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ANOTHER LOCAL GIRL TAKES CROWN



Above: Outgoing Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen Hannah White of Marsing (right) places the royal sash on 2021-22 Queen Ella Boren during Saturday’s coronation inside the rodeo arena. *Below:* Owyhee County Rodeo board president Sam Riley presents Boren with her buckle.

Oreana teen earns rodeo queen title in slim vote

Eagle cowgirl captures speech, horsemanship

A local girl became the new Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen on Saturday after a shockingly close contest.

Ella Marjorie Boren, the 16-year-old daughter of Oreana’s Steve and Mandi Boren, rode off with the sash, chaps and a repaired crown after Saturday night’s announcement.

Boren wiped away tears

— See *Queen*, back page



Homedale court services to move into “new” county building

\$290K purchase ends \$9K annual rental agreement

County commissioners have signed off on the purchase of a Homedale building last month with designs to relocate court services from City Hall.

After a July 12 vote, the county paid \$290,000 for the building at 8 N. 2nd St. W. The building, previously owned by Sheldon Homedale Family Limited Partnership, already

houses the county probation office and Terry Reilly Health Services Homedale Dental.

It’s unclear if the magistrate courtroom will also relocate to the west side of town, but County Clerk Angie Barkell said that any space the county relinquishes at City Hall will revert back to the City of Homedale for its use.

There is no timeline for the relocation of court services in Homedale or the remodeling of the newly acquired building.

— See *Building*, page 7A

Riverside Park festival scheduled Saturday

Promoter submits final paperwork to City Hall

The sock hop, vehicle cruise and entertainment event a Homedale man plans to stage at Riverside Park on Saturday apparently is going to happen.

City officials confirmed that promoter Robert Arehart of Northside Productions visited City Hall on Monday to drop off proof of liability insurance as well as crude drawings of the layout for the entertainment and parking for the show and shine and of the cruise route.

Arehart’s family friendly

— See *Festival*, page 7A

Homedale pool season ends today

With the new school year just 12 days away, today is the last day for the 2021 season at the Homedale City Pool.

Manager Nikki Christiansen confirmed the closure date during the weekend.

The first day of school in the Homedale School District is Monday, Aug. 23.

The pool closed unexpectedly for a couple days during the summer because of public health issues, according to posts Christiansen made on the Homedale Community Hub Facebook page.

With each closure, the city maintenance staff had to re-balance the chemicals to make sure the pool water was safe before the facility was reopened.



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Grants, sewer bond bloat Homedale's budget

Anticipated revenue is a large part of increase

City of Homedale officials formulated the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget with the anticipation of a large influx of revenue.

The city's \$15.7 million appropriations package is the subject of a public hearing at 6 p.m. today inside the magistrate courtroom at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Before any city taxpayers get sticker shock contemplating the town's largest budget in more than a decade, consider this:

According to information broken out in the budget published in The Owyhee Avalanche, the City of Homedale could receive up to \$11.345 million in various forms, including grants, federal CARES Act money and federal funding and/or a federal loan to help pay for a multi-million-dollar sewer system rehabilitation project.

The current FY 21 budget, for example, weighed in at just under \$4.6 million, which was nearly \$300,000 less than the FY 20 budget.

Among the outside revenue

Citizen looks to fire up civic pride with hydrant painting

A community project to paint more City of Homedale fire hydrants is on the agenda for tonight's city council meeting.

Amy Fossette wants to launch a contest for citizens to fan out and paint fire hydrants that may not already be decorated in town.

A group of Corteva employees painted several fire hydrants red with the interlocking "HT" Homedale Trojans logo a couple summers ago.

Fossette has said on social media that she hopes to get enough people interested in painting the other hydrants.

She'll bring plans for her project to the city council at 6 p.m., today to lead off the regular meeting. The council convenes inside the magistrate courtroom at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The council will also discuss the proposal to place a fence on city right-of-way near South Main Street where Rockslide Landscape Materials now operates.

Adoption of the Fiscal Year 22 appropriations ordinance, discussion and possible action on a lot split, and review of the city's employee handbook are all scheduled during the mayor and council member report portion of the meeting.

Other reports will be heard from a Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library representative or council liaison Michael Aebischer, Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller, public works supervisor Bret Smith, the city attorney, and the city hall administrative staff.

— JPB

anticipated:

- \$10.5 million in U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development loans and

grants to pay for the upgraded sewer system.

The city already has received a judge's permission to issue

bonds to help pay back the loan, so higher sewer user rates are anticipated. A user rate study has not been carried out yet, although it will more than likely be required as part of the application process for USDA RD funding.

- \$500,000 in CARES Act funding for the water system
- \$200,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration for airport upgrades
- \$50,000 for parks improvements
- \$25,000 for the law enforcement budget
- \$15,000 to help operate the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library
- \$20,000 for streets and highways
- \$35,000 for use in the general fund

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram stressed in the legal notice appearing in the Avalanche that grant monies must be budgeted, but they're not always received. That could lower the actual budget size later in the fiscal year.

Homedale expects \$503,000 in property tax revenue, of which all but \$23,000 for the parks department will be placed in the general fund.

The general fund helps finance operation of the police department and the city library,

among other budget lines. The law enforcement budget has been set at about \$692,000, nearly \$50,000 more than FY 21 and an 11.8 percent increase over FY 20.

The city is set to contribute \$919,144 in general fund monies to the police (\$615,575), parks (\$105,790), streets and highways (\$69,813), the library (\$64,619), and irrigation (\$63,347).

The city provides all but about \$26,000 for the library budget, and a little less than half of the parks budget. The irrigation influx could be the city council's continuing effort to keep the enterprise fund solvent.

The anticipated half-million CARES Act influx will jump the water budget 57.7 percent to \$1.415 million.

With the sewer ponds and delivery system upgrades planned, that budget will soar to \$11,239,796 (an increase of 122.7 percent).

The sanitation budget will see a modest \$6,000 jump because of higher user rates secured by Republic Services Inc.

The irrigation budget will be set at \$216,597, about \$21,000 more than the current budget.

— JPB

Local business stages Shoes for Kids on Saturday

Entertainment, fun planned at Sundance Park

The third annual Shoes for Kids event will take place Saturday at Sundance Park in Homedale.

Treasure Valley Fence 'N' Feed has

been taking applications for Owyhee County children and children from around the valley for shoes at its Homedale store at 31 W. Idaho Ave.

The application deadline closed on Friday.

The second annual Shoes for Kids giveaway took place last year at the store's supply yard, but this year the giveaway and associated events have

been moved to Sundance Park on South 1st Street West.

The event will take place between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., on Saturday, according to the company's social media post.

There will be entertainment, free food, ice cream, vendors, a bounce house, a water slide and booths set up by T-Mobile and Idaho Central Credit Union.

Treasure Valley Fence 'N' Feed will

also give away a 98cc go-kart. Each child who was signed up to receive a pair of shoes was also entered into the drawing.

Treasure Valley Fence 'N' Feed co-owners Curtis and Destiny Batho, and Dave Hatch coordinate the shoe giveaway each year to coincide with the start of the school year.

— JPB

Free community appreciation event set in Jordan Valley

Family fun and music are on tap in Jordan Valley for DeLamar Day.

Integra DeLamar is holding a community event from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Big Loop Pizza and Subs, 603 Main St.

The company touts the public gathering as a celebration of the past, present and future of the DeLamar Project and a community

appreciation event.

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No injuries in apartment fire

A second-story apartment atop the old Bergerson Building (a k a Rosebud Cleaners) in the first block of East Owyhee Avenue was a total loss and one man was displaced after an electrical fire Saturday night. Homedale volunteer firefighters, with mutual aid from Wilder Fire's aerial truck, fought thick smoke to contain the blaze to the building and keep it from spreading to a nearby residence or the George VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 hall. Homedale Police helped ferry bystanders away from areas where the choking smoke drifted as the cloud headed south of downtown.



Photos by Aaron Tines (top) and Dana Stewart (above)

Lightning sparks brush fires near Bruneau

More than 3,500 acres burned last week as lightning is believed to have ignited two brush fires near Winter Camp Butte. The butte is about 25 miles southeast of Bruneau. The Bruneau Fire, which burned nearly 2,200 acres six miles northwest of Winter Camp Butte was under control Sunday night after crews got a handle on the grass and brush fire 24 hours earlier. Lightning is the suspected cause of the fire. In addition to three Bureau of Land Management Twin Falls District fire engines and a dozer, firefighters from the Saylor Creek and Three Creek Rangeland Fire Protection Associations also battled the flames. Another fire near Winter Camp Butte, the Clover Creek Fire, was brought under control Friday evening after 1,360 acres of grass and brush had burned. Firefighters got the blaze under control at 6 p.m., on Friday, 18 hours after the spread was contained. A BLM Twin Falls District press update reported a lightning strike last Wednesday ignited the blaze. By Thursday morning, the fire had scorched 1,100 acres. The Three Creek Rural Fire Department joined forces with Twin Falls District engine crews for the initial attack. Aircraft also assisted in fire suppression efforts last Wednesday. Dozers were used to plow containment lines on either side of the fire. Crews faced access challenges while trying to mop up hot spots in heavy brush.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 24 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 71

— Information compiled from the National Weather Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Helena Chemical in Homedale.

cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 150 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 186,494 acre-feet of water on Monday.

Summer’s winding down, so is library’s teen program

The final Teen Summer Program for the year takes place next week at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library in Homedale.

A Paint Room Escape Night is planned for the program aimed at boys and girls 10 to 17 years old. The program will start at 5 p.m., on Thursday, Aug. 19 and combine art and puzzle solving as the teens and tweens work to escape and find treasure.

The Opal Nash Story Time, set for 10:15 a.m., on Monday, highlights ursine stories: “Don’t Feed the Bear” by Kathleen Doherty and “Big Bear, Small Mouse” by Karma Wilson.

Afterward, the group will go on a bear hunt, create a fork-painted bear craft, and carry out an opposites activity.

With the school year set to start on Monday, Aug. 23, library youth coordinator Carol McMichael is hard at work setting up for the return of the Teens & Tweens program.

Beginning Sept. 9, the weekly event for ages 10-17 will run from 5 p.m., to 6 p.m., every Thursday.

Infrastructure grant helps nearly double Grand View’s budget

The Grand View City Council will take comment on a Fiscal Year 2022 budget that is nearly double the size of the current appropriations.

The public hearing on the proposed budget leads off the monthly council meeting set for 6 p.m. today at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

The \$1 million budget is about \$496,000 larger than the \$506,313 budget the city is operating under until Sept. 30. And it’s three times larger than the city’s \$294,355 FY 20 budget.

According to the proposed budget, the city anticipates \$250,000 in water grants in the upcoming fiscal year. The federal government will send \$50,400 in America Rescue Plan Act funds, and the city is the fiscal agent for a \$150,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant that is being used to renovate the former St. Henry’s Catholic Church in the Grand View Community Center.

For the second year in a row, the city’s sewer fund expenditures are set to top \$125,000, and the water budget is close to \$250,000.

With the ARPA funding and the community center block grant, the city’s general fund balloons from \$75,761 in FY 21 to more than \$310,000 in FY 22. The general fund soars nearly \$35,000 to \$109,813 even before the grants and ARPA funds are considered.

The city’s street fund is nearly \$25,000 higher than FY 21, weighing in a \$65,760.

Grand View’s property tax revenue is estimated to jump 41.3 percent (more than \$25,000) to \$85,747.

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Correction

The name of the senior showmanship champion of the Owyhee County Fair 4-H horse show was misspelled in the Aug. 4 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. The winner’s name is Allison Hubler.





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Nic Usabel

Here are just a few signs you may notice on your garden plants related to heat stress:

Sunscald — Appearing primarily on the side of the fruit most exposed to the sun. Sunscald looks different on varying fruit types and may appear as a watery area on the fruit, discoloration, blisters on the skin of fruit, dried-out fruit, or sunken, hardened areas on the fruit surface.

Wilting — Occurs when low moisture in the plant creates a lack of water pressure within the plant. Many plants will recover when temperatures drop. Potential for permanent damage increases with the length of time that a plant remains wilted. Plants that wilt during the hottest part of the day, and recover in the evening and early morning, are likely suffering from heat stress.

Leaf rolling and cupping — Plants roll their leaves or cup in response to heat. The leaf surface area is minimized, and stomata (microscopic openings in the leaves that allow movement of moisture and gases, like pores on animals) close. Together, these reduce moisture loss in the plant. Tomatoes and corn are among many plants that roll their leaves.

Dry leaf edges — A survival mechanism used by some plant types is the outer margins of a leaf will dry up, but the leaf as a whole remains viable. This may be more common in large-leaved plants like squash and pumpkins, where there is more leaf area to “spare” and still maintain function.

Blossom and fruit drop — Common in tomatoes, peppers, squash, and cucumbers when high temperatures persist. The plant will abort or drop buds and flowers after prolonged exposure to high temperatures. This allows the plant to conserve resources for parts of the plant necessary for survival. Most plants will return to typical production after a heatwave is over.

To reduce heat stress, practice deep and infrequent watering to encourage a deeper and larger root mass. Consider adding a mulch around plants to conserve moisture in the soil by reducing evaporation. Finally, wait until a cooler period to fertilize plants as inducing new growth during this time is not ideal.

If you would like more information on these or other problems that you identify as signs of stress in the garden or landscape, reach out to your local county Extension office.

This month, join a free virtual webinar titled “Cover Crops for the Home Gardener” to explore ways to incorporate cover crops into your garden. Register at <https://bit.ly/21CoverCrops> to receive your join link.

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Calendar

Today

Ladies coffee group

9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Food distribution

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Story Time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690. Guest reader Steve Belknap.

Grand View City Council meeting

6 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, noon to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday

Homedale City Council meeting

6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Jordan Valley Ambulance meeting

6 p.m., ambulance hall, 706 Main St.

Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting

7 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St.

Marsing City Council meeting

7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

Three Creek School board meeting

7 p.m., Three Creek School, 49909 Three Creek Road, Rogerson.

Homedale Highway District meeting

7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

Marsing School Board meeting

7 p.m., school district office boardroom, 301 8th Ave W, Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Thursday

Exercise class

10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

1 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 546-1829

Homedale Farmers Market

3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bette Uda City Park

Yoga class

4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale

Library board meeting

5:30 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., open to alcoholics, their families and those contemplating recovery, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder.

