

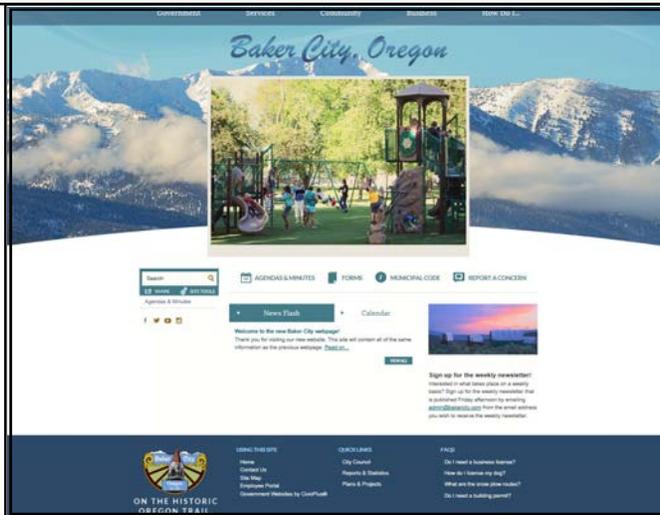
# CITY OF BAKER CITY

On the Historic Oregon Trail. Established 1874

*Weekly Update October 9, 2015*

## Administration

A new website has been in the process for about two years, budgeting funds to improve the City's website. The City contracted with CivicPlus July 1 to start the design of the website. On October 15, 2015 the new website will take the place of the old website. This new site will still be located at [www.bakercity.com](http://www.bakercity.com).



## Finance

**Finance Director:** As of October 1<sup>st</sup> the City has received current year property taxes of \$9,862 and prior year taxes of \$35,763.

**Accounts Payable:** The first of two accounts payable check runs for the month was generated October 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Accounts Receivable:** Monthly accounts receivable billings were sent out on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The billings were as follows:

### **Utilities:**

◆ 14 customers signed up for new water/wastewater service and 21 customers disconnected service from October 2<sup>nd</sup> through October 8<sup>th</sup>. This includes all service changes.

◆ Zone 5 was billed today which includes 469 residential and 18 commercial accounts. Of those accounts 103 or 21% are signed up for direct payment.

<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
Property and Weed Abatement	\$ 2,990
Cemetery	\$ 6,692
Wastewater Maintenance and Dumping Fees	\$ 14,981
Lien Searches	\$ 1,240
Ambulance	\$ 366,372
Airport Hangar Rent and Ground Lease	\$ 3,100
Street Patching and Miscellaneous	\$ 4,337
Golf Course Equipment Lease	\$ 4,868
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,659
<b>Total Billed</b>	<b>\$ 406,239</b>

## City Council

### October 13<sup>th</sup> Agenda Items:

\*Executive Session  
ORS 192.660(2)(h)

\*Councilor Vacancy  
Appointment

\*Prohibited  
Activities in Parks  
Ordinance

\*Grant Update

\*Fire Inspection  
Update

\*Pool Resurfacing  
Bid

\*Graffiti Ordinance

\*Street Tree Grant  
Resolution

\*Authorization of  
Support of Greg  
Smith as County  
Enterprise  
Manager

\*Review of City  
Manager's  
Employment  
Contract



# 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](http://www.bakercity.com/departments/building)



Photo by: Base Camp Baker

### **COMMERCIAL PROJECTS:**

- No new permits were issued this week for commercial projects.

### **RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:**

- 15344 Pine Creek Lane – Baker City, new 2248 sq ft residence w/800 sq ft garage



### Permits

### Other:

	<b>Permits Issued City</b>	<b>Inspections City</b>	<b>Permits Issued County</b>	<b>Inspections County</b>
BUILDING	0	6	1	9
MANUFACTURED DWELLING	0	1	0	0
ELECTRICAL	2	3	9	15
MECHANICAL	6	6	0	3
PLUMBING	5	6	2	4
FENCE	1	N/A	0	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>31</b>

Demo Permit issued for 3010 Campbell Street, fire damaged structure.

### Historic District Design Review Commission

Next meeting is scheduled for October 21st at 8am at City Hall.





## City/County Planning Department

### Public Meetings

On Wednesday, October 14, the Planning Commission will continue the public hearing to review two Conditional Use Permits from Acom Consulting, on behalf of Verizon Wireless.

CUP-15-061 is a proposal to install a 100 ft. high transmission tower at 2960 East Street, in the General Industrial zone.

CUP-15-062 is a proposal to install a 100 ft. high transmission tower at 2431 11<sup>th</sup> Street, in the General Industrial Zone. The Planning Commission requested that the applicant provide additional information for both applications. The record is open for public testimony.

