



Union members at WSFPI voted October 15 at the Mud Springs Grange Hall to reject the contract agreement proposed by management. Members went to the polls again October 23 to vote on a similar proposal. Results of that vote were not available at press time.

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To the People,

We apologize for not writing this letter in the last few issues. Tribal Council has been on a busy schedule with the tribal budget, federal legislation, and the many other subjects coming before the table.

The tribal budget for 1987 has been posted. We spent about 17 days reviewing the proposed expenses in September. It is important to understand that the final action of the Tribal Council will not happen until after the public hearing. We will be interested in your comments and will take these into consideration when we appropriate tribal dollars. At this time the proposed budget is about a 2 percent increase over the 1986 amount.

As the 99th Congress came to a close, we were able to gain ground on several issues. The new law on the relicensing of hydroelectric projects protects our opportunity to compete for the license on the dams. The budgets for the B.I.A. and I.H.S. were approved in amounts greater than requested by the Re-

gan administration. The budgets include forestry, education, and health care.

Also in Congress, a large bill to combat drugs was approved with consideration for Indian communities. Youth programs for drug education and prevention are included in this bill. The bill also authorizes tribal action plans to be developed.

The Columbia River Gorge Protection Act was also approved which has provisions to safeguard both tribal lands and allotments that are located within the boundaries of the designated area. Also, sufficient funds were made available to carry out the needed work under the U.S.-Canada fishing treaty by participating tribes.

The Tribal Council also met with the federal team of people from the Interior Department who will be working on the water rights negotiations. We feel that a good understanding exists between the Tribe and the Interior Department.

In the next few months, we will be working on long term financial planning, a long term service agree-

ment with the telephone company, highway project, services to children, and proposed federal regulation to be issued.

Again, we remind you to participate in the public meetings on the budget. If you are unable to attend, feel free to write. Our concerns are the same as yours and we look forward to your suggestions on improving our tribal government.

Tribal Council

Proposed code presented to people

by Pat Leno-Baker

The proposed zoning and land use ordinance, Chapter 411, was presented to tribal members in Warm Springs, October 13 and to tribal members in Simnasho October 16. The ordinance will supersede the present ordinance, Ordinance No. 56, following a review by the people and gaining their input.

A third meeting will be scheduled for the Seekseequa district's input and review in November.

At each meeting an overview was presented by Tribal planner Ray Rangila. He briefly discussed a proposed Agency road project, which will create a new road for access from the Agency area onto highway 26. The purpose of the code was explained to the participants, which will be to ensure orderly development while also enhancing protection and preservation of the reservation lands.

The reservation will be divided into six primary zones; all will be exclusive of each other and all zoned land will be included in one of the primary zones. Those zones are: 1. forest zone, 2. range, 3. agriculture, 4. wilderness, 5. community and 6. special protected areas.

Overlaying zones will be established, which means zones can overlay into more than one of the primary zones. The overlaying zones would be: 1. recreational and scenic, rural housing, 3. fish and wildlife, 4. water, 5. traditional, cultural and historical and 6. mineral and energy. An example of an overlaying zone in primary zones would be Trout Lake. It is in the forest zone but it could be classified as a recreational scenic overlaying zone; fish and wildlife; water; and traditional.

Following the presentation by Rangila the people in attendance were broken into small groups to make recommendations and identify questions for specific areas. With each group, a facilitator was assigned to record comments of participants and give a briefing on reactions, questions and comments.

Five groups were formed with each group taking a topic. Topics discussed were: 1. rural housing and range/agriculture, 2. special protected areas, 3. assignments and allotments, 4. land use code and 5. community areas.

Some of the comments and questions: Is it a good idea to consolidate fractional interests of allottees to give 100 percent ownership of smaller parcels? Most people agreed it would be in the best interest of the tribe and people involved in the long run. Also asked was the questions of returning an assignment, that had been abandoned or unimproved, to the tribe as provided in the constitution. Again the agreement was strongly in favor of the idea.

The rural housing and range/agriculture group expressed the idea that people should build homes in rural areas if they were willing to bear the expense and responsibility while considering just what the impact would be on the area. The group also suggested that the code be written in a simplified language so it could be easily understood by

Students vandalize public property

Twenty-two Madras Jr. High students have been found responsible for vandalism of public property.

The students who had returned from a volleyball game October 14 and some who were waiting for a concert wrote names and words in wet cement that had been poured for a sidewalk on F Street next to Oscar's Sporting Goods store in Madras.

A parent who had seen students at the site called Madras Jr. High school and suggested that principal Dick Junge and vice-principal Amy Diaz-Barr view the sidewalk. Police were notified because the damaged involved public property and a report was filed. The estimated replacement cost was set at \$525.

Students who participated in the destructive activity received disciplinary action at school. The students are deterred from attending athletic and social events through December. If a student wishes to participate in an athletic sport he or she may go to those games but may not attend any other games. Athletes involved in the incident were taken off teams for the remainder of the current season.

Information regarding the vandalism was turned over to the Jefferson County Juvenile Department. A representative of the department explained that an informal dispositional agreement will be made between parent, child and a representative of the juvenile department regarding payment for damages and punishment.



Public sidewalk, vandalized by Madras Jr. High students, had to be replaced. Many of the names written in the cement were put there by other students.

Halloween festivities planned

Halloween activities begin October 22 with the Great Pumpkin Party. Pumpkin carvers are invited to bring their knives and a pumpkin to the Community Center. Prizes will be awarded in various categories.

On All Hallow's Eve, October 31, the Halloween carnival begins at 6:30 p.m. A costume contest will be held along with a lip synch contest. Tryouts for the lip synch con-

test will be held October 23 and 24 in Carol's room between 3:30 and 7:00 p.m. Bring music and costume.

Set the clocks!

Pacific Standard Time starts Sunday morning October 26, 1986, at 2:00 a.m. So don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.

Committee seeking girls for court

There is a nip in the air and the leaves are changing to golden hues, autumn is here and it is time to begin to think of "getting it together" for the Thanksgiving mini-powwow. The committee is looking for young Indian girls to run for the court.

Girls between the ages of five

and 17 years are invited to participate on the court. The mini-powwow will be held at the Warm Springs Agency longhouse November 27, 28 and 29.

Young girls interested can contact Mona Jim at (503) 553-1322 or LaDonna Moody at (503) 553-1607.

509-J proposes tax base

A figure of \$3.6 million has been determined by the 509-J school board as the amount of a tax base election to be included on the November 4 ballot.

Although voters recently approved a \$3,229,175 levy the election is required by law in even year elections for districts which do not have an established tax base.

The advantage of a tax base for the district, explains 509-J assistant superintendent Phil Riley, would be the assurance that "school doors would not have to be locked."

With a tax base a six percent increase is allowed each year. Any increase above that would require voter approval.

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Participants (left to right) tribal member Evaline Patt and tribal planner Dale Parker take a closer look at the community map of the Simnasho area.



(Pictured left to right) Delvis Heath, Thurman Henry, tribal attorney Jim Noteboom, Ellen Henry and Vernon Henry discuss issues concerning assignments and allotments during the land use meeting at Simnasho.