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We're Celebrating Our Seventh Anniversary on Feb. 11

THE BULLETIN BOARD

On Feb. 11, 2015, the first issue of The Bulletin Board was delivered to Sheridan, Willamina and Grand Ronde.

As we begin our eighth year, we'd like to thank everyone who makes it possible to continue publishing the paper, even during these trying times. We offer heartfelt thanks to our advertisers and readers, and those who share news, information, community interest items, photos, and so much more.

We also thank those who allow us to distribute the paper through their stores, offices, schools, and other places of business.

We are grateful to those who lend a hand and those who brighten our days with words of encouragement and support.

We feel extremely fortunate to live and work in the West Valley among such kind and supportive people.

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We'd like to know which Bulletin Board features our readers like the best... and the least! On the list below, please rate how well you like each of these features. **Circle 1** for your top rating; **Circle 2** to indicate it's just okay; and **Circle 3** to let us know it's your least favorite.

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| 1 2 3 Live music events | _____ |

Name _____ Phone _____

The fine print: One entry per reader. Entries may be dropped off or mailed to 136 E. Main in Sheridan, or snap a photo of your entry form and email it to: bulletin@wavecable.com. Winner will be drawn on Friday, Feb. 11, 2022, and announced in the Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022, issue of The Bulletin Board.

City Managers Heidi Bell And Kenna West Both Deliver Sizable Grants

The Yamhill Country Board of Commissioners met on Jan. 13 to consider recommendations for Yamhill County's water and sewer infrastructure grant awards.

A total of 28 submitted applications met eligibility criteria and were evaluated by a board-approved selection committee. The \$6,864,963 allocation of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act of 2021) funds allowed 23 of the projects grouped into three categories to be funded. In the Assessment Planning Grants category, the City of Sheridan will receive \$185,000 to create a 20-year water master plan. (The cap in this category was \$200,000.)

In the Implementation Project Grants category, both Sheridan and Willamina were awarded the maximum grant amount of \$1 million each.

The City of Sheridan will receive \$1 million for the water loop project on Sheridan Road, which will launch the long overdue road improvements needed in this growing area of Sheridan.

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A note from Sheridan Chamber: *If you pay \$5 for a shovel in McMinnville that costs \$7 in Sheridan or Willamina, are you saving money buying the shovel in McMinnville? Probably not. Once you add the cost of gasoline to drive to McMinnville and back, and add in the value of your wasted time, what appears to be the cheaper shovel can get far more expensive. And, if you are paying an employee to go buy a shovel in McMinnville... the cost goes up even further. Small companies pay more for the some merchandise because they can't buy in bulk the way chain stores can. But, they make up for it by sponsoring your kid's baseball, football, and basketball teams, Scouts, and all kinds of community events and activities.*



NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE VACANCIES

THE CITY OF SHERIDAN

currently has three vacancies on its Budget Committee, which meets annually in May. You can find an application and get more information on this volunteer position on the City's website or at City Hall. You would enjoy serving on this committee if you like analyzing your own budget or are interested in helping the City prioritize spending, including tax dollars and water/sewer revenues.

Terms are three years long. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Feb. 10, 2022.

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The Barbie doll's full name is Barbara Millicent Roberts. She's from Willows, Wisc. Her birthday is March 9, 1959 - when she was first displayed at a New York Toy Fair.



NOTICE OF COUNCIL VACANCY

On December 14, 2021, the Willamina City Council declared a vacancy on the City Council.

To be eligible for the open position, applicants must be:

1. A Registered Voter;
2. A Resident of the City of Willamina (i.e. live within the city limits); and
3. Have resided within the City during the twelve months immediately preceding appointment.

To apply, please complete a Government Office Application which can be found on the City of Willamina website or at City Hall. Applicants can submit the applications via email to meneleyb@ci.willamina.or.us or drop the application off at City Hall. Applications must be submitted by end of day on January 31, 2022.

Please call Bridget Meneley, Deputy City Recorder, at 503-876-2242 with any questions. You may also email Bridget at the email address above with questions.

