

CITY OF BAKER CITY

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Weekly Update December 1, 2017

Administration:

The City Council adopted the third reading of the sign ordinance out at the Freeway Overlay Zone. This should pave the way for Grocery Outlet to have signage for their new store on the east side of the freeway. The Council also agreed to participate in a grant program with Community Connections to allow no interest loans to low income homeowners to make needed repairs to their homes. This is a program that has benefitted many homeowners over the years.

The City Manager met with Ash Grove Cement officials at the Community Advisory Committee. We had a good discussion about the Oregon Air Toxics bill and its potential impact on Ash Grove's operations. They also filled us in on the recent acquisition by CRH. It appears that very little will change operationally for the Durkee Plant.

The Holiday season is upon us. The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Silver Screen Christmas Parade" on Saturday. The parade starts at 5 pm and will be followed by the lighting of the community Christmas Tree in Court Plaza. Come on downtown and enjoy the festivities.

City Council

December 12th

- Resolution-Parade Rules
- Wastewater Facility Plan



Photo provided by Basecamp Baker



Building Department:

	Permits Issued City	Inspec-tions City	Per-mits Issued County	Inspec-tions County
Building	4	12	10	22
Manufac-tured Dwelling	0	1	0	2
Electrical	9	15	7	30
Mechanical	4	3	3	12
Plumbing	5	6	0	2
Fence	0	NA	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	22	37	20	68

RESIDENTIAL PERMITS:

- 49816 Juniper Rd., Oxbow—Renovate interior, expand garage of residence.
- 44034 Gossie Rd., Oxbow—Renovate interior, expand garage of residence.
- 49810, 49844, 49818 Spur Rd., Oxbow—Renovate interior, expand garage of residence.
- 44046 Clark Rd., Oxbow—Renovate interior, expand garage of residence.
- 43853 Spring Cr. Rd., Baker City— Remove and replace roof system on garage and barn.
- 54054 Hwy 86, Baker City—Addition of 800 sf porch cover.
- 45672 Lone Fir Rd., Halfway—Addition of 36 x 20 shed roof.
- 1150 Columbia St., Baker City—New residence.
- 2250 Ash St., Baker City—Residential remodel.
- 3510 Cedar St., Baker City—Residential remodel.
- 1424 Broadway St., Baker City—Remove and replace roof system on residence.

COMMERCIAL PERMITS:

- 375 N Main St., Halfway—Door/window modification.

HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW: Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 13, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the Building Department Offices.

Planning Department:

Public Meetings

- ◆ The Baker City Council held the third of three public hearings to discuss revisions to the chapter text and boundaries of the Freeway Overlay District. The revisions were approved by Council under Ordinance 3359.
- ◆ The Baker City Planning Commission held a public work session to discuss the re-zoning of specific properties throughout the city which have existing structures and uses that are not consistent with the current zoning allowances. The purpose of this work session was to create a scope for areas that could be considered for a future re-zone. The next work session is scheduled for Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00pm in Council Chambers. Once a scope of potential areas is developed, the next step will be outreach to determine interest and concerns.

Land Use Decisions & Projects

- ◆ Pre-notice were sent to property owners within ±100 feet of property located on Hughes Lane for the proposed re-plot of one lot into three lots. The subject property is located within the Residential Low-Density (R-LD) Zone.
- ◆ A lot of record status recognition was approved for 2305 14th Street, in the Residential – Medium (R-MD) Zone.



The mission of the Baker City Fire Department is to provide dependable and efficient emergency services.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the week of November 12th through November 18th the Fire Department responded to a total of **33** emergency alarms.

AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

City Calls	22
Rural Calls	3
Patient Transported	16
No Patient Trip	9

TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES 25



Airport Transfers	0
Out of Town Transfers Accepted	0
Out of Town Transfers Assigned	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1
Doubles (2 calls at once)	4
Quads (4 calls at once)	0
Public Assists	0

