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Water Plans Need Public Guidance

The Sandy city council members are moving towards making an important decision on the future supply of water for the city and the surrounding area. But does the public (who will pay for the water system) seem to know or care about it?

This question is being asked by several council members and city administrator Carl Hatfield following Monday night's meeting. See page 1 for story on the meeting.

Water is the key commodity to any future growth in this area. Without water, development can not happen. The councilmen realizing the area is going to continue to grow and need more water are now investigating what role the city will play.

If the council follows the plan as proposed by city engineer Martin Boatwright, the city will hold the handle to the faucets of most area residents whether they live in the city or not.

Hatfield is concerned with the lack

of public response following Monday's meeting. Only three citizens attended.

"This is not the first meeting at which the public has not attended when an important topic is being discussed," said Hatfield. "I and the councilmen wonder what we can do to get some guidance from the public."

The plan to update and enlarge the city's water system is only at the starting point, but this is the time when public input is needed the most.

For when the issue eventually reaches the point where a vote is needed, it is hoped an informed public will be voting.

The proposed project will cost an estimated \$1.3 million of our tax dollars. And it is a project vital to the future growth of the area.

The council needs the help and support of the people.

Attend the next meeting on the water plans set for Oct. 15, 7 p.m. at the city hall.

Tansy Control Only Starting

The second annual Sandy Seminar on Tansy proved to be a great success again this year. Even though a better attendance by local residents was needed.

Local resident Jack Travis deserves to be congratulated on setting up this seminar.

If you had any questions about the

poisonous tansy weed, the people with the answers and knowledge were present at this meeting.

Also, the meeting proved that the work to control this weed has really just begun. There is a tremendous need for all organizations both public and private to get working together to stop the spreading of the tansy weed.

How Much Longer?

We wonder just how much longer the long-suffering consumer will be the fall guy in economic disputes?

Service station operators presently have a legitimate beef with the government and with major oil suppliers. So what do they do? They take it out on the motoring public by closing down their stations.

Earlier this summer, cattlemen had a legitimate beef about their prices. So what did they do? They, too, took it out on the public by withholding virtually all fresh beef from the market.

The service station operators might have as easily proved their point by court action. But they chose the more

dramatic route, slamming their doors on their customers.

What can the consumer do? Not much; we'll all be back the next day buying gas. We'll all queue up for beef regardless of the price.

But will we? We know a lot of people aren't eating quite as much beef these days. We suspect more and more people are going to start keeping their car at home, too.

For our part, we'll remember the station which sold us some gas Monday a.m. Also the one which didn't.

Consumers, like elephants, sometimes have very long memories.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

There is an old Basuto proverb: "If a man does away with his traditional way of living, and throws away his good customs, he had better first make certain that he has something of value to replace them."

Isn't it strange? President Nixon visits Red China. He visits Russia. We gave them wheat for better relations, then comes Watergate to discredit the President and our Constitutional system!

Since every action causes reaction in the law of cause and effect, could there be a connection?

Are we to be made so guilty and suspicious of our system, we will be conditioned to accept theirs?

Heaven Forbid! Lord Jesus come quickly!

Sincerely,
Mrs. P.J. Bernard
Rt. 1, Box 498
Sandy, Ore.

To the Editor:

The seventh and eighth grade boys and girls would like to

thank the Kiwanis Club for buying us tickets to go to the Mt. Hood-Wenatchee football game. We would also like to thank Gary Sandblast for driving the bus. A total of 24 boys and girls went to the game, which ended up with a score of Mt. Hood 10, Wenatchee 0.

A number of the boys who went, belonged to the Sandy seventh and eighth grade football team. We picked up a lot of pointers on both offense and defense, and it was a great value to us.

Rick Lamm
Upper Grade
Sandy Elementary

WEATHER

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Sept. 12	77	49	.00
Sept. 13	80	51	.00
Sept. 14	70	51	.00
Sept. 15	75	52	.00
Sept. 16	77	52	.00
Sept. 17	70	53	.07
Sept. 18	70	56	.25

The Troutdale station weather readings are made by 5:30 p.m.

Shopping center building

The Chalet Pancake House on E. Burnside near Bull Run Road will open in about 60 days according to Fran Sanders, project manager for SAGE (Stan Adkins).

Site work has started on the 20-plus acre tract for a discount store and a covered shopping mall. Also in the plans are another restaurant a motel and two office buildings.

Sanders said there would be some major retailers in the new shopping mall.

Vance Park plans ready

Plans for the first phase of Vance Park, SE 190th between Stark and Division, have been completed.

They will be discussed at a community public meeting Wednesday, Sept. 19, at 8 p.m. in the Oregon Trail Savings & Loan Bldg., 300 SE 181st, Rockwood.

Cooperation



Like This?

County fee schedule to increase sharply

Permit fee charges in Clackamas County will increase sharply on Oct. 1.

The board of County Commissioners last week approved the increased fee schedule unanimously.

The commissioners stated the new fee schedule will reflect more closely the actual cost of processing applications by the county personnel.

Permit fees for subdivisions, zone changes and conditional uses are effected.

Submission of preliminary plats in subdivisions will still cost an initial \$50, but the per lot charge will increase from the present \$2 to \$5, according to Jim Hall county planning director.

Fees for zone changes will jump from \$100 to \$150, conditional uses from \$25 to \$150, variances from \$10 to \$50, temporary permits from \$5 to \$20, expansion of non-conforming uses from \$10 to \$100.

Damascus project halted

James Smith, a Gladstone builder, has been halted in his housing project near Damascus.

The project would be a second phase of a 31-home subdivision.

James Hall, Clackamas County planning director, said that building could not be permitted because of the high water table. The county soil scientist has refused to issue a drain-field permit.

PGE warns of crisis in energy

Portland General Electric has prepared five small brochures on how to conserve electric energy.

They are free to any electric customer on request.

Each brochure is headed, "The energy crisis is getting more serious. We need your immediate help in saving electricity."

PGE says the area is facing the worst power shortage in 20 years. The causes are several: extremely low water conditions, a light snow pack, federal budget cuts, delays in getting new thermal generation on the line when planned, and an increasing demand for electric energy by PGE customers.

The brochures list how electricity can be saved in the home, apartment, business and community.

County lacks funds

Clackamas County is searching for funds to pay salaries for some 28 employees.

The county commissioners reported last week only about \$100,000 is left to pay the employees in the sheriff's, public works and clerk's departments until the end of June. This is not enough. The needs are estimated at \$250,000.

The commissioners are looking at the county's federal revenue sharing funds as a possible solution to meet the salary needs.

This situation was created when the county's federal allocation was sharply reduced from about \$450,000 yearly to \$242,000 last March.

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The closer you look, the better we look.

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