As we enter a new year, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of this past year and to thank all the Department Heads and City employees for their efforts toward those accomplishments. While time does not permit me to list them all, I will highlight a few of the successes, take the time to publicly say “thank you” and to look for what the future holds for Roseburg as we enter 2014.

It took three years, but the annexation of three areas that was initiated in 2009 finally became effective. This action ensures appropriate representation of and cost allocation to those that enjoy the full benefits of urban citizenship, gives the City a greater presence in the State and provides greater shared revenues to assist with operations. Six acres were also annexed along Diamond Lake Boulevard. On a related note, work has begun on the annexation of three areas that are fully surrounded by City jurisdiction.

As we continue to meet the financial challenges presented to local governments with rising costs and stagnant resources, much was accomplished in 2013. A significant amount of work was dedicated to the first phase update of the Land Use and Development Ordinance resulting in a document that is more organized, readable and consistent. The second phase will further clarify and adjust development standards and should be completed this year. This part will be more about policy than simplification, but will be critical as we address growth and development challenges.

The Community Development Staff met with representatives from the National Flood Insurance Rate Program. Our ability to grow and develop would be jeopardized if we didn’t maintain our current rating. Of course, there are many other reasons to maintain that rating. The City of Roseburg is growing and we have a lot more growth potential. We have a great new housing market and a strong economic base. We have many other strengths as well. We are blessed with a great workforce and excellent schools.”
to maintain certifications and training in this area and provide a five-year flood plain review results in a 10% discount on flood insurance premiums for our property owners who are required to obtain such coverage. Our staff continues to work on meeting these requirements.

On the economic development front, Staff worked closely with The Partnership on the medical education facility proposal which, if it comes to being built, will boost economic development and change the face of our community. The feasibility study is now 75% complete with education programs narrowed to 17 and potential locations narrowed to three within the City’s Urban Growth Boundary. The next steps are to develop a capital cost estimate for those sites, along with an operating budget. This is a major endeavor, and I express my gratitude to those in the public and private sector who have devoted their efforts to this proposal.

Roseburg had the honor of being one of the first cities to receive designation by the Oregon Heritage Commission as an “Oregon Heritage All-Star Community.” This honor recognizes the strong efforts by communities to preserve and develop heritage resources. Roseburg features four National Historic Register Districts which celebrate distinctly different aspects of Roseburg’s past: Mill-Pine, Laurelwood, Downtown and the Veterans Hospital campus. The volunteers on our Historic Resource Commission also developed brochures for two of those districts which may be used in conjunction with smart phones and are available on the Community Development page of the City’s website.

2013 was an eventful year for our public safety services. The Fire Department responded to approximately 4,675 emergency incidents, of which 3,100 were medical in nature. Training is a critical part of the department. Engine companies took tours of local businesses that were
selected as high risk occupancies, allowing personnel to prepare, evaluate and train for potential emergency situations. Fire Department personnel were also trained and certified as Hazardous Materials Technicians. Department Emergency Medical Technicians completed recertification with the State of Oregon EMS Division.

The City’s Regional Hazmat Team provided awareness and operations training to roughly 100 volunteer firefighters from Tri City, Myrtle Creek, Fair Oaks, Oakland, Lookingglass and North Douglas. The team responded to hazmat incidents throughout the county including a helicopter crash in the South Umpqua River, an overturned truck carrying hazardous materials that was leaking into a creek, a drum leaking an unknown product and a diesel fuel spill resulting from a motor vehicle accident in Rice Hill. All these incidents were successfully attended to and accomplished.

The Fire Prevention Division took the lead in emergency preparedness for all City employees and coordinated the Great Oregon Shakeout which has grown to include Douglas County, the VA Hospital, and other businesses throughout the City. They continue efforts to eventually get participation from all agencies within the City.

The Police Department undertook a major project, in conjunction with Douglas County and other local police agencies, to upgrade the Records Management System. While some critical work remains to be done, this change allows us to share critical and investigative information with all the local law enforcement agencies in Douglas County.

The K-9 program enjoys great popularity within the community and receives incredible financial support from the Friends of Umpqua Valley Police K-9 Programs. Their dedication and contributions are invaluable to the program. Helix, Iago, Dora and their handlers continue to be an outstanding asset to the residents of Douglas County.
Master Officer David Lund received the Municipal DUII Officer of the Year Award for the State of Oregon. The award is not only based on DUII arrests and enforcement, but more importantly takes into account the Officer’s involvement in the community to educate citizens about the dangers of DUII. During the past year Officer Lund worked on several projects and wrote grant requests to aid in implementing these projects. Officer Lund received funding to purchase DUII pedal carts and impairment goggles to be used at community safety events to allow people to see the effects of impaired driving first hand. He also received a grant and developed several educational videos titled, “Top Ten Reasons to Get a DUII,” that aired prior to movies at local theaters.

Detective Matt Bird was selected as this year’s Roseburg Police Department Officer of the Year during the annual Respect for Law Banquet sponsored by the Roseburg Optimist Club. Detective Bird is assigned as a narcotics investigator with the Douglas Interagency Narcotics Team. He was selected by his supervisors and peers because of his dedication to the profession, effort to reduce the flow of illicit narcotics, respect for the citizens he serves and his respectful relationship with his co-workers.

Our detectives responded to eight activations of the Major Crimes Team this year. These included three homicide investigations on the Oregon coast and an officer involved shooting in Oakland. Most recently, Major Crimes Team detectives investigated four homicides that occurred in three separate incidents over a four day period. Two of these incidents were quickly cleared by arrest. Also of significance to the detectives division was the conviction in June of Michael Keith Oglesby for Criminally Negligent Homicide, stemming from a fight near the Douglas Inn. The transient nature of many of the witnesses in this case made it particularly challenging to investigate and prosecute.

The City’s most visible work in the community is overseen by the Public Works Department. This year the City received three grants totaling approximately $6 million for the airport taxiway relocation project, replacement of the Laurelwood river crossing and the new multi-use path connecting Micelli and Templin Beach Parks.
Additional accomplishments in the upkeep of our City are worth noting. As part of our annual pavement management program, seven streets were overlayed and twenty-three streets received slurry seal treatments. The largest water project was the second phase of the replacement of an existing 20-inch transmission main. The City has two large diameter mains that deliver water from the treatment plant in Winchester to the main reservoir complex. This project replaced the 20-inch main with a new 24-inch main between the treatment plant and Hooker Road.

We, the City of Roseburg, offer a huge thanks to the Guardians of Heroes, Douglas County, i.e. Engineering and countless donors and volunteers for their role in the Fir Grove Parking Lot. This was truly a community project that accomplished paving of the lot located between the soccer fields and Roseburg National Cemetery. It also included a new section of multi-use path ensuring safe passage from the sidewalk at Harvard Avenue to the path near the bank of the South Umpqua River. We are also currently working with Wolf Creek Job Corps to construct a landscape and hard-surface area that will include honor bricks located in the center of the parking area.