VFW meeting

7 p.m., Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11065, 208 3rd St., Wilder. (208) 250-7780

Friday

DeLamar Day

11 a.m., to 4 p.m., free community appreciation event, Big Loop Pizza and Subs, 603 Main St., Jordan Valley

Saturday

Soc Hop and Cruise

9 a.m., to 5 p.m., cruise to follow, Riverside

Park, Riverside Avenue, Homedale.

Catholic Mass

10 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 466-7031

Shoes for Kids giveaway

10 a.m., to 4 p.m., Sundance Park, 700 S. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Community swap meet

10 a.m., to 3 p.m., clothing swap for adults and children, donations welcome, Bette Uda City Park, Homedale. (208) 249-9727

Free lunch

11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Street dance

7 p.m., Riverside Park, Riverside Avenue, Homedale.

Sunday

No activities scheduled

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Opal Nash Story Time

10:15 a.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

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From page 1A

✓ **Building:** Commissioners dip into PILT trust to buy another building in county

Barkell has a meeting scheduled with TRHS for Tuesday to discuss the county’s relationship with the low-cost medical service provider and the future of the dental office. The county currently acts as its landlord. “The county certainly wants to give them adequate opportunity and time to relocate,” Barkell said.

Barkell said purchasing the building just made sense. The county was paying the Sheldon partnership \$9,000 annually to rent space. The sale began to move forward after county officials reached out and discovered that the owners were willing to sell the building at the appraised value, Barkell said. The county paid Jess Payne

Appraisal Service \$2,900 to price the property. The money for the building purchase and model will come from the Payment in Lieu of Taxes trust. The federal government sends Owyhee County annual PILT check to help offset property tax revenue loss because of tax-exempt public lands in the county. — TK

✓ **Festival:** Dance contest, \$100 prize set

Soc Hop and Cruise will run from 9 a.m., to 5 p.m., at Riverside Park, according to a flier posted to the man’s Facebook page. A free street dance will follow at 7 p.m., according to the flier. Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller confirmed Monday that Arehart also provided a route for the cruise, which was another requirement the city council had laid out while giving tentative approval for the event during its July meeting. Eidemiller said that Arehart’s request for a burnout contest was denied. The cruise, a map of which is on Arehart’s Facebook page, will begin and end at Riverside Park. The route will begin on Riverside Drive and head east before turning south on 2nd Street East. From 2nd Street East, the route will make the sharp turn to the west onto East Washington Avenue, turn north on North 1st Street East, turn west on East Oregon Avenue, then north on North Main Street to re-enter Riverside Park by the RV park. During his July 14 visit with the city council, Arehart said there would be live music and vendors and a car show.

According to Arehart’s testimony during last month’s council meeting, the cruise, which apparently is open to everything from classic cars and hot rods to tractors and riding lawnmowers, would leave the park after 5 p.m. Arehart also promised a ’50s-themed dance contest, costume contest, school carnival and silent auction during his council presentation. Arehart reported on social media that the dance contest will have a \$100 prize. The entry fee is \$10. There is also a raffle with gift baskets from local businesses, but the flier didn’t list ticket prices or how to obtain tickets. Arehart told the council he planned to use some event proceeds to help the third annual Treasure Valley Fence ‘N’ Feed Shoes for Kids, which will be held at Sundance Park on Saturday. The packet he dropped off at City Hall on Monday reflected a stage for a band called Highway 45, an area for an activity called Bubble Balls (which is supposed to be the same entertainment that was the front of the Owyhee County Fairgrounds midway last week), and a booth where

Del Rio Mexican Restaurant will sell food. A beer garden apparently is also planned although neither the city council nor the Board of County Commissioners has signed off on a catering permit, which is usually a traditional step. Arehart’s liability insurance, however, does have a clause for “host liquor liability.” Parking for cars and other vehicles involved in the cruise will be staged on the southwest corner of 2nd Street and Riverside Drive. Other parking will be available in the Deward Bell Stadium parking lot and in front of the city swimming pool. According to records obtained by The Owyhee Avalanche, Arehart obtained liability insurance on Friday through East Main Street Insurance Services from Grass Valley, Calif. The underwriter is Evanston Insurance Co. The policy will be in effect from 12:01 a.m., on Saturday to 12:01 a.m., on Sunday. According to the policy, the coverage is for a static car show. There appears to be no language covering the car cruise. — JPB

Celebration of life

The family of **BETTE SHIGEKO UDA** invites community members to a public Celebration of Life for the longtime Homedale resident. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021 inside the Homedale Middle School gymnasium and cafeteria, 3437 Johnstone Road. Born on Dec. 6, 1924, Uda died on Aug. 20, 2020. She is the namesake of Bette Uda City Park in Homedale.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center
*Salad bar: *Not Available due to the Coronavirus
Curbside pickup available before 12:30 p.m.
Phone ahead 208-337-3020 to order
Dessert is included in curbside lunch
Milk available each day
Roll available each day except Aug. 11th and 18th
Aug. 11: Pepperoni and cheese pizza, side salad, beet salad
Aug. 12: Goulash (macaroni, meat sauce and mixed vegetables)
Aug. 17: Salisbury steak with mushrooms and onions, mashed potatoes with gravy, country trio vegetables
Aug. 18: Nachos, California blend vegetables, rice*

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing
*Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall
Milk available each day
Suggested donation: \$4 (60 and older), \$6 (59 and younger)
Aug. 11: Lemon herb cod, rice pilaf, broccoli, coleslaw
Aug. 13: Pizza macaroni and cheese, Capri blend vegetables, pears, green salad with berries and nuts
Aug. 16: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, beets, pineapple
Aug. 18: Cranberry turkey wrap, broccoli salad, tropical fruit*

Rimrock Senior Center
*All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Dine-in lunch available from 10 a.m., to 2 p.m., on Thursdays
Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery
available Tuesdays and Thursdays
Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible beginning at 7 a.m.
to place your curbside order or RSVP for dine-in
Aug. 12: Sweet and sour pork, Oriental vegetables, fried rice, pot stickers, tropical fruit cocktail, salad bar, cook’s choice soup
Aug. 17: Chicken fried steak, twice baked potato, peas and carrots, pineapple, cottage cheese, whole grain roll, zucchini cake*



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BLM Owyhee office heading for private property

New building will end feds' rental deal with Marsing

The Bureau of Land Management is moving forward with a plan to open at new Owyhee Field Office building in Marsing.

Details were revealed on Aug. 2 at the site of the planned new building on South Bruneau Highway.

A small, outdoor event brought together several officials, including Owyhee field manager Donn Christensen, Boise District manager Tanya Thrift, associate state director and acting Idaho State BLM Director Peter Ditton, Owyhee County Dist. 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, and others.

"We're here today to kind of close the loop on a 12-year journey for Peter Ditton," Christensen said. "He's the long-distance runner who stuck with it through this whole deal."

Ditton took over for state director John Ruhs, who retired on July 30, on an interim basis. He also served as acting state director for 15 months prior to Ruhs' relocation to Idaho in 2019.

The planned property, which will include a 6,400-square-foot office building, equipment storage and wild-fire staging area, will be built by JTF LLC of Challis.

The building, which will replace the current BLM



Bureau of Land Management Boise District manager Tanya Thrift (left) and Owyhee Field Office manager Donn Christensen stand amid artistic renderings on what the federal agency's new Marsing office building will look like during a public presentation last week.

Owyhee Field Office on city property on 1st Avenue West, likely will be ready for occupancy in early spring.

JTF LLC, a commercial and institutional building construction company owned by siblings Iver Strand and Hether Lambson, will own the building and rent it to the BLM. Details of the contract have not been ironed out.

The building and grounds have been designed by architect Dennis Taggart, who owns Meridian-based encompass, inc.

The BLM currently rents

a building from the City of Marsing at 201 1st Ave. W., for \$5,304.50 per month, but the city won't likely keep the building for long after it is vacated.

"The general consensus is to sell the property, but that decision won't really happen until it is empty," City Clerk and Treasurer Jolyn Thompson said.

The BLM's rent money feeds the city's general fund.

According to Christensen, the new building will feature open office space, a pair of conference rooms, offices

for the field manager and assistant field manager, and a connected 2,400-square-foot warehouse. There will also be plenty of available parking.

Christensen said that there will be room for about 20 employees.

Equipment will be kept on site, and the property will be used to stage for wildfires.

"As you can see, they've already started turning dirt," Christensen said. "Later, they will be giving Cat rides in the bucket."

"We don't have elephants and camels to ride, but we do

have heavy equipment."

Christensen said he was excited about what's to come.

"We look forward to next spring when we can move in and welcome the public to the BLM and Department of Interior's long-term commitment to having a presence here in Marsing and Owyhee County," he said.

"That's important for the public to know that they don't have to go to the big city to access a multiuse agency that serves the public on the land."

— TK

Marsing city council convenes budget hearing tonight

Sludge project bumps sewer budget 8 percent

A fiscal year 2022 budget that is more than 5½ percent larger than current appropriations is up for comment tonight when the Marsing City Council holds a public hearing.

The hearing is part of the council's monthly meeting, which begins at 7 p.m., today at City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave.

The proposed expenditures of \$2.844 million for FY 22 include an increase of approximately 5.67 percent from the current year's budget.

The most significant change is an increase of nearly \$56,000 in the water budget, from \$696,555 to \$752,490. Part of the reason for the increase is the proposal to pay

part of the salary for a new employee who will work for the public works department and with code enforcement. The new position will be split evenly (20 hours per week) between the two departments.

A proposed project to deal with sludge levels in the city's wastewater lagoons will trigger an increase of about eight percent (or a hike of \$54,000 to \$648,119) in the city's sewer budget.

The increased sewer budget coincides with the annual user fee of up to three percent that is in city ordinance. A similar fee increase is also authorized for water usage, City Clerk and Treasurer Jolyn Green said.

If the council approves the budget after the hearing, the city's general fund budget will decrease 5.46 percent. The current year's total of \$676,466 will drop to \$639,532. Gen-

eral fund monies can be used to supplement needs in roads and streets, parks, and planning and zoning through an interfund transfer.

The city receives \$133,000 from property taxes, while the nearly \$2.714 million remaining revenue comes from state investment funds, federal tax revenue sharing, liquor sales, sales tax, Highway Use Fund, court fines, and \$141,000 received from the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARPA).

The city intends to invest in CDs (certificates of deposit), with revenue going into the general fund. Additionally, liquor sales and court fines feed the general fund.

Revenue sharing/sales taxes and the reinvestment funds get split between the general fund, roads and streets and parks lines. The highway funds go to roads and streets.

FY 22 budget lines to be considered are roads and streets, parks, planning & zoning, water, irrigation, sanitation, and sewer, in addition to the city's general fund.

Members of the public are invited to attend the hearing to express why the budget should or should not be adopted.

Monthly reports to be presented

After the budget hearing, the council will convene its regular monthly meeting, and the first order of business will be to consider an ordinance adopted the FY 22 appropriations.

Also on tonight's agenda:

- City engineer Kirby Cook from Civil Dynamics will discuss the latest developments in the city wastewater lagoons sludge issues. Cook and city public works superintendent

Philip Gibson are working on a solution.

- Gibson will bring his monthly list of completed and planned projects. Expected topics will be sweeping excess rock chips from a recent chipsealing project, an aerator replacement at the city's wastewater treatment plant, a visit from a July 26 visit to the treatment plant by an Idaho Department of Environmental Quality representative, and the recent oiling of the dirt road along the canal behind Morning Dove subdivision.

Projects planned for August include repairing the docks on the Island Park pond.

The council will also hear monthly reports from the city attorney from MSBT Law, likely either Stephanie J. Bonney or Cherise McClain, Owyhee County Sheriff Cpl. Atanacio Montes, and code enforcement officer Rick Sortor. — TK

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

August 14, 1996

Top honors
Performance, quality and round robin trophy winner Tracy Sarceda stands with buyer John Jackson. Jackson paid \$10 per pound for the 139-pound ewe lamb.



Commissioners to ask Melba for schoolhouse
At the request of the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association, the Owyhee County commissioners voted Monday to ask the Melba School District to consider giving the old schoolhouse building in Silver City to the county to be maintained as a public building.
OCA representative Jerry Hoagland suggested the commissioners then offer the cattlemen’s association a 50- or 99-year lease, and the cattlemen’s association would in turn maintain and repair the building. Hoagland said there is much work that needs done, but through grants, volunteer labor, and the donation of materials, he believes the building can be repaired.
OCA president Peter Jackson and OCA director Richard Brandau were also at the meeting to discuss the building, which the Melba School District is considering divesting itself of.

Homedale senior wins speaking contest
Homedale High senior Lucas Allen, son of Rex and Judy Allen, of Marsing, won first place in the public speaking contest at the Western Regional Youth and Leadership meeting held at Twin Falls in August.
Representatives from Washington, Oregon, California, Montana and Idaho, as well as national Grange master Kermit Richardson and members of the national Grange executive committee attended.
Allen spoke on the need to know C.P.R. Last November, he was the Idaho Youth Ambassador for the Idaho State Grange to Harrisburg, Pa., and will represent the organization at the National Grange meeting to be held in Spokane, Wash., in November.

Adverse Reynolds Creek decision being appealed
If the Idaho Supreme Court will grant Reynolds Creek the right to appeal Snake River Basin Adjudication judge Daniel Hurlbutt’s recent adverse decision, they could have the dubious honor of making history and Idaho water law.
The judge’s decision states that every water right in Idaho must be defined in exact detail, and throws out Reynolds Creek’s 1988 decree because it is more general. Reynolds Creek water users say their compromise stipulation, or “decree,” is practical and legal, and have filed to appeal the judge’s decision. If the Supreme Court allows the appeal, the subsequent ruling will affect all other prior decrees in Idaho. It will determine whether groups of people can reach a compromise over contested water rights, or must fight to the bitter death for perfectly-defined individual water rights.

