

**March 2018** 

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Council

#### Vacancy

The City of Echo will be accepting applications for an opening on the City Council

resulting from the resignation of the late Lou Nakapalau. Applications will be accepted thru March 8. Application forms may be picked up at city hall. 20S. Bonanza. Applicants will need to attest that they are and have been a resident of Echo (you must reside within the Echo city limits) for at least one year. Applicants must be a registered voters for the City of Echo precinct. Anyone serving on the city council will be required to file an annual financial report with the Oregon Ethics Commission listing all sources of income for the entire household. This public is an open record. The council may interview applicants. Council members are not paid. The position will be from appointment until Dec 31, 2018. If

you want to stay on the council you will have to file a petition to get on the ballot in late August with voting at the November general election.

### **Uncover Meters**

The first meter reading of the season will start on March 12. Please remove any insulation covering your meter before that date. This will serve as first warning of the need to



remove insulation. If insulation or covering material remain within the meter box or if a vehicle or debris remains on or in the meter when meter readings begin, you will be assessed a \$20 charge.

Since this is the first reading, your April bill will include any water usage above the minimum of 3000 gallons per month you were billed over the winter.



## **Dog Licenses**

Dog licenses for 2018 are now overdue as of **Feb**. 28. Any license, except for those for new dogs obtained after

March 1 will have a **\$10 per month penalty** added for each month the licensing is past due.

The current license fees, less any penalties, are \$4 year for a spayed or neutered animal and \$12 per year for an unaltered animal. Proof of a current rabies shot is required. If you have added a dog or puppy, they need to be licensed within <u>2 weeks</u> of turning 6 mos. or being acquired.

### **VFW Renovation**

Thanks to a grant from the Echo Benefit Plan. the Old VFW Hall which now serves as the council chambers. Library's Amazon and Children's Craft and Activity area is undergoing some much needed improvements. The new sidewalk, ex-



terior painting and awning still remain to be completed, but the photos show the new floor, paint, kitchenette and bathroom work.

# <u>Library</u>

Donations:	
Kristine Aiken	$6 \mathrm{DVDs}$
Gina Sather	17 books
Phil Walchli	6 books
Sue Winter	Magazines
Anonymous	\$10
Michael & Michelle Murphy	\$10

#### Tooting the Horn Community ImprovementsEcho Grants

The following list is a listing of grants received by the City of Echo/or in which the city was involved since 2003. The grants are broken down by the entity receiving the grant.

DateProject NameAmount2018ODOT Small City Allotment forStreet Overlays\$50,000\*2017-18Old VFW RenovationSupport Floor, new flooring, painting, kitchenrenovation, new awning and sidewalk, floorsupport\*2017-18Block House Restoration

Rebuild Block House in Fort Henrietta Park \*2017 Tailgate Lifts for pickups, hydraulic cart, heavy duty furniture mover \$6000+ \*Electrical/Pumping improvements @ well 5, Main Street Lights converted to LED / Oregon Energy Dept.

\*Water Resources Grant for Sewer Study \$8000

\*2014-18 Thielsen Street Bike & Pedestrian Paths-North section This is a continuation north of the Thielsen Street project completed in 2007. It is a federal Transportation Enhancement Funds with construction targeted for 2018. Award announced in 2014. \*2016: Echo Benefit Plan Matching for ODOT Grant and for Walking Trail \$50,000

ODOT Small City Allotment, match for above \$50,000

\*2016 Echo Benefit Plan, Christmas

Ornaments/Street Poles \$4,400 \*2016 Masonic Lodge Renovations \$24,000 \*2015 Perennial/Tree Replacement Echo Community Benefit \$2000 \*2014 Public Art-Seed \$26,500 Echo Benefit Plan, Kinsman Foundation &Umatilla County as well as many donors \*2013Sidewalks,Echo Benefit Plan \$6,500



# **Kopacz Nursery & Florist**



#### "Helping Make Echo More Beautiful"

Kopacz Nursery sponsors Echo's Beautification Program each year; Providing plants, la-

bor & green house space for floral displays & donates annuals for public areas.