Walking and biking enthusiast will notice improvements to the path system in the area between Gaddis Park and downtown. We completed a project using large logs, boulders, fiber mesh fabric and plantings to stabilize a 100 foot section of South Umpqua riverbank where high water undermined the multi-use path over the last several winters. In addition, the heavily cracked section of path in Stewart Park between the duck pond and the golf course driving range was reconstructed. A new path between Templin Beach and Micelli Park has also been constructed.

On behalf of Parks Staff, I extend our appreciation to the many community partners who helped bring affordable programming to our residents. Facility rental for the Senior Fitness Class was provided by Atrio Health Plans. US Cellular and local sponsors provided free Movies in the Park. The Douglas County Museum collaborated on
the Museum in the Park. A grant from the Golf Course Builders of America provided Sticks for Kids. The Boys and Girls Clubs worked closely with the Division to coordinate the first annual Umpqua River Run, and hundreds of volunteers provide maintenance efforts throughout our park system.

In conjunction with ODOT, substantial progress was made at the planning level on the Highway 138 project through downtown. The project will improve mobility from the I-5 interchange on Harvard to Diamond Lake Boulevard and will include enhancements such as better ADA accessibility, bicycle and pedestrian safety measures, and various beautification features at the entrance of the City leading to downtown.

As I conclude these highlights of 2013, I wish to recognize the valuable impact made by former Councilors Ken Averett, Melissa Smith and Rick Coen. We miss their contributions, and also greatly appreciate working with those that stepped up to fill their shoes, Lew Marks and Ken Fazio. We also look forward to working with a new representative for Ward 2 who will be appointed soon.

Planning ahead for 2014, the Mayor, Council and Staff are working diligently to carry out the five goals adopted by Council. Operations and infrastructure sustainability goals have a direct impact on every citizen’s daily life. Our primary goal is to insure that we continue cost effective services to our citizens. Already secured grants will aid toward infrastructure needs, including design of an apron rehabilitation project at the airport, a new playground for Micelli Park and renovation of Eastwood Park. The Five Year Capital Improvement Plan calls for completion of improvements to Stewart Parkway from Valley View to Harvey, installation of a signal at Chestnut and Stephens, storm drainage renovation in the Ballf/Harvard area and improvements to Washington Avenue, Oak Avenue and Kane Street. Council will be reviewing Transportation System Development Charges which are a vital part of infrastructure funding. We hope to expand the residential sidewalk program and extend the program to commercial developments.

Long-term operational stability and sustainability is a concern for all local communities. The City’s greatest expense and greatest asset is the people we employ to provide every day services to our citizens. We cannot continue to support the high level of service currently provided to our community without making some
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changes. Council and Staff will be working together in the new year to meet this challenge. Already, we approved the issuance of pension obligation bonds that saved over $1 million in employee pension costs. Those savings can then be applied to our overall service levels.

Transportation infrastructure is critical to support existing citizens and to plan for economic growth. Utilities provide everyday benefits and everyone in our community benefits greatly from having a low cost, safe, high quality water system. We are blessed to have a pristine water source in the North Umpqua River and a high quality water treatment facility. During the recessionary times, it was difficult to re-invest in our infrastructure as we struggled to keep fees low and still make improvements. We will be evaluating our water utility rates to determine if we can maintain and improve our water infrastructure in conjunction with our master plans for improvements and water availability.

While there have been staff reductions necessitated by resource limitations in recent years, we hope to update our financial policies in a manner that will allow us to offset the cost of maintaining our current service levels. We will be evaluating our “baseline service levels” as well as evaluating efficiency measures to ensure those services are being provided in a cost effective manner.

The City has been incrementally improving Stewart Parkway, starting north and east of Garden Valley, eventually making improvements all the way from Stephens Street through the Garden Valley intersection to Valley View Drive. We will be completing design work for the next phase of this project from Valley View south to Harvey Avenue. The project consists of storm drainage flood control improvements, ADA sidewalk improvements, bicycle and vehicle safety improvements as well as widening the street to four lanes.
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We have been working very closely with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) on a number of projects within the City and the surrounding areas. Improvements have recently been completed around the North Roseburg Interchange and in the North Stephens area near Costco. Staff is participating in an advisory capacity with ODOT as they study impacts of the three interchanges from Interstate 5 on the City’s transportation system. We are also participating directly with ODOT in the design and future construction of improvements beginning at the west side of the Oak and Dor to Diamond Lake Boulevard. This project will provide bicycle, pedestrian and vehicle improvements to the bridges and eight intersections on Stephens and Pine. Through our Urban Renewal Agency, the City will be funding improvements to the balance of Oak Avenue and Washington Avenue east of Stephens Street through downtown to Kane Street. This improvement will enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety, including ADA mobility issues in downtown and around the post office. In combination, this almost $15 combined million project will be one of the largest public works projects constructed in the City’s history.

Council’s goals include citywide beautification and establishment of a business friendly/improved City image. We are working hard to provide a high level of customer service to our constituents and have looked at simplifying some of our processes. We recently re-tooled our business registration process to make it more efficient and user friendly. We are looking at our system development charges to make them more understandable for the development community. We are working to
amend our Land Use and Development Ordinance this year to better reflect the development standards and requirements necessary to meet Roseburg’s needs. We hope to reinstate a code enforcement employee to help us deal with concerns regarding code violations, from nuisances to dangerous structures and fire hazards.

Beautification is a community-wide issue, not just a City issue. As you look around our great town, there are plenty of examples of public and private developments that help beautify our community. We are committed to evaluating our City owned assets and making improvements that complement the surrounding areas. We will continue to work with our volunteers to make our parks more appealing and our community’s image shine.

In closing, I would like to once more thank the City Council, City staff and employees and the many volunteers of our community for their time and efforts. Together, we continue to make Roseburg one of the best small towns in Oregon.

Respectfully,

Larry Rich
Mayor
Winter is transition time for the City. We recently updated our five-year Capital Improvement Plan for consideration and adoption by Council which was completed in December. The CIP outlines community and organizational priorities that help direct our investment of financial and human resources for our upcoming budget preparation for the next few years. Intermediate and long-range financial planning is a cornerstone to successful operations for any municipality. Winter time is when we concentrate on upcoming project work and budget resource allocation. It is also a time devoted to policy discussions and updates which can sometimes take a back seat during the busy spring and summer maintenance and construction season.

This is an opportunity for me to thank all of the hardworking employees who provide services to our citizens and our community. They are the City’s greatest asset and I have come to really admire their hard work and dedication. This organization is built with a great foundation, and that is our work force! Thank you to each and every employee who helps make Roseburg a great place to live!

On February 25, 2013 City Council adopted Resolution No. 2013-2 which included five goals:

- Identify and Implement Long-Term Infrastructure Funding Mechanisms to Ensure the City can meet Long-Term Infrastructure System Sustainability
- Develop Strategies to Provide Long-Term Operational Stability and Sustainability
- Update and Implement the Urban Renewal Financial and Project Plan; Evaluate Establishment of Additional Urban Renewal Plan Area
- Citywide Beautification
- Define and Establish Business Friendly/Improved City Image

While these goals are in no particular order, each of them speaks to the commitment that our organization has to the future livability of Roseburg. We have made significant progress during the first ten months of work on these goals, but there is much work yet to be done. In the next few months we will be presenting Council with detailed options to consider as we complete the final five years of our existing Urban Renewal Plan. The Plan will encompass project spending of about $3 million in each of the next five years. Urban Renewal is a primary funding source for infrastructure, but the current plan will expire in September 2019. We will be exploring options with Council as to whether it will be appropriate to establish a new urban renewal area for the future.