50 years ago

August 12, 1971



MEMBERS OF THE CLASS of 1961 of Homedale High School posed for this picture at a reunion on the 10th anniversary of graduation. First row, from left, Jolene (Udlinek) Wells; Uelah (Galemore) Smalygo, Nancy (Johnson) Leslie, Peggy (Eells) Wirth, Jodene (Distler) Wilsbacher, Karen (Petzoldt) Trautman, Joan (Jesenko) Noe; Louise (Egurrola) Lizaso, Donna (Jorgenson) Flechsig; second row, Lynda (Metzer) Stansell, Bill Purdom, Fred Kelly, Caroleta (O’Neal) Palmer, Herbert Lemrick, Larry McAbee; back row, Rodney Leslie, Tony Wolff, Dick Frazier, Mike Leavitt and Jim Miller. Photo by Bette Uda

Torrential downpour erases county access road
SOUTH MOUNTAIN — A torrential downpour of one and a half inches of rain in 30 minutes scoured and in some cases obliterated six miles of access road here Saturday night, it was reported Monday.
Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton reported damage done to the access road to the Bureau of Land Management fire lookout station on South Mountain some 25 miles southeast of Jordan Valley.
Nettleton, Owyhee County Commissioner Frank Jayo and sheep owner Rufus Lequerica went into the area Sunday to survey the damage. Together with Ray Gulch, who is in charge of road maintenance for the area, they estimated that it would take a week to reopen the road with BLM assistance.
Gulch had been working as long as daylight would allow since the rain stopped Saturday evening.
Lequerica’s sheep camp was badly torn up and his corral destroyed according to Nettleton. He will also have to postpone a shipment of lambs planned for Tuesday.
Two families of campers were stranded with Mr. and Mrs. Search who are manning the BLM fire lookout. One family came out with Nettleton Sunday.

Rangeland blaze spreads over large area
BRUNEAU — Progress was termed steady Tuesday evening while more than 450 men strained to contain a 30,000-acre desert fire south of Bruneau. However, the control point is not expected until perhaps this afternoon.
Bureau of Land Management fire investigator Ernie Hoidal said aerial surveys showed the charging fire had charred at least 30,000 acres by 3 p.m.
Gov. Cecil D. Andrus proclaiming a state of extreme emergency Tuesday, called the Idaho National Guard to assist the BLM fire crews. More than 70 men were supplied along with 32 pieces of equipment.
Hoidal said the men are being used primarily to prepare food for the alternating crews of BLM fire fighters as they report at the fire base camp.
The fire was reported at 3 p.m. Monday as it burned an estimated 11,000 acres. After midnight the flames sprang up and began approaching 30,000 acres.
Hoidal said the fire, apparently man-caused, began on both sides of Highway 51 about 15 miles south of Bruneau. Flames were soon squelched on the west side, but were fanned eastward by strong gusts of wind.

146 years ago

August 14, 1875

THERE is no reason why there should not be an abundance of milk, butter and cheese in the market at this season of the year, and no reason why the prices should not be somewhat lower than they are at present. There is abundance of the best kind of grazing not far from town, and beyond the expense of looking after them, it costs nothing to feed the cows and keep them in fine condition. Cheese ought to be more abundant, and if a few dairies were established in the country nearby, they would do a good business and make money by letting us town people have cheese for twenty cents a pound. Butter is too high and ought to come down at this season to thirty and forty cents. Ten cents per quart for milk would handsomely remunerate the owners of the cows, and where that quantity is furnished daily by the month, \$2.50 would afford a fine margin of profit for that time. We expect higher prices in winter, but at the present time, for the reasons we have given, butter and cheese ought to be supplied to customers at least one-third lower than the rates that are ruling now.

THE WAGONTOWN MINES.—The *Silver State* says that a lot of ore from the Wagontown mines, now on exhibition at Winnemucca, is creating quite an excitement among mining men down there. One of the owners of the Henrietta, from which the specimens referred to were taken, furnishes the *Silver State* the following information in regard to the mine: “The Henrietta was discovered by five miners named respectively, W. H. Oglesby, Joseph Mace, W. Brockie, B. Harkins and John Burke, and is prospected by a shaft fifty feet deep. The vein is about twenty feet wide, and in this are streaks of ore from eight inches to two feet wide, samples of which assay from \$3,166 to \$1,025 per ton; about twelve per cent of which was gold. Some of the specimens brought here weigh several pounds, and contain such a high pressure of silver as to render them malleable. Three tons of ore from this mine have been brought here for reduction, about 800 pounds of which is first-class. The owners are practical miners, and they intend to have sufficient ore worked to pay for supplies used in developing the mine. There is no doubt as to the permanency of the ledges, and Wagontown is destined to be a flourishing camp. At present the number of men at work there does not exceed fifty.”

JOE CRABBE, a well-known horseman, will take “Humboldt” to Jordan Valley this week and there put him in training for the fall races. It is understood that the owners of “Humboldt” will match him against any horse in the country to run a quarter- or a half-mile race. He will be taken to the Boise Fair in September, and it is not improbable that there will in the meantime be some racing on the Jordan Valley Track.

CENTENNIAL MEDALS.—Mrs. W. J. Hill, who represents Idaho Territory in the Women’s Department of the Centennial Exposition, has received samples of Centennial Medals which she will soon have for sale, and is now prepared to receive orders from all who desire to get them. “There are four kinds of the medals which can be seen by calling on Mrs. Hill: A large gold-gilt, costing \$5; small gilt, \$1; large bronze, \$2; silver, \$3. The four medals are furnished in a handsome case for \$11 a set, or each is supplied with a separate case at the price named. These medals are handsome and durable souvenirs of the one-hundredth anniversary of our nation’s birth, and a most appropriate present for a friend. The money derived from the sale of them goes to aid the getting up of the Exhibition.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



Waitin’ For Daddy

“Mama, when’s Daddy comin’ home? Is it time to worry yet?”
“By supper, darlin’. Eat your Cheerios.”
He rode out this morning early. Like he does six days a week
I always make him tell me where he goes
’Specially when I know he’s headed over on the canyon side
At least I know I’ll have a place to start
So in case he doesn’t come back I can hunt for him myself
Or go for help if I get faint of heart

“Run and git your schoolbooks, kiddos! And be sure to wash yer hands.”
“Aw Mama, do we have to school today?”
If it wasn’t for home schooling I might lose what mind I’ve got
It helps to pass the daylight time away
And I know I shouldn’t worry but I worry anyway
Who wouldn’t, if they were in my shoes
I’ve been up those rocky canyons, and I’ve seen those snaky trails
I know how quick a horse can blow a fuse

“Mama, Cody said a swear word.” “I did not!” “Did too!” “Did not!”
“I only said Ring went to the commode.”
Oh, thank God I’ve got these children just to keep me occupied
But still I’m always lookin’ down the road
All afternoon I’ve watched the sky. It’s like I’m playin’ poker
You don’t know how I fear an angry cloud
And the wind gives me the shivers. Never lets me drop my guard.
Nothin’ like it whispers quite so loud

“Mama, when’s Daddy comin’ home? Shouldn’t he be home by now?”
“We wanna ride before it gets too dark.”
And the hardest time for me I guess is now till six o’clock
I’m nervous till I hear the home dogs bark
But the kids are my salvation. ’Course, they wanna be like Dad
He saddles up their horse and lets ’em go
And I stand here by the window thinkin’ “here we go again”
But they’re cowboyin’, the only life they know

“Mama, look! Oh, here comes Daddy. That’s him trottin’ up the road.
“He’s wavin’, now he’s comin’ through the gate.”
“See, I told you kids be patient, not to get your dander up . . .”
And learn to wait, and wait and wait and wait.

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs. His latest release is a collection of three audio books taking his usual humorous look at rodeo. Be sure to mention *The Owyhee Avalanche* when ordering.

Toni Gruenwald — Owyhee County assessor

The future of the office Monahan is right pick — now and at election time

As my days as your county assessor draw to an end, I want to thank the citizens of this great county for their votes, support and assistance during my tenure. It was truly a pleasure to serve the remarkable people living here.



Although the primaries are many months away, I want to give my full support for the election of Robin Monahan, my deputy appraiser. Over the past three years, she has been trained in almost every aspect of the office and will lead the great team I have built to continue serving you at the highest level possible.

During the public hearing on July 26th, Tiffany Nettleton Tuttle also applied for the position of county assessor. She made some very inaccurate statements about my office. She stated that since I have been the assessor that “I have had a very high rate of turnover of employees and she assumes that is due to management.” This is incorrect. I have had three employees leave since 2017. One went to the treasurer’s office for a very good opportunity. One left because she received a job three blocks from her home instead of 30 miles, and one left because he received a considerable raise from Canyon County for the same job. No one left because of mismanagement of this office.

Ms. Nettleton Tuttle also stated that since Robin Monahan has only been in my office since 2019 and has already moved up through three positions that the jobs in my office “cannot be that hard to learn.” This statement was an insult to Robin Monahan. Robin Monahan moved up three positions because she is

dedicated, dependable and very smart. Ms. Nettleton Tuttle also made the statement that the appraisers don’t work for four months a year. The appraisers work year-round. Ms. Nettleton Tuttle should actually learn their job descriptions before assuming their workload.

I have 12 deadlines that I have to meet every year by state statute. Ms. Nettleton Tuttle only had one to meet. That was the application date for the assessor’s office. She didn’t make that date and her excuse was “I didn’t know.”

I could keep going with Ms. Nettleton Tuttle’s inaccurate statements; however, I think I have made my point. I have had three job openings, and Ms. Nettleton Tuttle has not applied for one of them. She has never shown an interest in the assessor’s office until the top job came open. She did the same thing with the treasurer’s office in 2017.

The jobs of the assessor, appraisers, GIS mappers are all positions with very complicated, technical tasks that require months, if not a year or more, to learn. So claiming that the assessor is a just a manager’s job is somewhat naïve. The county is better off having someone in the assessor’s position who has worked in the assessor’s office and has the most possible experience.

I hope you will consider these points when you go to the ballot box in May (and November) to select your next assessor. Farewell, my friends, and may God bless our country.

— Toni Gruenwald transmitted this commentary from her official Owyhee County email account. The Owyhee County assessor’s last day on the job is Aug. 31. The county commissioners appointed Robin Monahan as her successor on a 2-1 vote. Monahan will complete the two years on Gruenwald’s term, and must seek election in 2022.

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From Washington

Nixing filibuster would promote divisiveness, discourage efficiency

As participants in the decisions made in Congress, Idahoans contact me with valuable input about the issues our country faces. I post information about various issues of importance on my website, <http://crapo.senate.gov>. One of the issues Idahoans have contacted me about recently is the proposal to revise the standing rules of the U.S. Senate to remove the Senate filibuster, which requires 60 votes to end debate and proceed to a vote. The following is my response:

The Senate is commonly referred to as the world’s most deliberative body and varies greatly from the structure and procedures that favor the majority in the House of Representatives. The Senate, as outlined in the Constitution, is to serve as a check and balance to the House by limiting hurried decision-making to ensure careful
— See *Filibuster*, Page 11A

Commentary

Financial management

Long-term care insurance is a wise move for folks over 60

Dear Dave,

My dad passed away about a year ago, but he left my mom in really good shape financially. They never had any consumer debt, the house is paid for, and they had about \$1 million in assets. Dad also left her a \$500,000 trust. Mom is going to be 60 next year. She is in good health, but considering her age and financial situation, do you think she needs long-term care insurance?

— Darby

Dear Darby,

I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. Losing a spouse, or a father, is tough at any age.

The good news is your dad did a great job of planning to take care of your mom. He left her in fine shape money-wise, but yes, she needs long-term care insurance *and* a good estate planner. You need to help your mom do everything possible to handle her situation wisely.

I usually suggest folks wait until age 60 to buy long-term care insurance, because the likelihood of filing a claim before then is very slim. In fact, about 95 percent of long-term care claims are filed for people over 70. That's why, in most cases, it doesn't make sense to get long-term care insurance earlier than age 60.



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Insurance isn't a one-size-fits-all kind of thing, though. If someone has a family history of

illness or other health issues at a younger age, they may need to get long-term care insurance earlier. But you shouldn't buy long-term care coverage at a young age just because you're paranoid of what *might* happen, or because you think you'll save money. That's just not true.

In the event your mom becomes unable to take care of herself at some point, long-term care insurance would be an absolute necessity. The cost of nursing home care these days is astronomical. Again, your mom is in a great place financially, but a prolonged stay in a nursing home somewhere down the road could eat up her

nest egg in a hurry.

Long-term care insurance is a wise part of any good asset management plan.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is a seven-time No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of *The Ramsey Show*, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on *Good Morning America*, *CBS This Morning*, *Today Show*, *Fox News*, *CNN*, *Fox Business*, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives.

Letters to the editor

Air Force training proposal could close off public land

The Air Force wants to use the south two-thirds of Owyhee County, Malheur County and Northern Nevada as a low level (100 feet AGL — Above Ground Level) supersonic jet training area. We can only imagine what this noise will do to wildlife, cattle and the ranchers on horseback.

There are already eight Air Force bases in the West with this same terrain for them to train in. They don't need another. All of the other training areas have been closed to the public. Can we expect the same from this one?

The Bureau of Land Management has in the past tried to close these same lands down. Can it be the Air Force is taking up their fight? Once the government takes land, we never get it back.

Ernie Breuer
Oreana

Speak up to protect ranching in S. Owyhee

To all the residents of Owyhee County,
The Air Force held a public hearing in Grand View regarding an Airspace Optimization Proposal for Mountain Home Air Force Base (MHAFB) on July 27. The MHAFB has released the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Alternatives 1-3 would allow jets to train at 100 feet AGL (Above Ground Level). The current AGL is 3,000 feet. Alternative A changes the existing supersonic floor of 30,000 feet MSL (mean sea level) down to 5,000 feet AGL.

These changes impact the lower two-thirds of Owyhee County. The economy of this geography is ranching (Ranch 45, Ruth and Bob Jackson to name a few). The noise level of these alternatives increases exponentially.

These proposals are incompatible with the current use of our county. Herding cattle would be impossible. Cows would be scrambling nine ways from Sunday. Horses will be bucking and rearing.

Cattlemen (women) will be doing the hi-de hi-ho silver with plenty of time to consider how they will hit the ground.

Once again, we must advocate for the men and women who work long hours that are labor-intensive; the men and women who feed us.

There are other Air Force bases that may be a better fit; that do not have these inconsistent land uses.