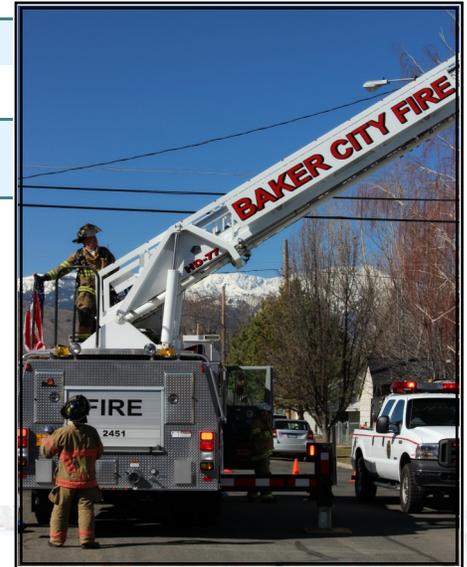
FIRE REPORTS

General Alarms	0
Dispatched Alarms	8

TOTAL FIRE RESPONSES 8



Grove St.—False alarm, construction dust.
4th St.—Vehicle fire.
Walnut St.—Overheated electrical outlet.
8th St.—Burn complaint.
East St.—Illegal burn.
3rd St.—False alarm.
Clark St.— Illegal burn.
Carter St.—Legal burn.



EMERGENCY CALL BACKS

Requests for Cover	12
Persons Arrived for Cover	6
Incidents Not Covered	6

TRAINING/MAINTENANCE/FIRE PREVENTION INSPECTIONS/COMMUNITY EVENTS

- 26 hrs of Station and Equipment Maintenance
- 40 hrs of Fire/EMS or Safety Training—Forcible Entry, Probationary FF Training
- 10 hrs Community Events—BP Checks, CPR/First Aid



The Fire Department provides free blood pressure readings at the Senior Center every Tuesday, at 11 am. Don't miss the next check on December 5th.



"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

- ✪ BCPD handled over 150 incidents and opened 26 new cases this past week.
- Baker City Officers arrested two individuals for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. One was a 16 year old male who was under the influence of marijuana.
- Three suspects were arrested for outstanding warrants.
- BCPD initiated investigations into five reported thefts.
- Two Baker City juveniles were cited for Minor in Possession of Tobacco (cigarettes).
- ✪ Dieticians from both St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Baker City and St. Luke's EOMA, spoke to Baker City Officers about nutrition and healthy eating while working varying shifts.
- ✪ Lt. Newman participated in the Baker County Transportation Safety Committee meeting.
- ✪ 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.





Public Works: Parks Department



Last week crews completed the installation of a new water meter and backflow device to serve the irrigation system that waters the open space near the Sam-O Skate Park east of the pool. This was one of the last unmetered systems in town, and is required to be metered to comply with state mandate. Here you can see some of the plumbing for the new meter connection at the main line.



A concrete vault was used to house both the meter and backflow device so that they can be easily accessed in the future for maintenance.

Brian and Blain make the final connections to the existing irrigation system. The project area was backfilled and cleaned up the following day.

Public Works: Storm Water Department

Blain and Scott continue to make excellent progress cleaning catch basins throughout town. They removed approximately 15" of leaves and other debris from this catch basin on Indiana Avenue.





Public Works: Water Department

Justin and Brian constructed a concrete water vault Wednesday. Each vault is steel reinforced and takes .9 cubic yards of concrete to complete.

These vaults are used in several applications throughout town.



A water leak was discovered last week on Madison Street just west of Resort. Here you can see the water percolating up through the asphalt before flowing down the gutter to the storm system.

As soon as the emergency locate was completed, crews were on-site to excavate the area and determine the cause of the leak.



The leak was found to be a full circle break in a section of cast iron pipe. The pressure has been turned down in this photo in order to allow crews to work around the pipe, so the water spray doesn't look as severe as it was when the break initially happened. Some residual pressure is always maintained in the pipe during the repair so that there is no chance for any contaminants from the groundwater to enter the pipe system.

This photo shows the completed repair.

The area was backfilled and the street re-opened to traffic within hours of the leak first being discovered. Because hot asphalt is no longer available, this repair location will be left in gravel until the asphalt patch can be completed in the Spring.





Public Works: Wastewater Department

A contractor requested that a wastewater lateral be traced for a property on Colorado Avenue Thursday.

Karl and Jacob used the Vivax push-camera to inspect and locate the line. The line ran in an unexpected direction - so it was worthwhile to the owner to determine its location.



Public Works: Street Department

Pictured right is a photo of the new (used) 2010 Volvo loader. Wes and Scott will be performing a few minor repairs before it will be ready for use. It will be safer and more efficient when loading leaves, gravel and snow berms into dump trucks.



A street sign at the intersection of 3rd and Broadway was reported as being knocked down over the weekend. It was rethreaded and installed Monday morning.



