

Life in the Valley of Riches

By DAN MANCUSO, Publisher

Monday night's city council meeting was an important meeting, although typically dull, until the end.

First the city dealt with an issue in the city code that was preventing the important work that CJ Patrol provides to our community, and it was resolved. Then the city delved into water sales. One would think that bulk water sales would be a benign issue, but it's not; more on this for next week.

The fireworks started at the end of the

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

This is to give notice that on Monday, Oct. 31, 2016 at 6 p.m., in the Anne Basker Auditorium Annex of the County Courthouse, 600 NW 6th Street, the Josephine County Planning Commission, in accordance with the Land Use Hearing Rules, will conduct a public hearing on the following item:

Text amendments to the Josephine County Rural Land Development Code:

If approved the decision will allow changes to the Rural Land Development Code to address growing marijuana in the residential zones. Other text amendments proposed help address land use conflicts that have arisen as a result of the marijuana industry in Josephine County: fencing, plant location, oversight, building size and overcrowding, odor, lights, waste management, noise, camping, runoff, and citation authority. For a copy of the staff summary and list of amendments, visit: (http://www.co.josephine.or.us/Page. asp?NavID=801).

meeting. After comments from citizens, Councilor Dan Bosch made a motion to end the marijuana lawsuit against the state. Board chair, Mayor Carl Jacobson accepted the motion and asked for a second. A shocked Daniel Dalegowski jumped at the chance to second it. Every jaw in the room was resting on the floor.

After some discussion the mayor asked for a vote that ended in a 3-2 vote to end the lawsuit, and then the circus came to town. Someone from the crowd shouted out that the vote was illegal, which

Councilor Miller and Mayor Jacobson, the two dissenting votes, seemed to like.

As someone who listens to more meetings than I would prefer, I am very fluent in Roberts Rule of Order (RRO). RRO is the standard meeting procedure. The dissenters claimed the motion could not be made as it was not publically noticed.

RRO clearly states, "Certain motions - specifically, the motions to adopt or amend

REVIEW AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. The Planning Commission reviews all applications to amend any element of the comprehensive plan.

The Planning Commission shall make the final decision to amend elements of the Comprehensive Plan and text of the RLDC. The decision shall be in the form of written findings meeting the requirements of state law and Section 31.120.C of the RLDC. If approved, a recommended ordinance to the Board of County Commissioners accompanies

FOR MORE INFORMATION FROM THE COUNTY: Please contact the Josephine County Planning Office Monday – Thursday 8 a.m.-12 noon, at 541-474-5421.

.ALL INTERESTED PERSONS may attend and express their views. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special physical or language accommodations are necessary for this hearing, please notify the Commissioners' Office at least 48 hours in advance. TDD (Hearing Impaired) 1-800-735-2900.

special rules of order, rescind, repeal or annul or amend something previously adopted, amend standing rules in a convention, discharge a committee, and postpone an event or action previously scheduled – are more difficult to pass if previous notice has not been given. Often, a majority of the entire membership or a two-thirds vote is required if previous notice has not been given. This rule is intended to protect the rights of absent members." The important information here is that all council members were present.

In the end, Bosch was strong-armed into rescinding his motion which again is not how meetings work. How do you rescind a motion that has been approved? That is not how this works; it's not how any meeting works.

Short story long, the council scheduled another meeting for Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. The main order of business will be to bring the original motion to the board, discuss and then vote. Unless something drastic happens, it should end with a 3-2 vote to end the lawsuit for good.

Unfortunately, the city's attorney in

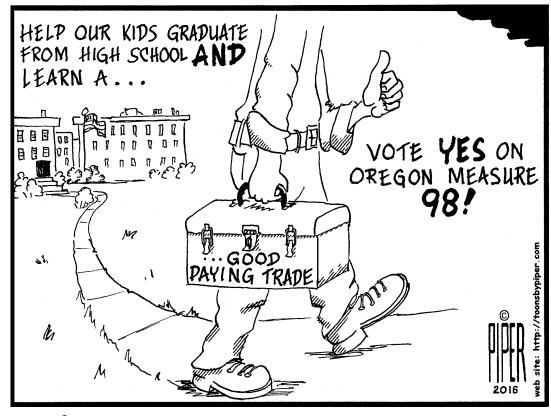
this matter, James Ryan Kirchoff may try to weasel more money out of this cash-poor city. So my question is, "Do we really want to pay an attorney more money when he is looking at a two-year suspension of his privilege to practice law due to a divorce case where he allegedly demonstrated a lack of understanding and appreciation of the profession's ethical responsibilities and regulations?"

Hopefully, we finally stop throwing good money toward the bad.

