

County Budget Committee completes budget

By Morrow County Judge
Louis Carlson

The Morrow County Budget Committee put a Christmas wrap on the 1996-97 budget last Thursday afternoon. The bottom line results of the four day budget marathon is a tax package to refer to the citizens of Morrow County that is identical to last year's total tax requirement of \$4,094,973.

The total includes: the six percent increase from last year's tax base, which by Oregon law, the voters are not asked to vote on; the amount of taxes that the county anticipates as uncollectable; and the Measure #5 compression.

The bottom line result is that the voters will see an amount on their mail-in ballots next March of \$3,160,155, which is \$52,914 less than last year's one year special operating levy, Judge Louis Carlson said.

Budget officer, Lisanne Currin, summarized the near week long activity as "a great effort on the part of the budget committee" to hold the line on any total tax increase.

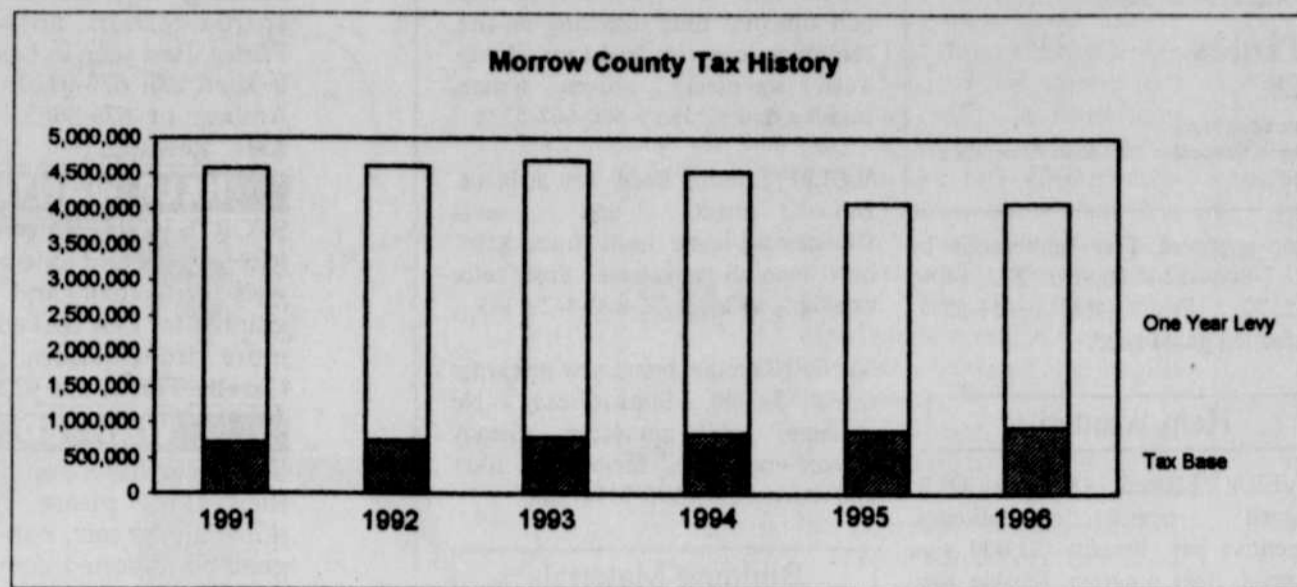
Commissioner Ray French noted that this is "a remarkable feat" in that the cost of doing business continues to rise and the demand for services continues to increase. French also noted that it is the court's challenge to sort out those non-mandated services that receive greatest public support and to find adequate funding for them.

In his message to the budget committee Dec. 18, Carlson asked the committee to once again develop a budget and tax levy that met the requirements of county government by providing basic funding for the various departments and agencies who depend on government for sustaining their services.

"This has not been an easy process," said Carlson. "We have once again put together a budget document that puts to work all of the tax dollars and other county generated revenue with micro-managed care. I believe that we can succeed simply because our management staff and employees are constantly finding ways to stretch those tax dollars each year."