Many projects are funded through our Storm Drainage Utility and Water Utility. We are working on designs for storm projects in the Harvard Avenue/Ballf Street area and a flood mitigation project as part of the Stewart Parkway improvement from Valley View Drive to Harvey Avenue. The Ballf area improvement will be done over a two-year period and will likely cost in the neighborhood of $2 million. We are coordinating this work with RUSA to make sure all of our project work does not conflict with a future sewer improvement.
The Stewart Parkway project is a component of a larger project that will also provide transportation and ADA sidewalk improvements. In addition, we anticipate spending almost $2 million on waterline improvements, primarily related to transmission piping around the City’s primary reservoir system.

We will be providing Council with options to consider relating to operational and infrastructure sustainability. We will look at efficiencies in the system as well as potential revenue sources that are not currently in place. As always, providing a balance between the levels of service our community expects and our ability to pay for the services is our primary concern.

Council’s goals included a citywide beautification goal and establishment of business friendly/improved City image. We are working hard to provide a high level of service and customer service to our constituents and have looked at simplifying some of our processes. We recently restructured our business registration process to make it more efficient and user friendly, and we are looking at our system development charges to make them more understandable for the development community. We will be working to amend our Land Use and Development Ordinance this year to better reflect development standards and requirements necessary to meet Roseburg’s needs. We will be looking at reinstating a code enforcement employee to help deal with neighborhoods’ concerns regarding code violations, from nuisances to dangerous structures and fire hazards.

As to the beautification goal, we all desire to have a clean and beautiful City. This is a responsibility for everyone. Important components are the advocacy of high standards for community involvement, personal responsibility, cleanliness, maintenance and attractiveness, promoting community pride and involvement through beautification projects and events. Through the formation of partnerships with volunteers, residents, community based and non-profit organizations, much can be accomplished toward that goal. The City will do its part by evaluating and improving its assets. Let’s all help out.

All of us are in this business to make Roseburg a better place for all of our citizens. We look forward to working with Council, local business, volunteers and Staff to see that we accomplish the Council goals and continue to make Roseburg a better place to live, work and play.

Respectfully,

C. Lance Colley
City Manger
“ORDINANCE”: A written directive or act of a governing body. Ordinances have the full effect of law within the local government's boundaries, provided they do not conflict with a state statute or constitutional provision. An ordinance has two readings at Council prior to being voted on by the Council. An ordinance becomes effective 30 days after the second reading, unless an emergency is declared which enables the Ordinance to become effective immediately or on a specific date.

Ordinance No. 3414: “An Ordinance Declaring the Annexation of 6.02 Acres of Property at 3314 North Umpqua Highway; Withdrawing Property From Douglas County Fire District No. 2, and Directing the Filing of a Transcript With the Secretary of State,” adopted July 22, 2013.

Ordinance No. 3415: “An Ordinance Declaring a Zone Change for Twenty-Six Properties Located Along NE Odell Avenue As Well As North and South of NE Diamond Lake Boulevard Between Atlanta Street and Fulton Street,” adopted September 9, 2013.


Ordinance No. 3417: “An Ordinance Amending Subsections 3.06.025(A), (B) and (G [4]) of the Roseburg Municipal Code Regarding Small Procurements,” adopted October 14, 2013.


Welcome Ron Harker, Finance Director

Born in Utah and raised in Calgary, Canada, I never imagined life in a small tight knit community such as Roseburg would be so rewarding, but after more than sixteen years my family and I have set down roots in the ‘Burg’ and are proud to call it home. It has been and continues to be a wonderful place to raise a family.

In response to the often asked question “What brought you and your family to Roseburg?” I always respond with “work.” About a year after graduating from Brigham Young University with a Master in Public Administration, I accepted a position with the Umpqua Regional Council of Governments, so with my wife Coreen, and my oldest three children we packed up our belongings to start a new adventure here in Douglas County.

During my tenure with the Umpqua Regional Council of Governments I was privileged to work with the county and its cities to develop and manage many varied public projects benefiting each community. After a year and a half with the Council of Governments, I embraced an opportunity with the City of Sutherlin as its new Finance Director.

Over the last fifteen years I’ve been making the daily commute to Sutherlin (the last four by bicycle – rain or shine). During all those years, I took great pride in serving the Sutherlin citizens and always saw it my responsibility to serve individuals and the community through sound fiscal management and to act professionally in my stewardship of the public’s assets and trust. I’m happy to say that I’m leaving the city and the department in very good standing.

As I now transition to the City of Roseburg, my family and I are very excited about the challenges and opportunities awaiting me. I’m thrilled to be able to serve directly the community that my family and I call home.

I would like to personally thank Cheryl Guyett, your retiring Finance Director, for the many years of excellent service that she has provided the city. Under her guidance, the Finance Department continually achieved the highest standards in governmental accounting. She has worked hard for the city and is leaving it on very good footing. I look forward to pursuing the rich legacy that has maintained under her direction. I wish Cheryl the best in retirement. May it be rich and rewarding.

I want to thank the City of Roseburg for allowing me this opportunity to serve all of you as the Finance Director. I’m always open to hearing how we are doing. If you have any comments or suggestions I can be reached at 541-492-6700 or rharker@cityofroseburg.org.

Respectfully,

Ron Harker
Finance Director
Resolutions

The following are the Resolutions passed by the Roseburg City Council during the last six months of calendar year 2013

“RESOLUTION”: An order of a governing body; requires less legal formality than an Ordinance. Statutes or City Charter specify which actions must be by Ordinance and which may be by Resolution. For cities, revenue-raising measures such as taxes, special assessments and service charges are always imposed by Ordinance; fee amendments, however, are made by Resolution. Prior to adoption, a Resolution only needs to be read before the City Council once (by title only, if no member of the Council objects).


Complete copies or more information regarding City Ordinances and Resolutions may be obtained through the City Manager’s Office on the third floor of City Hall, 900 SE Douglas Avenue, Roseburg; by calling 541/492-6866 or requested via e-mail sent to ddavidson@cityofroseburg.org.
Great Oregon Shake Out

On October 17th, 2013, the City of Roseburg participated in the “Great Oregon Shakeout” which was part of a nationwide campaign to raise earthquake safety awareness. At 10:17 AM, an announcement was broadcast throughout City Hall, the Public Safety Center and the Roseburg City Shops, advising employees that an earthquake was occurring and they needed to “duck, cover and hold on” under their desk or a sturdy table. Immediately following the exercise, employees exited their building and gathered at pre-designated locations, in order to simulate a real earthquake or other emergency. Members of the public who were inside City buildings at the time were integrated into the drill and exited the building as well. This is the third year the City of Roseburg has participated in the Shakeout exercise, and the drill was a huge success.

