

# City of Shady Cove **INSIDER**



## **City of Shady Cove** *"and a river runs through it!"*

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## **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

During the April 16th City Council meeting, our City Administrator presented the City's financial results through the end of the third quarter of the current fiscal year. All funds are on track with the budget.

The Budget Committee will meet on May 4th at 9:00 a.m., in the City Council chamber to review, approve, and recommend to the City Council, a budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016.

Immediately prior to the Budget Committee meeting, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing regarding the use of State Subventions. State Subventions are (in this case) a City's share of gasoline, alcohol, and cigarette taxes distributed on a per capita basis as long as the City provides at least 4 of the 7 specified services.

The Budget Committee consists of the City Council and Public Members: Joan Reitz, Lena Richardson, Mary Gunderlock and Gary Endicott. A Public Member vacancy exists on the Committee.

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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING: APRIL 2, 2015**

The meeting commenced with an excellent presentation by Fire District #4 Chief, Rod Edwards. He commenced with an overview of the District including scope of responsibility and services provided. He then provided a monthly history of activities and accomplishments back to January 2014. The presentation was concluded with a summary of strategic objectives for the ensuing years. In all, a very thorough and positive outlook.

Following a second reading of Ordinance No. 270 "An Ordinance of the City of Shady Cove, Oregon establishing medical marijuana facility business licenses", the City Council voted unanimously for approval.

A Resolution adding to the City's Fee Schedule, a supplemental fee for medical marijuana business licenses, authorized by Ordinance No. 270, was unanimously approved. The supplemental business license fee is \$25,000 per year.

The \$25,000 fee was unanimously approved by the City Council, to protect the current public from projected potential additional police (Sheriff) expenses, associated with marijuana facilities being added to our community by State dictate. Additional public safety activities, associated with medical marijuana facilities, will be reported to the public.

Ordinance No. 268, approved in September 2014, authorizes the City to impose a 5% tax on sales of medicinal

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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING: APRIL 2, 2015** *continued*

marijuana and marijuana infused products. The above noted Ordinance No. 270 authorizes the City to charge a supplemental business license fee for business which dispense medicinal marijuana.

A Resolution was unanimously approved wherein the Council must determine each year prior to the budget preparation whether to impose a sales tax or supplemental business license fee for the ensuing fiscal year. At no time will both be charged concurrently.

Finally, a Resolution was unanimously approved to impose the supplemental business license fee for the fiscal year 2015-2016.

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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING: APRIL 16, 2015**

A Resolution ratifying the 2015-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement was unanimously approved. Highlights of the agreement include:

1. The Agreement is for 2 years.
2. Employees will be given a 1% pay increase on 07/01/2015 and 07/01/2016. These **will** increase employees base pay used for subsequent increases and retirement.
3. Employees will be given a 1.75% “bonus” payment on 11/01/2015 and 11/01/2016. These **will not** increase their base pay used for subsequent increases and retirement.
4. The title of Planning Technician is created. The position will reflect a 5% increase, at Step A, to the pay rate for Administrative Assistant at Step E. The City’s objective is to achieve a higher level of planning knowledge, in house.
5. Debby Jermain will be promoted into the Planning Technician position on 07/01/2015.
6. A career/path improvement opportunity is created for the Maintenance I position. ODOT sponsors a training program called “Road Scholars”. It consists of 10 sections to be completed over a 5 year period. The wage of a Maintenance I employee will be increased by 2% with successful completion of the first 5 sections and an additional 3% at the successful conclusion of the program. This is consistent with the incentive program available for increased education.
7. The City will pay for 50% of the cost for text books when employees are participating in the increased education incentive program.

The City Council also unanimously agreed to cancel the July 2, 2015 City Council Meeting.

The City Council asked the City Administrator to pursue 2 items:

- I. Language to develop an ordinance which would require residents to remove dead trees. The City is designated a wildfire hazard zone and dead trees add to the exposure. Infestations of tree borer beetles in fir trees spread rapidly exacerbating that exposure.
- II. The City has been asked to find a new location for the Annual City Wide Clean Up. The Council believes a City sponsored clean up provides a valuable service and should continue. If a viable location is identified the clean up will be late summer/early fall this year, rather than May. It will occur in May for ensuing years.

## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

On May 7th, the City Council will hold 3 Public Hearings during the regular City Council Meeting. The subjects are:

1. An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance permitting the sale of medicinal marijuana in the General Commercial Zone.
2. A Supplemental Budget for the current fiscal year.
3. Revised System Development Charges (SDC's).

On May 21st, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing during the regular City Council Meeting. The subject is the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016.

On June 18th, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing during the regular City Council Meeting. The subject is the addition of vacation rentals by property owners in the Zoning Ordinance.

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## PLANNING COMMISSION

In April the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on changing the Ordinance governing zoning for Shady Cove. Supported by public input, the Planning Commission recommended to the City Council that the City permit medical marijuana facilities to be within the General Commercial zone using the restrictions set by the State of Oregon. A separate decision will be made later this year regarding recreational marijuana businesses within Shady Cove.

The Planning Commission completed in April, a draft to update the Comprehensive Plan. The Plan is now under review by the City Planner. Following this review there will be a review by the Department of Land Conservation and Development in Salem. Public Hearing(s) regarding the update to the City's Comprehensive Plan will come later this year giving you a chance to comment on and affect the update that will be eventually adopted by the City Council to guide future decisions.

Upcoming also will be a Public Hearing regarding the Vacation Rental Ordinance. An Ordinance will need to be enacted to let vacation rentals be an allowed use within the residential zones of the City.

The next scheduled Planning Commission meeting is on May 14th at 6:30 PM will be to review the site plans for the proposed construction of a Dollar General store in Shady Cove.

