

CITY OF BAKER CITY

On the Historic Oregon Trail. Established 1874

Weekly Update July 10, 2015

Administration

This week two windows were replaced through a historical preservation grant. The 1970's aluminum framed windows were removed and wood framed **Marvin** windows replaced them. The work was completed by **Ne-Hi Enterprises** and it turned out fantastic. As a result of the project the large arches that had been covered by tin were revealed. The City will follow-up by removing paint from the glass of the arches.



Finance Department

Accounts Receivable -

Monthly accounts receivable billings were sent June 10th. The billings were as follows:

Accounts Payable - The first of two accounts payable check runs for the month was generated July 10th.

Utilities:

- ◆ Zone 2 will be billed Monday, July 13th.
- ◆ Two residential customers (Zone 1) were scheduled to have their water turned off for non-pay (over 60 days past due); they were both paid prior to service being turned off.
- ◆ 82 late notices were sent July 7th.

Accounts Receivable	
Property and Weed Abatement	\$ 2,469
Cemetery	\$ 5,196
Wastewater Maintenance/ Dumping Fees	\$ 3,915
Lien Searches	\$ 1,360
Ambulance	\$ 333,283
Golf Course Equipment Lease	\$ 5,039
Airport Hangar Rent and Ground Lease	\$ 3,586
Street Patching/Misc.	\$ 2,580
Radio Repairs/Replacement	\$ 2,824
OTEC Tree Vouchers	\$ 1,100
Miscellaneous	\$ 804
Total:	\$ 362,156

City Council

*July 14th Agenda
Items:*

**Task Order T-O
Engineers*

**Resolution to Adopt
the Oregon Savings
Growth Plan*

**Appoint Volunteers
to Commissions*

**Revised
Development Code
Ordinance*

**Presentation by
Oregon Climate*

**Ordinance to
Remove Annexed
Properties from Rural*





BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Baker City Building Department provides full plan review and inspection services for building, plumbing, electrical and mechanical on new and remodel construction within Baker County. For more information please visit: www.bakercity.com/departments/building



Photo by: Base Camp Baker

COMMERCIAL PROJECTS:

Issued one new permit for replacing an under floor structure at 28716 Old Hwy 30, Baker City



RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:

Issued one new residential permit for a new 40x60 Shop – 42893 Pocahontas Road, Baker City

Permits

	Permits Issued City	Inspections City	Permits Issued County	Inspections County
BUILDING	0	13	2	7
MANUFACTURED DWELLING	0	0	0	0
ELECTRICAL	8	N/A	4	N/A
MECHANICAL	3	2	0	0
PLUMBING	3	4	0	0
FENCE	1	N/A	0	N/A
TOTAL	15	19	6	7

Compliance

No new compliance inspections were completed this week.

Historic District Design Review Commission

No new information this week.



PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Development Code Update

The Baker City Planning Commission has recommended a draft updating the Development Code for adoption by the City Council. The proposed changes will be considered by the Baker City Council on Tuesday, July 14th, 2015, at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend, and additional ideas or comments on the proposed Development Code changes are welcome.

To date, Planning Department staff has consulted with over 75 Baker City property owners who have visited or called the office about the update, and received over 6,400 views to the project website. Information about the proposed changes and a draft in PDF form are available at <http://www.bakercity.com/departments/planning/123>, or by calling the office at 541-523-8219.

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission will meet on July 16 at 7:00 pm to consider two matters:

A petition was submitted to the Baker City Planning Department to vacate a dead-end portion of E Street near its intersection with East Street.

An application for a Conditional Use Permit for a residential addition to an existing commercial/residential building was submitted for 1950 Place Street.

All property owners within 150 feet of the subject areas were notified, and notification signs have been posted at the locations.

Projects and Approvals

A partition has been approved for a property at 41302 Highway 30, located in the Urban Growth Boundary in the General Commercial zone. Post notices describing the decision that was made and the opportunity to submit an appeal were sent out this week.

A property line adjustment has been approved for 605 and 635 Foothill Drive. The two properties are zoned Residential Medium-Density (R-MD).