Please visit the following website to learn more about the DEIS. You can also submit your comment to <http://www.mountainhomeafbairspaceeis.com>. You have the option of mailing your comment by Aug. 23, 2021 to:

Mountain Home AFB
Airspace Optimization EIS c/o Leidos
2109 Air Park Road S.E.
Suite 200
Albuquerque, N.M. 87106

Please also send comments to our elected officials.

Robyn Thompson
Oreana

✓ Filibuster: Removing crucial tool would endanger Senate compromise

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consideration of a given proposal. With this in mind, any proposal to revise Senate rules and procedures must preserve the unique nature and intent of this legislative body.

Removing the ability to filibuster legislation would minimize the Senate minority's power to force further debate or compromise. Thus, the efforts would reduce incentive for the Senate to forge broad agreements and would likely increase divisiveness rather than efficiency. We should be cautious not to promote changes to tip the balance further for one side.

I, too, am disappointed that the Senate has not achieved more solutions for the good of America. It has been difficult to sense the possibilities inherent in our democracy when we find the agenda muddled by political rancor that undermines principled public debate and prevents opportunities to reach

mutual understanding and resolution. This breaks down the opportunity to forge agreement and usually contributes to divisiveness, ultimately resulting in frequent attempts to block controversial measures from consideration.

Senators must work together to promote sound policy and have a robust debate on important matters before the Senate that allows for the consideration and votes for alternative solutions. Committees of jurisdiction must be allowed to work and build a strong legislative record by hearing all points of view. In addition to making the process transparent to the public, the question-and-answer process provides an opportunity for senators to explore options that could lead to more bipartisan agreement.

For more information about the issues before the

U.S. Senate as well as news releases, photos, and other items of interest, please visit my Senate website, <http://crapo.senate.gov>. The website also provides information about how to contact me to share your views via email, phone and mailing addresses. News about recent activities and information about accessing my Facebook and YouTube pages and following me on Twitter can also be found on the website. Links to legislation and other resources to assist Idahoans who need help with federal agencies can also be accessed on the website. The messages you send me help to shape my approach on a number of important matters. Please continue to contact me and share your thoughts and ideas.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - OWYHEE COUNTY

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO WILL MEET ON AUGUST 23, 2021 AT THE HOUR OF 10:00AM AT OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COURTROOM 2, 20381 STATE HWY 78, MURPHY IDAHO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING AND FIXING A FINAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO EACH OFFICE, DEPARTMENT, SERVICE AGENCY OR INSTITUTION AND FUND FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR AT WHICH TIME ANY TAXPAYER MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD UPON ANY PART OR PARTS OF SAID BUDGET; AND THAT THE FOLLOWING TABLE SETS FORTH THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TO EACH DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR, THE CURRENT YEAR, TOGETHER WITH THE AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR "SALARIES", "BENEFITS", AND "OTHER EXPENSES" DURING THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS BY THE SAID DEPARTMENTS, TO WIT:

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES				BUDGETED EXPENDITURES			
	FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2019				FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2020			
	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL
CURRENT EXPENSE								
CLERK / AUDITOR	329,397.48	144,577.81	17,415.86	491,391.15	346,747.73	154,628.27	5,401.23	506,777.23
ASSESSOR	212,259.42	87,572.12	8,764.71	308,596.25	218,724.86	94,720.95	7,159.20	320,605.01
TREASURER/TAXCOLLECTOR	116,330.59	45,801.25	9,425.28	171,557.12	124,247.71	44,396.60	12,580.92	181,225.23
SHERIFF	749,390.96	275,179.45	353,022.36	1,377,592.77	777,735.37	299,801.84	323,045.23	1,400,582.44
COMMISSIONERS	85,065.24	40,339.80	60,788.73	186,193.77	89,319.36	42,868.29	59,998.41	192,186.06
CORONER	23,996.96	12,220.27	50,496.94	86,714.17	28,793.96	13,527.47	38,211.30	80,532.73
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	233,540.35	64,263.26	24,175.93	321,979.54	197,973.91	58,745.11	14,480.42	271,199.44
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	27,659.54	14,703.37	110,812.19	153,175.10	29,274.47	16,080.43	179,312.97	224,667.87
CIVIL DEFENSE	0.00	0.00	7,695.57	7,695.57	0.00	0.00	3,099.17	3,099.17
COUNTY AGENT	78,696.68	29,857.31	31,237.11	139,791.10	67,111.44	29,166.93	30,549.49	126,827.86
ELECTIONS	13,644.00	0.00	5,368.79	19,012.79	12,932.25	0.00	21,920.24	34,852.49
BUILDING DEPARTMENT	37,596.00	15,744.14	4,495.15	57,835.29	38,727.01	16,788.64	35,692.74	91,208.39
PLANNING AND ZONING	76,616.49	31,129.14	11,058.57	118,804.20	82,797.08	33,591.02	9,085.16	125,473.26
GENERAL	0.00	0.00	175,525.26	175,525.26	0.00	0.00	160,311.29	160,311.29
TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT	0.00	0.00	210,022.72	210,022.72	0.00	0.00	134,447.88	134,447.88
JAIL	662,294.92	245,916.50	239,129.58	1,147,341.00	721,260.01	268,856.25	1,188,703.19	449,419.68
DISPATCH CENTER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CURRENT EXPENSE	2,646,488.63	1,007,304.42	1,319,434.75	4,973,227.80	2,735,645.16	1,073,171.80	1,233,882.58	5,042,699.54
ROAD AND BRIDGE	334,383.79	141,898.49	1,309,105.98	1,785,388.26	365,621.32	158,907.74	1,885,208.44	2,409,737.50
AIRPORT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
DISTRICT COURT	0.00	0.00	66,641.75	66,641.75	0.00	0.00	70,307.72	70,307.72
FAIR, COUNTY	17,653.65	0.00	32,568.17	50,221.82	25,367.90	0.00	35,384.46	60,752.36
FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	0.00	0.00	96,720.88	96,720.88	0.00	0.00	96,502.04	96,502.04
PROBATION	96,493.42	41,695.78	28,601.71	166,790.91	74,127.14	33,912.39	21,118.96	129,158.49
HEALTH DISTRICT	0.00	0.00	55,921.00	55,921.00	0.00	0.00	55,244.04	55,244.04
HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	33,517.75	13,116.75	20,476.97	67,111.47	33,897.25	15,402.64	22,893.07	72,192.96
INDIGENT AND CHARITY	39,916.84	15,950.00	844,735.02	900,601.86	41,496.00	16,970.08	476,798.67	535,264.75
JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	0.00	0.00	23,350.00	23,350.00	0.00	0.00	19,300.00	19,300.00
PEST	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVALUATION	129,008.43	51,074.19	17,473.52	198,156.14	143,840.43	58,241.37	15,665.75	217,747.55
SOLID WASTE	40,932.01	8,834.49	215,157.94	264,924.44	42,062.51	6,113.73	237,978.12	286,154.36
TORT	200.00	0.00	130,965.52	131,165.52	0.00	0.00	132,009.00	132,009.00
VETERANS MEMORIAL	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
WEEDS	0.00	0.00	28,019.91	28,019.91	0.00	0.00	31,435.75	31,435.75
911	0.00	0.00	110,323.78	110,323.78	0.00	0.00	280,018.96	280,018.96
COUNTY VESSEL FUND	0.00	0.00	17,066.61	17,066.61	0.00	0.00	16,996.36	16,996.36
WATERWAYS FUND	20,432.95	2,283.57	923.83	23,640.35	32,418.72	3,646.23	2,064.36	38,129.31
OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES	2,249.60	1,074.37	4,527.99	7,851.96	17,734.58	2,446.01	7,329.76	27,510.35
TAXING DISTRICT ELECTION FUND	2,131.50	0.00	60,356.98	62,488.48	7,023.00	0.00	59,401.97	66,424.97
CAPITAL PROJECT FUND/ARPA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grand Totals:	3,364,008.57	1,283,232.06	4,386,072.31	9,033,312.94	3,519,234.01	1,368,811.99	4,720,740.01	9,608,786.01

ESTIMATED REVENUE

THE ESTIMATED REVENUE FOR 10/01/2021 TO 09/30/2022 IS AS FOLLOWS:

FUND	BUDGETED EXPENSES	CASH CARRYOVER	OTHER REVENUE	PROPOSED TAXES	TOTAL REVENUE
0001 CURRENT EXPENSE	6,248,433.00	117,406.00	4,512,319.00	1,618,708.00	6,248,433.00
0002 ROAD AND BRIDGE	2,968,105.00	971,267.00	1,512,086.00	484,752.00	2,968,105.00
0003 AIRPORT	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00
0006 DISTRICT COURT	198,850.00	102,020.00	96,830.00	0.00	198,850.00
0007 FAIR, COUNTY	89,287.00	(1,156.00)	10,525.00	79,918.00	89,287.00
0009 FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	114,500.00	44,021.00	12,462.00	58,017.00	114,500.00
0010 PROBATION	164,532.00	31,298.46	96,350.00	36,883.54	164,532.00
0011 HEALTH DISTRICT	77,058.00	17,691.00	10,734.00	48,633.00	77,058.00
0012 HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	85,338.00	16,546.00	11,812.00	56,980.00	85,338.00
0016 INDIGENT AND CHARITY	810,547.00	104,065.00	169,900.00	536,582.00	810,547.00
0017 JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	60,000.00	45,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	60,000.00
0019 PEST	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	3,500.00
0020 REVALUATION	307,786.00	82,042.00	41,120.00	184,624.00	307,786.00
0023 SOLID WASTE	385,543.00	71,915.00	313,628.00	0.00	385,543.00
0024 TORT	197,387.00	60,413.00	20,444.00	116,530.00	197,387.00
0025 VETERANS MEMORIAL	1,200.00	(26.00)	0.00	1,226.00	1,200.00
0027 WEEDS	95,000.00	17,392.00	1,000.00	76,608.00	95,000.00
0028 911	590,000.00	121,000.00	469,000.00	0.00	590,000.00
0030 COUNTY VESSEL FUND	17,000.00	7,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	17,000.00
0031 WATERWAYS FUND	33,411.00	7,852.00	25,559.00	0.00	33,411.00
0032 OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES	28,978.00	8,735.00	20,243.00	0.00	28,978.00
0033 TAXING DISTRICT ELECTION FUND	140,950.00	75,950.00	65,000.00	0.00	140,950.00
0041 CAPITAL PROJECT FUND/ARPA	1,540,000.00	1,540,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,540,000.00
	14,164,405.00	3,450,931.46	7,414,012.00	3,299,461.54	14,164,405.00

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Monday, August 16th, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, Idaho, at which time the Board of Commissioners will meet to consider adjusting the Owyhee County 2021 Adopted Budget in order to expend necessary funds not known to be required at the time the budget was originally adopted. The additional amounts will not result in an increase of anticipated property taxes over the amounts previously levied. Additional revenues (Grant funds, COVID Relief) and cash

carryover will be used to cover the additional expenditures.

Current Expense	620,588
Road & Bridge	17,273
County Fair	856
Probation	3,838
Historical	2,105
Indigent	2,036
Revaluation	7,418
Solid Waste	2,155
911 Fund	100,000

Total Requested Increase: **\$769,769**

Dated this 6th day of August, 2021.

Angela Barkell,
Clerk of the Board of

County Commissioners
08/11/2021

SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES
July 6, 12, 19, 20 and 26

July 6

- Set the agenda as presented.
- Approved and pay all outstanding bills for the departments listed: Current Expenses \$26,566; R&B \$132,173; District Court \$419; Fair \$177; Probation \$194; Health District \$4,507; I&C \$11,698; Revaluation \$1,052; Solid Waste \$7,601; Weeds \$4,046; County Vessel \$415.

- Approved the 06-28-2021 minutes.

- Approved the hiring of Jim Davis for Road & Bridge #1 for part-time help as needed with summer projects, to begin on July 5, 2021, at the pay rate of \$18.00 an hour.

- Approved the hiring of Michael Bess for part-time janitor at the Marsing DMV, to begin on July 12, 2021, at the pay rate of \$12.50 an hour.

- Approved the pay raise for Darlene Dayton at the Homedale Tipping station from \$10.00 an hour to \$12.00 an hour, to begin on June 1, 2021.

- Approved the renewal of Alcoholic Beverage Liquor License

#29 – Del Rio Restaurant.

- Approved the Liquor Catering Permit for American Legion Post #32 for August 4, 2021-August 5, 2021 from 10:00 am – 1:00 am and August 6, 2021-August 7, 2021 from 10:00 am-1:00 am.

- Approved Resolution 2021-11 – Destruction of Temporary County Documents: Elections – declarations/petitions of candidacy and certified ballot language from special districts-2014 and older; Elections – unused ballots & spoiled ballots- May 2020 and March 2021; Elections – ballot book- March 2016; Elections – absentee envelopes- May 2020;

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Elections – cancelled voter registration cards- June 2016 and older; Courts – exhibits past appeal period-2020 & 2021; Financial – cancelled checks- 2015

- At 10:00 am, the BOCC recessed and convened as the Board of Equalization.
- At 11:00 am, the Board of Equalization recessed and reconvened as the BOCC.
- Discussion – 11:00 am – Jasen Herr from Anthem Broadband (AB) presented the perks of working with AB for fiberoptic internet throughout Owyhee County and current grants; The Commissioners asked about grant sharing and match – Jasen stated that some of the grants have one, some have both, and some have neither. The Commissioners asked about permits for going through State and Federal land – Jasen spoke about using existing right-of-ways; Jasen’s goal today was to speak with the Commissioners and find out where they stood on topic – he was not looking for a ‘yes’ or ‘no’ in regards to working with AB on fiberoptic internet projects.

