

October 2015

## MEETINGS

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Economic Dev. Meeting 6:00 pm7th  
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All meeting agendas and materials are posted on the City's website at:

[www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org).

Agendas are also posted on the bulletin board in the lobby at:

City Hall  
17 S. Buchanan Ave  
Eagle Point, OR 97524  
For questions regarding City meetings, contact  
Cindy Hughes,  
City Recorder at  
541-826-4212 ext 106

## \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT CHANGES TO UTILITY BILL LATE FEES\*\*\*\*\*

During the last few months, the Eagle Point City Council has considered adjusting utility bill late fees to encourage prompt payment and lessen the impact to citizens that are not able to make a timely payment. Following a public hearing on August 25, 2015, the City Council determined it is in the best interest of the city and its citizens to approve the following changes:

- Adding a new \$5.00 pink notice late fee to utility accounts if a pink reminder/late notice is mailed, typically on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month if an account has not been paid. The new fee will be put into place on October 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Notice to Disconnect Fees (yellow door tag) will be reduced from \$40.00 to \$25.00, effective with any yellow door tags issued starting in September.

Please visit [www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org) to pay online (fee applies), view your account balance, see previous payments, or review consumption and bill history. Other payment methods include:

- Automatic monthly ACH payments. This will draft payment from your checking/savings account (see city website for authorization form).
- Automatic bill pay with your banking institution.
- Payment at City Hall using cash, checks, or money orders (Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- Convenient Drop Box located in front of City Hall (checks or money orders).

Thank you for making your payments on time and helping to make Eagle Point a great place to live!



## AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM SIGNUPS STILL AVAILABLE!

A new school year has begun and the afterschool program is off to a successful start with 36 kids registered. The afterschool program is available to families in the Upper Rogue area. Students are bussed to Hillside Elementary where they meet as a group and walk to the Outback Gym. Spaces are still available! Contact City Hall or Rogue Valley YMCA for program options and details.

## YOUTH SPORTS FALL 2015 - Register now at City Hall or Rogue Valley YMCA!

Flag Football 1st-6th grade; and Volleyball 3rd-6th grade.

Keep an eye out for other upcoming activities offered to the Upper Rogue area throughout the year. Winter Basketball registrations begin in December with games running January - March.

For more information on these programs please call City Hall (541) 826-4212, visit the city website at [www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org), or contact the Rogue Valley YMCA (541) 772-6295.



## CITY OF EAGLE POINT ANNUAL LEAF PICKUP

THE CITY OF EAGLE POINT WILL CONDUCT ITS ANNUAL LEAF PICKUP FROM MONDAY NOVEMBER 16 THROUGH FRIDAY DECEMBER 18, 2015. PICKUPS WILL NOT OCCUR BEFORE OR AFTER THESE DATES.

- **BAGGED LEAVES ONLY** — CREWS ARE NOT ABLE TO PICK UP BAGS CONTAINING OTHER DEBRIS. PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE: LIMBS, BRUSH, PRUNINGS, LAWN CLIPPINGS, GARBAGE.
- **BAGGED LEAVES MUST WEIGH LESS THAN 40 LBS TO BE PICKED UP.**
- **PLEASE DO NOT PLACE BAGS IN THE STREET** — ALL BAGS SHOULD BE PLACED BEHIND THE CURB FOR PICKUP. BAGS CANNOT BE COLLECTED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.
- **PLEASE DO NOT BLOW LEAVES INTO THE STREETS.**

THE CITY CANNOT SPECIFY THE EXACT DATE LEAVES WILL BE PICKED UP ON A PARTICULAR STREET. PROGRESS MAY BE AFFECTED BY WEATHER, LEAF VOLUMES AND OTHER TIME DEMANDS PLACED UPON THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE CITY FOR PICKUPS.

ANY PERSON WISHING TO OBTAIN BAGGED LEAVES FOR MULCH MAY REQUEST THEM BY PHONING THE PUBLIC WORKS SHOP AT 826-4212 EXT 138.

PLACEMENT OF LEAVES IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY INCLUDING CURB OR SIDEWALK AREA DURING TIMES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED AS PICKUP DATES IS A VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCE.

## Winter Hours and Closures

As winter approaches, the cooler weather brings a few changes around town. Park restrooms will be closed and winterized to prevent frost damage, typically between October and November. Winter hours will begin for both the Eagle Point Museum and Harnish Wayside Visitors Center starting October 1, 2015 as follows:

Eagle Point Museum - Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11-4 p.m.  
Harnish Wayside Visitors Center - Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10-4 p.m.

