



February = March

City News

City Manager News: Volunteering

Are you looking for a ways to help our community? Volunteering is an essential component of building strong, resilient communities and volunteers enable the City to stretch tax dollars while working together to make improvements. Working alongside City Staff promotes relationship building, making new friends, and is good for your mind & body.

The City of Willamina has a variety of ways to be of service to our community:

Current Volunteer Opportunities

- **Budget Committee** - Review the City's annual budget in accordance with Oregon's Local Budget Law and Oregon Administrative Rules.
- **Library** – Support our little library in a variety of ways.
- **Planning Commission** - Help plan for growth and development within the city.

Coming Soon:

- **Community Emergency Response Team** – Educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may occur where they live.
- **Neighbors helping Neighbors** – Work alongside Code Enforcement in cleanup efforts, building a sense of ownership and pride in creating a healthier environment for everyone in our Community.

- **Parks and Open Spaces** – Volunteers will help to maintain trails, remove invasive plants, care for community open spaces, spruce up playgrounds, plant trees, and more.

If you are interested in any of the ways to volunteer or have other ideas to connect individuals through public service, please email meneleyb@ci.willamina.or.us or call 503.876.2242.

Start where you are. Use what you have.

Do what you can.
~ Arthur Ashe

AVAILABLE NOW

2023

Consumer Confidence Report

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) provides details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies.

View the report on our website at <https://www.willaminaoregon.gov/documents/consumer-confidence-report-2023/>

Request a paper copy by visiting City Hall or calling (503) 876-2242



Annual Utility Rate Increase

Notice a higher utility bill? Each year in January, water and sewer rates are increased by 5%. This was approved by City Council in 2018 by Resolution No. 17-18-11.

The February 15th billing cycle reflects this increase.

For more information about utility billing, check out our webpage at: willaminaoregon.gov/water-and-sewer-service



Why increase rates?

Maintenance, repair and improvements are important to providing safe drinking water. Increasing the utility rates allow the City to:

- Upgrade facilities (such as the water intake) to allow for long-term savings.
- Maintain and repair facilities
- Cover increasing cost of supplies
- and maintain a contingency fund for unforeseen expenses.

City Council

Regular City Council Meetings are scheduled the second Tuesday 6:00 PM:

- March 12, 2024
- April 9, 2024

Public Input: Presentations not scheduled on the Agenda are limited to three (3) minutes. Longer presentations should be submitted to the City Recorder prior to the meeting.

Meetings are held hybrid:

In person at the West Valley Fire Station, 825 NE Main Street, Willamina

via Zoom: a link is posted to the website prior to the Meeting at <https://www.willaminaoregon.gov/departments/public-meetings/>

Hours: Monday through Thursday 11 AM - 5 PM



www.willaminaoregon.gov/library
FB @WillaminaOregonPublicLibrary
Instagram @willaminapubliclibrary
Discord @willaminapubliclibrary
X @WillaminaPubLib

Library Director: Sarah Frost, frosts@ci.willamina.or.us

MARCH Programs, Events, and Meetings

- 2nd 11 AM: Tantalus Troupe Workshop
- 4th 4:30 PM: Book Club for Adults: The First Ladies
- 5th 6:30 PM: Friends Board Meeting
- 9th 12:00 PM: Tantalus Troupe
- 11th 2-5 PM: West Valley Fiber Enthusiasts
- 16th 10-3 PM: Science Fest 2024
Join us at the Carlton Observatory Science Fest at Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum
- 18th - 21st: CLOSED for Spring cleaning
- 19th 6 PM: Library Board Meeting
- 23rd: Saturday Programs
- 11 AM - Youth Programming Committee: Summer Planning Interested volunteers welcome to attend
- 12 PM - Minecraft Club
- 1-3 PM - Perler Beads
- 6-7 PM - Astronomy Club
- 26th (2-4), 28th (2-4), 30th (12-3) - Spring Break Activities
COMING SOON to Willamina Library:
Wi-Fi Printing, T-Mobile Hotspots, Technology Assistance, and new - extended hours
- contact: Sarah Frost, frosts@ci.willamina.or.us

CALENDAR:

Check our website regularly for meeting changes and important notices

- March 12 6pm City Council Regular Meeting
- March 19 6pm Willamina Library Board Meeting
- March 26 6pm Planning Commission Meeting

- Wednesdays 8am Chamber of Commerce Meetings
- Wednesdays 4pm Civic Club Food Pantry Distribution
- Saturdays 1pm Willamina's Museum of History open

IMPORTANT DATES:
MARCH 18TH-21ST LIBRARY CLOSED FOR SPRING CLEANING

West Valley Fiber Enthusiasts



now at the Willamina Public Library 2nd Monday Monthly 2PM-5PM

Our open-format welcomes all ages interested in the fiber arts: spinning, knitting, crochet, weaving, sewing, embroidery, tatting, felting... Beginners to Experts



South Yamhill River Astronomy Club
Visit us March 16th, 10a-3p, at the Carlton Observatory Science Fest at Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum

Next Meeting: Saturday, March 23, 6:00 PM @ Willamina Library



Scan the NEW/UPDATED QR code to sign up for our Newsletter

a Willamina Public Library club
FREE FOR EVERYONE

New Moon: March 10
March Equinox: March 20
Full Moon: March 25