Our Town

IMPORTANT JULY DATES

♦ 4th of July City Hall CLOSED

♦ (Library Book Sale 9:00am-2:00pm)

♦ July 9; 2:00pm Municipal Court
 ♦ July 15; 7:00pm Planning Commission

July 22; 6:30pm City Council Meeting



City Administrator's Message

Harrisburg has a Sister City! Effective as of June 13th, 2025, the City of Harrisburg has partnered with Breal-sous-Montfort in Brittany, France. On the 20th of June, most of the City Council, members of the American Legion, and VFW, held a live Zoom meeting at 8:30 in the morning/5:30pm in France, with Breal leadership members. We were honored with the presence (via Zoom) of the US Consul to western France, Emily Cintora, who opened and closed our meeting. We celebrated the fact that during this time of unrest in the world, communities like ours recognize all that is right and good from the people who live in both of our cities. Breal reached out to us, because they hold an annual commemoration to honor the men and women who died during World War II. That includes honoring the memory of 1st Lt. Russell Quinn. The Quinn's lived in Harrisburg; both boys died during the war. Russ Hayworth is his namesake, and nephew. To see a copy of the agreement that we made with Breal, and more information, please visit the City website at www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/community/page/sister-city-brealsous-montfort-0. More pictures and information will be added soon!

- Harrisburg will hold a commemorative ceremony on an annual basis, in order to celebrate Victory Day, and to recognize the sacrifice of 1st Lt. Russell Quinn, whose plane was shot down over Breal-sous-Montfort. We will also honor the veterans in our communities, and those who sacrificed so much to protect our freedom, and those of other nations.
- Harrisburg will work with the School District to foster engagement between the youth
 of our two cities.
- Harrisburg will encourage our citizens to join and facilitate a committee who will connect with visitors from Breal, as they are doing for citizens of Harrisburg!

Water Bond Project Information: Welding and finish work for both north and south water tanks is currently under construction. The foundations are in place for the north water filtration plant, and the south filtration plant foundation is under construction. Work has been started on Well No. 9; the well that will eventually replace Well No. 5. (The well with the most sedimentation, iron and manganese.) The north system will be completed before the south system; we need that system to be in use before we can eventually switch wells. The City also made a presentation to the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority, and was approved for a Special Public Works Fund loan from BizOregon, in the amount of \$3.5M. This loan is budgeted and planned; it will help us to complete the work on the water filtration systems. The projected rate increases for 2025-2026 have been approved, at 5% for water, sewer, and storm services. For a household with 4 units of usage, there is an average increase of \$3.34 on their utility bill. That is still less than the rates that were projected when the City was advertising the 2017 bonds. Work should be finished by early winter, 2026.

4th of July Information! Please check out the flyers that are included with your utility bill for a basic schedule and information. Then check the city website, and follow the Harrisburg Community 4th of July Association on FaceBook to keep up with everything we are doing on the 4th of July!

<u>Summer Sounds is here!</u> Also included on the flyers are the Summer Sounds Summer Concerts, held every Thursday night, starting on July 10 through Aug 7. The *Tri-County Chamber Business Expo* is scheduled from 3:00 to 6:30 on July 24th; right before the Concert with Outlaw Shine playing. Visit local and regional businesses, have some great food, and sample a local brewery.

<u>National Night Out</u>: Aug 5, 2025—5:30-8:00pm. Free BBQ while supplies last, including free Root Beer floats, courtesy of AB Utility Contractors. Meet LCSO Officers, Coburg Police, Harrisburg Fire/Rescue District Volunteers, the Harrisburg Public Library, and more! Isaac Barrager Band playing 5:30-7:30pm, raffle drawings, face painting.....what a fun night!

Happy 4th of July Harrisburg! Michele



Harrisburg Public Library News

Drop by your Library to see what's New!

SUMMER READING PROGRAM THROUGH AUGUST 8th —LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY!

<u>Tiny Tots Story Time:</u> Every Wednesday at llam in the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

<u>Crafting Club</u>: 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.

<u>Lego Club</u>: Every Friday from 3pm—4pm — held in the Library. All ages welcome!

Grief Support: 1st & 3rd Monday @ 6pm at the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

<u>Digital Library Consortium</u>: 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, or drop by City Hall with your email to get added.

Breal-sous-Montfort Visitors Committee: Would you like to reach out to the citizens of Breal, and connect with people who plan on coming to Oregon? Do you want to connect with your counterparts in our Sister City, just to get acquainted and broaden your horizons? Please email meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us, and get signed up.

Code Enforcement Reminders

With the schedule of Summer events upon us, there will be a massive influx of visitors to our fine little city. Let's make sure that we make a good impression on our friends, neighbors and visitors by keeping vegetation trimmed to manageable levels and keep clutter out of our front yards. Harrisburg Municipal Code 8.05.100 (1) states "No person shall keep junk outdoors, on a street, lot, or premises, or in a building that is not wholly or entirely enclosed except for doors used for ingress and egress." Violation of this code carries a potential penalty of up to \$500 **PER DAY.** If you have received a note from Code Enforcement and/or have questions, please call City Hall at 541-995-6655.

Residential Utility Rates (Fiscal Year 2025-26)

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 2025-June 2026.

Water Base Rate: 23.96 Sewer: Minimum Charge: 24.06
Per Unit: \$1.95 (per EUU*) Sewer User Fee: \$8.73 (per EUU*)
Storm Drain: \$4.04 *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 for additional information.

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