

Election results: Weigum, Sharp, Culley elected to parks and rec board

Hitz, Desadier, Haley Walker elected to school boards

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Members were elected to a variety of boards in Tuesday's election.

Four races were contested in Grant County, three school board positions and a five-way race for three positions on the John Day-Canyon City Parks and Recreation District. A total of 1,425 ballots were counted, according to unofficial election results.

For the parks and rec district, the winners were Lisa Weigum with 475 votes, Douglas Sharp with 358 and Christal Culley with 353. Heather Rookstool received 282 votes, and Darin Toy received 196.

For Grant School District No. 3's Zone 2, Haley Walker was elected with 414 votes, over Josh Walker with 318.

Nancy Hitz garnered 114 votes for Prairie City School District's Position 2, over Daniel Tremblay with 83.

In the race for at large Position 2 for Monument School District, Britany Desadier received 71 votes, over Elizabeth Lovelock with 34 and Jamie Schafer with 32.



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Grant County Airport Manager Haley Walker speaks to the Grant County Court in this file photo. Walker was elected to the Grant School District board in Tuesday's election.

County Clerk Brenda Percy said the election had a turnout of 27.64 percent, 1,425 ballots from 5,154 eligible voters. She said two ballots had not been counted Wednesday morning, and 10 ballots with signature discrepancies were challenged.

She said the voters for the challenged ballots would have 20 days to address the issue.

Several positions lacked candidates. Write-in votes were filed in the election, but the outstanding votes could potentially change the results.

For Mid-county Cemetery District, Dorman Gregory received the most write-in votes with seven out of 34 total. Pat Still received six of the nine write-in votes for Fox Cemetery District. Lori Hire received four of 15 write-in votes for Prairie Rural Fire District. For Education Service District Zone 5, eight write-in votes were received, but no candidate received the three-vote minimum required.

Most of the county races were not contested.

Katy Nelson, Shilo Fretwell and Robert Cockrell were elected for the Education Service District.

Jim Jerome, Bryan Nelson and Linda Cook were elected for Grant County Transportation District.

For Dayville School District, Babette Larson, Casey Fretwell and Tandi Merkord were elected.

Patti Hudson, Marsiellette Watson, Bubba Wainwright and Mike Gibson were elected for Long Creek School District.

In addition to Haley Walker, Kelly Stokes, Ben Holliday and Chris Cronin

were elected for Grant School District.

Justin Jacobs, Lindsay Rausch and Mike Wall will serve with Hitz for Prairie City School District.

Along with Desadier, Vonda Stubblefield, Jeff Thomas and Maria Thomas were elected for Monument School District.

Pat Holliday, Bill Wilcox and Todd McKinley were elected for John Day Rural Fire District.

For Mt. Vernon Rural Fire District, Dan Komning, Willis Kimball and Homer Harrison were elected.

Levi Voigt was elected for one of two Prairie Rural Fire District positions.

Karla Averett, Ryan Gerry and Linda Ladd were elected for Blue Mountain Hospital District.

For Dayville Cemetery District, Jody Winkelman and Gibb Gregg were elected.

Kenneth Brooks was elected to one of two Fox Cemetery District positions. Jacqueline Burnette and Valores Hall were elected for Long Creek Cemetery District.

Mike Moore was elected for one of two Mid-county Cemetery District positions.

Barb Reilly was elected for Monument Cemetery District.

Marlene Woodley was elected for Prairie Cemetery District.

Ferguson pleads guilty to sex crimes

Former Grant County resident sentenced to 364 days in jail

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A former Grant County resident will spend almost a year in jail after pleading guilty to sex crimes Thursday.

In Grant County Circuit Court, Chancee Mitchell Ferguson, 28, pleaded guilty to one felony charge, attempting to commit the class B felony of first-degree sexual abuse, and two misdemeanors charges of sexual misconduct, according to court documents. Eight other charges were dismissed.

Judge William D. Cramer Jr. sentenced Ferguson to 364 days in jail and five years of supervised probation. Ferguson was ordered to pay \$400 in fines, to complete a sexual offender treatment program and to register as a sex offender.

