



THE GATEWAY

Wilkeson, Washington

Spring
Newsletter



2012

Message from the Mayor



Any neighborhood can start to look run down and neglected. But what a difference a little attention and energy –including beautification efforts can make! Wilkeson has always been noted as a clean town, a town that takes pride in its appearance. Thank you to all those residents and business owners who take the time to sweep off their sidewalks and pick up litter. Town staff is also appreciated for picking up trash each morning along Church Street. We would like to ask everyone to participate in our clean sweep of your area on April 28th or 29th. Sweep your sidewalk, plant the flower beds, or clean up fallen limbs around the your bushes and trees. Stand up and be counted! See below for more details.

Wilkeson's Clean Sweep /

Annual Clean Up Day!

Saturday & Sunday, April 28 & 29

Hours: 9-4PM or until dumpsters are full



Murrey's Disposal is again donating dumpsters for our Spring Beautification. Dumping will be monitored. If you would like to volunteer for a 2 hour shift please call Town Hall Offices at 829-0790.

Remember, NO: Computers/parts, hazardous material (oil, antifreeze, Freon etc.), batteries, tires, appliances, or auto parts.

April 1st the water rates will be increased by 10%

In order to build up our town reserves, last fall Council passed an ordinance to increase the water utility fees by 10%. These funds will be set aside for needed improvements in the watershed.

The kids have spoke and Council listened



After receiving many requests for a skateboard park and listed in the Town's Master Park Plan, council decided to apply for a RCO grant this summer to build a small park with movable units. A community match will be necessary to receive the grant. Volunteers are needed to work on fundraisers. Please contact Trisha Summers or Brent Thawsh by calling town hall at 360-829-0790 if you would like to help out. Stay tuned for dates for a public hearing.

Announcing an Open House Planning for our Corridor



Your Invited! March 29th Thursday from 6:30 -8:30 PM at Town Hall

We need your comments! Enjoy Refreshments! Win Door Prizes!

Without a plan, our town is not eligible for funding!

Wilkeson was awarded a grant to develop a plan that will focus on our town's aging downtown corridor, and to a lesser extent the entire length of Church Street. The engineering firm of Shea Carr Jewel is currently working on an inventory of the town's opportunities and challenges which included a start-up meeting with a steering committee (i.e., concerned town members and stakeholders). They are now continuing to compile information this month with several walk throughs of the town and businesses. The input from the town members is critical, and you are urged to attend this open house!

At the Open House you will view issues and ideas already identified, make comments and/or add a few of your own concerns or interests. SCJ will provide graphics to illustrate possible corridor improvements and alternatives. A small presentation will take place at 7 pm. If you cannot attend, please feel free to voice your comments by letter to town hall by March 29th for entry into our door prizes. You need not be present to win. State your name, address, and phone number.

No plan is finalized at this time. There will be another open house in late spring to present the best of the plans based on their research and the community's input to help determine the final product. By June or July the town should have a final determination. We will hold a Public Hearing and adopt a plan for our downtown corridor and begin seeking means of implementation.



Planning Commission Needs You!

Town council is accepting letters of interest for the vacant position on the Planning Commission. We have many exciting things happening in our town and would love to have your thoughts and input. Letters of interest must be submitted to Town Hall Offices by March 22nd no later than 4 p.m. in order to be eligible. Council will review letters at the March 28th regular Council Meeting. For more information please call Town Hall at 829-0790.

TOWN SURPLUS SALE

Saturday, May 5th
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Need a desk, computer chair or other office equipment and supplies? Then come to the Town of Wilkeson's surplus sale downstairs at town hall. *Cash only accepted.*



Special **THANK YOU** to the Wilkeson Elementary School for providing Town Hall with such beautiful seasonal art displays. They really brighten up the council chambers!



CORRECTION

Our apologies to Devin Summers, we misspelled her name in the last newsletter. Thank you for all your help at the Christmas Tree Lighting!



CARE VAN

Healthcare Transportation for the Plateau



Back in service
March 5th

For scheduling information call
(360)284-2444
Local number

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- Calendar -



March

- 6 Court 9:30a.m.
- 14 Council Meeting 7p.m.
- 21 Planning Comm. Meeting 6p.m.
- 25 Utilities Bills Due
- 28 Council Meeting 7p.m.
- 29 Open House for Corridor Project 6:30—8:30p.m.

April

- 1 Water Rate Increase
- 3 Court 9:30a.m.
- 11 Council Meeting 7p.m.
- 18 Planning Comm. Meeting 6p.m.
- 25 Council Meeting 7p.m.
- 25 Utility Bills Due
- 28 Town Clean-up Day 9-4p.m.

May

- 1 Court 9:30a.m.
- 5 Surplus Sale 9-4p.m.
- 9 Council Meeting 7p.m.
- 16 Planning Comm. Meeting 6p.m.
- 23 Council Meeting 7p.m.