

CLARIFICATION

The original accusation of conflict of interest against City Attorney Steve Bryant in the McKenzie Meadows senior living facility matter came from attorney Michael Repucci, representing senior living facility developer Mark Adolf, as noted in the June 24 story "Planners approve senior living facility."

Bryant was called into question for alleged conflict-of-interest claims regarding his firm's relationship with Kevin Cox and Ageia Health Services, applicant for development of the senior living facility at McKenzie Meadows Village. Mike Morgan and Ed Protas made an issue of the accusation in an email to the City. Bryant wrote a letter to City Council in response to the Morgan/Protas email, stating that "... my office does not represent Kevin Cox or Ageia Health Services, LLC in connection with any matters involving the City of Sisters, including any development application or other 'disputes.' Mr. Cox and Ageia Health Services, LLC have been and continue

to be represented by Laura Cooper, an attorney in Bend, Oregon, regarding their development application.

"Another attorney in my office does represent Mr. Cox relative to some personal matters and to the formation and management of his corporations. None of that work involves any issues concerning the City of Sisters and there is no conflict in our representation of the City..." Bryant said his firm would "treat the matter as a potential conflict of interest, which can be waived by the City and Mr. Cox."

The full text of the letter may be found accompanying the story "Bryant to continue as City Attorney" at www.nuggetnews.com.

Agenda

Sisters Planning Commission
Sisters City Hall, 520 E. Cascade Ave.
Thursday, July 16, 5:30

p.m.
• Workshop: Presentation by Hayden Homes — Village at Cold Springs Master Plan Phases III, VI, VII, VIII.

White supremacist leader sentenced to 13 years

PENDLETON (AP) — The leader of a Pendleton white supremacist gang has been sentenced to more than 13 years in prison.

The *East Oregonian* reports 31-year-old Jeremiah Mauer was sentenced Thursday after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit murder and two counts of second-degree assault. He agreed to a plea deal that allowed him to avoid a trial where he could have faced 14 additional charges.

The conspiracy charge is connected to a shooting at a Pendleton home in November 2014. The assault charges stem from incidents last fall.

Pendleton Police Chief Stuart Roberts has said Mauer was the founder of the United Aryan Empire group that was responsible for a series of fights and shootings last year. Two fellow gang members have made plea deals and await sentencing.

Roof ravens...



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