

City Hall, 17 S. Buchanan Ave. Eagle Point, OR 97524, (541)826-4212

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**November 2017**

- 1st  
Municipal Court 5:30 pm
- 7th  
Community Development Commission Meeting 5:00 pm
- 14th  
City Council Meeting 7:00 pm
- 16th  
Municipal Court 9:00 am
- 21st  
Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 28th  
City Council Meeting 7:00 pm

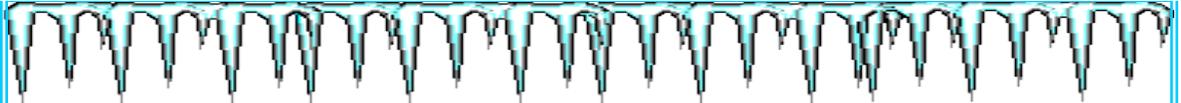
**December 2017**

- 6th  
Municipal Court 5:30 pm
- 12th  
City Council Meeting 7:00 pm
- 19th  
Planning Commission meeting 7:00 pm
- 21st  
Municipal Court 9:00 am
- 26th  
City Council Meeting 7:00 pm

All meeting agendas and materials are posted on the City's website at:  
[www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org)

Agendas are also posted on the bulletin board in the lobby at City Hall.

For questions regarding City meetings, contact  
Cindy Hughes,  
City Recorder at  
541-826-4212 ext 106



**Prepare for Winter...**

November is a good month to start preparing for winter. Freezing temperatures can cause damage to your plumbing and irrigation system if not protected. Locate and inspect the outside faucets and identify areas to protect. Winterize your sprinkler system and backflow device. Leaving faucets trickling and opening cabinet doors under sinks is sometimes helpful to avoid frozen pipes. Unhooking exterior hoses and insulating the exposed pipes under the house and foundation vents may prevent the pipes from freezing. Vacant properties should be monitored and cared for to avoid water leaks and related issues as pipes thaw. Be cautious about opening the water meter box located near the street in front of your home. Opening the water meter box in freezing weather can cause the meter and pipes to freeze or break within a couple of minutes. In the event it is necessary to open the water meter box, place insulation material in the box to help prevent freezing. Unfortunately, the City cannot repair pipes on your property and recommends contacting a licensed plumber for assistance if needed. Please notify the City immediately at 541-826-4212 if you see water line breaks on or near streets. After regular hours or during holidays, contact the non-emergency number 541-776-7206, the dispatch center will contact the Public Works staff on call.



**JOIN US NOVEMBER 11TH FOR THE ANNUAL VETERANS DAY EVENT...**

Start the morning with breakfast at the Senior Center from 7:30-10:30 am, Veterans eat free and all others pay only \$5. After breakfast, head over to the Ashpole Community Center and walk as a group to Veteran's Park where the official ceremony will be held at 11:00 am. Veteran's Park is located at the corner of Main Street and Royal Avenue in front of Eagle Point's covered bridge.



The Eagle Point Community Association will hold it's annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa's Arrival on Friday, December 1st at 7:00 pm in Bob Moore Park on Main Street. After the tree lighting, Santa will arrive by fire truck to lead everyone to the City Hall where children will receive candy, stuffed animals and books. *NEEDED...* Donations of soft, clean, "gently loved" stuffed animals and books are again being solicited for Santa's visit. Extra animals will be safely stored for the 2017 Easter Egg Hunt. For more information or to arrange donation pick up or drop off call 541-944-2446 (Bunny) or 541-826-4974 (Leon and Edith Sherman).



**City of Eagle Point Annual Leaf Pickup  
Nov. 20th - Dec. 15th**

- ⇒ Bagged leaves only.
  - ⇒ Bagged leaves must weigh less than 40 lbs.
  - ⇒ Please do not place bags in the streets. Bags should be placed behind the curb close to the street. Bags will not be collected on private property.
- The City cannot specify exact dates or times of pick up. For more information visit [www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org).

