



# SUTHERLIN CITY NEWS

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR

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**G**reetings Sutherlin Friends! One thing for sure, Central Avenue is a mess! Each day gets us a bit closer to the finished product so please continue to be patient with us and the contractors.

We're now on the north side of Central Avenue concentrated in mostly the downtown area although we see the barricades go just about the full length of Central. They're getting ready to cut the sidewalks back two feet as reported before. This will give us a better advantage to get in and out of our cars and spare our lives!

Interim Fire Chief Mike Lane has now been appointed as Chief of the Sutherlin Fire Department. We're glad he accepted

and is back fresh and revived after a short hiatus. Congratulations Chief! Look for exciting things to happen in the Fire Department!

As we enter the Budget Season, Council will be listening some of their top priorities for the new fiscal year. The Budget Message will be presented along with the proposed FY 2018-19 Budget to the Budget Committee on Monday, April 9th at 6:30pm just prior to the Council meeting at 7pm. The first scheduled Budget Committee meeting will be April 16th at the Sutherlin Library beginning at 6:30pm.

Finally, in a renewed review of our Operational

Philosophy within the Strategic Plan, City Staff have initiated a new city proclamation: "Sutherlin; Leading the Way". This is to signify that our staff team is not only dedicated in service to our citizens but in all endeavors, seeking to continuously be relevant, innovative and excellent, "To be the first or most prominent in all plans and actions". Look for this soon to be displayed throughout City Hall, in our Council Chambers, on our website and other social media. Happy Easter!

-Todd McKnight  
Mayor

Bid opening Mar 22



## WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT BID AWARD

**I**t's been a long time coming but at Monday night's City Council meeting on March 26th, the Council approved unanimously to award the Bid made by a firm out of Battle Ground, Washington. Tapani Inc. came in as low bidder at \$16,240,000.

The decision to wait until early spring for the bid process was a good one! We obtained 8 bids from Prime Contractors which is almost unprecedented. Bid range was as high as \$19M. The last bid read was within just \$60,000 of the first bid.

The Engineer's bid was estimated at \$15.5 to \$17.5 Million.

As soon as we receive the word from the Engineer to proceed, construction will begin in May 2018 and should be fully completed by Oct. 2020.

## TOURISM FUNDS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Tourism Room Tax Advisory Committee is accepting funding applications and will soon be reviewing all funding requests for 2018. Your application should be submitted a minimum of 90-days in advance of your event to give the committee time to review and provide feedback.

They will be using an evaluation tool to score applications. The Committee is heavily invested in activities that attract people from over 50 miles away and include an overnight stay in the area. It is also very important to track your results and give a report back to the Committee post-event. Your funding

request should be accompanied by a narrative that includes an appraisal of the event's impact on Sutherlin's tourism and examples of promotional materials and how the support of TRT will be acknowledged. You may also be asked to present your funding request in person.

If you are seeking funds greater than \$1000 you must show your budget provides for a 50 percent match. You may appeal for a waiver of the match to the TRT Grant Committee.

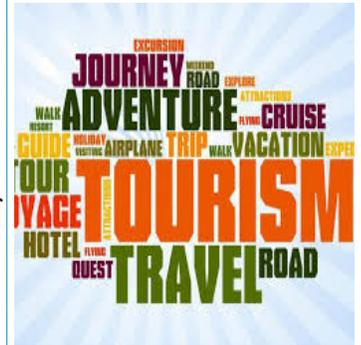
The TRTAC expects a short, post-event report (in person or by email), complete with visitor/attendee

tracking results and then funds will be disbursed. Should your organization need funds prior to the date of your project/activity event you may make that request part of your narrative.

Applications should be submitted to the Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center at 1310 W. Central Avenue, Sutherlin or mail to PO Box 1404, Sutherlin, OR 97479,

Click control and on link below for application to print out and submit.

[TRT GRANT FUNDS APPLICATION HERE!](#)



## C. GILES HUNT LIBRARY WINS BIG!

Jean Galleher was unable to attend but she was awarded this year's Woman of the Year for the countless number of hours she spent bringing volunteers together to keep the library up and running. She did that and so much more. It's developed into a well run machine with over 40 volunteers! The award was accepted on her behalf by Nancy Anderson and Judy Huntley who are also library volunteers. Judy along with City of Sutherlin leaders nominated Jean for this award

and are very pleased she was selected to win. Her thanks came with her statement, "I am proud to accept the award on behalf of all the Sutherlin Library Volunteers who have worked countless hours to keep your library open." Congratulations Jean! This is well deserved! You should be very proud of what you accomplished here at the Library! We all thank you!

Another award went to the Library Foundation & Board for Outstanding Service

Award. Everyone's hard work and dedication paid off! Congratulations to each and everyone of you who are involved! Pat Lynch, the Library's Operations Manager, Library Board Chair, Rick Troxel, Nancy Anderson and Rannah Williams were on hand to enjoy the banquet and accept the awards. Great job everyone!



