



## City of Montesano

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### City Council:

#### **September 25**

The Council had discussion on a marijuana moratorium, outsourcing Mechanical Duties for budget savings and disposal of current city shop properties. No decisions were made.

The administration's goal is to be completely out of the old city shop by April 2013 and into the new city shop. Public Works Director Rocky Howard reported the new shop site prep is completed, as is the plumbing and conduit for electrical wiring. The foundation is finished and the cement floor is scheduled within the next two weeks.

It is a pleasure to write about our very competent employees. They keep qualified and continue to increase their abilities—all for those they serve, you, our citizens.

Community Development Director Mike Wincewicz announced the City had received a Public Works Trust Fund Loan of \$1,677,320. This loan has a 1% interest rate and if paid off in three years, will be cut in half—to ½ %!

This can be used for infrastructure, such as utility lines and streets. Our goal is to do major refurbishing of the utilities and surface of Pioneer and other heavily-travelled streets and pay the loan back within the three years allotted. We plan to tie this in with the completion of Main Street Phase 2.

The projects will begin in the 2013 spring construction season and will improve the main intersection of our city. Although there will be major disruption to traffic and shopping in that location, crews will only keep traffic away during the dangerous times (such as large excavators or deep ditches, paving). More about this in future newsletters as it gets closer to construction.



### STREET TASK FORCE:

As reported last month, the Street Task Force has been re-activated. We have six well-qualified, energetic volunteers who are a pleasure to work with. They have already assigned duties and are creating policy and goals. There is room for two more members. If you would like to be part of this group, call the Mayor 249-3021, ext. 102

### Reminder:

**Remember to support Coastal Harvest and the Montesano Food Bank! Every month the need is there!**

### Flood Authority:

We are waiting for \$102,000 in funds from OFM to update a 2008 Erosion Study at Mary's River Lumber. The funds will be used to create at least three options to prevent a massive blow-out of the bank in a major flood. Once the cost of such project is determined, a request will be submitted for State funding. The problem is much larger than just erosion of the bank, as a complete blow-out would result in loss of SR 107, major scouring of the bridge abutments and even breaching of our Waste Water Treatment Plant.

We are very pleased that after many years working with the Flood Authority, that their efforts are paying off – for Montesano and the Chehalis Basin.

