



Occidental Town Hall July 29, 6pm – 7:30pm

The meeting will be held on Zoom and on Facebook live, links below. After the event, videos are available both on facebook and on Youtube. YouTube Channel can be found under Sonoma County 5th District.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://sonomacounty.zoom.us/j/91478946822?pwd=cjYvcjhiTlVqUHRFdIZlckhISkJmQT09>

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Or Streaming Facebook Live - Supervisor Lynda Hopkins <https://www.facebook.com/supervisorlyndahopkins/>

- I. Supervisor Lynda Hopkins
- II. Occidental/Graton Sanitation update (sewer) with Mike Thompson, Assistant General Manager of the Sonoma County Water Agency
- III. Parking and Road issues with Johannes Hoevertsz, Director of Transportation and Public Works
 - Parking –
 - a. One Way street proposal
 - b. Temporary Structures
 - c. Use of Road Yard for events
 - d. Evacuation routes
- IV. Community Center status with David Robinson, Parks Manager for Regional Parks
- V. Matching grant program for local park/bathrooms, Ag + Open Space
- VI. Fire Preparedness
- VII. Q&A and Announcements

Disability Accommodations:

We will make reasonable accommodations for persons having special needs due to disabilities. Please contact the Fifth District Field Representative at 707-565-2866 during regular business hours at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to ensure necessary accommodations are made.

Community Notes

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Bodega Land Trust is active in setting aside agricultural conservation easements for future generations. Contact [Bodega Land Trust](#) if you want to create an easement for your land.

Bohemian Corridor Business Alliance has members who sponsored a flea market in the Community Center parking lot last month plan to have another in July 31. Tables are \$25. Proceeds go to assist with providing public bathroom facility in town. Contact Leslie at 760-914-1989 if you want to reserve a table. Please support your local businesses. Check their websites for updates on hours and availability.

Fire-safe Occidental's Protection Committee participated with Fire Safe Camp Meeker and Safer West County in **Immediate Evacuation Drill** June 19th at 9 am. The drill went smoothly in its limited scope. Lessons were learned. Annual drills were recommended by evacuees. Visit [FireSafeCampMeeker Web Site](#) or [FireSafeOccidental Web Site](#) for more information about the drill.

Harmony Union School District campus is now open to the community on a limited basis, M-F 3:30 to Sunset. Open areas include the nature trail, basketball courts, large play structure and large playing field with COVID protocols followed. Summer School will end July 23. [Harmony Union School District](#). July 29 it will host a Town Hall Meeting with Lynda Hopkins. (See KOWS below.)

KOWS Local news host Laura Goldman's program is broadcast every Friday evening at 5 p.m. Tune in at 92.5 FM. The station urges you to sign up as a member, underwriter, or host. Their new website domain is <http://kowsfm.com> where programming is posted. It will report on the July 29 Town Hall Meeting with Lynda Hopkins from Harmony School on zoom from 6: to 7: pm. Click on link <https://sonomacounty.zoom.us/j/91478946822?pwd=cjYvcjhiTVlqUHRFdjZlckhlSkJmQT09>
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Occidental Arts and Ecology Center nursery is open again weekends 10-5. Two non-resident 40 hr. per week positions for Financial Controller and Development-Program Associate are open. Applicants will begin August 1. [Occidental Arts and Ecology Center](#)

Occidental Center for the Arts will hold auditions July 22 from 5: pm to 9: pm and July 24 from 10: am to noon for performers age 7 and up for a musical theater review of some famous scenes from familiar Broadway musicals. Performances will be August 28 and 29. Online events are also available for viewing at OCA's Youtube Channel [Occidental Center for the Arts - YouTube](#) Pointless Sister Art Quilt Exhibit ends July 31. A new show goes up August 7 "A Place In the Woods". The next live music concert in the Amphitheater is August 8 from 4: to 6: pm with The Musers trio and Familiar Strangers trio. Buy tickets online. [Occidental Center for the Arts](#)

Occidental Community Center Advisory Council awaits the County Parks Department reopening of the Center. Several instructors await the department's locating a new operator. Meanwhile, Maria Fuentes of Redwood Empire Food Bank is making food distributions outside one morning per month.

Occidental Community Choir is writing music for its next winter concert entitled "Harmony". Full membership rehearsals resume August 18 at the OCA in preparation for **live concerts again** in winter of 2021 and spring of 2022. Hear some previously written music on their website. If you want to audition, check out this website. [Occidental Community Choir](#).

Occidental Community Council will be meets tomorrow Saturday July 17th at 10:30 pm in person at the parking lot outside the Community Center. Planning the next annual Craft Faire will be on the agenda. Other agenda items will include the Town Hall Agenda (see KOWS above). [Occidental Community Council](#)

Occidental Community Farmers Market is open each Friday 4 pm to dusk until October 29th. A portable toilet is available on location. Local farm produce, foods and crafts make shopping a

treat. Community Groups may sign up for tabling. Vendors may apply at [Occidental Farmer's Market](#)

Occidental Community Service District met in person and online July 13. Secretary Melissa Freeman will be retiring from 20 years as Secretary to the Service District Board. Tiffany of Goldridge District will phase into the position next month. The board decided to pay for a ADA toilet with washing station to replace the current one (located at the south end of town) until October. Other agenda items included town water supply in drought conditions and fire protection issues. <https://occidentalfire.com/board-meetings.html>. (Note: Sonoma Water Agency, a separate entity, met online in an Occidental-Graton Sewer District meeting June 29th to discuss a proposed sewer pipeline between the towns to go to the treatment plant in Graton. A feasibility study should be available in late September followed by a public meeting.). OCSD meets next August 10 at 7: pm.

Occidental Library Station is offering curbside only pickup of book orders in Occidental. Check the Council website and click on their Library link for days and hours. It also offers online book holds and loans. eCards are free. [Occidental Library Station](#)

Occidental's West County Health Center offers Primary Care, Behavioral Health Services and Gender Expansive Services. Currently it requests that all visits are preceded by appointments and a phone call to ensure COVID precautions are adhered to. 824-3391. Phone support for pandemic-related crises is available. To access your Patient Portal Login or other information resources about COVID-19 vaccination availability tiered system go to [Home - wchealth.org](http://wchealth.org). Vaccinations are available now for ages 16 and older.

Salmon Creek Watershed Council meets monthly. To receive an invitation to zoom, contact [David Shatkin <dshatkin@sonic.net>](mailto:dshatkin@sonic.net). Representatives tabled at the Farmer's Market today and will again next month. For information and resources check <http://www.salmoncreekwater.org>