Repaving Project



Rhododendron Drive from 9th Street to Wildwinds received a facelift in August. The project consisted of grinding (also known as 'cold plane') the existing street surface to a depth of 2-inches and then inlay and pave back the street with a new Hot Mix Asphalt Cement (HMAC) wearing surface. The project also included digging out and reconstructing 250 square yards of roadway area to address a road base failure area.

The August work only removed and repaved the roadway section between the fog lines. It Freshly Paved Roadway



did not extend beyond the existing paved area. The shoulder extension project will go out to bid in March 2016 and will be awarded in late May 2016. Once the project is awarded to a qualified contractor, construction could start as early as July 2016 and finish before the fall rains begin in October 2016.

Top: Cold Plane Asphalt Removal; Middle: Base Section Repair; Bottom: Fabric Install & Lane Paving

City Streets Striping—September 9th & 10th

The City of Florence maintains 87.98 lane miles of roadway with approximately 37.97 of those center lane miles. Under a co-operative contract with the City of Florence, Lane County crews will be striping City streets beginning September 9th, weather permitting. Next to traffic control device maintenance, striping is a top safety priority.

Remember to give striping crews plenty of room and watch for the "wet paint" signs on Florence streets. Although we use fast-drying, water-based paint, driving over fresh stripes or changing lanes when following a striping crew can remove the reflectivity of the stripe, reduce safety, increase maintenance costs and spray paint onto your vehicle. The City of Florence does not assume responsibility for paint on vehicles.

When do we stripe? — Crews can only stripe when the road is dry and the temperature is above 50 degrees.

Watch Out for "Wet Paint" Signs — The paint we use is engineered to last, so it may be very difficult to remove from your vehicle if you drive on it while it's wet. Once we spray the paint on the roadway, it can take as little as thirty seconds or as long as five minutes to dry. If you do happen to drive over wet paint, it should be removed within the hour by a high-pressure hose and using warm soapy water. The City and County will deny all reimbursement claims if a driver crosses wet paint.

Be Prepared — Watch for "wet paint" warning signs & warning trucks. Don't change lanes behind a striping truck.

What's so special about the paint? — The paint is water based (better for the environment) and as the paint is applied thousands of little glass beads are deposited upon the wet paint. The glass beads reflect lots of light even at night. When vehicle headlights hit the paint, tiny spheres in the glass beads reflect the light, making the stripes brighter for drivers in dark or rainy conditions.

For more details, contact City of Florence Public Works at 541-997-4106.



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What You Need to Know about Oregon Crosswalk Laws

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

• In Oregon, from 2009 to 2013, on average 798 pedestrians were injured and 52 were killed in motor vehicle crashes each year.

- The majority of pedestrian-involved motor vehicle crashes are a result of the failure of drivers to yield to pedestrians.
- A quarter of pedestrians who are struck by vehicles are hit while they are in a crosswalk.
- Pedestrians are always the loser. Studies show that a pedestrian hit at 40 mph has an 85% chance of dying.

Always remember – pedestrians and motorists both share in the responsibility for pedestrian safety.

WHAT'S THE LAW?

A crosswalk¹ exists at any public street intersection, whether marked with paint or unmarked. Crosswalks also exist between intersections (mid-block) only if they are marked with white painted lines.

Under Oregon law², a pedestrian is crossing the roadway in a crosswalk when any part or extension of the pedestrian, including but not limited to any part of the pedestrian's body, wheelchair, cane, crutch or bicycle, moves into the roadway in a crosswalk with the intent to proceed.

A DRIVER HAS SPECIFIC DUTIES TO A PEDESTRIAN IN A CROSSWALK

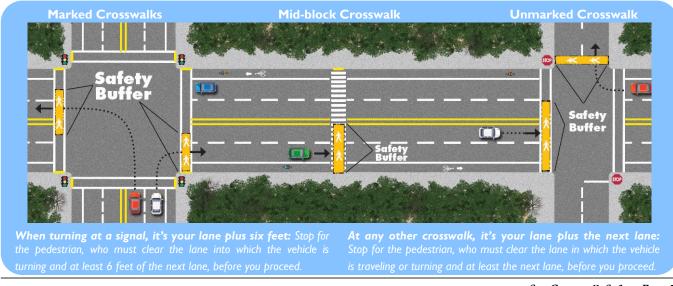
When turning at a traffic signal:

• Stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they have cleared the lane into which your vehicle is turning and at least 6 feet of the next lane.

