



Firefighters on the roof after responding to a blaze on Second Avenue Sunday night.

City of Seaside

All safe after two-alarm Second Avenue blaze

Seaside Signal

Seaside firefighters responded to a two-alarm blaze Sunday night at 845 Second Ave.

Reports of smoke from the structure coming from the back of the structure that backs into an alleyway between First and Second avenues were first reported at 9:08 p.m.

Crews arrived on scene a short time later and put out the blaze by 9:50.

Although the structure sits in a cluster of three



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Seaside firefighters and surrounding units responded to a blaze on Second Avenue Sunday.

homes, evacuation of nearby residents was unnecessary, and firefighters determined the first did not pose threat

to other structures in the area. No one was injured during the fire nor did the home appear to have any residents living there.

It appears the blaze originated from crawl space near the base of the house, firefighters said Monday, but the official cause is undetermined.

Seaside received support and mutual aid from Astoria, Cannon Beach, Elsie-Vine Maple, Gearhart, Hamlet, Lewis and Clark, Knappa, Nehalem, Olney, Walluski and Warrenton fire crews.

MEMORIALS

David Franklin Bodway

David Franklin Bodway passed away on November 21, 2019, surrounded by family at Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital in Hood River, Oregon. David was born on April 06, 1931, and was 88 years of age at the time of his passing.



Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center (Funerals • Receptions • Cremations) 1401 Belmont Avenue, Hood River, Oregon 97031. Visit www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

On track



R.J. Marx

Wheel Fun has begun work on the track system of its Avenue C location. "We hope to have the train up and running by spring break," said Wheel Fun owner Patrick Duhachek. "Although a lot of track is down, a lot of the worn rail needs to be replaced and additional track purchased."

Heather Reynolds steps down after 25 years

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Heather Reynolds

Heather Reynolds, who has served as Clatsop County counsel for 25 years, has announced she will step down.

The recruitment and selection process to replace her is expected to take about six months. Reynolds plans to stay on until someone is hired.

"Heather has been an instrumental member of the county team for many years," County Manager Don Bohn said in an email. "I am gratified that she will be staying on during the transition to new counsel. Her experience and sage legal advice will be missed — but thankfully she will be close by and we won't be shy reaching out."

Reynolds' announcement comes one year before

her contract ends. She said the decision by the county Board of Commissioners to appoint a parliamentarian earlier this year precipitated her to leave early.

Sarah Nebeker, the commission's chairwoman, named Larry Taylor, a long-time Democratic Party activist, as parliamentarian to help advise her on how to run board meetings.

"The hiring of the parliamentarian was clearly a vote of no confidence in some of the abilities of counsel and I felt that ... if that was a concern of theirs then they needed to have someone address those concerns in one position," Reynolds said. "It's difficult to control a meeting when there's two

point people on it."

Moving forward, she recommends county commissioners hire an in-house county counsel as opposed to a contract attorney like her.

"What happens is the fires get fought, but the planning to prevent the next fire doesn't get done and we really need someone full time," Reynolds said.

Reynolds said she thinks it is a good time for the transition now that the county has Bohn's leadership.

"He is absolutely fantastic and I knew that with his years of experience that a new counsel coming in would have a lot of support and guidance. And that's a good time to bring someone in if you want them to stay for a while, which we do," she said.

Reynolds will continue her private legal practice, but plans to cut back on her

public work and focus on land and business transactions and estate planning. She is looking forward to taking longer vacations with her husband.

"The historical knowledge she has of the county for the past 20-plus years is going to be a significant loss to the county," said Monica Steele, the county's budget director and assistant county manager.

Reynolds moved to Clatsop County in 1981 and began working at Macdonald, McAllister Snow after graduating from law school at Willamette University.

After a couple of years, she went out on her own. In between her career as an attorney, she spent eight years as a judge in Clatsop and Pacific counties until she found being a judge did not suit her personality.

Reynolds became the county counsel in 1995.

The county contracts with private attorneys and legal firms for legal services, but Reynolds has served as the county's steady legal adviser.

"I was always kind of the one that managed the stable of lawyers and opened and shut the barn door, I guess you could say," she said.

"Heather has been a great asset to Clatsop County, her experience and wisdom will be impossible to replace," Blair Henningsgaard, an Astoria attorney, said in an email. "She has a gift for clearly and forcefully advocating a position without being offensive."

Reynolds and Henningsgaard served as co-county counsels for several years.

During her time as county counsel, Reynolds has worked with over a dozen county managers. She said the legal adviser for a county is traditionally

— and should be — a position of stability.

