

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: November 26, 2021

Santa Claus is Coming

Santa and Mrs. Claus are making plans to stop in Cottage Grove to help kick off the Christmas season on Saturday, December 4th. They will be lighting the Christmas tree first and then will be available to meet with kids starting at 5:00 pm in Bohemia Park.

City Recorder Succession

City Recorder, Trudy Borrevik will be retiring at the end of December. In order to aid in the smooth transition, the recruitment of a new City Recorder has been completed. We are very excited to announce the selection of Mindy Roberts as the new City Recorder. Mindy has been with the City for eight years and currently serves as the Utility Clerk in the Finance Department. During December Trudy will be training Mindy on the City Recorder functions and Mindy will be helping staff in Finance with the Utility functions. She will take over complete function as City Recorder on January 1, 2022. Congratulations Mindy!

City Recorder Retirement

We will be celebrating Trudy's 12 years of service as City Recorder on Thursday, December 9th at 5:30 pm in the Armory. Anyone interested in joining us in thanking Trudy for her years of service is invited to join us for the celebration. Please contact the City Manager at citymanager@cottagegrove.org to RSVP for the celebration.



PLEASE JOIN US TO WISH A
HAPPY RETIREMENT TO
Trudy Borrevik
AND CELEBRATE HER 12+ YEARS
OF SERVICE AS CITY RECORDER

Thursday, December 9, 2021
5:30 pm - dinner served at 6:00 pm

Cottage Grove Armory
628 East Washington Avenue

PLEASE RSVP TO RICHARD MEYERS/
call or text: (541) 228-6042

Community Center- Flu/Booster Shot Clinic

McCoy's Pharmacy and the City of Cottage Grove will be hosting a walk-in Flu and COVID booster shot Clinic on Thursdays. The first clinic will be offered on December 2nd from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Cottage Grove Community Center in the Shepherd Room.

Weekly Update #59 Southmayd Home Build Project (By Jason Bush)

It's been a busy week for everyone with Thanksgiving and Veterans Day just behind us, and Christmas and New Year's staring us in the eye holes. Wade Stevens and I got the south driveway reconstructed and winterized in. Wade helped out not only with his heavy equipment, but brought in several loads of ¾- quarry rock to finalize the driveway. There will be no issues getting sand rock and concrete trucks in there to continue to prepare for the last of the concrete slabs.

Rick Dancer had us scheduled for another podcast this past Wednesday at the SHB project site. I think it went pretty good considering the unknowns of being on the receiving end of a podcast. We briefly went through the big concerns with the existing home, and then toured them on the new home, focusing on some of Priority One Heating & Air Conditioning's work, as not only is it very well done, but they sponsored this week's show. The Southmayds and I thank both Rick and Priority One very much for their continued support and proactive help on their part.

Jack Applegate, CEO of Northwest Code Professionals and MAE, Engineering (Mortier Ang Engineering) sent us a Thanksgiving wish, with a personal note that the MAE Division has donated \$5,000 to the SHB project. I'm struggling with exactly how much Jack, NWCP, MAE, and the Mortier and Ang families have helped and supported this endeavor, but it has been substantial. Jack was one of the first professionals I called to discuss the original Southmayd findings. Jack has also been instrumental in helping generate other income from his professional associations, friends, and contacts. Thank you, Jack.

Lastly, this short week, I received a call from Todd Loydd, owner of Bonn Roof Care, who had heard us on Rick Dancers show Wednesday and indicated he figured the roof was on, but stated that they do gutters and down spouts as well as other work when it comes to total roof care, and would like to be a part of our project. So, we want to thank Todd and Bonn Roof Care for their proactive support. It is very gratifying having someone approach us as opposed to seeking them out. I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving,

Quote of the Week

"I'm thankful for my struggle because without it I wouldn't have stumbled across my strength."

~Alex Elle~