

Sheriff's Report

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on Tower Rd, Boardman of a two-vehicle accident, no one injured.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a black Subaru is parked in front of the mailboxes. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman of a white Prius driving erratically, believes they are intoxicated. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that loud music just started going to continue for 2-3 hours. RP hung up without giving location of the noise complaint.

-MCSO received a report at Hwy 730/Rand Rd, Irrigon that she saw a vehicle slid off the road, possibly stuck in a ditch. Referred to OSP since it was out of county jurisdiction.

-MCSO received a report on Hilltop Rd, Boardman that there are 2 dogs that killed her chickens.

-MCSO received a report at Sub Zero Motel on S First St, Irrigon that someone is trying to get into his hotel room through the bathroom window. Unable to locate. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman of a silver Ford F150 unable to maintain lane and speed.

May 26: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at W West St/S Front St, Lexington that there is a white Toyota Camry parked alongside the road on S West St. Two subjects got out of the vehicle with backpacks and walked down the street. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Boardman Rest area Westbound on I 84, Boardman that all of the lights are out at the rest area. Boardman rest area supervisor advised they will get it taken care of.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that Robert Timmons called and advised that he appreciated that the deputy was on Utah watching the area but the deputy is parked in front of someone's mailbox and that is just rude of him.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that RP appreciates deputy patrolling his street however he believes there are better ways the deputy could be doing it.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that a green truck with trailer on the side of the road, possible stroke. Transported.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that neighbor's dogs have been barking and howling all morning.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Cadillac

SUV came down Utah and cranked his music up. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that someone was driving by with loud music and was unable to identify the vehicle but advised he would go looking for it because he was told not to. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on NE Court St, Heppner that RP and his brother are arguing and need a deputy to respond. Deputies responded. Brother elected to leave and not come back.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a green Dodge pickup came down SE Utah playing loud music and punched the gas when he got to Eighth St. RP feels targeted and that he is doing it on purpose. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Green Acres on Paterson Ferry Rd, Irrigon that a rot-pit-shepherd mix bit a 24 yo. MCSO made contact with subjects who declined to press charges.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that loud music is being played from a vehicle. RP can still hear it inside his res. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a blue Dodge pickup flew by and went through the stop sign. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Green Acres on Paterson Ferry Rd, Irrigon that a child is being left at home unattended and that the child is being left with a rapist.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Chevy truck was going very slow on the road, ran the stop sign at Seventh and RP advised he was going at a very slow rate and not following his normal driving habits. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a BMW is parked on the corner. Advised the driver is not licensed and the vehicle is not conducting any other violations at this time. Unfounded.

June 1: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on NW Washington Ave, Irrigon that there are two males in a verbal confrontation. Not an argument, two electric company workers up on poles having to yell to each other to be heard.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that a white Volvo truck was swerving all over the road, almost hit the median a couple of times. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Ford F150 with expired temporary tag went down Columbia Ln towards Paterson Ferry. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report on Cutsforth Rd, Heppner that a cement truck tipped over in front of her house. Patient transported to PMH.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that neighbor's dogs are barking again and disturbing his peace. They have been barking since 0600 and one sounds like it could be injured.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that there is a large piece of a trailer ramp on the shoulder on the other side of the fog line, but not off the roadway. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report at E Hwy 730/SE Seventh St, Irrigon of bad driving habits of a white Ford extended cab.

-MCSO received a report on Linden Way, Heppner that there are dogs on her property, two black and one brown pit mix. Jumping at the car and growling at them. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Columbia Ln, Irrigon of dogs loose. Deputy contacted female listed and she will keep the puppies on the property.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that an older Nissan with older male driving is failing to maintain lane and driving people off the road. BPD made contact with the driver. Driver's family will be enroute to get the driver and the vehicle.

-MCSO received a report on NW Gale St, Heppner that he has multiple shot gun shells he'd like picked up by the SO. Found a mortar training round on the scene.

-MCSO received a report at Bank of Eastern Oregon on N Main St, Heppner that a debit card was found in the machine. Debit card returned.

-MCSO received a report on Miller Rd, Boardman that their neighbor's trees broke the fence and their goats are loose on their property.

-MCSO received a re-

Rea resigns as MCHD board director

Leann Rea, long-time Morrow County Health District Board member, Heppner, attended her last meeting as director at the MCHD Board meeting Monday night. Rea resigned as she is moving out of the district. The board had received three applications for the position and selected Andrea Fletcher of Heppner as Rea's replacement. Board members noted that any one of the three applicants would serve the district well. An election is still required for the position.

Also at the meeting, MCHD Director of Nursing Jamie Houck reported that some of the COVID-19 visitor restrictions have been lifted at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. She also reported that the district has hired two RNs, Paul Monagle, and Sacha Pogue, both of whom will start their employment this week. She said that Heidi Wimer, R.N. is planning on moving to The Dalles, but will stay on at PMH as a per diem nurse.

George Dunkel with Special Districts Association of Oregon communicated with the board via a video call during the meeting and reported that his agency has 16 valid candidates for the district's CEO position. The district had planned to bring up to five candidates to Heppner for on-site interviews, but because of COVID concerns, instead plans to set up initial interviews via phone. Dunkel recommended the board then narrow the choices down to five and provide a set of questions for those candidates by the August 24 executive session. Dunkel suggested that the board then narrow the candidates down to two or three, who will be invited, along with their spouses, to visit the district. Current CEO Bob Houser plans to retire sometime before the end of the year.

