

First a "practice" fire, then the real thing for Vernonia firefighters

Firefighters with the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District spent 12 hours on the job Sunday, May 18, with part of it planned and part of it not planned.

Sunday morning was already scheduled for a practice burn - a training exercise where the department delib-

erately burns a structure that no longer has any value - that started about 8:00 a.m. on A Street.

Practice burns are controlled by experienced firefighters manning the hoses to keep the structure from burning too fast. Among other things, this provides the op-

portunity for those with less experience to practice entering a burning building while using breathing equipment. Training officers stay with the trainees at all times.

The slow burn also means that a fire that could be extinguished in an hour or less may take up to three hours.

Just as the crew returned from the practice burn to the fire station, an out-of-control fire was reported near Pebble Creek Road, putting them (and other volunteer firefight-

ers) on the job in a very real situation.

In the 4-1/2 hours before the fire was extinguished, it burned approximately three acres and called on the skills of twenty-two firefighters, 18 from VRFPD and four from Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District. Equipment used included one pumper and two tenders (tankers) from Vernonia, two tenders

from M-B, and a Vernonia ambulance standing by.

In addition, three Mist firefighters and a pumper from M-BRFPD were stationed at the Vernonia fire hall in case another call came in.

After returning from the fire, the volunteers still had to clean up the equipment and get it ready for the next call. They finished about 8:00 p.m. Sunday night.

E-VRFPD hot dogs, rummage sale

A rummage sale and hot dog feed will be held over the Memorial Day weekend, May 23-26, at the Elsie-Vinemapple Fire Station on Highway 26 across from Elderberry Inn.

Anyone wishing to sell their own merchandise may rent

booth space. Good, saleable donations are still needed, as well. Call 755-2233 or 755-2407 for more information.

The fund raiser is being sponsored by the Elsie-Vinemapple Firefighters Association.

Vernonia PD hosts Bicycle Rodeo

A Bicycle Rodeo will be held Saturday, May 31, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. behind Washington Grade School in Vernonia.

There will be an obstacle course and instructions on safe bicycle handling. The Vernonia Police Department, which is sponsoring the Bike Rodeo, will register bicycles, provide safety inspections, and furnish "bicycle manuals."

Also available will be helmets for students who do not have one (quantities limited), and free T-shirts, while they last.

Students, age 14 or under, are welcome to register bikes at the Rodeo. Bring your bike and your helmet!

Burn Permits needed

A Burn Permit is required for anyone who wants to have a fire outdoors. Burn Permits are available from the Vernonia Fire Department, 555 E. Bridge St., weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For Burn Day information, call 429-8004. All other business should be directed to 429-8252.

Address sign project nearing completion

The rural addressing program undertaken by the Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters is almost complete. There are only a small number of roads not marked with the signs.

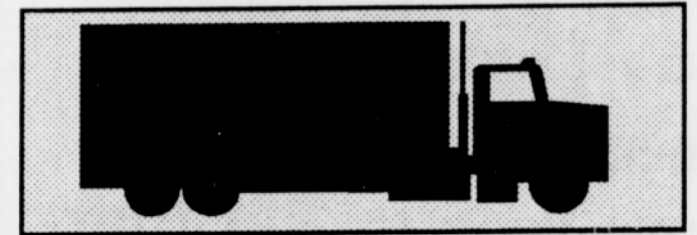
If you do not have one of the reflective green signs with white numbers marking your address, please call the Fire Department at 429-8252 and let them know. They will be sure to get one to you.

The volunteers also want to thank all who donated \$10 per sign; it has helped make the program possible. Donations will be gratefully accepted to help with the program. They may be mailed to Vernonia Fire Department, P.O. Box 346, Vernonia 97064.

Truck Driving School for Columbia County Workers who have been Laid Off or are Out of Work

MTC has funding to retrain a limited number of eligible people. You must apply for this training before June 2, 1997.

MTC will be working with IITR (International Institute of Transportation Resource, INC.) to provide the training in the St. Helens area.



If you have been working but are now out of work come to:

Management & Training Corporation
500 N. Columbia River Hwy., Suite 300
St. Helens, Oregon 97051
503-397-6495 or TDD 503-325-6109

Find out more about a Career in Truck Driving

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FORM LB-1

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

a.m. p.m. Republication

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Vernonia will be held on June 16, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. at Vernonia City Library. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997 as approved by the City of Vernonia Budget Committee.

A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 919 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064 between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM. This certifies that the budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is consistent not consistent with the basis of accounting used during the preceding year. Major changes, if any, and their effect on the budget, are explained below.

