



October - November

# **City News**

#### **City Manager News**

Without a strong team core, the foundation of the team can feel like a game of Jenga; just one small change and the entire structure can crumble. City Staff are working together to make sure that our structure remains strong which is needed to bring visions to reality. Internally, our teams have been cross training amongst positions, changing the culture from a traditionally siloed environment to one of a more cohesive and supportive team environment. This type of culture allow us to build a strong foundation for the community from the inside out. As shared last month, one of the many goals that the staff and City Council is working on to better serve the City of Willamina, is networking with as many individuals as possible in order to continuously improve ourselves and our community. Networking with local cities and with individuals across the state is where the continuous improvement mission begins; we are looking forward to business growth, building strong relationships, and gaining trust within our community ensuring that we are reaching out to all areas.

Recently, City Staff have attended various trainings to learn about improving the following areas:

- Finance Networking
- Human Resource Development
- Mainstreet America (growing business district)
- League of Oregon Cities (laws & regulations)
- Public Works
- Court Processes
- Code Enforcement

"Being a part of a community is important to finding others with the same values, interests, and world views makes us realize that we are not alone and makes us feel valued." - Happiness.com

#### News for Entrepreneurs

Do you have an exciting opportunity to bring business into the City of Willamina? If so, we'd love to meet with you! Often there are City and County processes that need to be completed and we are here to help you. We're happy to invite the County officials to meetings as well to help streamline the process. Please know we are excited that individuals want to offer new options for community members to shop and are serving a need in our community. Our philosophy is to ensure safety while looking for ways to make these types of projects a success! Please come see us from the beginning, as a part of your research and discovery phase of generating your business plans.

#### **Fire District Seeks Volunteers**

Grand Ronde Emergency Services is now accepting applications for volunteer Firefighters, EMS, Tender Operators, and Support Staff. You can pick up an application at the Willamina Fire Station, or go online to grandronde.org/services/emergency-services.

Volunteers must be 18 years or older.



503-879-3473 • Willamina Station: 825 NE Main St

### YCAP Needs Survey - Chance to win \$100

YCAP is asking citizens to take their survey to better understand the unique needs of our community. Scan the QR Code or go to:

<u>www.surveymonkey.com/r/YCAPCommunityNeedsSurvey</u> to complete a quick 10 minute survey about the greatest needs in Yamhill County. If you complete the survey, you can enter into a raffle for a chance to win \$100.

Survey responses are anonymous.



## **City Council**

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

November 14, 2023 December 12, 2023

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/important-notices.

