

# Our Town

### IMPORTANT APRIL DATES

- ◇ April 8; 6:30pm City Council Business Meeting
- ◇ April 9; 2:00pm Municipal Court
- ◇ April 10; 5:30-8:30 Middle School Education Expo!
- ◇ April 15; 7:00pm Planning Commission
- ◇ April 19; 10:00am Community Easter Egg Hunt! See Flyer for more info
- ◇ April 22; 6:30pm City Council Work Session
- ◇ April 26; 2:30-3:30pm LCSO/DEA Drug Take Back Event @ City Hall

### City Administrator's Message

**Hey, Harrisburg; Neighborhood Watch members wanted!** Our beloved Harrisburg coffee shops, and Subway have all experienced break-ins lately, including coffee shops in Scio, Brownsville, Tangent, Coburg and Eugene. Our LCSO deputies drive through late at night, and have viewed countless cameras, looking for the culprits. Knowing that bad guys are targeting our small businesses, when they work so hard to keep their businesses afloat, and are such an important part of our community, makes all of us mad. *So let's do something about it!* Call us at City Hall, or email, and sign up for a local neighborhood watch team. LCSO will help provide training. All we need is two people a night or day, for just a few hours, who ride together, and keep their eyes open for suspicious behavior. They call LCSO if they see something, but most importantly, are a presence that can help deter people from committing crimes. Let's make it more difficult, and uncomfortable for people to break into our businesses and homes! Call Jamie at 541-995-6655 to join.

**Water Bond Project Information:** Have you been watching the construction at the north water project site on Peoria Rd? The temporary sides of the water tank are up and the permanent roof is being added! They will start soon on the permanent sides. This \$1.5M gallon tank will almost be as big as the concrete tank at the south water plant location. We love seeing water improvements in progress!



**Eagle Park Development Question:** What kind of playground or outdoor fitness equipment, would you like to see in Eagle Park? Both of these will be located just to the west of the existing dog park. We are applying for a large local government grant, for \$250,000. Please let us know what kind of equipment you'd most like to see in place! Email [meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us](mailto:meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us) BTW, If you see someone driving through trails and parking lots, please call Linn County Dispatch at 1-800-884-3911!

**Future Election Dates:** City Hall will be open 7:00am to 8:00pm on May 20th, 2025.

**Budget Committee Opening:** We need another citizen volunteer on the Budget Committee! Meeting only once or twice a year, it's a great way to help make decisions in how your tax dollars are being spent. See the City website for how to apply, and terms of office.

### It benefits all of us to keep waterways healthy.



Please do not dump chemicals, solvents, or oils down drains. Do not allow garbage to get into gutters, stormwater culverts, or the river. It's important to pick up and dispose of all dog waste in parks and in right-of-ways! (Please practice being a good neighbor.....It's always good form to pick up after your animal if it's outside your yard.)

Always notify local law enforcement if you see someone dumping any garbage.....the Willamette River is a drinking water source for many cities located upriver from Harrisburg.

April 26th, 2025: Please Help keep Drugs out of the hands of our children! The DEA/LCSO Drug take back day is scheduled for Saturday, April 26th, 2:30-3:30 at City Hall, 120 Smith St. *Happy April ~ Michele*

### Harrisburg Public Library News

*Drop by your Library to see what's New!*

**Paint n Sip Party:** April 12 @ 3-5pm Municipal Center. Sign-up now at Library  
**Tiny Tots Story Time:** Every Wednesday at 11am in the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

**Crafting Club:** Every Thursday @ 5pm at the Harrisburg Municipal Center. Open to everyone for any craft!

**Story Time for Children:** Every Friday from 10am to 11am in the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

**Lego Club:** Every Friday from 3pm—4pm — held in the Library. All ages welcome!

**Digital Library Consortium:** A Harrisburg Library Card gets you entrance to the Library2go system. You can download your favorite e-books, and audio books through the Libby App! Call 541-995-6949 for more information.

**Are you in the Know? Get News about OUR town!** The City Administrator sends a weekly newsletter to a distribution list. If you aren't on it already, please email [meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us](mailto:meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us), or drop by City Hall with your email to get added.

**The 2024 CC&R Document is now available!** The CC&R is our Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. It is now available for review on the City website. There are other resources on the website, including links to Oregon Health Authority, and all of the reporting that Harrisburg is required to do. Please copy the browser page link below to find it.

<https://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/publicworks/page/annual-drinking-water-quality-report-2024>

**Concerns about Lead?** Did you know the City's water supply has no detectable lead or copper? Water pipes in the public distribution system are also lead free. However, both lead and copper can enter your drinking water supply through corrosion from older homes plumbing. Call EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 for Info.

### Code Enforcement Reminders

Greetings Harrisburg! Two reminders regarding RV's/Travel Trailers/5th Wheels: First, these types of vehicles are expressly prohibited (mainly for SIGNIFICANT safety reasons) from being lived on as an Accessory Dwelling. Their temporary/transitory nature makes them a potential safety risk. With limited entrance/escape, once one catches fire, if someone is inside it's very difficult to get out! Second, long-term storing these on public streets is also expressly prohibited by Harrisburg Municipal Code. There are areas in town where leaving them on the street greatly reduces potential access by emergency service vehicles. If your vehicle blocks access by emergency services, you could face significant penalties and potential liability issues, as well as damage to your vehicle by crews responding to an emergency. If you have received a note/door hanger from Code Enforcement or have any questions, please call City Hall at 541-995-6655.

### Residential Utility Rates (Fiscal Year 2024-25)

The utility bill is a combination of water, sewer and storm drain charges. Please contact City Hall for more information. Rates below are for July 2024-June 2025.

Water Base Rate: \$22.82	Sewer: Minimum Charge: \$22.91
Per Unit: \$1.86 (per EUU*)	Sewer User Fee: \$8.31 (per EUU*)
Storm Drain: \$3.85	*An EUU is equal to 748 gals of metered water

### Xpress Bill Pay—Utility Billing

Xpress Bill Pay is our online payment provider. You can pay your utility bill by e-check, Visa, Mastercard, Discover or Debit at no extra cost to you. Visit [www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/utilitybilling](http://www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/utilitybilling) for additional information.

To better serve you, please return any contact changes to City Hall

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