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# Tulelake City Banner





# Summer Solstice is June 20th! Welcome Summer!

### **ONLINE BILL PAY**

We have been working with our bank and our billing provider in order to be able to offer you the option to pay your utility bill online. We have had a few setbacks but the wait is almost over! You will soon see an option on our website (www.cityoftulelake.com) that will direct you through the sign up process.

Their will be a small service fee for the convenience of paying online. This fee is not put into effect by the City and the City does not benefit from this fee but rather the service fee charge will go to the bill provider for maintaining this service for you. We are still working on the final details but hope to be up and running soon!

### DOG LICENSES

July 1, 2020: ALL residents within the city limits must renew or purchase a dog license for their pet! This requires proof of rabies vaccination.

Dog License Fees (per dog) are as follows:

\$12.00 Male or Female Dog \$7.00 Any Altered Male or Female Dog \$5.00 If Applicant is 60 years of age or older.

\*Not having a dog license is a violation of City Ordinance and an Administrative Citation of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 may be issued, for each violation, to ANYONE not in compliance.

### **BURN PIT REMINDER**

To help keep the weight fees down at the transfer station, please take all of your grass clippings and yard waste to the Burn Pit. This will help us keep our costs down and yours. The Burn Pit is open now through mid November. The Burn Pit attendant will direct you to the proper place to dump your green waste. It is easily located across from the Fire Department on Ray Oehlerich Way.

### **NUISANCE ABATEMENT**

Remember to include the area outside of your fence when doing yard work. You are responsible for maintaining the weeds, grass or trees that are growing in front of or immediately adjacent to your property (Ord 8.12.030). Tall weeds and grass become fire hazards very quickly and you may be cited if they are not controlled. The City of Tulelake will be very strict on all fire hazards, health hazards, and any public nuisances within the city. As the owner or tenant of a residence, you need to be diligent in keeping your property cleared of these hazards. With summer approaching and warm weather ahead, this is important for keeping our community safe.

### **ILLEGALLY PARKED & ABANDONED VEHICLES**

The accumulation and storage of abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or inoperative vehicles or parts, on public or private property, is declared to constitute a public nuisance and is a violation of City Ordinance 10.16. This includes any abandoned machinery, motor craft or anything that reduces the value of private property, invites plundering, creates a fire hazard, creates a harborage for rodents & insects and is injurious to the health, safety & general welfare.

The Police Department will be enforcing this Ordinance and Administrative Citations may be distributed to all property owners found to be in violation.

### **FIRST TIME HOME BUYER LOANS**

The City of Tulelake has funds available, through a CDBG Grant, that we can loan out to qualifying people who are wanting to purchase a home within the limits of the City of Tulelake. This grant is different from past grants but it allows us to help you out with the down payment and closing costs of your pre-approved loan through Umpqua Bank. Contact City Hall for information, if interested.

### **NEW RECYCLE BIN LOCATION**

For those of you who may not know yet, the recycle center has been moved to the Burn Pit site. This change was implemented earlier this spring with the idea of having more bins available for use and less household garbage dumping! We are hoping this will encourage more residents to utilize this recycling program within the city. Public Works has installed a new people gate which can be accessed even when the Burn Pit is closed. Please remember this program could be taken away from us if it is misused by dumping non-approved items and garbage in the bins. Happy recycling!

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As of the printing of this newsletter, the library is still closed to the public. We are eagerly awaiting being allowed to reopen soon! Until then, you can still get e-books and e-magazines and audiobooks through the Siskiyou County Library website at www.siskiyoulibrary.info. We also have a rack in front of the library with some free books that you are welcome to take.

When we do reopen, we will be making some changes to protect our patrons and our staff. We will only have four (4) public computers available to use. We will have limited seating at the tables within the library to keep people safely distanced from each other and you can expect that we will be smelling a lot like Lysol!

Please follow us on Facebook "Tulelake Library" so you will know when we reopen and look for our "Open" sign on the sidewalk! We hope we will be able to put that sign up very soon!

