#### **LETTERS**

#### 2018 National Safe Digging Month

Residents of the Pacific Northwest are eager for sunshine and yard and garden projects. Unfortunately, more outdoor work can also mean damage to underground utility lines.

April is National Safe Digging Month, and NW Natural reminds anyone who plans to dig to call 811 to have underground utilities located first.

Reaching utility notification centers in Oregon and Washington is simple and free. Two days before the start of a project call 811, register online or use NW Natural's new safety app to have underground lines marked. Read more at www.nwnatural.com or www. digsafelyoregon.com.

Always report line damages — no matter how small — even a nick or gouge could affect a pipeline. If a natural gas line is accidentally hit and there's a smell of rotten eggs, or the sound of gas escaping, be sure to leave the area immediately and then call NW Natural's 24-hour emergency line at 800-882-3377.

Enjoy the sunshine and spring flowers and remember to call 811.

Teresa Brownlie NW Natural Gas, Astoria

#### Affordable housing one of our greatest challenges

Thank you to the Cannon Beach Gazette for reporting and editorializing on matters of concern to the public. Your attention helps involve and educate all of us, and it's an essential part of our representative democratic process and of a robust community.

One of our greatest challenges is the lack of affordable and available housing. I've been advocating and working to address housing issues for years as a community activist, as a Clatsop County planning commissioner, and

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now a county commissioner.

Currently, I work with state and local housing agency people. I also sit on the board of the regional Community Action Team, which addresses housing needs and solutions in Clatsop, Columbia, and Tillamook counties.

I also co-chair the Association of Oregon Counties' housing subcommittee, which works on defining needs and developing solutions for housing shortages all over Oregon. This is a problem all over the state, and we need good teamwork with partners all over the county, the region, and the state to solve it.

I'm passionately devoted to the well-being of people here, beginning with housing needs. As a community, we can and must work together and use the best in all of us to create conditions that result in meeting our housing needs.

**Lianne Thompson** Commissioner, Clatsop County, District 5

#### **Vote Tiffiny to help create** affordable housing

My name in Cindy Whitten. I have lived in Astoria for 25 years and have made this wonderful community my home. In my time here, I have witnessed firsthand many of the trials Astorians face.

One of my closest family members has been

working the same service job for years with stagnant wages and struggles to ensure their basic needs are being met. It is heartbreaking when young, hard-working Astorians don't make enough to pay their rent and utilities. Nobody should have to choose between having a roof over their head or paying their power bill.

I didn't believe things could change until I met Tiffiny. For those of you out of the loop, Tiffiny is running as a democrat to be our representative in Salem. Tiffiny is eager, ready to work on our behalf, and has the values to fight for folks in our community that need help. For years, Salem has been dragging their feet on passing legislation to help create affordable housing. I know Tiffiny will bring the fight for affordable housing to Salem and be the champion we need. That's why I plan on voting for her in this upcoming democratic primary and in the general election.

**Cindy Whitten Astoria** 

#### I support Orr

I am voting for John Orr for State Rep. I've known John for decades in many capacities and think he has the intelligence and integrity to do the job.

His main opponent Tim Josi, is a gang leader in the timber industry-funded lawsuit that some

counties are bringing against the Oregon Department of Forestry in an attempt to increase the amount of timber that can be taken from the state forests. Besides being an environmental rip off, it is costing the Oregon Department of Justice millions of dollars in taxpayer funds to defend the state. This after the state and the counties agreed, less than a decade ago, to a forest management plan that balanced timber harvest and environmental concerns.

John has an excellent environmental record, having served as the president of the North Coast Land Conservancy. I urge everyone concerned about protecting our forests for future generations to vote for John Orr. Mike Morgan

former mayor of Cannon Beach

#### **Vote Tiffiny Mitchell to** lead the North Coast

I first met Tiffiny Mitchell through North Coast Indivisible. Like me, Tiffiny joined because she knows we need to stand up for progressive policies that work for all. She always brings her passion, her smarts and her fearlessness to the table as part of the leadership of Indivisible.

