

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: March 31, 2017

### **Goodbye Jan**

Today is Jan Wellman's final day as Public Works Director for the City of Cottage Grove. He is retiring after just over 10 years of service to the community. Thank you Jan for your service in Cottage Grove and congratulations on a 41 year career of public service around the country. Best wishes for a fun and adventurous retirement.

### **Youth Advisory Council**

The Cottage Grove Youth Advisory Council will be meeting on Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:15 to 7:30 pm. They will have a special guest visitor again with exciting news about another opportunity for them to share their insights with State government leaders.

### **PakTech**

The City Manager and new Public Works & Development Director met with representatives of PakTech and reviewed the progress of the improvements to their building at 230 Davidson. The building improvements are nearly complete which will move their efforts to installing the manufacturing equipment and improvements.

### **Lane County Board of Commissioners**

The Lane County Board of Commissioners will be recognizing Commissioner Faye Stewart for his 13 years of service on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in Harris Hall. Interested community partners and members of the public are welcome to attend.

### **Metals Recycled**

This week, the Public Works Department transported 972 pounds of assorted metals to Pacific Recycling in Eugene for disposal. The City netted \$1,625.72 for the recycled metals. The primary metals of value were red and yellow brass and copper wire/solids. The Public Works Department routinely collects various types of recyclables and transports them to the appropriate recycling centers for disposal. Once each year, the City submits a report to DEQ detailing the total volume of materials that are recycled.

### **Fall Protection Seminar**

On Thursday of this week, Public Works Maintenance Workers, Alissa Allen and Chad Reel attended an educational seminar dealing with fall protection for new and existing buildings. The seminar was held at the Lane Community College Baker Downtown Center in Eugene. The class covered fall protection regulations, temporary and permanently installed devices for fall

protection and restraint, fall protection system design, and the difficulties in retrofitting existing buildings with fall protection systems. The design of new skylights and retrofitting existing skylights for fall protection was also highlighted. These classes are part of the City's on-going safety training program and help keep us in compliance with current OSHA regulations and standards.

*Quote of the Week*

*"Retirement: When you stop living at work and start working at living."*