



# CITY OF SEQUIM News



March 2016

## Meeting Dates & Locations

The meetings are held at the Civic Center located at 152 W. Cedar Street.

<b>City Council Regular Meeting</b> Council Chambers	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Council Chambers (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Council Chambers	Tuesdays, March 1 & 15 6:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Board Community Conf. Room	1st Monday 6:30 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Community Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting March 18—1:30 p.m.
Arts Advisory Commission Community Conf. Room	3rd Monday 8:30 a.m.

## Coffee with the Mayor in March



Mayor Dennis Smith

Meet Sequim Mayor Dennis Smith as the Coffee with the Mayor program continues in March. The Mayor will be at the Highway 101 Diner, 392 West Washington Street, at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 17 to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Please contact Dennis Smith at [dsmith@sequimwa.gov](mailto:dsmith@sequimwa.gov) with questions.

## Water Saving Tip of the Month

**In the Laundry—SELECT THE PROPER WATER LEVEL.** Unlike your dishwasher, you can control the amount of water used by your clothes washer. Select the proper water level for each laundry load.



## UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS

**March 14**—1) Fence Standards

**March 28** —1) Stormwater Plan Approval

## Mark Your Calendar for Spring Clean Up



**Friday, April 15 &**

**Saturday, April 16, 2016**

*Look for details in the April newsletter.*

## Recycling Reminders

What to include in your curbside recycling cart:

**Plastic Containers**—to prepare: empty, quick rinse, no lids

- Plastic jugs and jars
- Plastic bottles
- Plastic tubs
- Plastic buckets
- Plastic plant pots



**Paper and Cardboard**— clean and dry

- Paper food boxes
- Cardboard
- Mail, magazines, mixed paper, and catalogs
- Phonebooks
- Paper bags
- Newspaper and inserts

**Aluminum and Tin Cans**— to prepare: empty, quick rinse, no loose lids

- Aluminum cans
- Metal cans

**Do not include glass, plastic bags or wrap, or dangerous materials.**

To recycle glass, take it to the recycling bin at 169 W. Hemlock or to the recycling bin just to the east of the Jiffy Lube at 651 E. Washington Street.

To dispose of Household Hazardous Waste, take it to the Regional Transfer Station at 3501 West 18th Street, Port Angeles. For more information, visit [www.clallam.net](http://www.clallam.net).

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### Sequim to Participate in Cascadia Rising Exercise

The Sequim City Council and City staff are preparing to participate in the statewide emergency management exercise, Cascadia Rising, June 7—10, 2016.



The Cascadia Subduction Zone (CSZ) earthquake and tsunami is one of the most complex disaster scenarios that emergency management and public safety officials face in the Pacific Northwest.

Scientific evidence indicates that a magnitude 8.0-9.0 earthquake occurs along the 800-mile long CSZ fault on average every 200 to 500 years. The last major earthquake and tsunami along the fault occurred over 300 years ago.

Conducting successful life-saving and life-sustaining operations in the aftermath of a CSZ disaster will hinge on the effective coordination and integration of governments at all levels, as well as non-government organizations and the private sector.

The Cascadia Rising functional exercise will activate to coordinate simulated field response operations for jurisdictions, neighboring communities, state Emergency Operations Centers, FEMA, and major military commands.

To learn more about Cascadia Rising, visit <http://tinyurl.com/gnlye37>.

### Begin to Prepare Your Family

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that all households take these steps to prepare for emergency situations.

- Make a Family Communications Plan
- Make a Family Disaster Plan
- Get your Kids Ready
- Make an Emergency Kit
- Stay Informed

To learn more about these subjects and other emergency preparations visit:

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/plan/index.asp>

*Look for more details in upcoming newsletters.*

### City of Sequim – Passport Acceptance Agents

Submit your passport applications at the Civic Center, 152 W. Cedar Street.

For more information, contact Bobbie or Erika, 683-4139.

## VOLUNTEER CORNER

### The City Welcomes Park Docent Sheila White



Park Docent Sheila White was new to Sequim in the summer of 2015 when she decided to explore the town and take a walk in Carrie Blake Park. As she was leaving, she noticed the RV spot at the entrance to the park along with a sign offering the opportunity to apply for a position to volunteer as a docent. After placing her name on a waiting list, Sheila said she was glad to receive an invitation to volunteer for the gig.

“It is, indeed, a beautiful park, and it is such a privilege to be a part of a lovely place that celebrates community living,” she said about Carrie Blake Park.

“**A thriving community is about teamwork**, and the best teams oftentimes have spirited volunteers attending to the finer details. I have noticed all kinds of ‘volunteers’ visiting the park daily who take pride in keeping the surroundings beautiful along with me.”

Noting the importance of volunteers, Sheila said that in her most recent career field her team was made very effective by volunteers who helped attend to diverse details and the ultimate success with clients. “Without their generous donation of time, the quality of work we provided could not have been accomplished. The park atmosphere is much like that experience.”

Sheila said hands down the best thing about this position is the flow of people who visit the park, and the camaraderie and collaboration she has with the staff and fellow docents Budd and Merrily Nash.

Sheila expressed thanks to the City staff for being the go-to people and for keeping the park a pleasant place to visit and volunteer. She thanks Kay Dill and Elaine Cole for giving her such a warm welcome. And she sends out a special thank you to those who share in keeping the Carrie Blake Park a clean and popular place to relax.

To learn more about how you can enjoy the satisfaction and camaraderie of volunteering with the City, contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or [kkuznek@sequimwa.gov](mailto:kkuznek@sequimwa.gov).

### Reporting Excessive Jet Noise

Please contact the Navy directly by email at [comments.NASWI@navy.mil](mailto:comments.NASWI@navy.mil) or call (360) 257-6665 to express concerns and complaints or to ask questions regarding noise from Navy jets over the Sequim area.