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SHORT-TERM RENTAL LIST ENCLOSED

Last May, the City Council adopted new regulations for short-term rentals within the City. One of the requirements was for the owner to either post a small identification sign or notify the neighbors within 100 feet of the short term rental with information on the local contact person. Many owners chose to notify neighbors, and for convenience the City is providing a listing of all currently licensed short-term rentals to meet this requirement. From now on, newly licensed short-term rentals will have to either install a sign or notify neighbors themselves.

Short-term rentals on the enclosed list are properly licensed by the City. If you don't see a particular house on the list and think that a house in your neighborhood may be an unlicensed short-term rental, please contact the City so that enforcement officials may follow up. With the adoption of the new regulations, the City has stepped up its enforcement against unlicensed short-term rentals.

BEACH STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Improvements to Beach Street between Edmund Lane and Beeswax Lane have been completed, and work is moving forward on improving the section between Edmund Lane and Merton Lane. The City is obtaining an engineering design for the underground improvements and then will hire contractors to replace the waterline, install a storm drainage line, install a concrete gutter and pave the street. Construction work is expected to begin in the spring. It is currently planned to complete improvements on Beach Street between Beeswax Lane and Tie Lane at the same time.

ROLE OF TSUNAMI SIRENS BEING DISCUSSED

Public emergency services agencies in our area are discussing whether tsunami sirens are effective in warning residents and visitors of the approach of a large tsunami. Manzanita has operated two tsunami warning sirens for several years.

Recent studies point out that a warning system is only necessary for a tsunami generated from

a distant earthquake. If residents and visitors feel a strong and long local earthquake, a large tsunami is likely to arrive within 30 minutes, and people need to move to higher ground as soon as possible without waiting for a siren or other warning. A tsunami generated from a distant earthquake is likely to take at least 3 to 4 hours to reach Manzanita, and is likely to be much smaller than one generated by a local earthquake.

As a tsunami warning system is really only necessary for tsunamis generated from distant events, public agencies in Tillamook County are discussing whether the network of sirens is really the best way to notify people of an impending tsunami. Sirens are expensive to maintain and may actually generate more panic than necessary when responding to smaller tsunamis from distant events. Alternate ways of notifying people, such as small planes with a loudspeaker, may be a more effective way to get people off the beach and low lying areas where a distant tsunami is projected to hit.

The City welcomes public comments and questions on the use of tsunami sirens. A group of public agency officials are meeting in mid-October to discuss what direction to take in Tillamook County for a tsunami warning system.

BIKE PATH PLANNED ALONG NECARNEY BLVD.

Plans are moving ahead to construct a bicycle/pedestrian path from Nehalem Bay State Park to downtown Manzanita. The City of Manzanita, Tillamook County and Oregon State Parks are cooperating by constructing segments of the route under their jurisdiction. The segment along the east side of Necarney Blvd. (a County road) between Sitka Lane and Lakeview Drive will be constructed by the City with funds provided by Tillamook County Public Works. This will be a separate path with a gravel strip between the road and the bike path.

The portion of the route from Lakeview Drive to Laneda Avenue will involve restriping Carmel Avenue, Beach Street, Sunset Lane and Tie Lane to provide two automobile lanes and a bicycle/pedestrian lane. This portion is funded by the City of Manzanita. The portion of the

route from Sitka Lane to Horizon Lane will be constructed on State Park property by Oregon State Parks.

Work will commence on the bike path soon after the County completes its repaving project on Necarney Blvd. The entire route is expected to be in place by this spring.

CLASSIC STREET CONNECTOR GETS ASPHALT SEAL

The Classic Street Connector between Dorcas Lane and Ridge Drive is getting a thin asphalt seal. In the past, the City has spent about \$4,000 annually to regrade and add rock to the road. For about \$35,000, the City will have a two inch layer of asphalt applied. Because the base of the road and drainage won't be addressed, this seal won't last as long or remain as smooth as a regular paving job. But the seal should last about seven to ten years before needing to be redone.

The cost of installing drainage, adding fill and paving the road to City standards is estimated to cost between \$800,000 and \$1.4 million. The City Council thought that the likelihood of securing funding in the near future was slim, and therefore the asphalt seal will be tried as a means of temporarily providing a better connection between the downtown area, CART'M, and the State Park.

INCUMBENTS FILE FOR MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL POSITIONS

The Mayor and two of the Manzanita City Councilor positions are up for election in November. As of the filing deadline, Garry Bullard is the only candidate for Mayor and Linda Kozlowski and Leila Salmon are the only candidates for the two open City Councilor positions. The Mayor runs for a two year term and the City Councilors run for four year terms.

PUBLIC SAFETY PATCH REFLECTS NEW MISSION

The new patch worn by Manzanita police officers reflects the new mission of the Public Safety Department. Fire suppression duties



were transferred to the new Nehalem Bay Fire and Rescue District last year leaving law enforcement as the primary mission of the Department.

The Manzanita Department of Public Safety provides police protection primarily within the City limits of Manzanita. The Department also provides supplemental police services by contract with Nehalem, Wheeler and Nehalem Bay State Park. For persons living outside of the City limits of Manzanita, including the areas served by contract, the Tillamook County Sheriff's office is the lead law enforcement agency. Requests for police services outside of the Manzanita City limits should be made to the Sheriff's office. If the Sheriff's office is unable to respond to an emergency in a timely manner, there is a mutual aid agreement which allows the Sheriff's office to request the Manzanita police to respond.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

- Garry R. Bullard, Mayor
- Leila Salmon, City Council President
- Councilors:
- Linda Kozlowski
- Ray Scales
- Mike Scott

HOLIDAYS

- November 11, 2010-Veterans' Day
- November 25-26, 2010-Thanksgiving holiday
- December 23-24, 2010-Christmas holiday
- December 31, 2010-New Year's holiday

(City offices will be closed)

WHAT DO YOU THINK? The Manzanita City Council and staff are interested in your comments on City programs and issues. Please send us a note or use this form as you wish: City of Manzanita, PO Box 129, Manzanita, OR 97130-0129; fax to 1-503-368-4145; or email to cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us

MANZANITA CITY COUNCIL: Here is what I think about _____

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