

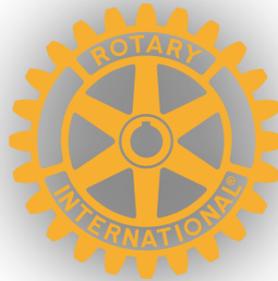
CITY OF BAKER CITY

On the Historic Oregon Trail. Established 1874

Weekly Update November 13, 2015

Administration

I just wanted to say thank you to the Baker City Rotary Club for having me for lunch last week. The Rotary Club is made up of a great group of community minded people who not only work on projects locally but also projects around the world.



Finance

Utilities

- ◆ 17 customers signed up for new water/sewer service and 26 customers disconnected service from November 6th thru November 12th. This includes all service changes.
- ◆ Zone 2 was billed today which includes 447 residential and 13 commercial accounts. Of those accounts 74 or 16% are signed up for direct payment.
- ◆ 79 late notices were sent November 10th.
- ◆ One residential customer (Zone 1) was scheduled to have their water turned off for non pay (over 60 days past due) they were not turned off.

Accounts Payable

- The first of two accounts payable runs for November was generated November 10th.

Payroll

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City Council

November 24th Agenda

Items:

- Graffiti Ordinance No. 3346
- City Manager recruitment
- Sam-O Swim Center discussion
- Marijuana odor discussion



Finance -(continued)

Accounts Receivable

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

● Weed abatement	\$ 3,202
● Cemetery	\$ 7,530
● Wastewater Maintenance	\$ 5,717
● Street Utility Maintenance Patching	\$ 2,808
● Lien Searches	\$ 1,080
● Ambulance	\$239,247
● Airport Hanger Rent and Ground Lease	\$ 2,369
● Miscellaneous	\$ 57
Total Billed	\$262,010

City/County Planning Department

Planning Meetings:



* The City Council and Baker County Board of Commissioners held a joint hearing on November 10th to consider the Planning Commission’s recommendation to approve the Interchange Area Management Plan, and related Development Code and Comprehensive Plan amendments, for I-84 Exits 302 and 306. The City Council will consider the matter again at their regular meetings on November 24 and December 8. Maps, information and project documents are available at the project website: <http://sites.kittelson.com/BakerCityIAMPs>.

* The Planning Commission meeting for the month of November has been cancelled.

Projects and Approvals:

A pre-application meeting to discuss a possible residential subdivision off of Windmill Lane was held on November 12. Staff from the Planning Department, Public Works Department, Building Department and OTECC met with the landowner to discuss components that would need to be considered in an application.



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



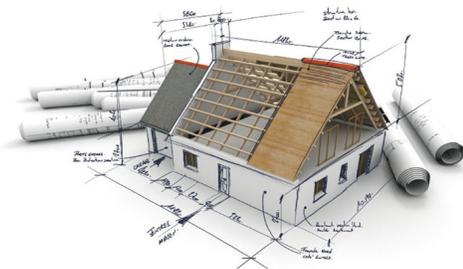
Photo by: Base Camp Baker

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:

- 1150 Idlewood Drive, Baker City –175.53 sf residential addition.
- 35503 Ebell Creek Road, Baker City – 3827 sf new residential house.
- 34644 Stices Gulch Road, Baker City— Interior remodel.

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:

- 42531 Hwy 30, Baker City –1736 sf new residential house



Permits

	Permits Issued City	Inspections City	Permits Issued County	Inspections County
BUILDING	1	14	3	5
MANUFACTURED DWELLING	0	0	1	1
ELECTRICAL	2	3	4	1
MECHANICAL	7	6	5	5
PLUMBING	1	7	2	3
FENCE	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	12	30	15	15

Other:

No new information this week.

Historic District Design Review Commission

No new information this week.



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 October 25th –31st, the Fire Department responded to a total of **27** emergency alarms.

FIRE REPORTS

General Alarms	0
Still Alarms	4
TOTAL FIRE	4

AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

City Calls	14
Rural Calls	5
Patient Transported	13
No Patient Trip	6



TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES

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Out of Town Transfers	1
Airport Transfers	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	3
Simultaneous Calls	0
Triple Calls	1



- Fire /unattended burn pile – Place St.
- Fire /alarm activation –David Eccles
- Fire /false alarm –Gove St.
- Fire /investigation –Mitchell St.



TRAINING/ MAINTENANCE

This week the BCFD completed **26** hours of in-house training

- Fire –Fire ground operations, SCBA training.

