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## Board violated meeting law

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**BOARDMAN** — The Port of Morrow commissioners are on notice for violating Oregon's law on closed-door meetings.

John Murray, Marv Padberg, Jerry Healy, Joe Taylor and Rick Stokoe in May all signed final orders with the Oregon Government Ethics Commission acknowledging they violated the state statutes guiding executive sessions in meetings on March 23 and 26, 2020.



Healy



Murray



Padberg



Stokoe



Taylor

The ethics commission on June 11 published the orders and preliminary reviews of each commissioner. They will receive a "letter of education" but no fine.

Port commissioners said the same thing: The incident was an inadvertent omission, not an attempt to hide anything.

In an emailed statement on behalf of the commission, Stokoe, the commission chair, wrote the port commissioners acknowledged they made an error, are taking it seriously and already have taken steps to help make sure it doesn't happen again.

"This was a technical advertising error and was unintentional," the statement said. "The topics discussed were allowable under executive session laws with citing of (Oregon Revised Statute), but we did not list the proper sub section of the statute."

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## As summer heats up, Eastern Oregon classic car enthusiasts gear up for shows

By ALEX WITTMER  
*The Observer*

**L**A GRANDE — "Remember the wind blowing through your hair? Remember hair?" Chevrolet emblazoned those words on billboards throughout Detroit in 2007 to celebrate classic cars. It featured the 1957 Chevrolet Bel-Air convertible, bright red on a turquoise blue background. A small replica of the billboard hangs in Ed Lund's garage in La Grande.

"You look back on a simpler time, just the nostalgia and the memories, and that's what it's all about," said Lund, one classic car collector in Eastern Oregon.

As summer approaches, so do the classic car shows throughout the region, which offer opportunities for locals and tourists to check out some of the best-kept cars from yesteryear, complete with the gleam of polished chrome, mirror finishes and iconic hood ornaments.

Car shows offer a way to give back to the community as well, according to Hermiston Classics Car Club President Juan Lopez. The shows,

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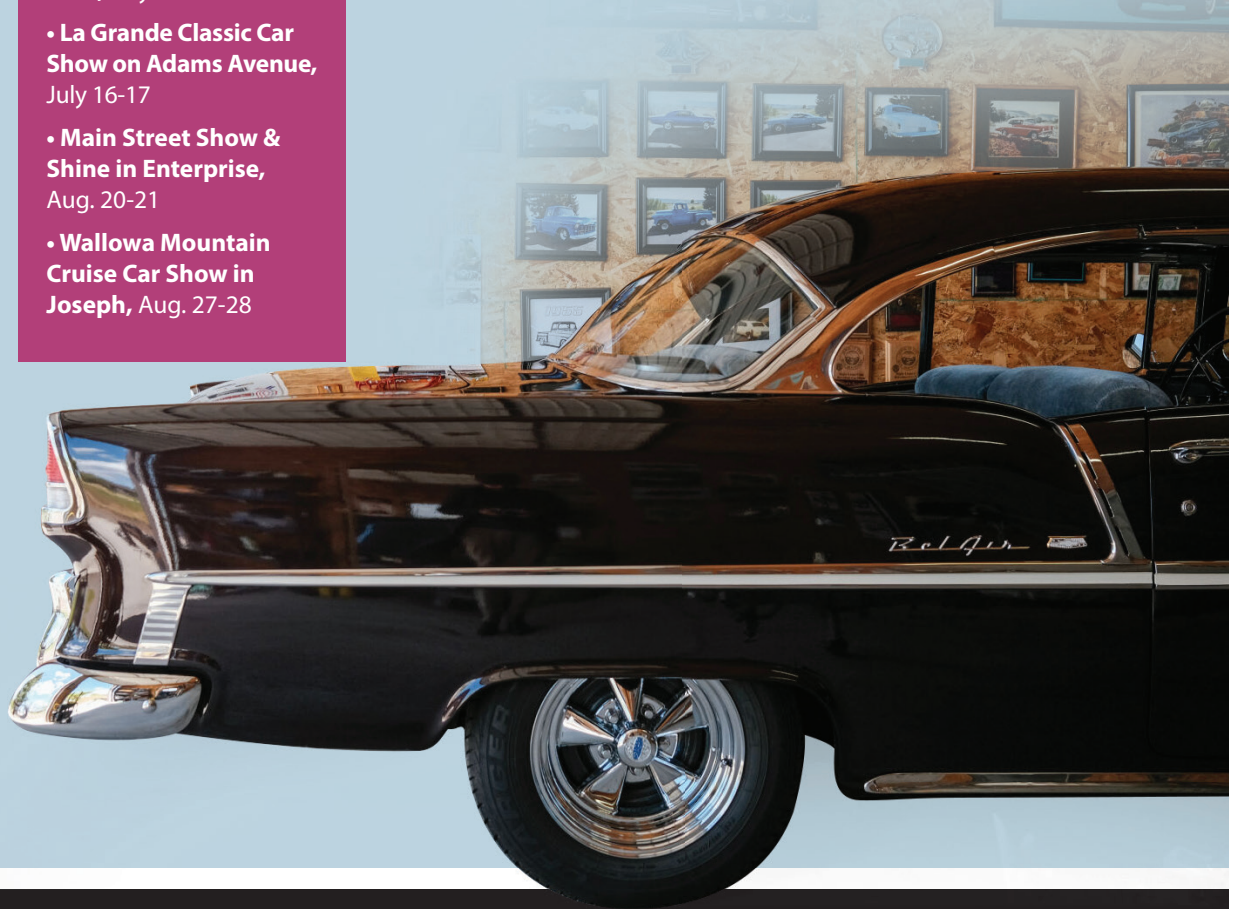
### UPCOMING CLASSIC CAR SHOWS

- Elgin Riverfest at Pantan Mill Park, June 19
- Hermiston Cool Rides Car Show at McKenzie Park, July 9-10
- La Grande Classic Car Show on Adams Avenue, July 16-17
- Main Street Show & Shine in Enterprise, Aug. 20-21
- Wallowa Mountain Cruise Car Show in Joseph, Aug. 27-28



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Ed Lund drives down Mount Glen Road in La Grande, while a pair of fuzzy dice hang from the mirror of his Chevrolet Chevelle on Friday, May 28, 2021.



Top: A rusted Buick LeSabre sits along Highway 82 near Imbler Friday, May 7, 2021, under spring skies. Above: Ed Lund's 1951 Chevrolet Coupe sits Friday, May 28, 2021, in the garage he built in La Grande to house his modest collection of classic cars that he has accrued over 40 years.

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