# COMMUNITY events



Old Wood House Harvest Festival.....October 3rd-4th  
 Harvest Festival at Harnish.....October 31st  
 Old Wood House Halloween Open House.....October 31st  
*Check the city website for more activities and information!*  
 Looking ahead....Daylight savings time ends November 1st

## Community Planning Month



*October is National Community Planning Month. This year's theme is Healthy Communities, Healthy People, emphasizing the impact that the built environment can have on residents' health. To bring attention to this important issue, the City is adopting a resolution proclaiming the month of October 2015 as Community Planning Month in the City of Eagle Point.*



## Winterizing Your Sprinkler System

With the wet weather just around the corner, many people will be shutting down their sprinkler system for the winter. City staff would like to emphasize the importance of winterizing systems, and removing water from pipes, valves and sprinkler heads before freezing occurs. Winterization is the best way to protect your irrigation investment from potentially serious damage this winter and costly water leaks in the spring.

## PUBLIC NOTICE - Eagle Point Needs You!!

**Become part of an enthusiastic and innovative group of Eagle Point residents and business owners working together to create a strong, thriving local economy.**

The City of Eagle Point is accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the Economic Development Commission!

The vacancy on the Economic Development Commission may be filled by a resident or non-resident of the City of Eagle Point having a vested interest in Eagle Point. Residents must currently reside within the City limits, have resided in the City for at least one full year and must be eligible to register to vote.

Applications are available online at [www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org) or they may be picked up at Eagle Point City Hall, 17 Buchanan Avenue South, Eagle Point, Oregon. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications as soon as possible. For more information, contact Cindy Hughes, City Recorder at 541-826-4212 ext. 106.

## Oregon Drive Less Challenge October 5-8, 2015

The Oregon Drive Less Challenge is happening this month. Our state is looking to log one million miles of walking, biking, carpool, and transit trips this year. Register for Drive Less Connect today!

- Over \$10,000 in Statewide Prizes
  - Two Weeks of Events in the Rogue Valley
  - Local Prizes and Challenges
  - Social Media Photo Contests
  - Kick Off Party - October 4th at Science Works
- Go to [DriveLessConnect.com](http://DriveLessConnect.com) for more information.



## 2015 Harvest Festival at Harnish



No tricks, just treats! Join us at the Harnish Wayside Visitors Center, 128 Old Hwy 62, for a Harvest Festival on October 31 from 4 p.m.- 7 p.m. All ages are welcome, and costumes are encouraged! Come celebrate with games, treats, fun activities, and a costume contest. Treats and activities are FREE!

## Old Wood House 2nd Annual Harvest Festival

The Old Wood House Harvest Festival will be held October 3 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and October 4 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at 12988 Hwy 62. This event is hosted by Southern Oregon Branch 141, EDGE. Parking and admission is free; donations will be accepted to benefit the Woodhouse Preservation Group, a non-profit 501c3 charitable organization. For more information call 541-826-2177 or visit [www.oldwoodhouse.org](http://www.oldwoodhouse.org).

## Old Wood House Halloween Open House

The Old Wood House Halloween Open House will be held October 31, 2015 from 5 p.m.-10 p.m.



## Halloween Safety Tips to Keep Kids Safe

### Walk Safely

- Cross the street using crosswalks and traffic signals.
- Watch for cars, do not dart or cross between parked cars.
- Put electrical devices down, and make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of traffic.

### Trick or Treat With an Adult

- Kids should NOT trick-or-treat without adult supervision.
- Stick to well lit, familiar areas, and trick-or-treat in groups.

### Keep Costumes Both Creative and Safe

- Decorate costumes with reflective tape or stickers.
- Use face paint or makeup, as masks can obstruct vision.
- Carry glow sticks or flashlights to increase visibility.

### Drive With Extra Caution on Halloween

- Slow down and be alert. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Eliminate distractions inside vehicle.
- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for pedestrians during those hours.

## Nothing is Scariet on Halloween Than a Drunk Driver!

On Halloween Nights between 2009-2013, 119 people were killed by drunk driving and 43 percent of all motor vehicle deaths involved drunk driving across the country, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Stay safe and protect friends and neighbors with these tips:

- Plan a safe way home before you party. Alcohol impairs judgment.
- If driving, always designate a sober driver before the event.
- Buzzed driving is drunk driving. Don't drink and drive.
- If you suspect a drunk driver on the road, contact law enforcement.
- If you see someone intending to drive impaired, take their keys and help them get home safely.
- Walking impaired can be as dangerous as driving. Designate a sober friend to get you home safely.

