

SEAT: 'I have a desire to serve the community.'

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Development Code and the formation of Keizer Station.

"That experience helped me get to know the nuts and bolts of our city and its development," Anderson said.

The father of four – ranging from a sixth grader to a senior at McNary High School – has also volunteered his time as a board of director for the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce, as a director of SEDCOR (Strategic Economic Development Corporation) and as a member of the Rotary Club of Salem, among other things.

"Most of my career has been spent with the Oregon Legislature," Anderson said. "That will allow me to immediately get up to speed here. Being at NW Natural has helped me be at key Keizer events. My service on various boards will be a great resource for the council."

Anderson, who noted he is friends with Smith and has been asked at various times to run for council, referred to the city motto of pride, spirit and volunteerism when talking about why he stepped up now.

"The community is all about pitching in and getting things done," Anderson said. "For me, that's a great example. There are some issues facing the council that will dovetail well with my experience. We impact the lives of residents with the decisions we make, so we need to proceed carefully. I have a desire to serve the community. How our tax dollars are used is key."

Anderson noted there



KEIZERTIMES/Craig Murphy
Keizer City Councilor Roland Herrera (left) takes a selfie with new councilor Bruce Anderson (right), while councilor Marlene Parsons can't resist doing a photobomb in the background.

may be times he disagrees with fellow councilors, but he prides himself on working towards finding common ground.

After Anderson gave his presentation, city attorney Shannon Johnson had councilors vote. All voted for Anderson.

The process was far different than the last time there was a council vacancy, in 2013. In that case, seven people applied for the seat vacated by Ken LeDuc. Kim Freeman was chosen while one of the other candidates, Roland Herrera, won his election in the fall of 2014 to join the council.

"The last one was a lot more complicated," Johnson said.

Anderson will be sworn in at the start of the next council meeting on April 18.

"The citizens of Keizer are very fortunate to have you represent them," councilor Amy Ryan told Anderson.

Councilor Marlene Parsons was among the others wishing Anderson well.

"Bruce, welcome. I look forward to working with you," Parsons said.

Due in part to seven applicants last time, councilors set aside an hour Monday to hear from candidates. Since there was just one, the special session was done in less than 20 minutes.

One of the issues confronting the council in the new future is land use. That suits Anderson just fine.

"I'm a geek when it comes to land use," Anderson said afterwards. "There are a lot of complicated issues out there to tackle."

ARREST,

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(Alverson) confronted the employee, then walked into the lobby area and sat down. We were called, since it was a bizarre encounter. We talked to him to see what he was doing there. We saw he was suffering some kind of mental illness. He was talking irrationally and talked about conspiracies. He didn't have any business with the city, so we told him he had to leave."

Copeland said by this point Alverson was shouting and causing a disturbance for those entering city hall.

"On the way out, he mentioned he had a plan and was going to carry it out," Copeland said.

Shortly after 9 a.m., Alverson was spotted once again by people at city hall. This time, however, he wasn't in city hall.

"He was observed across the street on Chemawa, just

staring into the building," Copeland said. "We didn't confront him yet, since he was not committing a crime."

Alverson's black GMC Yukon XL was found nearby on 10th Avenue, parked by the CenturyLink building at 5027 10th Avenue NE.

"We looked in the vehicle and found several boxes of ammunition," Copeland said. "Based on his erratic behavior, the ammunition, the threat of having a plan, it rose to a new level. Plus now he's staring at city employees while pacing back and forth."

Shortly before 10 a.m., KPD officers arrested Alverson on the three charges, with the restraining order violation since he was not allowed to have ammunition, according to Copeland.

"We knew there was something irrational," Copeland said. "Before he came back, we put out information for city employees to look out for this guy. This was not normal

behavior. Then he ended up coming back, which brings up a concern for us. He would have been arrested immediately for trespassing if he was back on city hall property. He knew that, which is why he was across the street."

Copeland said Alverson formerly owned several businesses, including the Quiznos in Keizer, before the onset of mental health problems.

Last Friday wasn't the first time last week Alverson had contact with authorities due to erratic behavior. Copeland said Alverson was acting strangely in the parking lot of the Spirit Mountain Casino in Grande Ronde March 30, earning a visit from tribal police.

"According to their report, (Alverson) started making stabbing motions and practiced karate moves in the parking lot," Copeland said. "He was asked to leave there and he did."

police scanner

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

- 12:08 p.m. - Theft on 6400 block Keizer Station Boulevard NE.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

- 9:20 p.m. - Arrest for stolen vehicle on 3900 block Partridge Lane NE.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

- 7:53 a.m. - Arrest for disorderly conduct on 900 block Chemawa Road NE.
- 7:56 a.m. - Theft on 5100 block River Road N.
- 10 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 3400 block River Road N.

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

- 3:54 a.m. - Arrest for felon in possession of weapon on 7400 block Kayla Shae Circle NE.
- 9:13 a.m. - Traffic accident with injury on 4700 block Verda Lane NE.
- 10:02 a.m. - Traffic accident on 4400 block River Road N.
- 9:07 p.m. - Arrest for unlawful possession of marijuana on 1400 block River Rock Drive NE.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

- 2:14 a.m. - Arrest for DUII on Promenade Way N. and Inland Shores Way N.
- 2:59 a.m. - Arrest for assault on

- 400 block Cummings Lane N.
- 8:38 a.m. - Stolen vehicle on 100 block Homewood Court N.
- 12:06 p.m. - Physical harassment on 6600 block Hidden Creek Loop NE.
- 12:37 p.m. - DUII on 200 block Northridge Court N.
- 4:22 p.m. - Arrest for warrant on 5700 block Inland Shores Way N.
- 8:18 p.m. - Arrest for shoplifting on 6400 block Keizer Station Blvd. NE.

MONDAY, APRIL 4

- 12:30 a.m. - Physical harassment on 1100 block Willow Lake Road N.

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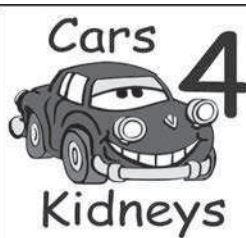
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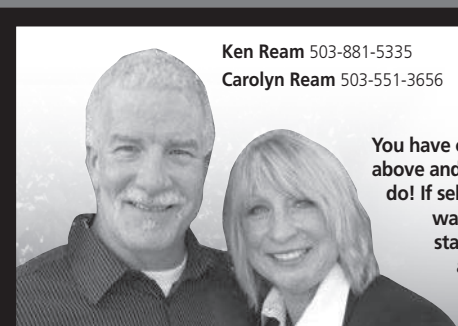
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