

## \$125,000 bid set for August vote

# Fire district asks serial levy

The Boring Fire District Board last week proposed a five-year, \$125,000 serial levy for capital improvements.

If approved in an Aug. 8 election, the levy would increase property taxes 13 cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation in the first year. Included in the levy request is:

- purchase of a mini-pumper for assignment to the Eagle Creek substation;
- replace a 1958 tanker with a used late model chassis and tank of a similar design;
- repower a 1970 tanker with a higher horsepower engine, higher torque rated transmission and u-joints;

- new diesel powered emergency power plant for the Boring station;
- retrofit or replace low pressure demand-type breathing apparatus with high pressure units;
- establish a replacement program to provide fire-resistant protective clothing for district personnel.

Fire Chief Matt Shields said the improvements are necessary to maintain the district's firefighting capabilities and to keep abreast of federal regulations.

Replacement of the 1958 tanker, at a cost of \$35,000, is the most expensive item in the levy request. "This unit is a used 1958 white Freightliner with a deteriorating 4,000 gallon tank," Shields said.

"Basically, the unit is in sound condition. However, its age, difficulty in driving, poor brakes and deterioration of its tank justify replacement."

Shields also said the tanker carries a major responsibility in water supply for the district and that a breakdown would hamstring the district.

"Delay in replacing the unit may put us in the position of losing the unit on an alarm and being without a major piece of equipment during the time it takes for repairs or replacement," he said.

Purchase of the mini-

pumper for the Eagle Creek substation would cost \$30,000.

"The mini-pumper will prove to be quicker, more maneuverable and more dependable than the pumper now stationed at Eagle Creek, considering the terrain of the Eagle Creek response area."

"It will prove to be more functional for response to non-structural emergencies such as brush and grass fires, home first aids and highway accidents," the chief said.

The tanker needs a higher horsepower engine, Shields said, because it is just too slow.

"It is not our intention to make the unit into a race horse. However, being able to maintain a reasonable, safe speed on mild hills is imperative (because) the unit provides the first support water on the majority of our fire attacks," Shields said.

The unit is an excellent one once it arrives at a blaze, the chief said, but the problem is the time it takes to get there.

"It has a designed top speed of 52 mph but can only reach that speed during a long downhill run. Flat road speeds vary from 35 to 40 mph. Any slight uphill grade rapidly and drastically reduces the unit's speed."

Shields said cost of a new unit would be about \$80,000. Costs for the proposed improvements is \$22,000. "Considering the cost factors

and the excellent condition and low mileage of the unit, repowering would appear to me a more logical approach rather than purchasing a replacement unit."

Change in the district's breathing apparatus is necessitated by new federal laws which will be effective next year, Shields said, and the emergency generator at the Boring station is unreliable and needs replacing.

Estimated total cost for the two improvements is \$11,500. Purchase of the protective clothing would improve the safety for the district's firefighters, Shields said.

"The protective clothing now furnished by the district is combustible. Similar clothing has resulted in serious injuries and death to firefighters over the years."

"Considering the time and efforts donated to the district by the volunteer personnel, the district should make every attempt to make their job as safe as possible."

Estimated cost of the protective clothing is \$6,000.

Shields said district voters have been supportive of fire proposals in the past. "The main reason we are in the position we are today is that the board has foreseen future needs in time to ask the voters to consider those needs before the situation deteriorated to the point where we were in the emergency category."



**Phyllis Mizner joins Sandy firm**

NEW SALES ASSOCIATE Phyllis Mizner of Sandy's Bill Richardson Real Estate goes over some listings with Steve Summers of the agency. Mrs. Mizner moved with husband Harley and children Vernon and Wendy from Sandy to Estacada, her areas of realty concentration. She is a former legal secretary, with other experience working for Farmers Home Administration in Madras. The Mizners moved here last June after three years in Panama and another three years in Hawaii. The Richardson agency has grown to a staff of six in approaching its first anniversary.

