

City of Shady Cove **INSIDER**



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

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FINANCIAL UPDATE

A Financial Audit for fiscal year 2013/2014 was provided during the week of December 1st. Three auditor notations or comments are noteworthy:

- ◆ The City's total net position increased \$117,000.
- ◆ "The Unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was approximately \$189,000 up nearly \$64,000 from the previous year's calculated unassigned fund balance."
- ◆ "The City's permanent property tax rate of 54.7 cents per thousand is one of the lowest in the region and fails to generate enough revenue to fully fund City services. Without the benefit of franchise fees, public safety fees, and other City fees and state subventions, the City could not provide even a minimal level of service."

Of particular interest is the fact that **no material weaknesses** were identified. This is the most positive audit of the City's finances I have seen in several years. The staff did an outstanding job providing all the necessary material in a timely manner.

When we prepared the budget for the current fiscal year, monthly tracking data was not available. As a result, we understated the beginning fund balances to a greater extent than usual. The audit reflected beginning fund balances in excess of budgeted as follows:

General Fund: \$64,000 Sewer Operations Fund: \$40,000 Street Fund: \$67,000

A significant piece of that \$67,000 was a transfer from the General Fund near the end of last fiscal year (June 2014). With that money, our street improvement plan should get off to an excellent start.

During the December 4th City Council meeting the City Administrator provided the Council with a financial summary through the first quarter of the fiscal year (July—September 2014). The Street and Sewer Funds are right on target with the budget. The General Fund resources are exceeding budget, while the expenses are slightly under running budget.

*City Council and Staff wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Safe,
Happy and Prosperous New Year!*

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: DECEMBER 4, 2014

Prior to the regular council meeting, a special study session was held. Mr. John Ghilarducci, a principal with the FCS Group, provided considerable information regarding System Development Charges (SDC's). You may recall that the FCS Group was awarded the contract to recalculate the City's SDC's. The presentation was excellent. Mr. Ghilarducci explained State Statute background, considerations and method for change calculation and rules regarding expenditures of the funds. In addition, he responded to at least 40 questions.

During the regular meeting, the City Council took the following actions:

1. Formally declared a City Council vacancy with the resignation of Leith Hayes effective November 6, 2014. That vacancy will be filled by appointment by the City Council. An application form for City Council appointment was approved. Application forms were made available December 5th, and must be returned not later than January 2, 2015.
2. By Resolution, the Council accepted the General Election Results as well as the fiscal year 2013/2014 Financial Audit.
3. Kogap Enterprises, Inc. was awarded a contract to install a modular bathroom with connection to the Wastewater System in Aunt Caroline's Park. The bid is for \$85,554. A grant of \$39,760. was previously awarded to the City for a portion of the cost. The Council approved an amount not to exceed \$90,000 to provide a modest contingency amount for unanticipated costs. The City's share of this expenditure is being funded through SDC Funds.
4. Finally, the City Council also cancelled its December 18, 2014 meeting and rescheduled both January 2015 meetings. Those meetings will be held on January 8th and January 22nd, 2015.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: JANUARY 2015

JANUARY 8, 2015

- * The Mayor and Councilors elected on November 4, 2014 will take the oath of office.
- * A President of the Council will be appointed.
- * Adjust, as appropriate, and approve City Council Rules of Government.
- * Approve an updated Capital Improvement Plan.
- * Discuss and adopt a method to review applications to fill the City Council vacancy.
- * Discuss and appoint City Council Representative to the RV Council of Governments and the RV area Commission on Transportation.
- * Official appointments to standing or ad hoc committees as desired by Councilors.
- * Review the summary of Vacation Rental trial and take appropriate action.