The incidents occurred between 2004 and 2011 with a single victim, who was younger than 12 in 2004, according to the indictment.

COPS AND COURTS

Arrests and citations in the Blue Mountain Eagle are taken from the logs of law enforcement agencies. Every effort is made to report the court disposition of arrest cases.

Grant County Circuit Court

Christopher Whitmore was found guilty of a probation violation and had his probation extended 12 months and was sentenced to 20 hours additional community service.

Corey R. Kingsmith, 29, pleaded guilty to one count of driving under the influence of intoxicants on or about March 16 and had his license suspended one year, was issued 18 months of probation, 80 hours of community service and fined \$1,355.

Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week of May 11-17:

- Concealed handgun licenses: 13
- Average inmates: 13
- Bookings: 7
- Releases: 11
- Arrests: 1
- Citations: 2
- Fingerprints: 6
- Civil papers: 13
- Warrants processed: 1
- Asst./welfare check: 2

Arrested Ryan Cook, Monument, and a minor from Dayville for possession of marijuana on May 11.

Justice Court

The Grant County Justice Court reported the following fines and judgments:

Violation of the basic rule: Rachel Anne Kleinschmit, 30, Salem, 76/55 zone, May 13, fined \$260; Justin D. McCloughry, 24, Nampa, Idaho, 78/55 zone, April 22, fined \$260; Andrew James Dodson, 53, Meridian, Idaho, 75/55 zone, May 7, fined \$160.

Exceeding the speed limit: Christine Brinkman Burkey, 52, Eugene, 63/50 zone, May 12, fined \$160; Louis George Long, 63, Dayville, 39/25 zone, Feb. 22, fined \$135; Mallory Rose Thomas, 27, John Day, 80/65 zone, April 22, fined \$260.

Driving uninsured: Michael J. Brennan, 22, Mitchell, April 21, fined \$130; Zach Holmes, 29, Prairie City, May 5, fined \$260; Zach Holmes, 29, Prairie City, May 16, fined \$260.

Driving while suspended: Zach Holmes, 29, Prairie City, May 5, fined \$435; Zach Holmes, 29, Prairie City, May 16, fined \$435.

Failure to obey traffic control device: Brandon M. Lambeth, 24, John Day, April 21, fined \$220.

Hannah R. Pereira was found guilty of minor in possession of alcohol and sentenced to one year suspended driver's license, and fined \$435.

Caleb J. Vielma pleaded guilty to one charge of third-degree theft and was sentenced to 20 days in jail.

Joshua David Winegar was found guilty of a wildlife violation and had his hunting privileges suspended for three years and was fined \$1937.50.

Dereke James Clark was convicted of second-degree

disorderly conduct and fined \$435.

Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked 160 calls during the week of May 15-21. Along with the various traffic warnings, trespassing, injured animals, noise complaints and juvenile complaints, these calls included:

• John Day Police Department

May 15: Responded to a report of a dispute on First Street. Took a report of telephonic harassment in John Day.

May 16: Cited a 32-year-old Prairie City resident for maintaining a dog as a nuisance. Received a report of a vehicle bringing a 2-year-old with a snake bite to Blue Mountain Hospital.

May 18: Arrested a 38-year-old John Day resident for initiating a false report and misuse of 911. Arrested a 19-year-old John Day resident on a Grant County warrant.

May 19: Assisted a man who was unable to move be-

cause his foot was stuck.

• Grant County Sheriff's Office

May 16: Received a report of possible animal abuse. Arrested a 28-year-old Mt. Vernon resident after responding to a report of a domestic dispute in Mt. Vernon.

May 19: Baker Police arrested a 41-year-old La Grande resident on a Grant County warrant.

May 20: Advised of a possible restraining order violation in Canyon City.

• John Day ambulance
May 17: Dispatched for a report of a disoriented elderly female found on the ground in John Day.

May 18: Responded to a woman who was unable to move.
May 20: Responded to a woman who broke her leg in a cattle guard.

May 21: Responded to a 19-year-old female who was

having seizures. Responded to Juniper Ridge for a patient with extreme chest pain.

• United States Forest Service

May 19: Advised of lightning strikes on the Malheur National Forest.

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