

John Day council sees turnover

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JOHN DAY — The John Day City Council will have two new faces in the new year.

Sitting City Councilor Katrina Randleas cruised easily to re-election, but fellow council members Shannon Adair and Chris Labhart are on their way after being outpolled by challengers Ron Phillips and Sherrie Rininger.

Three of the council's six seats were up for grabs in the election, with the positions going to the top three vote-getters.

Here are the results of the election, based on unofficial returns as of Monday,



Phillips



Rininger



Randleas

Elections Office.

Under a new state law, mail-in ballots postmarked by Election Day can still be counted up to a week later, so the final results could still change.

Nov. 14:
Katrina Randleas: 486
Ron Phillips: 446
Sherrie Rininger: 393
Shannon Adair: 376
Richie Colbeth: 252
Sitting Councilor Chris Labhart missed the deadline to get his name on the ballot but ran as a write-in candidate. Three write-in candidates garnered votes in the balloting, with the top one getting 74 votes, but they were not identified by name by the Grant County

Where that could still make a difference is in the 17-vote margin between Adair and Rininger. If Adair receives enough late mail-in votes to pull ahead by the final count, she will retain her seat on the council. As of Monday, however, she had only narrowed the gap by a single vote.

New mayor for Prairie City

Scott Officer headed for victory in Prairie City mayor race

By TONY CHIOTTI
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Officer

was not immediately available for comment. He will be sworn into office in the new year and will succeed Jim Hamsher, who did not seek reelection.

Officer, 56, has served on the city council for four years.

In a candidate statement submitted to the Eagle, he said he would continue to work on updating the city's infrastructure, particularly to water and sewer systems.

Officer also identified an outdated planning document and a housing shortage as issues that Prairie City needs to address.

PRAIRIE CITY — Scott Officer will be the next mayor of Prairie City.

Results are still unofficial, but Officer appears headed for victory with the results at press time reported as follows:

Scott Officer: 279
Georgia Patterson: 147
Write-in: 35
Officer, a current city council member,

COUNTING THE VOTES



Tony Chiotti/Blue Mountain Eagle

Grant County Clerk Brenda Percy sends a batch of ballots through the counting machine at the clerk's office Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022.

Psilocybin bans pass

By TONY CHIOTTI
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PRAIRIE CITY — Two measures on the ballot that proposed prohibitions of psilocybin-related businesses in portions of Grant County passed handily.

While results are still unofficial, the tallies as of late Monday, Nov. 14, left little doubt as to the final outcome.

Measure 12-83, which bans psilocybin-related businesses in unincorporated Grant County, was passing 2,457 to 1,554.

Measure 12-84, which will keep psilocybin-related businesses from opening in Pra-



Andrii Zhezhera/123RF

Psilocybe cubensis, magic mushrooms.

with psilocybin, also known as "magic mushrooms."

While products derived from psilocybin mushrooms remain a Schedule I substance under the Federal Controlled Substances Act, this measure, now codified in Oregon Revised Statutes as ORS 475A, allows the use of such products by adults under supervised conditions for therapeutic purposes.

The framework requires that such products be cultivated and produced by licensed manufacturers, tested by a licensed testing center and administered through licensed facilitators.

Oregon is the first state to approve such a program. The legislation specifically carves out the right of cities and counties to prohibit the manufacture of psilocybin products in their jurisdictions.

On the midterm election ballots, a total of 27 of Oregon's 36 counties proposed bans, along with more than 100 municipalities. The bans passed in all but two Oregon counties.

rie City, was passing 322 to 151.

Nothing keeps similar businesses from sprouting up in other incorporated areas of the county.

The measures were filed in response to Oregon Measure 109, which was approved by voters in 2020 and directs the Oregon Health Authority to license and regulate the manufacture, delivery, sale and purchase of products made

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Jewell leads mayor's race in Granite

By TONY CHIOTTI
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GRANITE — A week after Election Day, the mayor's race in the tiny Grant County community of Granite remained too close to call.

