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CITY COUNCIL NEWS

The City Council met on July 8, 2024, in the Library at City Hall.

Items of business included approving the normal consent agenda-minutes, bill, and financial reports. There is also a Maintenance, Library and Administrative report. During the meeting there is a Safety meeting, and the Council Committees give their reports if there are any.

Last spring it was approved to upgrade the meter reading system and it was budgeted for the current fiscal year. By this fall a new 'reader' and program will be in place to integrate with the financial program currently in use. A study will also begin to look into water rates.

November 5, 2024, is the General Election and the positions of Mayor (2 year term) and three Council positions (4 year term) will be up for election. Interested candidates need to file with City Hall before August 30, 2024.

Council Position #3, Council Position #4 and Council Position #5 are up for election. If you are interested in running for one of these positions, go to the city website-www.cityofadamsoregon.com and download the candidate forms on the home page. You can also pick them up at City Hall. They must be turned in by August 30, 2024, so they can be verified and sent to Umatilla County Elections by September 5, 2024.

There will be open positions on the Planning Commission and the Budget Committee after December 31, 2024. If you are interested in serving all that is needed is a "Letter of Interest" submitted to the City Council. These are appointed positions.

Dates Set For Community Picnic in the Park

Food and games are set for August 24, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. There will be a silent auction and a 50/50 drawing.

Table service, drinks, hamburgers, and hot dogs will be provided. Those attending are asked to bring a salad or dessert.

Summer Reading Program Presentations

Starting at 5:00 p.m. on August 24, 2024, kids involved in the Library Summer Reading Program will be recognized for their achievements. For more information and to sign up your child, contact the Adams Library.

DOG LICENSES ARE DUE

It's that time again-dog licenses can be purchased at City Hall between the hours of 12:00-6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. A current rabies certificate is required to be on file. The license must be attached to the dog collar and worn by the dog at all times.



HISTORICAL MARKER PLACED IN ADAMS PARK

An interpretive panel sponsored by the Oregon-California Trails Association marking the route of the Oregon Trail from Cayuse to the Whitman Mission between the years 1843 and 1847 has been placed in the park.

Research for this project included an Adams area resident-Sam Pambrun. His great-grandfather was 'sutler' for Fort Walla Walla and owns a Century Farm five miles from town.

In 1843, the first large party of emigrants, about 1,000, ventured along the Oregon Trail to the Whitman Mission. Only after 1845 did travelers continue west from the base of the Blue Mountains near Cayuse through the present locations of Pendleton and Echo. The route to the Whitman Mission was almost due north from Cayuse to the campsite a mile north of Adams and then on to Pine creek, the Mojonier crossing of the Walla Walla River, and the Mission. Few traveled the route to the Mission after it was destroyed in November of 1847.

In 1854, Winfield Scott Ebey (and others) followed the same route to Pine Creek, but then veered west to traverse the southern edge of the Walla Walla Valley. Both the Mission route and Ebey's route led to the Hudson Bay Company's Fort Walla Walla on the Columbia River.

Tours from the Oregon-California Trails Association will be stopping in Adams on July 23 & 24 to view the interpretive panel in the city park.

HISTORY OF ADAMS VOLUME I 1883-1893

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH-

THE AREA (ADAMS) LIES IN THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 3N, RANGE 34E WM. IT BORDERS ON THE UMATILLA INDIAN RESERVATION AND IS SURROUNDED BY SPLENDID FARMING COUNTRY. THE PRINCIPAL CROPS ARE WHEAT AND BARLEY. THE ADAMS REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION WAS STARTED WITH THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE: JOHN F. ADAMS, PRESIDENT; P.A. WORTHINGTON, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER: H.C. ADAMS, C.F. BULFINCH, I.E. SALING, I.T. REESE AND J.T. REDMAN. THE AREA WAS THEN PLOTTED AND NAMED "ADAMS" AS IT WAS CONSIDERED THAT JOHN F. ADAMS WAS THE FIRST CITIZEN.

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Upcoming Events for 2024

DOG LICENSES ARE DUE-\$5.00
Spayed/Neutered \$3.00

July 29, 2024-DEALINE TO SUBMIT A BUILDING OR LIVESTOCK PERMIT APPLICATION

August 1, 2024-PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AT CITY HALL 6:30 PM

August 26, 2024- ADAMS CITY COUNCIL MEETING STARTING AT 6:30 PM AT CITY HALL.

ZOOM Invite- Meeting ID 841 2032 7486

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