**New Hours  
at City Hall**

**Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday & Friday**  
**8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

**Wednesday**  
**9:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

# Important Dates

For more information check  
the city website  
[www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org)

## November 2017

5th - Daylight Savings Ends  
10th - City Hall Closed  
11th - Veteran's Day  
20th - Leaf Pick Up Begins  
23rd - Thanksgiving Day (City Hall Closed)  
24th - City Hall Closed

## December 2017

1st - Christmas Tree Lighting & Santa's Arrival  
15th - Last Day of Leaf Pick Up  
25th - Christmas Day (City Hall Closed)



**Oregon House Bill 2597 went into effect October 1<sup>st</sup>. This bill makes it illegal to drive while holding or using an electronic device such as a cell phone, tablet, GPS, or laptop. Below are the regulations:**

### Oregon House Bill 2597 Distracted Driving Fact Sheet

- The purpose of the law:** Focus on driving and put away the distractions.
- Important dates:**
  - **October 1, 2017: Is when the law goes into effect.**
  - **January 1, 2018: Is when the court has the option to waive the fine for first-time offenders who attend a Distracted Driving Avoidance Course.**
- Basic Requirements:** It is illegal to drive while holding or using an electronic device (e.g. cell phone, tablet, GPS, laptop).
- Exceptions (some are "affirmative defenses", which means you may need to prove to the court).** This new law does not apply to the following:
  - When using hands-free or built-in devices, if 18 years of age or older.
  - Use of a single touch or swipe to activate or deactivate the device.
  - While providing or summoning medical help and no one else is available to make the call.
  - When parked safely, i.e., stopped at the side of the road or in a designated parking spot. It is NOT legal to use the device when stopped at a stop light, stop sign, in traffic, etc.
  - Truck or bus drivers following the federal rules for CDL holders.
  - Using a two-way radio: CB users, school bus drivers, utility truck drivers in the scope of employment.
  - Ambulance or emergency vehicle operators in the scope of employment.
  - Police, fire, EMS providers in the scope of employment, (can include when in personal vehicle if, for example, when responding to an emergency call).
  - HAM radio operators, age 18 years or older.
- Fines:**
  - First offense, not contributing to a crash: Class B violation.
    - >Presumptive fine \$260 (The amount on the ticket; if you don't simply pay, it could go up or down).
    - >Minimum fine is \$130; maximum fine is \$1,000
  - Second offense, or first offense, if it contributed to a crash: Class A violation
    - >Presumptive Fine \$435
    - >Minimum fine is \$220; maximum is \$2,500.
  - Third offense in ten years: Class B misdemeanor.
    - >Minimum fine \$2,000.
    - >Maximum fine is \$2,500.
    - >Could be 6 months in jail.
- Course for First Time Offenders:** For a first offense that does not contribute to a crash, the court *may* suspend the fine\* if the driver completes an approved distracted driving avoidance course, and shows proof to the court within four months. \*Only the *fine* is suspended – the violation will still be recorded on the offender's driving record.



## Eagle Point Department of Public Works

### Linn Road Improvements

Design has been initiated for the Linn Road Improvements by Century West Engineering. The project will widen the existing road to provide pedestrian and bicycle improvements, a new drainage system, and lighting from the Buchanan Avenue Intersection to Highway 62. The existing box culvert will be replaced to provide expansion of the road and storm system. Initial surveying has been completed and a geotechnical investigation was performed in October. Next steps are a preliminary design with landscaping concepts for a planted median and directional signage. The project is funded through a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation and scheduled for construction in 2018. For questions or additional information, please contact Eagle Point Public Works.



## City of Eagle Point & YMCA Youth Sports Program



Registrations for Winter Basketball will begin late November - December and games will begin in January. To register visit <https://roguevalleyymca.playerspace.com> or you can find the link at [www.cityofeaglepoint.org](http://www.cityofeaglepoint.org). For question, call Rogue Valley Family YMCA at (541)772-6295 or you can contact City Hall at (541)826-4212.