On a side note I would like to make a correction in the Sept. 28, edition.

We misquoted mayoral candidate Don Moore as saying he "coordinated and approved the formation of the Kerby Water District." What it should have said was he "coordinated and approved the sale of water to the Kerby Water District." We regret the

Thank you for picking up this week's paper, enjoy! ~ djm



Obituaries



Natalie Ann Hartley, 53, of Grants Pass, died Wednesday, Sept.

28, 2016 at Asante Three Rivers Medical

Natalie Ann Hartley was born on Dec. 24, 1962. In Lynwood, Calif. She lived in Bellflower and then Downey, Calif. In 1968 her father and mother bought a home in Rowland Heights, Calif. In 1978 her family took a road trip vacation to look for a quieter place to live, so in 1979 they moved to Selma, Ore. Natalie went to work at Giant Burger in Cave Junction where she met and later married Ryk Hartley. She

had her first daughter Bridgette Monique Hartley in 1981. She opened a dog grooming business that she ran from home and later went to work for Stepping Stone in Grants Pass. In 1996 she and Ryk separated and she moved back to Calif. where she lived with Ron Trickel. She had two more daughters, Heather Nicole Trickel and Ashley Michelle Trickel. In 2000 she and her girls moved back to Oregon and she went back to work at Stepping Stone. She later moved back to Cave Junction where she enjoyed going to her favorite restaurants, Carlos and River Valley Restaurant. Her final move was back to Grants Pass. She loved to shoot pool.

Sub is 541-592-5151. We are looking for more Substation.

volunteers to expand the hours; applications

she loved all animals, especially horses and she collected dolphin items. She is survived by her parents, Richard Edward Bennett and Jerilyn Lee Bennett of Cave Junction; daughters, Bridgette of Grants Pass, Heather and Ashley of Cave Junction; brother, Stephen; and nephew, Dylan, both of Springfield.

A Celebration of Life will be at 2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14, 2016 at Illinois Valley Funeral Directors.

Please visit the obituary and sign Natalie's Tribute Wall at www. since1928hull.com.

ILLINOIS VALLEY FUNERAL DIRECTORS WWW.SINCE1928HULL.COM 541-592-4110

Save the date

Oct, 14, 15, & 16

Valley Girls Quilt Show at I.V. Senior Center, 520 E. River St., CJ, Friday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 16, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Oct. 14

This Place: Cannabis and Community Conversation. By exploring how the cannabis industry is shaping and reshaping our valley, local residents can begin to think together about how to engage meaningfully with our places and communities going forward. When: Friday, Oct. 14, 4-5:30 p.m. Where: Healthy U: 535 E. River St., CJ. This program is free and open to all. To learn more, contact Healthy U at 541-592-4888 or www.healthyucenter.org.

Oct. 15

Harvest Moon Hoedown—an Old-Time Mountain Square Dance Saturday, Oct. 15, Selma Community Center. Doors open 6:30 p.m., dance at 7 p.m. Admission \$8-10 sliding scale, 12 and under free with an adult. Sponsored by the Illinois River Valley Arts Council (IRVAC)

Live music will be provided by the Three Rivers All-Stars: Selma's own 17-year-old fiddle whiz Ari Dwyer, with Jack Dwyer on mandolin, Eric "Swampy" Webb on banjo, Kent Fisher on guitar, and Sue Rutherford on stand-up bass.

Coffee, tea and water will be provided, with homemade desserts available for purchase. All sales will support IRVAC's Learning Through Art program in local public schools. Donations are appreciated!

For information email valentine@cavenet. com or call 541-597-2839. You can visit the Facebook event page at www.facebook.com/ events/178989649200029.

Oct. 20

Do you ride county buses? Where should the bus stops be? The public is invited to give their input at the Josephine County Bldg. 102 S. Redwood Hwy. in Cave Junction, Thursday, Oct. 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. Josephine County Transit and Community Development personnel will be available to discuss preferred locations and bus shelter designs for Cave Junction and surrounding areas.

Oct. 24

7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 222 W. Lister Street, Cave Junction, Oregon, the Common Council of the City of Cave Junction will meet in a regular session.

Continuing

Have some spare time? The Illinois Valley Senior Thrift Store is looking for volunteers. If sorting, cleaning, staging is what you do, we could use your skills. Earn a free breakfast and a store gift card while you volunteer. Join the crew, make new friends, you do not need to be a member or a senior citizen to volunteer. Call the store at 541-592-6630 or visit us during store hours.

*The C.J. Substation hours are changed. We are now open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays (closed Wednesdays) from

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CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

OCTOBER 13, 6:30 P.M.

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