



# ADAIR VILLAGE NEWS

March 2020

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 3  
2020 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, March 17  
2020 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

### Adair Living History

Monday, March 16,  
2020 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall

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### Adair Village Mission Statement

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

## WASTEWATER PLANNING

The City of Adair Village has been working for many years on repairing, replacing and upgrading the City's infrastructure. The focus over the last 10 years has been on the water infrastructure consisting of projects to replace major sections of water lines, upgrades to the water plants, and two new water tanks for storage. The work that has been done to the water system has not only given the City much needed capacity but it has also resulted in significant reductions in water loss. Ten years ago, the City was losing up to 80 percent of the water it produced almost a complete system failure. Today the City has less than 20 percent water loss which is around the state average. The City also has an additional million gallons of water storage. These projects could not have been possible without the support of the residents throughout the community. Now it is time to start the same process for the wastewater infrastructure throughout town.

The City has been preparing and planning for the replacement of the wastewater system for many years as we have been working on the water system. Like the water system, the wastewater infrastructure is from the 1950s with a life expectancy of 20 years. It is now over 60 years old and well past the end of its life. The Department of Environmental Quality has been waiting for the City to come up with a plan for replacement of the system. The City has an approved plan and is now seeking different funding sources for the 9 million dollars it will take to replace the wastewater plant; because of the preparation the City will not have to make drastic increases to utility bills to cover this cost but there will be step increases over the next few years to reach the affordability index. Currently the City rates are \$56.50 a month for wastewater, the affordability index for Adair Village shows the rates should be at \$62.50. This is the rate at which the City will be eligible for low interest loans, grant funding and potential matching funds. With the new development of additional homes and the rate increase the City will be able to afford the 9-million-dollar project in phases over the next five years.

The City would like to thank you for your continued support and appreciation for the work that is and has to be done.

## 99 EXPRESS SERVICE PLANNING SURVEY

The City would appreciate your input on the enclosed 99 Express Service Survey. Your input will allow us to better serve the community's transportation needs. The survey should take about 5 minutes of your time and can be mailed to us with your water payment or put in the drop box. We hope that everyone will participate so that the information gathered fully represents the needs of every Adair Village resident. Thank you!

## **XPRESS BILL PAY**

The new Xpress Bill Pay system is working well. Many customers have already signed up and are enjoying the freedom of automatic bill pay and paperless bill options. Please find more information and instructions on how to set up automatic bill pay on our website at [adairvillage.org](http://adairvillage.org).

**Also, we no longer accept payments through the old Point & Pay System.**

## **CERT (CITIZENS EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM) TRAINING CLASS**

**Sign up today** for the City of Adair Village CERT Basic Skills Training Course No: 20-001 (limited to 10) Dates/Times: Wednesdays: April 1 – June 3rd, 6:00 – 9:00 pm Contact Jerry Jackson, CERT Training Program Manager at City Hall, 6030 William R. Carr Ave, Adair Village, email at [adaircert@gmail.com](mailto:adaircert@gmail.com), or call 541 745-5507 for more information.

## **CHICKEN COOP PERMITS**

Adair Village Land Use Development Code Section 6.401:

Any person who keeps chickens in the City of Adair Village shall apply for and obtain an Annual Backyard Chicken Permit prior to acquiring the chickens.

For those residents with a current permit, it is time to renew.

## **GOOD NEWS FROM ADAIR LIVING HISTORY**

Adair Village's City Council agreed to make up to \$50,000.00 available to Adair Living History as matching funds for the completion of the east barracks building. ALH is collecting bids for that purpose and plans to write several grants for large amounts. The availability of matching funds from the City makes the prospect of receiving such amounts much more likely.

ALH invites all residents of the City to assist in this project. There are many ways you can help. First, there will be a work day at the barracks building on April 18. We plan to remove the shiplap wood from the interior walls and could use your help, beginning at 9 AM. Second, we will need new board members as we move into the process of opening the Interpretive Center for Adair History. If you can commit to one evening per month, please consider becoming a board member. Third, you can donate to ALH. Fourth, please visit ALH at its meetings to provide advice and encouragement. Our meetings are currently scheduled for the third Monday of each month at 6 PM in the council chamber, City Hall. Any of these will provide granting agencies evidence of the community's support. Please call (541) 745-6318 for more information or send donations to Adair Living History; 176 NE Azalea Drive; Adair Village, OR 97330. We hope to hear from you!