For more information on the Great Oregon Shakeout or disaster/emergency planning in general, contact the Roseburg Fire Department at 541-492-6770 or fireprevention@cityofroseburg.org.

The City in 1914

One hundred years ago…

Mayor - Napoleon Rice

- Dances had to be kept in a clean, healthful and sanitary condition at all times. Permit fee was $1.00
- It was unlawful to ride, drive or lead any horse, mule, work animal on or across any curb, sidewalk or sidewalk parking within the City.
- It was unlawful to haul dirt, rubbish or other material upon streets and alleys without first providing a wagon box or receptacle to prevent dropping, spilling or falling.
- It was unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to transport, carry or bring alcohol within the city limits.
- Declared weeds, grass, shrubs, brush and rubbish growing, standing or being upon the streets, lots, ground alleys, sidewalks or parking in the city a nuisance.
Winter Heating and Cold Weather Safety

From 2008 through 2012 there were 1995 home heating-related fires in Oregon resulting in 9 deaths, 58 injuries, and more than $28 million in property loss.

"Homeowners need to have the chimneys and flues on their fireplace and woodstoves cleaned and inspected annually," said Deputy Fire Marshal, Monte Bryan. "Also be sure to give heaters their space, keeping them three feet away from combustible materials."

Roseburg residents can keep themselves safe by following these safety tips:

⇒ Dispose of ashes in a metal container and place the container outdoors at least three feet from anything flammable. Ashes may retain heat for days after they appear out.

⇒ Check heater electrical cords. If the cord is frayed, cracked or becomes hot, have it serviced.

⇒ Never use extension cords with portable heaters.

⇒ Unplug heaters when not in use or before going to bed.

⇒ If using a propane fueled heater, make sure it is designed for indoor use.

⇒ Do not use barbecues indoors for heating or cooking.

⇒ Make sure propane fueled appliances are properly vented and follow all manufacturers’ instructions.

⇒ If you smell gas, do not operate any switches, appliances or thermostats.

⇒ Avoid kerosene heaters.

⇒ Working smoke alarms alert you to a fire and more than double your chances of surviving a fire. In a fire, minutes could mean the difference between life and death.

⇒ Install smoke alarms in every home, on every level, outside each sleeping area and in each bedroom.

⇒ Test and vacuum your smoke alarms each month.

⇒ Smoke alarms 8 to 10 years old or older should be replaced.

⇒ Carbon monoxide sources are gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil and methane and can be fatal if not detected early. Make sure you have a working carbon monoxide alarm.

⇒ Snow, ice and extreme cold can make driving treacherous. Before winter, make sure your car is ready for the season with a tune-up, snow tires, or tires with...
Winter Heating and Cold Weather Safety

- Good tread, a charged battery and sufficient antifreeze.

  ⇒ Use www.tripcheck.com to check road conditions before traveling.

- Keep emergency gear in your car, including a cell phone, flashlight, jumper cables, sand or kitty litter, ice scraper, small shovel, blankets and warning devices.

- If you must travel in bad weather, drive slowly and let someone know your route and anticipated arrival time.

- Do not sit in a parked car with the engine running unless a window is open. Do not warm up your car in the garage. If your car is outside, make sure the exhaust pipe and the area around it are free of snow.

- If you are stopped or stalled, light two flares, and place one at each end of the car. Stay in your vehicle and open a window slightly. Wrap yourself in blankets. Run your heater for a few minutes every hour to keep warm.

Ice and snow-covered roads and walkways can be serious safety hazards.

- Walk on sidewalks, if possible. If they are icy and you must take to the streets, walk against the flow of traffic and as close to the curb as you can.

- Wear a bright piece of outer clothing if you have to walk in the street or road. Dark winter colors are often hard for motorists to see.

- Don’t wear a hat or scarf that blocks your vision or makes it hard for you to hear traffic.

- Ice and snow can alter road conditions making it hard for vehicles to stop or slow down. Before you step off the curb -- even at a stop sign or traffic light -- make sure approaching vehicles have come to a complete stop.

- Be aware that snowdrifts can turn familiar territory into an alien landscape, covering curbs and other potential hazards.

- Bending your knees a little and taking slower, shorter steps can greatly reduce your chances of falling.

Walking in a winter wonderland won’t be so wonderful if you are not prepared for the weather. Not dressing properly can lead to hypothermia, a serious condition in which your body temperature cools down to abnormal levels.

- Wear several layers of loose-fitting lightweight clothing and wear mittens instead of gloves. Trapped, insulating air warmed by
Winter Heating and Cold Weather Safety

Body heat is the best protection from the cold.

⇒ Wear a hat and make sure shoes and boots have nonskid soles.
⇒ Change out wet clothes as soon as possible.

One of the main problems many households experience during cold weather is frozen pipes and waterlines. Although preventing this problem from occurring is important, how it is dealt with is even more important, since it often involves a heat source. Here are some prevention and safety tips which can save you time and trouble.

To keep pipes from freezing:

* Wrap pipes in insulations; insulate all pipes exposed to wind and cold.
* Open the base cabinet where the pipes are located. This will keep warmer air circulating around the pipes.
* Open the cold water faucet slightly. The flow of trickling water will help prevent freezing. If the pipe is next to an outside wall, use warm water instead of cold.

If the pipes do freeze, follow these guidelines:

* Try to find out where the pipes are frozen.
* Open the faucet.
* Use a hairdryer rather than a device with an open flame.

Keep the heater at least three feet away from the open pipe and do not leave it unattended. No other type of heater should be used.

“This is only a sample of safety precautions we must take during the winter months,” says Fire Chief Mike Lane of the Roseburg Fire Department. “Safety is a personal responsibility. If you are in doubt, think twice before doing anything that may prove hazardous to yourself, your property or those around you.”

For more information regarding winter and cold safety, please contact the Roseburg Fire Department Prevention Bureau at (541) 492-6770 or email us at fireprevention@cityofroseburg.org.
Umpqua Valley Arts Association received $4,950 for the Umpqua Plein Air event to be held September 10-13, 2014. Artists come from all over the region to participate in an “artist quick draw”, dinners in local restaurants, an all-day “paint out competition” at various venues within the Roseburg community, lectures and demonstrations culminating in a judged competition and awards ceremony. The 2013 event attracted 50 out of town visitors who stayed in Roseburg for the three-day event.

Friends of Richard Sommer which includes the Oregon Wine Board, Douglas County Museum and Dyson DeMara received $4,999 to create a yearlong celebration of Richard Sommer the “Father of the Oregon Wine Industry” and giving birth to Pinot Noir here in Douglas County. As part of the project a historical wine marker will be created to stand in perpetuity. An extensive 12-month marketing campaign will be used to attract visitors to our local wine industry.

Depending upon funding availability, the City’s former Visitors and Convention Commission generally considered grant applications for tourism related projects or events twice each year. The grant funds are derived from a portion of the local transient room tax. By virtue of state law and the Roseburg Municipal Code, those revenues must be used strictly for tourism purposes. With the merging of two commissions described elsewhere in this newsletter, future grants will be considered by the Economic Development Commission.