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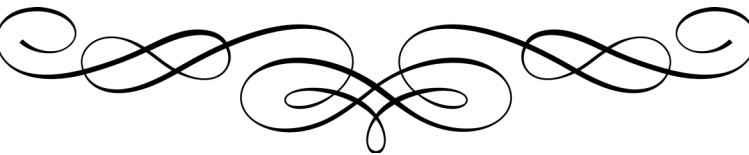
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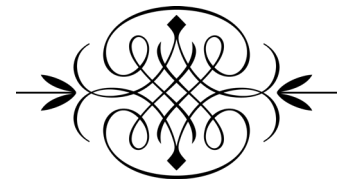
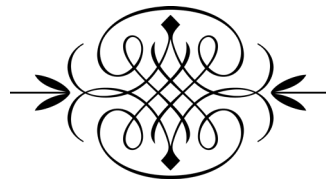
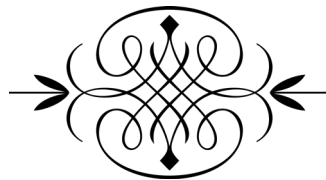
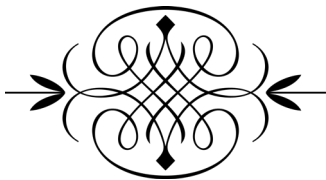
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Obituary

Roscoe Raymond Gutbrod Jan. 24, 1930 - Jan. 1, 2022

Roscoe Raymond Gutbrod was born Jan. 24, 1930, to John and Hedwig Gutbrod in Sheridan. As a young boy he attended Sheridan schools. He was baptized and confirmed at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Sheridan.

He spent summers with his grandparents in Waldport, Ore. As a young boy he had a paper route in town and delivered his papers on his bicycle. When he was old enough to drive in the 1940s, he had a route in the country.

He was in the Army from 1952-1954. He served at Fort Roberts, Calif., and then at Fort Lewis, Wash., as a ration breakdown clerk. When he got out of the Army in 1954, he started farming on the family farm on Ballston Road. He milked cows, grew wheat, barley, oats and hay.

He was a Sheridan Fire Department volunteer from 1950-2000, a 50-year volunteer.



He loved hunting, fishing and old firetrucks.

He married Marjorie Kutsch on Nov. 24, 1957, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Albany, Ore. They had two children, Cynthia (Gary) Banke, and Peter (Darlene) Gutbrod; six grandsons, Joshua, Ryan, Derek (deceased), Trevor, Tyler and Connor; and six great grandchildren.

A memorial service with Military Honors will begin at 2 p.m. on Jan. 22, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church.

an Church. Refreshments will be offered in the fellowship hall following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in memory of "Rocky" to the Sheridan Museum of History, P.O. Box 652, Sheridan, OR 97378.



Card of Thanks

Happy new year and thank you for supporting the Grand Sheramina Food Bank.

Your generosity has enabled us to feed a record number of families and individuals over the past year.

Food bank volunteers have been hard at work making many improvements in our operation and distribution methods.

Building maintenance and repairs are also ongoing as is necessary with many structures in western Oregon.

We also appreciate community members who drop off their returnable cans and bottles at the food bank. These donations go a long way in supporting our work without donors having to open their wallets.

We look forward to another good year and your continuing support.

*Judy Adams, manager,
Grand Sheramina Food Bank*

Flamin' Hot Cheetos were developed by a janitor at Frito-Lay, Richard Montanez, who got the idea after putting chili powder on some reject Cheetos and then pitched it to the CEO. He's now a successful executive and motivational speaker.

A MESSAGE FROM THE WILLAMINA SCHOOL DISTRICT

School board members are vital to our public education system. January is School Board Recognition Month, so it is a great time for us to show our appreciation to these dedicated individuals for all the time and effort they devote in support of education in Willamina schools.

Their time is spent attending extracurricular activities, professional development training, and volunteering at school or community events. Continually advocating for children, they work diligently alongside school staff, parents, and community members setting policy and creating the vision to help our students experience educational success and improve the overall function of the district.

Our citizen school board leaders, Chairperson Caryn Stockwell, Vice Chair Ginger Whitman, Brenda Shenk, Shane Felton, and Karley Strouse consistently rise to the occasion in their challenging duties with extraordinary dedication. Their concerted efforts are the key to establishing policies that create safe learning environments and prepare our children to become future leaders.

During this month of appreciation, join with me to acknowledge our school board members. They provide enthusiastic support and caring for our students, teachers and administrators. There are many ways in which you may express your gratitude: email them a note of appreciation, send them a letter of support, or watch/attend a school board meeting and thank them in person! Your positive feedback to these unselfish leaders is truly appreciated.

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NOTICE OF WILLAMINA PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

The City of Willamina Planning Commission is accepting applications for three open positions.

The role of the Planning Commission is to administer the subdivision and zoning ordinances and make recommendations to the City Council concerning land use issues. The Planning Commission is appointed by the City Council for a term of three years.

