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LIBRARY DISTRICT BUDGET BOARD NOTICE

NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Baker County Library District, Baker County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 will be held at Baker County Public Library, 2400 Resort St, Baker City, OR. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. If a continuance is necessary, a 2nd meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 1 2014 at 5:00 pm. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 16, 2016 at Baker County Public Library, weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and weekends between 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm or on the library website at www.bakerlib.org.

PUBLIC NOTICE: WEED SPRAY GIVEAWAY!

For 2016, Baker County Weed District will again be giving out herbicide on the following locations, dates, and times. This fully mixed, ready-to-go herbicide will be targeting whitetop and scotch thistle. Folks need to bring chemical-resistant containers, preferably gas or oil cans, and a pair of chemical-resistant gloves. Please, no food containers. There will be a five gallon limit imposed for each residence.

Note!!! New location for Baker City Giveaways!

Where	Date	Time
Huntington Service Station	April 22	8:00 - 11 AM
Richland/Halfway - Wildflower Corner	May 6	7 - 12 Noon
Baker City - Old ODOT Building 1050 S. Bridge	May 21	7 - 12 Noon
Baker City - Old ODOT Building 1050 S. Bridge Street	May 28	7 -12 Noon
Hereford Hall /Unity Hall Hereford - Unity	June 3	9 AM - 10:30 AM

LEGAL NOTICES

DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

Medical Springs Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold its regular monthly board meeting at Pondsosa Station, on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7 PM to discuss fire department operations. Equal opportunity provider.

NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING - A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Keating Rural Fire Protection District, Baker County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, will be held at 26488 Keating Grange Lane, Baker City, Oregon. The meeting will take place on May 9, 2016, at 6 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 8, 2016, at 26502 Keating Grange Lane, Baker City, Oregon between the hours of 5-9 p.m., Monday-Friday.

LEGAL NOTICES

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Medical Springs Rural Fire, Baker/Union Counties, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 will be held at Pondsosa Station, 50393 Hwy 203 Baker City, OR. The meeting will take place on May 09, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 5, 2016, at 50378 Hwy 203, Baker City, OR, between the hours of 9 AM and 6 PM. 150-504-073-1 (Rev 12/10)

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Baker School District 5J, Baker County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017, will be held at the Baker School District office at 2090 4th Street, Baker City, OR 97814. The meeting will take place on May 12, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 9, 2016, at Baker School District 5J between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. This notice and future notices will be posted on our website at www.baker.k12.or.us.

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City Council: Poppy Day proclamation and graffiti among topics at meeting

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A regular Baker City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers of Baker City Hall, highlighted by a special Poppy Day Proclamation presentation, and guests.

Present from the Council were Mayor Kim Mosier, and Council members Sandy Lewis, Richard Langrell, Mike Downing, and Jim Thomas. Also present were Baker City Manager Mike Kee, Baker City Human Resources Manager/City Recorder Luke Yeaton, Baker City Public Works Director Michelle Owen, and Baker City Finance Director Jeanie Dexter.

Attendance also included Tori Whiting, her daughter, Raeyvn Whiting, American Legion Auxiliary #41 member Trudy Ingraham, Baker Justice Court Judge Don Williams, Baker County Justice Court Trial Administrator Michael Finney, Baker City Public Arts Commission member Brian Vegter, Mind, Body, Yoga business owner Mae Corwin, Clair Button, and other members of the Baker City Tree Board.

Mosier called the meeting to order, followed shortly by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mosier, and the Invocation, led by Lewis. Roll call was taken by Yeaton, who noted the absence of Council members Rosemary Abell, and Dan Lowe.

Nothing no changes or additions to the consent agenda, which included review of the minutes from the Monday, April 4, 2016 Goal Setting meeting, it was approved, with a motion from Downing, and a second from Lewis.

No comments from the public were provided for Citizen Participation, and Mosier proceeded to read a Baker City Poppy Days

Proclamation:

“WHEREAS, America is the land of freedom, preserved and protected willingly and freely by citizen soldiers; and

“WHEREAS, millions who have answered the call the arms have died on the field of battle; and

“WHEREAS, the red poppy has been designated as a symbol of sacrifice of lives in all wars; and

“WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary #41, and the V.F.W. Auxiliary #3048 have twined the Memorial Poppy and the Buddy Poppy to remind all of us of this debt, and to aid the living veterans and their families through the distribution of these memorial flowers;

“Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED by the City of Baker City Council, that April 26th--May 31st, 2016, is designated “Poppy Day.” The Mayor is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation urging all of our citizens to pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of wearing the Memorial Poppy on these days;

“IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Baker City to be affixed this 26th day of April, 2016.”

