

MONTHLY REPORT

From The Director's Office:

On Saturday, October 28, the City hosted the second Wilsonville's Emergency Preparedness Fair. An estimate of 120 to 125 people with a few canine companions attended this event.

By connecting residents with emergency response resources and educational materials, the hope is to create a more resilient community.

The Fair was an opportunity for the public to learn a few basics about preparedness -- including how to 'make a plan', 'build a 'go kit', and 'stay informed'. Additionally, there was information on how to care for your pets, prepare for wildfire season and actions needed to be ready for winter storms.

Partners joining City staff included Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, Clackamas County Emergency Management, Wilsonville Police as well as Greg and Rachel Leo. Regional Water Providers Consortium provided displays and information related to water storage.

When a participant visited each of the informational tables they received a sticker of completion. Once they collected ten stickers they brought their completed passport to the prize redemption table to spin the "Wheel of Disaster". Depending on where the wheel's arrow landed, attendees won either a lantern, cell phone battery charger, multiuse tool, first aid kit, emergency blanket or flashlight.



In conjunction with the Fair, community members were asked to complete a 10 minute Wilsonville Emergency Preparedness Survey (www.surveymonkey.com/r/Ready) asking questions such as if the participant has been following the Wilsonville Ready campaign, whether they feel more prepared than a year ago, what level of concern do they have for the various types of emergencies/disasters, and what have they done to be better prepared. After completing the survey each participant's name is entered into a drawing to win an emergency preparedness kit. To date we have received 49 responses. The information gathered from the survey will help staff target programs and information most useful to help our community be better prepared.

Photos of this year's Emergency Preparedness event can be found on pages 11 and 12 of this report.

Best Regards,

Delora Kerber, Public Works Director

Facilities

Bulky Waste Day 2023

Facilities team members, James Stroud and Trevor Denfeld teamed up with Republic Services to host another successful Bulky Waste Day at City Hall on October 7. Nearly 400 vehicles participated and over \$3,700 in donations was collected for Wilsonville Community Sharing's food bank. We are so grateful for the community's generosity!





Facilities—cont.

Window Replacement

After staff discovered vandalism at the dog park restroom, they replaced two windows.





Fall Has Arrived!

Our landscaping division have been hard at work cleaning up City parking lots and landscape beds.



Facilities—cont.

First Aid Kit Upgrades

The City recently switched providers for our first aid kits. The vehicle safety kits are much smaller and have more supplies. The new facility first aid stations now include kits to address bleeding injuries.







Roads

Signs of the Season

The Road crew has been hard at work 'sprucing' things up for the fall season. Using our new bucket truck, the fall themed banners were installed to add a bit of color. Staff also logged several hours pressure washing—cleaning street signs for improved visibility as well as tidying bridges and pathways. Leaves are beginning to fall and accumulate, so mark your calendars for the Leaf Drop Day on November 18 at City Hall!







Roads—cont.

Mediterranean Oak Borer Infestation Response

On October 6, Mayor Fitzgerald declared a local state of emergency in order to facilitate an aggressive mitigation of the invasive Mediterranean Oak Borer (MOB). Part of that response involves proper disposal of infested white oak wood. The natural habitat adjacent to the parking lot at the Wilsonville Transit Center included standing trunks and downed limbs. Upon learning that this could attract and provide an ideal location for MOB to establish, our staff were directed to remove and dispose of all the white oak wood.

An interdepartmental task force, comprising of staff from Planning, Public Works, and Parks partnered with the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to access their 'air curtain' incinerator. Our crew cut, split, and transported approximately 30 cubic yards of white oak from the WES site to the disposal site off of Advance Road. The infected wood was burned as directed by ODA's protocol.



All residents can help with prevention by not transporting firewood and keeping their trees healthy by watering and mulching during periods of drought. More information is available on the City and ODA's website about the signs of a MOB infestation.

Stormwater

Line Replacement in Charbonneau

In October, staff tackled a big project in Charbonneau to replace a failed stormwater line. Approximately 70 feet of 10" corrugated metal pipe was found to be deteriorated and no longer functioning property. The failure of the pipe contributed to seasonal flooding in the area. Staff cut the asphalt, dug up the old pipe and installed a new 10" pipe made from PVC before replacing the asphalt. All of the work was done "in house" by City staff - we have some great talent on our team!



Utilities— Water

Major Repairs

TVF&R notified the City that a hydrant had been struck by a vehicle on Ridder Road. The hydrant had been completely sheared off. Wilsonville has "dry barrel hydrants", meaning the water is held back by an underground valve. The hydrants have a built in breakaway, allowing it to snap off when struck and no water sprays out since the valve in the ground remains shut. Repair does require a number of people. Components are quite heavy to maneuver into place and disassembly necessitates multiple people to apply enough torque to the hydrant valve tool.



The Water crew replaced a vault lid this month at an apartment complex which was beginning to fail. The condition of the lid was noticed during a meter inspection, the fiberglass was beginning to visibly crack and sag. It was replaced with a far more robust steel lid.





Utilities— Water cont.

Annual Cathodic Protection System Inspection

A technician from Norton Corrosion Control performed an annual inspection of the cathodic protection system. This system prevents the corrosion of steel assets, such as the above ground steel water reservoirs and transmission pipeline. The technician checks all of the components of the system are functioning properly and takes readings to measure the remaining lifespan of the sacrificial anodes in the system.





An Inside Look

Utilities Supervisor, Ian Eglitis, attended an American Water Works Association (AWWA) meeting hosted by the Rockwood Water District. Rockwood presented their system improvements as they transition from City of Portland Water and onto their own groundwater source. The highlight of the meeting was a tour of a steel reservoir that is being rehabilitated. The reservoir had a garage door-sized opening cut into the side for construction purposes and participants were able to walk inside the reservoir for a look.



Utilities— Wastewater

Cleansing, Inspecting and Hydro-Excavating

The Wastewater crew continues to clean and inspect lines in the River Fox neighborhood. When not cleaning or inspecting, they have been assisting with utility locates and providing assistance to the Water crew when hydro-excavation is necessary for repairs.



Using the vactor truck to assisting the Water team with repair work

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