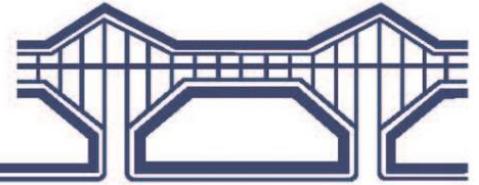


Port Report



2018-19 Budget

The Citizen Budget Committee has completed its work on the Ports proposed 2018-19 Budget and have referred it to the Port Commission for formal adoption. The Port Commission will hold a public hearing on the budget on June 21 and then will adopt a resolution approving the budget. The Ports budget year is July 1 through June 30 of each year. Copies of the approved budget will be on the Ports web page or may be picked up at the Port offices.

Hiring

The Port of Cascade Locks is taking applications for a fulltime/year-round Toll-Collector and a part-time/seasonal Toll Collector. Applicants must be available for various shifts including days, evenings, graveyard, weekends, and holidays. Looking for someone with excellent customer service, basic math & cash register experience. Requires extended periods of standing and lifting of 30 lbs. The Port of Cascade Locks is an Equal Opportunity Employer & pre-employment drug testing is required. A pre-employment physical may be required. Job open until filled. Applications can be picked up Monday-Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm at the Port Administration Office or at www.portofcascadelocks.org.



Pony Building

PacificMark Construction has been hard at work this month working on the Historic Oregon Pony building remodel. In addition to reconstructing the damaged walls, and framing new windows, the building is also getting a fresh design of color. The remodel is expected to be completed June 30th, 2018.

Camp Hosts

The campground is in full swing for the season as the Port welcomed new camp hosts; Casey Carter as our primary host, and D. and Janice Attig as our assistant hosts. They will be in the campground through September 15th assisting campers with reservations and greeting guests. Reservation season also started on May 15th. Anyone wanting to make a camp reservation in Marine Park can do so by calling the reservation line 509-637-6911.

Pony Task Force

The Task Force continues to meet twice a month in developing their recommendations for the Port Commission. The Task Force will report for a second time to the Commission on June 7 at a Port Commission meeting. The City Tourism Committee, Museum Board and local citizens have been appointed by the Port Commission to complete this task. A final report and recommendations are due to be filed in November of 2018 with the Port Commission.

Pedestrian Tolls

On May 3rd, the Port Commission approved the elimination of the \$1 toll for all bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian bridge users. Historically, pedestrians were tolled \$1 traveling from Oregon to Washington, but were not tolled as they entered Oregon. The Port generates approximately \$3000 a year in pedestrian tolls. There were a variety of factors that influenced the Commission's decision to remove this toll, with safety being one of the biggest considerations. Pedestrians will no longer have to enter and stand in the roadway at the Toll Booth to pay tolls as other vehicles approach the area. Signage at the Bridge approaches instructs pedestrians to continue to cross the Bridge against the guardrail, facing the oncoming traffic. The Port would also like to remind everyone of the 15 MPH speed limit on the Bridge and to please make sure to give plenty of space to pedestrians on the Bridge. The removal of this toll goes into effect on June 1st, 2018.



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Airport Feasibility

The Port Commission appointed Steering Committee completed their work on the feasibility study on May 23. The consultants, ECONW are now preparing a final report to the Port Commission for presentation in late June or early July. The plan is to have the City Council and Port Commission sit in joint session to receive the final report on the airport. The final report will document approximately 8 optional uses for the airport property. The purpose of the feasibility study was to provide to both the Port and the state some ideas about possible enhanced or different uses for the state owned property. Once the final report is presented, the City and State will review the report then develop strategies to work together to enhance the property. It is anticipated that this will be a long term project for all the jurisdictions involved. The Port Commission is considering holding one or two public meetings to review the report and inform and educate the community.

Columbia Gorge Express in CL

Oregon Department of Transportation’s Columbia Gorge Express is now making stops in Cascade Locks! Daily service will begin June 11, 2018. The bus will be making stops at the intersection of Wa Na Pa and School Drive. For more information on tickets and schedules, visit:
<http://columbiagorgeexpress.com/schedule-tickets>

Jeff’s Retiring

Long time Port of Cascade Locks’ employee Jeff Parduhn is set to retire this June. Jeff has been a toll collector at the Bridge of the Gods for 17 years and will be greatly missed in this operation. The Port would like to wish Jeff the best of luck in his retired years and thank him for many years of dedication.

DATES TO TAKE NOTE OF:

- June 4.....Pony Task Force
- June 7.....Economic Dev. Sub-Committee
- June 7.....Hood River County Sheriff Town Hall
- June 7.....Port Commission
- June 14.....Economic Dev. Sub-Committee
- June 18.....Pony Task Force
- June 21.....Economic Dev. Sub-Committee
- June 21.....Cascade Locks Action Team
- June 21.....Port Commission
- June 23.....CGRA Opening Day
- June 28.....Economic Dev. Sub-Committee
- June 29-July1.....Gem & Mineral Show

If you have further questions on meeting times or locations, contact our office at 541-374-8916 or visit portofcascadelocks.org.