



ADAIR VILLAGE NEWS

December 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

Adair Living History

TBD

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Adair Village Mission Statement

To build a safe, attractive, vibrant environment with a welcoming sense of community.

NEW WATER BILLING SYSTEM

City of Adair water customers will be noticing a new utility bill in the mail in the coming months. We are transitioning to Caselle software which includes the following features:

- System Integration—Electronic Meter Readings will interface directly with the software, improving efficiency and accuracy.
- A Worry-Free Automatic Payment Option—Customers will be able to set this up on their own to make their monthly payments a breeze!

Please note that the new system will have firm payment due dates with no exceptions, as you would expect from any Utility Billing System. Late fees will be generated by the system automatically.

99 EXPRESS SERVICE

The 99 Express Bus is here to serve the residents of Adair with regularly scheduled rides to Corvallis and back. There are 4 runs per weekday and tickets are available at Adair Village City Hall. Coupon books cost \$11.25 for adults and \$6.50 for youth, persons with disabilities, seniors and Medicare/Oregon Trail Card holders. Routes and schedules are posted on the bulletin board in City Hall.

LEAF COLLECTION AND STREET SWEEPING

The final leaf pick up day is scheduled for **Monday, December 9**. Please rake leaves into the street just before the collection date. Rows should be long and narrow and two feet away from the curb. Be sure that you are not blocking bike lanes, storm drains or driveways.



Street sweeping will happen the day after leaf pick up—**December 10**.



Please move vehicles off the streets on both leaf pick up and street sweeping days. Parking is available at City Hall.

PLEASE DO NOT PUT LEAVES IN THE STREET AFTER DECEMBER 9th.

SILETZ TRIBAL CHARITABLE FUND CONTRIBUTION

Thank you to Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund for donating \$6,500 to help the City of Adair Village's newly remodeled barracks building that will be turned into the new community center. The monies from the grant will be used to buy furnishings for the kitchen, office, and electronics for the community center.

Use of the building will be open to the public to reserve the space for meetings and parties. There will be laptops to borrow, video and board games, as well as a small library. If you would like to donate books, crafts or games, please drop them off at City Hall. We are open Monday thru Friday from 8:00-5:00pm.

STORMWATER

As the rainy season starts, please remember that the stormwater runoff eventually ends up in our rivers. Let's try our best to protect the health of the rivers by preventing pollution from ending up in our stormwater runoff. Here are some easy things you can do in your own home:

- Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters so that leaves and litter don't enter the storm drain.
- Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil.
- Never dump anything down the storm drain or into a stream.
- Pick up after your pet.

PREPARING FOR FREEZING WEATHER



If you will be out of town for an extended period during the winter months and would like to have your water service turned off in case of a freeze, please contact City Hall at 541-745-5507.

Many of the homes in the two loops have water pipes running through the attic and they are often not insulated. It is worth your time and money to have a professional look at the system in your attic and make sure the pipes are insulated.

With winter comes the threat of damage to your home from snow, ice, and freezing. Did you know that homeowners file five times as many claims for damage due to burst pipes than claims for fire damage? You can help protect your pipes with these tips:

- **Turn on the taps:** Let the water drip in extreme cold. Even if the water does freeze,

this will relieve some of the water pressure and keep the pipe from bursting.

- **Open cabinets:** Leave the cabinets open under your kitchen and bathroom sinks. This keeps warm air circulating around your pipes.
- **Wrap the pipes:** If your pipes are in areas that don't get warm air, consider insulating them with foam rubber or fiberglass sleeves from your local hardware store, or call a plumber to do it for you.
- **Seal the gaps:** Cracks in your home's outside walls or foundation should be caulked to keep cold air away from your pipes.
- **Drain your pipes:** If you're taking a trip in the winter, consider draining your pipes to prevent them from bursting. Shut off the main valve and then turn on all the taps (hot and cold) and let the water run until the pipes are emptied.