At any other crosswalks—whether marked with paint or unmarked:

- Stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they have cleared the lane in which you are traveling (or into which you are turning) and the next lane.
- Stop and remain stopped for students as you are directed by a crossing guard.
- Stop and remain stopped for a blind pedestrian using a white cane or a guide dog until the pedestrian is completely across the roadway.

If a driver fails to stop for a pedestrian crossing with a traffic control device or crossing in a crosswalk, the driver may be cited for a fine over \$250.



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BE PREPARED

Oregon's laws affect pedestrians, too³. Pedestrians are required to obey traffic signals and walk safely. But, pedestrians are unprotected and vulnerable. You, as the

driver, can prevent a life-changing crash by being prepared to stop and yield no matter who has the right of way.

Information provided by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). More information is available from the ODOT Transportation Safety Division at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TS/





Citations

- I ORS 801.220; 2 ORS Chapter 811;
- 3 ORS 814.010, 814.020, 814.040

SAFETY TIPS

- Remember, under Oregon law there is a crosswalk at every intersection.
- Do not pass a vehicle stopped at a crosswalk. A stopped car may
 be a clue that a pedestrian is crossing. When stopping for a
 crosswalk on a multi-lane road, you should stop about 30 feet
 before the crosswalk so you don't block visibility to a driver in a
 second lane.
- When stopping at an intersection, do not block the crosswalk.
 This forces pedestrians to go around your vehicle and puts them in a dangerous situation.
- Watch for pedestrians, especially children, when exiting driveways or when backing out of parking spaces in parking lots.
- Pedestrians move at different speeds. Be alert for children who
 may suddenly dart into the street. Be patient with older adults
 who take extra time to cross the street.
- Around taverns and bars, be alert for people with slowed reaction times or impaired judgment.
- Be alert for people or animals during low-light conditions, especially in areas where they are likely to cross the road.

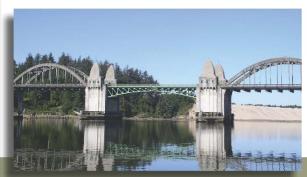


SIUSLAW BRIDGE PROTECTION PROJECT



OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, September 9, 5:30 -6:30 p.m. Florence City Hall, 250 Highway 101



The Oregon Department of Transportation is protecting, restoring, and improving the safety of the Historic Siuslaw Bridge on Highway 101 in Florence. Major work will begin mid-September. At the meeting, ODOT will explain upcoming construction on the bridge and answer questions from the community.

To sign up for the project email list, contact:

Julie Fischer, Public Involvement (541) 556-6654, julie@cogitopartners.com

Media questions:

Rick Little, Public Information Officer (541) 726-2442, richard.little@odot.state.or.us



Learn more at www.siuslawbridge.com

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FEC Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon



On August 20th the Florence Events Center (FEC) held its annual Volunteer Appreciation Mad Hatter Luncheon. Volunteers were treated to lunch, played a festive game, and won raffle prizes from area businesses as thanks for all their hard work in supporting the FEC and the many events throughout the year.

FEC Director Kevin Rhodes provided awards to outstanding volunteers for their work and dedication to the FEC over the past year. Claudia Ignatieff and Claudia Brown were awarded the Volunteer of the Year awards. Rachel Pierson was awarded the General Manager's award. The Fantabulous Over Achievers award went to Bob and Bonnie MacDuffee. Hats Off Awardees (The Honorable Degree of Muchness) were awarded to Patricia Olmstead, Cindy Orsted, Lita Edwards, Walter & Bonnie Kunsek, Sandy Kuhlman, Mary Lou Brown, Russ Connelly, Dusty and Trish Rhodes, Margaret McDiarmid.

Book Fair Adds Publisher's Panel & Jane Kirkpatrick



The Florence Festival of Books (FFOB) has evolved into more than a book fair for authors and publishers. Besides the book fair on Saturday, September 26th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Festival now has two events on Friday also at the Florence Events Center and open to the public—a Publisher's Panel and Keynote Speaker Jane Kirkpatrick.