MAINTENANCE/OTHER

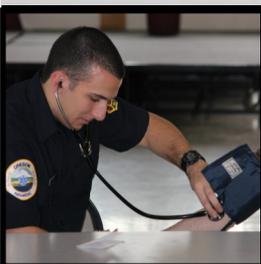
18 hours of station, apparatus, equipment maintenance, and other activities:

- Station, apparatus and equipment maintenance

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Additional Services to the community:

- BP checks at the senior center.
- Company inspections.
- Main Street Halloween Event standby.



The Fire Department provides free blood pressure readings at the Senior Center every Tuesday, at 11am.

Don't miss the next check on November 17, 2015.



"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 approximately 183 incidents and opened 35 new cases. Eleven of these cases resulted in arrests for various reasons. Officers also investigated the death of an infant. This case remains under review.
- Officer Coleton Smith and K9 Capa conducted numerous training activities during the week. Capa has a great nose, which was confirmed during the training with successful alerts on various illegal drugs.
- Lieutenant Newman attended an evidence class in the Portland area and confirmed that BCPD has a solid process in place for handling evidence.
- 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

Property Maintenance

- Followed up on 7 old cases
- Closed out 2 old cases
- Followed up on 3 new complaints

Dangerous Dog

- Followed up on one new case
- Closed out one case (dog euthanized)

Animal violations and complaints

- Followed up on 1 animal complaint
- 3 animals at large returned to owner
- 1 dog at large impounded

Parking Violations

- Followed up on 4 parking complaints
- Issued 6 parking citations

Found Property

- 2 found property cases

Kennel Permit

- Closed out 1 old case



BCPD is looking for feedback from the citizens of Baker City. A discussion has been started with City Council

to determine if there is a need to address the odor of marijuana affecting livability within the city limits. If you have an opinion on the subject, please send an email to Chief Wyn Lohner at wlohner@bakercity.com and explain your opinion and how it affects you.



Public Works

Water



A two-man crew had been working on a couple of manholes along the Auburn pipeline this week. The exposed 3' tall cones were removed and replaced with a non-accessible flat top, which will allow vehicle access over the manhole.



A two-man City crew exposed the old 16" Elk Creek water transmission line, in preparation to connect it to a new 20" ductile iron line.

Community Service



Monday morning brought a picture of Big Mill diversion with two inches of fresh snow.



Crew installed an informational Kiosk at the Court Street Plaza Salt Lick Sculpture.



Public Works

Street Department



Hot asphalt was also used to patch a second sewer repair location on 6th Street between Campbell and "A" streets.

Last Friday was the last day planned to patch Baker City streets using hot asphalt. Crews used 7.54 tons to patch five different locations in town.



Steve (Tip) and Karl work the sliding tailgates to fill a sewer repair trench on Balm Street.



As part of a sidewalk improvement project on Church Street –Public Works Crew reconstructed a new curb radius at the intersection of Cherry and Church streets.

Glen worked to replace a section of concrete sidewalk where a water leak caused the surface to settle.





PUBLIC WORKS– Storm Water

A catch basin on Birch Street was damaged from heavy truck traffic driving directly onto and across the metal frame and grate.



This is the type of truck traffic which has been driving across the catch basin causing the damage. Barricades and traffic cones were used to keep the area protected while the repair work was done and the concrete hardened.

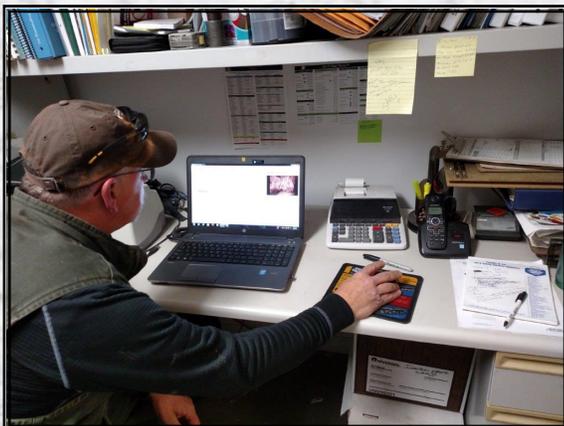


To reinforce and support the metal frame and grate concrete was poured around and into the existing catch basin. Special care was taken so no concrete flowed into the drain line.



Karl and "Tip" are pulling the form from the center of the catch basin.

PUBLIC WORKS– Wastewater



Keith is reviewing a video-inspection from Clark Street. While video-inspecting the line on Clark Street, roots were discovered growing from on of the residents' lateral connections. These roots within the mainline will be cut.