Additional information and the Government Office Application can be found on the City of Willamina website at <https://www.willaminaoregon.gov/>.

Please contact Deputy City Recorder Bridget Meneley with any questions at 503-876-2242 or meneleyb@ci.willamina.or.us.

Mayor and Council Seats Up for Grabs in November

The mayor's seat and three Sheridan City Council positions will be up for grabs in this year's November election.

The newly elected officials will be sworn in at the first council meeting held in January of 2023.

Potential candidates may wish to attend Council meetings throughout the year to be well-informed about all of the issues facing the city.

Mayor Aaron Baer's seat will be on the ballot, along with council seats currently held by Rich Cox, Sandy Walker, and Lucy Hebert. According to Sheridan's City Charter, to be considered for mayor or council positions, candidates must have resided within Sheridan's city limits for at least one year preceding the election and must be qualified voters in the state of Oregon.

The mayor is paid \$100 annually; councilors, \$75.

Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing-Along Open to All

The Willamina Christian Church welcomes everyone to an old-fashioned hymn sing-along at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 22, at the church, 200 Baker Street in Willamina. Masks and social distancing will be required. For further information call Carl at 503-956-9135.

The longest fingernails ever were over 28 feet in total. American Lee Redmond started growing them in 1979 and set the record in 2008. Sadly, she lost her nails in a car crash in 2009. (guinness-worldrecords.com)

Red Cross Blood Drive Planned Jan. 25 at VFW

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25, at the VFW, 771 E. Main Street in Willamina.

To Schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code WillaminaSheridan.

SHS Senior Collecting Clothing Donations

Sheridan High School student Mercedes is working on her senior project. She has decided to gather donations of dress clothing for men (appropriate for job interviews or college interviews) and warm winter clothing for men, along with hats, gloves, socks, etc.

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Jerry George, pictured left, was recently appointed to the West Valley Fire Board to fill an unfinished term through June 2025. WVFB board member Mike Algers is pictured right. (Photo taken by WVFB Secretary Roy Whitman.)

Open Mic Night Set

The Wildwood Hotel, 150 NE Main Street in Willamina, hosts an open mic night beginning at 6 p.m. every Sunday in the lounge. For more information visit <http://wildwoodhotelnw.com/music/> or call 503-876-7100.

Willamina Schools Closed Jan. 24 and 25

Willamina Schools will be closed on Monday, Jan. 24, for a grading day; and Tuesday, Jan. 25 for a teachers work day. In person school will resume on Jan. 26.

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

FROM THE DESK OF WILLAMINA CITY MANAGER KENNA WEST



Here at the City of Willamina we are constantly creating opportunities for the betterment of our community. One of our most successful paths to these opportunities is through applying for and, very fortunately, oftentimes receiving grants to help offset the costs of infrastructure (water/sewer/streets), parks equipment, vehicles, books, and personnel. Well, we have again been fortunate enough to receive a grant award from Yamhill County! **A HUGE THANK YOU** to the Yamhill County Commissioners for voting to award a \$1 million grant from the County's Federal ARP funds to the City of Willamina for our water intake/school line project! We are so very thankful for the support of our Yamhill County Commissioners!

In addition to the wonderful news we just received (above), your City Council was busy keeping the City running efficiently and completed the actions below at their monthly meeting on Jan. 11, 2022:

- Reviewed and approved Resolution 21-22-011 which allows the City's Budget Officer to revise this year budget to include revenue such as unexpected grant funds and unexpected expenses such as the replacement of failed equipment to our current budget.
 - Appointed the City Manager as the Budget Officer for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. The city manager has been the budget officer since she was hired in 2017.
 - Reviewed and approved Resolution 21-22-012 which allows the city manager to revise the City's current USDA grant application to apply for grant funding for two public works vehicles and a code/community support vehicle. The current code/community support vehicle is failing and it is expected to cost more to repair than the vehicle is worth.
 - Authorized the city manager to negotiate and enter into an agreement with the West Valley Fire District for the City to provide administrative services to the Fire District.
- Due to the spike in COVID-19 cases in Yamhill County, the Willamina Public Library will be returning to in-person by appointment only and window services. The in-person programs will be limited in size or will be postponed. Watch the Willamina Public Library Facebook page and this column for updates.

The City of Willamina will temporarily provide staff and executive level administrative assistance to the West Valley Fire District. We are very excited to be able to assist our neighboring/overlapping organization. We are thankful for the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Emergency Services who have contracted to provide fire and EMS services for the West Valley Fire District and we look forward to working with them to serve our community while the WVFD Board works to reorganize and rebuild the district.