Because so many visitors to the book fair asked about how to become published, the FFOB has included a Publisher's Panel from 3 to 4:30 p.m., September 25, that will try to answer that question. The panelists include the following:

- Ellen Traylor, Florence, is a bestselling author of 19 books. Her company, Port Hole Publishing, presently
 publishes about 30 authors. Traylor will discuss current trends in the publishing world, including how traditional
 publishers are incorporating subsidy terms in standard royalty contracts.
- Dr. Veronica Esagui, from West Linn, is a chiropractic Physician, author, playwright, and founder/CEO of NW Writers & Publishers Association, NW Annual Book Festival, and Papyrus Press Publishing Company. She will speak on the snags of publishing—how not to fall in the hands of so-called traditional publishers, what type of editing do you need, and how to promote your book through a press release.
- Patricia Marshall, from Eugene, is the owner of Luminare Press, a boutique publishing company that helps authors
 self-publish high quality books. She will talk about tools that are available to self-publishing authors, and what steps
 are crucial as you take your manuscript to a printed book.

Black & White Recycling Event a Success!



Florence area residents dropped off 158 tires, 21 propane tanks, 7 refrigerators and freezers, and 17 other appliances at the Black and White Recycling Event. This free event, sponsored by the City of Florence Environmental Management Advisory Committee (EMAC), County Transfer and Recycling, and Central Coast Disposal was held on Saturday August 15.

By dropping off these items, people not only got them out of their house or yard, they also made sure that they are processed in an environmentally friendly way. Many appliances that no longer work

can be used for scrap metal. A process is completed that removes any harmful elements and iron from the appliance, and in some cases, the body or case can be re-used. Markets exist for used tires to be used as fuel, recycled, or converted to ground rubber.

This event started in 2012 and has become an annual event. Special thanks go to the Siuslaw School District for allowing the use of the high school parking lot and to Lane County for providing a fee waiver of \$1500 to process some of the tires and appliances and to both haulers who provided staff to unload vehicles and receptacles to haul the waste. Business partners making this event possible include Potter Tire & Auto Repair and Les Schwab Tire Center.

Mark your calendars now for the Household Hazardous Waste Event scheduled for October 23 and 24 at the Florence Transfer Site off of Rhododendron Drive. Items accepted include: acids and bases, fluorescent lamps/PCB ballasts (4 feet or less in length), fuels/solvents, household batteries, household cleaners, pesticides/herbicides, paint/stains/strippers/thinners, poisons, and pool





chemicals. There is a five gallon maximum on container size. Almost any type of household hazardous waste will be accepted. Exceptions include asbestos and radioactive materials (including smoke detectors). For more information about what is accepted, see the county's website at www.lanecounty.org/departments/pw/wmd/hazwaste/pages/hhwcc.aspx. Residents can take their leftover paint to the Habitat for Humanity Restore located at 2016 Highway 101 during business hours. For more information on Habitat's Paintcare program visit www.ci.florence.or.us/boardsandcommissions/recycle-your-paint-locally.

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Karen D. Nichols, from Florence, has published three novels through CreateSpace and has a new novel going
through the process at this time. Nichols has also written and illustrated a number of children's books and given
several workshops in writing and drawing. She will talk about self-publishing through CreateSpace.

The FFOB feels like it pulled off quite a coup in having the popular, New York Times bestselling author Jane Kirkpatrick as its Keynote speaker Friday evening. She has 22 novels and five non-fiction books to her credit. So plan to attend Friday, September 25, at 7 p.m., to hear Kirkpatrick talk about her life as a writer, her upcoming book Memory Weaver and one of her most beloved books—Where Lilacs Still Bloom. Tickets are just \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door. A full house is expected, so get your tickets soon. For more information or to purchase tickets call 541-997-1994 or go online at www.eventcenter.org.

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Recorder's Corner

News from the August Council Meetings

August at Florence City Hall marked the eye of the storm for the City of Florence City Council with only three City Council meetings. This month offered an opportunity for the City Council to dive in and analyze some City activities on a deeper level. On August 5th the City Council held a work session to review the

operations of the Florence Municipal Airport in depth, and on August 29th the City Council along with the Planning Commission and other interested agencies participated in a Planning in Oregon Training. Both of these discussions offered the City Council an opportunity to learn more about particular aspects of the City's operations.



