

# City council discusses property, budget

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Cave Junction city council members approved Barbara Ford and Charles "Jim" Polk to the budget committee in the monthly meeting Monday, May 9.

In her application, Ford said she had been on this committee before and had experience and understanding of accounting and balance sheets. Charles was the previous city recorder who left after 18 years working for the city, coming back to help with the budget and city finances.

Council members also discussed the property on 310 Caves Hwy and approved a resolution declaring a property surplus, and that the property would be sold through appropriate real property transactions.

Tarry Frank also submitted a

workshop request for Schumacher Development, which recorder Ryan Nolan said was approved. The workshop is currently scheduled for May 25 at 7 p.m.

Councilors determined the property on 310 S. Caves Ave. a nuisance after a resident submitted a complaint due to overgrown brush and weeds and a refrigerator left outside.

Cave Junction municipal code declares that no person in charge of a property can permit growth of weeds or other noxious vegetation, and that unless the property is classified "residential agricultural," vegetation needs to be below 12 inches or it may be evidence of a fire hazard.

The Cave Junction city council is also developing the 2011/2012 budget. Historical data and information on the budget is available at CJ City Hall on 222 W. Lister Street.



(Photo by Darcy Wallace, Illinois Valley News)

The city owned property located at 310 Caves Hwy.

## Art Walk...Continued from A-1

The Village Fountain is also holding its grand opening, showing how water sources can serve residents, at 116 North Redwood. The Zumba Dance Troupe will also perform at 6:30 p.m.

I.V. Safe House Alliance (IVSHA) will host a presentation from Mary Reynolds-Walter at 5:30 and 7 p.m. on improving health, finances and relationships on Lister Street next to the DMV.

The Illinois River Valley Arts Council (IRVAC) organizes and sponsors ArtWalk events, which generally come about three times per year in the fall, spring and

summer. This year, Pearson says IRVAC will have another ArtWalk in December in the County Building.

"It's just a wonderful time for the community to come out and have fun and see new artists," Pearson said. "A lot of people don't realize that their neighbor could be an artist... we have a great artist community and the ArtWalk provides a venue for everybody to enjoy art, from children on up."

Jefferson State Financial Group and graphic design by R.H. Ziller & Co., Inc. are supporting the ArtWalk.

## Hare Claims ... Continued from A-1

"[This ordinance] is planned with the intent to do a couple of things: improve the relationship these events have with immediate neighbors and the county as a whole, and improve the safety and 'healthiness' of these events," Hare said.

At the April 24 meeting, Cathy Backstiegel and Stacey Williams both said they received a different event form from previous years with the stricter requirements already in place, despite the ordinance not being finalized. Cassanelli and Hare said those forms should not have been sent out and they were glad it was brought to their attention.

An Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) already exists for mass gathering events of more than 3,000 people. The proposed ordinance would apply to events between 100 and 3,000 people.

The draft calls for organizers of small events of 100-999 people and larger events of 1,000 to 3,000 to apply for a permit, where they would show provisions such as emergency medical facilities, fire protection, security, noise control and handling of traffic.

Applications would then be reviewed by multiple county and state departments,

including the Sheriff, county planning director, health director, building official, public works official and county risk manager.

According to Hare, the commissioners may ask event organizers to try to follow procedures outlined in the ordinance draft as a sort of "trial run" if the ordinance is enacted in later months; but he says they will not be required to follow the plan at this time.

"We might try to ask [organizers] to go through it," Hare said, "but we will work with them. We're not going to stop the event. But if [the event] isn't safe, we don't necessarily need an ordinance to address fire codes, health violations."

Others in the meeting worried provisions preventing event activity within 1,000 feet of residences would prevent people coming to the Barter Faire from far away who usually camp at night. But Hare said the 1,000-foot rule was not likely to stop people from camping because it isn't part of the event itself.

"Camping is a result of the event," Hare said. "That can take place within 1,000 feet, that's based on ORS [statutes]."

The draft also allows the

various county departments that go over permit applications to inspect the event at any time. Organizers would need to get required licenses from the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to sell alcohol at the event.