6 Year Breakdown of Morrow County Tax Levy

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Tax Base	698,552	740,465	784,892	831,985	881,904	934,818
1 Year Levy	3,876,629	3,864,589	3,903,866	3,708,449	3,213,069	3,160,155
TOTAL	4,575,181	4,605,054	4,688,758	4,540,434	4,094,973	4,094,973



MORROW COUNTY TAX LEVY 1995-1996

FUND	TAXES TO BALANCE	NOT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED	MEASURE 5	TOTAL TAXES REQUIRED
GENERAL	\$2,559,399	\$183,366	\$64,000	\$2,786,765
ROAD	1,136,442	72,539	50,000	1,258,981
COUNTY SCHOOL	15,168	968	500	16,636
FAIR & RODEO	30,119	1,922	550	32,591
TOTAL	\$3,741,128	\$238,795	\$116,050	\$4,094,973
TOTAL TAXES REQUIRED MINUS 1995-1996 TAX BASE				\$4,094,973 - 881,904 = \$3,213,069
TOTAL ONE YEAR SPECIAL LEVY				\$3,213,069

GENERAL OPERATING LEVY INCLUDES GENERAL FUND, ROAD FUND, OTHER ROAD DISTRICTS, AND COUNTY SCHOOL FUND

MORROW COUNTY TAX LEVY 1996-1997

FUND	TAXES TO BALANCE	UNCOLLECTABLE	MSR 5	TOTAL TAXES REQUIRED
GENERAL	\$2,578,139	\$164,562	\$52,279	\$2,794,980
ROAD	\$1,136,442	\$72,539	\$23,302	\$1,232,283
COUNTY SCHOOL	\$15,168	\$968	\$309	\$16,445
FAIR	\$39,675	\$2,532	\$1,200	\$43,407
RODEO	\$7,000	\$447	\$411	\$7,858
TOTAL	\$3,776,424	\$241,048	\$77,501	\$4,094,973
TOTAL TAXES REQUIRED MINUS 1996-1997 TAX BASE				\$4,094,973 - 934,818 = \$3,160,155
TOTAL ONE YEAR OPERATING LEVY				\$3,160,155

Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, Jan. 2
Soft White

Jan.	\$5.58
Feb.	\$5.56/5.55
March	\$5.52
April	\$5.52
new crop-Aug.	\$4.67

Barley

Jan.-Feb.	\$155
new crop	\$120

NEWS DEADLINE

Monday.....5 p.m.

ADVERTISING DEADLINE

Tuesday.....noon

The Heppner Gazette-Times
147 W. Willow
676-9228

Pioneer Memorial Clinic will be closed on Monday, January 15 in observation of Martin Luther King's Birthday

MISSING
15 yearling calves on Upper Rhea Creek with **R** brand on left rib. Any information please call **Rosco 541-676-9705.**

MCCCF to meet

The monthly meeting of the Morrow County Commission on Children and Families will be held Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Morrow County School District building in Lexington from 7-9 p.m.

The main topics of discussion will be the commission's by-laws and budget and the roles and responsibilities of Head Start, Inc. in Morrow County.

The public is invited to attend and participate in the discussions.

||| Donald J. Carlson, D.P.M.
Medicine and Surgery of the Foot

will be at Heppner Clinic on January 10, to treat all foot problems
676-5504 Pioneer Memorial Clinic 567-8750

Heppner's Little Ol' Girl

Lindy "Leonig" Gravelle former Heppnerite and Nashville songwriter and recording artist. New Release "Little Ol' Girl" with 12 original songs.

CD's \$17.00 (includes P&H)
Cassettes \$11.00 (includes P&H)
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Please specify autograph.

To order or for more info call or write:
Lindy Gravelle, P.O. Box 120363,
Nashville, TN 37212 - (615)790-8753

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

The Morrow County Health District will hold its regular board meeting at 7 p.m. on January 8, 1996 at Irrigon City Hall 220 N. Main Irrigon, OR. A copy of the agenda for this meeting is attached.