July 12

- Set the agenda as presented.
- Approved the 07-06-2021 minutes.
- Approved the County’s acceptance of the Ballot regarding Class 8(b) – Municipal Opioid Claims with the Chairman’s signature for the Board.
- Approved the 2022 Alcoholic Beverage Liquor License #30 – Wild Lotus Coffee Bar.
- Approved the Liquor Catering Permit for Owyhee County Rodeo for August 4, 2021 from 6:30 pm-1:00 am and August 5, 2021- August 7, 2021 from 6:30 pm-1:00 am.
- Approved the County Purchase of Parcel No. RPA0010050017A (8 N. 2nd St. W, Homedale) for \$292,336.82.
- Approved the Three Creek School District’s request to become an At-Large district instead of having Trustee Zones.
- Approved the vacation of December 28, 2020 Findings, Conclusions, and Order Memorandum: Modification of Owyhee County Ordinance 10-03 RE: Roads Closed to “OHV” Use.
- Approved the Revised Findings, Conclusions, and Order Memorandum: Modification of Owyhee County Ordinance 10-03 RE: Roads Closed to “OHV” Use.
- Approved and enact Owyhee County Ordinance 2021-01, modifying Owyhee County Ordinance 10-03.
- The second quarter jail inspection was postponed until further notice.
- Integra Mine Update – Tom Jordan, Mike Spicher, Emily Hendrickson, and Mark Stockton from Integra came presented an update of the mine’s activities and answered questions from the Commissioners. Topics discussed included: best road to use to get from the valleys to the mine; potential road upgrades; shuttles for employees to minimize traffic and any negatives that are associated with 50+ cars on small, dirt, mountain roads; the visual and auditory impacts from the mine; the footprint left on nature and how they are working to minimize any negative effects; and the company’s desire to leave the support communities with

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING	
The Commissioners of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT, Marsing, Idaho, Owyhee County, Idaho have tentatively adopted the 2021-2022 budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 1016 Main Street at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Call 896-4581 for an appointment.	
Dated this 5 th day of August, 2021	
Proposed Budget Oct. 1, 2021 – Sept. 30, 2022	
	FY 2022 Proposed
Anticipated Beginning Balance:	\$1,001,456
Anticipated Revenue:	
County and Local Revenue:	
Property Tax	87,433
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	2,709
Sales Tax	12,000
Interest	5,000
Miscellaneous	5,000
State Revenue:	
Highway Users Fund	525,000
ITD Funds	158,503
Total Anticipated Revenue:	\$795,645
Anticipated Expense:	
Gas, Oil, and Tires	15,000
Insurance and Bonds	10,000
Labor and Salaries	135,000
Lease	2,000
Professional Fees	8,000
Office Expense	10,000
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	35,000
Repairs and Maintenance	10,000
Equipment Capital Outlay	193,145
Roads & Bridges	350,000
Shop Expense	5,000
Utilities	6,000
Weed Control	16,500
Total Anticipated Expense:	\$795,645
Anticipated Ending Balance:	\$1,001,456
Stella J. Bush, Treasurer 08/11/2021	

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING	
The Commissioners of MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, Marsing, Idaho, Owyhee County and Canyon County, Idaho have tentatively adopted the 2021-2022 budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 303 Main Street at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, August 11, 2021. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday by appointment.	
Dated this 8th day of August 2021	
Marsing Rural Fire District Proposed Budget October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022	
Beginning Balance:	\$ 1,280,392
Revenue:	
Property Tax including penalties & interest	507,023
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	16,525
Personal property replacement	714
Sales tax	23,000
Interest Income	10,000
Road inspection	3,500
Miscellaneous	15,000
Total Revenue	\$ 577,956
Expense:	
Personnel costs	105,000
Operations and maintenance	70,000
Support services	10,000
Capital outlay	392,956
Total Expenditures	\$ 577,956
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 1,280,392
Stella J. Bush, Treasurer 08/11/2021	

sustainable business growth after the mine is depleted.

- White Cloud – Joe Shelton and Eric Smallwood presented a Federal Grant opportunity for installing reliable high-speed internet to the majority of Owyhee County. Topics of discussion included: the parameters of the grant and partnering with neighboring counties for a stronger application.

July 19

- Old Business – Approved the Right of Way Certificate (ROW) for the North Fork Boulder

Creek Bridge project showing that NO ROW is required and for Commissioner Hoagland to be the contact and signee.

- Set the agenda as presented.
- Approved and pay all outstanding bills for the departments listed: Current Expenses \$53,953; R&B \$26,585; Dist. Court \$684; Fair, County \$3; Probation \$1,098; Historical Soc & Museum \$95; I&C \$27; Revaluation \$1,048; Solid Waste \$101; 911 \$1,904; County Vessel \$587; Waterways \$4; Off Hwy

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PUBLIC NOTICE	
Notice is hereby given that the Bruneau Cemetery District will hold its annual budget meeting at 30073 Hot Springs Rd, in Bruneau, ID at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 23, 2021. A copy of the proposed budget will be posted at the Bruneau post office.	
PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET FOR BRUNEAU CEMETERY DISTRICT	
BRUNEAU CEMETERY INCOME:	
OWYHEE COUNTY REMITTANCE FUNDS	\$15,475.00
BURIALS	\$ 1,925.00
PLOT FEES	\$2,250.00
DONATIONS	<u>\$300.00</u>
	\$19,950.00
BRUNEAU CEMETERY EXPENSES:	
POWER	\$2,600.00
MOWER	\$6,800.00
IRRIGATOR	\$3,700.00
TAXES	\$550.00
BURIALS	\$1,800.00
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	\$4,100.00
INSURANCE FUND	<u>\$400.00</u>
	\$19,950.00
EMERGENCY WELL REPAIR FUND	\$49,000.00
EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE FUND	\$10,700.00
08/11/2021	
BRUNEAU FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET	
The public hearing for the proposed budget for the 2021\2022 fiscal year will be held on Tuesday, August 24th, at 7pm at the Bruneau QRU Building in Bruneau, ID. For any questions, contact (208) 590-4149.	
Expenditures	2021/2022
Utilities	1,400
Training	1,500
Building/Property	1,200
Equipment/Maintenance	2,000
PPE	1,500
New Equipment	2,250
Maint/Consumables	2,000
Insurance	2,000
Administrative	2,800
QRU Rent	10,000
Miscellaneous	10,000
Total Expenditures	36,650
Receipts:	
General Carry-over funds	8,248
Tax Levy	25,039
Sales Tax	3,003
Ag Replacement and Pers Prop	360
Total Revenue	36,650
08/11,18/2021	
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING	
The Board of Commissioners for the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District has tentatively adopted a budget for the 2022 fiscal year, as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the enactment of said budget at the office of The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, located at 4410 Cemetery Rd in Marsing, Idaho, at 6:00pm on Wednesday August 18 th 2021. The budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm, Monday through Friday, at the cemetery office.	
Proposed Budget, dated August 18 th 2021 Budget Term: October 1 st , 2021 through September 30 th , 2022	
Available Funds	
Balance Forward	\$35,796.00
State Investment	\$52,322.00
Anticipated Revenue	
County Tax Levy	\$91,969.00
Farm Rental	\$ 7,500.00
State Investment	\$ 250.00
Opening & Closing	\$15,000.00
Plot Sales	\$15,000.00
Total Funding	\$217,837.00
Anticipated Expenses	
Payroll	\$75,500.00
Utilities	\$14,000.00
Insurance	\$ 7,500.00
Maintenance	\$23,300.00
Capital Improvements	\$62,000.00
Legal & Accounting	\$ 6,520.00
Contingency	\$29,017.00
Total Disbursement	\$217,837.00
Total Budget	\$217,837.00
J.Aldrich, Sexton, Sec/Tres/Clerk 08/04,11/2021	

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Vehicles \$4
- Approved the 07-12-2021 minutes.
- Approved the Tax Exemption status for Parcel # RPA0010050017A (8 N. 2nd St. W. Homedale).
- Earll Excavation – Commissioner Hoagland will contact Earll Excavation about sending a request to update the April 2020 agreement already in place with the county.
- Approved the letter to DGB3 regarding the change in the Owyhee County Coordinator to Lt. Vincent.
- Approved the transfer of Alcoholic Beverage Liquor License for My Dreams, LLC to do business at Black Sands Resort.
- Resolution 2021-12 was tabled until further notice.
- Approved the Three Creek Highway District at-large request.
- At 9:46 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (a) regarding personnel and (f) regarding possible litigation. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 9:57 a.m.
- University of Idaho – Scott Jensen and JD Wulforst presented on remaining funds from a previous Socio-Economic Study done in Owyhee County and how to utilize them. JD discussed President Biden’s 30x30 and how he can couple research on this plan and research he is already planning for Owyhee County range lands. JD and Scott would partner for an appropriate, contemporary, and interim update to the socio-economic status research done 5-6 years ago. The Commissioners agreed that this is an appropriate use of the remaining funds.

July 20
- Approved The Pour House catering permit for the Owyhee County Cattlemen’s Association for Saturday, July 24, 2021
- Public Hearing Meeting Re: The Murphy Water System. – Inspector Rogers explained about the ‘back-flow / cross-connection’ and how they prevent potentially contaminated water from getting into the main water supply and pipes; he explained that only the properties with automatic sprinkler systems will require the cross-connection piece between the main line the sprinkler system line – this piece requires an annual inspection; he explained that any outside water hook-up will require a ‘double check valve’ that is attached to the water source before the hose is attached; he said that any spicket with anti-freeze properties have an anti-syphon device, which counts as the double check valve. Residents questioned the necessity of these back-flow valves as they have never been required before. Engineer Cook stated that DEQ lays out the requirements and that a contamination had to have happened somewhere for this to be enforced. Residents wanted to know a timeline for being in compliance, Inspector Rogers suggested 6 months for the double-check valves. Inspector Rogers offered to look at each resident’s outdoor water system to help them know which pieces

PUBLIC NOTICE			
In compliance with Section 63-802, Idaho Code, Grand View Rural Fire Protection will meet on August 19, 2021 at 7:00pm at Grand View Firehouse, 720 Roosevelt Ave, Grand View, Idaho, to adopt an annual resolution to reserve the forgone amount for FY2022 for potential use in subsequent years.			
Due to legislative changes out of our control, it is necessary to change the date of Grand View Rural Fire Protection’s annual budget hearing that was scheduled for August 3, 2021. The new date for the budget hearing is: August 19, 2021, 7:00pm, at the Grand View Firehouse located at 720 Roosevelt Ave, Grand View, ID 83624.			
Grand View Rural Fire Protection District Grand View, ID Budget 2022			
Revenues		Expenses	
Property Tax	217,314	Maintenance & Repairs	57,900
Cash Carry-Over	5,800	Supplies	35,850
Other Income	14,000	Rent	30,000
		Utilities	17,200
Agricultural Replacement	4,373	Fuel	3,800
Personal Property Replacement	1,345	Payroll Expenses	24,500
Solar Farm Tax	60,000	Legal/Professional	3,800
		Communications	32,200
		Insurance	9,800
		Taxes	2,150
		Capital Expenditure Fund	65,621
		Tools & Equipment	4,300
		Training	4,500
		Miscellaneous Expenses	11,211
Total-	302,832	Total-	302,832
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING	
Pursuant to Idaho Code section 27-126, Notice is hereby given that the Riverside Cemetery of Owyhee County, will be holding the 2021-2022 budget hearing on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the RIS Office, 345 Main Street, Grand View, Idaho 83624.	
Anticipated Revenue	
Cash on Hand	55,000.00
Tax Levy	5844.00
Property Tax Replacement	633.00
Sale of Plots	2,000.00
Total	63,477.00
Anticipated Expenses:	
Lawn Mowing	6,500.00
Cemetery Maintenance	6,227.00
Office Expenses	250.00
Insurance	500.00
New Cemetery Expansion	40,000.00
Sprinkler System	10,000.00
Total	63,477.00
08/11/2021	

they will need to install.

July 26
- Set the agenda as presented.
- Approved the 07-19-2021 minutes.
- Approved Resolution 2021-14: Declaration that Conditions of Drought Disaster Exist in Owyhee County.
- Approved the Polling Locations for the August 31, 2021 election. Precinct 001 & 002 – North & South Homedale-Owyhee County Community Center, 423 West Nevada Ave, Homedale, ID 83628; Precinct 003 – North Marsing-Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall, 126 Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing, ID 83639; Precinct 013 – Absentee-Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78 / PO Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650
- Approved the ICRMP application for insurance on the Murphy Airport.
- Approved the Pleasant Valley School District’s request to become an At-Large district instead of having Trustee Zones.
- Approved Resolution 2021-13: Ratification for Commissioners’ Action on letter to Sheriff Creech of Payette County Re: Participation in an IPSCC Grant Application.

- Approved the request for sealed bids regarding Propane Delivery and Installation of Tanks in Murphy, Idaho.
- Approved the Service Contract with Western Waste Services for Three Creek: 1-30 yard roll off – Dump Fee \$550.00 per dump; Landfill fee \$75.00 per ton; Monthly Rental fee \$75.00.
- At 9:35 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (f) regarding possible litigation. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 9:38 a.m.
- Appointed Deputy Appraiser Monahan to the County Assessor position with a 2-1 vote. Deputy Appraiser Monahan will fulfill the remaining portion of Assessor Gruenwald’s term, which is through the end of 2022.
- At 10:17 a.m. went into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (f) regarding possible litigation. No action was taken. Open session was resumed at 10:22 a.m.
- The second quarter jail inspection took place at 10:30 a.m.
- At 11:00 a.m. the Commissioners met to do a final review of the County Budget for FY2022.
08/11/2021

Solid waste fees on the rise

County commissioners voted last week to increase the annual solid waste removal fee.
Unanimous approval of a resolution during the Aug. 2 meeting in Murphy will bump the 2021 fee for both commercial and residential accounts.
The commissioners approved \$2 increases for both residential (to \$63 per year) and commercial fees (to \$122 per year).
Citizens who take advantage of the Property Tax Relief Program, commonly known as the Circuit Breaker Program, will see a \$1 increase to

\$31.50 per year.
The higher fees will appear on 2021 Owyhee County property tax bills, which will hit the mail in November.
Road and Bridge hires flagger
The commissioners approved the hire of Carmela Barinaga on a temporary basis.
She is working this week through Thursday and is making \$15 per hour while working as a flagger in Road and Bridge District 3. She will receive no benefits.
— TK

Adrian’s request to join Idaho athletics moves forward

by John L. Braese EasternOregonSports.com
The request from Adrian High School to compete in an Idaho athletic conference is moving forward after a board meeting of the Idaho High School Activities Association.
“The Adrian request has been moved off the discussion list and to the action list,” IHSAA executive director Ty Jones said.
The move does not guarantee the Antelopes will be playing across the border soon. According to Jones, any request to join Idaho high school athletics requires two formal readings before the board. A second reading of the request would now take place during the December board meeting.
“The two readings gives parties time to provide input in for the board’s decision,” Jones said.
Adrian’s request, if approved, would have the Antelopes taking part in Idaho prep sports starting with the 2021-22 school year.
Adrian’s new Idaho foes would most likely come from the 1A, Div. I Western Idaho Conference and include

Greenleaf Friends Academy, Notus, Wilder, and Liberty Charter. Owyhee County-based Rimrock is also part of the 1A WIC.
EasternOregonSports.com reported earlier this year that the Adrian School District board of trustees instructed high school administrators to investigate transferring to an Idaho athletic conference after the Oregon School Activities Association denied an exemption to the reigning 1A Oregon football state champions to remain in the lower division despite playing as a co-operative with Jordan Valley.
The schools’ combined enrollment meant the co-op had to play in Class 2A.
Adrian has dissolved the co-op with Jordan Valley for the 2021 season, and EasternOregonSports.com confirmed last Wednesday that Jordan Valley would not field a football team this year.
Adrian High School just over Idaho border and about 14 miles from Homedale. The Antelopes’ closest Oregon competition is Harper, which is 45 miles away. Archrival Jordan Valley is nearly 70 miles away.