Almost all of the new water meters are installed (there are about a dozen that were delayed due to supply chain issues, etc.) and we are extraordinarily happy to have been able to provide these new meters to our community at no cost to them by using the City's ARP funds! We will now have the ability to extremely accurately pin-point when a leak occurs so we can immediately and correctly credit accounts! Oh, and as a reminder, the annual water rate increase is in January. Pursuant to a resolution put in place in 2018, the increase is set at 5% so our community can budget for this annually and not worry about large, unexpected increases.

As we look to the New Year, we hope that COVID-19 restrictions will ease and we can once again celebrate our City together! Here at the City we are tentatively planning to either host or participate in the following events: Chamber Bark Dust Sale (April 22-23), National Night Out (August 2nd), Bridge the Gap (September 10th), Trunk-or-Treat (October 31st), Light Parade (December 3rd). Watch this column for more information!

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The Department of Health and Human Services will conduct Covid vaccinations and testing in Spirit Mountain Casino's "Red" parking lot. The vaccinations clinic will be available from noon-7 p.m. Monday through Saturday; the testing clinic will be open from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on Sundays through Feb. 15. All vaccine and booster types will be available.

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Willamina City Council Meeting Highlights from Jan. 11, 2022

April Carothers

This month's City Council Meeting began with the passage of supplemental budget revisions. Building and planning fees were higher than expected and adjustment was necessary.

The library director received about \$35,000 in grants; this money helps pay for community assistance, supplies, community events, funding for the community pantry, and more. Funds also help pay for fun stuff that happens at the library: remember, let your librarian know what kinds of activities you'd like to see.

There was some discussion of rising expenses such as public safety costs, new licenses and permits, planning expenses, and repairs and maintenance costs. Another issue was the cost of security cameras in public areas, needed due to vandalism and other crimes. These cameras help protect assets paid for by taxpayer dollars. Museum costs are increasing as well. However, multiple grant projects are underway to help pay for these increased costs. Next month, citizens can expect to see what the next steps will be for the supplemental budget.

In other business, City Manager Kenna West was approved as the 2022-2023 Budget Officer. Under the regular agenda, the city manager will continue to pursue funding for public works vehicles. It was found that it would be more expensive to repair the old rigs than to buy new ones. For example, the code enforcement vehicle is failing and is not worth the expense of repairs.

Council members also discussed the critical importance of having emergency services available to citizens when in a rural area such as Willamina.

There was also discussion of beneficial services and activities that have been happening such as the beautiful Christmas lights, banners, and a toy giveaway at Coyote Joe's.

When feeding children during the pandemic, the City realized there was a greater need and that it would be necessary to build up the dry pantry, which is distributed mainly through the library. It's very clever to build up a positive association with the library for the community; it can be a place for people to

not just borrow books but to have social gatherings and to encourage clubs for all ages.

The Mayor's Report: Willamina is continuing to maintain its reputation for being festive as well as generous and giving. People enjoyed the parade, the tree lighting, and the lights all over town. There was generous giving to help various citizens' needs, for example making sure that, this year, no children in town went without toys for Christmas.

The city manager reported that the City is continuing to build a bright future with transportation, city planning, and conservation. Willamina is working with Yamhill and Polk Counties to bring great funding (in great part due to Kenna West's hard work) into the community. For example, the new radio water meters are almost completely installed, approximately 900 of them in a week! There was some laughter as councilors were told they could view reports of their midnight water use in the next month. But seriously, the radio meters will help prevent those expensive water leaks or other unpleasant surprises for residents.

In further news, the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners is working on providing one million for the water project. If that goes through, Willamina's project will be completely funded by grants.

Finally, councilors spoke about their deep appreciation for Willamina's city staff, "The Best." There was also discussion of how homeless folk could be helped. Churches in McMinnville provide warming shelters and at least one meal a day, and deputies will connect any individual with the resources they need, even helping them get to McMinnville for services.

Everyone is working together to try to connect people to services. If you are homeless or see a homeless person in need, call 211.



