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Calendar of Events

City Council Meetings

- Tuesday, May 14 at 5:30 pm at City Hall
- Tuesday, May 28 at 5:30 pm at City Hall

Bingo Night – The first Thursday of the month at the [Community Center](#) @ 6 pm

Candidate Forum Thursday, May 3 at 4:30 pm at the Community Center.

Mass Timber Community Meeting Monday, May 6 from 6-7 pm at the Community Center.

CTFF Event Planning Meeting Thursday, May 9 at 2 pm at City Hall

Sheriff's Advisory Meeting – Wednesday, May 16 @ 2:00 pm - Community Center.

Tuesday, May 21 is the last day to drop off your ballot at City Hall. M/T/Th/F – From 10 to 4:30.

2024 Chiloquin After School Bike Club

Join the local bike club as it gears up for the 3rd year of the Chiloquin After School Bike Program! This exciting 6-week program, open to students in grades 2 through 12, offers a fantastic opportunity for youth to explore the joys of cycling at no cost. Sign-up sheets are now available at school offices, and homeschoolers are welcome to join. Mountain bikes and helmets are provided. Elementary students (grades 2-6) will be transported on the early bus to the Chiloquin Bike Park @ Spinks Park. Parents can collect their cyclists at 4:00 pm from the park. Jr/Sr High School students will assemble at the shipping containers near Chiloquin Elementary before biking over to the park. They'll return to the school by 4:45 pm for pickup. Volunteers are crucial in ensuring our young riders a safe and enjoyable experience. If you can lend a hand with supervision, please get in touch with Hannah Levine hannah@ridelikeaninja.com for further details. No biking experience is necessary, but adult volunteers must pass a background check. Stay connected with the latest updates on youth bike programming this spring and summer by following Chiloquin Bike Park on Facebook!

SCHEDULE BY GRADE

4TH, 5TH, 6TH GRADES

---TUESDAY---

3PM - 4PM

APRIL 30TH
MAY 7TH
MAY 14TH
MAY 21ST
MAY 28TH
JUNE 4TH

2ND & 3RD GRADES

---WEDNESDAY---

3PM - 4PM

MAY 1ST
MAY 8TH
MAY 15TH
MAY 22ND
MAY 29TH
JUNE 5TH

7TH-12TH GRADES

---THURSDAY---

3:15PM - 4:45PM*

MAY 2ND
MAY 9TH
MAY 16TH
MAY 23RD
MAY 30TH
JUNE 6TH

Markwardt Building Demolition

The city has secured \$325,000 in grants, including \$50,000 from The Ford Family Foundation, \$50,000 from The Round House Foundation, \$25,000 from The Oregon Community Foundation, and \$200,000 from Business Oregon. These funds are allocated to support the demolition of the Markwardt Building before the cleanup of underground storage tanks and hydraulic lifts within the building under the city's EPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant. The city council voted to demolish the building before cleanup activities based on public input, safety concerns, access issues, and the projected costs of "saving" the building. In the next several weeks, the city will begin asbestos remediation of the interior of the building before demolition. Demolition of the building is proposed for mid-June, followed by cleanup activities in July. This schedule will enable the city to apply for an EPA Community Change grant, which, if awarded, would facilitate the redevelopment of the property.



KLCAS Celebrates 20 Years of Service in Klamath

2024 marks the 60th year since the Community Action Network was established to help American families and communities overcome obstacles to poverty. Over 1000 agencies across the country are working daily to create opportunities and transform the lives of their neighbors, making communities stronger and helping families across the US survive and thrive. This year, [Klamath and Lake Community Action Services](#) (KLCAS). A proud member of the Community Action Network, will also be celebrating 20 years of helping Oregonians throughout Klamath and Lake counties.

“Each May, during Community Action Month, we reflect on the impact Klamath and Lake Community Action Services and our network has had on families in our communities,” said Christina Zamora of Klamath and Lake Community Action Services. *“Last year alone, we served over 4,800 individuals who live in Klamath and Lake counties with a team of less than 25. The dedication of our committed and mighty team in reliable service delivery and their approach to identifying opportunities to improve is continually evolving.”*

Community Action Agencies serve 99% of all American counties with life-changing services to help families achieve financial stability. All agencies are locally controlled and represented by the community's private, public, and low-income sectors. “We are proud of our Board’s participation in the improvement and oversight of our programs,” said Zamora. “Their engagement helps us to be more effective in our approach by determining what challenges are faced by Klamath and Lake county community members and how to deliver our services most efficiently.”

