Illegal hookup remains while owner drills well

An illegal water hookup outside the Sandy city limits will be allowed to operate for three months while the property owner establishes his own well.

The owners of Mt. Hood Welding, which is located on Highway 26 east of Sandy, moved a mobile home behind their business and connected illegally to the city water system by tapping into the business' water system.

City Manager Roger Jordan informed the owner, Earl Fisher, that the connection is illegal and must be disconnected. Fisher requested the right to another connection for the residence to the water system.

In a letter to the Sandy City Council, Fisher wrote, "While waiting for a well to be drilled, by two different companies, I have tapped into the shop's water for my own residence. Would it be possible to put in another meter and make this hook-up permanent?"

The policy of the city is not to connect any additional water service outside the city unless it meets either a health hazard requirement or is part of a water district.

The city council was given the option of passing the request along to the Boundary Commission to initiate a public hearing on extra-territorial water connection.

Because of Fisher's willingness to work with the city in correcting the situation, the council set a three-month period for Fisher to establish his own well because his situation does not meet the extra-territorial water connection requirements of the city.

Each case must conform to one of two criteria. The connection would be to a bona fide water district approved by the city council. This would involve selling water in lump sums to a district which had its own distribution system.

Second, connections would be made to an existing dwelling if it can be proved that there is a genuine health problem to the inhabitants of the dwelling.

All connections outside the city are done at the expense of the applicant. All connection fees and charges specified under the city ordinance are applicable.

All requests for water line connections or extensions outside the city must be approved by the Boundary Commission before the city may allow connection.

Firemen to compete at Muster

The Sandy Fire District's muster team will have an opportunity to add another star to its crown this weekend at the Fireman's Muster in Milwaukie.

The district's motorized pumper team, which recently won its division at the West Coast Fireman's Muster in Bend, will roll into action again this Saturday.

Engine Company 1159 of Oregon City will host the Portland area's first muster in conjunction with Milwaukie Daze. The fireman's muster is a gathering of antique fire apparatus for competition and display.

More than 40 teams from the west coast with horse-drawn and steam fire engines, hand pumpers, hand-drawn hose carts and bucket brigades will participate in the two-day event.

The muster will take place at 21st and Jackson in Milwaukie. Competition will get under way at noon. The motorized pumper competition will begin at 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

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Red Lion to manage Rippling River

Thunderbird-Red Lion Motor Inns will manage condominium and restaurant accommodations at Rippling River, according to James Anderson.

Signing of a management agreement with Thunderbird-Red Lion was announced this week by Anderson, Chief Executive Officer of American Guaranty Life Insurance Company, and Wylis H. Bucher, president of Bucher Realty, Inc. in Beaverton.

Rippling River Development Company, a subsidiary of American Guaranty Life Insurance Corporation, is the developer of Rippling River. Bucher Realty, Inc. is the marketer of Rippling River condominiums and townhouses.

Rippling River is adjacent to the well-known Bowman's Resort, now owned by American Guaranty Financial Corporation. The company announced recently that Thunderbird-Red Lion will also manage Bowman's.

Located on the banks of the Salmon River off U.S. Highway 26 and Welches Road, Rippling River is a 167-acre project. When completed, the development will consist of 502 condominiums providing up to 1,100 rental units, a lodge, 12 tennis courts, four swimming pools, more than 100 single-family homesites and a nine-hole golf course which will combine with the 18-hole Bowman's course to provide 27 holes.

Anderson said he is extremely pleased that Thunderbird-Red Lion will be managing the new recreational development.

"Quality is the hallmark of room accommodations, services and food and beverages at Thunderbird and Red Lion motor inns," he explained. "This is why these inns have been so successful wherever they operate. We want in the management at Rippling River and Bowman's this same standard of quality to complement the natural beauty and aesthetic values of the Mt. Hood area. We believe we will get this with Thunderbird-Red Lion management."

Tod McClaskey, Thunderbird-Red Lion board chairman, said his firm has had many previous opportunities to manage condominium-resort facilities.

"But this project, along with Bowman's Resort," he pointed out, "is the first one we have really been excited about. We like the resort aspects of Rippling River—the recreational capabilities and outdoor activities. This is the first such resort management opportunity that seemed really compatible with the Thunderbird-Red Lion management philosophy."

Anderson said the Rippling River development will increase the number of overnight accommodations in the Bowman's-Mt. Hood area from an estimated 150 to approximately 1,350. "This increased number of accommodations under the experienced management of Thunderbird-Red Lion is something the Mt. Hood area has long needed," he declared. "New ski facilities have been added at Mt. Hood. That, with the other winter and summer outdoor recreation available, creates a year-round demand for quality overnight accomodations like those under construction at Rippling River."

Bucher also expressed strong approval of the Thunderbird-Red Lion management agreement. "Thunderbird-Red Lion," he said, "operates 39 motor inns and restaurants in five western states. It plays host to about 200,000 people a month, many of them attending large conventions. This is the kind of experienced management we desire at Rippling River."

Condominiums now being built at Rippling River are of studio-guest, townhouse, and one-, two- and three-bedroom designs. Bucher-Norman Construction Company is the builder, and Walla and Dolle are the architects. Jerry Norman, president of Bucher-Norman Company, is supervising construction.

Carl E. Bright, Portland realestate broker who worked several years obtaining local and state governmental clearances for the Rippling River project, is marketing the residential lots.