Trojans stage intrasquad scrimmage on Saturday

Homedale High School’s football season started Monday with the first fall practice, and the Trojans are already champing at the bit to get on the field.
The first opportunity to smash pads in a competition setting comes at noon Saturday

when the annual intrasquad Red and White Scrimmage is held at Deward Bell Stadium.
Coach Matt Holtry’s charges battle other schools at 6 p.m., on Friday, Aug. 20 at the Bulldog Bowl in Nampa as part of the Nampa Jamboree.



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✓ Queen: First runner-up captures many prizes for subcategory victories

as outgoing Queen Hannah White of Marsing pinned the sash on her.

“Finally accomplishing a childhood goal was an emotional moment for me,” Boren said.

What arena announcer Zack Zumstein coined as a “wardrobe malfunction” delayed Ella’s first ride as queen when the crown strap broke as White was trying to affix it to Ella’s cowboy hat.

The Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School honor student became the third consecutive Owyheean to win the crown despite finishing second in every contest category to first runner-up Kyleigh Davis of Eagle.

“The overwhelming support for me throughout the week from the local crowd was amazing and really helped build my confidence,” Ella said. “I love Owyhee County, and I am so happy to represent it.”

Ella won queen coronation in her first year of eligibility and by the slimmest of margins.

“Thank you to everyone who was there to show support, and most of all thank you to my mom (Mandi) and Laura Gonzalez for helping me succeed.”

Ella will represent Owyhee County at other rodeo events and parades for the next year.



After taking her final ride as Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo queen, Hannah White (right) smiles as officials prepare to announce the judging results between this year’s candidates Kyleigh Davis (left) and Ella Boren.

Davis swept all the speech and horsemanship categories, and she was named Miss Congeniality. The speech theme was “The Stars and the Stripes and the Cowboy.”

The candidates were judged in eight categories total. Other categories in which the girls scored points were flag presentation, grand entry each

night and interview.

The 18-year-old Davis, a Fort Scott Community College student in Kansas, also earned Miss Congeniality and won the speech award during her try for Owyhee County queen in 2019.

The contest turned into a two-person contest when the interview and fashion portion

started Aug. 2. The third candidate, Mountain View High School graduate Sarah Miraya, withdrew from the competition before fair week began.

Ella and White weren’t the only local queens in the arena Saturday night.

Three Creek’s Katie Brackett, a student at Castleford High

School, rode in the grand entry as the Silver State International Rodeo Queen after winning the title last month in Winnemucca, Nev.

Annie Miller, the 2019-20 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen, also rode in the grand entry, carrying a sponsor flag.

— JPB



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Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo

PARADE WINNERS, PAGES 12B WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2021 RODEO: ARRITOLA WINS ALL AROUND, PAGES 8-9B



Auctioneer Zack Zumstein leads the action during Saturday's Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale.



Top horsemen honored

Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show all-around champions, **from left:** Fallon Wasson, senior division; Jessica Hipwell, intermediate division; and Kinley Shanley, junior division. The girls received their ribbons and buckles on Aug. 3 at the conclusion of the two-day show to kick off fair week. Submitted photo



Parade best in show recipient

The Ferdinand family poses with the Txoko Ona Basque Club chuck wagon prior to the start of Saturday's Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade. Jess Ferdinand's father Fred Egurrola pulled the wagon for years before passing away in 2018. The Lequerica brothers from Arock, Ore., donated the wagon to Txoko Ona. The chuck wagon won the parade's Best in Show award, as well as first place in buggies and wagons. **From left:** Colby, Harlee, Jess, and James Ferdinand.



Bull fighters prepare to come to rescue as Homedale-Adrian area bull rider Michael Babcock begins to lose his grip on his ride in Saturday night's final performance of the 75th anniversary Owyhee County Rodeo.



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Owyhee County Fair: Games and Grub



Willy Haun (left) shows his unbridled enthusiasm as he calls out numbers during the Homedale FFA bingo fundraiser last Wednesday. Fellow chapter member Catherine Decker gives him a pep talk.



Brothers Timothy (foreground) and Luke Steinmeyer take a break from Thursday's action to toss the pigskin around.



Grubbin' BBQ provided the eats for the Buyers Lunch, which preceded Saturday's annual Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale.



A pair of goats get a little snuggle time in during a break from strutting their stuff at the Owyhee County Fair. Photo by Bill Benack

Owyhee County Fair: Pedals, Poultry



Above: Tyler Spencer seems quite pleased with her effort in the pedal tractor pull on Friday at the Tumbleweed Theatre.

Right: Hunter Bell strains for a few extra inches at the Owyhee County Fair's pedal tractor pull on Friday.



Not all the entries in the birds and poultry show were birds of a feather with their fellow fowl. Some stood out even when at rest in their cage. Photo by Mandi Boren



Three boys try to sharpen the skills with a roping dummy before taking on the best youth around in the Owyhee County Fair's roping contest Friday. Photo by Bill Benack

Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show



4-H Horse Show top performers recognized

Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show buckle winners, **from left:** Brylee Folkman, boxing level one; Kinley Shanley, junior all-around; Fallon Wasson, ranch riding, most inspirational senior, senior all-around, and cow work; Jessica Hipwell, intermediate all-around, top hand level two; Gene Showalter, green horse; Treylan Fisher, top hand level three; Trinity Neeser, sportsmanship; Kate Hipwell, boxing level two; Annie Miller, English high point; and Zane Markham, top hand level one. Submitted photo. The rest of the horse show results weren't received in time to publish this week and will appear in the Aug. 18 edition.



Members of each 4-H club carried American flags like this one during parade of clubs and flag salute to open the second day of the county horse show on Aug. 3 inside the rodeo arena.



The Owyhee County 4-H horse judging team, which finished second in the Junior Division state competition earlier this year, received jackets commemorating their success during the Aug. 3 horse show awards. **From left:** Jessica Hipwell, Kinley Shanley, Emeline Hipwell, and Ainsley Erwin. Photo by Mil Shanley

Owyhee County 4-H Horse Show



Fallon Wasson takes the American flag on a trip around the rodeo arena to open the parade of flags and flag salute ceremony on Aug. 3.



Carter Clay prepares to take his horse into the Owyhee County Rodeo arena for his last go-round in the county 4-H show on Aug. 2.



Kate Hipwell trots with Blue to the center of the rodeo arena, showing her showmanship skills in the 4-H horse show on Monday, Aug. 2.

Owyhee County Fair ANIMAL SHOWS



Beef showmanship grand champion Kelsey Gluch (left) and reserve grand champion Piper Colyer (middle) share the stage with judge Cameron Anderson of Needville, Texas, on Thursday. Submitted photo.

Livestock awards

Outstanding 4-H livestock exhibitor
Josie Showalter, Owyhee Silver Spurs

Livestock judging
Adult — Madie Anderson
Senior — Maialen Jaca
Intermediate — Jessica Hipwell
Junior — Harrison Idsinga

Herdsmanship
Large animals
Highest overall
Three-day score — Wilson Butte

Cattle
Wednesday — Marsing FFA
Thursday — Owyhee Outlaws
Friday — Wilson Butte

Sheep
Wednesday — Wilson Butte
Thursday — Homedale FFA
Friday — Owyhee Outlaws

Swine
Wednesday — Country Kids
Thursday — Country Kids
Friday — Owyhee Silver Spurs

Goat
Wednesday — Wilson Butte
Thursday — Reynolds Creek
Friday — Wilson Butte

Small animals
Highest overall
Three-day score — Keepin’ It Country

Daily
Wednesday — Keepin’ It Country
Thursday — Keepin’ It Country
Friday — Wilson Butte

Breeding/Quality
Large animal
Beef
Grand champion — Brogan Gebauer, Owyhee Silver Spurs; Hadlee Brown, Country Kids
Reserve grand champion — Cassity Gluch, Jordan Valley FFA; Hadlee Brown

Sheep
Grand champion — Tyler Thompson, Owyhee Silver Spurs
Reserve grand champion — Josune Jaca, Melba FFA

Swine
Grand champion — Maialen Jaca, Melba FFA
Reserve grand champion — Wyatt Morris, Owyhee Outlaws

Dairy
Grand champion — Llee Loucks, Marsing FFA
Reserve grand champion — Tys Dewinkle, Owyhee Outlaws

Meat goat
Grand champion — Willy Haun, Homedale FFA
Reserve grand champion — Cooper
— See *Livestock*, next page



Logan Field (left) and Ava Ewing took home large animal round robin grand champion and reserve grand champion, respectively, after Saturday morning’s competition.



Homedale FFA member Wily Haun (right) holds his blue ribbon and his animal after winning the meat goat grand championship. Judge Cameron Anderson of Needville, Texas, looks on.



A young exhibitor guides his swine through the show ring during Friday morning’s show in Homedale. Photo by Bill Benack

Owyhee County Fair ANIMAL SHOWS



Dairy quality grand champion Llee Loucks (left) and reserve grand champion Tys Dewinkle pose with their animal projects and their awards Thursday. Submitted photo

Belisia Larzelier tries to make the tag readable on her entry into the swine show during weigh-ins last Wednesday.

✓ Livestock

From previous page

Rheuby, Country Kids

Dairy goat

Grand champion — Mitchell Erwin, Rimrock FFA

Reserve grand champion — Logan Field, Rimrock FFA

Pygmy goat

Grand champion — Paisley Starbuck, South Mountain Livestock

Small animal

Rabbit

Grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country

Reserve grand champion — Ava Ewing, Keepin' It Country

Birds and poultry

Grand champion — Wyatt Morris, Owyhee Outlaws

Reserve grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country

Dog

Obedience

Grand champion — Annie Miller, Pony Express

Reserve grand champion — Shea Jensen, Barnyard Brigade

Showmanship

Large animal round robin

Grand champion — Logan Field, Rimrock FFA

Reserve grand champion — Ava Ewing, Keepin' It Country

— See **Livestock, Page 10B**



The first batch of 4-H Cloverbud goat contestants — all from the Shoofly Livestock club — guide their animals around the show ring. **Clockwise from left:** Allie Roberts, Addi Duryee, and Hans Idsinga. Other Cloverbuds in the second and third group last Wednesday hailed from the Owyhee Silver Spurs, Reynolds Creek 4-H, Bruneau Canyon 4-H, Country Kids, and Wilson Butte 4-H.

Owyhee County Rodeo



Marsing cowboy Austin Williams, a new dad, bent over backwards trying to impress the judges Saturday night, but couldn't bring home the bareback championship in the 75th anniversary Owyhee County Rodeo. Dietrich's Wes Shaw scored a 72-point ride Friday, and that held up against Williams' 69-point effort in the final long-go.

75th anniversary Owyhee County Rodeo results

Final placers

All around — Zalin Arritola, Kuna
Tie down roping — 1. Cole Dobbs (Thursday), 11.7 seconds; 2. (tie) Coy Surret (Friday) and Kurtis Barry (Friday), 12.2; 4. Chad Finley (Thursday), Mt. Vernon, Ore., 12.5; 5. Cody Stewart (Thursday), 14.6; 6. Aaron Marts (Saturday), Adrian, 14.8; 7. Levi Gibson, 17.5; 8. Grady Ross Kirkes (Thursday), 19.2
Steer wrestling — 1. Michael Nannini (Thursday), 4.0 seconds; 2. Hazen Smith (Friday), Malad, 4.5; 3. Eric Logan (Friday), 5.1; 4. Patrick Jarbo (Thursday), 6.0; 5. Wes Shaw (Friday), Dietrich, 6.8; 6. Trevor Maddox (Thursday), Weiser, 14.9
Breakaway roping — 1. Aubryn Bedke (last Wednesday), 1.7 seconds; 2. Kalena Webb (last Wednesday), Wendell, 2.1; 3. Brittany Truman (Friday), Parma, 2.2; 4. (tie) Candida Eldridge (last Wednesday), Nampa, 2.4; Shelby Logan (Saturday), 2.4; 6. (tie) Paige Portiener (Friday), 3.0; Meg Eiguren (Saturday), Arock, 3.0; 8. Kimberly Williams (last Wednesday), N. Powder, Ore., 3.2
Barrel racing — 1. Sierra Telford (last Wednesday), 17.69 seconds; 2. Kylee Echevarria (Saturday), Nampa, 17.8; 3. (tie) Sonja Stewart (Thursday), 17.82; and Italy Jo Sheehan (Saturday), Shoshone, 17.82; 5. Karen Hansen (last Wednesday), Nampa, 17.84; 6. (tie) Danyelle Williams (last Wednesday),

