

'It does happen here'

Sgt. Goodding's death highlights dangers of warrant arrests, closeness of law enforcement

By ERICK BENGEL
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There were nearly 1,400 warrants in Clatsop County at the end of January. So, on any

given day, a local law enforcement officer is likely to spot someone known to have a warrant out for his or her arrest.

Serving arrest warrants is part of the day-in, day-out routine of police officers. But as the

shooting death of Seaside Police Sgt. Jason Goodding demonstrated, it is a duty often fraught with risk and uncertainty.

On Friday night, while Goodding attempted to arrest Phillip Max Ferry on a felony assault warrant in downtown Seaside, Ferry produced a firearm and allegedly shot the officer. Ferry was then shot by a second Seaside officer at the scene and later died.

"If we look at statistics from law enforce-

ment officers killed and assaulted, we know the moment of arrest is the most dangerous time of the encounters," Astoria Police Chief Brad Johnston said.

"There are no specific looks for a — quote, end quote — 'bad guy,'" Cannon Beach Police Chief Jason Schermerhorn said.

"Anytime that we deal with anybody, you

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THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE



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The Seaside Turnaround flag flies at half-staff in honor of Sgt. Jason Goodding.

Thousands expected to honor Goodding at memorial Friday

By KATHERINE LACAZE
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Seaside Police Sgt. Jason Goodding was awarded the Medal of Ultimate Sacrifice posthumously Wednesday, the fifth Oregon law enforcement officer recognized since the honor was established in 2012.

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SIMULCAST VENUES

Seaside

Seaside High School, 1901 N. Holladay Drive
North Coast Family Fellowship, 2245 N Wahanna Road
Seaside Cinemas Movie Theater 1026 12th Ave.
Seaside Fultanos/Arcade 215 Broadway
Seaside Brewing 851 Broadway
Dundees 414 Broadway
Twisted Fish 311 Broadway
Pig 'N Pancake 323 Broadway

Astoria

Columbia River Maritime Museum 1792 Marine Drive
Hughes-Ransom Mortuary 576 12th St.

Gearhart

Gearhart Bowling Alley 3518 U.S. Highway 101

Cannon Beach

Coaster Theater 108 N. Hemlock



Rich Mays

The Arch Cape Design Review Committee was dissolved Wednesday amid allegations the committee harassed a county employee about her disability and refused to hold meetings in a federal Americans with Disabilities Act-approved facility.

In addition, the committee, also known as the Southwest Coastal Citizens Advisory Committee, was accused of being an unnecessary, expensive and time-consuming land-use authority in the county.

The Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, which oversees the committee, unanimously agreed Wednesday to disband the seven-member group. County counsel advised the board that taking no action would have exposed the county to a lawsuit.

Interim County Manager Rich Mays attended the Arch Cape committee's last meeting Jan. 21, when he witnessed the inappropriate behavior.

The meeting was held in the Seaside Library to accommodate the disabled county employee. Mays said committee members badgered the employee about her disability even after she told them she did not feel comfortable discussing it at the meeting. Despite her request, the committee voted to move its next meeting back to a facility that does not comply with the ADA mandate.

Mays described the situation as a hostile work environment.

"I want to stress that after 35 years of public service, 'hostile work environment' is not a phrase I would use lightly. It's a phrase that raises all kinds of red flags, but frankly, I don't know what else to call it," Mays said.

Even before attending the meeting, Mays said, he heard about concerns people had with the committee.

Tom Misner spoke at the Board of Commissioners meeting about his and his wife's experience trying to build a house in Arch Cape. Misner estimated he spent an extra \$1,700 and had to wait 10 months last year before receiving a building permit.

"Both hearings we had with those people were almost adversarial," he said. "We felt like we were being scrutinized for wanting to build a house."

Alaina Giguere, a Cannon Beach real estate agent, attended the Board of Commissioners meeting on behalf of a couple of her clients, who were afraid to come for fear of the backlash in Arch Cape.

Giguere pointed out how residents in other parts of Clatsop County do not need approval from an advisory committee like the one in Arch Cape.

The committee's review adds up to six weeks to the county's review process that

Warriors may take native out of logos

Rather than seek tribal OK, district may change images

By EDWARD STRATTON
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WARRENTON — Rather than jump through the hoops to keep the Native American imagery, Warrenton-Hammond Superintendent Mark Jeffery is asking the community to look at another type of Warrior.

The Native American mascot ban enacted in 2012 by the Oregon Board of Education becomes effective in 2017, affecting schools in 15 districts, including the Warrenton High School Warriors and Warrenton Grade School Braves. Jeffery recommended the district go K-12

with the Warrior name and purple and white color scheme.

Not complying with the Native American mascot ban could mean losing state funding. "That's about 65 percent of our budget," Jeffery said, adding the district would not allow that to happen.

Last month, the Board of Education reluctantly voted 4-2 to approve an exception to the ban, if a district could get the support of a federally recognized tribe. Vice Chairwoman Angela Bowen said the Board of Education had been "bullied" by the Oregon Legislature into acting

against their consciences.

Warrenton has been working on such an agreement with the Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde, the closest federally recognized tribe. But Jeffery said the imagery would have to be acceptable to the tribe, which could terminate the agreement without cause with two weeks notice, putting the district back in the same quandary.

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