The Planning Commission made a recommendation to the City Council to approve the Interchange Area Management Plan, and related Development Code and Comprehensive Plan amendments, for I-84 Exits 302 and 306. A joint hearing between the City Council and Baker County Board of Commissioners will be held to consider **the Planning Commission's recommendation at City Hall on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.** Maps, information and project documents are available at the project website: <http://sites.kittelson.com/BakerCityIAMPs>.



### Projects and Approvals

Baker County was approved to partition a parcel containing the Baker City Armory from the land containing the County Fairgrounds and parking lots. The properties are located in the General Commercial (C-G) zone. The purpose for the partition is to enable the Oregon Military Department to own the ±3.97 acre portion that contains the Baker City Armory.

An application was approved for a new duplex dwelling at 2270 Wabash Avenue, located in the Residential High-Density (R-HD) zone.

### Volunteers Needed

There are two vacancies on the **Tree Board** as the City Council added two positions to the board to keep up with the demands of the Tree Board. The Tree Board meets once a month to discuss projects and to review and evaluate recommendations regarding the urban forestry program. The urban forest consists of vegetation within public parks and land as well as within the public right-of-way area. This board operates with 3 year term positions. If you are interested in volunteering for the Tree Board please fill out an application online at: <http://bakercity.com/government/boards-a-commissions> or stop by City Hall at 1655 1st Street.





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

# FIRE DEPARTMENT



**During the week of September 20th - 26th, the Fire Department responded to a total of **31** emergency alarms.**

## FIRE REPORTS

General Alarms	0
Still Alarms	3
<b>TOTAL FIRE RESPONSES</b>	<b>3</b>

## AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

City Calls	25
Rural Calls	3
Patient Transported	16
No Patient Trip	12



## TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES

<b>TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES</b>	<b>28</b>
Out of Town Transfers	0
Airport Transfers	0
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1
Simultaneous Calls	1



- Burn complaint – Rose St.
- Trash fire – Main St.
- Fire / false alarm – Church St.



## TRAINING/MAINTENANCE

This week the BCFD completed **57** hours of in-house training

- EMS – Chart review
- Fire – Type 6 operations SCBA course, accident analysis

## MAINTENANCE/OTHER

**87** hours of station, apparatus, equipment maintenance, and other activities.

- Painting exterior walls of the station

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Additional Services to the community:

- BP checks at the senior center
- Company inspections
- Outdoor school/Fire prevention education
- CPR / First Aid class provided for Boy Scouts
- Baker High Football standby



**The Fire Department provides free blood pressure readings at the Senior Center every Tuesday, at 11am. Don't miss the next check on October 13<sup>th</sup>.**



*"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."*

# POLICE DEPARTMENT



★ This past week BCPD handled over **145** incidents and opened **35** new cases, including several arrests for outstanding warrants.

One such arrest was for two outstanding Baker County warrants involving a subject who was pursued on foot and later charged with Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine and Interfering with a Police Officer.

★ The Baker City Police Department hosted the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training -2015 Listening Tour. This meeting was well attended by various representatives from agencies throughout this area. Some of the topics covered by officials from DPSST included current budgetary concerns as well as approved state legislation that has both an indirect and direct impact for DPSST on an operational level. This roundtable discussion invited questions and concerns from individual agencies. Chief Lohner expressed a need for increased availability of classes including regional leadership training and routine regional EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course).

★ Thursday Lieutenant Dustin Newman and Officer Coleton Smith volunteered at Brooklyn Primary serving lunch.



★ BCPD personnel participated in several briefing type trainings, including a review of various officer safety topics.

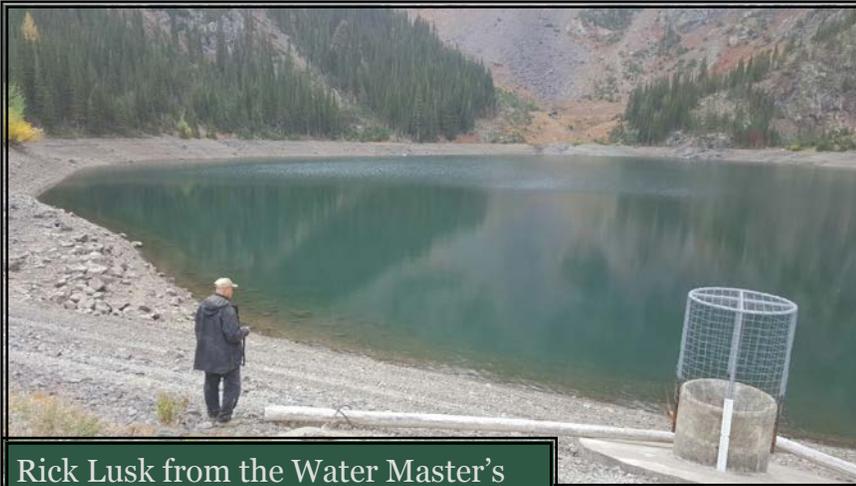
★ BCPD Administrative Assistant / Car Seat Technician Phoebe Wachtel continues to assist families with car seat installations each week.

