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# West Linn Update

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## West Linn Welcomes New Mayor & Councilors

On January 5, 2009, Mayor Patti Galle and Councilors Teri Cummings and John Kovash were sworn into office. Included below are brief excerpts of their remarks from inauguration night, and contact information for your new elected officials:



MAYOR PATTI GALLE

Phone: 503-657-0331

Email: [pgalle@westlinnoregon.gov](mailto:pgalle@westlinnoregon.gov)

Quote: "Let's work together to put a plan in motion to fix our infrastructure, build a new police station and have carefully managed and compatible development. Working together, we can make this the most wonderful city..."

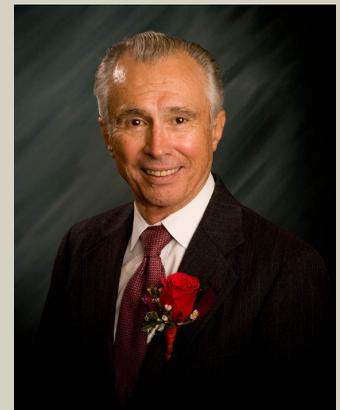


COUNCILOR TERI CUMMINGS

Phone: 503-657-0331

Email: [tcummings@westlinnoregon.gov](mailto:tcummings@westlinnoregon.gov)

Quote: "There is a sense of optimism of the makeup of the council...I never thought I would like politics, but this is the way things get done - I'm depending on each and every [citizen to provide feedback]."



COUNCILOR JOHN KOVASH

Phone: 503-657-0331

Email: [jkovash@westlinnoregon.gov](mailto:jkovash@westlinnoregon.gov)

Quote: "I think the city of West Linn likes to be heard, they like to have their hopes and dreams and fears incorporated into their government. I will try to listen."



### Winter Storm Response

West Linn Public Works employees worked long hours responding to emergency situations as a result of the ice, snow, and rain which lasted almost two weeks in December and January. Fallen trees, pump stations without power, four water breaks, senior citizen needs, facilities damaged by ice and trees, and snow/ice removal resulted in 24 hour coverage by City staff (working in two 12 hour shifts). The approximate financial impact to the City was \$86,800. This cost includes personnel overtime (712

hours), sand (200 tons), equipment repairs, fuel, tree service, supplies, and street sweeping. The City has four snow plows which were working in constant operation. Sander trucks and emergency vehicles were also part of the response effort.

The City welcomes your input on the storm response - while the City did everything it could to be responsive and effective during the inclement weather, we strive to improve our performance during the next storm. Please email your thoughts and comments to [webmaster@westlinnoregon.gov](mailto:webmaster@westlinnoregon.gov) for the City's review and consideration during future discussions on City storm response and improvements.



## License Your Dog Using Online Licensing & Bill Pay:

The City of West Linn is pleased to offer online dog licensing and bill pay. Dog owners should now license their dogs for 2009 using this system. This online licensing and bill payment option replaces the paper notification that dog owners completed and mailed to City Hall last year. Dogs must be licensed each year for the safety of your dog. In subsequent years, it is anticipated that multi-year licenses can be purchased.

Timely licensing allows police officers to quickly identify the dog's owner and in most cases owners will receive a phone call about retrieving a lost or injured dog.

### **Online Licensing is Fast, Easy, & Safe:**

1. Log on to <http://westlinnoregon.gov>.
2. Click on the "Online Dog License Application" link.
3. Fill in all required information about your dog.
4. Proceed to checkout and online payment using the private, secure payment system.
5. You will receive a confirmation email when your order is processed.
6. The 2009 dog tags will be mailed to your home.

An unlicensed dog that is lost or injured will be impounded at the Clackamas County Animal Shelter and the owner will be responsible for all impound fees and will likely receive a citation for having an unlicensed dog. These costs could amount to hundreds of dollars which far exceeds the cost of a license. Please be a responsible dog owner and license your dog today. Call 503-657-0331 if you have any questions about dog licensing.

<http://westlinnoregon.gov>

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## Oregon Reads 2009

Get out your "I'm a Big Reader" signs again and celebrate community reading with the West Linn Public Library in February. In conjunction with the observance of Oregon's sesquicentennial (150<sup>th</sup> birthday), the West Linn Library is joining the statewide community event "Oregon Reads 2009" to celebrate Oregon's diverse cultural history. Log on to <http://westlinnoregon.gov/library> to learn more about the "Oregon Reads 2009" events.

## City Meetings

- 2 - City Council Work Session, 6:00, City Hall
- 3 - Historic Resource Advisory Board, 7:00, City Hall
- 4 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall
- 9 - City Council Meeting, 6:30, City Hall
- 11 - Summer Events Planning Meeting, 6:00, City Hall
- 11 - Transportation Advisory Board Meeting, 6:00, City Hall
- 16 - President's Day - City Offices & Library are closed
- 17 - City Council Work Session, 6:00, City Hall
- 17 - Sustainability Advisory Board, 6:00, City Hall
- 18 - Utility Advisory Board, 6:00, City Hall
- 18 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall
- 23 - City Council Meeting, 6:30, City Hall
- 25 - Library Board Meeting, 5:45, City Hall

## Events & Activities

- 2 - Book Club, 6:45, Library
- 3 - Library's Terrific Tuesday, 6:30, Library
- 6 - Library's First Friday, 6:30, Library
- 7 - Gyotaku Fish Printing, 2:00, Library
- 9 - Music in the Stacks, 6:30, Library
- 10 - Library's Terrific Tuesday, 6:30, Library
- 11 - Wednesday Sleuths, 7:00, Library
- 17 - Oregon Reads Traveling Exhibit, Noon, Library
- 17 - Library's Terrific Tuesday, 6:30, Library
- 19 - Free Computer Class, 6:30, Library
- 23 - "A Family Gathering" movie, 6:00, Library
- 28 - Free Computer Class, 9:30 a.m., Library