



COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



Council Corner

Earth Day is celebrated on April 22, 2019. The City Council and community leaders understand the impact we as individuals have when it comes to reducing our carbon footprints.

The City provides resources which you may not be aware of to help facilitate change in our community.

The City's Reduce & Reuse Campaign initially centered upon trash reduction, ultimately is a starting point toward the global movement to help save the environment. It focuses on things we can control in our homes and our community. For example, try making a conscious effort at the grocery store to purchase items with less packaging or even compostable eco-friendly packaging. Bring your own reused glass jar to the store, weigh it at the counter and then purchase kitchen staples such as flour and sugar from the bulk section. Another great way to reduce your amount of waste and save money is to start composting. For composting basics visit www.ronsreport.org and view the Composting 101 flyer. **Ron's Report** is the City's blog. It provides in depth reviews of issues before City Council and ongoing projects and initiatives. It is also the home to **Reduce and Reuse**, where you can find many useful tips and ideas.

The forests, lake, rivers, and creeks around Lincoln City provide beautiful terrain for exploring, but unfortunately a lot of trash is left behind. The theme for Earth Day this year is *Protect Our Species*. One factor that contributes to the decline of species is plastic pollution. Each year plastic debris kills more than 100,000 sea turtles, sea birds and marine mammals. The next time you take a walk along our beaches or hike one of our trails make an effort to pick up any trash you see. Help stop trash from reaching our land by bringing your own reusable shopping bags to the grocery store. Keep some in vehicle trunks to avoid forgetting. Bring your own reusable coffee cup when going to coffee shops, use a paper straw or ditch the straw all together, pass on the plastic water bottles and keep reusable water bottles around instead.

Make sure to check out **Ron's Report**. There are always eco-friendly alternatives. Work together as a community and encourage your neighbor to get involved in the movement. Our hope is to expand on the concept of reduce, reuse and recycle and in doing so bestow upon the community the knowledge and initiative needed to improve and preserve the quality of life in beautiful Lincoln city, Oregon.

Do you have questions regarding something you heard? Do you have an issue or a solution? Share it with Mayor Anderson over coffee.

- Wednesday, April 17th at The 60's Café at 9am
- Monday, April 22nd at Capt. Dan's Pirate Pastry Shop at 8am
- Monday, April 29th at Salt by Mojo Coffee in the Outlet Mall at 8am



Visit the City's Website, www.lincolncity.org for additional meeting times.

The Lincoln City Police Department is sponsoring a Drug Take Back Event at the Lincoln City Community Center on April 27th. For more information contact Officer Holly Blakely at 541-994-3636 or email hblakely@lincolncity.org.

Lincoln City Hall Offices will be closed on the following days:
Memorial Day- Monday, May 27th and Thursday, July 4th

The City's Finance Department wants you to know that they have many useful devices to help with water conservation and save you money on your bill. They have available: shower timer, garden spray nozzle, showerheads, faucet aerators, and a conservation kit which includes: toilet tank bank, toilet fill cycle diverter, high efficiency flow showerhead, leak detection tablets and a faucet aerator. All of these items are available one per household at the Finance Counter. You can also switch to electronic billing by following these four easy steps:

1. Go to www.xpressbillpay.com and login
2. Click "View Bill" under the account you would like to be paperless
3. Locate the "Paperless (Off)" button
4. Click the button to turn on "Paperless (On)"



Lincoln City Parks & Recreation

- ◆ Now maintains the public Community Gardens in both Oceanlake and Taft. They have over 50 brand new garden beds available for public use— contact 541-996-1222 FMI.
- ◆ Check out "A Day in the Park— Celebrating Arbor Day", Sat, 4/20 at Regatta Park, 12-2pm— Free family fun
- ◆ Every month they host a Free Bird Walk in one of our parks and a free Naturalist— guided nature hike— FMI call 541-996-1222.
- ◆ Parks maintenance has partnered with the LC Rotary Club to build a special 'Musical Instrument' installation at Regatta Park. Our Rotary organization funded much of the project, which will include 5 different instruments. Maintenance is currently working on the concrete pad installation, with completion planned for end of May.
- ◆ Tuesday Teen Nights 4-7pm— FREE! Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to come and hang out after school at the Lincoln City Community Center. Food, drinks, music, table tennis, foosball, computers, video games and much more.
- ◆ Tuesday and Friday Preschool Walking Group 10:30-11:00am Walk out the "Wiggles" on the indoor track.
FMI on these events or any of the other fun adult and youth activities offered at the Lincoln City Community Center visit www.lincolncity.org and click on the Parks and Recreation tab or call 541-994-2131.

Lincoln City Police Department Needs Your Support



The Lincoln City Police Department would like to thank everyone that has donated so far to help fund the K-9 program. The K-9 Unit is an important tool utilized by the police to combat crime and build community relations. The current cost of outfitting a K-9 team (K-9, officer, handler courses, vehicle, etc.) is approximately \$75,000. They still need support from the community. The same community they serve and protect on a daily basis. If you are able to support the program in any way, all donation amounts are appreciated. Donations can be made in any manner. Checks should be made out to the Lincoln City Police Department K9. You may also visit their website www.lincolncityk9.com and click on the [Donate Here](#) link. Donations are tax deductible. If you have any questions about donating or information regarding the development of the K9 unit, please contact (541) 994-3636 or by email at k9@lincolncity.org. Your donations will have a lasting impact on the Lincoln City Police Department and the citizens of Lincoln City.

Lincoln City Planning & Community Development Department

- ◆ Meet the new Senior Planner, AnneMarie Skinner, she fulfilled the vacancy that was left when Deb Nicholson retired.

