

Fish & Wildlife Committee Seeking Position

The Fish & Wildlife Committee is accepting applications for a vacant committee member position. This position is open to interested Tribal members. An application may be obtained at the Natural Resources Division Office at 47010 S.W. Hebo Road, P.O. Box 10, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347. Phone: 503-879-2378 or 1-800-422-0232. **Completed applications must be received by Natural Resources no later than Friday, January 14, 2005.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mel Holmes at 503-363-2543.

OPEN FOR COMMENT

PROPOSED FISCAL MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

The Tribal Council has proposed an amendment to the Fiscal Management Ordinance. The first reading of the proposed amendment was made at the November 17, 2004, Tribal Council Meeting.

The purpose of the amendment is to provide that copies of audited financial statements may be provided to adult Tribal members upon written request and pursuant to policies established by the Finance Officer for documentation of requests for sensitive audited financial statement information, establishment of reasonable fees for copying and mailing of information, and other policies deemed appropriate by the Finance Officer. The proposed amendment revises sub-section (f)(2)(B) to read as follows (added language underlined):

"Audited financial statements, including all informational notes and disclosures shall be published by the Tribe for each year for all financial activities, within seven months after the end of each calendar year. Such statements shall be provided to all members of Tribal Council and made available for inspection, upon request, to any adult member of the Tribe. Copies of audited financial statements for the primary government may be provided to any adult member of the Tribe upon written request pursuant to policies established by the Finance Officer for documentation of requests for sensitive audited financial statement information, establishment of reasonable fees for copying and mailing of information, and other policies deemed appropriate by the Finance Officer. Audited financial statements are proprietary and sensitive documents of the Tribe and release of such information to non-Tribal members may be damaging to the Tribe. No Tribal member receiving a copy of audited financial statements shall allow such statements to be viewed by any non-Tribal member and such statements may not be copied in whole or in part except pursuant to the policies established by the Finance Officer. Anyone violating the provisions of this Section shall be liable to the Tribe for any and all damages caused directly or indirectly through such violation."

For a copy of the proposed Fiscal Management Ordinance amendment, please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664. The Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments. You may send written comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347.

Comments must be received by January 6, 2005 at 5 p.m.

OPEN FOR COMMENT

PROPOSED MARRIAGE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney's Office, has proposed amendments to the Marriage Ordinance. The first reading of the proposed amendments was made at the November 17, 2004, Tribal Council Meeting.

The purpose of the amendments is to remove any ambiguity about who can enter into a marriage under Tribal law and to eliminate language in the Ordinance which is no longer applicable. The proposed amendments include, but are not limited to, the following:

Revising section (c) to clearly define a Marriage as a "consensual union between one man and one woman."

Revising section (e) to provide that no marriage license may be issued or acted upon unless at least one party is a Tribal member.

Eliminating "Common Law Marriage" from the definition section and eliminating section (m) which addresses Common Law Marriages from the Ordinance. Pursuant to the clear language of section (m), common law marriages were to be certified by the Tribal Court for a period of one year after the Marriage Ordinance was adopted by the Tribe. The Ordinance was originally adopted by the Tribe in 1992. Accordingly, the common law marriage provision is no longer effective.

Providing that the amendments apply retroactively to any and all applications for marriage licenses where a Marriage Certificate has not yet been issued.

For a copy of the proposed Marriage Ordinance amendments, please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664. The Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments. You may send written comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347.

Comments must be received by January 6, 2004 at 5 p.m.

IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON JUVENILE COURT

In the Matter of: **CASE NO. J-03-08-001**
B.D. D.O.B. 10-30-93 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
D.E. D.O.B. 08-26-01
D.F. D.O.B. 01-03-03
Minor(s)

Based upon the Motions filed by the children's attorney for an Order to Show Cause and the affidavits in support thereof:

IT IS ORDERED THAT the mother of the children, Deanna Wheeler, and the father of the child B.D., Derek Bishop, and the father of the Children D.E. and D.F., Shane Justen, and any person objecting to the granting of the Petitions for Guardianship shall appear in the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, located at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon on, January 26, 2005, at 1:30 p.m., to show cause why the Court should not enter judgments granting the proposed guardianships.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any written response to this Order by any party to this case shall be filed on or before January 19, 2005.

The Clerk of the Tribal Court shall cause a copy of this Order to be served upon all parties, and file proof of service with the Court on or before the date set for hearing in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Tribal Court Clerk shall cause a copy of this Order to be published in the Tribal Newsletter at least two consecutive publications prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 6th day of December, 2004.

Katharine English, Chief Tribal Court Judge



Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde invite you to offer your advice on how to best address the housing needs of our Tribe. You will soon receive a survey asking you a few questions about housing needs. **If we receive your completed survey by January 17, you will be eligible for a drawing to win a \$100 cash prize.**

This survey and your responses are part of a five-year planning effort. The plan will guide housing policy and actions, such as housing development, assistance and housing services over the next several years. Your voice is very important and will help us know our needs better. Without your voice, we will miss important information and you will lose the opportunity to win some extra cash. *It will only take about ten to fifteen minutes of your time.* Look for it in early January.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority (GRTHA) is soliciting bids from contractors to perform periodic maintenance work for GRTHA owned housing in Grand Ronde. All contractors are required to meet Davis Bacon Standards. Bids for services needed are in the following areas: mowing services, landscaping services, general carpentry, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, painting, concrete and unit cleaning.

Proposals must be received at the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority at 28450 Tyee Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 no later than 4 p.m., December 27, 2004.

Contact GRTHA at 503-879-2401 for further information or a proposal packet.

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