Photos by Mark Floyd

Construction continues on the Rippling River development. Earlier this month it was announced that Thunderbird-Red Lion will manage the housing project. The project will consist of 502 condominiums, 12 tennis courts and four swimming pools.

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Residents probe status of principal

by BRAD LaBRIE

Sandy Union High School Principal Bill MacFarlane is still on sick leave but he will be welcomed back if he is able to return to work within the next couple of weeks, high school Superintendent Jack Peters said at Monday night's board meeting.

If MacFarlane is not able to return within the next two weeks, then Peters will help supervise the high school along with vice principals Dennis Crow and John McMahan, Peters said.

Peters was responding to questions from Barbara Boswell, who asked the status of a petition delivered to the board last May 14. The petition, signed by 99 residents, asked the board to evaluate and to either freeze MacFarlane's salary or terminate his position.

Boswell, spokesperson for the petition group, told The Post the signers were not happy with the number of days MacFarlane was absent from school last year. At times he was absent one or two days a week, she said.

Since MacFarlane has been in the hospital, he has not been able to renegotiate his contract with the district, Peters said.

Board Chairperson Ginny Brewster said the board has not been negotiating with MacFarlane on the raise of his salary.

"He's being paid at the rate of last year's salary," she said.

Boswell told The Post during a break in the meeting that it doesn't look like MacFarlane's position is really needed when Peters and the two vice principals can take time from their jobs and still handle the high school principal's duties too.

Peters confirmed during the session that the board is now looking at the district's sick-leave policy because of MacFarlane's case. The board is considering having sick employees get the opinion of more than one doctor, Peters said.

The board is also looking at what the procedure should be if extended sick leave is needed for an employee.

In other action, the board approved spending money on several unrelated projects.

The board agreed to buy two school buses from Western Bus Sales for a total of $45,000. Both are 1978 models and are identical except one is an automatic transmission and the other is a five-speed. Both buses have GMC chassis and Blue Bird bodies.

The automatic is listed at $23,117 and the five-speed is listed at $22,267. Delivery is expected the first week of school.

The board also agreed to accept a tire bid from Bud's Tire Co. The district will buy approximately 52 tires for $4,000 plus pay $12.50 for service calls. Service calls may be made 24 hours a day.

Brewster was the only board member to vote against paying $3,132 for an annual service charge for the district's Total Copy System. She said $3,000 was too much to pay for that kind of service.

She noted that regular repair service for the system is $36 an hour and she said the district will lose money if very little service is needed on the machine.

Peters said the system was large and complicated and would probably need work done on it in the coming year.

The whole board became leery of giving out money and agreed not to pay $3,537 at this time for a replacement airconditioning compressor. They decided to check out other bids.

In other action, the board:

— Approved the hiring of two teachers. John F. Smith II was hired to teach social studies and Kay Siler was hired to teach English. Both instructors will replace educators who have left.

— Made it official and hired John McMahan as vice principal for a salary of $25,970. The contract is for 230 days.

Obituaries

Amelia Shultz

Amelia Shultz, a lifetime Sandy area resident, died Aug. 7 in Gresham following a lengthy illness. She was 73.

Born Amelia Grace Zogg at the family homestead at Sandy Ridge, she attended Sandy Ridge Grade School and Estacada High School.

She married Kenneth Shultz on July 3, 1949 and they made their permanent home at Sandy Ridge.

Mrs. Shultz is survived by her husband, Kenneth; her son Steven of Portland; brothers Arthur Zogg of Boring, Lewis and Lynn Zogg, both in California; sisters Sylvia Wilcox and Pauline Forman, both of Sandy, and Sophie Richey of Boring, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, Aug. 10, in the chapel of Sandy Funeral Home. Private cremation followed with interment at the Sandy Ridge Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Oregon Cancer Society.

Lydia Haas

Lydia Haas of Brightwood died at her home last Saturday. She was 64.

Born Lydia Emma Schwartz in Woodriver, Neb., she married Clarence Calkins on Nov. 20, 1934. The following year they moved west.

After their divorce in 1947, she returned to Nebraska and married Harold Bowman in 1948. They moved to Oregon where they lived in Aims for two years before making their home in Boring.

Following the death of Mr. Bowman in 1967, she worked at Hicks Department Store in Gresham.

In 1970 she married Maurice Haas. They lived at Brightwood where she became active in the Chapel of the Hills Church. After Mr. Haas' death in 1974, she remained at her mountain home where she was active in church and community activities.

She is survived by her children, Carol Kuzmesky of Sandy, Ray Haas in Florida, Betty Van Geese of Corvallis, and Richard Alford of Gresham; brother Leo Schwartz in Colorado; sisters Margaret Crew in Idaho, Helen Knight of Gladstone and Berdine Taylor of Brightwood, and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the chapel of Sandy Funeral Home. Private vault interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Gresham.

Memorials may be made to the Chapel of the Hills.

Howard Teague

Howard Eugene Teague of Sandy died last Wednesday in Gresham. He was 48.

Teague, a resident of Sandy for the past eight years, is survived by his wife, Iris; sons Robert of Sandy and Stephen Kikendall of Winthrop, Wash.; his mother, Odell Wick; and a brother, Lem, both of Veradale, Wash.

Services were Saturday in Omak, Wash., with burial in Malott Washington Cemetery.

Bateman Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

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