Vale, Ore., 17.93; and Emily Nally (last Wednesday), 17.93; 8. Ria Mack (Saturday), 17.97
Team roping — 1. Jeff Flenniken, Caldwell, and Jake Minor, Ellensburg, Wash. (Saturday), 5.4 seconds; 2. Tyler Christensen, Twin Falls, and Jake Ruby, Burley (last Wednesday), 6.1; 3. Cooper Bradshaw and Brayden Bedke (last Wednesday), 7.0; 4. Tyrel Sturza, Walla Walla, Wash., and Zalin Arritola, Kuna (Saturday), 7.4; 5. Ryan Fornstrom, Eagle, and Shaun Lequerica, Arock, 7.9; 6. Jake Echevarria, Nampa, and Ted Walker, Nampa, (Thursday), 8.0; 7. Brett Sheehan, Shoshone, and Blake Craig, Wendell (last Wednesday), 10.2; 8. Kelsey Felton, Lewiston, and Danny Martin, Stanfield, Ore. (Saturday), 10.8
Bareback — 1. Wes Shaw, Dietrich (Friday), 72 points; 2. Austin Williams, Marsing (Saturday), 69
Saddle bronc — 1. Sam Harper (Friday), 84 points; 2. Zalin Arritola, Kuna (Saturday), 76; 3. (tie) Jake Bentz (Thursday) and Kade Bruno (Thursday), 75; 5. (tie) Johnny Espeland, Homedale (Friday), Carson Bingham (Friday), and Clancy Glenn, Parma (Saturday), 72
Bull riding — 1. Miles Johnson (Friday), 79 points
Frank Maher Memorial ranch bronc — 1. Tyler Elsner, Jordan Valley (Saturday), 83 points; 2. Jack Whiteaker, Nyssa, Ore. (Saturday), 80;

3. (tie) Tyler Stanley (Friday) and Gabe McKay, Juntura, Ore (Friday), 73; 5. (tie) Warren Johnson (Friday) and Zalin Arritola, Kuna (Saturday), 72; 7. Jake Flint, Marsing (Thursday), 71; 8. Jesse Lawrence (Friday), 70
Local team roping — 1. Alec Wright and Ace Wright (Saturday), 11.1 seconds; 2. Sage Raine and Doug Rutan (Thursday), 11.2; 3. (tie) Jason P. Smith and Jessica J. Smith (Thursday), 11.9; Trevor Burdick and Quintin Moffis (Saturday), 11.9
Steer riding — 1. Trayl Morgan (Saturday), 67 points; 2. Ryker Layne (Friday), 60; 3. Rozin Mason (Thursday), 54
Wild horse race — 1. Team Meanus, 52.48 seconds; 2. Team Young Guns, 1 minute, 20.59 seconds; 3. Team Outlaw, 1:39.33
George and Juanita Johnstone Memorial mutton busting — 1. Sterling McIntyre (Friday), 84 points; 2. Raimy Starbuck (Saturday), 83; 3. Pacen Curt (Friday), 82.5; 4. (tie) Spade Hackler (Friday), 80; and Cade Fornstrom (Saturday), 80
Saturday
Wild horse race — 1. Team Olson Meanus Jr., 1 minute, 17.49 seconds
Mutton busting — 1. Raimy Starbuck, 83 points; 2. Jace Pisca, 74;
Tie down roping — 1. Aaron Marts, 14.8 seconds; 2. Tio Simmons, Wallowa, Ore., 19.3

Breakaway roping — 1. Shelby Logan, 2.4; 2. Meg Eiguren, Arock, 3.0; 3. Shelbie Allen, Weiser, 3.4; 4. Brianne Minor, 12.1; 5. Emilee Burch, 12.4
Barrel racing — 1. Kylee Echevarria, Nampa, 17.8 seconds; 2. Italy Jo Sheehan, Shoshone, 17.82; 3. Linda Roberts, 18.03; 4. Rylee Branch, 18.3; 5. Shelbie Allen, 18.87. **Locals:** Zayne Hall, Homedale, 22.79
Team roping — 1. Jeff Flenniken, Caldwell, and Jake Minor, Ellensburg, Wash., 5.4 seconds; 2. Tyrel Sturza, Walla Walla, Wash., and Zalin Arritola, Kuna, 7.4; 3. Ryan Fornstrom, Eagle, and Shaun Lequerica, Arock, 7.9; 4. Kelsey Felton, Lewiston, and Danny Martin, Stanfield, Ore., 10.8; 5. Pook Eiguren and Sam Saunders, 11.3. **Locals:** Gus King and John Schutte, 12.3
Saddle bronc — 1. Zalin Arritola, Kuna, 76 points; 2. Clancy Glenn, Parma, 72; 3. Cooper Dewitt, 70; 4. Clayton Brum, Mountain Home, 57;
Bull riding — No qualifying rides
Ranch bronc — 1. Tyler Elsner, Jordan Valley, 83 points; 2. Jake Whiteaker, Nyssa, Ore., 80; 3. Zalin Arritola, Kuna, 72; 4. Cole Wainman, Marsing, 69; 5. Evan Miller, Marsing, 68. **Locals:** Gus King, 66
Local team roping — 1. Alec Wright and Ace Wright, 11.1 seconds; 2. Trevor Burdick and Quintin Moffis,

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Owyhee County Rodeo



Jordan Valley's Tyler Elsner beat the best ride of the week by 10 points in Saturday's Frank Maher Memorial ranch bronc contest. He scored 83 points then held on through Nyssa, Ore.'s Jack Whiteaker's 80-point ride later Saturday to win the 2021 championship.



Haddy Lanham braces for impact after falling off the sheep during Thursday's opening round of the George and Juanita Memorial mutton busting meet at the Owyhee County Rodeo.



Accepting the \$3,000 check from Owyhee County Rodeo president Sam Riley (right) on behalf of Saint Alphonsus during Thursday's Kick Cancer rodeo were Dr. Craig Cowling, Alicia Carlisle, ATC, Lisa Roper, ATC, and Dr. Jocene Skinner.

✓ Rodeo

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11.9; 3. Mesa Mackenzie and Kelton Mackenzie, 20.2
Steer riding — 1. Trayl Morgan, 67 points

Friday

Wild horse race — 1. Team Olson Meanus Jr., 1 minute, 17.49 seconds
Mutton busting — 1. Sterling McIntyre, 84 points; 2. Pacen Curt, 82.5; 3. Spade Hackler, 80; 4. Silas Kukla, 78; 5. Lacy Uria, 75; 6. Landon Brezenski, 65
Tie down roping — 1. (tie) Coy Surret, 12.2 seconds; Kurtis Barry, 12.2; 3. Cody Stewart, 14.6; 4. Brad Carpenter, Caldwell, 20.6; 5. Cole Garland, Nampa, 22.6
Steer wrestling — 1. Hazen Smith, Malad, 4.5 seconds; 2. Eric Logan, 5.1
Breakaway roping — 1. Brittany Truman, Parma, 2.2 seconds; 2. Paige Portiener, 3.0; 3. Jacie Shaffer, 4.2; 4. Cassie Metcalf, 4.7; 5. Amanda Hodges, Homedale, 11.7
Barrel racing — 1. Anneliese McCurry, 18.08; 2. Sydney Davis, Adrian, 18.29;

3. Sage Badiola, Homedale, 18.9; 4. Shanna Robinson, 18.21; 5. Katie Davis, Adrian, 18.28
Team roping — 1. Jeremy Eaton and Jeff Palmer, 13.9 seconds
Bareback — 1. Wes Shaw, Dietrich, 72 points
Saddle bronc — 1. Sam Harper, 84 points; 2. (tie) Johnny Espeland, Homedale, and Carson Bingham, 72; 4. Gabe McKay, Juntura, Ore., 33
Ranch bronc — 1. Tyler Stanley and Gabe McKay, Juntura, Ore., 73 points; 3. Jeremia Boone and Warren Johnson, 72; 5. Jesse Lawrence, 70
Local team roping — 1. Kreece Powell and Mason McDaniel, 14.9 seconds; 2. Kelly Clemens and Kiley Clemens, 16.0; 3. Hans Hansen and Kevin Smith, 16.9; 4. Jim Ryska and Jeffery Layne, 21.1; 5. Kayann Smith and John Hackler, 30.9
Steer riding — 1. Ryker Layne, 60 points
Bull riding — 1. Miles Johnson, 79 points

Thursday

Mutton busting — 1. Sanaye Gardner, 69 points
Tie down roping — 1. Cole Dobbs, 11.7 seconds; 2. Chad Finley, Mt. Vernon, Ore., 12.5; 3. Grady Ross, Kirkes, 19.2; 4. Chase Joyce, Burns, Ore., 28.3
Steer wrestling — 1. Michael Nannini, 4.0 seconds; 2. Patrick Jarbo, 6.0; 3. Wes Shaw, Dietrich, 6.8; 4. Trevor Maddox, Weiser, 14.9
Breakaway roping — 1. Kathy Brown, 5.2; 2. Brenda Reay, Adrian, 6.2; 3. Jimmie Bennett, 6.6; 4. Katie Jo MacFarlane, Wilder, 11.7; 5. Sloan MacFarlane, Wilder, 12.0. **Locals** — 6. (tie) Addie Mackenzie, Rockville, Ore., 12.1; Quincy Pendergrass, Adrian, 12.1; 8. Courtney Cook, Marsing, 12.6
Barrel racing — 1. Sonja Stewart, 17.82 seconds; 2. Georgia King, 18.05; 3. Sloan MacFarlane, 18.18; 4. Stacey Hamrick, 18.27; 5. Grace King, 18.52. **Locals** — 9. Rosie Milburn, Homedale, 23.86
Team roping — 1. Jake

Echevarria, Nampa, and Ted Walker, Nampa, 8.0 seconds; 2. Brandan Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, and Jack Engelhart, 12.17; 3. Jerad McFarlane, Wilder, and Taylor Duby, Homedale, 19.6; 4. Joel Maxwell and Dally Mason, 22.0
Bareback — 1. Wes Shaw, Dietrich, 72 points
Saddle bronc — 1. (tie) Kade Bruno and Jack Bentz, 75 points; 3. Cody Weeks, 67; 4. (tie) Russell Kay and Mitch Pollock, 66
Ranch bronc — 1. Jake Flint, Marsing, 71 points
Local team roping — 1. Sage Raine and Doug Rutan, 11.2 seconds; 2. Jason P. Smith and Jessica J. Smith, 11.9; 3. Tori Miller and Zack Zumstein, 17.8; 4. Trevor Fillmore and Mark Fillmore, 18.8; 5. Jace Grenke and Alex Williams, 21.0
Steer riding — 1. Rozin Mason, 54 points
Bull riding — No qualifying rides
Last Wednesday's slack Tie down roping — 1. Levi Gibson, 17.5 seconds; 2. Tyler

Whitlow, Kimberly, 22.9; 3. Austin Ledford, 27.7
Breakaway roping — 1. Aubryn Bedke, 1.7 seconds; 2. Kalena Webb, Wendell, 2.1; 3. Candida Eldridge, Nampa, 2.4; 4. Kimberly Williams, N. Powder, Ore., 3.2; 5. Shawny Telford, Caldwell, 3.3 seconds. **Locals** — 8. (tie) Janey Reeves, Melba, 4.2
Barrel racing — 1. Sierra Telford, 17.69 seconds; 2. Karen Hansen, Nampa, 17.84; 3. (tie) Danyelle Williams, Vale, Ore., 17.93; Emily Nally, 17.93; 5. Lacyn Josephson, 18.08. **Locals** — 12. Kelsey Gluch, Jordan Valley, 18.42; 13. Brenna Brown, Melba, 18.51; 28. Brenda Reay, Adrian, 24.6; 29. Angie Powell, Marsing, 28.39
Team roping — 1. Tyler Christensen, Twin Falls, and Jake Ruby, Burley, 6.1 seconds; 2. Cooper Bradshaw and Brayden Bedke, 7.0; 3. Brett Sheehan, Shoshone, and Blake Craig, Wendell, 10.2; 4. Indigo Sappington and Brady White, 11.1; 5. Travis Whitlow, Arizona, and Tyler Whitlow, Kimberly, 11.6

Owyhee County Fair Animal Shows



The show judge congratulates Ava Ewing after placing a blue ribbon next to her rabbit, signifying she won the rabbit showman grand championship Thursday at the Tumbleweed Theatre.



Freya Williams of Snake River Livestock 4-H listens intently to the judge during one of the Cloverbud rounds in Thursday's rabbit show.

✓ Livestock

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Beef

Grand champion — Kelsey Gluch, Jordan Valley FFA
Reserve grand champion — Piper Colyer, Bruneau Canyon 4-H

Sheep

Grand champion — Josune Jaca, Melba FFA
Reserve grand champion — Maialen Jaca, Melba FFA

Swine

Grand champion — Cruz Colyer, Bruneau Canyon
Reserve grand champion — Kaylee Blankenship, Homedale FFA

Dairy

Grand champion — Mitchell Erwin, Rimrock FFA
Reserve grand champion — Alex Worley, Reynolds Creek

Horse

Grand champion — Jessica Hipwell, Owyhee Outlaws
Reserve grand champion — Karlee Leffler, Owyhee Silver Spurs

Meat goat

Grand champion — Willy Haun, Homedale FFA
Reserve grand champion — Logan Field, Rimrock FFA

Dairy goat

Grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country
Reserve grand champion — Logan Field, Rimrock FFA

Pygmy goat

Grand champion — Paisley Starbuck, South Mountain Livestock

Small animal Round robin

Grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country
Reserve grand champion — Ava Ewing, Keepin' It Country

Rabbit

Grand champion — Ava Ewing, Keepin' It Country
Reserve grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country

Birds and poultry

Grand champion — Wyatt Morris, Owyhee Outlaws
Reserve grand champion — Lane Morris, Owyhee Outlaws

Dog

Grand champion — Brylee Folkman, Bruneau Canyon
Reserve grand champion — Brielle Ewing, Keepin' It Country



Bruneau Canyon 4-H member Brylee Folkman guides her animal through the dog show held Thursday.



Adelle (left) and Ellie Mueller study the judge's clipboard as she makes notations during a Cloverbud rabbit show Thursday.

Owyhee County Fair ANIMAL SHOWS



Emma Eldridge (left) of Bruneau Canyon 4-H was named grand champion in self-sponsored market steer, given to her by Vern Kershner (middle), while judge Cameron Anderson stands nearby. Submitted photo.



Owyhee Cattlemen's Association market steer grand champion Piper Colyer (second from left) and reserve grand champion Maialen Jaca (second from right) share the spotlight with judge Cameron Anderson (left) and OCA board president Oscar Evans. Submitted photo



Large animal judge Cameron Anderson (left) has a few questions for eventual reserve grand champion market goat exhibitor Cooper Rheuby last Wednesday.