Klamath and Lake Community Action Services is a member of the National Community Action Partnership and the Community Action Network, which was created by the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964. Our mission is to address individual and family needs and make connections to promote communities that thrive. Website: www.klcas.org.

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Candidate Forum – The candidate forum for the Klamath County Commissioner and Sheriff positions will be held **Thursday, May 3**, at the Community Center. The Commissioner session will start at 4:30 pm, with the Sheriff forum beginning at 6 pm. Please submit questions online at <https://forms.office.com/r/K4vQiuNvD2>. After the forum, there will be the ability to meet and talk with the candidates directly. **Ballots can be dropped off at City Hall from 10 am to 4:30 pm M/T/TH/F until May 21.**

Calling all Vendors – Sign up now at <https://forms.office.com/r/dYU2LNHkdW> for this year’s Chi-Town Family Festival, June 21 and 22.

Sierra Service Project – We are thrilled to announce that the [Sierra Service Project](#) team has received a \$25,000 grant from The Ford Family Foundation, and this significant boost will increase their ability to provide home repairs in Chiloquin this summer. [Click here for a home repair request application](#), or pick one up at City Hall. There are also several scholarships for local youths to participate in the summer program. The scholarship form is available at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScimhYmTallikLEg7CLv5L97I29Ga6wWg65ID2RZD_SRBIpng/viewform.

New Emergency Alert System – [Chiloquin Fire & Rescue](#) (CFR) has recently installed a state-of-the-art electronic bulletin board on their headquarters, just across the street from the Chiloquin Post Office. This new system is designed to provide instant emergency alert updates in the event of a fire or any other emergencies that may affect Chiloquin. Stop and take a look the next time you are in the neighborhood.

The Future of Housing with Mass Timber – The state is working with communities like Chiloquin to encourage new forms of housing, including mass timber building materials, which can create more housing and job opportunities. Attend an in-person meeting to share your experience with housing and jobs in Chiloquin with [Cascadia Partners](#), a community engagement consultant working with the State of Oregon in talking to communities about mass timber. The meeting will also discuss concerns, opportunities, and the role of mass timber modular housing in Chiloquin. The meeting will occur Monday, May 6, from 6-7 pm at the Community Center. More information is available at <https://www.cityofchiloquin.org>.

SB1530 Award – The City of Chiloquin has been awarded an allocation of General Funds from the State for \$1,186,000 through Senate Bill SB1530 that will fund two infrastructure projects, including roads, water, wastewater, and drainage for two Tribal Housing projects that 32 new tribal homes.

Klamath Council of Governments – Klamath County, in collaboration with Chiloquin, Bonanza, Malin, Merrill, Klamath Falls, and The Klamath Tribes, is spearheading the establishment of a Council of Governments (CoG). Upon approval, this CoG will serve as a vital platform for fostering collaboration among all local governing bodies within Klamath County. Together, we can tackle regional challenges spanning economic development, community enhancement, and transportation planning. One of the primary focal points under consideration is enhancing law enforcement services countywide, ensuring alignment with the unique requirements of each area while upholding principles of equity for all.

City Council Corner

Motions approved by the council:

- A Conditional Use Permit application to place a residence in the City’s Commercial Zone at Lot 6, Block 14, 221 Chocktoot Street.
- To open a new bank account for grant monies.
- To use training dollars for staff CPR training.
- Resolution 877 to adopt the Supplemental Budget for FY2023-2024 to receive monies into the General Fund (\$325,000) for the demolition of the Markwardt Building.
- Resolution 878 to replace the Section 3 Plan to comply with 24 CFR Part 75 of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and Resolution 879 to approve Self-Evaluation for compliance with Section 504 Accessibility Requirements for Persons with Disabilities.
- Approval of support for the new Council of Governments for Klamath County and the draft Memorandum of Understanding.
- Approval of Amendment 4 with Business Oregon for the water project.
- To decline the \$24,000 technical assistance, grant from the Department of Land Conservation and Development due to the award of an EPA’s Building Blocks technical assistance grant the city received from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).



May is Wildfire Awareness Month

This month’s photo is the pocket park after volunteers recently planted flowers and trees. Submit your photo [online](#) or email your photo to chicityhall@gmail.com.