MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager
SUBJECT: Friday Update
DATE: April 7, 2017

**Beeper**
The City Manager will be on KNND’s Beeper show, Monday, April 10th from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

**Building Inspections**
The City Manager and Public Works & Development Director met with representatives from Clair Company to discuss the Building Inspection Program and meet the new director of the department. Several upcoming projects were discussed.

**Free Historic Windows Restoration Workshop**
On Saturday, May 20th, community members are invited to join historic preservation professionals for a hands-on workshop to learn about wood windows and how to fix their common problems. This FREE all-day class will help any owner of wood windows identify problems and make repairs while saving historic materials and money. The class will be held from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Cottage Grove Museum, and is open to anyone interested in knowing how to repair historic windows.

Learn about safety, materials and methods to repair and maintain the wood windows in your home from Chris Gustafson, the window restoration contractor responsible for the ongoing restoration of the Cottage Grove Armory windows. Chris Gustafson is the owner of Vintage Window Restoration LLC and Adjunct Instructor of Historic Preservation technical skills at Clatsop Community College.

This FREE workshop is presented by the City of Cottage Grove Public Works & Development Department with the assistance of the Cottage Grove Museum staff and volunteers. The workshop will be held at the Cottage Grove Museum at 207 N. H Street, and include hands-on repair of the windows on the historic Vealy House.

The workshop starts at 9:00 am, and will end at 4:00 pm. There will be a one-hour lunch break. Advanced registration is requested by May 15, 2017. Please contact Amanda Ferguson at planner@cottagegrove.org or call (541) 942-3340 for more information.

**Budget Committee Interviews and Appointment**
The recruitment for Budget Committee members brought in seven applications for the three vacant positions. The candidates will be interviewed on Tuesday, April 11th. It is anticipated the
interview committee, composed of Mayor Gowing, Councilors Fleck and Roberts, will make a recommendation to the complete City Council at the April 24th Council Meeting.

**Main Street Program Mosaic Project**
Improvements are underway at All-America City Square. The center planter was removed last year and new block work is being completed. As a part of the improvements the location of the old center planter has be set aside for a mosaic design. The Main Street Program has issued a “Call for Artists” to respond with proposals for the mosaic. Completed proposals are due by May 1, 2017. For more information or to request an application form contact Amanda Ferguson at (541)767-4119 or email cgmainstreet@gmail.com.

**Row River Water Treatment Plant Featured in Water Quality Products Magazine**
The Row River Water Treatment plant and staff are featured in the April 2017 issue of the Water Quality Products Magazine. The magazine is available in digital form and also paper that reaches over 25,000 water treatment professionals around the country. The article highlighted the efforts of the Cottage Grove water plant staff, Ray Pardee, Sam Haynes and Steve Norman to develop and improve the treatment of safe drinking water in Cottage Grove. The Row River Water Treatment Plant recently received the Outstanding Membrane Plant Award for Small Facilities from the Northwest Membrane Operator Association. Congratulations on the well deserved recognition. The entire article can be found online in the current issue of the Water Quality Products magazine at: [http://www.wqpmag.com/back-season](http://www.wqpmag.com/back-season).

**Kids Author Event at the Library**
On Wednesday April 12th at 2:30 pm the Library will be hosting an exciting author event with Mark Powers. Mark is a percussion artist/educator, world traveler, and author. Kids of all ages are invited to join Mark for this fun-filled, interactive event.

**Behind the Pages Book Club**
The next meeting of the Cottage Grove Public Library's Book Club for "Tweens", “Behind the Pages”, meets on Saturday, April 15th from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. The book that will be discussed is the classic, Where the Red Fern Grows, a spectacular book by Wilson Rawls. Behind the Pages is for 6th-8th grade aged youth. They meet the 3rd Saturday of the month and is a great way to meet new friends and have a great time too.

**Bi-Lingual Story Time at the Library**
English-Spanish Story Time and Family crafts time is every Monday evening at 6:30 pm at the Library. Stories, Songs and Crafts makes this a great evening for kids and parents.

**Quote of the Week**

“Style is a reflection of your attitude and your personality. “

~Shawn Ashmore~