When Zinke talks about trying to drill for oil off our beautiful Oregon I know Tiffiny will fight in Salem to protect our coastline. When ICE comes into our communities and pulls apart families, I know Tiffiny will stand up for those most vulnerable. And when the federal government strips away funding for services that so many people here depend on, I know Tiffiny will ensure that Salem picks up the slack.

I plan on voting for Tiffiny Mitchell for representative of District 32 in the Democratic primary this month and you should, too. Maridee Faber

Warrenton

#### Letters welcome

Letters should be exclusive to The Cannon Beach Gazette. We do not publish open letters or third-party letters. Letters should be fewer than 500 words and must include the

writer's name, address and phone numbers. You will be contacted to confirm authorship All letters are subject to editing for space, grammar and, on

occasion, factual accuracy. Letters written in response to other letter writers should address

the issue at hand and, rather than mentioning the writer by name,

should refer to the headline and date the letter was published. Discourse should be civil and people should be referred to in a respectful manner. Letters referring to news stories should also mention the headline and date of publication. Submissions may be sent in any of these ways:

E-mail to editor@cannonbeachgazette.com; Online form at www.dailyastorian.com; Delivered or mailed to the Gazette office at 1555 N. Roosevelt,

Seaside, OR, 97138.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION MAYOR: Sam Steidel COUNCILORS: Mike Benefield, Nancy McCarthy, Brandon Ogilvie and George Vetter **CITY MANAGER: Bruce St. Denis** 

### **MEETINGS MAY 2018**

**CANCELLED** 1 City Council Regular Meeting 8 City Council Special Meeting & Work Session 5:30 p.m. 9 Budget Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m. 16 Budget Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m. 19 Design Review Board 6:00 p.m.

23 Budget Committee Meeting (if necessary) 5:30 p.m.

26 Planning Commission

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, Cancelled - moved to April 10th

#### **CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING &** WORK SESSION, April 10, 2018

- Adopted Ordinance 18-02 Time Place Manner for Cannabis Related Businesses;
- Ordinance 18-03 Tree Removal sent back to Planning Commission;
- Ordinance 18-04 Multi Family Housing
- Amendments Failed; Adopted Resolution 18-03 Establishing South Wind Improvements Ad Hoc Advisory Board. Did not appoint
- members at this meeting. Adopted Proclamation 18-01; Declaring May as Sexual Abuse Awareness
- Adopted Proclamation 18-02; Declaring May as National Child Abuse Prevention Month
- Adopted Proclamation 18-03; Declaring May as Arbor Day in Cannon

- Met with the Parks & Community Services Committee:
- Gave approval for City Manager to begin recruitment for a full time emer-
- gency manager;
- Discussed the City Hall Building System Analysis report from Tolovana Architects and will discuss it more at another work session scheduled for Wednesday, April 18th at 5:30pm.

#### CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION, April 18, 2018 5:30pm

 Discuss the City Hall Building System Analysis report from Tolovana Architects in more detail.

**DESIGN REVIEW BOARD - The Design** Review Board April 19, 2018 meeting Cancelled.

PLANNING COMMISSION - The Planning Commission scheduled to meet April 26, 2018 at 6:00pm.

## Of Interest...

#### 12 DAYS OF EARTH DAY The Potluck for the 12 Days of Earth Day and Presentation of the Gaylord

**Nelson Award** Friday, April 20, 2018 • 6pm Council Chamber Community Hall Guest Speaker: Neal Maine Bring your favorite dish to share.

#### **TOURISM & ARTS FUND** APPLICATIONS/FUNDING **REQUESTS**

Non-profit organizations providing art related events to draw tourists to Cannon Beach in the shoulder and winter tourist season (September -June) are invited to apply for funding from the City of Cannon Beach Tourism

and Arts Fund. Applications must be submitted by

5:00 p.m., May 2, 2018.

Applications are available at Cannon Beach City Hall, 163 East Gower Street, P.O. Box 368, Cannon Beach, OR 97110, or electronically at www.ci.cannon-

#### **2018 COASTAL COMMUNITY FESTIVAL**

Come one, come all to the first Coastal Community **Festival** Saturday

May 12, 2018 9am - 7pm

Chamber City Park 207 N. Spruce For more info: www.cannonbeach.org

## **CITY OF CANNON BEACH BUDGET MEETINGS**

directly from your IRA to the OHSU Foundation to qualify.