During August the City Council also completed the following:

- Held a public hearing for and approved the annual Rods and Rhodies Car Show street closure. (See event poster to the left.)
- Approved a financing agreement for the City to complete a refinancing of Florence Urban Renewal Agency (FURA) debt, construct a public works facility, and implement street and water system improvements,.
- Purchase of a Ford F250 truck for the Police Department.
- Proclamations for the Daughters of the American Revolution Constitution Week and the Coast Guard's 225th Anniversary.

For more information about Florence City Council meetings and actions, please contact City Recorder Kelli Weese at 541-997-3437, or via email at kelli.weese@ci.florence.or.us. Information on all Council meetings and actions taken can be found on the City of Florence website at www.ci.florence.or.us.

Lane County Prescription Drug Take Back Event

Do you have unwanted or expired prescription drugs to dispose of? Lane County Public Health, in conjunction with the Florence Police Department, will be holding a prescription drug take back event on September 26th from 10am to 2pm in the Bi-Mart parking lot. The effort to decrease the number of expired or unwanted prescription drugs in our community is in order to reduce poisonings, drug abuse, and take care of the environment.

Acceptable items include prescription medications, over the counter medications, vitamins, drug samples, pet medications, ointments, lotions, and liquid medications in glass or leak proof containers. They will be <u>unable</u> to accept needles, thermometers, contaminated waste, hydrogen peroxide, aerosol cans, inhalers, diabetic meters, and medication from businesses. For more information contact <u>www.preventionlane.org</u>.

Citing the Municipal Code

No Camping in Florence

Hello Florence,

This month I wanted to highlight the City Code that states there is no



camping allowed in the City of Florence, unless at a designated campground. With the influx of visitors and activities in our community, we have received several complaints about people camping on vacant lots, parking lots, and City streets.

FCC 6-1-2-4 states:

"No person shall lodge in a car, outbuilding or other place not intended for that purpose."

That means you cannot live in a trailer, camper, or fifth wheel unless it is in an approved campsite. Streets and yards are not approved for that purpose. The only exception to that rule is, if you have family or friends here for a visit. As long as they are not a hazard on the road, they are permitted to stay for a week.

Thank you,

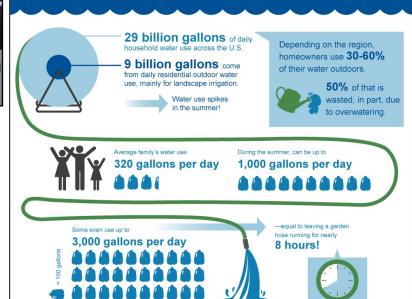
CAMPING

Dan Frazier
Code Enforcement Officer



SAVE WATER IN THE YARD THIS SUMMER

As temperatures rise in the summer, so does our outdoor water use, mostly on lawns and landscapes.



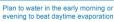
Simple Things We Can All Do



Simple Things Irrigation System Owners Can Do

Homes with automatic irrigation systems can use about 50% more water outdoors







Go with a pro:

Contractors certified through a WaterSense labeled program can audit, install, or maintain home irrigation systems so no water is wasted

Look for the label:

If your system uses a clock timer, consider upgrading to a WaterSense labeled controller that acts like a thermostat for your lawn, using local weather data to determine when and how much to water. They can reduce irrigation water use by 15%, saving nearly 8,800 gallons of water per year.

Tune up your system:

Inspect irrigation systems, and fix leaks and broken or clogged sprinkler heads.

Make sure you're watering the lawn, not the sidewalk or driveway!

Just 1 broken sprinkler head could waste up to **25,000** gallons of water and **\$90+** over a 6-month irrigation season — the cost of about 300 daffodil bulbs



WaterSense, a partnership program by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, seeks to protect the future of our nation's water supply. For more tips on reducing outdoor water use, visit www.epa.gov/watersense/outdoor.



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Lane County Parks & Open Space Master Plan Update

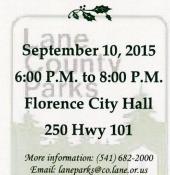
The Lane County Parks Division is excited to release for consideration, review, and comment, the 20-Year Lane County Parks Master Plan Update! This first comprehensive update to the original 1980 master plan. This plan will guide the management of county parks from 2016 through 2036. They want your comments on their DRAFT Master Plan Update and invite you to participate by submitting comments, attending one or more public meetings, or by submitting photos for consideration of inclusion into the final document. You can learn more about the master plan by visiting the Parks and Open Space Master Plan Update page.

