



City of North Bonneville Newsletter November 2013



A Message from the Mayor's Desk

As we head into November it's quite likely you're hearing about our City Council weighing the pros and cons of getting into the marijuana sales business. To set the record straight I'd like to provide an update and invite you to join us at the first council meeting this month which will begin at 7pm on Tuesday, November 12th.

With the passage of Initiative 502 last year, the voters of Washington legalized the possession and use of marijuana within our state. The statewide vote was 55.7% to 44.3% in favor of legalization. Skamania County residents voted 53.26% to 46.74% in favor and the voters of North Bonneville favored legalization by a margin of 54.15% to 45.85%.

Almost a year later the implementation of I-502 is an ongoing process but one thing that is clear is Skamania County will have 2 retail marijuana stores in the near future. When the State Liquor Control Board announced the number of retail locations that would be allowed throughout the state they allocated 2 locations to our county without specifying either location would be within the city limits of either Stevenson or North Bonneville. By taking an active role in trying to locate 1 of those locations in our city we feel we are putting our community in a stronger position to ensure the goals of I-502 will be met. These goals include helping finance local law enforcement and public safety, strictly controlling and regulating the market, preventing diversion of marijuana to other states, and preventing criminal activities, including distribution to minors.

At this time we are still in the discussion phase of this issue but one thing that is clear is if the decision is made to move forward the first step will be the creation of a Public Development Authority (PDA), a legally separate entity from the city. The PDA will apply for the license to operate the retail store. By law, no member of a PDA's board of directors may be an elected official meaning neither I nor any member of our City Council will be a voting member of the board. Under state and federal law, all PDA contracts must specify that liabilities incurred by the corporation must be satisfied exclusively from their own assets.

There are still a lot of details to discuss before a decision is reached and we want to hear from all interested residents so please plan to attend our meeting on November 12th or submit your comments in person or in writing at City Hall or via email at either info@northbonneville.net or to me directly at don@northbonneville.net

City Hall is normally open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. however City Hall will be closed Monday November 11th for Veterans Day, and Thursday and Friday, November 28-29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

City Administrator's Notes

Was it a Bigfoot or Bigfootina?

At 10:30 AM on Monday the 28th of October the City Hall received a frantic call from a resident who said something unnaturally large was moving rapidly away from their residence and taking their child's blue wading pool. Annette Taylor, who responded to this report, assured the caller the City would promptly look into the matter.

However, before the City could respond to this concern, three young men came rushing into City Hall. They recounted how they were playing disc golf on the City's third course hole when they had been confronted by something the size of a house that threw a huge saucer like object past them and then chased them off. They wanted us to warn others about their harrowing experience.

I asked Tom Jermann, our resident statesman, to help me check this out. As we reached the site, Tom saw something and screeched "Eureka" which honestly scared off this thing, whatever it was, along with a whole bunch of people. We found a huge blue disc, which turned out to be the wading pool - firmly enmeshed into the number three disc basket and obviously placed there by some tremendous force.

With some finesse we were able to extract this object and carefully bring it back to City Hall in such a manner as not to corrupt possible DNA evidence.

For those who are skeptical about this account, please be advised that the child's pool/disc is on display at City Hall with the blessing of the property owner who wishes to remain anonymous. It will be on display until the Skamania Sherriff's office removes it for evidentiary purposes.

In summary we theorize a Bigfoot or a Bigfootina [a female Bigfoot] has taken up disc golf in a big way.

Happy Halloween



Editor's note – we plan to have Steven in for evaluation as soon as possible



NOTARY PUBLIC
AVAILABLE AT CITY
HALL ON
TUESDAYS AND
WEDNESDAYS



The Burn Ban was lifted on October 1st, 2013.
Get your free burn permits at City Hall. They
are good through June 30, 2014
(unless otherwise notified.)



**ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 5TH**



November 28, 2013

12:00 p.m. Until 6:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Dinner

www.bonnevilleresort.com

Adults - \$36.95; Seniors 65 and over \$19.95;

Children 7-11, \$19.95; Children 4-7, \$12.95

Call 509 427 9711 for reservations

The Satori Men's Chorus
Men Singing Peace"

November 23, 2013 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Bonneville Hot Springs Resort

Rock Cove Assisted Living's Annual Wine Tasting Event

Date 11/22/2013

Time 5:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

8th Annual Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk

8:00 a.m. November 28, 2013

Free! Monetary and food donations collected for the local food bank

Skamania County Fairgrounds, Stevenson

Columbia Gorge Running Club

Call 509 427 8911 for more information

Enjoy live music by the "Sugar Daddies", wine from Gorge wineries, beer from Backwoods Brewing, tasty hors d'oeuvres, raffles and lots of fun! A \$15 donation will get you a commemorative glass and five tasting tickets. All proceeds benefit the residents' social fund.

Rock Cove Assisted Living Center

986 NW Rock Creek Drive

Stevenson, WA 98648

Phone: (509) 427-7272.

Mark Your Calendars



Red Cross Blood Drive near City Hall

December 12, 2013

1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

The Planning Commission Needs You!

Please contact City Hall if you are interested in helping plan the city's future.

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