



City of Brownsville Fall Newsletter

September 20th, 2021

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City Update

By Mayor Don Ware & S. Scott McDowell

Council is working on multiple priorities including aging facilities such as the Central Linn Rec Center and the Pioneer Park pavilion, delivering safe drinking water, developing a water management & conservation plan, updating public works standards, and navigating the new laws enacted by the State Legislature this past session, to name a few. Council is also working with multiple communities on several regional projects for community issues like economic development and emergency preparedness. Council goals can be found on the City website along with the City budget.

Early October will see the major downtown sanitary sewer project begin. Pacific Excavation out of Eugene will be doing the work to repair the aged system that has met the end of its useful life. The project will take place behind the businesses on the south side of Spaulding Avenue and start just south of the Post Office and extend through to Park Avenue. Menefee Trail between the Library and the Museum will be closed during the construction process.

Council began conducting public meetings in person starting in March of 2021. Council meetings are planned to be held in the Community Room at City Hall. Citizens may choose to attend in person or by teleconference. Please visit the City website (www.ci.brownsville.or.us) for specific instructions or call City Hall to learn how to participate. You don't have to have a computer, you can use a regular landline phone to join the meeting.

Council and Staff will do what can be done to keep City facilities open. Governor Brown and State health officials continue to monitor the Pandemic making mandates and procedural changes as they determine for the protection of public health. You can also make online payments for your utility bill or court payment through a link on the home page. The City also has a drop box by the front door of City Hall.

Our website is very comprehensive with information about boards and committees, agendas and meeting minutes, documents and forms, and the Brownsville Municipal Code. Please look over the website if you get the time, there is a wealth of information for you there.

The City is grateful to all the volunteers who have made, and continue to make, Brownsville work. It was great seeing some of our events return this past summer. The City would like to thank all of you for your continued generosity, kindness and caring.



Current Library Programs Include:

Tuesday Parents and Pals Story Time at 2:00 p.m. followed by group play at the CLRC or Park.

Wednesday Stitchery Group from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Bring a little stitching project and visit with us!

Friday Story Time with Craft from 11:00 a.m. – Noon. Join Librarian Sherri for a fun 30 minute story time followed by a free craft time with Ms. Thea.

The Linn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) will be participating in the DEA's Drug Take Back event on October 23rd, 2021. They will be in the following locations throughout the day. LCSO will also be posting information around the County once it is received from the DEA.



- Mill City 9:00-10:00 a.m., City Hall, 444 S. 1st Ave
- Scio 10:30-11:30 a.m., Fire Hall, 38975 SW 6th Ave
- Halsey 1:00-2:00 p.m., City Hall, 100 Halsey St
- Harrisburg 2:30-3:30 p.m., City Hall, 120 Smith St



We also have a prescription drop box in the lobby of the Linn County Sheriff's Office, that is an option for people to drop off their medications. No Sharps (needles) of any kind are allowed.



LINN COUNTY MOBILE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

Linn County Health Department will be offering Covid-19 vaccinations at a mobile clinic on September 27th, 2021 from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The Brownsville location will be held at the Brownsville Rec Center parking lot located at 234 Park Avenue.

Vaccinations offered will include Moderna, Pfizer, and Johnson & Johnson. Everyone is welcome, and no insurance is required. If you have questions, please call Linn County Health Department at 541.967.3888 for more information.





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Attn: Brownsville Residents

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) DAY is OCTOBER 9th, 2021

Sweet Home Sanitation customers pay a monthly HHW fee which allows them to drop off HHW at the October 9th event for no additional charge. Be sure to bring a recent copy of your garbage bill showing that you are a current customer. Commercial customers will need to make special arrangements.

Examples of past HHW collected: Gas, diesel, oil filters, maximum paint container is 5 gallons, cleaners, liquids, bleach, propane, mercury thermometers, pool chemicals, nail polish/removers, cosmetics, pharmacy prescriptions & over the counter drugs. NO controlled substances.



Contact Sweet Home Sanitation for more information at 541.367.2535.

Your Neighbor Says...



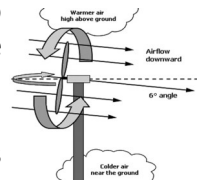
Thank you for cleaning up after dog!
 Thank you for keeping your speed down in town!
 And Thank you for the cup of sugar!



Vineyard Wind Machines Awareness



The wind machines will be may turning on soon depending on temperatures. Due to low overnight temperatures, the wind machines are used to prevent 'cold injury' to the grape vines. The machines are very noisy due to the blades and the engines used to generate electricity. Basically, the machines are programmed to turn on at certain temperature levels, generally around 36° F and can only be ran during certain wind speeds. The site (southwest of town) has numerous wind machines. The motors sound like an old farm tractor and the blades have a high-pitched sound. A low frequency hum can be heard early in the morning throughout town when the wind machines are operating.



Accessory Structures: 200/15 Over & Under Rule:

If your **non-habitable, one-story** accessory structure is **OVER 200 sq. ft.** and exceeds **15 feet high** from the grade plane to the average height of the highest roof surface, a permit from both Linn County (TBD) & the City of Brownsville (\$30) are required. If your one-story, non-habitable accessory structure is **200 sq. ft. and UNDER**, a permit from the City only is required. Call Elizabeth Coleman for details. Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



Fence Permits \$30 – Call Elizabeth at City Hall