In November, the Visitors and Convention Commission awarded funding to two projects.
The Roseburg Police Department K9 Unit has capped off another impressive year of suspect captures and drug seizures. There is no doubt that the City of Roseburg and Douglas County are safer places to work, live and play - especially when you add the K9 teams to a phenomenal group of dedicated employees in the Police Department.

Our K9 teams, comprised of Officer Todd Crouse and Helix, Officer Ryan Dingman and Iago, and Officer Travis Dahl and Dora, are available to respond anywhere they are needed or requested in Douglas County. Recently, the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office added a K9 team as an additional resource for taking a bite out of crime. Deputy Jon Dorland and Grimm made their debut appearance this year at our 3rd Annual Roseburg Police Department K9 Pursuit Fun Run and Walk. Deputy Dorland and Grimm have been involved in several successful suspect tracks that have led to arrests.

In addition to their patrol and tracking duties the K9s and handlers have been very busy with ambassador duties. All of the K9 teams demonstrated their abilities at the annual fun run in Stewart Park and the Melon Festival in Winston. Officer Crouse and Helix honored our local veterans by participating in this year’s Veteran’s Day parade in downtown Roseburg.

After a fantastic year of demonstrations, public talks, captures and drug seizures we found ourselves reminiscing and celebrating another fantastic year of an outstanding program at “Toast the Talent and Their Handlers, Too” in downtown Roseburg on December 12th. The Friends of the Umpqua Valley Police K9 Program produced a very special occasion to honor of our loyal K9s and their human handlers. This event has become a tribute and very fitting end of a successful year of K9 and human partnership that results in community good.
Police Chief Jim Burge has tried but found it very difficult to express enough gratitude for the efforts and support of the volunteers with The Friends of the Umpqua Valley Police K9 Program. If not for them the program might still be in the concept and fundraising phase. Their efforts support not only the Sheriff and Police Department K9 teams but also the Douglas County Search and Rescue K9 program. In June of this year, the Friends of the Umpqua Valley Police K9 committee presented the law enforcement teams with a newly purchased Ultra Kimono Bite Suit and helmet. With “Friends” like them our criminal enemies will find fewer and fewer places to hide. Our sincere thanks and appreciation for the support you have all given us.

Lastly, here are the 2013 statistics you might find interesting:

Officer Crouse and K9 Helix were called on 17 times and had 15 successful deployments that resulted in 10 suspects being arrested and taken off the street. Additionally, Helix has recovered over $75,000 worth of stolen property.

Officer Dingman and K9 Iago were called on 27 times and had 23 successful deployments that resulted in 24 suspects being arrested and taken off the street.

Officer Dahl and K9 Dora have been deployed 100 times this year. Dora alerted 95 times out of those 100 deployments finding 507.80 grams (1.11 lbs.) of Methamphetamine, 23.90 grams (.052 lbs.) of Heroin, 36514.19 grams (80.5 lbs.) of Marijuana and $14,396.00 of cash confiscated as drug proceeds.
Two City Commissions Merge

As part of the City Council goal relating to sustainability, Staff has been working with the Council to determine how to best utilize our limited staff and financial resources as well as the time spent by volunteers in service to the City. One area that has been discussed since 2011 was the potential combination of some of the duties of the Economic Development Commission (EDC) and the Visitors and Convention Commission (V&C). Both commissions have a compelling interest in economic development in our community and have seen a reduction in activity over the last few years as the Umpqua Economic Development Partnership and the Visitor Center contract have taken on leadership roles in the areas of economic development and tourism related activities. In 2012, each Commission cut back their meetings from monthly to quarterly to adapt to those circumstances.

At a November work session, the Council determined that combining the duties and activities of the two commissions under the auspices of the EDC was the appropriate action to take. The V&C recommended that there be at least a temporary expansion of the EDC membership and that V&C members whose terms have not yet expired be allowed to join the EDC. Staff proposed to add an “at large” position to the EDC and to fill that position and a current EDC vacancy with members from the V&C. The V&C also expressed concern relating to the use of the tourism portion of the local transient lodging tax. The tax revenue allocated for tourism is specifically limited in use by state statute and the City must comply in all respects with the statutory guidelines.

As a result of these discussions, the City Council adopted two ordinances in December which became effective January 1, 2014. Ordinance No. 3419 repealed the Visitors and Convention Commission. Ordinance No. 3420 merged the duties of the Visitors Commission with the Economic Development Commission and increased the size of that Commission to accommodate transferring members from the V&C to assure tourism expertise was shared on the revised EDC.

City Council Appointment

At the time of publication of the last City Connection, Ken Averett had just resigned his Ward 1 City Council position. In August, the City Council unanimously appointed Ken Fazio to fill the resultant vacancy. Mr. Fazio is a long-time instructor at Roseburg High School who previously served on the City’s Planning Commission and Budget Committee. In addition, he volunteered or was a member of many organizations: Key Club Advisor (Kiwanis); United Way Day of Caring; with his high school class, they sought clothing donations and sent over 400 boxes of clothes for children in Afghanistan, care packages for troops serving overseas; volunteered at the Fish Pantry, Family Development Center and Saving Grace; provided grounds keeping at Wildlife Safari and more. Clearly, Councilor Fazio has a great love and dedication for his community.
Our furnace has been inspected and serviced by a qualified professional during the last 12 months. (A furnace should be serviced at lease once a year.)

Our chimneys and vents have been cleaned and inspected by a qualified professional. I have checked for creosote build-up. (Not cleaning your chimney is the leading cause of chimney fires from built up creosote. This service needs to be done at least once a year.)

Our wood for our fireplace or wood stove is dry, seasoned wood.

Our fireplace screen is metal or heat tempered glass, in good condition and secure in its position in front of the fireplace.

We have a covered metal container ready to use to dispose cooled ashes. (The ash container should be kept at least 3 feet from the home and any nearby buildings.)

Our children know to stay at least 3 feet away from the fireplace, wood/pellet stove, oil stove or other space heaters.

Our portable space heaters have an automatic shut-off.

Our portable space heaters will be plugged directly into an outlet (not an extension cord) and placed at least three feet from anything that can burn; like bedding, paper, walls, and even people. (Place notes throughout your home to remind you to turn-off portable heaters when you leave a room or go to bed.)

We have tested our smoke alarms and made sure they are working. (You need a smoke alarm on every level of the home, inside each bedroom and outside each sleeping area. For the best protection, the smoke alarms should be interconnected so when on sounds, they all sound.)

We have tested our carbon monoxide alarms and made sure they are working. (Carbon monoxide alarms should be located outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.)
Before starting a waste reduction program, visit www.SustainableBusiness.com for information on affecting environmental change in your company and more.

These tips apply to most business types, especially offices and retail. For detailed information please visit the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality website at www.deq.state.or.us.

**Purchasing:**
- Establish purchasing guidelines to encourage waste prevention.
- Centralize purchasing to eliminate unnecessary purchases.
- Track material usage.
- Substitute less toxic materials for toxic materials.
- Order merchandise with minimal packaging or layer of packaging.
- Avoid bright or deep toned paper.
- Order supplies by voice mail or electronic mail.