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Sheridan First Baptist Church members held their ribbon-cutting grand opening ceremony at the new Children's Education Center on Sunday morning, Jan. 9. Pastor Larry McCandless lead the dedication and Mrs. Day was given the honor of snipping the ribbon. Mrs. Day has been with Sheridan Baptist since the day it opened and has spent the past few decades devoted to children's ministry. The education center project got underway in November of 2019. The project was slowed somewhat in March of 2020 due to issues relation to the Covid pandemic. However, individuals donated more than \$150,000 for the project. And, church members found the school building on Craig's List. A chapel or junior church room in the school has space for 40 to 50 young folks to meet before going to their individual classrooms. The center contains a small kitchen, restrooms, a 12'x12' classroom, a 12'x24' combination classroom and library, a "peewee" classroom, and an unfinished 12'x18' class room currently used for storage. The largest room in the center is set up and ready for the new Christian School.

WHAT'S UP IN WILLAMINA

by mary jane

Gosh, doesn't Main Street look a bit bare? I just love those lights that cross Main Street for the holiday season. It sure makes for a merry heart. At least it does for me.

I wish there were some way we could keep them up year-round. Oh, not in Christmas colors, but red in February for Valentine's Day. Maybe green for St. Patrick's Day and pretty yellows and pinks for Easter.

I can hear the groans of the folks that check those lights each year when they ready them for hanging, and then there's the actual hanging of them. I'll bet a few of the log truck drivers groan when they see them because their load may just be a bit too high and snag those lights. It does happen, but not often... thank goodness.

Missing the beautiful lights across Main Street is "What's Up in Willamina."

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Contributed by a Bulletin Board Guest Writer

I like to go to church on Sundays. I'd been walking. Somehow my grandparents arranged for me to ride with the milkman. He pulls up to pick up the milk cans and I climb up in his big truck. While he is putting the cans in his truck, I take my hat off and place it in the spot where the milk cans were. It must be summer because I have to wear a straw hat with ribbons hanging down the back that I don't like.

My grandmother watches as I climb in the truck, but I know all she can see is that the truck is leaving because of the distance between the house and the road. Where the milk cans sit is in some brush, so I know my little straw hat is hidden. I will pick it out of the bushes when I come home, plop it on my head, and go into the house.

One day grandmother takes me by the hand (she's a very fast walker) and we go to her friend's home. Of course, my feet are flying over the rocks as she switches me from one side to the other. When we arrive we are seated and the ladies have coffee.

Her friend says, "Why do you dress her in such pretty little dresses, pink satin, blue velvet, etc., but no hat? She wears a hanky or Kleenex on her head! "What!," exclaims my grandmother, "Of course she has hats. In fact very pretty hats!" The lady tells grandmother when she goes to church she sits in the back for mass. She sits in front for weddings, therefore she sees everything.

I, of course, have embarrassed the family. Heaven forbid anyone would think we could not afford my hats...



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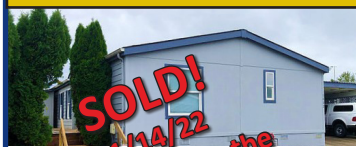
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A Look Back at Sheridan's 1991 Downtown Development Project



Shown above is an artist's rendition of how the old Masonic Lodge property could be a beautiful asset to the community.

In 1991, the City of Sheridan got a great deal on an acre of riverfront property behind the old Masonic Lodge building and the new Hebert Plaza. It came with a single-family home located on Morgan Street. The asking price was \$36,900. The City paid \$33,467.

The purchase created considerable excitement in Sheridan because the new property was to provide public access to the river, a public boat launch, a new park site, access to the new Art Hebert Plaza, and Chester Moore Park, and plenty of much needed easily accessed parking for the downtown area.

The City scrambled to arrange the down payment. They transferred \$6,000 from the city planning fund and \$1,649 from contingency funds.

The project had the support of the Sheridan Business Group, Rotary, Kiwanis, and most all Sheridan businesses. Business owners applauded the City's foresight in purchasing the river frontage, and the Masonic Lodge wrote a letter of endorsement. That was 1991.

In 2020 this property and the dangerous property next to it at 106 S. Bridge (aka the old Masonic Lodge) was a constant topic of discussion at Sheridan City Council meetings. The City still owned the Morgan Street property and had long since paid it off. Pub-

lic Works mowed the grass. The Art Hebert Plaza had become a place for more or less open drug dealing and a gathering place for homeless and mentally-challenged folks, some of whom spewed the worst of obscenities at people, including children walking past this area.

The Hebert family, who donated the Hebert Plaza to the community, considered taking it back.

Still, nothing. No access to the Morgan Street site was added at the back of the plaza. No downtown parking lot. No boat ramp. No park amenities. No access at all to the Chester Moore Park on the east side of the bridge between the river and the IGA market. The Chester Moore Park is located next to IGA and overgrown with tall, dry grass.

