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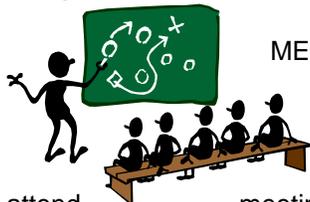
May 2003

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FROM

THE MAYOR

MEETINGS – MEETINGS - MEETINGS



It seems that one of the things we do best is

attend meetings. Some are interesting, some dull and some are important because they are informative. This is the case with three (3) forthcoming meetings that will affect the way in which Yachats changes in future years. Pick out what interests you most and plan on attending. If you can't stay for the entire meeting, stay long enough to gain some perspective on the subject. Now, what are they?

Monday, May 19—9:00 A.M to 12:00 noon Civic Meeting Room, Yachats Commons Transportation Growth Management (TGM)

Almost a year ago Yachats entered into an agreement with Parsons Brinkerhoff, under a grant from DLCDD and ODOT, to develop a plan for transportation management. This plan is to include recommended traffic "calming" measures, a coordinated parking plan, and enhancement of the Town Core as a pedestrian-friendly environment. The meeting on May 19 is the culmination of other workshops and public meetings. The consultants will present their recommended findings for a final opportunity for comment. This plan will be presented to the City Council at the June 12 council meeting and once adopted will become the road map for future development. Your input is needed and invited.

Wednesday, May 21—5:00 P.M. Waldport City Hall Intergovernmental Water Consortium Planning for South County water

Since December of 2000, representatives of five water districts (Toledo, Seal Rock, Waldport, Southwest Lincoln & Yachats) have been holding discussions regarding a variety of potential plans for water in the South County through the year 2053. The Dyer Partnership, Engineers, have been employed to provide a feasibility study for the potential of cross connecting some or all of the districts. The findings and recommendations, which will be presented at this meeting, identifies each district's water sources, permit levels, anticipated needs and four (4) potential methods for meeting these needs during the next 50 years. This is a public information meeting.

Tuesday, May 27—4:00 P.M to 6:00 P.M. Civic Meeting Room, Yachats Commons Proposed improvements to Ocean View Drive

As part of the 804 Mediated Settlement Agreement, a trail is to be constructed along Ocean View Drive as part of the Yachats Village Circulation Plan. Additionally, Lincoln County anticipates making drainage and road surfacing improvements to Ocean View to bring it up to Yachats city standards. Once this has been accomplished the City is expected to adopt this road as a city street. Lincoln County has hired a Eugene, OR, civil engineering firm to develop the conceptual design. This public meeting is an opportunity for community input prior to final design. Hopefully, the agreed upon improvements will be accomplished this summer and fall.

Each of these issues will impact the future of Yachats. Your attendance and comments are an important part of the outcome. Don't be left out!



**PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD ON
FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION;
EXCAVATION AND EROSION**

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CONTROL; LOT SIZE REQUIREMENTS FOR DUPLEXES; AND, PROPERTY LINE ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Lee Corbin explained that the excavation and erosion control ordinance was forwarded to the City Council from the Planning Commission two years ago, but it was tabled until the courts settled the questions regarding Measure 7 which was passed at the General Election two days before the scheduled public hearing. The courts have since then overturned the measure. However, Corbin said that at the work session when the Council reviewed that ordinance it became apparent that while the definition for natural grade was established the ordinance, as drafted, fails to set that as the standard for building, which was the original purpose of the ordinance. City Council remanded it back to the Planning Commission and continued their deliberation to the August 14 meeting.

The ordinance regarding flood damage prevention regulations replaces the current one and updates the regulations to meet the Federal requirements.

In discussions about the proposed change in the lot size for duplexes Councilor Joel Evans explained that according to State planning goals the City must have a certain number of multi-family zones but since the zones were created by marking areas on a flat map many of the lots zoned multi-family are not actually large enough to build anything besides a single family dwelling, unless two or more are purchased. The Planning Commission had proposed the change to provide the opportunity for property owners in those zones to build duplexes.

The property line adjustment procedure will ensure that no unbuildable lots or landlocked lots are created when the line between two properties is moved by the County at the owners' request. Currently the County does not have the City review the request, which has led to several problems in the past.

The lot size for duplexes and the lot line adjustment had been drafted in a single ordinance so City Council directed staff to divide the two issues so they can consider them separately at their June meeting.



IN OTHER CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS:

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- City Council adopted Resolution No. 407 - Establishing Water and Sewer User Rates and Continuing Certain Fees and Charges - These rates were adopted at the April 2003 City Council meeting.
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 409 - to Reallocate Funds in the Fiscal Year 2002-2003 Appropriations - This resolution acknowledges the latest grant of \$8,000 received by the Library for computers and print material.
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 410 - Authorization for 2004 Special City Allotment Grant Application - This resolution will be forwarded to the Department of Transportation together with a grant application for improvements to Second Street from Hwy 101 to Ocean View Drive and the Yachats State Park.
- City Council adopted Administrative Policy No. 20 - Fiscal Policies for Management of Debt and Capital Improvements - The purpose of this policy is to provide an effective management tool for debt and capital improvement financing. This policy establishes limits on the debt program while providing sufficient flexibility to enable the City Council to respond to unforeseen circumstances and new opportunities.
- City Council Voted to recommend granting an OLCC Liquor License for Rachel's Roadhouse



PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

At the May City Council meeting John McClintock reported that several times in the past two months the public works crew checked a stream of water at Pontiac and West Third to determine if it was a leak and they were not able to find where it came from; and, tests did not detect any chlorine - until the last time they tested in early May. That leak has now been tracked down and the crew repaired it. The leak had been difficult to find because the water was flowing from a Pioneer Telephone conduit rather than coming to the surface at the actual leak.