- I. Approval of December 4, 1995 Minutes
 - II. Public Comments
 - III. CEO Report
 - IV. Financial Report - November
 - V. Executive Session
 - A. Physician/Dentist Contracts ORS 192.660
 - VI. New Business
 - VII. Adjournment
- Published: January 3, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Heppner is preparing an application for a 1996 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Oregon Economic Development Department for at least 37 persons, of whom 100 percent will be low or moderate income.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council at 7:00 pm on Monday, January 8, 1996, at Heppner City Hall, 188 West Willow Street.

The purpose of the hearing is for the City Council to obtain citizen views and to respond to questions about the proposed project, including the current phase and later phases, if any.

Written comments are also welcome and must be received by 5:00 pm, Monday, January 8, 1996 at City Hall. Both oral and written comments will be considered by the City Council.

The location of the hearing is accessible to the disabled. Please let Gary Marks at City Hall (Phone: 676-9618) know if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting.

More information about the Oregon Community Development Block Grant program and the proposed project is available for public review at City Hall during regular office hours. Advance notice is requested. If special accommodations are needed, please notify Gary Marks at City Hall (Phone: 676-9618) so that appropriate assistance can be provided.

Permanent involuntary displacement of persons or businesses is not anticipated as a result from the proposed project. If displacement becomes necessary, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement and provide required/reasonable benefits to those displaced. Any low and moderate income housing which is demolished or converted to another use will be replaced.

Gary B. Marks
City Recorder
Published: January 3, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF SESSION MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that on January 8, 1996, at 9:00 a.m., the board of equalization of the County of Morrow, Oregon, will meet at the County Courthouse in Heppner, Oregon to:

- Hear petitions for reduction of the real market or assessed value of property as of July 1.
- Hear petitions to excuse penalties for late filing of real for personal property returns.
- Act on recommendations from the assessor made under ORS 308.242 when no petition has been filed.

Petitions for reductions of the real market or assessed value of property must be filed with the clerk of the board not later than December 31, 1995.

A schedule of hearings for those who request to be present will be posted 48 hours prior to the meeting(s) in Morrow County Courthouse.

Executive sessions may be held during the session as required by ORS 308.290(7), ORS 308.411, and ORS 308.413.

All other hearings will be scheduled as time allows. If you have requested to be present at the hearing you will be notified of the time and place to appear. Contact the board of equalization for further information.

It shall be the duty of the persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed.

Barbara Bloodsworth,
County Clerk

Morrow County, Oregon
Dated at Heppner, Oregon, this 20th day of December, 1995.

Published: December 20 and 27, 1995, and January 3, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON

FOR MORROW COUNTY
WESTERN UNITED LIFE
ASSURANCE COMPANY,
Plaintiff,

vs.
FRANK ROA AND DARLENE ROA, HUSBAND AND WIFE, EMMA MADRIGAL AND ALL HEIRS AND DEVISEES, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN OF ALEX MADRIGAL, DECEASED, ET AL.;
Defendants.

No. 95-CV-95
SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OREGON, to the said Defendants, ALL HEIRS AND DEVISEES, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN OF ALEX MADRIGAL, DECEASED.

You are hereby summoned to appear within thirty (30) days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: within thirty (30) days after the 27 day of December, 1995, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorney for WESTERN UNITED LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, plaintiff, at the office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court. The object of the said action and the relief sought to be obtained therein is fully set forth in said complaint, and is briefly stated as follows:

Foreclosure of a Real Estate Contract

Vendee: Frank Roa and Darlene Roa

Property address: Rt. 2, Box 322A, Irrigon, OR

Publication: Heppner Gazette Times

(s) Susan R. Robinson,
OSBA # 90141

Of Karr Tuttle Campbell
Attorney for Plaintiff

1201 Third Avenue
Suite 2900

Seattle, WA 98101

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