## POLICE SWEAR IN TWO OFFICERS

In September of 2017, the Sutherlin Police Department began a hiring process to fill vacancies within the police department. The process of finding a qualified applicant can take up to several months due to the rigorous testing process. This process includes a written examination, a physical agility test, pre-assessment, pre-interview, oral board, pre-psychological assessment, background investigation, a post - psychological assessment, and a medical assessment.

Two individuals progressed through this arduous process and were offered full time positions as Sutherlin Police Officers in which they accepted. Please help us welcome both Toby Osborne and Jaques Maritz as new members of the Sutherlin Police Department, the City and to the Sutherlin community.

**Tobias “Toby” Osborne** was born in Roseburg, Oregon. Toby attended local grade schools in the area and graduated from Roseburg High School in 1996. After working for some time on his own, Toby attended Umpqua Community Col-

lege in efforts to gain his Associate’s Degree in Criminal Justice.

In April of 2010, Toby applied to become a Reserve Police Officer for the City of Myrtle Creek and was quickly hired. After working as a reserve, Toby was encouraged to become full time. He applied and was hired and sworn in as a full time police officer.

Toby has worked as a police officer for the City of Myrtle Creek and has five years of experience.

Toby and his wife recently moved to the Sutherlin area and liked the community so he decided to apply for a position at the Sutherlin Police Department as a police officer. Toby progressed through the hiring process and was offered a position which he accepted.

**Jaques Maritz** was born in Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa. He continued living in South Africa with his parents and two siblings, attended public school, and graduated with a High School Diploma. Directly after high school, Jaques relocated to attend college. He graduated with a four

year degree from the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa.

After making two trips to the United States to visit his brother, Jaques finally moved out in late 1998, by residing in Washington.

Jaques spent some time living with his brother in Idylld Park, Oregon, then decided to move to the Roseburg area in 2004. Jaques met his wife, Erika, and they married in 2009.

Jaques began following his dream of being employed in the law enforcement field which led him to the Sutherlin Police Department. He progressed through the hiring process and was offered a position which he gladly accepted.

Both officers were sworn in on the same day witnessed by family, friends and staff members.

We welcome both Toby and Jaques not only to the Police Department but to the City of Sutherlin and the entire Sutherlin - Oakland Community! Stay safe gentlemen!



Officer Osborne

Officer Maritz



“Behind every  
**STRONG**  
**POLICE OFFICER**  
there’s even a  
**STRONGER FAMILY**  
who stands by them  
**SUPPORTS** them &  
**LOVES** them with all  
their heart.”



## BUSINESS REGISTRATION

The City Council approved the final Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1062 provides a business registration program that would create a database contact listing for the police department, fire department, City Manager and City Council to assist with public safety, economic forecasting, economic development, budget preparation, city promotion, and revenue projection. The business registration program will provide the City and the public with the needed information in the least impactful way at no cost to the business owner/manager.

Local resident and business owner, Gary Dagele, worked with the City, City Council and local businesses to promote the registration program while asking for their input and suggestions with the form that would please us all. We thank him for time and effort spent doing this, as well as the businesses who understand the need!

The form is on the website if you want to fill one out and bring or mail it in. Or you can stop by City Hall and get one from the Community Development Department. On the website [cityofsutherlin.com](http://cityofsutherlin.com) you'll find it on the top menu under Business. Or hit your control button and click on the following link.

[Business Registration Form](#)

## VIETNAM WAR VETERAN'S

As we come to a close of this March 2018 we want to honor our Vietnam War Veteran's as they now, finally, have a National Day of Observance in their honor on March 29. It honors men and women who served and sacrificed during the longest conflict in United States history.

Many did not return home, 58,000 were killed. Those who made it home to American soil did not receive, by any means, respectful welcomes. It was on March 29, 1973, when combat and combat support units withdrew from South Vietnam. Generations later, Veteran's of this time period are finally gaining



**Sutherlin**  
-AREA-  
CHAMBER of COMMERCE  
VISITORS CENTER

# 2018 EVENTS

- JAN 20** Frontier Town Exhibit  
Radio Days Museum
- FEB 17** Wine & Chocolate  
Calapooia Museum
- MARCH 17** First Citizens Awards Banquet
- MARCH 31** Easter Egg Hunt
- APRIL 21** Museums Progressive Dinner
- MAY-OCT** Farmer's Market Sutherlin  
Central Park Every Friday
- MAY** Public Safety Appreciation
- MAY 13** Lions Mothers Day Breakfast
- MAY 19** Hot Rod Fun Run
- JUNE 2** Sutherlin Citywide Yard Sale
- JUNE 2-3** Free Fishing Weekend  
Cooper Creek
- JUNE 15-17** Woolstock Festival  
Central Park  
Water Fly –  
Umpqua Valley Modelers  
Plat 1 Reservoir
- JUNE 16** Historic Flag Walk Celebration  
Central Park
- JULY 6-AUG 24** Music Off Central  
Friday Evenings
- JULY 4** Lions Old-Fashioned  
4th of July Picnic
- JULY 13-14** Sutherlin Stampede Weekend
- AUG 17-19** Blackberry Festival  
Central Park
- OCT 27** Halloween Downtown
- NOV 24** Shop Small Business Saturday  
& Wine Tasting
- NOV 25** Community Tree Lighting
- DEC 7-8, 14-15** Timber Town Christmas Bazaar
- DEC 8** Lions Christmas Tree Festival
- DEC 15** Timber Town Toyland Parade

