

# City of Weston



## City Council

**Duane Thul, Mayor**

Liaison: City Hall, UCSO (Police)

**Shannon Hoehna, Councilor**

Council President

Liaison: Planning

**Mike Dowd, Councilor**

Liaison: Code Enforcement, Public Works

**Shawn Monaco, Councilor**

Liaison: Parks & Rec, Historic Landmarks

**Lois Phillips, Councilor**

Liaison: WCDC, Parks, Library

## City Phone Numbers

- City Hall: 541 566-3313
- Hours 7:00am-5:30pm M-Thurs
- Closed 11:00am-1:30pm Lunch

**Sheila Jaspersen, City Recorder**

Recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com

**Library:** 541-566-2378

**Police/Dispatch:** 541 966-3651

**Public Works:** 541-566-3976

We're online at:

www.CityofWestonOregon.com

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## Recruiting for City of Weston Commissions

*Here is a way to support your community!*

### WESTON PARKS AND REC COMMISSION

Chair: Juan Avila wprc@outlook.com

<http://westonparksandrec.com>

#### There are vacancies on this commission.

The Commission does not have the authority to make decisions without the approval of the City Council:

- The purpose of the Weston Parks and Recreation Commission is to act as an arm of the City in planning and overseeing improvements to the park system in Weston.
- The Commission defined a "Park" as any outdoor recreational space within Weston City limits and any buildings on the site (e.g. Elliott Memorial Park has kitchen and bathroom facilities on the property).
- The Commission does not have the authority to make decisions without the approval of the City Council, but will identify problem areas, research solutions, seek grants, and make recommendations to the City Council for approval.
- The Commission shall consist of four members and two alternates (one being a current setting council member).
- Any resident or business of Weston, Oregon and environs of legal age (or with guardian consent) shall be eligible to be elected a Commissioner.
- Commissioners shall be elected by the public present at the annual general meetings of the Commission for a term of three years.

Full Ordinance at: <https://tinyurl.com/28984f4v>

### WESTON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Chuck Price at 541-566-2014 or cmpricefamily@gmail.com

<http://westoncommunitydevelopment.com>

**There are several vacancies on this important group! If you are interested in helping shape the future of Weston, this is the committee to join!**

The Commission shall be advisory only...

- Advise the City Council of the Commission's recommendation for community and economic development, housing, parks, and recreation matters within the Weston City Urban Growth Boundary.
- Investigate and recommend to the City Council models of financing for recommended improvements.

Research and plan for anticipated grown needs in community and economic development, housing, parks, and recreation matters within the Weston City Urban Grown Boundary.



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# WESTON LIBRARY PAGE

www.westonpubliclibrary.com

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## Oregon's Dino Story

As a part of Summer Reading Program 2021, we're delighted to partner again with the University of Oregon's Museum of Natural and Cultural History. Usually the museum folks come to our town and do a program with kids in the summer. Due to the pandemic, they are providing these programs online.

This time it's all about dinosaurs. What makes a dinosaur a dinosaur? And why are dinosaur fossils so rare in Oregon? Join us online to uncover mysteries about Oregon during the age of dinosaurs. Stop by the library to pick up your free dinosaur activity kit, then go to this video link:

<https://vimeo.com/518814795/29bff1d475>

This is a fun short video that will help you make the most of your kit. If you don't have internet access, call the library (541-566-2378) and let us know. You can arrange to view it at the library.

This program is brought to you by Friends of Weston Library. Kits are available at the library while supplies last.



## Summer Reading Logs

If your kids have been keeping track of time spent reading this summer as part of our Summer Reading Program, we encourage them to bring the reading logs to the library. We will be accepting completed reading logs through August 13. At that time, prizes will be awarded to the two kids who logged the most time spent reading this summer. Haven't been tracking reading? It's not too late to start!



