

Seaside schools seek advice on search for new superintendent

Directors look for community input on desired qualities in new administrator

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SEASIDE — Who will take charge next fall at Seaside schools? And what qualities are residents and district staff looking for in a new leader?

The Seaside School District Board of Directors plans to meet with administrators, staff, students and the community to decide on qualities they seek in a new superintendent. Informational sessions will be held throughout the day Tuesday at the Seaside High School library, with a meeting for the public at 5:30 p.m. The search team includes Greg McKenzie and Mike Taylor of NextUp Leadership, based in West Linn.

Longtime Superintendent Doug Dougherty announced his upcoming retirement in November, but will continue to serve part-time as superintendent-emeritus to help transition the new superintendent during the 2016-17 school year. Dougherty is expected to work on a new school relocation bond to be placed on the November ballot.

Dougherty began his career with the Seaside School District as a teacher at Seaside Heights Elementary School in 1982. He also worked as a teacher at Broadway Middle School and the principal of Cannon Beach Elementary School before being hired to replace former Superintendent Harold Rigan in 1998.

Faculty, student and staff meetings will take place throughout the day, conducted by one of the search consultants. The district hopes to have the new schools leader start July 1.

"It's not a required meeting for anyone in the district," Executive Assistant Sally Francis said.

"It's only if they want to come."

Administrators and office staff will meet at the district office while Associated Student Body leaders will convene in the high school conference room. Maintenance and food service staff from all schools will meet at the high school library.

For those unable to attend a meeting, a brief online survey is available on the district's website, www.seaside.k12.or.us, and takes about 3 to 5 minutes.

The survey seeks information on what is "working well" in the district and what is not. Respondents are asked to checkoff qualities important in a superintendent, for example, "good listening skills," "empowering leader," "strong core values" or "visionary."

From the information gathered at the meetings, the survey and interviews with community leaders, the district's board of directors will "come up with an idea of what the district is looking for as far as qualities for the superintendent" to aid in the search process, Francis said.

The board plans to discuss the information and adopt a set of qualifications at its meeting Feb. 16.



Doug Dougherty



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Firefighters from Astoria, Warrenton, and Lewis and Clark respond to a structure fire at the U.S. Coast Guard housing construction site.

Coast Guard housing fire under investigation

Two units damaged in unfinished building

By ERICK BENDEL
The Daily Astorian

The Astoria Fire Department and Clatsop County Fire Investigation Team are looking into the cause of a fire that damaged an unoccupied building in the new U.S. Coast Guard housing development on Culp Court in Astoria Friday.

At 4:35 p.m., fire crews were dispatched to 200 West Klaskanine Ave. near the unfinished development. When personnel arrived, smoke was pouring from Building No. 2.

The fire affected two units — 963 and 967 — in the four-unit townhouse-style dwelling and was declared under control at 6 p.m. No injuries were reported.

The incident was called in under unusual circumstances: The contractor happened to notice the smoke on live security camera footage from Vancouver, Washington, where he is based.

"If he hadn't noticed it on security camera and called (911), it probably would've been a lot more damaged than it was," Brett Bishop, a lieutenant with the Astoria Fire Department, said.

"It was confined to the building of origin, but it could've very easily spread to all four of those units because it's under construction, and it's a lot of open material without sheet rock," he continued.



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The contractor owns the housing development, which he will transfer to the Coast Guard once it is completed.

Crews from Lewis and Clark, Olney Walluski and War-

renton fire departments were also arrived on scene. Meanwhile, Knappa Fire Department personnel stood by at the Astoria Fire Station to provide fire coverage for the city.

Auto service center employee guilty of stealing \$20,000

By KYLE SPURR
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An employee at a Warrenton automotive service center pleaded guilty to stealing more than \$20,000 in cash sales from the business over nine months.

Brent Douglas Perry, 45, Seaside, was sentenced in Clatsop County Circuit Court Thursday to five years probation. If the probation is revoked, he will face four years in prison.

As part of his sentence, he is required to pay back \$20,639.41 that he stole from Putman Pro-Lube between October 2013 and July 2014.

He paid back \$10,000 at the time of sentencing. Because of his cooperation, payment of half of the restitution and lack of criminal history, the District Attorney's Office agreed to the probation sentence.

In addition, Perry was ordered to serve 160 hours of community service and have no contact with the victims or business.

He was indicted in February 2015 on nine counts of first-degree theft. He pleaded guilty to five counts Thursday, before being sentenced.

While working for Putman Pro-Lube, Perry thought he found a loophole in the system that allowed him to pocket cash sales without a record. However, the business caught on and reported the theft to the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office.

Detectives came to the business undercover and paid in cash. Video record-

ings showed Perry ringing up the cash sales, deleting the invoices and keeping the money.



Brent Douglas Perry

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