



Students line up in the playshed before heading into Washington Grade School for the first day of classes on September 7. Kindergarten started on September 13.

Board approves IGAs with city

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and was the choice of the committee. The board unanimously authorized Superintendent Ken Cox to negotiate a contract with P&C Construction to build the new school. Cox told the board that due to FEMA requirements the district may not be able to break ground until November.

The board also approved Inter-Governmental Agreements (IGAs) with the City of Vernonia regarding Missouri St. upgrades, and the Spencer Park land transfer. On the Missouri St. IGA, the city will do the initial landscaping and the school district will pay for it. The district will pay 100 percent of the cost of street lights for the first five years, then they will pay 50 percent. Additionally, the district will work with the city on

wetland construction (which must be monitored for five years), with the city maintaining the work for up to 20 hours per month. Additionally, the district will buy the Spencer Park land and the city will buy the existing school property, then the district will lease back the land until the buildings have been removed and maintain the fields (during the lease period).

The district has scheduled a Town Hall meeting on the new schools project for September 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria (green building).

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 14, starting at 6:00 p.m. Watch the reader board, as this meeting may be held in the cafeteria instead of in the district office.

Road information sought by Washington County by Sept. 30

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provisions of these standards and specifications are intended to provide a safe and reliable transportation system and to preserve, protect, and improve the public transportation infrastructure.

The standards are intended to ensure the long-term viability of the transportation system and avoid unnecessary and excessive maintenance and replacement costs.

They are based on modern design principles as well as practical construction methods. They replace the 1998 edition

adopted in Ordinance 524, and are intended to be consistent with the requirements established in the Washington County 2020 Transportation Plan and the Washington County Community Development Code.

Jason needs a new family

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belongings with others around him and is great at taking turns.

Jason would do great in a family that he knew was his forever family and would do best in a family that provided him with structure, routine, consistency, and lots of love. Jason does not appear to need any extra supervision above what is

appropriate for his age. He would love to be a big brother and has said that he is excited to have a family of his own where he won't ever have to move. Jason is a very special little boy who has so much to offer. Any family willing to commit to Jason would be rewarded with a lifetime of laughter, enjoyment, memories and love.

50 Years Ago This Month

Comments and input may be submitted by using the online form at <http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/Engineering/ConsultantResources/wcurds-public-review.cfm> or by FAX at 503-846-7910.

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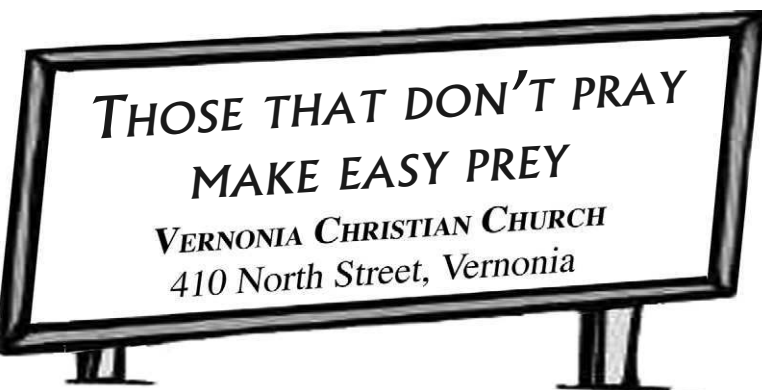
sus that three per year at any single address should be the limit, but no specific action was taken.

Planning Commission Chairman Jim Tierney also requested that copies of the city's Comprehensive Plan, and the Attorney General's Public Records and Meeting Manual be provided for each planning commission member. The council agreed that the information should be made available.

Following the joint session, the planning commission held their regular meeting and three public hearings.

A request for variance in the fence height limitation was requested by Debbie Elliott in order to build an 8' fence in her back yard. A public hearing was set to consider Elliott's request.

At the public hearings the commission granted requests for variance to Marvin E. Meyers to build a 4' chain link fence for Phyllis Wood on Riverside Drive; to Dirk and Noni Andersen for a two foot encroachment on the setback from the back lot line of their property on State Avenue; and to Richard and Cammie Waddell to open a business on Bridge Street without offstreet parking.



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Seniors: Free Zoo day is September 21

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and their guests can pet animals at the Trillium Creek Family Farm, attend animal talks, ride the zoo train, take in a "Wild Life Live!" presentation on the concert lawn and enjoy special musical performances. A senior lunch special will be available at the picnic shelter and in zoo restaurants.

Seniors can also watch

orangutans and white-cheeked gibbons swing and climb through the zoo's new Red Ape Reserve exhibit, which opened September 3.

Providence Home and Community Services is providing free wheelchairs for use on a first-come, first-served basis. The supply is limited, so people who need wheelchairs are urged to bring their own if pos-

sible. Volunteers will be available to assist with wheelchair navigation.

The zoo opens at 9 a.m. daily and is located just off Highway 26. The zoo is also accessible by MAX light rail line. A parking fee of \$2 per car is also required. Additional information is available at www.oregonzoo.org or by calling 503-226-1561.