County	City	Date	Chairperson of Governing Body	Telephone Number
Columbia	Vernonia	5-19-97	Chaperson M. Parrow	503-429-5291

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		Adopted Budget This Year-1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year-1997-1998
1. Total Personal Services	708,581	638,262	
2. Total Material and Services	1,116,886	1,709,162	
3. Total Capital Outlay	1,010,118	1,074,928	
4. Total Debt Service	129,748	128,464	
5. Total Transfers	60,000		
6. Total Contingencies	415,353	365,162	
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	168,865	127,844	
9. Total Requirements - add lines 1 through 8	3,609,551	4,043,822	
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	3,225,702	3,645,822	
11. Total Property Taxes Required to Balance Budget	383,849	398,000	
12. Total Resources - add lines 10 and 11	3,609,551	4,043,822	
13. Total Property Taxes Required to Balance Budget (line 11)	383,849	398,000	
14. Plus: Estimated Property Taxes Not to be Received			
A. Loss Due to Constitutional Limits	0	0	
B. Discounts Allowed, Other Uncollected Amounts	28,748	40,443	
15. Total Tax Levy - add lines 13 and 14	412,597	438,443	
16. Levy Within the Tax Base	412,597	438,443	
17. One-Year Levy Outside the Tax Base	0	0	
18. Serial and Continuing Levies	0	0	
19. Levy for Payment of Bonded Debt	0	0	
20. Total of lines 16 through 19 (equals line 15)	412,597	438,443	

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Debt Outstanding None As Summarized Debt Authorized, Not Incurred None As Summarized

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Long-Term Debt	Estimated Debt Outstanding at the Beginning of the Budget Year	Estimated Debt Authorized, Not Incurred at the Beginning of the Budget Year
	July 1, 1997 - 1998 Approved Budget Year	July 1, 1997 - 1998 Approved Budget Year
Bonds	1,496,297	0
Interest Bearing Warrants	113,479	0
Other		
Total Indebtedness	1,609,776	0

FORM LB-2

FUNDS NOT REQUIRING A PROPERTY TAX TO BE LEVIED

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Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Water			
1. Total Personal Services	90,572	133,072	78,238
2. Total Materials and Services	73,412	86,000	94,800
3. Total Capital Outlay	8,026	8,028	19,028
4. Total Debt Service	20,930	21,170	21,083
5. Total Transfers			
6. Total Contingencies		84,639	57,153
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			

8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	119,778	20,530	21,048
9. Total Requirements	312,718	353,439	291,350
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	312,718	353,439	291,350

Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Sewer			
1. Total Personal Services	37,286	53,895	81,238
2. Total Materials and Services	28,611	146,605	181,500
3. Total Capital Outlay	17,521	120,000	25,000
4. Total Debt Service	119,803	108,578	107,381
5. Total Transfers		141,980	87,585
6. Total Contingencies			
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	391,615	108,578	106,796
9. Total Requirements	594,836	679,636	589,500
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	594,836	679,636	589,500

Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Streets			
1. Total Personal Services	8,901	10,000	26,192
2. Total Materials and Services	43,220	132,700	148,200
3. Total Capital Outlay			
4. Total Debt Service			
5. Total Transfers			
6. Total Contingencies		73,849	16,958
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	67,746		
9. Total Requirements	119,867	216,549	191,350
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	119,867	216,549	191,350

Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Cemetery			
1. Total Personal Services			
2. Total Materials and Services	9,673	12,350	7,350
3. Total Capital Outlay		22,000	
4. Total Debt Service			
5. Total Transfers		30,000	
6. Total Contingencies			14,650
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	46,996	19,646	
9. Total Requirements	56,669	83,996	22,000
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	56,669	83,996	22,000

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Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Ambulance			
1. Total Personal Services			
2. Total Materials and Services			
3. Total Capital Outlay			
4. Total Debt Service			
5. Total Transfers	32,009		
6. Total Contingencies			
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance			
9. Total Requirements	32,009	0	0
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	32,009	0	0

Name of Fund	Actual Data Last Year 1995-1996	Adopted Budget This Year 1996-1997	Approved Budget Next Year 1997-1998
Resoration 102 Sinking Fund			
1. Total Personal Services			
2. Total Materials and Services			
3. Total Capital Outlay	408	1,880	500
4. Total Debt Service			
5. Total Transfers			
6. Total Contingencies			1,480
7. Total All Other Expenditures and Requirements			
8. Total Unappropriated or Ending Fund Balance	1,933	533	
9. Total Requirements	2,341	2,413	1,980
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes	2,341	2,413	1,980

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