

Burn rules: New law would protect air quality

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and the Oregon Department of Forestry.

Representatives of those agencies gave him conflicting information when he called for clarification, Demers told commissioners in March.

Demers proposed the city have two types of fee-based burn permits: one that would be good for the entire fire season and one that would be for a single instance of burning.

The city also should clarify that burn piles on cleared land cannot be larger than 10 feet by 10 feet by 4 feet, Demers said.



DEQ restricts the burning of entire trees, but is unclear about what constitutes an entire tree. For instance, is it OK to burn limbs and the trunk if the stump isn't included, Demers asked.

The city shouldn't get bogged down in semantics, the mayor responded.

"If you have a tree and it falls down in the yard or you have to cut it down because there's a hazard, ... can those be burned in a 10-by-10-by-4 fire? That's the sticking point for me," Balensifer said. "We received a clear call for regulation of the issue from constituents. I don't think we need to copy and paste DEQ's code."

He recommended leaving out confusing restrictions and adding a purpose statement to

specify the intent of the new rules – preventing problems for neighbors and ensuring community safety.

Commissioner Tom Dyer agreed.

"I don't want to be like Cannon Beach where you've got to get a permit to cut your tree," Dyer said.

City leaders agreed there will be two types of permits, burn pile size will be limited, and the new rules will ban commercial burns (such as carpenters who burn work scraps in the back yard, landscapers combining debris from various sites, and contractors clearing trees for a development).

An ordinance will be brought back to the City Commission to allow for public input and changes before it goes into law.

Levees: City still has work to do

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ing the city to do a video inspection of all 35 tide gates as well as \$1.6 million in geotechnical work to determine levee stability at the sites of the remaining unresolved encroachments.

The city has sent letters to the two offending properties, 426 S. Main and 532 S. Main. One has a garage and the other a home addition that included backfill, both cut into the levee's slopes. Both properties are for sale after the owners died.

Removal of the encroaching buildings will be required before the properties can sell, Kujala said.

"The nice thing is we're not dealing with evictions,"

Mayor Henry Balensifer said.

Kujala has begun working with state and federal lawmakers to pursue grants and low-cost or no-cost loans.

State legislators set aside \$6 million for tide-gate replacement and repair and \$15 million for levee assistance in the current fiscal budget, items for which Sen. Betsy Johnson fought hard, Kujala said.

"Warrenton isn't unique in dealing with aging infrastructure. But we are unique in that we have 35 tide gates," Kujala said. "ODOT (Oregon Department of Transportation) has just 50 tide gates in their whole inventory."

Bingham: Plant superintendent retires after 3 decades

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all be proud of."

Mayor Henry Balensifer presented a plaque to the retiring Bingham during the City Commission meeting.

"The water plant really is, in a sense, you," Balensifer told him. "Very few people would be able to create such a well-run plant. ... It's a happy and sad time and I cross my fin-

gers for the next step in the city's future."

County Commissioner Mark Kujala, the city's former mayor, described the day Bingham invited him to tour the plant.

"When I walked in, I thought, they must make microchips in here," Kujala said. "It was so sterile, so clean and everything in

its place."

Bingham said he viewed taking on the new 6 million gallon-per-day plant in 2003 as a career challenge.

"I'll miss the job, but I'm also going to enjoy my future."

The city is searching for a new superintendent, with the salary ranging from \$63,242 to \$76,872 per year.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of EMILY ELIZABETH NELSON, Deceased
Case No.: 19PB06425

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kristina Kay Perkins 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 Seaside Attorneys, 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.

Dated and first published on Aug. 30, 2019.

Ashley Flukinger, OSB No. 120864
Seaside Attorneys
842 Broadway
Seaside, Oregon 97138
Attorney for Personal Representative

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

In the Matter of the Estate of JEANNETTE P. GRAUE, Deceased
Case No.: 19PB06301

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Nancy Doty, Inc. has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of Jeannette P. Graue. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative c/o Lawrence, Lawrence & Queener P.C., 427 S. Holladay Drive, 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 attorney for the personal representative, Benjamin F. Lawrence, at the above address.

Dated and first published on Aug. 30, 2019.

Benjamin F. Lawrence
Attorney for Personal Representative

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING

- For supplemental budgets proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by 10 percent or more.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for City of Warrenton, Clatsop, State of Oregon, for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, will be held at Warrenton City Hall. The hearing will take place on Sept 10, 2019 at 6:00pm. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons. A copy of the supplemental budget may be inspected or obtained on or after August 30, 2019 at Warrenton City Hall between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm or at www.ci.warrenton.or.us.

Summary of Supplemental Budget Publish **only** those funds being modified

FUND: Facilities Maintenance Fund

Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1. Beginning Fund Balance	156,059	1. Facilities Maintenance-Materials & Svcs	166,359
2. _____	_____	2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____	3. _____	_____
Total Resources	207,059	Total Requirements	207,059

Comments:

Estimated expenditures for the completion of the emergency roof repair and replacement at City Hall and repairs at the Headstart building were carried over into the current fiscal year in the amount of \$80,059 and \$30,000 respectively. This change increases the Beginning Fund Balance by \$110,059 and increases total materials and services expenditures from \$56,300 to \$166,359