McClintock also reported the following:

- The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) explained their suggestions for modifications to be made to the Wastewater Master Plan that will enable the City to use it as the Facilities Plan at a meeting held May 7. The ability to use the Master Plan will save the City

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thousands of dollars and will accelerate the timeline for meeting the requirements of the Mutual Agreement and Order (MAO).

- The DEQ has determined the City will not have to do an environmental impact study for the outfall as part of the permit renewal and the MAO so the City is well ahead of the game in meeting the requirements of the MAO.
- The crew is working on repair and/or replacement of fire hydrants.

McClintock stated that he has viewed the video of the sewer lines used to identify the Inflow & Infiltration sources in the sewer lines. The sewer mains are in good condition. Most of the problems are in the customers' laterals.



**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING &
OREGON STATE REVENUE SHARING**

A meeting of the Yachats City Council will be held on June 12, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. in the Civic Meeting Room of the Yachats Commons. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 as approved by the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at Yachats City Hall, 441 Hwy 101 N. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The City Council will hold a public hearing on June 12, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. in the Civic Meeting Room of the Yachats Commons. The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds in the 2003-2004 budget year. Interested persons are invited to attend. Written testimony will be taken at the City Office, PO Box 345, Yachats, 97498. The meeting place is handicapped accessible. Those needing assistance please contact the City Recorder at 547-3565 before the meeting.

**YACHATS CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCES THE
FOLLOWING VACANCIES:**

1 - Public Works and Streets Commission

1 - Term ending December 31, 2003

3 - Parks and Commons Commission

2 - Terms ending December 31, 2004

1 - Term ending December 31, 2005

Volunteers are required to attend the monthly meetings and may be asked to attend training sessions.

For a complete description of the duties and requirements, please ask at City Hall.

Those interested in serving on the Commissions or Committee can pick up a Volunteer Application Form at City Hall, 441 N. Hwy 101, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 p.m.

In order to provide the Commissions the opportunity to review the applications and make recommendations to City Council please submit as soon as possible.

Licenses Required



If you rent your home for less than 30 days you must have a Transient Rental License. Forms are available at City Hall.

Anyone you hire to do work in and around your home must have a City Business License even if the physical site for their business is located outside the City limits. You may check with City Hall for those that are licensed.

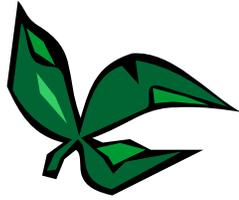


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CITIZENS ENCOURAGED TO REMOVE NOXIOUS WEEDS FROM THEIR PROPERTY

Tansy ragwort, scotch broom and purple loosestrife are all among the list of noxious weeds that are quite a problem on empty lots, in ditches beside the road, and on local hillsides. City Code requires property owners to eradicate the pests, and City Council has noted that it is important that the proper methods be used to ensure that more damage is not done.

The wet weather in late winter and early spring makes it easy to pull scotch broom. A weed-puller made especially for scotch broom can be checked out from City Hall.

Please contact the OSU Extension office at 574-6534 or Lincoln County Weed Control District at 574-1248 for more information about identification and removal of the weeds.

Further questions regarding vegetation identification and methods for the control or eradication of noxious vegetation should be referred to the Lincoln County Vegetation Management Committee or to the Oregon State Department of Agriculture weed control division.

LOW INCOME WAIVER ON WATER BILLS



Yachats Code allows the City Recorder to grant a partial waiver if the consumer is eligible.

A waiver of 50% of the monthly base water charge may be considered by the City Recorder based upon written request by the user, and documentation of eligibility for low income assistance from the State of Oregon. Based on the current base rate that waiver is \$11.50 per month.

If you meet the criteria, and would like your case considered contact the City Office.

PARKING

City Council and City Hall staff regularly receive complaints about vehicles parked in

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violation of the code. Those vehicles inconvenience residents and business owners alike. Vehicles are not suppose to be parked on the public right-of-way for more than 72 hours, nor are they to be parked on a street for the principal purpose of displaying the vehicle for sale; repairing or servicing the vehicle except for repairs necessitated by an emergency; or to sell merchandise from the vehicle, except when authorized.

City Council and the Planning Commission are working on resolutions for the parking problems in the city, and citizens can help out by being thoughtful and courteous of their neighbors.

**Annual Budget Summary Report for Fiscal Year
July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003**

<i>Reporting Through</i> Program	<i>4/30/03</i> Budget	Year to Date
General Administration	\$484,565	\$400,792
Library	\$18,664	\$15,971
Little Log Church & Museum	\$8,315	\$4,624
Parks & Commons*	\$171,903	\$117,602
Streets	\$84,700	\$69,921
Water	\$364,774	\$262,490
Sewer	\$320,100	\$197,285
In Reserve for Future Uses	\$916,253	\$915,252
Debt	<u>\$134,511</u>	<u>\$99,241</u>
	<u>\$2,503,785</u>	<u>\$2,083,178</u>

Latex Paint Collection
Saturday, May 17th at the Dump in Waldport.
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
For more information call 563-3888

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