

Toledo



The Toledo Police Department with the approval of the Toledo City Council has recently purchased a new 2 wheel drive 2012 Chevy Tahoe for a planned replacement of one of our outdated and higher maintenance Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles. During the research for a new vehicle we

discovered that the 2012 Tahoe Police vehicle has the lowest life cycle cost of any vehicle in the law enforcement market. The cost efficiency analysis evaluated seven different factors including: depreciation expense, fuel costs, finance costs, opportunity costs, maintenance costs, repair costs, and cost to insure. After all the numbers were laid out between the Chevrolet Tahoe 2wd, Chevrolet Impala, Ford Crown Victoria, and Dodge Charger it was the Chevrolet Tahoe that came out on top due to its strong residual value.

This version of the Tahoe can be used for all purposes including pursuits and high speed responses. The center of gravity in this vehicle is lower than the four-wheel-drive version and the ground clearance is about one inch less. The two-wheel-drive Chevrolet Tahoe is the only pursuit-rated SUV on the market today. Other SUVs like the Ford Expedition are used by many law enforcement and EMS agencies, but are not pursuit rated. The Tahoe has better fuel economy than any competitor with 21 MPG highway out on the open road. This vehicle will be used for patrol and a command vehicle for major emergency operations.



Capital Improvements will affect water rates:

The City wants to make sure that the word gets out that utility bills will be rising. You will see this increase take effect on your bill in June. City council has elected to fund Phase 1 and Phase 2 improvements using the sale of Revenue Bonds through Local Oregon Capital Assets Program Municipal Revenue Funding Program or a conventional loan process. Current water rates result in an average household water bill of around \$32.38 per month (calculated using an average of 5,350 gallons). An increase of \$17.30 per month will be needed to fund Phase 1 and Phase 2 combined. After this, rates will be close enough to State averages such that grant assistance might become possible for future phases.

In addition to seeing increases in water rates, City Council is reviewing the need to increase rates in wastewater to provide for improvements, and ongoing maintenance to the City's wastewater sewer system. Due to the age of some materials in various stages of fatigue, ground water and surface water is suspected to be entering the system, causing higher than average flows recorded at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. In the future the City of Toledo will continue to improve the system through operations and maintenance efforts. Reducing Inflow and Infiltration in the collection system is a requirement of the State of Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality. Increases in wastewater sewer rates have yet to be established.



Failed section of the wastewater collection system

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For more information and to view the Toledo Water Master Plan please visit the City website at www.cityoftoledo.org or contact Michelle Amberg, City Manager by phone (541) 336-2247 x 211, email manager@cityoftoledo.org or the Public Works Director, Adam Denlinger by phone (541) 336-2247 x 207, email pwdirect@cityoftoledo.org.

Renaissance Faire

"Ye Merrie Greenwood at Glastonbury Faire is Saturday and Sunday May 12 & 13 from 10 am to 5 pm. Adults are \$6 admission and children are \$4. There will be blacksmiths, armorers and other craftsmen demonstrating their crafts, and also demonstrations of sword fighting and jousting.



Quilt Quest MMXII

Toledo is hosting its third annual quilt show, "Quilt Quest MMXII", on May 12th from 10 am to 4 pm. The event features hundreds of quilts displayed all over town, with a "quest" activity challenging participants to find certain quilts based on written clues. Prizes are awarded to "questers", including a trip for two to the Sister Quilt Show. Other activities include a bed turning quilt history program, a quilter's high tea, a long arm quilting demonstration, local vendors of quilt supplies, patterns and equipment, door prizes and a book signing with Arlene Sachitano, author of quilt mystery novels. This year's local featured quilter is Linda Anderson, who has been quilting for 30 years. Linda favors contemporary designs and likes to use batiks. She will be displaying two quilts inspired by Judy Neimeier designs and she also enjoys designs by Weeks Ringle. For more info contact Monica at Quilter's Cottage, (541) 336-2877 or oregonquilterscottage@gmail.com.



TOLEDO CITY HALL AND LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 28 IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY AND THE POOL WILL BE OPERATING ON HOLIDAY HOURS

Mothers Day Events:

Also happening in Toledo on Mother's Day weekend is a National Train Day celebration. For information, contact Yaquina Pacific Railroad Historical Society at yphrs@peak.org or Toledo Chamber of Commerce, www.visittoledooregon.com.

Thursday Market News

New at the Thursday Street Market this year will be a community table, where growers can leave produce, plants, flowers and agricultural products to be sold on their behalf by market volunteers. A small commission will be charged to cover administration of the community table. Toledo's Thursday Market will be held weekly from 10 am to 2 pm from June 21st through Sept. 27 on Main Street. It includes a farmer's market and also sidewalk sales by merchants, organizations and residents. Applications are available at city hall; for more information, call 541 336-2648 or email reboys@charter.net. The market is sponsored by Toledo's Main Street Program.

Free Classes for Toledo Businesses

A series of social media marketing classes is being offered free of charge to Toledo businesses. Local web instructor Misti Lambrecht will teach three classes at Toledo Fire Hall on May 7, 14 and 21 beginning at 6 pm. Covered will be social networking fundamentals such as Facebook fan pages, groups and fan development and the power of Twitter and Twitter search. Blogs and tweets will be covered in the second class, and advanced social media including Google Plus will be covered in the May 21st class. The ways these online tools can enhance business and create leads will be explored.

The instruction is sponsored by the Toledo Main Street Program, funded by a grant from Bank of the West. All Toledo businesses are welcome. Register by calling Allen Stewart at 336-2247 or email mainstreet@cityoftoledo.org.

Business License Update

The City of Toledo issues over 300 business licenses per year. To keep you up-to-date on the businesses in your community, the Toledo Communication Alternative provides a list of

Firehall Clayworks	Gallery Michael Gibbons
Georgia-Pacific Toledo LLC	Goin' To The Dogs
Golden Dragon Chinese Restaurant	Gregory E Herkr DDS
Groth-Gates Heating	H & H Construction
Heart & Hands Bakery	Henarie Trucking, Inc
Holy Toledo	Eric Horvath

May Meeting dates

Toledo City Council May 2 & 16 - 7p, 8 - 6:15pm, Planning Commission May 9 - 7p, Port of Toledo May 15 - 7p