(Tentative Agendas)

JANUARY 22, 2015

- * STUDY SESSION – 5:00 PM with Bill Meyers, with Department of Environmental Quality. We will discuss TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) and the expectations of the City. This is a State mandated program heavily discussed in 2012/2013.
- * STAFF REPORTS: The City Administrator will provide the council with a financial summary through the second quarter of the current fiscal year (December 2014).
- * NEW BUSINESS as follows :
 1. Appoint an applicant to fill the City Council vacancy and administer oath of office.
 2. Set a date and place for a Town Hall meeting wherein citizens can provide input concerning City Council Goals for 2015/2016, as well as discussion of any other subject of general public interest.
 3. Establish spending limit for the City Administrator.
 4. Discuss sewer usage rate adjustments for businesses severely impacted by seasonal activity (Motels, RV Parks, and Restaurants). Review staff summary and recommendation. Any approved action will be implemented by resolution in February.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: FEBRUARY & MARCH 2015

(*Tentative Agendas*)

FEBRUARY 5, 2015

- * STUDY SESSION—5:30 PM The City will have received SDC calculations from FCS Group. Mr. John Ghilarducci will be present to explain and respond to questions.
- * NEW BUSINESS as follows:
 1. Review SDC calculations and agree to appropriate rates.
 2. Review staff recommendations regarding balance of the City's Fee Schedule.

FEBRUARY 19, 2015

- * Approve revised Fee Schedule to be effective February 1, 2015.

MARCH 2015

- * The Council will begin to review and ultimately approve Ordinance language for the sale of medicinal marijuana.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

SHADY COVE - TRAIL COMMUNITY IS LOOKING FOR A NEW NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM COORDINATOR.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
OFFICER MOORE AT 541-878-3200

LEAF PICK UP: ENDING SOON!!!



The last day for **LEAF PICK UP** will be on Wednesday, January 14, 2015. Please have bags curbside by 8:00 AM.

This is for LEAVES ONLY, no grass clippings, animal droppings, tree limbs, rocks or household garbage.

Please remember—if you can't pick up the bag after you've filled it—it's likely too heavy for our employee too!



CITY WIDE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Are you making a New Year's Resolution for 2015?? Please consider resolving to be a volunteer, in some capacity, for your community.

Opportunities abound in a small town and everyone has some skill they could share with others. Consider these opportunities to volunteer and contribute to Shady Cove:

- ⇒ **CITY HALL**—Filing of documents, photocopying, assist with mass mailings, assist with the maintenance of the park area, signs or roads, during leaf pick up season. City Hall is open Monday—Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00. For information please call: 541-878-8204.
- ⇒ **UPPER ROGUE COMMUNITY CENTER (URCC)**— Wednesday luncheons, assist with the food bank on Thursdays, Thrift Store, or help with classes that are held for the youth of the community. Become a URCC member. URCC is open Monday—Friday. For information please call: 541-878-2702.
- ⇒ **SHADY COVE LIBRARY**—Assist with story time and crafts (Fridays), shelve books, staff the book sale room or book sales. Join the Friends of the Library. The Shady Cove Library is open: Tuesday Noon—6:00 PM, Wednesday 1:00 PM– 7:00 PM, and Friday 10:00 AM—2:00 PM.
- ⇒ **JACKSON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #4 SUPPORT GROUP**—Assist the fire department staff with “non-combat” activities such as working with the Support Group to check properties for reflective address signs, help with the prevention program by checking for working smoke alarms & fire extinguishers, cook meals for firefighters in training, assist with structure fire or wildfire, help with fundraisers to purchase equipment to benefit the department. For information please call: 541-878-2794 or leave a message at 541-878-2666.
- ⇒ **SHADY COVE SCHOOL**—Assist a teacher in the classroom, read to a child, photocopying, help in the library or with art projects, coming to help during special events such as the Dr. Seuss celebration or listening to presentations given by the children. For information please call: 541-878-1400.

K-Shady Radio is now broadcasting on **94.3 FM**

We would like to invite all of our local businesses to take advantage of our **\$75.00 WINTER SPECIAL** from now through February 28, 2015!! Your underwriting ad will be professional and will air at least twice a day for the winter and be heard throughout the Upper Rogue area.

We also feature all of our underwriters on our Facebook page: [kshadyradio](#)

Upcoming Events



December 24th & 25th , 2014

Shady Cove City Hall

Closed

January 1st, 2015

Shady Cove City Hall

Closed