Raeyvn, with the assistance of Ingraham, accepted the Proclamation, and handed out, and accepted donations for, Memorial and Buddy poppies, to Council members, and others present.

Mosier also read an American Cancer Society Relay For Life Proclamation, proclaiming May 8, through May 14, 2016 as “Relay For Life Days,” in Baker City, and encouraging citizen participation in the Relay For Life event, scheduled for June 10, 2016, at Geiser Pollman Park. According to the Proclamation, Relay For Life has helped to fund

more than \$4.3 billion in cancer research last year. Owen accepted the Proclamation, on behalf of Shelly Cutler, Baker County Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau Director. The Chamber is coordinating the event, Owen said.

Mosier read yet another Proclamation, the Arbor Day Proclamation, proclaiming the weeks of May 16th, and 23rd, 2016, as Baker City’s Arbor Day celebration. According to the Proclamation, the first Arbor Day, a special day set aside for the planting of trees, was observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska. Arbor Day was first proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture in 1872, by J. Sterling Morton. Per the Proclamation, citizens are urged to plant, and to protect Baker City’s community trees.

Button accepted the Proclamation from Mosier, and he spoke about the efforts to plant, and to maintain trees in the community, nationally recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation. Among other details, he said that Baker City is one of only 15 communities to receive the Arbor Day Foundation Tree Growth Award, which recognizes efforts, above and beyond the general standards required.

Yeaton discussed the two openings available on the Public Arts Commission, applied for, by Brian Vegter, and Damon Rose. With a motion from Downing, and a second from Thomas, the two applicants were appointed, their term set to expire in April 2019.

Kee discussed an Appeal of Graffiti Abatement notice, for an abatement notice received by Corwin, on March 11, 2016, for graffiti which was painted on the back side of her building. Notices were sent to building owners in the downtown area



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Mayor Kim Mosier is presented with a poppy from Raeyvn Whiting.

with graffiti, because in February 2016, someone had vandalized several buildings. Corwin objected to the removal of a stenciled man, and the word “OBEY,” below it. Kee attached included four photos, showing locations, and the graffiti. He said that Council could rescind the notice to abate, and allow the graffiti to remain; re-instate the notice, and allow 14 days to have the graffiti removed; suspend the abatement process, and allow the Historic District Design Review Committee to advise Council on whether they would allow the graffiti; or pursue other options.

When asked how long the graffiti had been on her building, Corwin replied about eight years, and she bought the building with it already there. Vegter told the Council that, though he doesn’t encourage vandalism, the graffiti isn’t offensive, and it has been there. When asked about issues with neighboring businesses, Corwin replied that a business owner who shares the same building doesn’t have an issue with it. Mosier said the graffiti is from the same artist as the Movie Rat, on the back side of the Eltrym Theater,

and she’d like to see it remain. The abatement notice was rescinded, and the graffiti was allowed to remain, with a motion from Lewis, and a second from Thomas.

Williams, and Finney provided a Justice Court presentation. Among other details, Finney provided the statistics for the first quarter of 2016: of 214 charges, there were 56 Guilty pleas; 33 No Contest pleas; 19 Not Guilty pleas; 45 Fail-to-Appears; 16 dismissals; 1 appeal, for a dangerous dog (he said the appeals process, which is free, needs to be made more clear); 29 Step 1 letters sent; 15 future Court dates; and 1 deferred prosecution.

Owen discussed a Fixed Base Operator (FBO) contract, between Baker Aircraft, owned by Troy and Genevieve Woydziak, the FBO at Baker City Municipal Airport, and Baker City, which expires on June 30, 2016, for which Baker Aircraft had submitted a proposal for consideration, after a Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised this spring, by City staff.

The proposed agreement includes a payment from the City, to Baker

Aircraft, of \$22,200 annually, for services provided by the FBO, and per the agreement, also a lease agreement, Baker Aircraft agrees to pay the lease rate of \$0.16 per square foot of leased space, to the City, which comes to \$2,473 in City revenue. Since 2003, Baker Aircraft has invested \$286,602 into on-premises airport maintenance, and \$41,800 on improvements to the facilities, according to Baker Aircraft. The report states that, “Baker Aircraft, and the Woydziaks in particular, have been great partners with the City, in support of Baker City Municipal.” The proposed agreement has a slightly lower annual maintenance fee, and Baker Aircraft would not be leasing the quad hangar any longer, allowing the City to collect hangar revenue, for each unit, at \$150 per month, providing the City with \$7,200 additionally, if all units are occupied. The contract was accepted, with a motion from Lewis, and a second from Downing.

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