## Prescription Drug Drop Box

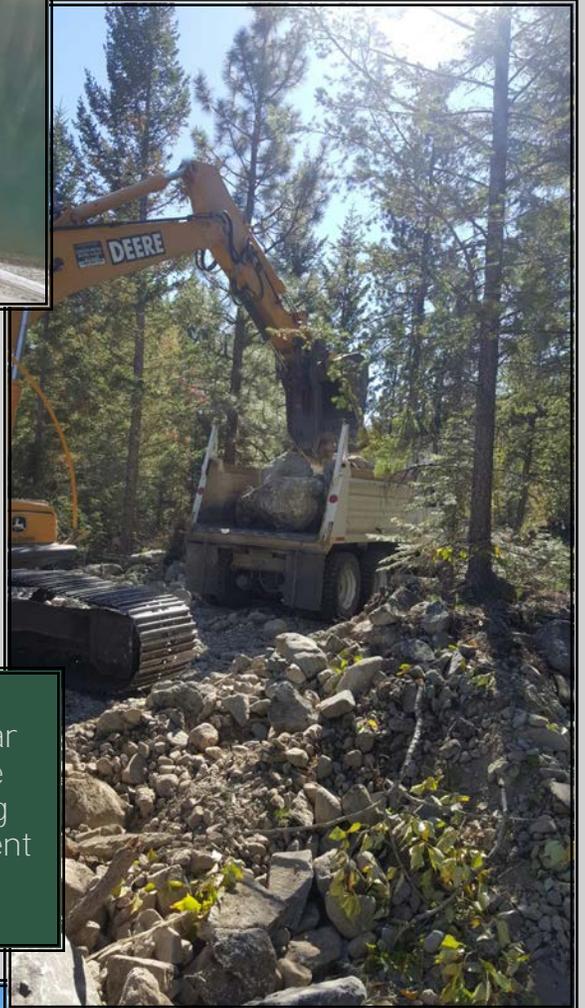
Since December 2013, a prescription drug drop box has been installed in the lobby at the Baker City Police Department, allowing citizens to drop off outdated or unneeded prescription drugs at any time. This new option is in addition to the BCPD bi-annual prescription drug take back program, initiated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



## Public Works



Rick Lusk from the Water Master's Office spent part of an afternoon this week inspecting the Goodrich Reservoir Dam. The dam appears to be in good condition, with only some minor brush clearing needing to be done along the top and side slopes.



City crews hauled large boulders from the City property located near Goodrich Creek. The boulders are being used to make a barrier along the new Leo Adler Pathway adjacent to the Wade Williams ball field.



