

City of Westfir Newsletter

August 2024



City Hall Hours: Mon Wed Fri 9am – 2pm

*City Council meetings are the first Monday of the month at 5:30pm.
Meetings are held at City Hall and also via audio/video teleconference.*

Notice of City Council Meeting Date Change

The September City Council meeting will take place on **Tuesday, September 3** rather than the second Monday of the month, as originally scheduled.

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Westfir Confluence Stewardship Pint & Pull

August 9 • 9:00 am–1:00 pm

The City of Westfir and the Middle Fork Willamette Watershed Council invite you to join us in restoration at the Westfir Confluence Park.

We will be removing invasive plant species to maintain native plantings as part of ongoing riparian restoration. Please register for the event **by August 7**: <https://www.middleforkwillamette.org/events>.

Water and light snacks will be provided, but please bring a water bottle and anything else you may need to be comfortable in the heat. All ages are welcome, and we encourage biking or carpooling as parking at the site is limited.

At the end of the day, you are welcome to join us at Westfir Lodge for lunch and beverages. We look forward to seeing you there!



Community Cleanup

Fall community cleanup is happening again this year! City Hall will host a large dumpster for use by City of Westfir residents to dispose of unwanted items.

Watch the September newsletter or Facebook for dates and a list of items allowed for disposal.



The 16th Annual Oakridge Keg & Cask Festival

August 10, 2024
3:00–11:00 p.m.

Admission is Free for Live Music
and Street Fair

\$20 for a ticket to the Brew Garden

A family-friendly event with the
primary goal of raising money
for Oakridge Food Box.

How can you help prevent wildfires?

The Oregon Department of Forestry is urging the public to actively practice wildfire prevention as the state works to control over 20 large fires. Additional human-caused fires on the landscape will draw the firefighting efforts away from the lightning-caused fires and put extra strain on ground and aviation resources, which are already spread thin. Here's how YOU can help prevent wildfires:

- * Check and follow your local fire regulations. The majority of the state is either in high or extreme fire danger right now, meaning even the smallest of sparks could start the next large wildfire. [There are links on the Westfir website to Fire Danger Level and a chart of outdoor restrictions by level: www.ci.westfir.or.us]
- * Make sure your car has been recently serviced to avoid faulty parts throwing sparks.
- * Remember that debris burning is prohibited statewide.
 - Return to check on your burn site if you burned earlier in the year.
- * Avoid parking vehicles on tall, dry grass.
- * Don't drag tow chains.
- * Recreate responsibly. Where campfires are allowed, make sure your campfire is DEAD OUT before leaving it by drowning it with water, stirring it with a shovel and repeating that process until it is cold to the touch. If there is heat coming off it, there are still embers that could reignite.



There is still time to run for office ...

But don't delay! If you are interested in running for one of the open positions on the City Council, the deadline to submit signatures to City Hall is:

Monday, August 19, at 2 p.m.*

If interested, please call or visit City Hall for details or find application forms on the City website:

www.ci.westfir.or.us/?page_id=312

Open seats: Mayor and two Council seats.

** If you miss the deadline, your name will not appear on the ballot, but you can run as a write-in candidate.*

GAH! (Games at Hemlock)

7:00–8:00 PM Sunday Nights

Where: Hemlock Park (Westfir)

Game Schedule:

- August 4 – Basketball
- August 11 – Volleyball
- August 18 – Badminton
- August 25 – Soccer
- September 1 – Basketball
(Labor Day Weekend)
- September 8 – River play



Good sportsmanship and appropriate language required.

Everyone welcome. Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling.

Contact Amber Meske for more information or to be included in text updates: 541-606-2443.