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JACKSONVILLE NEWSLETTER

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City Administrator

Jeff Alvis

City Hall

Monday-Thursday

8:30 am—4:00 pm

Friday

8:30 am—2:00 pm

Public Works

Monday-Friday

8:30 am—4:00 pm

After Hours Dispatch

(emergencies only)

541-776-7206

Police

Office 541-899-7100

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Office 541-899-7246

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Planning

541-899-6873

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday

8:30 am—2:00 pm

Inspection Request

541-484-9043 or

800-358-8034

2020 Person of the Year—Carolyn Kingsnorth

While Carolyn Kingsnorth was born and grew up in Georgia, she really found her home in 2003 when she and late husband, Bob, left frenetic Los Angeles and moved to peaceful Old Military Road near Jacksonville.

With a degree in history, Carolyn became concerned when the Southern Oregon Historical Society's funding collapsed, threatening the future of several, important historic buildings, including this former Courthouse and the Beekman House.

After the City of Jacksonville got title to the properties in 2012, Carolyn co-founded Historic Jacksonville, Inc., a non-profit dedicated to bringing Jacksonville history to life and life to Jacksonville's history, focusing on the Beekman House and Beekman Bank. Carolyn's devotion and gracious persistence has resulted in the extensive and much needed restoration and repairs to preserve both important structures.

While Covid-19 has presented major challenges to Carolyn's plans for Historic Jacksonville, she has remained its creative and the energy force. In normal times the Beekman House and the Beekman Bank feature history tours with costumed docents. Even with the challenges of the past two years, Carolyn's energy and drive have kept these two important parts of our rich history alive and visible.

The Beekman House and the Beekman Bank remain the only museum-quality historic buildings that remain open in Jacksonville, preserving a significant part of our heritage.

2021 Person of the Year—Kandee McClain

Kandee McClain, a 5th generation Oregonian and 39-year Southern Oregonian citizen, has called Jacksonville home for the past 10 years. Kandee's years as an elementary and middle school teacher doubtless contributed to her willingness and ability to inspire and motivate volunteer activities.

Kandee is an essential Booster Club member, chairing its Arboretum Committee, co-chairing its Social Committee and serving on the Boosters Foundation Board of Directors, all while regularly participating in hands-on Boosters' projects. It's no surprise that she was voted Booster of the Year in 2018.

For the Jacksonville Woodlands Association, Kandee has served as a Board member, Secretary and now as President. She has led the establishment of a first-ever endowment to help assure the continued care of Woodlands' extensive trails.

Kandee has inspired an increasing number of volunteers in the 5-year renovation of the Beekman Arboretum, including massive trimming and weed control; extensive plantings; a new irrigation system; restoring the water feature and trails; and creating a new large picnic shelter.

Finally, she managed to find the time to serve the City on its Parks, Recreation and Visitors Services Committee, first as a member and then as chair for two terms.

Lifetime Achievement Award—Tony Hess

It was 2001 when Tony Hess and his wife Joan made Jacksonville their new home. They quickly joined the Boosters Club and Tony began yet another career: becoming the quintessential Jacksonville volunteer.

By 2003, Tony found himself on the Jacksonville Woodlands Board as treasurer and contracting officer for a \$905,000 grant-financed fuel reduction project that cleaned out dead and dying trees in 300 Woodlands' acres and neighboring lands, a true inspiration for our current fire prevention programs.



Beginning in 2008, Tony led volunteer park rangers, Boosters conscripts and numerous Eagle Scout aspirants in building extensive network of trails, bridges, kiosks and historical site designations and the Forest Park was born. It now presents over 40 miles of interconnected trails, with shelters, benches and numerous stunning views of Jacksonville and surroundings.

Despite this seeming full-time commitment to the Forest Park, Tony regularly participated in Boosters' projects, garnering the Club's highest honor, the Booster of the Year award in 2013.

City Council Meetings At-A-Glance

A synopsis of the previous month's City Council agenda items and discussions so you, the citizens of Jacksonville, know what is going on in your local government. **If you would like more detail on any of the discussion items, please review the summaries for each item in the Council packet on the City website.**

January 4, 2022—City Council

- Mayor Bowen presented the following Achievement Awards: **2020 Person of the Year—Carolyn Kingsnorth, 2021 Person of the Year—Kandee McClain, and Lifetime Achievement Award—Tony Hess.**
- **Elect Council President.** Councilor Jim Lewis was elected as Council President.
- **Police Officer New Hire—Malik Evans.** Council approved the hiring of Malik Evans as Police Officer, pending background and psychological evaluation.
- **Appointment by Mayor of Council Members as Liaisons to Commissions and Committees.** The Council Member liaisons to Commissions and Committees remain the same for 2022.
- **Appoint Commission and Committee Members.** The following Commission and Committee Members were re-appointed: **Historic and Architectural Review Commission—Ray Wedel and Trish Murdoch. Budget Committee—Eric Rogers. Parks and Visitors Services Committee—Jessica Prins and Gary Sprague. Transient Lodging Expenditure Committee—Jacki Anderberg and Whit Parker. Committee for Citizen Involvement—Jason Reilly, Linda Graham, Whit Parker.**
- **First Reading of Ordinance No. O2022-001—An Ordinance Amending Jacksonville Municipal Code Title 1—Revising Chapters 1.01, 1.04 and 1.05, Adding New Chapters 1.02 and 1.03 and Deleting Chapters 1.07, 1.08 and 1.12.** Council approved the first reading of Ordinance No. O2022-001. The second reading and adoption will go before Council on February 1, 2022.
- **Elect Urban Renewal Agency President and Vice President.** Council elected Jim Lewis as UR Agency President, and Steve Casaleggio as UR Agency Vice President.

January 18, 2022—Work Session was a recap of 2021 Work Sessions and Discussion for 2022 Work Sessions.

Audio and Approved Minutes from each of the City Council Meetings are located on the City website.

Public Meeting Schedule	Date	Time	Place
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	February 1st, 2022	2:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
City Council Meeting	February 1st, 2022	6:00 PM	New City Hall –Assembly Room
Planning Commission Meeting	February 9th, 2022	6:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
City Council Work Session	February 15th, 2022	12:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	February 15th, 2022	2:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
HARC Meeting	February 23rd, 2022	5:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room