- 8/5 Library Board  
5 pm (Library)
- 8/10 Fowl Board  
4:30 pm (Library)
- 8/26 Novel Readers  
5 pm (Library)
- Storytime  
Fridays 10 am (Library lawn)

### New at the Library

*All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys Soccer Team*, nonfiction by Christine Soontorvnat

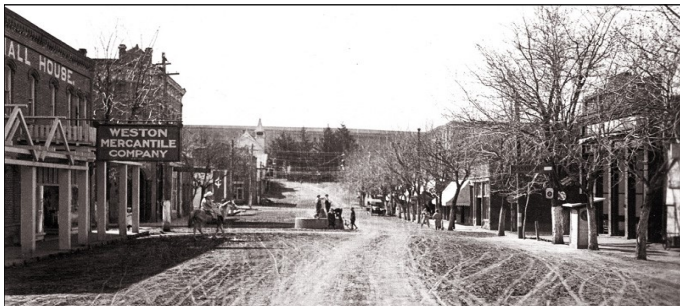
*The Heathens*, fiction by Ace Atkins

*Forever My Own*, fiction by Tracie Peterson

*When You Trap A Tiger*, YA fiction by Tae Keller

## Weston Public Library

These theme backpacks are available for checkout. They contain books and objects relating to these subjects: Space, Birds, Dinosaurs, Bugs, and ABCs. Perfect for day-care and preschools, families, and hot summer days!



## Weston Public Library Photo Archives

The Weston, Oregon Public Library Photo Archive contains about 413 photo images, 7 maps, and 60 Weston Weekly Leader newspaper display ads.



This digital archive is dedicated to the memory of Margaret Sutherland, who took special interest in collecting and preserving local history and photo images while serving as the City Librarian from 1955 until her retirement in 1995, and to Kathleen

Schmidtgall who took over as City Librarian in 1995, and has carried on to preserve and expand the archive.

<http://www.weston-publiclibrary.com/>

## WESTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Weston Chamber is in need of Volunteers to operate the Chamber. They're in need of a President, Vice President, Treasurer. They have a Secretary. The board is in need of Volunteers also. The chamber sponsors The potato show, Christmas lighting contest, the awards banquet, and last Monday of September invites the school teachers and board. In February invites the City Council. We need help as the 3 positions available are being held by individuals who are retiring. If nobody steps up the chamber will fold up. For more information call 551-566-3737 or 541-310-7076.

**Dues are \$5.00 per person or  
\$15.00 per Business**

*"The purpose of the Weston Chamber of Commerce shall be to foster goodwill among its members, to promote any worthy enterprise that will be for the benefit of Weston or the community at large, and to enter into, and support such area development that will in turn assure better living within this community."*



**City Hall is now open to the public. A mask is required to conduct business inside the building. Payments can be made via phone (debit/credit) and/or the drop box on the side of City Hall.**

**City Hall: 541 566-3313**

**Hours 7:00am-5:30pm Monday—**

**Thursday**

**Closed 11:00am-1:30pm**

**Closed on Fridays**

**Recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com**

**Code Enforcement**

**Evening office hours are Tuesdays**

**from 6:00-8:00pm.**

**Complaints can be filed then or at City Hall during regular business hours.**



## Umatilla County Pioneers Seeking Photographs

Do you have photographs of past Pioneer Queens or Grand Marshals? Photographs of past parades? Someone is looking for photos of the 1973 parade with

the float for Pioneer Queen Ruby Collins. Wasco County Pioneer Association would like to have photographs for the website to add to the history of the organization. We're also looking for biographies for many of the past Queens and Grand Marshals. Check the website to see what we have so far: [www.UmatillaCountyPioneers Association.com](http://www.UmatillaCountyPioneers Association.com)

If you scan photos, please scan them at least at 300 dpi and email them to Trish Neal at [TrishaNeal@hotmail.com](mailto:TrishaNeal@hotmail.com) *Don't have a scanner? Please let Trish know and arrangements can be made so that the photos never have to leave Weston.*

## Attention Weston Senior Citizens!

# CANCELED

Until further notice.



**The Food Pantry** is located at the Franklin Street door of City Hall. The Weston Food Pantry will distribute food each month on the Saturday after the 3rd Friday between 10:00a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Citizens from Weston, Athena, Adams, and the surrounding area are welcome. Please

bring your own bags or box. Don't be late. We must close on time. Contact person: Greg Phillips 503-880-6360 (Supported by CAPECO).

The Weston Food Pantry is open each month on the Saturday after the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday. They have wonderful food supplies for folks in need. BUT, paper products are not part of what they provide. So, the **Weston-McEwen Lions Club** gathers paper towels and toilet paper to be part of the offerings. You can help!! There are boxes for your paper donations in the US Bank in Athena and in the Weston City Hall. We appreci-



## Be sure to "Like" the Community of Weston Facebook page.

Keep up to date on what's happening, important notices, etc. This Facebook page is intended to supplement the City of Weston's website and the community website, [WestonOregon.com](http://WestonOregon.com)

You may post items to this page, too!