Unofficial results as of Monday, Nov. 14, stood as follows:

David Mosteit: 8
Sandra Smith: 11
Dorothy Jewell: 12

A total of 31 ballots have been tabulated so far, and there are 35 registered voters with addresses in Granite, according to Grant County Clerk Brenda Percy.

Ballots postmarked on or before Election Day will be counted, provided they are received by election officials within a week.

In a race this close, the official results will have to wait until the very last ballots are tallied, Percy said. There are challenges on signatures yet to be resolved on county-wide totals. The final counts will be performed on Oct. 29, with certification on the 30th and results



Jewell



Smith

current council and mayor are the only ones who have keys to the building," she explained, noting the building — which has been closed for "some time."

Mosteit, the incumbent mayor, is now trailing by four votes, which could be an insurmountable deficit. He was reached by phone the day after Election Day while elk hunting. He was in his truck, warming up with coffee after having "putzed around for a while," unaware of the results. "It is what it is," he said. "And so I'll be glad to step aside and turn it over to those folks." When he heard the vote was a tie, he suggested a tie-breaker could be to "put the two girls at the bottom of the hill and have a race to the mailbox at the top of Center Street and see who wins."

He said he might go to city hall to dig through the boxes of papers to find the city charter, hoping it might spell out the next steps should the election remain tied. But if the unofficial result holds up, that won't be necessary.

Coffee Break!

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WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to caregiving.

AHLTHE

Guess Who?

I am an actress born in California on November 15, 1991. As a young star, I appeared opposite Harrison Ford and was nominated for a Young Artist Award. I am best known for a role on an ABC Family show about teenagers.

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to caregivers. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 7 = T)

A. 26 1 10 15 13 22 19 26 15
Clue: *Oversee*

B. 26 1 10 10 25 13 7
Clue: *Assist*

C. 3 5 13 19 20 8
Clue: *Sensitive*

D. 5 7 7 15 20 7 19 25 20
Clue: *Focus*

CLUES ACROSS

- Greek mountain
- One dependent on something
- Gratitude
- Glazed ceramic ware
- Paddling
- Step
- More greasy
- Upper-class young woman
- Light beige
- Belief in a supreme being
- Indigenous people of Scandinavia
- A beloved princess
- Transfer property
- Field force unit
- Automated teller
- When you hope to get there
- Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- Politicians Fischer and Conroy are two
- Blood type
- Stringed instrument
- Curses
- Barbary sheep

CLUES DOWN

- Klutz
- Relaxing places
- Expel saliva
- The extended location of something
- Certified
- Cease to exist
- Powerful legal pro
- The OJ trial judge
- Popular greeting
- "90210" actress Spelling
- ___ Blyton, children's author
- "This Is Us" star Fitch
- Battery cell with a nickel anode
- Full of bacteria
- Remains of an old building
- Exist

- It gets you into places
- Witness
- The spreading of a disease to another part of the body
- Father
- Touch gently
- Licensed for Wall Street
- Herring-like fish
- Lute used in N. Indian music
- Mirabel shouldn't talk about him
- Atomic #62
- Religious
- Silvery-white metal (abbr.)
- Influential civil rights organization
- Acknowledgment (abbr.)
- Turn away
- Kidney disease (abbr.)
- Smooth-feeling fabric
- Competently
- Sea eagle
- General's assistant (abbr.)
- It helps you see
- Emerging technology

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CAREGIVER WORD SEARCH

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

ACUTE	COMPANION	FACILITY	INDEPENDENT
AGENCY	COMPETENCE	FAMILY	INFORMAL
ASSISTIVE	CUSTODIAL	GUARDIANSHIP	MEMORY
CARE	DIRECTIVES	HOME HEALTH	MOBILITY
CHRONIC	DISABILITY	AIDE	PROXY
COMORBIDITY	DISCHARGE	HOSPICE	SUPERVISION