Event organizers would also have to keep volume no more than 70 decibels before 10 p.m. and no more than 50 decibels between 10 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Hare said one main purpose of the proposed ordinance is creating a process for other county agencies to evaluate the draft and put in their input to improve events. He also said he wanted to make sure there was a public process to allow residents to weigh in on the ordinance before it takes effect.

"What's unfortunate is the perspective that we were going to shut down some of these events," Hare said. "The fees we charge are reflective of the effort and work required by the county going out and doing the assessment. We're not looking to restrict [events], just make them better."

## Frontier Upgrades ...

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Many said that though their plans promised speeds averaging three megabytes per second, they were often getting far less, sometimes below one mb/sec.

At the meeting, O'Brien resident Bob Ziller presented detailed information of research about the problems with Frontier in the Valley, which included average speeds in the Valley compared to U.S. and international averages.

Even at the best speeds approaching three mb/sec., the presentation showed the U.S. national average to be more than ten mb/sec, with the Oregon average even higher. The graph compared DSL speeds of several countries from Speedtest.net calculations: South Korea, Germany, Uganda, Zimbabwe and Haiti all tested faster than Frontier service in the Valley at peak and non-peak hours, according to the Ziller presentation.

"The problem is typical oversubscription," Bob Ziller said at the quarterly meeting. "They kept signing on new

customers but never bought more bandwidth to support them."

Beasley said Frontier has been increasing its capacity, but it hasn't been enough to keep up with a fast-increasing need for higher speeds and bandwidth to support residents and businesses. But she said the new equipment would make service more reliable and allow the company to continue adding more bandwidth in the future.

"The equipment...will allow us to offer service to more customers and position us to offer faster speeds up to three mb/sec," Beasley said. "It's unfortunately an issue within all our industry network providers. [We're] trying hard to find ways to increase bandwidth...it's just the nature of how we live."

Beasley said Frontier Communications focuses on servicing rural areas with the goal of getting internet access to as many people as possible in those areas, then later working to increase speeds.

"It does need a significant investment to move from three mb/sec to 12 or 15 mb/sec," Beasley said. "There are many

carriers that would not choose to serve that [rural] community with high speed internet. Part of our business model is that we do."

As for 911 service problems, Whitehorn said Frontier maintains main offices and remotes with on-site batteries running for at least eight hours when power goes out.

But for longer outages that sometimes hit the Valley, Whitehorn said "standby" generators are used to keep voice traffic flowing, and that the company is working with IV Fire to handle phone service issues affecting 911 service.

"Frontier will have a phone number at IV Fire so when there is an emergency and the Illinois Valley is isolated from the world, 911 calls will be forwarded to IV Fire," Whitehorn said.

A Frontier technician said an internet outage Monday, May 9 was not a result of equipment issues, as Frontier's equipment appeared to be working correctly. The outage reportedly affected several areas in Oregon.



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**ACROSS**

1. Eye tooth
6. North American republic
11. Ruler or other important people in Asian countries
12. Carpet
13. Hoosier State
14. A very dark black
15. Department of Transportation agency
16. Animal held in the lap
21. Melt
23. Free thought
25. Deprive of by deceit
26. Ventilate
27. Humble in spirit or manner
30. Nimble
32. Casket stand
33. A small contrasting part of something
35. Cobra
37. As far as something can go
39. Airman
42. Apply
43. A painful inflammation of the big toe
44. The sound made by a cat
45. Thrust or extend out Down
2. Used for gliding over snow

3. Lighthouse
4. 007 Author
5. Deoxyribonucleic acid
6. Carbamide
7. Of or relating to constituents of the atom
8. In the past
9. A fit of weeping
10. Aromatic Old World herb
17. A rapid active motion
18. Compose
19. Disparagement
20. FBI agent
22. Pan with a convex bottom
24. Ensnare
25. The young of certain carnivorous mammal
28. Large northern deer
29. Voracious snakelike marine or freshwater fish
31. Mastermind
34. Acquire by one's efforts or actions
36. Cook slowly
37. A male child
38. Informal term for a mother
39. A time in life (usually defined in years)
40. Phonation
41. Consumed

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