She said a lot of what she has done through the years has depended on the strengths and desires of the county manager.

"So in times when there's an interim I tend to be more involved in some of the day-to-day issues. And then when there's a manager with a set program and things are organized, I tend to be more focused on the legal issues of what people are working on," Reynolds said.

"I just tried to do my best for the county and keep it on a steady course and keep it out of trouble," she said.

Reynolds said she has enjoyed the people she has worked with over the years, especially the county staff.

"I think the county is incredibly lucky to have the dedicated staff that it has," she said. "Many of them are such experts in their fields."

PUBLIC SAFETY LOGS



Nov. 15
7:59 a.m., Chamber restrooms: A person is warned of unlawful lodging.

1:22 p.m., 200 block Avenue A: Seaside police assist another agency arresting a person wanted on a warrant.

Nov. 16
8:12 p.m., 3400 block S. Hemlock: Seaside police assist Cannon Beach police on a disturbance.

11:48 p.m., Avenue A: Intoxicated subjects reported to be engaged in a disturbance agree to return to their hotel accommodations, located approximately five feet away.

Nov. 17
12:25 a.m., 400 block Avenue G: Two people yelling and screaming at each other are advised of a complaint. They said they were heading on to the beach. No further action taken.

4:26 a.m., 1300 block Avenue U: A dog reported stuck between a wall and a dumpster freed itself prior to police arrival.

5:24 p.m., Beach: Caller reports a woman screaming and crying on the beach. Subject tells officer she is screaming at the ocean because her dog was hit by a car that day.

Nov. 18
12:57 a.m., Roosevelt and Avenue H: A subject is warned he should not be standing in the middle of the road.

7:06 a.m., 800 block Ocean Way: A disturbance is reported; another disturbance at the same address is reported at 7:54 a.m.

11:22 a.m., 800 block Ocean Way: A disturbance is reported.

8:58 p.m., 800 block Avenue M: Caller reports teenaged males rummaging through trash; officers canvassing the area find no one of that description.

Nov. 19
10:43 a.m., Beach and Eleventh Avenue: A transient tent reported and soon after located on the beach is empty; police took it down.

8:05 p.m., 1000 block S. Downing: Suspicious circumstances are reported.

Nov. 20
8:25 a.m., Police headquarters: A person came in to register as a sex offender.

4:08 p.m., Police headquarters: A person came into for their annual registration as a sex offender.

9:25 p.m., First Avenue: A violation of the liquor laws is reported.

Nov. 21
8:52 a.m., 1000 block S. Downing: Sex crimes are reported.

7:20 p.m., 800 block Avenue M: A disturbance is reported.



Nov. 15
1:10 a.m., Forest Drive: Emergency medical response.

8:20 a.m., 2600 block Highway 101: Emergency medical response.

1:18 p.m., 1000 block N. Roosevelt: Fire alarm.

2:37 p.m., 2300 block S. Roosevelt: Fire investigation.

Nov. 16
11:26 a.m., 1000 block S. Downing: Police responding to a request for a welfare check learn the subject of the request has been transported to the hospital.

Nov. 17
3:10 a.m., Avenue G: Emergency medical response.

3:24 p.m., 800 block 26th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

Nov. 18
9:05 a.m., 800 block Necanicum: Emergency medical response.

Nov. 20
1:16 p.m., 400 block Hillside Loop: Emergency medical response.

10:58 p.m., 900 block N. Holladay: Emergency medical response. Medics on scene.

Nov. 21
5:53 a.m., 1000 block Avenue F: Fire investigation.

1:32 p.m., Fifteenth and Franklin: Emergency medical response.

9:11 p.m., 2500 block Millcreek Lane: Emergency medical response.



Two vehicles lose control on icy roadway

On Nov. 22 at 7:05 a.m. on Highway 26 near Mile Post 11, a driver traveling eastbound lost control of their vehicle on a curve; the road was slick and the vehicle left the roadway and rolled into a ditch.

Three occupants of the vehicle were transported to the hospital with minor injuries prior to police arrival. The vehicle was substantially damaged.

A witness traveling east-

bound told police she saw the vehicle lose control and crash.

The state police officer at the scene of the incident reported that at 10:28 a.m. while on scene, he observed a driver traveling westbound near Mile Post 11 driving at an unsafe speed given the icy conditions.

This vehicle, pulling a box

trailer, was in the passing lane and passing other vehicles when it passed out of sight of the officer; at the next curve, the driver lost control of the vehicle and jackknifed it, striking the guard rail, causing substantial damage to his truck, trailer, and the ODOT guard rail. No injuries were reported.



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