

Heppner "concrete award" topic at transportation committee meeting

The North East Area Commission on Transportation (NEACT) will hold its next meeting on October 6 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Region 5 Headquarters, located at 3012 Island Avenue, La Grande, Oregon. The Heppner "concrete award" slide show is on the agenda.

The NEACT, comprised of transportation stakeholders from Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Baker counties, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, helps identify and prioritize transportation-related projects in the five-county area. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities, per the Americans with Disabilities Act. The general public is invited to attend.

On the agenda are the following key topics: General updates on Oregon Transportation Commission and current ODOT projects; Byways Committee, Transit, League of Oregon Cities / Assoc. of Oregon Counties

updates; NEACT county/city roundtable; Bike / Ped Steering Committee update; Jobs and Transportation Act (JTA) projects update; STIP videoconference comments and formal action; ConnectOregon IV update; Flexible Funds / Transit selections; Heppner Concrete Award slide show; Oregon Highway Plan Mobility Standards presentation.

Time has been set aside for public comments regarding project proposals and other transportation related topics. To schedule time on the agenda at future NEACT meetings, please contact Lisa Hill at (541) 963-3179.

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email at Lisa.A.Hill@odot.state.or.us.

Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center offers grants

Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center will award \$500 to each of the counties it serves in northeastern Oregon. The mini grants are intended to encourage youth involvement in community health education events or experiences. The funding will support the promotion of health career education in a community setting and/or use educational material to promote science education to their community's youth. The application deadline has been extended to October 28.

Information will be sent to the following persons and organizations in our communities: hospital and clinics, other community health non-profit agencies and EMT education contacts.

Non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for the mini grant if the organization already works with youth in some capacity in Morrow, Gilliam, Grant, Hood River, Malheur, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco or Wheeler counties. Any organization can apply for funding if the activity will meet at least three of Northeast Oregon AHEC's work areas for health careers education: health career information, science education, role models/mentors from the health care business community, assure hands-on student health career education activities, give youth out-of-class experiences in health career education, create health career education networks with the community

Morrow County Court holds Sept. 14 meeting

The following is provided by Commissioner Leann Rea. The Morrow County Court met on September 14 in Irrigon with Judge Terry Tallman and Commissioner Ken Grieb in attendance.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes of August 24. The court also reviewed and approved the account payables, retirement taxes, rodeo payables, a final payroll and payroll payables in the net amount of \$209,478.39. The court reviewed the "pooled cash report" provided by Morrow County Treasurer Gayle Gutierrez.

Road Dept.: The crew has completed a repair at the Bombing Range Highway 207 intersection. Two sections of that intersection had a sub-grade failure. The sections were marked and the equipment was moved to the site on September 9. On September 12 the pavement was cut and removed at those locations. Two locations were found where the base material had retained an excessive amount of moisture, which causes soft conditions which allowed the pavement to supported to fail. All of the wet material was excavated and replaced with new base rock and gravel. Then the area was patched with two lifts of hot mix asphalt. This will remain as a single patch until spring to make sure no other failures appear. With the huge amounts of grain being moved over the past summer, tonnages were also a contributor to the failure. After reviewing available funds and current bills, including dust abatement work, it was determined that the department will discontinue patching work when Olsen Road and Columbia Lane are completed. Right of way negotiations for the Spring Hollow Bridge have been completed and the crew will begin work on that project right away. The right-of-way work for the five intersections realignment is close to completion. These projects are ready to go as soon as the legal work is completed. There is a long list of projects for fall maintenance work to finish before winter.

Ordinance Reading: Morrow County Planning Director Carla McLane provided the second reading of an adopting ordinance for the "Ruhl Pit Locally Significant Aggregate Resource". The court approved the amendment to the comprehensive plan and map to include the site.

Sheriff's Report: Morrow County Undersheriff Steve Myren discussed the disposal of refuse gathered by the Parole & Probation (P&P) work crew from county property. It was decided that the materials may be dumped at the Transfer Station as long as the material originated on county property. Materials from non-county locations will need to pay the regular disposal rate. Myren stated that the sheriff's dept. is continuing to have a problem with exceeding their credit card limit. It was decided to raise the current limit of \$8,000 to \$10,000. Myren also reviewed the following report with the court: **Irrigon area:** A suspicious person staggering, with slurred speech and carrying a puppy, was arrested on six warrants; a report was received regarding a big horned sheep aggressively chasing children; a report was received on pit bulls aggressively chasing people; one of the dogs was tazed. **Lexington area:** received a report from the Road Dept. of a vehicle on fire and fully engulfed; **Heppner area:** A motorcycle crashed 1.5 miles above the OHV Park, with the rider going over the guard rail. The rider had broken bones and was flown from Pioneer Memorial Hospital by helicopter; responded to a call regarding a two-year-old missing from his home. **Columbia River:** responded for an assist to a 43-foot fishing trolley one mile down river from the Arlington Marina.

Parole & Probation (P&P): P&P Director Dan Robbins informed the court that for the month of August there were 101 clients in the program. Robbins stated that the new work crew supervisor started August 29 and that the program is operating smoothly.

