



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

*Electric, Water, Sewer, Fire Protection, Search & Rescue,
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SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Retirement Announcement:

Chief Sal Gurreri retired at the end of August and the District would like to thank him for his twenty-five years of dedicated leadership and service to the community. We will miss Sal's experience, expertise in this many-faceted position and his legendary sense of humor but he made sure to leave the department in very good hands. We wish him well on his next great adventure.

Insurance Services Office (ISO) Rating Upgrade:

ISO is a third-party agency which evaluates fire departments, water departments and communications systems and produces a public protection classification number (PPC) for a community. The number is utilized by insurance providers to give discounts on commercial and residential insurance premiums. The lower the number the better and effective December 1st, 2018, Shelter Cove lowered its PPC number from a 5 to a 4. The Fire Department and the water department have been working hard over the past few years to improve Shelter Cove's fire suppression delivery system and their efforts are paying off for the community.

Roadway Brush Clearing Program:

The Fire Department is excited to announce a new program being planned to keep the main transportation arteries of Shelter Cove clear of encroaching vegetation using Measure B tax monies. Details of the program will be rolled out this winter and will possibly involve collaboration between Cal Fire, Humboldt County Roads, the Fire Department and volunteers from the Shelter Cove community.

Phone Contact Update:

To ensure the District's emergency phone tree is kept up-to-date, please call the District office with your current number.

NEW COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING

The New Community Center Ad hoc Committee has scheduled a public meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, September 14th at the Fire Station meeting hall. The meeting is being held to review the current preliminary plans and provide opportunity for public input.

PAMPAS GRASS REMOVAL VOLUNTEER PROJECT

The Pampas Grass seed heads are pink right now, so this is the best time to remove them before they start to disburse. Lost Coast Interpretive Center will pay 25 cents per pink seed head collected. Special disposal bags have to be used for the cut plumes and they can be obtained from the Shelter Cove Library and at the RID office. Filled bags can be dropped off at the Clubhouse on October 6th between 12 and 5 p.m. while the Art is Alive Event is taking place. Payments will be made on a first come first served basis and until funds are used up.

Library Opening Times:

When open there is a rainbow windsock in the Clubhouse parking lot or check www.sheltercovepioneer.org/library

Holiday Announcement:

The District offices will close on Monday, October 8th in observance of Columbus Day.

UTILITY RATE CPI INCREASE REMINDER

On August 20, 2015 the District Board of Directors authorized Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases to all three utilities spread over three years. This was to catch up with the CPI increases since 2007 and will cover the cost of providing services and offset the effects of inflation. 2018 is the last year that this series of increases will occur and this year the increase will be 3%. New rates take effect with the September usage and will be billed out in October.



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From your GM – September 2018

Dear Residents,

In the last three months I have met and spoken with many residents and property owners in the cove. During that time, I listened to many issues and concerns shared about our district (Resort Improvement District No. 1), the county and the greater southern Humboldt community. A greatly appreciate the input and communications I have received. To those of you whom I haven't spoken with I encourage each of you to contact me and share your thoughts and concerns on the current operations and future plans of our district.

To the individuals and families that have contacted me in regards to our county road system, residential building code and law enforcement issues I thank you for bringing these important matters to my attention. On each matter I have communicated the complaint with the appropriate Humboldt County office or official. Please continue to share road, building and law enforcement issues with me and please make a report with the county.

Please report road repair needs to the Humboldt County Department of Public Works (707) 445-7493; Report potential building and code enforcement violations to Humboldt County Code Enforcement (707) 476-2429; and contact the Humboldt County Sheriff's Garberville Substation at (707) 923-2761 for any and all needed law enforcement actions. We can make the county work for us. Thanks for your diligence.

Last month I asked residents to share their views on the construction of a new community center. I have heard from many of you. Please continue to communicate your views as to whether our District should construct a new community center. You can share your perspective on your RID bill (write in the comment section) or you can email me at gm@sheltercove-ca.gov

Finally, I would like thank all the residents that are within the sights and sounds of the water tank replacement project sites. Thank you for your patience and on behalf of the District I apologize for any disruptions. I too appreciate the natural sounds of the Cove. We are working hard to complete this project before the fall rains.

Our District looks forward to improving its communications on potentially impactful operations and construction projects with all residents in a timely manner that allows for public input.

I like public input. Keep it coming. And take care,

Justin