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the respect they so deserve and is so long overdue. Many during that time frame were just kids, but all were willing to serve their country. For many it left an indelible mark on their entire being. If you know a Vietnam Veteran take a moment to thank them for their service. Thank you Vietnam Veteran's!

# COUNCILOR SPOTLIGHT

## DENNIS RIGGS

Our newest city councilor was appointed by the city council to fill a vacancy in March of 2017. Mr. Riggs is retired as far as working full-time but he as quickly become a significant volunteer for both the city and in the community. He attended his “first ever” League of Oregon Cities annual training conference and came away with a strong understanding of how the local governance process best works in Oregon. In particular, he made sure to attend all of the local government training sessions in emergency preparedness and response. Since that time, Mr. Riggs has dedicated numerous hours of his time helping the City Manager increase city-wide awareness of the emergency management role needed here in Sutherlin. So much so, that the City Manager convinced Dennis to serve as the city’s volunteer Emergency Manager.

Since his acceptance, he has been attending all certification training sessions he can to the point where he is



now nationally certified as an Emergency Response Manager in the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and one of only two Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) trainer certified. Just last week, he brought all department heads together to teach them their individual roles when working in the Emergency Operations Center in preparation for a larger drill/exercise he is planning in May of this year.

Mr. Riggs now wears two hats for the city, one in service to our citizens as a policy maker on the City Council and another in service as our local and only city Emergency Manager in Douglas County.

Thank you Dennis, we appreciate your willingness to serve your community and the City in both capacities. He has a desk at the Sutherlin Fire Station and is becoming accustomed to staff and the volunteers. If you have any questions for Dennis you can email him at [d.riggs@ci.sutherlin.or.us](mailto:d.riggs@ci.sutherlin.or.us).

## FIRST CITIZEN AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to all the winners at the First Citizen Award Banquet that was held at the Danny Lang Center on March 17th. The winners are as follows:

Man of the Year - Jon White, Woman of the Year - Jean Galleher, Business of the Year - Nellie’s Deli, Lifetime Achievement - Wayne Calder, Inspirational Leader - Shana Murphy, Outstanding Educator - Mike Westlake, President’s Award, Terry Prestianni, Outstanding Service Award -Sutherlin Library Foundation & Board. Kudo’s to Sutherlin Chamber for such a nice banquet and venue of this annual event!



We're on the Web!

[www.cityofsutherlin.com](http://www.cityofsutherlin.com)

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*" A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE  
WORK AND PLAY "*



## UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ Apr 9-Budget Mtg 6:30pm
- ◆ Apr 9-Council Mtg 7pm
- ◆ Apr 14 - Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser for Sutherlin-Oakland Food Pantry 4:30-6:30pm at Com Center
- ◆ Apr 16 - Budget Mtg 6:30pm
- ◆ Apr 22-Council Mtg 7pm
- ◆ Apr 25- SDDI Mtg 12Noon - Abby's
- ◆ May 6-12 - IIMC City Clerk/Recorder Week
- ◆ May 9th - Council Mtg 7pm
- ◆ May 13-Mother's Day Breakfast 8a-11am Com Ctr Lions Club
- ◆ May 19 - Hot Rod Fun Run-Chamber
- ◆ May 28 Memorial Day - City Offices Closed
- ◆ Jun 2- Sutherlin City-wide Yard Sale - Chamber

## WHAT'S NEW AROUND TOWN

Everyone is excited that Nellie's Deli has now moved east on Central to their new location at 667 E. Central (formerly the old Tim's Tree-house) and hoping to be open the first part of April.

Their name changed just a bit as it's now Nellie's Deli & Tap House. We wish them all the best in this new endeavor! We hope it's as successful as they were in there tiny place they moved from at 1100 W. Central! Stop in and give them a try. They'll be open from

11am to 8pm - Monday - Saturday. They're rated #1 on Yelp with a 5 Star rating where they've also received some outstanding reviews!

Recently at the 1st Citizen Award Banquet, Nellie's Deli was the winner for Business of the Year! Well deserved! You can reach them at 541-459-4495. You can find them on Facebook too.

Lots of great things happening in Sutherlin! And today we have some beautiful sun!! Have a great Easter weekend.



From the old to the new!

