

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE VACATION OF A
PORTIONS OR ALL
OF UNDEVELOPED STREETS
IN THE TOWN PLAT OF W.C.
SMITH'S WARRENTON**

The City of Warrenton received a petition from Clatsop County on October 23, 2018 to vacate several streets in the original plat of Warrenton. The streets requested include Laurel and Pine Streets of the plat of WC Smith's Warrenton.

A public hearing on this request will be conducted by the Warrenton City Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, in the Commission Chambers at Warrenton City Hall, 225 S. Main Avenue, Warrenton. Any interested person may appear or present written or oral statements, in favor of, or in opposition to, said vacations. Any written remonstrance filed with the City prior to the time of hearing will be presented to the City Commission for its consideration. For more information, please call:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing is scheduled before the City of Warrenton Planning Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2018 at the Warrenton City Hall, Commission Chambers, regarding a land use application submitted by Wayne DeWilde for site design review for a 58-unit self (mini) storage facility utilizing revitalized shipping containers. The subject property, Tax Lot 81033A000600, is located at 2385 SE Dolphin Avenue.

This application will be reviewed under the procedures, applicable standards and criteria in Warrenton Municipal Code Chapter 16.60 General Industrial District, Chapter 16.116 Design Standards, Chapter 16.120 Access and Circulation, Chapter 16.124 Landscaping, Street Trees, Fences and Walls, Chapter 16.128 Vehicle and Bicycle Parking, Chapter 16.140 Stormwater and Surface Water Management; Chapter 16.144 Signs, Chapter 16.212 Site Design Review and Section 16.208 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, 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 application and/or staff report may do so at the City of Warrenton Planning and Building Department, Warrenton City Hall, 225 South Main, Warrenton. The staff report will be available for review at no cost at least seven days before the hearing. For more information call Kevin A Cronin at 503.861.0920 or city-planner@ci.warrenton.or.us.

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Letter to the Editor

**Anonymous letter
writer is a coward**

On Oct. 11, the Warrenton Planning Commission approved a request from Pacific Seafood requesting a change to the zoning text for the Pacific Fab building on the eastern edge of Hammond, directly adjacent to the Columbia River.

The change was to create a new type of housing not currently existing anywhere on the north coast of Oregon.

The Columbia Press ran a story Oct. 19 describing the request. After reading it, I talked to my neighbors and learned everyone on our block was opposed to the proposal.

I submitted a paid advertisement to the Columbia Press a short time later. In my paid opinion piece, I stated the complaints I'd heard from neighbors and challenged the Warrenton City Commission to hold a Town Hall meeting so people could comment about it.

About 2 weeks after my ad was printed, I received an anonymous letter at my home that was filled with hateful, disrespectful language intended to express one person's opinion of me.

The letter accused me of using obscured racism in my opinion piece and tried to rationalize that they did not want to identify themselves because they didn't want me to debate with them as they don't like the volume of my voice.

I am 99 percent disabled in my right ear, which causes me to speak at a higher than normal level. I apologize for that, but there is nothing I can do about it.

I believe the anonymous person didn't want to debate because they didn't want to justify their outrageous comments made in an aggressive manner.

It's cowardly to send such an abusive letter attempting to intimidate me into moving away from where I live because they don't believe I'm the right kind

of person for this area.

This person has nerve to imply their opinion is intellectually superior and therefore beyond comment from me. I believe anyone receiving a letter like this would be as outraged as I am.

I sent a copy of the letter to all Warrenton commissioners so they'd have the information and see the abuse I've put up with for simply stating my opinion. This person has motivated me to redouble my efforts to hold the city commission accountable when their actions appear less than transparent to me.

I believe this anonymous person lives in the condos at the north end of Heceta Street in Hammond. They are known for making multiple complaints about outdoor burning. In fact, the anonymous letter I received includes a comment about the outdoor burning of pallets at the Pacific Fab building.

People who don't agree with my views should send letters to the editor, where my comments were published, if they

want to refute me.

I always have documentary proof supporting my opinions. Unfortunately, the Pacific Seafood request is shrouded in substantial secrecy by them not fully explaining details of their plans until they obtain the zoning text change.

Minutes from the Planning Commission, submitted to city commissioners for their final vote, include statements Pacific Seafood now denies making and which prompted me to make some of the comments I made in my printed advertisement.

I have said on multiple occasions that I feel the Warrenton City Commission makes it difficult for residents to know what's happening on this and other issues.

I twice purchased advertising space in the Columbia Press. Residents like me who have stated their objections to the Pacific Seafood zoning text change caused commissioners to hold a Town Hall meeting to fully discuss the proposal.

Scott Widdicombe
Warrenton

This Week in Aboriginal History

by Carl A. Ellis



Supreme Court issues blow to Indian sovereignty

Dec. 14, 1823: The U.S. Supreme Court, in Johnson vs. McIntosh, decides the U.S. government holds title to all Indian lands based upon the Doctrine of Discovery. The Doctrine of Discovery was used by European monarchies to legitimize colonizing lands outside of Europe.

In this case, the court states title lay with the government of those subjects who traveled to and occupied a territory.

The decision is a blow to Indian sovereignty.

Dec. 15, 1890: Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull and 11 other tribe members are killed when shooting breaks out as police attempt to arrest Sitting Bull at his Standing

Rock cabin near Grand River, S.D. The killing was a major factor leading up to the Wounded Knee Massacre.

Dec. 16, 1566: Spanish conquistador Juan Pardo arrives at the Spanish settlement of Santa Elena, later known as Parris Island, S.C. He builds Fort San Juan next to a Catawba town called Jorara.

The fort is burned down by the Catawba about 18 months later.

Dec. 17, 1890: Sitting Bull and police officers who are killed during his arrest are buried with honor.

Dec. 18, 1835: A military baggage caravan is separated from its main force

near Micanopy, Fla., during a march from Jacksonville to Wetumpka. A group of Seminoles, led by Osceola, attack soldiers with the baggage caravan, killing most of them. The Battle of Black Point, as it is called, becomes the first battle of the Second Seminole War.

Dec. 19, 1675: A Narragansett village is attacked and 340 people die in the Great Swamp Massacre.

Dec. 20, 1935: The constitution and bylaws of Santa Clara Pueblo in New Mexico are approved by Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes.

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