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## Hoodland Chamber plans dinner

The Hoodland Chamber of Commerce will meet at Timberline Lodge for its annual dinner meeting on Tuesday, April 18.

Speaker for the 8 p.m. dinner will be Don Rickel, executive director of the Oregon Hospitality and Visitors Association.

His responsibilities include coordinating all tourist-related services for the State

of Oregon and lobbying on behalf of the tourist industry to the Oregon Legislature.

Members and guests are invited to attend the prime rib dinner. Cocktail hour will start at 7:30 p.m.

For reservations, call Joyce Williams at 622-3131, Wally McKinsey at 622-3753 or 622-3368, or Roy Bunting at 622-3522.

### Saddle stolen

Gene Cloyd Smith of Boring reported a \$350 saddle, a \$50 suit and a \$65 blanket stolen from his car last week while he was at the Mt. Hood Stables.

The stables are located on Highway 26 and the report was filed with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Department.

### Raymond Sidebottom

Funeral for Raymond Sidebottom, a Sandy area resident for 34 years, was held on April 10, in the chapel of Sandy Funeral Home. Vault interment was at Firhill Memorial Cemetery in Sandy.

Sidebottom was born in Rocky Mount, Mo., on Oct. 25, 1909. He received his education in Missouri.

On April 23, 1936, he married Carrie Sue Flannery in Texas. They lived in Texas until 1944, when moving to Oregon to make their permanent home east of Sandy where they raised their family.

Sidebottom worked at logging for a short time after moving to Oregon but continued his career as a carpenter until his retirement in 1973. He was a member of the Carpenters

Union No. 226 for over 25 years.

Besides his carpentry work, Sidebottom raised berries on their farm and later began in the Christmas tree business.

After he retired, he continued working with the trees and spent time working with his rock collection.

Sidebottom died in a Portland hospital on April 7. He is survived by his wife; two children, Ruth Martin of Sandy and Charles Sidebottom of Montana; a sister, Virginia Asbury and a brother, Winford Sidebottom, both in Missouri; six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Carroll Funeral Home with burial at Douglass Cemetery, Troutdale.

Sandy.

On June 10, 1959, he married Esther Nelson in Stevenson, Wash.

A retired meatcutter, Means was a member of Gresham Elks No. 1805, Eleventh Hour Club and Meatcutters Union Local No. 143.

Survivors in addition to his wife include: two children, Arlan Nelson of Clackamas and Geraldine Nelson of Portland; and three grandchildren.

Funeral will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Carroll Funeral Home with burial at Douglass Cemetery, Troutdale.

### George Naragon

George Naragon, 4804 SE Coalman Road, Sandy, died at his home on April 5. He was 67.

Funeral was held in the chapel of Sandy Funeral Home on April 10. Interment was at Firhill Memorial Cemetery at Sandy.

Naragon was born in Bay City, Mich. When he was 16, his family moved from Michigan to Oregon where Naragon began working in the lumber and construction industries in the Salem area.

In 1943, he married Anna Gibson. Since 1949, they have made their home in the Sandy area where Naragon worked mostly at farm labor.

Recently he had been employed by Don Obrist in Troutdale.

He is survived by his wife; six step children; 21 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a sister, Edith Grumbley of Drain.

### Carrol Maulding

Carrol H. "Bub" Maulding, 58, of Sandy, died Sunday in a Portland hospital.

A native Oregonian, Maulding attended Boring Grade School and Sandy High School. He served more than 23 years with the Air Force until his retirement as major in 1964.

Until he retired in 1977, he spent 12 years as a vault teller with U.S. National Bank after his military career.

Maulding was a member of Gresham Elks Lodge No. 1805 and Sandy Masonic Lodge No. 158.

Survivors include: his wife, Opal; a daughter, Carol Thompson; a son, Rodney, both of Gresham; a brother, Ed of Nyssa; two sisters, Martha Bacon of Madras and Helen Resare of Redmond; and seven grandchildren.

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