A property line adjustment has been approved for 1085 11th Street & 2930 Westview Drive. The two properties are zoned Residential Medium-Density (R-MD).

A Zone Verification was issued for 2990 10th Street. The property is zoned Commercial – General (CG).

A Land Use Review Application was submitted for an addition to a single family dwelling at 2209 Cherry Street. The application is currently under review.

Baker City is working with the Oregon Department of Transportation and Baker County to create an Interchange Area Management Plan for I-84 exits 302 and 306. Maps, information and project documents are available at the project website, <http://sites.kittelson.com/BakerCityIAMPs>.



The mission of the Baker City Fire Department is to protect the community through quality preparation and excellent service.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Last week the Fire Department responded to a total of **31** emergency alarms.

FIRE REPORTS

General Alarms	0
Still Alarms	5
TOTAL FIRE RESPONSES	5



- ◆ Park St.—Public Assist
- ◆ Hwy 7—Motor Vehicle Accident
- ◆ Riverpark Dr.—Burn Complaint
- ◆ East St.—Burn Complaint

TRAINING/ MAINTENANCE

This week the BCFD completed **23** hours of in-house training during the week.

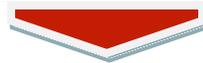
- OSHA/SDS Review
- Thunderstorm Safety
- EMS – Review of Bicycle Classic Incident Action Plan

AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

City Calls	19
Rural Calls	7
Patient Transported	21
No Patient Trip	5

TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES

Out of Town Transfers	1
Airport Transfers	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2
Simultaneous Calls	0
Triple Calls	1



- ◆ Mitchell St.—Illegal Burn

MAINTENANCE/OTHER

47 hours of station, apparatus, equipment maintenance, and other activities including:

- Station, apparatus and equipment maintenance
- Daily medication and equipment checks and maintenance
- Hose maintenance

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Additional Services to the community:

- BP checks at senior center.
- Fire prevention inspections.
- Station Tour
- Bicycle Classic EMS Coverage



The Fire Department provides free blood pressure readings at the Senior Center every Tuesday, at 11am. Don't miss the next check on July 14th.



POLICE **DEPARTMENT**

"The mission of the Baker City Police is to work in partnership with our community members, to actively promote the safety and welfare of our citizens, along with enriching their quality of life through the delivery of professional police services."



★ BCPD handled over 239 incidents this past week, opening 35 new cases. Two cases resulted in arrests for DUII that took place at the beginning of the holiday weekend.

★ This weekend, we welcome the Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally. Look for the "Turbo" pins that will be available for purchase. This fundraiser will raise funds towards bringing a new K9 dog to Baker City. Turbo has retired from the department after eight years serving as our drug-sniffing canine.



★ The Hearing's Officer for the City of Baker City presided over a dangerous dog hearing in which the dog was deemed as dangerous as per the Dangerous Dog Ordinance.

★ BCPD personnel participated in several briefing trainings, including a review of various Officer Safety topics.

★ BCPD Administrative Assistant / Car Seat Technician Phoebe Wachtel continues to assist families with car seat installations each week.

Code Enforcement Weekly Activity

Property Maintenance

Started 2 new cases
Followed up on 7 old cases
Issued 3 citations for non-compliance

Animal Complaints

Followed up on 2 barking dog complaints
Followed up on 1 animal welfare complaint

Dog Bite

Followed up on 1 dog bite case

Dangerous Dog

Issued 1 citation for non-compliance
Followed up on 1 case

Parking Violations

Issued 11 parking citations
Followed up on 6 parking complaints

Weed Complaint

Followed up on 27 weed complaints
Cited 1 violation for non-compliance

Development Code Offenses

Followed up on 1 violation

Found Item

1 found bicycle returned to owner
5 found Items

Temporary Used Permit

Followed up on 2 complaints

Prescription Drug Drop Box

Since December 2013, a prescription drug drop box has been installed in the lobby at the Baker City Police Department, allowing citizens to drop off outdated or unneeded prescription drugs at any time. This new option is in addition to the BCPD bi-annual prescription drug take back program, initiated by the Drug Enforcement Administration.



