

Vernonia City News...

At the May 15, 2017 City Council Meeting:

Council Approves Agreement on Property – Council approved acceptance of a property on Rose Avenue that is being transferred to the City from the Creps family. The property is in a wetland and can not be developed. The City will use the property to assist in storm water runoff issues in the area. City Administrator Josette Mitchell was authorized to sign a sale agreement.

City Administrator Report – City Administrator Josette Mitchell told the Council the City is requiring an extended warranty from the contractor for an additional 36 months on the DAF at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to ensure the installation of pressure grouting is secure.

Mitchell told the Council the architect for the Senior Center/Vernonia Cares project will be delivering plans to Planning, CDBG, and NW Code Pros for approval in about three weeks. Mitchell reported that once approval is received from all agencies the City can start the bid process to find a contractor.

Mitchell reported that the City and its legal representative have received no correspondence from the owners of Nickerson Ridge Estates.

Mitchell told Council that state authorities have been notified of continuing violations in Bear Creek at Rose Avenue and that those violations have been documented.

Mitchell told the Council that construction began on the picnic pavilion at Spencer Park and should be completed

around June 30. She also said the cemetery shed that is no longer used has been demolished.

Councilor Thanks Mitchell – Councilor Bruce McNair publicly thanked Casey Mitchell for his volunteer work during a three day period of May 13-15 when Mitchell operated heavy equipment during the demolition of the cemetery shed and the beginning of construction for the picnic shelter at Spencer Park.

Council Discusses Oversized Vehicle Parking – Following their brief regular City Council meeting, the Council met in a workshop to discuss the parking of oversized vehicles and other vehicles on City property. At issue was the use of a City owned lot on Rose Avenue. Councilor Mike Seager initiated the discussion, noting that the vehicles, especially vehicles that are for sale, do not make for a good visual entrance into the City and mentioned mud on the streets resulting from vehicles leaving this lot. City staff suggested blocking access to the lot. Councilor Bruce McNair lobbied for the City to provide an alternative place for oversize vehicles to park. Staff noted that the City needs to create an ordinance that governs city owned lots and said they would bring back information for the Council to consider at a future Council meeting. Council and staff agreed that input from the community on the issue should be encouraged and welcomed.

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Reports Taken/Arrests

- April 15, 2017 Report of an Abandoned Vehicle on Nehalem Hwy S.
- April 16, 2017 Arrested on a Warrant near Madison Ave.
- April 18, 2017 Arrested for Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Resisting Arrest near Rose Ave. and Bridge St.
- April 19, 2017 Report of a Non-injury Hit and Run near California Ave.
- April 20, 2017 Report of a Non-injury Hit and Run near Mississippi Ave.
- April 23, 2017 Report of Theft II near North St.
- April 23, 2017 Detained for a Parole Violation near East Bridge St. and Lakeview Dr.
- April 24, 2017 Arrested on a Felony Warrant near Maple St.
- April 25, 2017 Report of a Non-injury Hit and Run near Weed Ave.
- April 25, 2017 Arrested on a Warrant near Weed Ave.
- April 27, 2017 Report of a Bomb Threat near Missouri Ave.
- April 28, 2017 Report of a Dog Attack near Jefferson Ave.
- May 3, 2017 Arrested on a Warrant near Jefferson Ave.
- May 5, 2017 Cited for Unauthorized Use and Entry of a Motor Vehicle near North St.
- May 9, 2017 Informational Report taken
- May 9, 2017 Arrested on a Felony Warrant near Maple St.
- May 12, 2017 Report of a Stolen Vehicle near Riverside Dr.
- May 13, 2017 Report of Criminal Trespass near Nehalem St.
- May 14, 2017 Arrested on a Warrant near Ivy St.

Citations/Other

- April 21, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended/Uninsured near Rose Ave.
- April 21, 2017 Cited for Driving Uninsured and Improper Display near Bridge St.
- April 26, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended/Uninsured near Timber Rd.
- April 29, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Posted Speed 52 mph in a posted 35 mph near North Mist Dr.
- April 30, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended near Nehalem Hwy S.
- May 2, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended/Uninsured near Bridge St.
- May 4, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Posted Speed 51 mph in a 35 mph near North Mist Dr.
- May 5, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Posted Speed 54 mph in a 35 mph near North Mist Dr.
- May 6, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Posted Speed 71 mph in a 55 mph near Nehalem Hwy S.
- May 7, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Posted Speed 50 mph in a 35 mph near North Mist Dr.
- May 7, 2017 Cited for Failure to Maintain Lane and Driving Uninsured near Bridge St.
- May 7, 2017 Cited for Driving While Uninsured and Failure to Carry Proof of Registration near Grant Ave.
- May 7, 2017 Cited for Altered Vehicle Plates and Expired Tags near Grant Ave.
- May 8, 2017 Cited for Violation of the Basic Rule 85 mph in a 55 mph near Nehalem Hwy S.
- May 8, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended near Bridge St.
- May 8, 2017 Cited for Driving While Suspended and no Insurance near Rose Ave.