As part of improving the safety corridor of Campbell Street between Main and 10th Streets - highly reflective VIS-Z-SHIELD units are being installed on stop signs on the north and south sides of Campbell Street.

This VIS-Z-SHIELD is attached to the stop sign at 3rd and Campbell Streets.



Public Works: Street Department Continued

A local professional land surveyor contacted Public Works about the preservation of a street intersection monument at the intersection of Grace and 11th Streets.

Public Works cut the asphalt and installed a street intersection monument box at the location.



Karl is pictured here, cutting a square for installation of the monument box. →



← Once the asphalt was removed the street intersection monument (visible inside the monument box) was uncovered and will now be preserved for future property surveys and measurements.

Public Works: Community Participation

Christmas decorations were installed throughout town this week by Public Works Crews. Candy canes were installed along 10th Street, snowflakes on Broadway and Campbell Streets, wreaths and garlands on Main Street and of course the Christmas tree lights and ornaments.



New banners were installed along Resort Street from Auburn Avenue to Campbell Street.



The banners have different scenes from Baker City printed on them.





Public Works: Shop

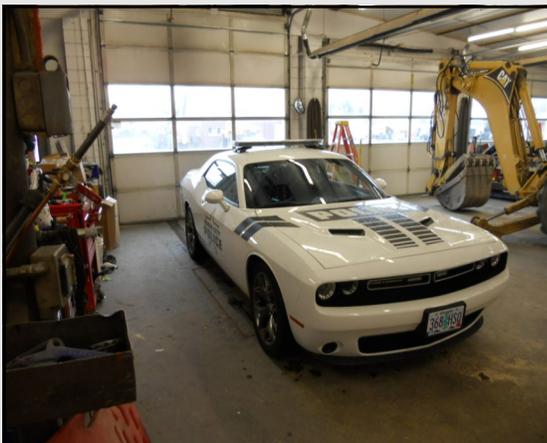


Scott pulled apart the passenger side door panel and replaced the electronic door lock mechanism.



The parts came in to rebuild the dirt shoes and sides of the conveyer.

Scott and Matt will have it back in operation by Friday.



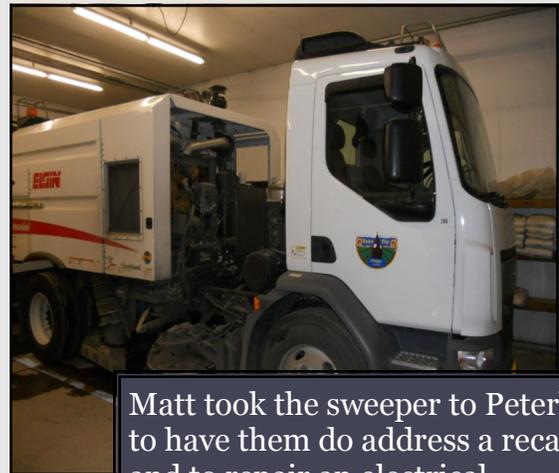
This police vehicle was brought in for a brake noise. A rock in the rotor was causing the issue. The rock was removed and the door lock repaired on the driver's side. It is now back in service.



Public Works: Shop Continued



The starter solenoid went out in this truck. It was replaced and is back to work.



Matt took the sweeper to Peterbilt to have them do address a recall and to repair an electrical problem in the dash.



The ambulance was serviced and checked over. It is now back in service.



The newest addition to Baker City Public Works fleet it is a 2010 Volvo L70F front end loader.

It will replace the 1982 Case front end loader.



Baker City Police Department

The Baker City Police Department presents the 2nd annual

DRUG PREVENTION K9 FUNDRAISER

Tickets \$25

Available at:
Barley Brown's Tap House & the
Baker City Police Department
541-523-3644

**Saturday
December 9th
starting at 4PM at the
Baker City Event Center**



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Social Hour: 4pm

K9 Demonstrations: 5pm

Dinner: 5:30pm

Live Auction: 6:30pm

-Meet Capa & the BCPD Officers

-Kids under 6 get in free

-Silent Auction & Raffle

-Key Items Include:

*DS-90 Youth Can-Am 4-Wheeler

*Browning 300 WSM Safari

Edition Rifle

*Buffalo Hunt

*4-Night Getaway in Sunriver

*KLiM Riding Gear

*Willamette Country Music

Festival Passes

*Diamond Plate Pickup Bed Toolbox