Kopacz: Where Flowers Are Our Business. Check out our new web page.<u>http://</u> kopacznurseryflorist.com/

- Beautiful Bouquets
- Arrangements & more
- Gift Center
- Blooming & House plants
- Visit us on Facebook 541-567-3278



465 W. Theater Ln.

Infill missing downtown sidewalks, replace damaged city hall walks \*2012 Dump Trailer/Echo Benefit Plan \$5000 \*2012 Arboretum markers, sign, art \$5000 \*2012 Playground/matting,Autzen Fnd. \$5000 \*2012 ODOT Small City Allotment Grant O Street Paving \$50,000 \*2011 Fort Henrietta Park Improvements State of Oregon \$50,000 (picnic shelter, restrooms, playground) & Fort Henrietta Park Improvements Echo CBfund \$5,700 Lexan panels for museum, new interpretive story boards \*2011, Beautification, Echo CBP \$4,400 \*2011 Downtown Enhancement (match for \$20,000 state grant) Umatilla Co. Bike/Ped Path funding Wildhorse \$10,000 " Meyer Memorial \$25,000 " Small City Allotment \$25,000 ODOT \$667,000 Echo Community Benefit Fund \$50,000 Match for downtown enhancement project \*2011 Block Grant/Wastewater Design Phase \$320,000 \*2011 Art Show/Umatilla Co. Cult. Coalition \$200 \*2011 Farm Equipment Display Signage & Equipt Painting/Cultural Coalition \$1.000 \*2011 Computers & Security. Echo CBP \$6.500 \*2010, Picnic Shelter/Playground \$9.000 Library Shelving & Equipment \*2009-10 Upgrade, Collins Foundation 12,000 Umatilla County 750 \*2009 Skatepark Phase II is started, grant from the Autzen Foundation provides \$7,500 for a total of \$112.500 for the skate park, plus donation of time and equipment for excavation by Dale & Kevin Fife completed and dedicated in 2010 \*2008, Heritage Trail-17 historic signs Umatilla County Cultural Coalition \$2000 \*2007 **Overpass** Art Umatilla Co. Cult. Coalition \$2000 **Oregon Arts Council** \$2000

Additional funding for this project was provided by Echo Elementary Students-\$285; City of Echo \$1,715; City of Stanfield \$2000; City of Hermiston \$1000; \*2007-08 Small City Allotment-East Bucklev, East Bridge, East Sprague, East Main paving ODOT \$25,000 \*2007 Downtown Entry Upgrade Umatilla County \$1.000 \*2007 Echo Library/Umatilla Co. Econ. Dev. Fund \$1,000 \*2007-09 **Skatepark/Park Facilities** \$105.000 (Wildhorse \$5000, Walmart \$3000, Tony Hawk \$5000, Safeway \$5000, Ford Family \$50,000; Oregon Comm. Fnd \$5000: Pacifi-Corp \$1500; Other funds: Anonymous \$10,000; Quarterback Club; Historic home tour; Raffle; Penny Drive; Yard Sale; Project RFP 10-09; construction start Nov. 109 \*2006-07 Wastewater Study

Econ. Dev. Dept \$20,000 \*2006 Koontz Building Renovation pass thru grant for storefront restoration to historic building \$20,000 Kinsman Foundation \*2005-07 Thielsen Street Project enhancements Meyer Trust \$14,425 Downtown planning Grant for Commercial Ar-

ea, sidewalks & other improvements \$30,000 \*2005 1/2 cost of new library computer

Bill & Melinda Gates Fnd\$600

\*2004-05 Housing Rehab Grant Block Grant \$40,000

to add funds to original grant in cooperation with Pendleton & Umatilla

\*\_2003-05 Skatepark Modular Equipment Wildhorse, Good Shepherd Fnd., Autzen

Fnd.Campbell Fnd. \$11,000

Total additional funds raised through 2/05 \$22,000 plus

2002-03Small City Allotment-Buckley St./ODOT\$25,000

# Echo Red to Red Cycle Race March 17, 2018—year 10

Rick Huddle....www.rickhuddle.com flyer. April 16 Library, Ready2Learn library performance 2 pm; upstairs at city hall, 20 S. Bonanza