

Ambulance Service update and Transition Strategy

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cial soundness for operation.

3. Show its service will provide quality care to all persons residing in or passing through the service area.

4. Follow all regulations about ambulance service as set forth by the Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Medical Board of Medical Examiners, and Oregon DMV.

5. Provide the following information in the proposal: number and types of ambulances, including medical equipment; vehicle storage arrangements; communication capabilities; dispatching capabilities; and number of personnel, qualifications, and their method of providing prehospital emergency medical continuing education training.

6. Adhere to all policies, procedures, and guidelines outlined in the Morrow County ASA Plan and the enacting Ordinance.

Jensen mentioned that the ambulance service re-

quires compensation due to the insufficient number of ambulance calls. It is not feasible to run the service with a fully staffed model. Therefore, applicants need to specify the compensation they would require from the county. Additionally, Jensen highlighted the importance of applying per the ASA (Ambulance Service Agreement) to ensure a fair comparison. For instance, if the Umatilla fire district wishes to cover Irrigon, they should focus solely on that area. Conversely, if MCHD wants to cover all areas, they need to present a comprehensive plan detailing how they would divide the services and also provide an alternative approach in case they are not assigned all areas. Moreover, applicants must demonstrate a solid financial setup and indicate the potential assistance they may need from the county.

How the advisory committee will be formed:

Bob Blackmore, the legal consultant for the ASA, joined the meeting

via Zoom. Commissioner Sykes inquired about the recommendations of Jensen and Blackmore regarding the selection of an advisory committee.

Blackmore suggested that a diverse group of individuals representing various facets of the community should be included to ensure a wide range of perspectives. He also emphasized the importance of including experienced ambulance providers and an emergency manager. The Public Health director was suggested as a potential committee chair. Blackmore further advised selecting individuals whom the commissioners trust and who can provide fair advice.

Sykes sought clarification, noting that while there will always be an advisory committee, the question remains whether to appoint one specifically for the initial selection of providers. Ultimately, a committee will be formed, either before or after the provider is named.

Blackmore explained

that the OHA does not require an advisory committee before the initial selection, but one can be established to advise the county if desired. Additional individuals can be brought in to assist as deemed necessary. The decision lies in the commissioners' preferred approach.

Jensen proposed involving the city councils from the five cities to nominate committee members who are unaffiliated with BFRD, MCHD, or any potential provider. Furthermore, Jensen suggested considering an EMS coordinator from Umatilla County or Gilliam County to provide impartial ambulance oversight.

Following the discussion, the commissioners instructed Jensen to initiate the formation of an advisory committee. Jensen agreed to begin by requesting a representative from each city who is not affiliated with any relevant entities.

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copies provided at a reasonable cost. Contact Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main ST. PO Box 756 Heppner OR 97836. Phone (541) 676-9618. Persons who wish to attend this meeting and need assistance are asked to call City Hall or TTY relay 1-800-735-2900. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87976499461> Meeting ID: 879 7649 9461
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

JAMES BYRON MILLER, Deceased. CASE No:24PB02271
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS FOR THE COUNTY OF MORROW PROBATE DEPARTMENT In the Matter of the Estate of: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned individual has been appointed personal representative of the estate of JAMES BYRON MILLER, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative in care of the law office of Bendixsen Law, P.C., attorneys for the personal representative at 245 E. Main St. Suite E, Hermiston, OR 97838, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the record of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative. Dated and first published on March 27, 2024.

s/ Emelyn C. Miller
Personal Representative
c/o Cameron Bendixsen, Attorney for Personal Representative
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PUBLIC NOTICE MORROW COUNTY LAND USE HEARING

THE MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will hold the following hearings of public interest on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. at the Morrow County Government Center, 215 NE Main Street in Irrigon, OR 97844. For information on meeting participation via Zoom please visit the Board of Commissioners website. <https://zoom.us/j/5416762546> and click on Agenda and the Zoom link will be located within the agenda dated for this hearing. AC-153-24 Comprehensive Plan Amendment; Goal Exception. Passage Solar- OneEnergy Inc., Applicant. Goal 3 exception required to impact up to 738.6-acres of High-Value Farmland for the construction and operation of a 120-MW solar photovoltaic energy generation facility within the Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zone. The property is located ±17 miles southeast of Hermiston and ±22 miles southeast of Boardman (Tax Lot 1200 of Assessor's Map 03N27 & Tax Lot 100 of Assessor's Map 02N27). Applicable Criteria include Morrow County Zoning Ordinance (MCZO) Article 8 Amendments and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 660-004-0010.

