

# RESORT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 1 SHELTER COVE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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# JULY 2020 NEWSLETTER

### WATER & SEWER RATE INCREASE DELAYED UNTIL JULY 2021

At the June 18th, 2020 board meeting the Board of Directors took final action to delay the proposed effective date of the utility rate increases of 3% for water and 10% for sewer service. Annual increases will occur for five years, effective start date - July 1st, 2021. Go to the following webpage for current rates. https://0201.nccdn.net/4\_2/000/000/07a/dbb/rid-water--sewer--electric-utility-rates-2020.pdf

### **AIRPORT STATUS**

The airport was only open to emergency or essential travel in March, April, May and June due to the Covid-19 outbreak, but the airport can now be utilized by Shelter Cove Property owners and visitors.

### **FULL-TIME JOB VACANCY**

### Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director:

**Minimum qualifications:** High School Diploma (or GED). Minimum of five years full-time firefighting experience and medical experience of at least a First Responder level or equivalent. Must have the ability to train, motivate and recruit volunteers. Must pass a medical examination, "Life Scan" and drug test. Must possess a valid CA driver's license.

Fire Chief shall reside in the Shelter Cove community. **Compensation:** Salary range \$75,000 to \$100,000

Full-time benefits package includes paid vacation, sick, medical, dental, vision and life insurance. Vacancy open until filled.

Job description and application are available at the District Office or on the District's website: <u>www.sheltercove-ca.gov</u>. Address all responses to Justin Robbins, General Manager, 9126 Shelter Cove Road, Whitethorn, CA 95589, phone 707-986-7015, email <u>gm@sheltercove-ca.gov</u>

### DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS REMINDER

Special District Elections will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020. There are three (3) four-year term positions available on the Resort Improvement Board. Candidates must be registered voters within Shelter Cove. The filing period commences July 13th and runs through August 7th, 2020. If an incumbent does not file by 5 pm on August 7th there is a five-day extension to August 12, 2020 for anyone other than the incumbent to file. Filing is free and completion of forms must be done at the Humboldt County Office of Elections located at 2426 6th Street, Eureka, CA The process takes approximately 30 95501-0788. minutes to complete. Optional Candidate Statements must be paid for by the candidate. For a Candidate Guide please visit https://humboldtgov.org/elections. The new terms of office will begin Friday, December 4th, 2020. For further details please contact the Humboldt County Elections Office at 445-7481.

### **CALL BEFORE YOU DIG**

With the dry season upon us, many people are planning outdoor projects that require them to break ground. To avoid coming into contact with underground utilities while digging please call USA North at 811 at least two working days before you dig. USA North will contact an RID representative who will respond to your request by marking the location of the District's underground utilities. This service is free to the community.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

CAL FIRE SUSPENDS ALL OUTSIDE BURNING:

Cal Fire has announced the closure of the burning season so **NO RESIDENTIAL OUTSIDE BURNING** will be allowed until further notice. We have already experienced a few fires this season and want to stress how dry conditions are. Please be fire safe.

**COMMENTS:** We encourage your comments, so please use your bill stub to provide feedback regarding matters within the District's control.

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Dear Residents and Property Owners -

First off, I'd like to express my thanks and appreciation for the fantastic work performed by Shelter Cove Fire and our Shelter Cove Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Shelter Cove Fire responded to seven (7) service calls over the July 4th weekend while CERT members served as wildfire lookouts and helped grill and serve up food for the annual Fire Dept fundraiser. Thanks for supporting your Shelter Cove Fire Department and CERT (team) and for being prepared for fire season.

The Shelter Cove Fire, the District and CERT urge all residents to be prepared for wildfires. Please report all fires in Shelter Cove by calling 911. Residential burning on private lands is prohibited at this time and BLM is now limiting campfires within the King Range to designated campsites at campgrounds with installed fire rings. All backcountry fires are prohibited. If you see smoke or if you think you see smoke, please call 911 and make your report.

Next, I want to talk about our emergency notification system. Shelter Cove's emergency notification system is made up of six (6) advanced sirens located strategically around the community in order to awaken and notify residents to an oncoming tsunami or wildfire event.

#### What to Do if You Hear Sirens:

*If you hear a 3-minute steady tone* - There might be a <u>Tsunami</u> and you should head to higher ground immediately <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3ggYZt5HJ4</u> (link to Tsunami siren sound).

*If you hear a 3-minute fast Hi Low* - There is a <u>wildfire</u> with an immediate life or property threat, and you should evacuate to the Shelter Cove Community Center at 1555 Upper Pacific Drive (adjacent to the airport) where the Shelter Cove CERT team will set up an emergency shelter <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3PCFUoqySn4</u> (link to siren test video).

*If you hear a voice prompt*- The Fire Department is trying to notify the community, please listen to the commands <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSFUCWqa6IQ&list=PLfcAX4EUZ\_uRK3anqoHpu6R3QMXf7hj42">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSFUCWqa6IQ&list=PLfcAX4EUZ\_uRK3anqoHpu6R3QMXf7hj42</a> (link to voice command example).

If you hear a low "growl" at 12noon- This is the daily diagnostic test and no action needs be taken.

It is important to remember that nothing is fool proof during an emergency, you and others in your family may not be able to hear the siren or you may be in a vehicle during the time it is set off. If you feel threatened, at any time by a wildfire, do not wait for the sirens to go off before moving to safety. Please make sure you have an evacuation (go bag) ready and you and your family identify and practice primary and alternate evacuation routes to meet at the Community Clubhouse at 1555 Upper Pacific Drive.

Shelter Cove Fire and the District encourages people to sign up for Humboldt Alert.

(<u>https://humboldtgov.org/2014/Emergency-Notifications/alerts</u>) Humboldt ALERT allows the Office of Emergency Services to contact thousands of residents in minutes, so you can find out about an emergency right away using methods that you choose, such as email, phone, and text message.

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The District's next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. The public is welcome to attend in person at the RID Main Office (wearing masks and social distancing will be required). The public may also participate in the Board Meeting by joining online. Please download the Go To Meeting app (2<sup>nd</sup> link below) on your computer, phone or smart device and then you may join the meeting by clicking on the 1<sup>st</sup> link below at the start (or during) the Board Meeting.

RID Board Meeting - July 2020 Thu, Jul 16, 2020 9 AM - 12:30 PM (PDT)

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/287188501

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Members of public may submit comments and questions in advance of the July 16<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting to <u>info@sheltercove-</u> <u>ca.gov</u> (please put "Board Meeting comment/question" in the subject line). You may also contact your Board Directors in advance to the meeting.

During the July 16<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, the public may ask questions and provide comments by typing your comment/question in the chat window box. This process will be reviewed at the start of the Board meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks and take care,

Justin