How to Provide Comment

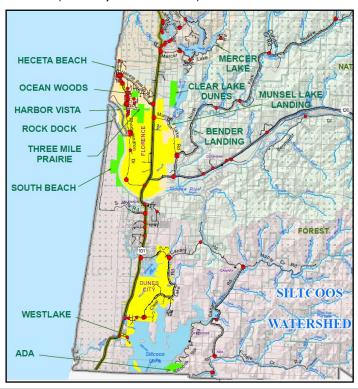
They want to hear from you! It is important to have a plan that meets the public's needs and expectations of their county parks system. They are happy to provide you with a variety of ways for you to participate and comment on the Master Plan:

Lane County Parks and Open Space Master Plan Update Open House

As a close neighbor, we invite you to meet with County Parks staff and provide your comments on what your County parks should look like over the next 20 years.



- Online at www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/Parks/Pages/masterplan.aspx
- Comment directly by email (laneparks@co.lane.or.us).
- Attend a public meeting from 6:00 to 8:00 on Thursday, September 10th at the Council Chambers, Florence City Hall (250 Hwy. 101, Florence)



Parks within the Florence Area

- Ada Park (Ada)
- Archie Knowles (East of Mapleton)
- Bender Landing (North Fork Rd)
- Clear Lake Dunes (North Florence Area)
- Harbor Vista (City UGB)
- Heceta Beach (City UGB)
- Mapleton Landing (Mapleton)
- Mercer Lake Landing (North Florence Area)
- Munsel Lake Landing (City UGB)
- Rock Dock (South Jetty)
- Ocean Woods (40 acres City UGB)
- South Beach (South Jetty)
- Three Mile Prairie (120 acres City UGB)
- Tiernan Boat Launch (Hwy126)
- Westlake Park (Dunes City/Woahink Lake Area)

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2015 COUNCIL GOALS

Deliver efficient and cost effective City services. **Expand** and diversify the Florence economy. Improve the City's livability and quality of life. ■ Sustain the City's strong financial position. Strengthen and Improve the City's Organization and Capital Plant. Improve the City's communication program to better tell the City's story and strengthen citizen trust where possible.

Improve the community's safety and perception of safety.

City Council Meetings

Council Chambers City Hall, 250 Hwy. 101 (unless otherwise noted)

Regular Meetings Tuesday, Sept. 8, 6:00 PM Monday, Sept. 21, 6: 00 PM **Work Session**

Wed., Sept. 9, 10:00 AM

City Council regular meetings are open to the public, televised on cable Channel 191, and available for online viewing the following day. For the most current agenda and materials call 541-997-3437 or visit www.ci.florence.or.us.

CITY CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 2015

Questions?

Contact City Hall at 541-997-3437. Contact the Florence Events Center at 541-997-1994.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		I	2	3	4	⁵ Call to Artists for "A Splash of Color" 3 pm, FEC
6	7 City Hall FEC DAY Closed	8 City Council 6 pm, City Hall	9 CC Work Session 10 am, City Hall Siuslaw Bridge Project Open House 5:30 pm, City Hall Planning Commission 7 pm, City Hall	Master Plan Public	II	Model Car Show 10 am—6 pm, FEC
I 3 Siuslaw Watershed Council Dinner & Auction 5 pm, FEC	Public Arts Committee 10 am, City Hall	FURA 6 pm, City Hall	TAC I:30 pm, City Hall	EMAC 2 pm, City Hall	18	Yard Debris Disposal Day 9 am—2 pm, 27th St.
20	2 I City Council 6 pm, City Hall	Econ. Dev. Committee 2:30 pm, City Hall Planning Commission 7 pm, City Hall	23	FEC Advisory Committee 3:30 pm, FEC	Jane Kirkpatrick Author Discussion 7 pm, FEC	26 Prescription Drug Take Back 10 am—2 pm, Bi-Mart Florence Festival of Books 10 am—4 pm, FEC
27	28 Public Arts Committee 10 am, City Hall	29	30			