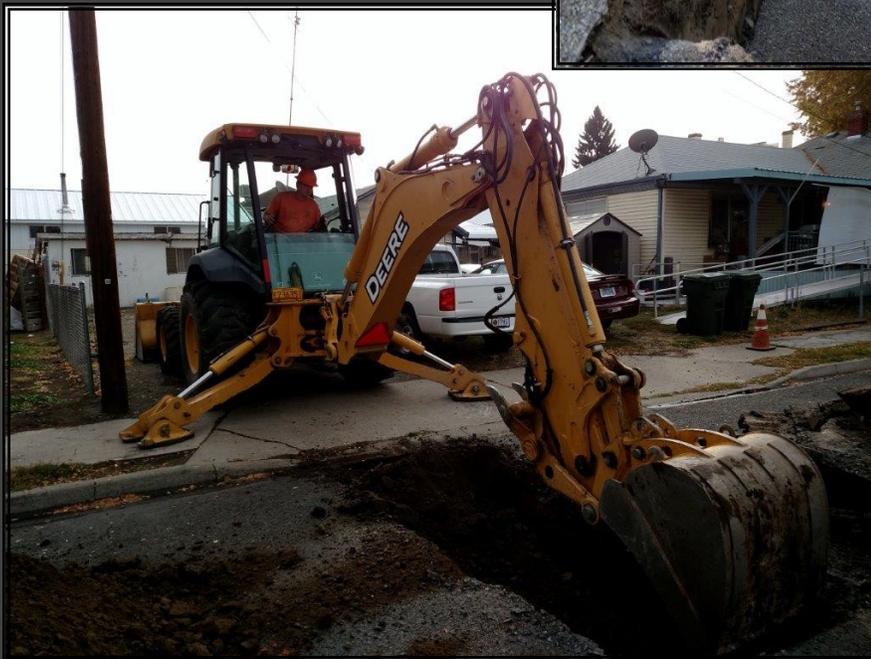
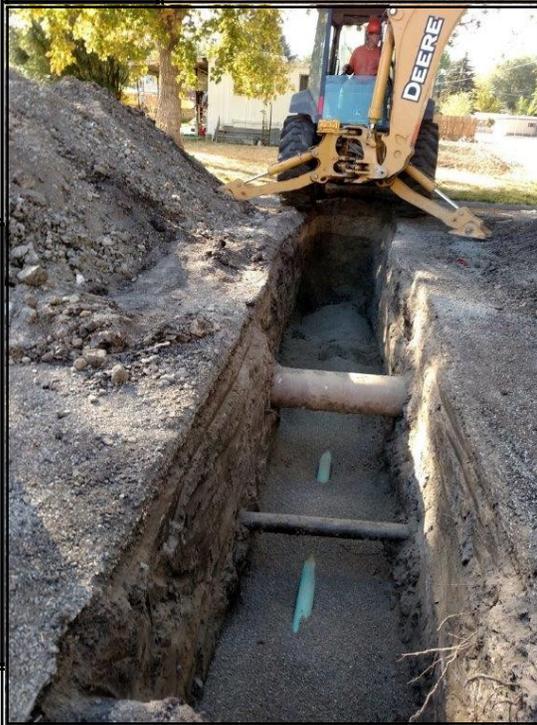
The finishing touches continue at the trailhead for the Leo Adler Memorial Parkway. Some of the boulders have been moved into position at the trailhead.



## Public Works

Two new wastewater laterals were installed this week. The first one on Balm Street was installed to replace an existing lateral which was plugged with roots. To the right, Blain, Tip and Matt worked to install the new 4" lateral under Balm Street. The Street surface is scheduled to be repaired using hot asphalt next week.

Below and to the right, the new 4" P.V.C. lateral was laid under other underground utilities - here you can see the stormwater and water main lines crossing the trench.



The other lateral that was installed this week was on Fifth Street. This lateral was installed to provide service to a resident who has been sharing a sewer lateral with the neighboring house. In this case the sewer main line was over ten feet deep and required trench shoring to perform the work safely. To the left, Blain is pictured beginning the excavation work.

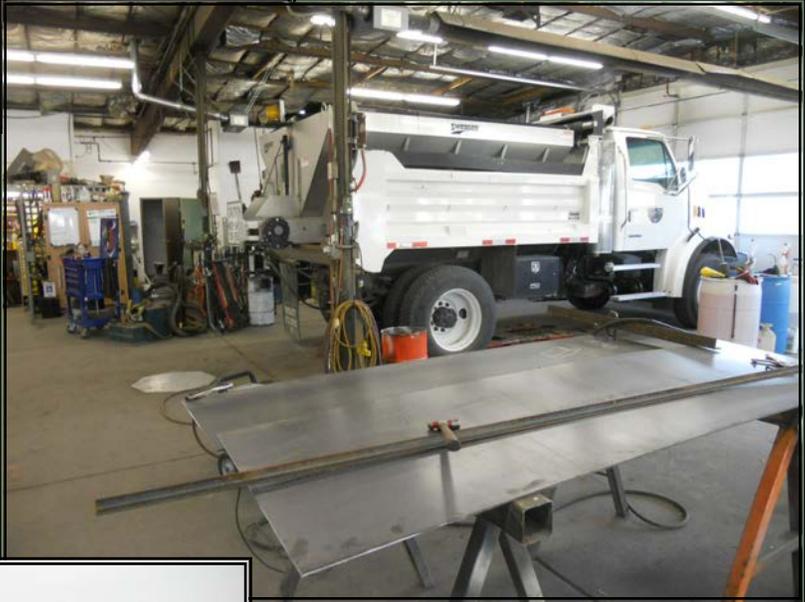


# PUBLIC WORKS-Shop

Wes installed a key box at Public Works facility so the Fire Department can have access to the yard and buildings. Later the Fire Department came down and locked the keys in it.



Wes and Doug are building a chute for the sander to be able to spread rock more efficiently in anticipation of some projects in the near future.



Doug removed the old rear tail lights and installed new LED lights on the truck pictured to the left. These LED lights are brighter and more visible from a longer distance, in essence making them operate more safely.