The Cannon Beach City Council and Budget Committee will be meeting Wednesdays, May 9, 16 and 23, 2018 in the City Hall Council Chambers for FY 2018-19 Budget deliberations. The meetings will start at 5:30pm. More information and details will be forthcoming on the city website.

## HAYSTACK ROCK AWARENESS PROGRAM

**BEACH VOLUNTEERS WANTED!** Do you enjoy being outside and sharing your love of Haystack Rock? No experience necessary - we

train! Families welcome. https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us/hrap/page/hrap-

2017-beach-program-schedule

Please contact: Lisa Habecker Education & Volunteer Coordinator 503.436.8064 habecker@ci.cannon-beach.or.us

## **CITY HALL VACANCIES**

The City of Cannon Beach is advertising the following staff vacancies:

## **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR -**

Population 1705. Salary range \$73,000 - \$88,000 plus excellent benefits. Unique coastal residential/ resort community located 79 miles West of Portland on the Oregon Coast. Quality of life and the environment are highest priorities; summer daytime population averages 15,000. Under the general supervision of the City Manager, administers, plans, organizes, integrates and directs the programs and maintenance functions of the City's Public Works Department including water treatment and distribution system, roads and streets, wastewater treatment plant and wastewater collection system, stormwater, recycling and parks and all facilities. This position supervises the work of 13 employees and manages an average annual operations budget of \$5 million

and an average capital budget of \$500,000. Desirable qualifications include a Bachelor's or Master's degree in engineering, public administration or a closely related field and a minimum of three years progressively responsible senior management level experience in public works administration, experience with the administration, management, and regulations governing public work areas, operations, and maintenance. Experience with budgeting. Experience with managing bid processes, project management and the performance of contractors. Experience with reviewing construction plans and specifications. Experience in managing and supervising the work of Public Works staff.

## **CITY PLANNER -**

Population 1705. Salary range \$70,000 - \$86,000 plus excellent benefits. Unique coastal eesidential/ resort community located 79 miles West of Portland on the Oregon Coast. Quality of life and environment are highest priorities. Administers the City's

## Of Interest...

Comprehensive Plan; prepares recommendations for urban land which implement adopted development goals and visions for the community. Provides overall management and administration for planning, implementation and coordination of long and short-range community development programs and projects and the application of and compliance with City and State land use policies and regulations. Reviews/evaluates land use development applications, analyzes development trends, conducts special studies and makes recommendations to City management. Oversees and directs the work of consultants, the City Building Official, the city short term rental program and other city programs.

Desirable qualifications include experience as a City Planner with the same or similar role and level of responsibility. Experience in the application and interpretation of City, State, Federal laws, rules and regulations. Experience in management and administration, a Bachelor's degree in urban design, urban planning, public administration or a closely related field, two years progressive experience in addressing growth management or land use, preferably in a local government environment working with elected policy makers, commissions and boards.

Contact Colleen Riggs, Assistant City Manager, PO Box 368, Cannon Beach, 97110; phone (503) 436-8052 or e-mail riggs@ci.cannon-beach.or.us. Application: https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us/jobs.html. Submit City application, resume and cover letter to Assistant City Manager no later than 5:00pm May 4,

#### **NOTICE OF VACANCIES CITY COMMISSIONS, BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

The City of Cannon Beach is seeking applications for the following vacancies:

## **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (EPREP)**

**COMMITTEE:** TWO (2) vacancies to fill four-year terms. The EPREP Committee meets regularly for the purpose of providing evacuation planning and public education regarding emergency preparedness. The **Emergency Preparedness Committee normally holds** its regular meetings on the last Friday of each month at 9:00 a.m. and may schedule work sessions as needed.

To be eligible to serve on a City committee, applicants must have resided within the city or its urban growth boundary during the one year immediately preceding appointment; or at the time of appointment, shall have owned real property located within the city or its urban growth boundary for at least one year immediately preceding appointment. Applications with questionnaires are available at City Hall, 163 E. Gower Street, Cannon Beach, by email addressed to riggs@ci.cannon-beach.or.us, or on-line at www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us. For more information, please contact Colleen Riggs by email or phone at (503) 436-8052.