

Public Meetings

(Dates & times subject to change, check with City Hall)

- 8/1 10:00 am: Coffee with Mayor Christie @ City Hall
- 8/3 7:00 pm: City Council Meeting @ City Hall
- 8/12 11:00 am: Friends of the Winston Library (F.O.W.L.) @ Library (Community Center)
- 8/12 Noon: Economic Development Committee @ City Hall
- 8/12 5:30 pm: Planning Commission @ City Hall
- 8/17 7:00 pm: City Council Meeting @ City Hall
- 8/18 10:00 am: Non-Profits/City Organizational Meeting @ City Hall
- 8/20 5:30 pm: Urban Renewal Agency Meeting @ City Hall

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Community Service Announcements

Greetings Winston Senior Citizens

We invite each of you to join us for fellowship, games, trips, and senior lunches furnished on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday by Douglas County at 11:30 am in our Senior Room in the Community Building on Thompson and Grape Street. Suggested donation for lunch is \$3.50.

Our Penny Bingo is on Wednesday at 10:00 am. Arrive by 9:30 am to dab your paper games. This is a social bingo and very low-key. You may only play up to six hard cards at 2 cents per card per game (we play 12 games), and paper games are 25 cents per paper (we play 5 games).



Volunteers are needed for National Flag Display days to help put flags up around town.

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A Message from the City Manager

Hello Winston,

City Hall would like to provide you with an update on some changes to how the parks are currently being managed. As you may know, city staff maintain day-to-day upkeep of the parks, but all administrative decisions on park improvements are under the responsibility of the Park Board. The city restructured the Park Board into a Park Advisory Committee to improve progress and effectiveness.

This committee has four (4) open voluntary citizen positions. If you have a passion for beautifying public parks and would like to participate on this newly formed committee, please contact City Hall for an application. If you are interested in assisting with fundraising activities for park projects, please contact us about being involved in the new Park Volunteer Program that has been concurrently formed with the Parks Advisory Committee.

We look forward to working with any citizens committed to addressing the many challenges facing our parks. Thank you!

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Mayor Christie Wants You to Know

I want to thank all the Winston citizens, their families, friends, and neighbors who came for the 4th of July parade, stayed for the festivities at the park, and finished off the day with fabulous fireworks. W.A.I.D. worked hard all year, and the results were spectacular.

Then we went straight into Graffiti Week. Our businesses hosted an array of local and out-of-town patrons with beautifully restored cars. Clay Caldwell and his festival crew brought back the original route, drawing in many cars and trucks.

We, as a small community, stood proud, lined the streets, and showed our support. Thank you. I cannot express enough gratitude and humbly bow to the many.

Additional Info:

Volunteers needed for the following:

- ✔ Economic Development Committee - meets on the second Wednesday at Noon @ City Hall
- ✔ Budget Committee
First meeting late April 2027

A Message from the Winston-Dillard Water District

The Winston water tank replacement project is underway. This consists of replacing the two existing tanks at the top of Galaxy Dr. with one larger tank. Over the next several months, there will be added construction traffic on Lookingglass Rd, Galaxy Dr., and the surrounding area.

What's New Around Town

New Business Licenses Issued in July

- Way Maker Yard Maintenance - Property Maintenance, Winston
- DML Services - Property Maintenance, Myrtle Creek
- Lair Pro Services - Property Maintenance, Roseburg
- Golden Fortune Asian Cuisine - Mobile Food Truck, Winston
- Ramsay Signs, Inc - Signage, Portland

A Message from the Urban Renewal Agency

The URA will entertain grants for business owners and commercial property owners within the current Urban Renewal District for reasonable amounts that are designed to improve the appearance of our city. Applications are available at City Hall.

Editor's Notes

**Every lost life is a tragedy, but a child's life lost is a loss for the world.
Be careful. Be safe. Have fun SAFELY.**

In the wake of the tragic loss of a young man to the Umpqua River near Riverbend Park in June, this amazing community of multiple civic organizations and private citizens came together to expedite the installation of a water safety station. The station, provided by the YMCA of Roseburg, consists of life jackets and a stationary flotation device housed in a bright red compartment and is a station that they have provided in many other locations around Douglas County.

Led by WACP, Winston City Public Works, City Hall, and other local committees, all the hurdles for approval necessary to clear the way for the installation of this water safety station were processed in record time, resulting in the station's installation being completed before July 4th. A similar station will also be installed at the Sid Nichols boat ramp.

The outpouring of interest for the addition of a memorial plaque to honor this young man has been tremendous. Contributions can be made through WACP and several organizations around town. You may contact WACP at 541-671-1274.



A Message from the Chief of Police

Summer has finally arrived in Douglas County, bringing longer days, warm sunshine, and plenty of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. Our rivers, lakes, and parks become gathering places for families and friends looking to cool off and make memories.

As inviting as our rivers may look on a hot afternoon, it's important to remember that appearances can be deceiving.

Even during the hottest days of summer, rivers like the South Umpqua remain surprisingly cold. Cold water can quickly cause your body to lose strength and coordination, making it difficult to swim or even stay afloat. Add swift currents, hidden rocks, drop-offs, and powerful undertows, and a fun afternoon can turn into a life-threatening emergency in a matter of seconds.

Tragically, our community was recently reminded of these dangers with the heartbreaking loss of a 14-year-old young man in the South Umpqua River. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with his family, friends, and everyone affected by this unimaginable tragedy.

While we cannot change what has happened, we can honor his memory by taking water safety seriously and encouraging others to do the same.

- If you plan to spend time on or near the river this summer, please remember a few simple safety tips:
- Wear a properly fitted life jacket, especially for children and inexperienced swimmers.
 - Never swim alone.
 - Be cautious when jumping into unfamiliar water. depths, and underwater hazards can change from year to year.
 - Keep a close eye on children at all times, even if they know how to swim.
 - Avoid alcohol or drugs while swimming or operating watercraft.
 - If someone is in trouble, call 911 immediately. Whenever possible, throw something that floats rather than entering dangerous water yourself.

The Winston Police Department wants everyone to enjoy everything our beautiful community has to offer this summer. A little preparation and a healthy respect for the power of our rivers can help ensure that everyone returns home safely.

On behalf of the men and women of the Winston Police Department, I wish you a safe, enjoyable summer. Let's continue looking out for one another and doing our part to keep our community strong.

Chief Brandon Sarti
Winston Police Department