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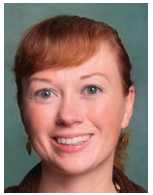
Warrenton selects new city manager

Moberg serves as the library director in Seaside

By ETHAN MYERS
The Astorian

WARRENTON — The city has found its next city manager.

Following an executive session on Friday, the City Commission voted unanimously in a special session to offer the position to Esther Moberg, the library director and public information officer in Seaside. The offer is pending contract negotiations.



Esther Moberg

“I am so excited for the opportunity to be a part of Warrenton and I am looking forward to getting to know the staff, community and building a future together,” Moberg said.

Moberg has held a number of library posts on the North Coast, totaling nine years of local government management experience.

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Former real estate association officer indicted

Morrow faces theft charges

By ERICK BENDEL
The Astorian

A former executive officer of the Clatsop Association of Realtors has been indicted for identity theft, forgery and aggravated theft.

Deborah Lee Morrow, 61, allegedly used the identification of the realty association and one of its leaders more than a dozen times, according to the grand jury indictment.

She also allegedly forged checks more than a dozen times.

In addition, she allegedly stole money and other unauthorized expenses that belonged to the realty association, the indictment said.

The crimes are alleged to have occurred between August 2019 and December 2020.

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Garbage has piled up and the state noted a rodent infestation at Beacon RV Park.

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Washington state intervenes in dispute at RV park in Ilwaco

New owners allegedly used intimidation to evict tenants

By KATIE FRANKOWICZ
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ILWACO, Wash. — The new owners of an RV park have violated multiple provisions of Washington’s landlord-tenant laws, according to the state.

In a cease-and-desist order and a notice of violation issued in July, the Attorney General’s Manufactured Housing Dispute Resolution Program found that Michael and Denise Werner used improper notices and intimidation to try to evict tenants of Beacon RV Park. The couple retaliated after tenants filed complaints with the attorney general’s office by decreasing park services, failed to offer tenants written rental agreements and have not given people a way to pay rent, and violated local rules around maintaining the RV park, the state found, among other issues.

The state ordered the Werners to stop all actions that were against the law, including attempts to evict tenants without proper 12-month notice. The Werners were also instructed to provide \$2,000 in relocation assistance or actual relocation costs — whichever was greater — to tenants who left after Feb. 25.

Now the state is investigating the demolition of several trailers at the park in July as possible violations of



Beacon RV Park in Ilwaco.

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Violation or no violation, for the few remaining Beacon RV Park tenants, the destruction of the trailers feels like another attempt by the Werners to intimidate them into leaving or, failing that, to make the space unlivable.

Susan Gill, a longtime resident at Beacon RV Park, said the demolition crews severed or did not prop-

erly cap septic lines when they broke down several trailers, leaving behind an unsanitary mess.

Some of the trailers were no longer being used, but it isn’t clear if this was true of all of the trailers.

Other tenants were afraid to leave for their jobs, worried their homes would be destroyed in their absence. Garbage has piled up and the state noted a rodent infestation.

To Gill, it feels like being under attack.

“You could describe it like living in Germany and having the Nazis coming and knock on your door,” she said.

The Werners and their representatives have said there are various electrical issues and other maintenance and safety concerns at the RV park and people need to leave. But the state says

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Jared Lambert is the new golf pro at the Astoria Golf & Country Club.

New Astoria golf pro feels ‘very lucky to be here’

Lambert made his debut in April

By GARY HENLEY
The Astorian

Head golf professional, Astoria Golf & Country Club.

It’s a prestigious, highly sought-after job, with not a lot of turnover. From 1961 to 2022, only four people held the title.

And of the previous two Astoria golf professionals, one was just inducted into the Pacific Northwest Golf Hall of Fame; the other was named the Golf Professional of the Year in 2018 for the Oregon chapter of



the PGA.

Since 1989, Mike Gove, John Kawasoe and now Jared Lambert are the only three men to serve as the head golf professionals at the Astoria Golf & Country Club.

After 20 years at Astoria, Kawasoe was named the golf pro at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Course in North Plains last spring, and Lambert made his Astoria debut in April. Even though he has big shoes to

ASTORIA GOLF PROFESSIONALS

- Howard Bonar, 1936-1950
- Ron Caperna, 1950-1957
- Ed Oldfield, 1958-1960
- Marlow Quick, 1961-1971
- Bob Gasper, 1971-1989
- Mike Gove, 1989-2002
- John Kawasoe, 2002-2022

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fill, the 29-year-old native Oregonian, is ready to follow in the footsteps of his predecessors.

It was basically a move up U.S. Highway 101 for Lambert, who was the golf

pro at Salishan Golf Links near Lincoln City. Before that, he was an assistant pro at Avondale Golf Club in Palm Desert, California — the city where Gove was working before he came to Astoria in 1989.

Currently the golf pro at Inglewood Golf Club in Kenmore, Washington, Gove was Astoria’s golf pro until 2002. Kawasoe held that title for the last 20 years, and now the baton has been passed to Lambert.

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