

## Water, sewer, recycling and other city services to go up

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Fees for a variety of city services are going up.

Residents will pay more for curbside recycling, sewer service, water service, renting the community center and mooring a boat at one of the city's two marinas.

"The reason for the increase is because prior city commissions chose not to impose any increases," Mayor Pro Tem Rick Newton said during a discussion on water rates. "We're playing catch up. We're not raising rates just because we feel like it."

Tuesday's City Commission meeting was filled with votes on city service fee increases.

Rate increases are decided over two City Commission meetings to give the public an opportunity to comment on the proposals. So most of the rates approved Tuesday will need a second vote June 26. New rates would be effective July 1.

**Recycling:** Every-other-week curbside pickup rates will rise from \$7.13 per month to \$7.38 per month. The 3.5 percent increase comes to the city from its recycling ven-

dor, Recology, and the city is passing the increase along to residents.

**Sewer service:** A 5 percent increase is proposed.

**Water rates:** A 7 percent increase is proposed.

**Community center:** Increases of 4.4 to 5.7 percent are recommended. Cost for the meeting room and kitchen would be \$47 per hour or \$37 for just the meeting room.

**Marina moorage:** A long list of mostly small fee increases is proposed, ranging from moorage to water, garbage, oil dump and electricity.

New penalties are being added for those who put fish guts and other waste into the water, dump excess trash or attempt to use facilities without paying.

"The proposed rate increases are necessary to aid in future capital improvements, such as the Warrenton pier improvements and repairs and the Hammond maintenance dredging and bank stabilization," Harbormaster Jane Sweet told commissioners.

### Legal ads

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
FOR THE COUNTY OF CLATSOP

In the Matter of the Estate of DALE EDWARD LARSON, Deceased  
Case No.: 18PB04556

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Robin Larson Jensen has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Personal Representative c/o Moberg & Rust, Attorneys at Law, P.C., 842 Broadway, Seaside Oregon 97138, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the lawyer for the Personal Representative, Ashley Flukinger.

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## Batters up!



Courtesy Debbie Morrow

Baseball coach Lennie Wolfe holds the dedication plaque for new batting cages under the bleachers at Warrenton High School. Next to him is donor Walt Ferguson, with walker. They're surrounded by members of the boys and girls ball teams. Softball coach Staci Mieth is in back on the left.

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When Walt Ferguson of Ferguson Timber donated money to Warrenton High School for batting cages, he said the only thing he wanted in return was to see players' batting averages improve, said Staci Mieth, the campus' softball coach.

"Imagine my pride when I was able to tell him they did just that," Mieth said. "We've had one of the best team averages in history. He couldn't hold back the tears."

It recently was completed under the bleachers at the high school. Players have dubbed the facility "Walt's Lumberyard."

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing is scheduled before the **Warrenton City Commission** at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 26, 2018 in the Commission Chambers, Warrenton City Hall, 225 S Main Avenue, Warrenton, regarding an appeal of an approval for wetland hardship variance application (V 15-4) for development of four duplexes submitted by Terry & Nancy Ager. The subject property is located at 204-240 NW Cedar Avenue and includes Tax Lots 81016DDB01700, 01600, 01601.

This appeal will be reviewed under the procedures, applicable standards and criteria in Warrenton Municipal Code Chapters 16.156.080 Wetland Hardship Variance and 16.208.050 Type III Procedure (Quasi-Judicial).

Anyone wishing to participate in the above-noted public hearing may present testimony orally at the public hearing, or submit written testimony, which must be received by the Warrenton Planning and Building Department no later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the hearing. Written comments may be mailed to Kevin A Cronin, Interim Community Development Director, Warrenton Planning and Building Department, P.O. Box 250, Warrenton Oregon, 97146-0250. Failure to raise an issue on the record in person or by letter before the close of the record at the public hearing, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the decision-making body an opportunity to respond to the issue, will preclude appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals based on that issue.

Anyone wishing to review and/or purchase copies of the original application and/or staff report, the notice of decision and order, the appeal, or the appeal staff report to the City Commission may do so at the City of Warrenton Planning and Building Department, Warrenton City Hall, 225 South Main, Warrenton. The appeal staff report will be available for review at no cost at least seven days before the hearing. Copies may be purchased for a nominal fee. For more information call Kevin A Cronin at 503.861.0920.

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To place an obituary, please call 503-861-3331 from 1 to 5 p.m. weekdays or send an email to [office@thecolumbia-press.com](mailto:office@thecolumbia-press.com).

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