

GOLD HILL CITY NEWS MAY 2024





Just a reminder....

City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 27th, in observance of the holiday season, and will return on Tuesday, May 28th @ 8:00am



City Hill new business hours are:

Monday - Thursday from 8:00am to 4:00pm

Gold Hill City Wide Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 18th, 2024, ~ 8:00 am Until filled. Mark your calendars for this big event!

Time to clean out the old stuff, dump the junk and clear out the yard debris.

Then, bring your load to the Gold Hill Sports Park parking lot for free disposal.

Metal scrap and electronics WILL be accepted.

Proof of residency will be needed!

WAIT, THERE ARE RESTRICTIONS! ITEMS NOT TAKEN IN DROP BOXES:

Appliances
Computers
Flammable Material
Large amounts of dirt or concrete

Paint Tires Asbestos
Dead Animals
Hazardous Waste
Monitors
Televisions
Tree Stumps

If any of these materials are found upon pick up, a drop off box may not be pulled until the material is removed and / or additional charges may be applied. Please help by avoiding dumping these materials. Volunteers will be on site to help with unloading if needed.

This event is co-sponsored by the City of Gold Hill, JCDF #3 & Can-Do!

ROCK POINT CEMETARY CLEAN UP DAY GOLD HILL

May 18th, 2024

Bring tools, mowers, chairs, and your favorite potluck dish.

Pleas sign in at the shed.

Chicken and Beverages provided.

Lunch at noon

Annual Meeting to follow.

All are welcome!

541-613-5075 541-855-1187 541-826-1003 for info



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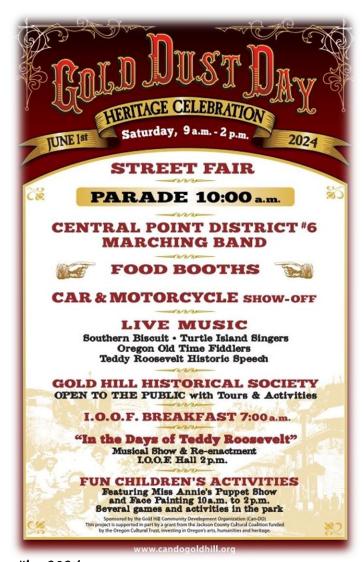
Call 811 or go to www.digsafelyoregon.com

Avista reminds you, safe digging is no accident. Before beginning any outdoor digging project, call 811 at least 2 business days before you dig. Calling 811 will get a professional locator to your site to mark the approximate location of underground utility lines. There is a two-foot tolerance zone on each side of the line, and it is required to hand dig to determine the precise location of the utility in this tolerance zone. This service is free. Remember, you may have your own utilities that require a private locate request at 811.

Knowing where underground utility lines are buried before you dig will help protect you from injury, prevent damages to utilities and service disruptions, and avoid potential fines and repair costs. Underground utility lines can be just about anywhere, so keeping your shovel in the shed or garage and calling 811 first is a smart move (and it's the law).

Every digging job requires a call – even small projects like planting trees and shrubs. The depth of utility lines varies and there may be multiple utility lines in a common area. Here are just a few examples of when to call:

- Installing a rural mailbox
- Putting in a fence
- Planting a tree or shrubbery
- Building a patio or deck





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Utility Billing Information....

We wanted to give you a heads up that we will be making some changes to how we deal with late payments for water bills. Our intention is to give you time to make the necessary arrangements before the changes go into effect. During the COVID pandemic, the City of Gold Hill stopped charging late fees for missed or tardy payments for water services. Over the past year, late fees were temporarily suspended as we diligently fixed water meters to ensure the accuracy of water meter reading. Both your water and sewer bills are based on these water meter readings

The City of Gold Hill relies on the revenues from utility payments to operate the water treatment plant and distribution system. When bills are not paid in a timely manner, the ability to properly operate and manage these critical systems is negatively impacted.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

With health of the water and sewer systems in mind, the city will re-institute the issuance of late fees and service shut off notices on past due accounts starting in July. Between now and July, customers are highly encouraged to pay your past due amounts to avoid late fees and potential service shut offs. If you are unable to pay the entire past due amount, please contact City staff to apply for a payment plan.

Additionally, there is a service fee charged for any online payments and in person credit/debit card payments. The fee will be incurred by the customer moving forward. The city is not collecting the fee. This is the exact fee charged by the bank for the use of online payments. In person payments by check or cash will not incur a service fee.

We will be collecting Blue Bags at the Sports Park on Clean UP Day sponsored by the City of Gold Hill and CanDO. You can bring all those bottles and cans you discovered during your spring cleaning out to the park and drop them off at our Blue Bag Booth. We accept any color bag but of course we prefer Blue Bags! When you drop off your bags of bottles and cans, you can pick up some of those Blue Bags and take them home to continue your bottle and can collecting. Remember you can always get more Blue Bags or drop off full Blue Bags at City Hall.

See you on May 18! Your continued support is much appreciated!



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