



VERY IMPORTANT: There will be a major repair being done to the water line on C Street very soon. There will likely be a short period of water shut off for much of the lower part of town. Watch for notices to be posted on social media and contact from City Staff. The road will also be closed between 1st and 2nd during the repairs.

Cross Connection and Back Flow Inspection

The State of Oregon requires the City to submit a report stating that all underground water sources, **including sprinkler systems**, have a cross connection and back flow restrictor. It is required that we receive annual inspection reports to verify they are working properly.

City Hall will be closed July 5th, 2024.

City Hall will be closed the week of August 5th-9th 2024, regular hours will resume August 12th, 2024.

Please make sure that your contact information is current with the city. This includes mailing addresses and contact phone numbers and email. This information is needed in case of emergencies or water related issues.

Special Notice: Our water lines will be being flushed throughout summer; this is a part of routine maintenance. When this is done it does stir up the iron in the pipes and can cause water discoloration. The water is safe to consume as usual and there is no cause for concern.

Please note that a \$30.00 late fee will be assessed to water accounts that have a balance on the last weekday of the month, every month there is a balance.

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How to Keep Your Septic System Maintained



Here are some helpful tips to keep your septic system working properly in addition to having your septic tank pumped out regularly.

- DON'T flush material that will not easily decompose.
- DON'T dig or drive over the septic tank or drain lines.
- DON'T use septic tank additives.
- DO use easily biodegradable laundry detergent, soap, & other household supplies.
- DO cover the drain field with grass to prevent erosion.

If you are experiencing any signs of system failure, such as pools or puddles of water near the drain field, gurgling, or slow drains we recommend contacting a professional or calling the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality at (541) 687-7426 to discuss these issues.

Important Information

It is important that you keep the area on top of and around your water meter clear of debris. Our equipment must be able to communicate with the meter, having debris on top can hinder this. Also please do not block access to meter, for example by blocking driveway access, we must get close to the meter to get the reading.

Have you wanted to have more of a voice in what happens in our community? If so, you are in luck! We have 3 Council seats up for election this year as well as the Mayor position. If you would like to run for election for any of these positions, please contact City Hall at (503)873-5435 or email the clerk at clerk@scottsmills.org. Election forms must be received before August 12th, 2024.