Vernonia Police Department responds to calls that do not always end in Arrest, Report, or Citation. 4/15/2017 through 5/16/2017 VPD had 366 calls for service.

HELP WANTED

Job Title: Utility Billing Clerk/ Receptionist

DEPARTMENT: Administration
REPORTS TO: City Administrator
EXEMPT/NON: Non-Exempt
GENERAL POSITION SUMMARY: This position is responsible for maintaining customer utility accounts. This includes monthly billing, creating and sending delinquency notices, receiving payments, creating new accounts, regular review of accounts. Other duties include receptionist, customer service, and assist in other tasks as needed. The successful candidate will be innovative, analytical, and creative in their approach to technology and problem solving techniques. Will have a positive attitude, the ability to be sympathetic while upholding the policies of the City and

provide excellent internal and external customer service. Ability to work with other employees, agencies, officials, committees, and the general public. The position will be 30-40 hours. Hourly wage will be \$12 (plus benefits and PERS). Submit a letter of interest, resume and a completed City application to: Human Resources Department, City of Vernonia, 1001 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064 or email all documents to financial@vernonia-or.gov. Application materials and full job description are available at: www.vernonia-or.gov, or in printed format at City Hall. All application materials must be received prior to 5:00 pm on June 1, 2017. For additional information, please call Human Resources at (503) 429-5291 x 107.

FORM LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Vernonia City Council will be held on June 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm at 1001 Bridge St Vernonia, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 as approved by the City of Vernonia Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 1001 Bridge St Vernonia, Oregon between the hours of 9am and 5pm. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting this is the same as used the preceding year. If different, the major changes and their effect on the budget are:

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2015-2016	Adopted Budget This Year 2016-2017	Approved Budget Next Year 2017-2018
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	1,759,344	1,886,250	1,683,507
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	2,288,652	2,110,376	2,281,430
Federal, State and all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations and Donations	133,121	2,051,000	2,970,583
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt	2,642,412	2,230,740	0
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	300,968	236,664	465,000
All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes	77,786	58,426	16,500
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	638,713	650,000	708,000
Total Resources	7,840,896	9,223,456	8,126,020

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Personnel Services	1,098,273	1,166,473	1,256,853
Materials and Services	3,680,232	5,318,627	4,187,913
Capital Outlay			
Debt Service	729,133	897,597	569,000
Interfund Transfers	300,968	184,674	465,000
Contingencies	0	683,515	709,872
Special Payments	0		
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure	0	972,570	936,382
Total Requirements	5,808,606	9,223,456	8,126,020

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM *			
Name of Organizational Unit or Program FTE for that unit or program			
General Administrative	487,275	530,221	586,835
FTE 4.0	3.2	4.0	3.6
Library	95,619	101,811	111,994
FTE 1.5	1.4	1.5	1.3
Police	457,208	498,418	525,062
FTE 4.0	4.5	4.5	4.8
Airport	10,818	7,468	13,202
FTE 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cemetery	12,707	15,763	17,666
FTE 2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Parks	261,953	123,072	161,269
FTE 1.1	0.8	1.1	1.3
Water	439,921	573,642	568,956
FTE 2.6	3.2	2.6	2.7
Sewer	512,817	431,321	544,933
FTE 2.0	2.8	2.0	2.0
Streets	119,396	193,742	230,214
FTE 5	0.7	0.5	0.5
Sewer SDC		167,200.0	0.0
FTE .3		0.0	0.0
Sewer Rehab	2,646,331	2,251,152	981,583
FTE 3	0.4	0.3	0.0
CDBG Fund	0	2,050,000	1,988,000
FTE 0	0	0.0	0.0
Timber Fund		7,774.0	5,774
FTE 0		0.0	0.0
Not Allocated to Organizational Unit or Program		2,754,531.0	2,356,732
FTE			
Total Requirements	5,044,845	7,481,141	8,092,220
Total FTE 16.4			

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES and SOURCES OF FINANCING *

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
	Rate or Amount Imposed 2014-2015	Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2015-2016	Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2016-2017
Permanent Rate Levy (rate limit 5.8163 per \$1,000)	5.8163	5.8163	5.8163
Local Option Levy			
Levy For General Obligation Bonds			

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1,	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1
LONG TERM DEBT		
General Obligation Bonds		
Other Bonds	\$7,213,650	\$0
Other Borrowings	\$803,059	\$0
Total	\$8,016,709	\$0

The Vernonia Transfer Station is open on the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 8am-2pm

**May 13 & 27
June 10 & 24**

Dates and times are subject to change due to weather

Vernonia City Council Meetings and Closures

City Council Meetings are scheduled for 7:00 pm:
Monday, June 5, 2017
Monday, June 19, 2017

City Closures are scheduled for:
Monday, May 29, 2017
Memorial Day Holiday

Dates and times subject to change