**Packaging:**
- Eliminate unneeded packaging.
- Use reusable boxes and mailbags.
- Print a message on products to encourage consumers to recycle the packaging.

**Writing/Printing Paper:**
- Make double-sided copies whenever possible.
- Use voice or electronic mail.
- Make scratch pads from used paper.
- Print more words on each page.
- Proof documents on screen when possible and teach employees to print preview and spell check before printing.

**Equipment**
- Rent instead of buying equipment that is only used occasionally.
- Use quality used or remanufactured office equipment.
- Institute maintenance practices that prolong the life of copiers, computers, and other equipment.
- Sell or give away old furniture and equipment.
- Replace incandescent with fluorescent lighting.
- Use rechargeable batteries where practical.

**Communications:**
- Get off unwanted mailing lists.
- Invest in a program that allows faxing directly from your computer or send documents by email.
- Reuse old envelopes for internal mailings.
- Keep mailing lists current.
- Don’t pre-stuff packets for meetings or conferences. Let participants take the handouts they want.

**Food and Personal Services:**
- Purchase less toxic cleaners.
- Use durable towels.
- Encourage employees to bring their own mugs.
- Consider using cloth roll towels or hot air dryers.

**Consumer Choices:**
- Teach customers about waste prevention.
- Have recycling bins available for customers to use.

You can join the Business Recycling Awards Group (BRAG) by calling 503-234-3000 for an application.
Available Properties

The City of Roseburg has various properties available to purchase or lease. Properties include:

• 1112 and 1152 NE Post Street
• General Avenue—near the Lowe’s Home Improvement store
• Historic Willis House at 744 SE Rose Street

If you are interested in the properties listed contact Hawks & Co. Realtors for more information and pricing.

Hawks & Co. Realtors
612 SE Jackson St., Suite 2
Roseburg, OR 97470
541-673-6499
www.HawksCo.com

Historic Willis House
Taxiway Relocation Project is Complete

After many years of environmental study, design and preparation, the project to move the parallel taxiway at the Roseburg Regional Airport is substantially complete. The $4.88 million construction phase was completed in December. The only remaining item, a second coat of striping, will be finished during warmer weather next summer.

This project accomplished the following:

- Moved the taxiway forty feet further away from the runway to meet current safety standards; and
- Created new transient aircraft parking spaces at the north end of the airport to compensate for spaces lost on the south end as a result of the taxiway relocation; and
- Moved the electrical controls for the runway and taxiway lighting out of a privately owned building into a new stand-alone building; and
- Improved fish passage on Newton Creek.

The relocated taxiway brings the Airport into compliance with new FAA airport design standards. The new paved area to the North of Newton Creek was meant to replace aircraft parking spaces lost in the taxiway relocation and accomplish the expansion called for in the Airport Master Plan.

Along the way it was discovered tiny Newton Creek harbored a protected fish species. Consultations with U.S. Fish & Wildlife, ODFW and the FAA resulted in the elimination of a fish barrier at the West end of the Newton Creek culvert where it traverses the Airport. Construction of a fish ladder will facilitate the fish’s trip up the creek for spawning.

Ninety per cent of the entire $6.2 million project was paid by the FAA with the balance paid out of Urban Renewal funds.

Historic Beacon Tower sports New Paint

This paint project was completed in early November and restores the tower to its original colors of the 1930s. The Roseburg Airport beacon tower was once one of hundreds of beacon towers that were part of the early Civil Air Mail routes used by the mail planes of the 1920s and 1930s. Our tower was originally built in 1931 and installed just north of Sutherlin as part of CAM route 8 from San Francisco to Portland. The tower was relocated to the Roseburg Airport in the 1950s to serve as the Airport beacon tower and still bears the old blue enamel “Department of Commerce Aeronautics Division” placard.
Airport Community and Economic Highlights

Each evening at dusk the ancient tower’s beacon turns on to mark the airport’s location for pilots flying the mountains and valleys of Southwest Oregon.

Please Be A Good Neighbor

Good community relations are important to everyone in aviation...

- Climb best rate at appropriate power
- On take-off, fly runway heading until 1350’ MSL; no turns before end of runway
- Maintain 1,000’ AGL (1,500’ MSL) traffic pattern altitude
- Use reduced power setting while in the traffic pattern
- Be cognizant of the especially noise-sensitive housing on the ridge just west of the airfield

Roseburg Regional Airport institutes new “Fly Friendly” Program

The evolution of an airport follows similar paths regardless of where in the country they exist. Initially the farmer’s field several miles from town is converted for use by light aircraft. As traffic and commerce increase, the community takes steps to pave the airport and make improvements to handle future expansion. Eventually, the town that was once miles away expands and either nudges up against the airport or completely surrounds the field. The latter is the case at Roseburg Regional. With the close proximity of residences and business, it is inevitable some conflicts will develop, usually in the form of noise complaints.

Airport users recognize the potential for problems and have taken some voluntary steps to minimize adverse impacts on the surrounding community by modifying how they fly in and out of the field. These practices attempt to reduce noise and minimize low-altitude maneuvering without affecting safe aircraft operation. The Fixed Base Operator at the airport, Western Oregon Aviation, has bro-

chures available for pilots to use as a guide for good operating practices and there are signs at each end of the runway to serve as last-minute reminders for pilots of how they can minimize disturbances.

Oregon Department of Aviation provides New Airport Economic Impact Numbers

A newly completed Oregon Aviation Plan study provides some interesting data on the impact of the Roseburg Regional Airport on the local economy.

According to ODA Roseburg’s Airport supports a total of 68 local jobs with total annual wages of $1,899,000. Visitors using the airport provide the community with a total of $7,347,000 in annual sales.

These numbers reflect not just jobs and sales at the airport, but jobs and sales directly attributable to the airports presence in the area.

If you have questions or suggestions, Airport Director Mike Danielle wants to hear them! You can reach him at 541-492-6873 or mdanielle@cityofroseburg.org.
Several projects were completed in the City parks this past fall. These include the following:

Templin Beach Park to Micelli Park Trail: A new 1,700 linear foot asphalt trail was constructed as an addition to the South Umpqua Greenway trail system in September and October. The paved trail connects from the cul-de-sac at Micelli Park along the river north to Templin Beach Park and Happy Tails Dog Park. Additional landscaping and two park benches will be added this winter. This project was funded through a Recreational Trails Program grant from the State of Oregon Parks & Recreation Department, along with City match funds from the Urban Renewal Fund. The total project cost was close to $100,000.

Fir Grove Parking: The paving project, located between the soccer fields and the Roseburg National Cemetery, is complete (except for landscaping), and now provides 82 paved parking spaces in addition to 6 ADA spaces. This project also included a new section of multi-use path ensuring safe passage from the sidewalk at Harvard Avenue to the existing path near the bank of the South Umpqua River. A landscape and hard-surface area that includes previously purchased donor bricks will be added this winter and spring. This community supported project was funded via a collaborative effort between the City of Roseburg and the local non-profit Guardians of Heroes group, with assistance from Douglas County, i.e. engineering and additional donors and volunteers.

