



# Council adds voice of support to school bond

Condition of schools drives bond vote

By R.J. Marx  
Seaside Signal

The Seaside City Council gave a thumbs-up to the Seaside School District’s November bond to move tsunami-endangered schools to safer ground.

“I have to commend you and the board for putting the package together that shows us what’s going on,” Mayor Don Larson said at Monday’s meeting. “This thing is just fantastic.”

“So much time and effort has been put into this by so many people,” Councilor Dana Phillips said. “It’s something for the good of our community as well as the safety of our students.”

Seaside School District Superintendent-emeritus Doug Dougherty provided a presentation that stressed not so much the benefits of the new campus but the defects of current schools, which are well beyond their projected life span. He called this an opportunity to make a difference to that community for generations. “It’s one of those things that we are very excited about. This is an outstanding chance.”

After the defeat of the district’s 2013 bond, the city went back to voters to find out why. “We trimmed this plan to its bare bones,” Dougherty said.

The new campus, to be located on 80 acres donated by Weyerhaeuser Co., is near Seaside Heights Elementary School in the East Hills.

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# Appeals court to rule on DA’s immunity

Marquis froze out police detective

By Derrick DePledge  
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Did Clatsop County District Attorney Josh Marquis have absolute immunity when he froze out a Seaside Police detective who criticized him?

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals will answer the question after accepting written legal arguments Thursday, Oct. 6, at Pioneer Courthouse in Portland.

Steven Barnett, who retired from the Seaside Police earlier this year, claimed Marquis violated his free speech and due process rights by refusing to vouch for his credibility to work on criminal prosecutions.

Marquis made the decision after Barnett, who was running against Sheriff Tom Bergin in 2012, wrote a guest column in The Daily Astorian critical of the district attorney, who had endorsed Bergin in a newspaper column.

Barnett, who was one of four candidates to challenge Bergin, finished last in the primary with 7 percent of the vote.

U.S. District Judge Marco Hernandez in Portland ruled against Barnett in 2014, finding

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# Candidates take the stage in Seaside



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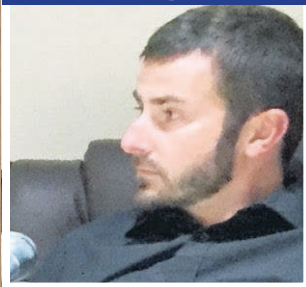


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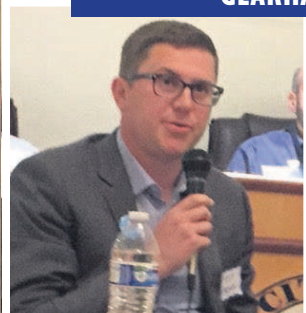
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## Gearhart mayor, Seaside council in contested races

By R.J. Marx  
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Housing, tsunami safety and a potential new school campus in Seaside dominated discussion Monday, Oct. 3, as the American Association of University Women hosted a candidate forum at City Hall.

Moderated by AAUW Finance Vice President Virginia Dideum of Gearhart, candidates from Gearhart and Seaside shared their viewpoints to an audience of more than 100 residents from both communities.

The mayoral race in Gearhart and the battle for City Council Ward 3 in Seaside were the only contested races, and differences between the candidates in each provided the starkest differences in political opinion.

### Seaside Ward 3

Ward 3 Councilor Don Johnson faces a challenge from Tom Horning, a geologist and member of the city’s Planning Commission. Horning is running on a platform of tsunami awareness, and gave a visual

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Julie Tennis explains the different components of a Langstroth beehive during her presentation, “What Beekeepers Do,” at the Seaside Public Library.

# Catching a ‘buzz’ at Seaside library presentation

Naturalist Julie Tennis shares the environmental benefits of beekeeping

By Katherine Lacaze  
For the Seaside Signal

A childhood incident traumatized Julie Tennis stimulated a lifelong passion for bees and beekeeping.

“My experience as a beekeeper has shown me that the more people care about something living, other than themselves, the more they will care about nature as a whole,” said Julie Tennis, a naturalist and beekeeper from Naselle, Washington.

The art of beekeeping is an exacting and work-intensive yet rewarding way to establish a connection with nature, promote pollination and contribute positively to the overall health

of the environment.

She gave a late-September presentation, “What Beekeepers Do” at the Seaside Public Library. The event was sponsored by the Friends of the Seaside Library.

Tennis maintains an oscillating number of hives, or between 20 and 40, depending on what is happening in the environment, but she has not always been a bee lover.

In fact, a traumatic event from her childhood, during which she and a friend got stung more than a dozen times each, gave her fear and hatred of stinging insects that she harbored for a long time. However, she also respected them, especially as she came to understand the insects did not sting until they perceived a threat.

When Tennis was in college, her father started

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