PUBLIC WORKS

Crews from Hampton Paving began the project on the Myrtle Street end. Here they are working to match the paving with the top of the concrete steps that lead down to the river. A technician with MTI is in the foreground checking a thermometer that was placed in the asphalt to insure that it is being placed at the proper temperature.

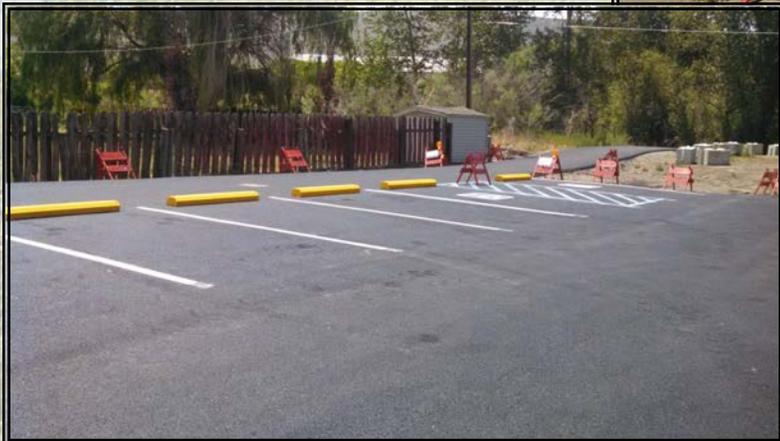


An employee with Hampton Paving completes the finish rolling on the pathway. This photo is near the Main Street end where the pathway drops down closer to the river at a popular river access spot.

Here the final section of asphalt is being placed in the trailhead parking area.



The trailhead has now been striped and is available for use by the public. The trailhead can be accessed from Resort Street. No river or trailhead access is available off of Main Street.





PUBLIC WORKS

Jake and Dennis were busy earlier this week working on vessel no. 1 at the UV Plant. A quartz glass sleeve that houses a UV bulb, snapped off. The vessel remains out of service until a Wedeco technician can troubleshoot the problem. The other reactors are operational.



A major leak (200 GPM) was discovered yesterday in a junction vault for the Auburn Pipeline and the Little Marble Diversion. A crew was able to patch the leak and place this section of the Auburn Pipeline back in service the same day.

Underground electrical conduit for a new lamp pole at **the Kirkway and 'H' Street Park** was installed on Monday by a City crew. Powder River Electric worked in conjunction with the crew in setting the meter base.



The snow is nearly gone above Goodrich Reservoir. Only one small stream was found to be flowing (Approx. 100 GPM) into the reservoir.





PUBLIC WORKS

Baker City's pre-cast street light posts are constructed using a pea gravel concrete mix (Tim and Stephen are shown in this photo). Concrete is loaded into a backhoe bucket and then shoveled into the form which is upside down.

The concrete is vibrated using an electric vibrator to **increase its density** and minimize air bubbles on the surface of the light pole (Karl and Stephen are pictured to the far right).



A cloudburst Wednesday caused for some standing water at intersections on First Street between "B" and "D" Streets. Karl jetted the line to try to improve flow in the pipe. The 15" stormwater line runs from the manhole in the foreground toward the back of the Jetter Truck working on "D" Street.



PUBLIC WORKS



A resident on Hillcrest Drive was experiencing problems with her wastewater lateral. A City crew worked with a local contractor to resolve the problem. The lateral was rerouted to improve the slope of the pipe and increase flow characteristics from the house to the existing manhole in the street. To the left, Blain and Justin are "Zipping" the asphalt on Hillcrest Drive.



Below, the lateral has been installed and is being backfilled. The project was completed in a very timely fashion resulting in a cost savings for the resident.

The property owner is observing the work being done for her. She was the First Grade teacher for one of the Public Works employees who installed her new lateral.





PUBLIC WORKS



Doug is pictured replacing a water sprayer solenoid and hoses on R205. This should help keep the dust down while street sweeping.

Wes rebuilt water valves on 2431 also know as the F16 fire station pumper.



Wes and Doug repaired the ignition and replaced the starter on R262 tractor for the Quail Ridge Golf Course.