Copies of the staff report and all relevant documents will be available on or before April 5, 2024. For more information, please contact Tamra Mabbott

by email at tmabbott@co.morrow.or.us or by phone at (541) 922-4624. DATED this 22nd day of March 2024 MORROW COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT Publish Date: EO – March 26th, 2024; Gazette Times – March 27th, 2024 Published March 27, 2024 affid 1c

The City Council for the City of Heppner announces a (3) vacancies in the newly created Economic Development Committee. This City is looking for individuals with a passion to see Heppner grow and prosper. These positions will be filled by Council appointment. The term shall run for a three year period, with the current terms expiring on 12-31-26. To be eligible to serve in this office a person must be a qualified elector within the meaning of the State Constitution and reside within the city limits for one year immediately prior to appointment. Interested persons are asked to send a letter of interest with qualifications by Friday, April 6th at 12:00 Noon. Letters of interest can be delivered to City Hall at 111 North Main Street, Heppner, Oregon 97836 or emailed to manager@cityofheppner.org All interested city residents are encouraged to apply.
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MORROW COUNTY NOTICE OF FIRST HEARING ON ENACTING MORROW COUNTY'S AMBULANCE SERVICE ORDINANCE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE MC-C-4-98 STATE OF OREGON

ss. County of Morrow NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: that on April 3, 2024, a Public Hearing will be held in the Bartholomew Building, Heppner, Oregon, to consider the enactment of Morrow County's Ambulance Service Ordinance and Repealing Ordinance MC-C-4-98 (the "Ordinance") under the authority of ORS 203.035, 203.045, 682.031, 682.062, and OAR 333-260-0000 to 333-260-0070. The Board of Commissioners' first hearing on the enactment of the Ordinance is scheduled for April 3, 2024, at 1:00 pm, at the Bartholomew Building, 110 N Court St., Heppner, Oregon. The Board of Commissioners will hear testimony and receive written comments about the enactment of the Ordinance. All interested persons may appear and be heard. Copies of the Ordinance are available at the Bartholomew Building to all people who request a copy. Persons wishing to submit written statements before the hearing may mail them to the Morrow County Administrator's Office, Attn: Matthew Jensen, P.O. Box 788, Heppner, Oregon 97836, in time for them to be received by April 2, 2024.

This notice will be printed in the Heppner Gazette on March 27, 2024, and posted at the Morrow County Courthouse (100 S Court St, Heppner, Oregon), Bartholomew Building, and Irrigon Government Building (205 NE Main Ave, Irrigon, Oregon) at least seven (7) days before said hearing. Dated this 27th day of March, 2024. Morrow County, Oregon
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Best of the West Long-Range Shoot



ELR Heavy class winners (L-R) Justin Linenbach, Stan Cutsforth, Kasey Jones. - Contributed Photo

The Best of the West Long-Range Shoot, which took place last weekend on the 23rd and 24th, was a highly anticipated event for shooting enthusiasts. The competition was divided into two categories - the ELR Heavy class on Saturday and the Lights class on Sunday.

The ELR Heavy class showcased the skills of the participants in long-range shooting, with distances ranging from an impressive 1941 yards to an astounding 3564 yards. The top

performers in this category were Kasey Jones, Stan Cutsforth, and Justin Linenbach, who showcased their precision and accuracy with their shots.

On Sunday, it was time for the Lights class, which involved shooting at distances ranging from 844 yards to 2507 yards. The winners in this category were David Kent, Stan Cutsforth, and Mike Warnberg. Their expertise and marksmanship were evident as they hit their targets with remarkable precision.



Light class winners (L-R) Mike Warnberg, Stan Cutsforth, Morgan Cutsforth, David Kent, Ethan Zimmerman. - Contributed Photo

This class also included the Youths class with Morgan Cutsforth and Ethan Zimmerman.

This prestigious event would not have been possible without the generous support of the sponsors including Leapold Longshot, Manners Composite Stock, Black Rock Performance, Peirce, Seekins, Thunder Beast Arms, Billy Goat Precision, DNA Custom Engraving, Long Range Sports, 40 Taps from Pendleton, Peterson Brass, and Bertram Brass. Their

contributions and support were crucial in organizing a successful and memorable event.

The Best of the West Long-Range Shoot not only showcased the remarkable skills of the participants but also served as a platform to bring together shooting enthusiasts. It provided an opportunity for like-minded individuals to share their knowledge, learn from each other, and celebrate the art of long-range shooting.

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Form OR-LB-NBC Notice of Budget Committee Meeting
Oregon Department of Revenue

A Use this notice if public comment will be taken at this meeting.

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Port of Morrow (District name), Morrow (County), State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 20 24 to June 30, 20 25, will be held at Riverfront Center (Location)
2 Marine Dr., Boardman, OR (Address). The meeting will take place on April 16, 2024 (Date) at 3:30 a.m. p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.
This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 16, 2024 (Date) at Riverfront Center (Location) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. p.m. and 4:00 a.m. p.m.

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Oregon Department of Revenue

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A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the IRFPD6-604 (District name), Morrow (County), State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 20 24 to June 30, 20 25, will be held at Ione Fire Hall (Location)
150 W. Main Street, Ione, OR 97843 (Address). The meeting will take place on April 8th, 2024 (Date) at 7:30 a.m. p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.
This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 10th, 2024 (Date) at MCGG 385 W Main St., Ione, (Location) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. p.m. and 5:00 a.m. p.m.

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