Bradford Smith (left) discusses his Cloverbud goat project with the judge in the show ring. Submitted photo



Logan Field took home the goat showmanship reserve grand champion designation among his many awards during the Owyhee County Fair.

Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade

Award winners

Best in Show — Txoko Ona Basque Club chuck wagon, James and Jess Ferdinand

Floats Commercial — 1. Clarity Credit Union, Dan Edgerton

Buggies and wagons — 1. Txoko Ona Basque Club chuck wagon; 2. Owyhee County Rodeo Board white buggy; 3. Owyhee County Rodeo Board red buggy

Cars — 1. 1967 Chevrolet pickup, David Van Wassenhove, Marsing; 2. Ford 1935 1½-ton truck, Don Liesen; 3. 1919 Dodge roadster, Mark Bauer, Homedale

Tractors — 1. 1938 John Deere Model B, Gary Enzminger, Star; 2. 1940 Case, Roger Tish; 3. 1962 Farmall 504, Gary Regnani, Boise

Horses — 1. Trinity Neeser, Homedale

Horse club, youth — 1. Owyhee Sage Riders

Royalty — 1. Katie Brackett, Silver State International Rodeo Queen, Three Creek; 2. Hannah White, 2020-21 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen, Marsing



Outgoing Owyhee County Rodeo Queen Hannah White (left) rides in Saturday's parade with royalty candidates Kyleigh Davis (second from left) and Ella Boren. Boren would be crowned 2021 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen on Saturday evening.

Right: This horse-drawn wagon was one of two that carried Owyhee County Rodeo Board members along Saturday's parade route. The rodeo board en masse was selected as grand marshals for this year's parade. The rodeo and fair observed their 75th anniversaries last week.



Adley Landa (left), 8, and Jett Landa, 3, score some candy along Saturday's parade route in front of Homedale Elementary School.



The Veterans of Foreign Wars Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11065 of Wilder carried the colors to lead Saturday's parade.

Owyhee County Fair 4-H AWARDS



4-H Owyhee County Cloverbud Oral Presentation award winner Colt Hipwell accepts his award from University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office’s Madi Anderson on Saturday.

Jonathan Ineck accepts his boys’ Livestock Sportsmanship Award from University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office 4-H coordinator Madi Anderson on Friday as U of I Owyhee County Extension Educator Scott Jensen continues his master of ceremonies role.

Results from Friday’s awards show

College scholarships
Taylor Sauer Memorial — Annie Miller
Scholarships — Kiera Packer, Taryn Packer and Annie Miller

Family and Consumer Science and Miscellaneous Club awards
Outstanding scrapbook — Wilson Butte
Outstanding secretary book — Shoofly
Outstanding treasurer book — Wilson Butte
Best fair theme in decorations — Owyhee Outlaws
Decorations in community center — 1. Great Basin Buckaroos; 2. Wilson Butte; 3. Owyhee Outlaws

Sportsmanship
Livestock — Girl: Ainsley Erwin. Boy: Jonathan Ineck

FCS judging
Top adult — Madi Anderson

Top Senior — Hannah Moos
Top Intermediate — Brooklyn Roadenbaugh
Top Junior — Mackley Prow
Cloverbuds — Roan Folkman

Top overall exhibitors
FCS — Kinley Shanley
Miscellaneous — Terry Volk

Judge’s Choice Awards of Excellence
Quilting — Llee Loucks, Kallie Barber, and Brooklyn Roadenbaugh
Leather — Emmett Roland, Ty Roland, Maialen Jaca, Josie Showalter, and Gene Showalter
Cake decorating — Hannah Moos and Hayden Higgins
Know Your Government — Brinley Gunstream
Sewing — Audrie Miller and Josephine Adamson

Style Revue
Top overall select and show — Josephine Adamson
Intermediate/Senior — Champion: Maylee Astorquia. Reserve champion: Brooklyn Astorquia
Junior — Champion: Miray Izzard. Reserve champion: Bel Wood

Sewing exhibitor
Intermediate/Senior — Champion: Mila Binford. Reserve champion: Adyson Chadez
Junior — Champion: Kinley Shanley. Reserve champion: Maylee Astorquia

Foods exhibitor
Intermediate/Senior — Champion: Charity Pate. Reserve champion: Hannah Moos
Junior — Champion: Kinley Shanley. Reserve champion: McKenzie Bell

Leather
Intermediate/Senior

— Champion: Terry Volk. Reserve champion: Gene Showalter
Junior — Champion: Kinley Shanley. Reserve champion: Taylor Izzard

County oral presentations
Highest percentage of presentations
Wilson Butte — 40 percent

Agriculture
Senior — Grand champion: Ainsley Erwin. Reserve champion: Hayden Higgins
Intermediate — Grand champion: Ainsley Erwin. Reserve champion: Hayden Higgins
Junior — Grand champion: Colby Starbuck. Reserve champion: Paisley Starbuck
Cloverbuds — Colt Hipwell, Hap Prow, Roan Folkman, Silas Kukla, Brindelynne Parker, Paiyton Parker, and Hope Steinmeyer

4-H leader milestones
10-year — Brandie

Campbell, Owyhee Silver Spurs; and Heather Field, Snake River Livestock

Five-year — Brenna Montgomery, Wilson Butte; and Michelle Parr, Reynolds Creek

First-year — Jaycee Chavez, Keepin’ It Country; Kathryn Bell, Wilson Butte; Lamar Harris, Pony Express; Lori Idsinga, Shoovly Livestock; Andrea Morris; and Rob Renteria

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Senior — Grand champion: Ainsley Erwin. Reserve champion: Hayden Higgins
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MORE OWYHEE COUNTY FAIR WINNERS



Jessica Hipwell's entry won the salt block lick art contest.



Karen Sanders (left) and Lynn Murray, both of Caldwell, take a moment out of their day to check out some open class exhibits inside the Owyhee County Community Center.

Open class

- Contest winners**
Cow pie decorating — Lcee Loucks
Salt block lick art — Jessica Hipwell
Owyhee County Nature's Wonder — Sunny Bradshaw
Items Made by a Man — David Hayes
Commissioners' cookie — Rylee Ready

- Art**
Best of Show — Hailee Meyers
Department champions — Grand: Susan Anderson. Reserve: Faye Jerome
Senior division champions — Champion and reserve: Ron Kiester
Adult division champions — Grand: Susan Anderson. Reserve: Ruth McEntire
Youth division champions — Champion: Faye Jerome. Reserve: Allie Bell
Child division champions — Champion: Alexandria Munoz. Reserve: Ava Ewing
Superintendent's choice — Lizzie Sessions
Judge's choice — Allison Hubler

- Hobbies and crafts**
Department champions — Grand: Faye Jerome. Reserve: Kaden Henry and Daniel Uranga
Senior division champions — Champion: Ruth Rubelt. Reserve: Janet McCornack
Adult division champions — Grand: Kaden Henry and Daniel Uranga. Reserve: Andrea Jerome
Youth division champions — Champion: Faye Jerome. Reserve: Tyson Campbell
Child division champions — Champion and reserve: David Hoewing
Superintendent's choice — Lily Thoene
Judge's choice — Emory Kirk



Bobbi Kirk won the department championship for her entry in the flowers category.

- Needlecraft**
Department champions — Grand: Susie Thayer. Reserve: Charlene Johnstone
Senior division champions — Champion: Kathy Hagler. Reserve: Charlene Johnstone
Adult division champions — Grand: Susie Thayer. Reserve: Marjorie Anderson
Youth division champions — Champion: Hailey Jakovac. Reserve: Abby Henry
Child division champions — Champion: Shelby Jakovac. Reserve: Gladys Kind
Superintendent's choice — Shelby Jakovac
Judge's choice — Lori Emry
- Historical**
Department champions — Grand: Bruce Bradshaw. Reserve: Marjorie

- Anderson
Superintendent's choice — Bruce Bradshaw
Judge's choice — Brandi Campbell
- Photography**
Best of Show — Caleb Hall
Department champions — Grand and reserve: Daryce Franzen
Senior division champions — Champion and reserve: Daryce Franzen
Adult division champions — Grand: Wendy Hackney. Reserve: Daryce Franzen
Youth division champions — Champion: Caleb Hall. Reserve: Madi Anderson
Child division champions — Champion: Miley Civian. Reserve: Bailey Ready
Superintendent's choice — Bailey Ready
Judge's choice — Keri Gibbs

- Agriculture**
Vegetables
Department champions — Grand: John Lejardi. Reserve: Jessica Hipwell
Senior division champions — Champion: Judy Pascale. Reserve: Steve Belknap
Adult division champions — Champion and reserve: Craig Clapier
Youth division champions — Champion: John Lejardi. Reserve: Morgan Field
Child division champions — Champion: David Hoewing. Reserve: Ava Ewing
Superintendent's choice — Jason Sevy
Judge's choice — David Brinegar

- Fruit**
Department champions — Grand and reserve: Ava Ewing
Youth division champions — Reserve: Morgan Field
Superintendent's choice — Emory Kirk

- Flowers**
Department champions — Grand: Bobbi Kirk. Reserve: Ava Ewing
Senior division champions — Champion and reserve: Heidi Smith-Takatori
Adult division champions — Champion and reserve: Bobbi Kirk
Youth division champions — Reserve: Morgan Field
Child division champion — Champion: Ava Ewing
Superintendent's choice — Andrea Jerome
Judge's choice — Andrea Jerome
- Kitchen and pantry**
Baking
Department champions — Grand and reserve: Marjorie Anderson
Senior division champions — Champion: Janet McCornack. Reserve: Judy Pascale
Adult division champions — Champion and reserve: Marjorie Anderson
Youth division champions — Champion: Brielle Ewing. Reserve: Samantha Bachman
Child division champions — Champion: Charity Pate. Reserve: Emily Cornell
Superintendent's choice — Marjorie Anderson
Judge's choice — Marjorie Anderson

- Canning**
Department champions — Reserve: Elena De La Concepcion
Senior division champions — Champion: Janet McCornack. Reserve: Judy Pascale
Adult division champions — Champion and reserve: Elena De La Concepcion
Child division champions — Champion and reserve: Rafel Garcia
Superintendent's choice — Marjorie Anderson
Judge's choice — Marjorie Anderson

MORE OWYHEE COUNTY FAIR FARM FUN



A sampling of the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association tractors displayed on the midway at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. The TVAPA opted for the show and shine rather than take away from the rodeo by using part of the parking lot for a tractor pull.

Fair-appropriate show and shine: Vintage tractors take midway

A Homedale resident and his fellow hobbyists rolled their vintage tractors onto the Owyhee County Fair midway last week.

Gary Regnani had a pair of restored machines in the group, and the collectors were on hand each day to chat up anyone who were curious about the old iron.

Regnani brought a couple Farmall products, including a 1962 504 diesel model and a 1949 H model.

Other Treasure Valley Antique Power Association members who brought their tractors were:

- **Gary Enzminger, Star** — 1938 John Deere B
- **Tony Vowels, Meridian** — 1956 John Deere 60
- **Roger Tish, Greenleaf** — 1940 Case RC and 1937 Silver King
- **David Terry, Nampa** — 1939 Ford 9N
- **Norm Keesler, Nampa** — 1951 8N
- **Kevin Keesler, Nampa** — 1950 Ford 8N Mini Model lawnmower

The TVAPA members opted for the show and shine this year. In the past, the group has sanctioned an antique tractor pull during the fair. An Owyhee County tractor pull may return to the TVAPA event schedule next year, Regnani said.



Three of the manufacturers represented at the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association county fair tractor display included Ford, John Deere and Farmall. The TVAPA show and shine was placed on the midway. Previously, displays had been set up near the Homedale Armory before it was replaced by the Owyhee County Community Center two years ago.



Bradley Garrett dips deep as he races through Friday's siphon tube contest in the 12-and-younger boys' competition.

Siphon tube setting

Friday's results

Girls 12 and younger — Champion: Piper Kushlan, 38.23 seconds; Reserve: Kenszi Smith, 39.22

Boys 12 and younger — Champion: Landry Kukla, 20.93 seconds; Reserve: Boston Garrett, 24.45

Jr. girls 13-18 — Champion: Faith Svedin, 38.69 seconds; Reserve: Eliza Svedin, 40.7

Jr. boys 13-18 — Champion: Cody Floyd, 23.69 seconds; Reserve: Lodin Jolley, 29.84

Women's masters (ages 19-54) — Champion: Gayle Batt, 35.78 seconds; Reserve: Cindy Floyd, 40.82

Men's masters (19-54) — Champion: Kenny Thomas, 26.63 seconds; Reserve: Greg Purdom, 31.19

Women's seniors (55 and older) — Champion: Sandy Sarceda, 46.34 seconds; Reserve: Nannette Jolley, 48.96

Men's seniors (55 and older) — Champion: Steve Lejardi, 30.76 seconds; Reserve: Fidel Vallejo, 35.31

Mixed tag team — Champion: Nannette and Lodin Jolley, 20.57 seconds; Reserve: Piper and Brad Kushlan, 22.37

Spouse tag team — Champion: Greg and Carina Purdom, 16.62 seconds; Reserve: Fred and Sandy Sarceda, 27.83

Adult tag team (average on three runs) — Champion: Tracy Skinner and Darren Krzesnik, 44.74 seconds; Reserve: Greg and Gage Purdom, 47.37



Tys Dewinkle coaxes his swine around the ring during a junior showmanship round on Friday.

MORE OWYHEE COUNTY FAIR AND RODEO



Mutton buster Alice Mueller tries to hold on as her mount looks to get some air Thursday night in the rodeo arena.



Addy Chadez proudly displays her winning effort during the fair's Style Revue last Wednesday.



Lincoln Loucks of Marsing looks up from his slice near the end of his winning effort in Thursday's watermelon-eating contest.

Thank you

My sincere appreciation goes to the many volunteers who worked so tirelessly to contain the fire at the Bergeson Building Saturday night and Sunday. It's people like you who make Homedale such an awesome community.

— Joe Aman



Waylon Riley makes good on his throw during the fair's roping contest on Friday.

Grand View could increase utility rates in stages

Bazaar, chili cookoff moves into Murphy

Homedale Sr. Center to reopen, congregates meals to resume

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