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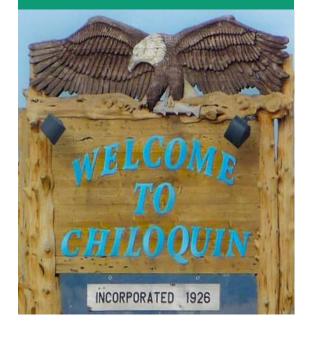
- Tuesday April 12th at 5:30pm
- Tuesday April 26th at 5:30pm

Chi-Town Family Festival Planning Meetings are Thurs, 2pm at City Hall

Check the city's calendar for the next **Broadband Advisory Committee Meeting**

Bingo Night – The first Thursday of the month at the Community Center @ 6pm

The Chiloquin Farm and Craft Market is BACK – every Friday starting at 10am



Emergency Alert Project

Being prepared for the next emergency

In the past couple of years, Chiloquin has been no stranger to emergencies caused by wildfires, and with potential threats from other hazards such as the ongoing drought facing Klamath County, we need to be as prepared for all types of emergencies that face our community.

In 2021, Chiloquin Fire and Rescue, Chiloquin Community Builders, Chiloquin Visions in Progress, and the City Council worked together and secured a grant from The Ford Family Foundation to install an electronic bulletin board and an emergency siren.



The bulletin board is expected to be installed in late spring or early summer on the Chiloquin Fire and Rescue headquarters' building across from the Post Office. This bulletin board will be used to display emergency alert notifications and information. The siren/klaxon will also be installed by CF&R and will be utilized to alert residents across the city of an emergency and where to go to obtain additional information.

The State of Oregon has implemented OR-Alert to create a statewide, real-time emergency alert system that residents can sign up for to receive emergency notifications to all cell phones operating in the area. You can also download the Everbridge mobile app that is used by OR-Alert and Klamath County on your mobile phone. To sign up for OR-Alert, go to oralert.gov and enter in Chiloquin to select Klamath County.



Letter from Brandon Fowler

The last two years the Chiloquin area has seen a dramatic rise in wildfire. As we look ahead at the prospects of another busy fire year it's important for our families to prepare for these and other emergencies. Each resident should proactively prepare to be self-sufficient for at least two weeks during a disaster.



One of the questions we get asked frequently is why 2 weeks ready? The answer to that can vary as much as the types of disasters we are vulnerable to. A couple of reasons include:

- Takes pressure off first responders so they can triage effectively and attend to lifethreatening situations
- Ensures you and your family can survive if roads are impassable, and no one can reach you with help or supplies
- Encourages neighbors to care for one another, along with other vulnerable populations

We have seen firsthand in recent years how important these items are. Things that you can do to

- Be informed, sign up for Klamath County Alerts at http://alerts.klamathcounty.org
- Learn to develop an Emergency Plan https://www.ready.gov/plan
- Build an Emergency Kit, learn more at https://www.ready.gov/kit

When you build your Emergency Kit, remember to include important papers, licenses & passports. Include medication and don't forget about your pets and their medication too! Make sure your cell phone has Wireless Emergency Alerts enabled in your phone's settings.

Klamath County is part of the OR-Alert system and in the event of an emergency we'll send alerts via this system. If you use social media stay tuned to official pages for Chiloquin Fire & Rescue, South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership (SCOFMP), Klamath County, and the Klamath County Sheriff's Office. Those locations will have the most current incident information.

Brandon Fowler

Klamath County Emergency Manager

Chiloquin City Updates

Chiloquin Farm and Craft Market - The Farmer's Market is BACK, every Friday @ 10am in the Chiloquin City Parking Lot. Stop by City Hall to fill out the Application & Waiver document. Vendors can setup at 9:30am. Contact John Rademacher or stop by City Hall for more information or a copy of the guidelines.

Chi-Town Family Festival – Recently the City Council and CVIP approved the Chi-Town Family

Festival to be held June 24th and 25th at the Chiloquin Rodeo Grounds. The committee's planning meetings are held Thursdays, 2pm at City Hall (Zoom also available). Please come and help us in organizing this event for our community. For all upcoming meetings, please visit the **Events Calendar** on the city's website.

Alcohol Awareness Months (March/April) – During the month of March many Chiloquin

teens went to local stores to apply "Think Twice" stickers on bottles of beer and alcohol to remind buyers that it is illegal to provide alcohol to minors during the Alcohol Awareness months of March and April.



KCSD photos



April is National Distracted **Driving Awareness Month**

In 2019 there were 3,142 people killed due to distracted driving - a 10% increase from 2018.

Pledge not to drive distracted!

Go to the NHTSA website for more information.

City Council Corner

Motion to begin odd/even water days as of March 14th was approved following the Governor's order issuing a drought declaration for Klamath County.

Council agreed to pursue the contract for water assistance provisions between Klamath and Lake County Action Services and the Chiloquin Municipal Water department after having it reviewed by the City Attorney.

Council approved going forward with a 2022 application for a Safe Routes to School grant provided by ODOT for 2nd Avenue as identified in the Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan commissioned by the Klamath Tribes and the City of Chiloquin.

Motion to approve the Chi-Town Family Festival as a city sponsored event was

Question of the Month

Are you enjoying the city's monthly newsletter? What would like to see covered each month?



Let us know if you are reading and enjoying our newsletter and what you would like to see in each month's edition.

Click here to submit your response.

Photo Contest

The photo this month of Barrow Goldeneyes on the river was taken by Dan Mitchell.

Enter your photos depicting life here in Chiloquin. Each month one photo will be selected to be displayed at the top of our newsletter. Click here to go to the city's website to submit your photo or email your photo to chicityhall@gmail.com.