### **LIBRARY HOURS:**

**Monday:** 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm **Tuesday:** 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm **Wednesday:** 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

### FUN AT HOME ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

- \* Bake cookies & make ice cream sandwiches with them
- ★ Have a luau in your backyard
- ★ Have a water balloon toss
- \* Plant a garden or pretty flowers
- \* Have an outdoor painting party using cardboard
- \* Create a mini-golf course in your vard
- \* Make a birdhouse out of popsicle sticks
- \* Bake cupcakes in ice cream cones
- Set up a tent and go camping in your backyard
- \* Assemble a family cookbook with all your favorite recipes

### **YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

**Hank Ebinger:** *Mayor* 

Richard Marcillac: Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Nicholson: Council Member Penny Velador: Council Member Gary Fensler: Council Member

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

May 31: Memorial Day

June 06: D-Day

June 08: National Best Friends Day

June 14: Flag Day

June 20: Summer Solstice
June 21: Father's Day
July 04: Independence Day
July 30: National Cheesecake Day

**Sept 07:** Labor Day

### **TRANSFER STATION:**

The City of Tulelake is operating the Transfer Station located on County Road 95001

(South Stateline Road, West of Sheepy Ridge)

Open: Thursday, Friday & Saturday

Hours: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Closed: Sun. Mon. Tues. & Wed.

### **TULELAKE DMV HOURS**

The Tulelake DMV is open on the **1st** and **3rd** week of each month on the following days

Monday- 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm Tuesday- 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (Closed for the lunch hour) Wednesday- 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

### **HOLIDAY GARBAGE PICKUP SCHEDULE**

Garbage will be picked up on: Independence Day: Mon. July 6th Labor Day: Tues. September 8th

### CITY HALL HOURS

Mon-Thurs: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (Closed for lunch from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm) Closed: Every Friday, Saturday & Sunday

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

In order to stay in compliance with the Stay at Home Order issued on March 19, 2020 by the State of California you will have noticed City Hall is open but locked to the public and only one staff member is in the office at a time. Once we are able to install plexi glass and the Governor authorizes Siskiyou County's reopening plan, the doors will be unlocked for the public.



Businesses that wish to reopen must provide a written plan showing how they will execute the safety guidelines for their business and have that plan available to review upon request.

Please read the full Plan to Reopen Siskiyou County on their website www.co.siskiyou.ca.us.

The health and safety of our Tulelake residents is a priority as well as our economy and freedom as Americans. We must protect them all. We ask that you do your part and continue to stay home if you don't feel well or if you are in a high risk category. Please use common sense and cover coughs and sneezes. And wash your hands often.

The following are some things the city is doing to stay in compliance:

- \* Many summer activities will unfortunately be cancelled or postponed.
- \* The City will not be issuing park permits this summer for any of the parks.
- \* Council meetings will continue to be via conference call until further notice to allow for the six foot "social distancing".

## COUNCIL MEMBERS CORNER

Welcome to another Council Members Corner. I had thought when I wrote the last Council Corner that we

would be basking in beautiful spring weather by now! I guess we are all so use to these typically ever changing Tulelake spring weather swings that we have become pretty resilient to the rapidly changing temperatures. I would like to believe this ability to handle sudden changes has really been beneficial in how well we have all responded to the Covid-19 crisis and how well our community has followed the CDC guidelines and closures, presumably to help "flatten the curve." We still have a ways to go, so please continue to follow the recommendations and guidelines set by Siskiyou County, but we are getting closer. I think we are all anxious to have life return to normal and resume our daily activities. The City is following the County's lead and petitioning the Governor to lift the closure of all non-essential businesses and other outdoor locations so summer activities can be enjoyed. When the closures are lifted, please go and support our LOCAL BUSINESSES. They have borne the brunt of lost wages and revenue and have suffered much! We need to get our economy going again! Our businesses are the life blood to our economy and critical for our success as a small city.

I would also like to take a moment to congratulate the Tulelake graduating class of 2020! I'm excited to see the amazing things you will accomplish after High School. Best of luck to you!

Good health to you all!
-Mayor Hank Ebinger