Be sure to invite your friends and family to "Like" the page, too.



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## Local Links

- Weston-McEwen High School: <http://wmhs.athwest.k12.or.us>
- Athena-Weston School District: <http://www.athwest.k12.or.us>
- Weston Middle School: <http://wms.athwest.k12.or.us/>
- Athena Elementary School: <http://aes.athwest.k12.or.us/>
- Weston Community Development: [www.WestonCommunityDevelopment.com](http://www.WestonCommunityDevelopment.com)
- Weston Historic Landmarks Commission: [www.WestonHistoricLandmarks.com](http://www.WestonHistoricLandmarks.com)
- Weston Parks and Recreation Commission: [www.WestonParksandRec.com](http://www.WestonParksandRec.com)
- Weston Public Library: [www.WestonPublicLibrary.com](http://www.WestonPublicLibrary.com)
- Weston Chamber of Commerce: [www.WestonChamberofCommerce.com](http://www.WestonChamberofCommerce.com)
- Historic Weston Oregon: [www.HistoricWestonOregon.com/](http://www.HistoricWestonOregon.com/)



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

**Main Office: 541-276-3322  
Pendleton**

Call to schedule a presentation, explore  
volunteer opportunities or to  
make a Donation.

**541-567-0424 Hermiston**

Call either office for assistance with  
Domestic & sexual violence or stalking.

**24 Hour Crisis Line  
1-800-833-1161**

## **Pendleton Advocacy Center**

Office: 541-276-3322

Monday-Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm  
1103 SE Court Place

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DHS M-W and F 8:00am to Noon

## **Hermiston Advocacy Center**

Office: 541-567-0424

Monday-Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm  
240 SE 2nd St., Suite B & C

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**DHS M-W and F 8:00am to Noon**

## **Milton-Freewater Advocacy Center**

Office: 541-276-3322

DHS Thursday 8:00am to Noon

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Thursday—1:00pm to 5:00pm  
722 S. Main (City Hall Basement)

## **Boardman Advocacy Center**

Information — Call 541-567-0424

Thursday—1:00pm to 5:00pm  
200 City Center Circle (City Hall)

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DHS Thursday—8:00am to Noon

## **Heppner Advocacy Center**

Information — Call 541-276-3322

## **Heppner Women's Group**

Information — Call 541-271-3322

**Volunteer Training, Parenting Class,  
Mental Health First Aid — Call 541-276-3322**

**Domestic Violence Services**  
provides direct services to victims of  
domestic/sexual and dating violence  
and stalking:

**24 Hour Crisis Line**

**1-800-833-1161**

**Sexual Assault Advocacy  
Domestic Violence Advocacy  
Bilingual Advocacy**

## **Shelters:**

- ⇒ **Awakening House in Pendleton**
- ⇒ **Casa de Esperanza in Hermiston**

## **Confidential Crisis Support Information & Referral**

**Safety Planning**

**Confidential Abuse Assessment  
Assistance with Restraining Orders  
Court Support & Advocacy**

## **Presentations:**

**Community and Student Education**

**Speakers available for businesses clubs,  
schools, churches & civic groups.**

## **Parenting and Mental Health**

**First Aid Classes**

**Call 541-276-3322**

## **Support Groups:**

**Pendleton Women's Group  
Call 541-276-3322 for information**

**Hermiston Women's Group  
Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm**

**Hermiston Spanish Language  
Women's Group  
Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm  
Children's activities provided  
Call 541-567-0424 for information**

**Milton-Freewater Women's Group  
Thursday 5:30pm to 7:00pm  
Call 541-276-3322 for information**



## WCDC is Selling Brick Pavers.

A 4x8 sells for \$50.00, COMES WITH A 2x4 bronze plaque that will hold up to 54 letters on three lines.

The 8x8 pavers sell for \$100.00 and come with 4" diameter bronze plaque that holds up to 102 letters on 6 lines.

Monies for this project will be used for landscape around the wall and for future lighting projects.

Forms are available at City Hall or from Tim Crampton, or Chuck Price.

# Blue Mountain (Kees) Cemetery

[www.BlueMountainCemetery.com](http://www.BlueMountainCemetery.com)



Andrew F. Kees was born in Washington Co., Pennsylvania in 1817 and died in Umatilla Co., Oregon in 1886. In 1860, he married Nancy Osborne (a survivor of Whitman Massacre) and they settled 2 miles south of Weston. From his farmland Mr. Kees deeded 1 and 9/16 acres for a cemetery site in 1875.