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### MAY

### JUNE

MAY 7TH @ 6:00 PM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MAY 21ST @ 6:00 PM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS



JUNE 18TH @ 6:00 PM CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

# Weed Abatement - Noxious Vegetation

## City of Shady Cove Ordinance No. 251—Section 2

**Effective: May 15 through September 30**

### What is Noxious Vegetation?

- Weeds or grass more than 10 inches high.
- Blackberry bushes that extend into a public thoroughfare or across a property line.
- Poison oak or ivy.
- Vegetation that is a health hazard because it is near other combustibles, or a traffic hazard because it impairs the view of the public thoroughfare or otherwise makes use of the thoroughfare hazardous for pedestrians and/or vehicles.

### Fire Season—Restrictions

When fire danger is “High” or “Extreme”, the Department of Forestry sets restriction levels that escalate according to the heat and dryness. Therefore, later in the summer, as fire danger worsens, using motorized equipment in combustible vegetation is allowed only until 1:00 PM or after 8:00 PM, then until 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM, then not at all.

To keep up on the current restrictions please contact the Oregon Department of Forestry at (541) 664-3328 or visit <http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/FIELD/MED/aboutus.shtml>

### Removal—Responsibility

The owner, agent of owner and/or occupant of any lot or parcel of land within the limits of the City of Shady Cove shall cut and remove the weeds, grass, bushes and shrubbery growing thereon, or on adjacent and abutting streets between May 15th to September 30th of each year and where the same grows a second growth. If you are in the Floodplain ~ mowing and trimming is acceptable; however, complete removal of any vegetation will require a permit. For more information, please call City Hall.

### Notice to Abate

It is expected that the property owner/occupant will comply voluntarily; however, should the owner/occupant fail or neglect to cut weeds, grass, or shrubbery as herein provided, the City shall serve a Weed Abatement Notice requiring that the property be abated within 14 days of notice.

Failure to comply to the Weed Abatement Notice may result in the following action:

- \$500 fine for each day of violation.
- Lien against said property for cost of abatement.

### Need Help with Removal?

A list of Landscape Maintenance and Contractors may be obtained by contacting Shady Cove City Hall at (541) 878-2225 or by visiting our website at [www.shadycove.net](http://www.shadycove.net)



## WEEDS DECLARED NUISANCE

*The growth of grass, weeds, shrubbery, and vegetation upon vacant and other lots and parcels of land, and the streets and alleys abutting thereon, in the City, during the summer season (May 15 through September 30) constitutes a fire menace, and greatly increases the fire hazard in the City, and is declared to be a nuisance.*



## SHADY COVE—TRAIL COMMUNITY WATCH PROGRAM

The Neighborhood Watch program was started in Shady Cove on August 30, 2007. The success can be attributed to the joint effort of Chief Mendenhall, Joe & Jackie Perez and the Block Captain's commitment.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

We are very pleased to let everyone know that 2 people have volunteered to take over the Shady Cove-Trail Community Watch program. They are Diane Berry Bowes and Pastor Mike Krutsch.

**This program is about neighbors helping neighbors, families helping families, and strangers helping strangers. The more you are informed about your community, the better your community will become.** In the past, meetings have included Red Cross Preparedness, First Aid Classes, and the Jackson County Sheriff's role. By gaining the understanding of what all the processes are, you will have a full understanding why some of your concerns are not being handled the way that you believe they should be. The forum is casual and questions are encouraged. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND ...TELL A FRIEND!**

**First Meeting is scheduled for May 13th, 2015 at 6:00 PM**

Meetings will be held in the City Hall Chamber every 2 months starting at 6:00 PM.

For information please contact: **Diane Berry Bowes: 541-840-3570** or **Pastor Mike Krutsch 541-613-1164**

### K-Shady 94.3 FM, the voice of the Upper Rogue...

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Radio Station's supporters and especially our underwriters. As the name implies, underwriting dollars go a long way to keep K-Shady Radio on the air. Our current list of underwriters include: The Shady Cove Market, Lucky's II, Butte Creek Mill, Upper Rogue Auto Care, Upper Rogue Physical Therapy, Heaven Scent Flowers in Eagle Point, Horace Mann's Insurance in Shady Cove, Mac's Diner, and Sun and Mood Martial Arts in Eagle Point.

We have a few new business partners in Shady Cove this summer who are also proud sponsors of our station. They are The Oreganic Shoppe, Hot Dog Heaven, Smoke on the Rogue and Bison Ranch Foods behind the old Two Pines Restaurant. We encourage everyone to shop locally and to support those who support us.

We would also like to invite all of our local businesses to take advantage of our summer special; \$75.00 for the entire summer through the end of July! Your underwriting ad will be professionally made and will air at least twice a day for the entire summer and be heard throughout the Upper Rogue.

All of our underwriters are featured on our Facebook page: kshadyradio

~ David Christian

### Upcoming Events

May 9-10

**34th Annual Wildflower Show**  
SC Middle School Gym  
100 Cleveland Street  
For info: Paula 541-326-7494

May 16

#### Upper Rogue Youth Activities

8:00 AM—3:00 PM

Seeking DONATIONS for City Wide Yard Sale  
For drop off or pick up information  
John: 541-878-1466

May 16-17

#### Shady Cove City Wide Yard Sale

June 6

#### URCC 16th Annual Duck Races

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Shady Cove Regional Park  
For info: 541-878-2702



June 6

#### Salmon Fever

Shady Cove Upper Rogue Chamber  
For info: [541-878-2404](tel:541-878-2404)

June 13

#### Cruisin' Into Summer—Car Show, Poker Run, Music in the Park

SC Body Shop, Mac's Diner, Aunt Caroline's Park  
8:00 AM—7:00 PM

[Cruisin' Into Summer](#) (See Flyer Below)