Riverbank Stabilization: People that use the multi-use path system in the area between Gaddis Park and downtown have likely noticed the completion of a recent riverbank stabilization project. The project used large logs, boulders, fiber mesh fabric and plantings to stabilize a 100 foot section of South Umpqua riverbank where high water undermined the multi-use path over the last several winters. The $60,000 project was completed with Urban Renewal funds.

Reconstruction of Multi-Use Path by South Duck Pond: The section of multi-use path located in Stewart Park between the duck pond and the golf course driving range was reconstructed over a two day period in mid-September. This busy section of path was heavily cracked and had been identified as a priority for repair. The $27,000 project was funded via the Transportation Fund and Bike Trail Fund.
2014 Winter Recreation Programs

On Saturday, February 8th come join the fun as Roseburg Parks & Recreation holds their next geocaching event from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Windmill Inn’s meeting room. This event kicks-off the fourth ‘Discover Roseburg / Land of Umpqua’ geocache challenge which involves locating 5 actual caches and 15 virtual caches, and correctly answering a question related to each site. After locating the sites and answering each question, participants will return their completed ‘passport’ and be awarded a limited edition (200 available) ‘Discover Roseburg / Land of Umpqua’ geocoin. There is a special new geo-coin being minted for this year’s event.

Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunting game enjoyed by adventure seekers young and old who are equipped with a global positioning system (GPS) and the desire to have some outdoor fun. After the initial kick-off event, passports and coins will be available at Roseburg City Hall (1st floor). This is a free event, open to the public, and beginner geocachers are welcome!

Adult Fitness Boot Camp has moved back indoors for the winter months. Boot Camp is held every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7 to 8 pm at the Hucrest Elementary School gym. This program offers a fun, ever-changing work-out that allows participants to exercise at their own pace. Boot Camp is offered on a convenient ‘drop in’ basis for $1 per session.

Pilates is a new offering for 2014. This class is co-sponsored by the Boys & Girls Club of the Umpqua Valley and will be offered on Monday and Wednesday starting January 6th from 12:15 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club. This class is offered either on a drop in basis, for $3 per class, or by the month for $20 per month. Come strengthen your core, improve your balance and work off those holiday pounds on your lunch hour!

Low Impact Fitness, co-sponsored by ATRIO Health Plans, has also moved inside for the winter. Classes are held from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Boys & Girls Club in Roseburg. This program gives participants an opportunity to socialize while enjoying a light exercise routine. Participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing and good walking shoes. There is a $1 fee per class on a drop-in basis, and no time commitment or advance registration is required.

This spring the Parks & Recreation Division will be gathering information about local recreation opportunities to include in the 2014 Roseburg Recreation Guide. This guide provides the public with a convenient resource for finding activities and organizations they may be interested in. If your organization would like to be included, or for more information on recreation programs, please contact Val Ligon at vligon@cityofroseburg.org or call 541-492-6730.
2014 Public Works Projects

The Public Works Department has several projects slated for the summer of 2014 and beyond. The City recently adopted an updated five year Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal years 2014 through 2018. A copy of the plan is available online at: http://www.cityofroseburg.org/files/3013/8792/3241/2014_2018_Adopted_CIP.pdf

Over the next few years, there will be several transportation and Urban Renewal projects in the Oak/Washington area from Harvard in to downtown. Other infrastructure projects are scattered throughout the City. Below is a brief synopsis of each project planned for the summer of 2014. If you have any questions about any of the projects, please contact the Public Works Department at 541-492-6730.

**AIRPORT PROJECTS**

**Apron Rehabilitation Project**
This project completely reconstructs the north end of the main apron area. The pavement and subgrade will be removed and replaced, and the apron area will be repaved and restriped. The project is programmed for ninety percent funding through the Federal Aviation Administration. The City’s ten percent match will be provided through Urban Renewal Funding. This project is currently scheduled for design in 2014 with construction following in 2015.

**PARKS PROJECTS**

**Micelli Playground**
With financial support provided by Umpqua Bank, the City of Roseburg will construct a new playground at Micelli Park in SE Roseburg. The play area will include swings and play structures, picnic tables, park benches and other site amenities. The ADA compliant playground will be adjacent to the newly paved multi-use path and will be designed to accent the natural aspects of the surrounding environment. This project is currently in design with construction scheduled to begin in the late spring.

**Eastwood Park Renovation**
The Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation has awarded the City a grant to renovate Eastwood Park. Eastwood Park is located on the south side of Douglas Avenue, east of Rifle Range Road. The park abuts Deer Creek, just west of Eastwood School. A primary component of the project is the replacement of the existing play equipment. The project will also include new concrete walkways leading to the new playground area, picnic tables and benches. Additional project elements include a natural-surfaced path leading to Deer Creek and the transition of some lawn near the creek back to riparian vegetation. The final design and engineering will be completed this winter, with construction expected in summer/fall of 2014.

**TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS**

**Stephens/Chestnut Traffic Signal**
The intent of this project will be to install a new traffic signal at the intersection of Chestnut Avenue and Stephens Street. The signal will
improve safety in the corridor and provide gaps for left turning traffic to and from NE Stephens Street. The project is currently in the final stages of design. The required right-of-way has been acquired and the project will be bid as soon as the design is complete. Construction is tentatively scheduled for this spring and early summer.

**Washington/Oak/Kane Improvements**
The intent of this project is to make pedestrian improvements, ADA improvements, storm drainage improvements and other enhancements to increase the functionality and appearance of these streets that lead into the downtown core. The improvements will tie in with those planned as part of the Highway 138E Corridor Improvements and will utilize elements outlined in the existing Downtown Master Plan and Waterfront Development Plan. The project is currently in design, with staff and the consultant taking input from stakeholders through an ad-hoc committee. The project is scheduled for construction in 2014.

**WATER PROJECTS**

**Main Reservoir Complex Piping**
This project replaces and reconfigures much of the existing transmission main piping at the main reservoir complex located at the top of Bellview Court. The project ties into improvements made to replace the Laurelwood River Crossing in 2013.

**STORM DRAINAGE PROJECTS**

**Ballf/Harvard Area Storm Drainage**
This project may have up to three phases, the first of which is scheduled for the summer of 2014. Phase 1 improvements include a new outfall at the end of Ballf Street with a tide gate, a 42 inch trunk line in Ballf north of Harvard, a 24 inch pipe in Ballf south of Harvard, and improvements on Brown Street. Phase 2 will include improvements on Harvard Avenue, east of Ballf and on Harrison Street and is tentatively scheduled for construction in 2016.