All official records of the Blue Mountain Cemetery were destroyed. Fortunately, Mrs. E.C. Miley and Mrs. O'Neal spent many days researching and re-establishing the county records as complete as possible. The list of burial sites on the website is a compilation of their efforts.

Information on Burials including photos of headstones, some obituaries, and other related historical information can be found on this website. There is also a map on the website.

The original website was a labor of love by Bob Gilliland. It was a miracle that it could be recovered from an archive website with only a few items not recoverable as the domain expired.

If you have photos to contribute or updated information that can be verified, please send the information to Trish Neal at [TrischNeal@gmail.com](mailto:TrischNeal@gmail.com) Information has to be verified before it will be added to the site to make sure that the information is as accurate as possible. I know that Bob would appreciate knowing his work lives on. ~Trish Neal

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- The commission consists of 9 members: 7 regular and 2 alternates. At least 5 of the 9 members shall have a residential or business address within the City of Weston.  
Full Ordinance at: <https://tinyurl.com/2ceufyvv>

**Historic Landmarks Commission**

Sheldon Delph at 360-520-3819 or [s\\_delph@hotmail.com](mailto:s_delph@hotmail.com)  
<http://westonhistoricalandmarks.com>

There are currently three vacancies. If you love history and historic preservation, this is the commission for you!

**Historic Landmark Commission;** a program for the identification, evaluation, and designation of historic resources as landmarks; public incentives for the preservation of Designated Landmarks; and land use regulations regarding the alteration, moving or demolition of Designated Landmarks and Historic Resources of Statewide Significance.

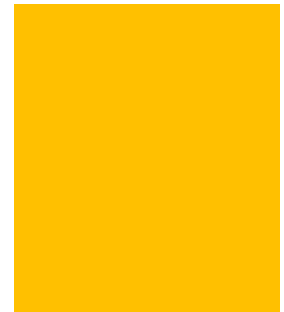
The commission is comprised of 7 members and 2 alternates. At least 5 members shall have a residential or business address within the City of Weston.

Full Ordinance: <https://tinyurl.com/28jta8ur>

The application to apply for either of these commissions can be found on the back page of this newsletter or online at: <https://tinyurl.com/ruppkke>

Need more information?

Please contact The City Recorder, Sheila Jaspersen at 541-566-3313



## Historic Weston, Oregon

*A Town Rich in History*



<http://historicwestonoregon.com/>

- Weston, Oregon History
- History Notes
- Cully Fire
- Looking Back
- Pea Production
- Canning Process
- Weston in 1922
- Weston-Elgin Highway Celebration
- Historic District
- Commercial District
- Historic Buildings & Sites
- Traveling The Oregon Trail

- Century Farms & Ranches
- Key Century Farm
- Sams Century Farm
- Cemeteries
- Weston Cemetery
- Blue Mountain (Kees) Cemetery
- Hyatt Family Cemetery
- History Links

Attorney General Ellen F. Rosenblum

# JUST HANG UP

THE PHONE ON IMPOSTER SCAMS!

### IF THE CALLER...

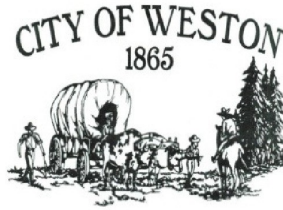
- ✓ asks you to wire money or buy a prepaid card;
- ✓ says you have won a prize or a gift but you need to pay fees or taxes first;
- ✓ asks you to visit websites or download software;
- ✓ asks for usernames, passwords, account numbers, or your home address;
- ✓ says the offer is only good for today; or
- ✓ asks you to keep the call a secret, **JUST HANG UP!**



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Application for Boards, Commission and Committees



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Tel\* (541) 566-3313 \*Fax (541) 566-2792

**recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Board, Commission, or Committee you are applying for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Budget Committee (registered voter)

\_\_\_\_\_ Planning Commission

\_\_\_\_\_ WDC or Historic Landmark (circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_ Other

Have you served on any of the above commissions or special committees?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes what Commissions and when? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently an employee of the City of Weston? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Why do you want to serve? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list any special qualifications you may have: \_\_\_\_\_

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All Commissioners names are posted on the City's Website. Names only

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Return to City Hall, Weston Oregon