

IN BRIEF

Astoria seeks feedback to building rules in landslide zones

Astoria is holding a virtual open house through June 20 as the city develops an ordinance around building in landslide zones.

With most of the city in landslide zones, city staff is recommending geotechnical reports for certain activities on medium- to high-risk hillsides to limit legal liability.

The city's Community Development Department is hosting a virtual open house to help residents understand landslide risks and offer an opportunity for feedback on how the ordinance can balance risk and property rights.

People can access the open house at tinyurl.com/astorialandslides

Harbor porpoise calf found in Gearhart



GEARHART — The parents of Portland resident Andie Robertson photographed a harbor porpoise at the beach in Gearhart on Saturday.

Tiffany Boothe, of the Seaside Aquarium, identified the calf.

"Harbor porpoises are our most common cetacean and their calving season is June through August so it is not uncommon this time of year," Boothe said. "We usually respond to a half dozen or so each season. This was a newborn calf with its umbilical cord still attached."

Boothe recovered the calf Saturday and it will be taken to Portland State University for a necropsy.

— *The Astorian*

Gray whale necropsy performed in Ocean Park

LONG BEACH, Wash. — The peninsula's second deceased gray whale in May came ashore south of the Ocean Park beach approach and has been necropsied by researchers.

It isn't uncommon for grays belonging to the abundant Eastern Pacific population to die of various natural causes, with a few being washed onshore rather than sinking.

More than usual washed up in 2019, with scientists suspecting that they were weakening by poor nutritional conditions.

— *Chinook Observer*

DEATHS

June 5, 2020

SCHULBACH, August, 93, of Astoria, died in St. Helens. Ocean View Funeral & Cremation Service of Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

May 30, 2020

SMITH, Mildred A., 98, of Longview, Washington, formerly of Astoria, died in Longview. Steele Chapel at Longview Memorial Park is in charge of the arrangements.

ON THE RECORD

Assault

• Jafonta'e Marcell Earl McClendon, 25, of Portland, was arrested on Saturday on the Astoria Riverwalk for assault in the fourth degree.

was arrested Sunday on Necanicum Drive and Fourth Avenue in Seaside for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

• Jacob Hefford, 23, of Bonney Lake, Washington, was arrested Saturday on Avenue A in Seaside for DUII.

DUII

• Richard Shapiro, 69, of Littleton, Colorado,

PUBLIC MEETINGS

TUESDAY

Clatsop County Planning Commission, 10 a.m., (electronic meeting).
Lewis & Clark Fire Department Board, 6 p.m., main fire station, 34571 U.S. Highway 101 Business.
Warrenton City Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.

WEDNESDAY

Clatsop Soil and Water Conservation District Board, 10 a.m., (electronic meeting).
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 6 p.m., (electronic meeting).
Wickiup Water District Board, 6:30 p.m., 92648 Svensen Market Road, Svensen.
Warrenton-Hammond School District, 7 p.m., (electronic meeting).

THURSDAY

Seaside Civic Convention Center Commission, 5 p.m., Seaside Civic and Convention Center, 415 First Ave.
Gearhart Planning Commission, 6 p.m., (electronic meeting).

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BLACK LIVES MATTER

The Black Lives Matter protest marched through the streets of downtown Astoria.

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Activists chant 'Black Lives Matter' in downtown Astoria on Saturday afternoon. The protest was organized by Warrenton High School students.



An activist burns sage while talking with counterprotesters Miles Rudduck.



A protester plays a saxophone to drown out the shouts of counterprotesters.



Bubbles blow from Jeff Daly's Joy Train at the intersection near the protest.



Activists and counterprotesters attempted to drown one another out with bullhorns, whistles and saxophones.



Indivisible North Coast Oregon activists drove by with decorated cars to support the Black Lives Matter protest.