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JACKSONVILLE NEWSLETTER

April 2021

Greetings from the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce

Hello from the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce! We know that in order to have a strong economic environment you must have a strong community.

Our goal as the Chamber is to provide support to our local businesses and work together to make Jacksonville the best community in which to operate a thriving business.

Businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals are welcome to join the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce and Business Association. As a chamber member you will receive a number of benefits focused on marketing your business to our local community and robust tourism industry, including website and social media presence, print, TV, online advertising, event promotion and more.

Your membership in the Chamber provides unparalleled opportunities to connect with peers, current and prospective clients and customers and a share in the responsibility of creating economic success and happiness within our community.

If you are not a member of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, please join us today. Your membership will benefit your business and the community.

Please visit jacksonvilleoregon.org/chamberofcommerce/membership for more information.

Mayor

Donna Bowen

Council

Mike McClain

Jim Lewis

Ken Gregg

Steve Casaleggio

Andrea Thompson

Scott Selbe

City Administrator

Jeff Alvis

City Hall

Monday-Friday

8:30 am-4:00 pm

Public Works

Monday-Friday

8:30 am-4:00 pm

After Hours Dispatch

(emergencies only)

541-776-7206

Police

Office 541-899-7100

Dispatch 541-776-7206

Fire

Office 541-899-7246

Dispatch 541-776-7206

Planning

541-899-6873

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday

8:30 am-2:00 pm

Inspection Request

541-484-9043 or

800-358-8034

Jacksonville Wildfire Firewise Community Preparedness Day

Wildfire Firewise Community Preparedness Day is a national campaign where people come together on a single day to take action to raise awareness and reduce wildfire risks. Jacksonville is vulnerable to wildfires due to many homes being in the wildfire-urban interface, in close proximity to woodlands and forested land.

Jacksonville's Wildfire Community Preparedness Day will be held on Saturday May 1, 2021 from 9am to 3pm in the D Street parking lot. This event will enable residents of Firewise neighborhoods to bring branches and other dead vegetation to be chipped and disposed of by Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF), the Jacksonville Fire Department, and the Jacksonville Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). **This event is open to residents of Firewise Neighborhoods only.**

Jacksonville has 8 Firewise neighborhoods: Rich Gulch, Gold Terrace, Vineyard View, Valley Lane, Hangman Lane, Westmont, Timber Ridge and Wagon Trail. If you live in one of these Firewise neighborhoods, you are eligible to participate in the Wildfire Community Preparedness Day.

This is an invaluable opportunity to dispose of branches, dead trees, and dead shrubs found on your property. Removing dead vegetation in close proximity to your home and pruning tree limbs so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet above the ground helps reduce fire embers from landing on your house and fire getting into the crown of trees.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Davis, Jacksonville Firewise Coordinator, at imdavis425@gmail.com or by phone at (541) 690-5688.

Avista reminds you safe digging is no accident; call 811 before you dig

Before beginning any outdoor digging project, call 811 at least two business days before you dig. Calling 811 will get a professional locator to your site to mark the approximate location of underground utility lines. There is a two-foot tolerance zone on each side of the line, and it is required to hand dig to determine the precise location of the utility in this tolerance zone. This service is free. Remember, you may have your own utilities that require a Private Locate request at 811.

Knowing where underground utility lines are buried before you dig will help protect you from injury, prevent damages to utilities and service disruptions, and avoid potential fines and repair costs. Underground utility lines can be just about anywhere, so keeping your shovel in the shed or garage and calling 811 first is a smart move (and it's the law). Every digging job requires a call — even small projects like planting trees and shrubs. The depth of utility lines varies and there may be multiple utility lines in a common area.

Here are just a few examples of when to call:

- Installing a rural mailbox
- Putting in a fence
- Planting a tree or shrubbery
- Building a patio or deck
- Excavating a new garden area



City Council Meetings At-A-Glance

A synopsis of the previous month's City Council agenda items and discussions so you, the citizens of Jacksonville, know what is going on in your local government. **If you would like more detail on any of the discussion items, please review the summaries for each item in the Council packet on the City website.**

March 2, 2021—City Council

- **Rogue Valley Council of Governments—Presentation of 2020 Report.** Michael Cavallaro, Executive Director of the Rogue Valley Council of Governments presented the 2020 Annual Report to Council.
- **Small Event Packet—Jacksonville Presbyterian Church.** Council approved the small event for the Easter Sunrise Service outdoors. The sunrise service will be from 6:30 am—7:30 am on Easter morning, April 4, 2021.
- **Appointment of Member to Committee for Citizen Involvement.** Council appointed Jo Stimson to the Committee for Citizen Involvement.
- **Appointment of Movie Committee Member.** Mayor Bowen appointed Paul Becker to the vacant position on the Movie Committee.
- **Appoint Budget Officer for FY 2021-2022.** Council appointed City Administrator Jeff Alvis as the Budget Officer for fiscal year 2021-2022.
- **Acceptance of FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant.** Council accepted the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$9,352.90 to be used for purchasing Personal Protective Equipment.

March 16, 2021 —Council Work Session

Mayor Bowen and City Councilors received training from the City Attorney, Sydnee Dreyer. Council also discussed the Comprehensive Safety Plan for the City of Jacksonville.

**Audio and Approved Minutes from each of the City Council Meetings is located on the City website.
www.jacksonvilleor.us**

Public Meeting Schedule	Date	Time	Place
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, April 6, 2021	6:00 PM	Virtual Meeting
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	Tuesday, April 13, 2021	2:30 PM	Virtual Meeting
City Council Work Session	Tuesday, April 20, 2021	12:00 PM	Virtual Meeting
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	Tuesday, April 27, 2021	2:30 PM	Virtual Meeting
HARC	Wednesday, April 28, 2021	6:00 PM	Virtual Meeting
Parks and Visitor Services Committee	Wednesday, April 28, 2021	5:00 PM	Virtual Meeting