**Main Replacement Projects**
The City typically takes on several projects each year to upgrade existing mains that are either undersized, at the end of the useful life, or both. This year, the City has scheduled to work on main lines in the Highway 138E project area to replace mains on Washington and Oak Avenues and other streets in the vicinity and in the Nebo Street/Brown Avenue area to coordinate with other work being done by RUSA and the City.
In August 2013 Teresa Clemons, Certified Floodplain Manager from our Community Development Department, met with the representative from NFIP (see below) to provide information for our five-year flood plain review. Most cities do not participate in the program. However, because we do, our citizens who have residential property in the floodplain receive a 10% discount on their insurance premiums. This is an important, business friendly project, and the City continues to participate in the higher standard program which allows our citizens such a discount. The following summarizes the program.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides federally backed flood insurance within communities that enact and enforce floodplain regulations. To be covered by a flood insurance policy (for the structure and/or its contents), a property must be in a community that participates in the NFIP. Under the Community Rating System (CRS), communities can be rewarded for doing more than simply regulating construction of new buildings to the minimum national standards. Under the CRS, the flood insurance premiums of a community’s residents and businesses are discounted to reflect that community’s work to reduce flood damage to existing buildings, manage development in areas not mapped by the NFIP, protect new buildings beyond the minimum NFIP protection level, preserve and/or restore natural functions of floodplains, help insurance agents obtain flood data, and help people obtain flood insurance. Roseburg residents currently enjoy a 10% discount on flood insurance under the program.

The Community Development Department also met with George Currin from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Christine Shirley of Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) during Roseburg’s Community Assistance Visit (CAV). The CAV is a major component of the National Flood Insurance Program’s (NFIP’s) Community Assistance Program (CAP). The CAV is a visit to a community by a FEMA staff member or staff of a State agency on behalf of FEMA that serves the dual purpose of providing technical assistance to the community and assuring that the community is adequately enforcing its floodplain management regulations. Generally, a CAV consists of a tour of the floodplain, an inspection of community permit files and meetings with local appointed and elected officials. If any administrative problems or potential violations are identified during a CAV the community will be notified and given the opportunity to correct those administrative procedures and remedy the violations to the maximum extent possible within established deadlines. FEMA or the State will work with the community to help them bring their program into compliance with NFIP requirements. In extreme cases where the community does not take action to bring itself into compliance, FEMA may initiate enforcement action against the community.
The project was built on the campus of the Roseburg VA Medical Center which serves a six county area. The completed development is comprised of 44 one-bedroom apartments, 10 two and three-bedroom duplex units, an onsite manager’s unit and a community building. The residence manager and her husband are veterans. The community building hosted a Thanksgiving meal for everyone and UCAN case managers have offices in the building to help residents access social services. The units were about 90% leased on opening day.

The Veterans Administration looks to eliminate Veteran homelessness by 2015. In December 2011, in connection with VA’s Building Utilization Review and Repurposing (BURR) initiative, the VA executed 40 enhanced use leases to provide various types of housing with priority placement for Veterans and their families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

NeighborWorks Umpqua in partnership with United Community Action Network prepared a proposal to develop 55 units of housing on the local Veteran’s campus to serve the large numbers of homeless Veterans in our region. The process was a long and complex coordination of agencies whose funding made the development possible. The funding sources included State Housing, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Veteran’s Administration, private foundations and HUD Family Choice Vouchers.

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Eagle Landing Apartments

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Calendar of City Meetings

City Commissions conduct regular public meetings according to the following schedule:

- **Airport**: 3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m., Conference Room
- **City Council**: 2nd & 4th Monday, 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- **Economic Development**: 2nd Tuesday, 3:30 p.m., Conference Room
- **Historic Resource Review**: 3rd Wednesday, 3:30 p.m., Conference Room
- **Parks & Recreation**: 1st Wednesday, 8:15 a.m., Conference Room
- **Planning**: 1st Monday, 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- **Public Works**: 2nd Thursday, 3:30 p.m., Conference Room

Depending upon the number of issues needing attention by the Commissions, special meetings may be scheduled or regular meetings may be cancelled. Upon final preparation, full meeting agendas are forwarded to all local news media and the News Review for inclusion in the public meeting calendar, and are available at City Hall and on the City of Roseburg website [www.cityofroseburg.org](http://www.cityofroseburg.org). Prior to attending a meeting, you may wish to call City Hall to ensure the meeting is going to be held.

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Citizen’s Guide to City Council Meetings

Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 900 SE Douglas Avenue. Agendas for upcoming Council meetings are available on our website and in the City Manager’s Office the Thursday afternoon prior to the meeting. Current agendas are also available at the meeting. In rare instances, the Council may deal with agenda items out of order.

Citizens attending Council meetings may speak on any item on the agenda, unless the item is the subject of an executive session or a public hearing where comments have been taken and the hearing has closed. Citizens may speak when recognized by the chair and are required to give their name and address for the official record. A minimum of 12 copies should be provided if you are submitting handouts to Council.

Time is set aside for Public Participation toward the beginning of each meeting. At this time, anyone wishing to address the City Council concerning items of interest not included in the agenda may do so for six minutes. The person addressing the Council shall, when recognized, state their name and address for the record, including whether or not they are a resident of the City. All remarks shall be directed to the entire City Council. The Council reserves the right to delay any action, if required, until such time when they are fully informed on the matter.

City Council and Planning Commission meetings are recorded on DVD, televised live over Charter Communications Channel 19 and may be viewed on our website. Replays are televised on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on Channel 19.

To view full agenda packets online in an Adobe PDF format, go to www.cityofroseburg.org and click on ‘City Council Agendas’ on the left sidebar menu. Packets are available Thursday prior to the Council meeting.
Mayor and City Council

Mayor - Larry Rich

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Voting Precinct 18  Position 1  Mike Hilton  Position 2  Ken Fazio

Ward II  Councilor Ward II  Councilor Ward II
Voting Precinct 7  Position 1  Tom Ryan  Position 2  Marty Katz

Ward III  Councilor Ward III  Councilor Ward III
Voting Precinct 9  Position 1  Bob Cotterell  Position 2  Vacant

Ward IV  Councilor Ward IV  Councilor Ward IV
Voting Precinct 22  Position 1  Steve Kaser  Position 2  Lew Marks

City Council Vacancy

With regrets, the City Council recently accepted Councilor Rick Coen’s resignation. Councilor Coen began his service on the City Council in January 2005 and served as Chair of the City’s Economic Development Commission during his entire tenure. Unfortunately, business obligations prevent him from continuing on the council.

Applications are being accepted from qualified persons interested in filling the vacancy for the term which expires December 31, 2016. However, the appointee would need to be certified for placement on the November 2014 ballot in order to fulfill the unexpired term.

To qualify for this position, a person must be a legal elector and registered voter of the City of Roseburg, have been a citizen of Roseburg for at least one year prior to the anticipated appointment date of January 27, 2014, and reside in Ward 3. Ward 3 consists of voting precinct 9 and includes the neighborhoods off of Harvard Avenue. The Ward is bounded on the north and east by the South Umpqua River and on the west and south by the City limits.

Any qualified individual desiring to be considered to fill this vacancy must declare candidacy in writing by completing an application form which is available from the City Manager’s Office or may be downloaded from the City’s website at www.cityofroseburg.org under the home page news feed or City Council page. Applications must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 17, 2014. Interviews by the Roseburg City Council will take place at their meeting on Monday, January 27, 2014.

Anyone desiring more information regarding this vacancy or with questions about their Council Ward may contact the City Administrative Offices by calling 541-492-6866.