

KHKF -Issues and Programs- 3rd Quarter 2021

1. ISSUE: Baker City Water and Sewer late fees

GUEST: Baker City

DESCRIPTION: The City of Baker City will be charging late fees once again for water and sewer on delinquent bills beginning August 1. The city has not been charging these fees through most of the COVID Pandemic.

The city is asking that everyone take this opportunity to bring accounts current to ensure that you do not receive a late fee.

If you are struggling and need assistance, the finance department can direct you to organizations that may be able to assist you.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **July 13, 2021

2. ISSUE: LGSD welcomes new Director of Student Services

GUEST: Superintendent George Mendoza

DESCRIPTION: La Grande School District is pleased to announce Erika Pinkerton will become the new Director of Student Services, pending the approval of the La Grande School Board. Pinkerton will be filling a vacancy created by current Director Landon Braden taking a position in the Enterprise School District.

Pinkerton served as Superintendent and Elementary Principal at the Enterprise School District for the past four years. Prior to moving to Enterprise she was an Elementary Principal at Winston-Dillard School District. She has also served the Lebanon School District as an Elementary teacher, a Middle School Literacy Coach and an Instruction/Data/Curriculum Teacher on Special Assignment. Before she worked for school districts Pinkerton was a residential and day treatment counselor for St. Mary's Home for Boys in Beaverton, Oregon.

Superintendent George Mendoza commented, "Erika comes to our district with a wealth of experience as a truly student-centered educator. She is an advocate for incorporating trauma informed care into schools and is a champion of instruction for students in need of special services. We are pleased to have her on our administrative team."

Pinkerton said, "This truly is a personal decision of which led me to a larger district where I can serve the students, staff and families of La Grande School District. I am thrilled to be La Grande School District's Student Services Director.

Enterprise School Board is working with COSA and OSBA to search for an interim superintendent.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **July 26, 2021

3. ISSUE: Arrest for Burglary I and more

GUEST: Baker City Police Chief

DESCRIPTION: Incident: Warrant Arrest, Burglary1, Criminal Mischief, Escape III

Incident Date: August 8, 2021

Incident Time: 4:24PM to 5:52PM

Incident Location: 1783 ½ Valley Avenue

Involved Person(s): James Reedy (55)
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Baker City, OR 97814

On August 8, 2021 at about 4:24 PM, near the 1700 block of Valley Avenue; Baker City Police attempted to take James Reedy into custody for multiple arrest warrants. James fled on foot and ran, uninvited, into a residence at 1783 ½ Valley Avenue.

Officers learned the tenants of 1783 ½ Valley knew James but did not want him inside their house.

James barricaded himself inside a bathroom of this house and refused to come out, arming himself with a knife and threatening self-harm. Baker City Police, Baker County Sheriff's Deputies and Mental Health Crisis all attempted to negotiate with James. James destroyed a police phone given to him through the door while attempting to talk to him and he refused to peacefully come out of the bathroom.

After exhausting all efforts to get James out of the house that James did not belong in, police forced open the door that James was hiding behind. With the assistance of Baker County Sheriff's Office and Oregon State Police, James taken into custody without injury to James or the responding officers.

Arrested at 1783 ½ Valley Avenue:

- James Reedy, (Arrest date/time: 08/08/2021 at about 5:42 PM)
 - Multiple Warrants
 - Burglary I
 - Criminal Mischief II x2
 - Escape III

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **August 10, 2021

4. ISSUE: Construction on I-84

GUEST: ODOT

DESCRIPTION: Construction works continues in many areas around eastern Oregon, one on I-84 west of La Grande may slow your travels. From milepost 241 to 238 one lane will be closed due to paving and should be completed this week. Oregon Department of Transportation reminds motorist work zones are 50 miles-per-hour.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **August 31, 2021

5. ISSUE: BCPD received car seat grant

GUEST: Phoebe Wachtel

DESCRIPTION: The Baker City Police Department recently received a \$1,200 grant from Oregon Department of Transportation for the purchase of child safety seats for distribution to low-income families.

According to the Oregon Department of Transportation, "Child passengers must be restrained in child safety seats until they weigh forty pounds or reach the upper weight limit for the car seat in use. Infants must ride rear-facing until they reach two years of age unless the child turned age one prior to May 26, 2017"

If are you are concerned that you child's car sear is not installed correctly or that it may not be appropriate for the age and/or size of your child, call your local Baker City Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) Phoebe Wachtel at 541-524-2014 to set up your appointment for a free car seat inspection.

For a more in depth look at car seats and booster seats log on to <https://www.nhtsa.gov/equipment/car-seats-and-booster-seats>

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **September 9, 2021

6. ISSUE: James Reedy sentenced

GUEST: Baker County DA

DESCRIPTION: On September 16, 2021, James Reedy, 55, was sentenced by Judge Matthew Shirtcliff to the custody of the Oregon Department of Corrections for a period of 55 months. Mr. Reedy pleaded guilty to three counts of Identity Theft and one count of Failure to Appear. The financial crimes occurred when Reedy used other individual's credit cards at several different businesses in Baker City. Chief Deputy District Attorney Michael Spaulding represented the District Attorney's Office. The cases were investigated by officers from the Baker City Police Department.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM **September 17, 2021

