

HEALTH DISTRICT BUDGET

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 \$7,100 for a phone system extension and installation; \$30,800 for siding, windows and paint for the Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner; \$19,000 for exterior paint for Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner; \$40,000 for exterior signs for all district buildings and traffic directional signs for the Heppner campus; and \$8,500 for internal "wayfinding" signs for the hospital.

The district plans to pay for a portable ultrasound and contracted services for the Irrigon Clinic for \$46,000 with cash on hand. Also scheduled to be purchased with cash on hand are a Subaru Forester for the Home Health and Hospice staff for \$27,000 and Pulse Point Automated External Defibrillator software for \$18,000.

50,000 in grant monies are earmarked for a community paramedic vehicle and equipment and an additional \$43,000 in grant monies for three Autopulse machines for Emergency Medical Services.

Grigg told the board that the district has engaged Merritt Hawkins, a physician search firm, to recruit a family medicine physician to replace Dr. Betsy Anderson, who will leave the district in August to take a position in La Grande. He said that no serious candidates have applied as of yet.

Grigg also said that the district has received 26 resumes of CEO candidates to replace him so far. Grigg, who has accepted a position in Burns, will leave the district effective June 25. He said that Vicki Kent,

a nurse practitioner, began seeing patients at the Irrigon Medical Clinic last Monday and has been well received. He said that a new receptionist at Pioneer Memorial Clinic, Toni Clemens, has been hired to replace PMC's veteran receptionist Chris Jones, who is transferring to the Irrigon Medical Clinic.

Concerning the Ione school-based health center, Grigg said that Anderson Dabrowski Architects has completed the design of the Ione Community Clinic and the Ione School Board has hired Knerr Construction as project manager for the remodel, which is scheduled to be completed by mid-August. He said that demolition on the existing space has begun.

In other business, Grigg told the board that the Oregon Health Authority has granted the Irrigon Medical Clinic and Pioneer Memorial Clinic Tier 3 Patient Centered Primary Care Home Certification.

"Tier 3 designation is the highest tier and demonstrates a complete commitment to the patient centered primary care home concepts," said Grigg.

He said it will result in additional reimbursement for Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization patients. In other business, the board: -received the profit and loss statement for March: The district received

\$755,785 in gross patient revenue, less \$113,977 in revenue deductions, plus \$122,740 in tax revenue and \$28,411 in other operating revenue for \$792,959 in total operating revenue, less total operating expenses of \$780,600, plus \$6,785 for a non-operating gain for a \$19,144 profit for the month.

-received the following report: Pioneer Memorial Clinic had 477 patient visits in March, with 12 new patients, 24 seen by a nurse and 14 no-shows; Irrigon Medical Clinic had 259 patient visits for the month with 18 new patients, 50 seen by a nurse and 20 no-shows; Heppner Ambulance had 27 page-outs with 19 transports for \$26,418 in revenue; Boardman Ambulance had 25 page-outs with 15 transports for \$21,925 in revenue; Irrigon ambulance had 35 page-outs with 23 transports for \$28,500 in revenue; there were five flights; Pioneer Memorial Hospital had five admissions; swing bed had three admissions; 10 were admitted for observation; one was admitted for hospital respite; swing nursing facility had one admission; there were 454 outpatients and 74 emergency room encounters, 1479 lab tests, 105 x-ray procedures, 17 CT scans, 11 EKG tests, two treadmill procedures, four colonoscopy procedures, two endoscopy procedures and one colon/endoscopy procedure; Home Health had 117 patient visits; Hospice had two admissions; pharmacy had 3,323 drug doses for \$90,250 in drug revenue.

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Ione clinic underway



Knerr Construction started the remodel of the Ione Community Clinic at 325 E. 3rd street this week. This will be a school-based health clinic open to the whole community, staffed 20 hours a week through a partnership of Morrow County Health District, Morrow County Public Health, Community Counseling Solutions and Advantage Dental. Grants for the building and remodel were received from the Ione Education Foundation and ICABO with further grants pending from Oregon Community Foundation, Ford Family Foundation, Columbia River Enterprise Zone, and Wildhorse. Ione Community Clinic is set to open in August. -Contributed photo

Murray's Bridal Registry

Amber Gray & Jarett Boyer Wedding - May 16

Chris Rayburn & Kayla Davidson Wedding - May 23

Trent Miles & Josie Miller Wedding - May 29

Trevor Rhea & Mollie Henderson Wedding - July 11

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DON'T FORGET TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY MAY 19

Meetings of the Morrow SWCD are open to the public.

Community lunch menu

Willow Creek Baptist Church members will serve lunch on Wednesday, May 6, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include sweet and sour chicken, fried rice, Chinese vegetables, mandarin oranges, egg rolls, and ice cream. Milk is served at each meal. Menu is subject to change.

Morrow SWCD to meet

The Morrow SWCD will hold a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 5, at 430 W Linden Way at 6 p.m. Agenda items include review and approval of the April minutes, current budget and 15/16 budget, staff reports and partner reports.

The board will also meet Wednesday, May 6, at the same location beginning at 4 p.m. to complete the Long Range Plan document.

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