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Council approves preliminary subdivision plans



City manager Gary Marks at proposed subdivision site

The Heppner City Council has given preliminary approval of a tentative plan for a subdivision in Heppner.

The proposed subdivision will include 24 lots located south of Willow Creek Road, between the Corps of Engineers' access road near Willow Creek Lake and the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Plans for development of infrastructure—streets, sidewalks, sewer and utilities—must still be approved by the city engineer.

The Port of Morrow owns the land and will pay for improvements, according to Heppner City Manager Gary Marks. "The city is excited to have the port put some of their resources into the area," said Marks. "They're addressing a need we have and we

appreciate it very much."

People who wish to purchase the lots will buy them from the port and then the lot owners will fund construction of homes on the lots. Marks estimates that the cost of a lot will be in the neighborhood of \$15-20 thousand. "In any other city in Oregon it would be from \$25-50 thousand or more for fully developed residential lots," he said. Marks added that he believed that manufactured homes would be allowed on the lots. He said that the Port has asked the Heppner Economic Development Corporation, which has been an advocacy group for the project from the beginning, to develop covenants so that the subdivision mirrors the community and looks as "traditionally residential as

possible".

Marks said that the proposed subdivision will help solve the area's housing shortage and will also demonstrate that contractors can build residential housing in the Heppner area that will sell. "There is no history that such a thing has been successful here," he said, comparing it to the Hermiston area.

"We want to put ourselves on the map as a desirable community for development," said Marks. "We have a quality of life that other places just don't have. It's good place to raise kids, a good place to retire. Build the houses and they will come."

Marks is quick to add that he is talking about moderate, not extreme growth.

Show by McManus slated in Boardman

A one-man stage show by humor writer Patrick F. McManus, starring Tim Behrens, will be presented by Morrow County Arts Council and Friends of the Boardman Library at the Riverside High School auditorium in Boardman on Saturday, Oct. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

Admission to "A Fine and Pleasant Misery: The Humor of Patrick F. McManus" is free.

Bus transportation will be provided from south Morrow County. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Call and reserve a seat by Friday, Oct. 4, by calling 422-7191.

"A Fine and Pleasant Misery" is funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District.

Judge rules in favor of district

Heppner attorneys Bill Kuhn and Ann Spicer have received notice from Circuit Court Judge Rudy Murgo that he has ruled in favor of Willow Creek Park District concerning a suit brought against the district by numerous Morrow County landowners. The landowners had petitioned to remove themselves from the park district and thereby from the tax rolls funding construction and operating expenses for the pool which is to be built in Heppner.

Willow Creek Park District encompasses south Morrow County.

Gary Marks, pool project manager, says that the Willow Creek Board of Directors has given him the

go-ahead to proceed with the project.

Marks says that the architect is "very close to having the design work done". He said that they hope to go out for bids in October and to start construction in late November or December, depending on the severity of the winter.

Hunter's breakfast, Sept. 27-28

The hunter's breakfast, sponsored by the Heppner Elks Club, will be held from Friday, Sept. 27 at 4 p.m. to Saturday, Sept. 28 at 10 a.m.

Arts Council plans activities



Cheri Westphal (l) visits with dance students in Heppner. The classes are funded by the Morrow County Recreation District.

The Morrow County Arts Council (MCAC), a newly formed non-profit organization has planned several upcoming community activities. MCAC was organized to promote interest in the arts and develop appreciation for the arts by "finding, funding and facilitating creative, education and rewarding cultural activities and events". Board members credit Sarah Carlson with providing the impetus for organizing the group.

Currently, most of the council's funding is from the Morrow County Unified Recreation District. The events and activities that MCAC will fund are free to the public.

Upcoming activities include: forming a South Morrow Community band; holding visual arts classes, concerts in the parks and performances by a

jazz guitarist and a jazz pianist. A dance class for children and adults, taught by Cheri Westphal is already underway. MCAC board members say they hope to receive grants and sponsors for a fund raising event—a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater (not sponsored by MCAC), in which the actors interact with the audience, to be held at the Heppner Elks Club, with the date to be announced. The jazz musician performance is scheduled to be held at Beecher's Restaurant in Lone, with the date to be announced.

MCAC will hold a membership drive on Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. at the Penland House, 585 N. Gale in Heppner. Music and refreshments will be provided. "Everyone is invited to come," said board member Shelly Riet-

mann. "We need their support."

For more information, contact any member of the recently-elected MCAC board of directors: Joyce Graff, secretary, 422-7191; Shelly Rietmann, 422-7243; Ann Murray, 676-9158; Don Eppenbaugh, president, 922-3047; Dave Kendrick, Barbara Orwick, and Juanita Hawkins.

Anyone interested in joining the council may contact Graff by phone or by mail c/o MCAC, P.O. Box 274, Lone, OR 97843.

Membership dues are \$20 a year per family. Members will receive an arts council newsletter, first notification of upcoming arts council events, membership in the Eastern Oregon Regional Arts Council and their newsletter of regional events.

Mike Dugan visits Heppner



Congressional candidate Mike Dugan (center) visits with Heppner High School teacher Dale Conklin (left) and attorney Bill Kuhn, Sept. 12. Dugan stopped by the St. Patrick's Senior Center and also spoke to HHS students.

City to build new storage shed

The city of Heppner has cleared land behind city hall to make room for a new storage shed for the city's heavy equipment.

City manager Gary Marks said that the city started leveling off the property in mid-August to prepare for construction of the 40x120 pole building. They hope to have equipment moved in by November when cold weather is expected.

Marks said that the city's new sludge truck, in addition to other heavy equipment, will be stored in the shed, which will be heated to 40-45 degrees to prevent weather damage to the equipment. Marks said that within 10-15 years the city may save enough in maintenance, repair and

replacement of equipment to pay for the \$70,000 building.

He added that the heavy equipment is currently stored at the gravel yard which is in the flood way. "In the event of a flood," said Marks, "it is critical that we have access to the public works equipment. This will also centralize all city operations and make them more efficient."

Marks said that construction of the shed is the result of a goal set by the city council to find a way to shelter the new sludge truck. The council then expanded their idea to include all city equipment, he said.

Contractor is Mike Walton Construction, Umatilla. The building is financed through the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Heppner city water main breaks

A water main was damaged in Heppner Tuesday, Sept. 24, around 3 p.m., according to city manager Gary Marks.

At 5 p.m. Tuesday, city workers had not yet been able to shut off the eight-inch main, which was damaged when Columbia Basin Electric workers drilling to place a power pole at Elder and Quaid streets, said Marks.

Food sale set

A food sale will be held Thursday and Friday, Sept. 26-27 at Miller's Mini Mart and Chevron in Heppner beginning at 9 a.m.

Proceeds from the sale will go towards an HEPA clean air system for Willow Lanes (Heppner Bowl).

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