In addition to new staff, the department is working on a variety of ordinances and code amendments for public outreach and engagement:

- ◆ Development of a food truck/cart ordinance— This is currently under discussion and being work-studied with the Planning Commission. Two meetings have occurred to date and anticipated is a public hearing on the Planning Commissions draft regulations in the coming months.
- ◆ Comprehensive Plan— A complete update to the Comprehensive Plan will begin in late spring/early summer. Please contact AnneMarie Skinner or Lindsey Sehmel if you desire to be on the interested parties list.
- ◆ A public hearing on Accessory Uses at Places of Worship will be held with the Planning Commission on May 21, 2019 at 6pm.

Lincoln City Urban Renewal Agency

- ◆ The City and Urban Renewal Agency continue confidential negotiations on redevelopment of nine public properties. Three of the project sites combined will include roughly 100 units of affordable/workforce housing (mostly rental with some ownership opportunities) and the other six project sites will be commercial/mixed-use. FMI visit: <https://www.lincolncity.org/propertydevelopment>.
- ◆ The Urban Renewal Agency, in partnership with the City's Public Works Department, will soon start construction on the Cutler District SW Jetty Realignment Project. This project will realign SW Jetty Avenue, bringing it perpendicular to Highway 101. This will decrease traffic speeding, improve safety, visibility and allow for two-way traffic in and out of the Cutler neighborhood. It will also provide improved access to a private property and increase private development potential by removing the old street which separates undeveloped parcels in the same ownership. Construction will be completed by June 30, 2019. FMI visit: <https://www.lincolncity.org/jettyrealignment>.
- ◆ The Urban Renewal Agency and City Council continue to discuss adding economic Development Tools to the toolboxes. These tools could help encourage private business and property development and assist in public private partnerships to move forward Council objectives, such as affordable/workforce housing. FMI call: 541-996-1207
- ◆ The City Council held a Special Meeting on Monday, April 15th to discuss forming new urban renewal areas. If one or two new areas are formed, it will take about a year to create a Plan which would determine project lists, funding caps and formal feedback from the other taxing districts about impacts to them. After a Plan is created it can be adopted by City Council, which legally forms the new urban renewal area. FMI call: 541-996-1207.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ The Great Oregon Coast Garage Sale— April 19-21, 2019. Nearly 100 "vendors" will hold sales during this community-wide event. FMI call 541-994-3070 or visit www.lcchamber.com.
- ◆ Tide Pool Clinics (April 22nd– July 19th) Clamming Clinics (May 4th–Sept 5th) Crabbing Clinics (May 21st—Sept 30th) FMI and exact dates call 541-996-1274 or visit www.oregoncoast.org.
- ◆ 20 on the 20th to celebrate 20 years of Finders Keepers, and extra 20 glass floats will be dropped on our beaches. FMI call 541-996-1274.
- ◆ Apr 20th–Oregon Coast STEM HUB Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV) Competition at the Lincoln City Community Center. FMI call 541-994-2131.
- ◆ Apr 20th— Community Days Kickoff: A Day in the Park! Celebrating Arbor Day. 12:30-2:30PM at Regatta Park. This event will kick off the annual Community Days Celebration, includes free hot dog lunch, an Arbor Day declaration, kids' activities, music, photo booth and more! Cost is Free!
- ◆ May 25th— Japanese Demo (a delicious surf and turf menu with a Japanese twist) at the Lincoln City Culinary Center, 11am-1pm, \$45 per person. FMI call 541-557-1125 or visit ExploreLincolnCity.com.
- ◆ June 22nd-23rd— Summer Kite Festival on the beach at the D River State Recreation Site from 10am –4pm. Family friendly event, FMI call 541-996-1274 or visit ExploreLincolnCity.com.
- ◆ May 2019— Driftwood Public Library announces Lincoln City Reads 2019. *Snow Falling on Cedars*, by David Guterson. Visit www.driftwoodlib.org for related events or call 541-996-1242. Make sure to check their calendar of events for weekly free events at the Driftwood Library. There are free youth and adult activities.
- ◆ June 8th— Touch a Truck— This annual free event is from 12pm-2pm at the Lincoln City Community Center parking lot and hosts trucks of all shapes and sizes. There will be games, food and prize opportunities. FMI call 541-994-2131.

City Pushes Forward with Pedestrian Safety



The Lincoln City Public Works Department is implementing and actively planning more flashing beacon lights at area crosswalks to improve pedestrian safety. The beacon lights are currently being added to NE 21st street crossing Hwy 101. The City has two other flashing beacon lights, both on Hwy 101, one at N 33rd and at S29th. Their plan is to install two other beacon lights, one at N39th and another in the Taft area near the Fire Station. Both of the locations present design challenges but have heavy foot traffic. The lights operate by a push button and will include an audible message. The in house designed project was funded with Street Capital Funds and construction costs are \$75,000. It is scheduled to be completed by May 31st. For updates and more information on continued and completed projects visit: www.lincolncity.org and click City Departments> Public Works.

Driftwood Public Library Happenings

- ◆ Driftwood Bookworms will be discussing *True Grit*, by Charles Portis, Tues, April 9 at 4pm. All readers 18-and-over welcome. Sponsored by The Friends of Driftwood Public Library.
- ◆ Crafterhours at the Library: Mon, April 15 at 6:30pm, Shannon Zantello, owner of Creek & Cottage, LLC will be teaching the basics of crochet. Supplies provided, space is limited. Call 541-996-2277 to reserve a spot.
- ◆ Adult Science Night at Black Squid Beer House, Sun, April 21 at 4pm— adults 21-and-over only-FMI call 541-996-2277.
- ◆ Beginning June 1, all ages can sign up for Summer Reading Club: read books through the summer and earn prizes. FMI visit www.driftwoodlib.org or call 541-996-2277.

