

CITY OF BAKER CITY

On the Historic Oregon Trail. Established 1874

Weekly Update January 29, 2016

Administration:

On Tuesday at the City Council meeting, Brian Vegter with Baker Loves Bikes, presented the City with a signed jersey by the winners of the 2015 Baker City Cycling Classic in appreciation for hosting the races.



Also at the last City Council meeting, Billie-Jo Deal **donated and presented K9 Capa's badge.** The K9 program is completely funded by citizens of this **community; K9 Capa's badge was immensely appreciated!**

City Council

February 9th
Agenda Items:

- ❖ Liquor License Application
- ❖ Appoint Volunteers to Boards and Commissions



Finance:

Payroll-Eighty-two employees were paid today including seventeen paid volunteer firefighters and the one part-time building inspector. Of those 82 employees, 75 or 92% are signed up for direct deposit.

Utilities

- ◆ 13 customers signed up for new water/wastewater service and 9 customers disconnected service from January 22nd through January 28th. This includes all service changes.
- ◆ Zone 4 was billed today which includes 712 residential and 60 commercial accounts. Of those accounts 170 or 22% are signed up for direct payment.
- ◆ 75 late notices were sent January 26th.
- ◆ 5 residential customers (Zone 3) were scheduled to have their water turned off for non pay (over 60 days past due) one of those was actually turned off until their past due balance was paid.



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Baker City Building Department issues all permits and provides full plan review and inspection services for building, plumbing, and mechanical on new and remodel construction within Baker County.



COMMERCIAL PROJECTS:

- No new commercial building permits were issued this week.

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:

- No new residential building permits were issued this week.

Permits

	Permits Issued City	Inspections City	Permits Issued County	Inspections County
BUILDING	0	1	0	1
MANUFACTURED DWELLING	0	0	0	0
ELECTRICAL	3	19	4	5
MECHANICAL	2	7	1	2
PLUMBING	1	1	0	3
FENCE	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	6	28	5	11

Historic District Design and Review Commission

The next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2016

8:00 a.m. – Building Department Office

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Projects and Land Use Decisions

- On January 20, 2016, the Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit to conduct manufacturing and production in the Central Commercial zone. Notice of the decision was sent out to everyone who participated in the hearing and landowners within 100 feet. The appeal period for the Planning Commission’s decision ends on February 4, 2016.
- A sign permit was approved for St. Alphonsus Valley Medical at 3820 17th Street, located in the General Commercial zone.
- A sign permit was approved for Total Health at 3975 Midway Drive, located in the General Commercial Zone.





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

FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the week of **January 10th - 16th**, the Fire Department responded to a total of **35** emergency alarms.



AMBULANCE OPERATIONS

City Calls	20
Rural Calls	10
Patient Transported	17
No Patient Trip	13

TOTAL MEDIC RESPONSES 30

FIRE REPORTS

General Alarms	0
Dispatched Alarms	5

TOTAL FIRE RESPONSES 5

Out of Town Transfers	1
Airport Transfers	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2
Simultaneous Calls	5

TRAINING/MAINTENANCE

This week the BCFD completed **13** hours of in-house training:

- ◆ Fire – Records management, command and control, roof operations
- ◆ EMS-Chart review CPR training

STATION MAINTENANCE

23 hours of station, apparatus, equipment maintenance, and other activities.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Additional Services to the community:

- ◆ BP checks at the senior center
- ◆ Business inspections



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

Don't miss the next check on February 2nd.



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

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- ★ This past week BCPD handled over **100** incidents and opened **52** new cases. One of these cases resulted in the arrest of an individual for Felon in Possession of a Firearm. This arrest was subsequent to 911 calls, reporting a man carrying a firearm and yelling. A BCPD Officer also arrested an individual for Driving Under the Influence of Marijuana.
- ★ Chief Lohner met with the organizer of the Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally to review changes and proposals for the 2016 event. In addition, Chief Lohner met with local businesses to look at **proposed activities for this year's event.**
- ★ K9 Handler Officer Smith presented a demonstration at the Harvest Academy School where K9 Capa met many children and adults. Officer Smith visited with everyone describing how Capa works and then Capa demonstrated his skills. Capa loved the meet and greet afterward with the children.
- ★ Law Enforcement leaders in the area continue to meet and discuss strategies for protecting our communities.
- ★ Chief Lohner attended the quarterly meeting of the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council.
- ★ BCPD personnel participated in several briefing trainings, including a review of various Officer Safety topics.
- ★ BCPD Administrative Assistant / Car Seat Technician Phoebe Wachtel continues to assist families with car seat installations each week.



Code Enforcement Weekly Activities:

Property Maintenance

- Closed out 2 old cases (compliance gained)
- Followed up on 3 old cases
- Started 3 new cases
- Abated 1 property (per court order)

Animal Violations and Complaints

- Conducted 1 animal welfare check
- 3 Dogs at large impounded
- 2 Dogs at large returned to the owner
- Followed up on 2 dog at large cases

Parking

- Followed up on 8 violations
- Issued 1 parking citation

Temporary Use Permit

- Followed up on 1 complaint

Kennel Permit

- Followed up on 3 permits
- Approved 1 new permit

Building Code Violations

- Followed up on 3 violations



PUBLIC WORKS

On Thursday, Justin and Matt used snowmobiles to check the Marble Creek Settling Tank. By looking at the gate it was estimated there was three and a half feet of snow.



Steve is pictured below cleaning out some cold asphalt mix from last week.



A small water heater installed at one of the sinks in the Police Department failed recently. The faulty unit was replaced this week with a new 4 gallon unit and is now operating properly.



Public Works –Wastewater

The streets get muddy this time of year when the weather warms. Streets will be graded when they dry sufficiently enough.



Each week street lights are repaired as necessary. This week Dennis repaired a light near Baker City Hall which illuminates the two flags which hang from the adjacent flag pole.

Doug and Wes serviced and performed safety check on a Public Works utility truck.



The Public Works Director was a guest speaker at BHS for Earth Science on Tuesday and discussed **Baker City’s water and wastewater systems. In addition, the treatment facility operators (Jake and Rick) hosted tours for the students on Thursday.** Over 80 students participated in the field trip.



*Quail
Ridge
Golf Course*



*2016 Season
Passes
Available!*



Adult Single: \$785.00

Couple: \$1100.00

Family : \$1200.00

College: \$260.00

Junior: \$125.00

Corporate Pass (2 person): \$1530.00

Corporate Pass (4 person): \$2850.00

First Time Adult: \$392.50

First Time Couple: \$550.00

First Time Family: \$600.00

First Time College: \$130.00

First Time Junior: \$62.50

Out of County Adult: \$392.50

Out of County Couple: \$550.00

Out of County Family: \$600.00

Adult Gold Member (Includes \$300 Gift Card): \$1000.00 - **\$85.00 in savings!**

Couple Gold Member (Includes \$500.00 Gift Card) \$1400.00 - **\$200.00 in Savings!**

Annual Cart House Lease (Gas): \$140.00

Annual Cart House Lease (Electric): \$215.00

Annual Cart License: \$150.00

USGA Handicap: \$39.00