What happened?

Sheridan still needs parking downtown. The parking area in front of the IGA Market is not public parking. The parking lot is part of the market's property and is for use by the market's customers.

Many find it perplexing that Sheridan, built on a beautiful river, has next to no public access for recreational use.

The general agreement in 2020 among residents was that to improve this area something needed to happen with the old Masonic Lodge building, which sat on the river next to the bridge,

greeting visitors like a scene out of an old horror movie. However, exactly what should happen continued to be a debate.

Many possible scenarios were considered:

1. (Then) owner Rich Mathis would address the myriad of violations in the building and return it to a legal, usable structure within a period determined by the court.

2. Demolish the building completely, including the foundation. In this scenario, the public was told, nothing could ever be built in this location again.

3. Engineers inspect the structure's foundation. If determined to be sound, only the foundation stays. The building is demolished and replaced with either a new building or an open deck.

Sheridan residents pondered the best outcome for this property. Should it be incorporated into the 1991 plan to tie South Bridge Street to the City of Sheridan's Morgan Street property via the Hebert Plaza? The Morgan Street site would offer parking and a park on the river.

No progress of consequence took place at this property through 2020. After months of council discussion and direct instruction from the council to former city manager Frank Sheridan, no structural inspection was made. The building finally collapsed on Jan. 31, 2021 - just two days af-

ter Sheridan Bridge Investment Company purchased it.

Throughout 2021, the new owners cleaned up the remains of the old 1913 structure.

Now it's 2022. Sheridan has a new city manager, and there is a feeling of hope growing in the community. City Manager Heidi Bell has established a working relationship with the property owners and set expectations for them. She told the council she would make progress reports regarding this property regularly. In addition, she has worked with the city engineer and the property owners to schedule an inspection of the building's foundation for later this month. The engineers will also inspect the Hebert Plaza foundation, the City property located next to this property. The old Masonic property is privately owned, and what happens next will be decided by its owners.

However, the city-owned Hebert Plaza could possibly become a beautiful centerpiece for downtown Sheridan. The plaza could be opened up to the city-owned property behind it as initially planned, allowing for all of the 1991 plans for parking, a seasonal park, a small boat launch, and public access to the river.

The Sheridan City Council welcomes opinions and comments during the public comment periods at council meetings.

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Hello to all,

I hope each of you found time to be with those you care about during this holiday season. As for your Sheridan Fire and EMS personnel, we responded to 160 incidents this holiday season. Yes, it is true that you see us in our community more often. Our current staffing is three full-time career firefighter/EMS persons a day. Plus, we have an outstanding professional volunteer corps of 12 volunteers who give their time freely when they can to support our community with its emergency needs. While you read this, please consider this: Can I, or someone I know, possibly be a volunteer firefighter for Sheridan, Ballston, or Buell communities? If so, please go to our website and apply online and join our team! WWW.SheridanFD.org.

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Our Seismic upgrade at your Sheridan fire station, located downtown at 230 SW Mill Street, has made tremendous progress with its upgrading. A reminder that the seismic upgrade is a grant funded by the State of Oregon to upgrade your public safety infrastructure in case of natural or man-made disasters destabilizing the region. The projected end of construction will be March or April 2022. Our progress seems slow and painful; however, the results will be worth the wait. Our goal will always be service before self. We are continually striving to improve our solvency through grants and monies available for our application for each quarter from federal and state funding sources.

After weeks of training, licensing, and supplying, our new 2021 ambulance will be placed into service. We will have two frontline ambulances and one reserve ambulance available for our fleet. Even though we can staff only one at a time, our goal is to get that second ambulance in service as soon as possible. We are trying many ways to find the funding for the staffing for the second ambulance. We want to assure our citizens and customers that we will find a way to increase our support to our community and its many visitors. We have been overwhelmed with all your positive thoughts and kind words, and we assure you that our organization and your firefighters appreciate every single gesture.

A reminder, COVID has affected us as it has you. We want to assure you we are staffed with every available responder as we can. We have had employees, volunteers, and family members deal directly with this virus. I recently submitted a letter to both the Emergency Management Coordinators for Polk and Yamhill counties about our potential dire financial issues and lack of staffing assistance due to the ravages of this illness. Our letter was sent as a "potential state of emergency" if the trend continues into 2022. Reminder, this is an informational document to make our counties' emergency managers aware. In our letter, we asked our counties to consider using the American Rescue Act Plan funds to assist our area's fires responders.

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