In other business, the board expressed concerns about the "decline of patient visits" at Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner, compared to the Irrigon Clinic. They discussed implementing a survey to "gauge patient satisfaction of clinic

port on I 84 W, Echo that a large black semi with oversized load sign on the back is unable to maintain lane. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Chase St, Heppner that the neighbor behind them has a dog chained up that has been barking consistently for several hours.

-MCSO received a report at Hwy 730/Lewis and Clark Dr, Boardman that a black Dodge Dakota is going at a high rate of speed, veered off the highway and back on. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at SE Utah Ave/SE Seventh St, Irrigon that a vehicle is playing loud music. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that a white transit van failure to maintain lane.



Leann Rea

visits." The board previously put plans to build a new clinic at the Heppner site and remodel Pioneer Memorial Hospital on hold because of the supposed decline.

At the meeting, Houser reported:

-Mindy Smith, R.N. has accepted the position of assistant nurse manager and discharge planner and plans to begin August 1. The district has also interviewed a candidate for the IT director position, has extended an offer to him and is awaiting his reply.

-RN's for Pioneer Memorial, an IT director, CEO, COO and an assistant human resources position are still being sought.

-Radiology manager Jimmy Wimer has resigned and is taking a position at The Dalles, so the district is recruiting for that position.

-Primm Surveying has completed the onsite survey of the PMH campus and will begin working on the topography mapping. Once completed, Houser said that the map will be sent to architects Clark/Kjos to be kept with other designs when the discussion on the project is resumed.

-Kuhn Law is working to ensure the land transaction with CAPECO is being completed.

-Physical Therapy/Rocky Mt. Physical Therapy is still negotiating on the former Community Bank building on Main Street in Heppner. Houser said that would allow them to move the PT into that space on Main St. and move administration to their current building.

Chief Financial Officer Nicole Mahoney reported the following profit loss statement through June: gross patient reve-

nue-\$1,173,549; \$24,018 in revenue deductions; \$1,373,388 in total operating revenue; \$1,258,726 in total operating expenses; \$51,375 in a non-operating gain for a \$166,037 gain for the month and a \$58,734 average monthly year-to-date gain.

PMH has released the following information for June: 11 Acute in-patient admissions; one death; four swing bed skilled admissions; 12 admissions for observation, one hospital respite admission; 669 total out-patients, 81 emergency room encounters; 2,096 lab tests; 121 x-ray/ultrasound tests; 44 CT scans; four MRI scans, 23 EKG tests, one lower endoscopy procedure, one upper endoscopy procedure, 26 respiratory therapy procedures.

Home health had 179 visits; Hospice had two admissions and three deaths; Pharmacy had 3,206 drug doses for \$68,035 in revenue.

Pioneer Memorial Clinic had 336 patient visits for June with two new patients, 23 seen by a nurse and 13 no-shows; Irrigon Medical Clinic had 392 patient visits with 55 new patients, 206 seen by a nurse and 46 no-shows; Ione Community Clinic had 38 patient visits, one new patient, 11 seen by a nurse and two no-shows.

The ambulance report for the 2019-20 fiscal year end is as follows: Heppner-351 page-outs with 270 transports; Boardman-517 page-outs with 258 transports; Irrigon-384 page-outs with 203 transports; Ione 22 page-outs with three transports for a total of 1,274 page outs, 734 transports and 66 life flights.

The June ambulance report follows: Heppner-26 transports for \$38,484 in revenue; Boardman-21 for \$39,968; Irrigon-20 for \$31,660; Ione-1 for \$4,604.

The board held an executive session following the regular meeting.

The next meeting will be held August 13 at the Pioneer Memorial Clinic conference room beginning with a provider dinner at 6 p.m., with the board meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.

ODF increases forest restrictions

Oregon Department of Forestry's (ODF) Central Oregon District increased restrictions for forest operations and the public beginning July 27, 2020. These restrictions are intended to reduce the risk of fire ignition on lands within the Central Oregon District in Lake, Harney, Deschutes, Crook, Wasco, Hood River, Grant, Wheeler, Gilliam, Jefferson, Morrow and Umatilla counties. Minimal precipitation combined with increasing hot temperatures has continued to dry wildland vegetation and fuels, increasing the potential for rapid fire spread.

The Regulated-Use Closure, affecting recreational and non-industrial landowner activities, restricts many high-risk activities between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m., prohibits activities such as blasting, in addition to restricting other activities. Anyone traveling on forested roads is required to have one shovel and one gallon of water (or a 2 1/2 pound fire extinguisher).

Industrial forest op-

erations in the John Day and Prineville Units of the Central Oregon District will have "Additional Fire Prevention Requirements" in place to reduce the risk of fire ignition. Mechanized harvesters with rotary saws, chainsaws, tracked felling and skidding equipment, slash buster/mastication equipment, and cable yarding systems will be restricted during the hours of 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Watchman service is required for all industrial operations.

All other fire season restrictions remain in effect. Full details of the closure and restrictions of industrial activities are available at www.ODFcentraloregon.com.

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Wishing you a Happy Retirement Dr. Rolen!



Dr. Dave Drotzmann and Dr. Kollan Arritt would like to congratulate Dr. Rob Rolen for over 35 years of service to his profession. May all the years ahead bring you great joy and relaxation with family and friends.

For Dr Rolen's current and past patients, Lifetime Vision Source has your files. They'd like to build on the quality care you've come to expect from Dr Rolen for over 35 years

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