

KHKF -Issues and Programs- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023

1. ISSUE: La Grande Little League All-Stars Punch Tickets to State Tournament  
GUEST: City of La Grande  
DESCRIPTION:

LA GRANDE -- The route to Williamsport, PA or Greenville, N.C. is underway as two Little League all-star teams from La Grande are playing to become champs of Oregon.

Both the La Grande 12U Softball All-Stars and the La Grande Juniors Baseball All-Stars are playing in their respective state tournaments this month.

The softball team - the reigning state champs - are playing for a chance to repeat as state title holders in Portland now through Sunday, July 9th. The team played in last year's regional in Arizona.

The baseball team plays their state tournament in Prineville July 21 through the 25th.

If either team claims the state title, they'll move on to the Northwest Regional Tournament, which will be held in San Bernardino, CA.

The winner of the regional moves on to the Little League World Series. The softball world series is in Greenville, the baseball world series is in Williamsport.

If you want to catch some baseball locally, the City of La Grande is hosting the 10U boys baseball state tournament at Pioneer Park. The tournament will be held from July 21-28 and will feature the 11 best 10U baseball teams in the state. La Grande Little League says they're in need of volunteers, so if you would like to help, you can contact LGLL at 541-910-2227 or email [lglladmin@lagrandelittleleague.net](mailto:lglladmin@lagrandelittleleague.net).

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM \*\*July 7, 2023

2. ISSUE: Baker School District Admin Changes for 2023-24 School Year  
GUEST: Superintendent Erin Lair  
DESCRIPTION:

BAKER CITY – (Release from the Baker School District) Following Cassie Moore's move from her role as Principal at Haines Elementary School to Superintendent of Burnt River Charter School, Heidi Stocks will move from South Baker Intermediate School (SBI) to fill the Principal role at Haines Elementary School. Buell Gonzales, Jr., who was set to become the Assistant Principal at SBI for the coming school year, will move into the role of Principal at the school, instead. The Assistant Principal at SBI will be another candidate from the hiring pool, Krystal Irby.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM \*\*August 3, 2023

4. ISSUE: Baker City Chip Seal Project

GUEST: Kelly Tanzy

DESCRIPTION:

**BAKER CITY** - A reminder that beginning August 21, 2023, the Baker City Public Works Department will be chip-sealing several city streets. The work is expected to last four days. The chip seal process extends the life of a street by restoring vital asphalt pavement components that are lost through the aging and oxidation process. By sealing the street, moisture is unable to penetrate below the asphalt surface. A list of the streets to be treated as well as a map showing the street locations for the 2023 project are on the reverse.

Notices will be provided to residents affected by the street improvement project at least two business days prior. Please expect traffic delays and possible rerouting of traffic during this project. Should inclement weather conditions or mechanical issues arise, the street work will be rescheduled for the next available work day.

Your cooperation and patience during this project are appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Baker City Public Works at 541-524-2047.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM \*\*August 11, 2023

5. ISSUE: Chaos Engulfs Baker City Council as Meeting Canceled, Calls for Special Election Grow

GUEST: Mayor Beverly Calder

DESCRIPTION:

**BAKER CITY** – Turmoil continues to escalate at Baker City Hall.

Mayor Beverly Calder confirmed that the City Council meeting, slated for Tuesday, September 12 has been canceled, citing the controversy over whether the city council, which is now down to three members, can legally fill the four vacant seats.

Currently, the council needs four members to constitute a quorum, per the city charter. With just three city councilors, no business can be conducted. The council is allowed to meet without a quorum, but councilors cannot take any action or vote.

Calder says that the council is still able to appoint councilors to fill vacancies, even without a quorum. Section 15, unlike other sections regarding council attendance, doesn't mention a quorum.

The mayor cites Section 15 of the city charter, which states: "A vacancy in the council shall be filled by a majority of the council."

She says that Section 15, unlike other sections regarding council attendance, doesn't mention a quorum, therefore the council can proceed to fill the vacant seats.

LA GRANDE - According to information from the La Grande Police Department last night around 11:30pm, dispatch received a 911 report of a fire located 1013 Jackson Avenue in La Grande.

Officers from the La Grande Police Department along with members of the La Grande Fire Department immediately responded, arriving moments later.

“LGPD officers noticed a boat parked next to the residence was fully engulfed and was threatening to catch the residence on fire as well as a camp trailer parked next to the burning boat. Officers quickly pulled the boat, which was on a boat trailer, out of the way from the nearby residence and RV trailer, minimizing collateral damage.”

Officials with LGPD, say that “The La Grande Fire Department was able to put the fire out and no one was injured. The investigating officers were able to obtain home security camera footage of the fire being lit by one person, who fled prior to police arrival. “

An arson investigation is underway and the LGPD is receiving assistance from the Oregon State Police Arson Investigation Unit.

If anyone has any information to assist with this investigation, please contact the La Grande Police Department at 541.963.1017.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM \*\*September 15, 2023