Contracts: The court reviewed and approved an intergovernmental agreement with the state of Oregon in the amount of \$305,939 for correctional services, effective July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012. The court reviewed and approved a "consent to participate agreement" for future improvements to West Fourth Road between the county and Tim and Jeanette Meyers. Reviewed and approved the following contracts for Commission on Children and Families program: Backpack Program in the amount of \$5,000; Heppner Daycare in the amount of \$4,750; Heppner Daycare Preschool in the amount of \$4,750, Morrow County School District Summer Leadership Institute in the amount of \$5,414; and Boardman Child Development Center Preschool in the amount of \$5,062. All contracts were for the 2011-2012 fiscal year ending on June 30, 2012.

The court conducted the following business: The court reviewed an offer from Pablo Flores to purchase six lots in the Irrigon area for \$1,200 each. The court declined the offer and offered a counteroffer of \$2,000 per lot. The court decided to retain the maintenance contract for the Konica Digital Copier commencing October 28, 2011, for one year.

Reviewed misc. correspondences and discussed upcoming meetings.

Anyone who would like to be placed on the list to receive county minutes may contact Karen Wolff at (541)676-5620.

Ione Varsity Football Schedule

Sep 30 7pm @ Sherman
Oct 7 7pm @ Dufur
Oct 13 7pm vs Arlington
Oct 22 2pm vs Hosanna Christian (Culver High School)
Oct 28 7pm vs Echo
Nov 4 7pm @ Condon / Wheeler

Ione Varsity Volleyball Schedule

Sep 30 4:30pm @ Sherman
Oct 1 Noon @ Griswold / Nixyaawii
Oct 4 5pm vs eCondon / Wheeler
Oct 7 5pm @ Dufur
Oct 11 5pm vs Griswold / Nixyaawii
Oct 13 5pm vs Arlington
Oct 15 1pm @ Condon / Wheeler (Fossil)
Oct 18 5:30pm @ Echo
Oct 22 vs (Dufur Tournament)

Heppner Varsity Football Schedule

Sep 30 7pm @ Elgin
Oct 7 7pm vs Stanfield
Oct 21 7pm @ Pilot Rock
Oct 28 7pm @ Weston-McEwen / Griswold
Nov 4 7pm vs Irrigon
Nov 12 1st Round Play offs
Nov 19 Quarter Finals
Nov 26 Semi Finals
Dec 3 State Finals

Heppner Varsity Volleyball Schedule

Sep 29 6pm @ Irrigon
Oct 1 Noon @ Union
Oct 1 1pm vs Enterprise (Union)
Oct 6 6pm @ Stanfield
Oct 13 5pm @ Pilot Rock
Oct 15 Noon @ Elgin (Elgin 4-Way Heppner/Stanfield)
Oct 15 1pm vs Weston-McEwen (Elgin)
Oct 20 6pm vs Irrigon
Oct 22 Noon vs Union (Stanfield)
Oct 22 1pm vs Enterprise (Stanfield)
Oct 25 6pm vs Stanfield

October Heppner Senior Mealsite Menus

Wednesday, October 5: Tilapia with pearsan topping, rice pilaf, governor's baked corn, peaches, hot rolls and baked apples.

Wednesday, October 12: Ham with raisin sauce, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit juice, hot rolls and ice cream.

Wednesday, October 19: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, fruit cocktail, cornbread, strawberry mousse.

Wednesday, October 26: Worms in Sauce, Purple People Eater Salad, Witch's Fingers, Devil's Food Cupcakes.

Milk is served at each meal. The suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menus are subject to change.

Churches serving are as follows: October 5-Elohim Covenant; October 12-Christian Life Center; October 19-Willow Creek Baptist; October 26: United Methodist.

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If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available and that help is FREE of charge.

If YOU have a family member who suffers from gambling addiction, YOU can also receive FREE treatment even if the gambler is not receiving treatment.

If you are a resident of Morrow County and you wish to take advantage of the services above or desire more information, Please call any of the following numbers to set up a LOCAL appointment or just to talk:

Bobby Harris @ 541-676-9925 or 541-256-0175
Community Counseling Solutions (CCS) @ 541-676-9161
OR 1-877-695-4648 (1-888-MYLIMIT)

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Ione Education Foundation would like to thank Marvin Padberg for organizing and leading the fish catching and cooking crew as well as Mark Patton and Tom Gates and their crew for preparing and cooking the prime rib, Dustin Padberg for setting up sound system and auctioneering, Betty Gray for organizing salad preparation, Bink Ramos for organizing the serving crew and providing potatoes, Glenda Taylor for providing dinner rolls, Jordan Bemrose and the Ione Community School Choir and to everyone who attended, participated in the auction, and volunteered or helped.

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ELKS MEMBERS AND GUESTS UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 9/29/11 - Hunters Night Rib Dinner and Prizes

Thursday 10/6/11 - Ladies Night Chicken parmesan Pasta marinara Mixed greens Sicilian style Garlic bread