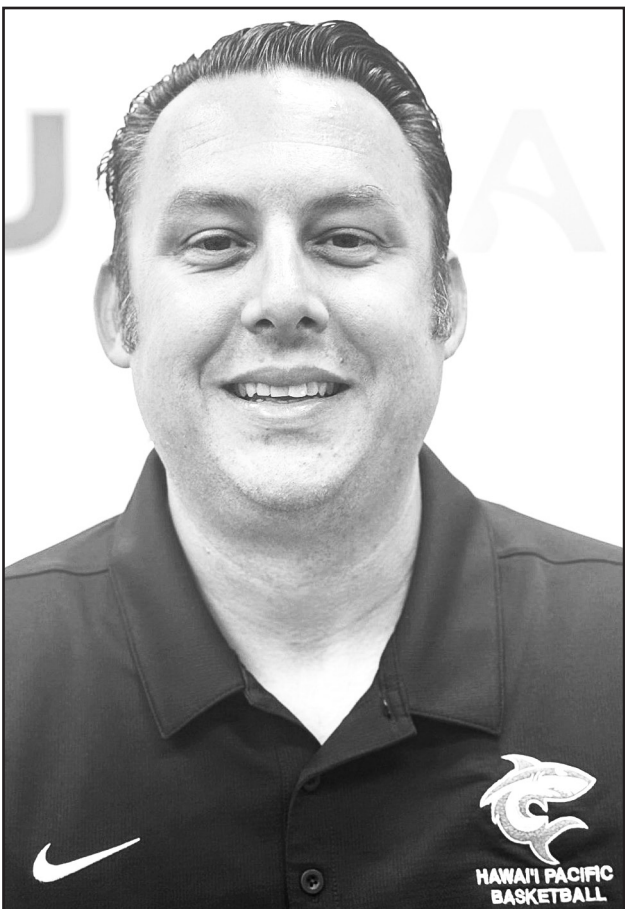


Former Resident Named Head Coach At Hawaii Pacific

Hawai'i Pacific University has officially named Brent Gibson as the new head coach of the HPU Women's Basketball program. The university made the announcement last week. After serving as the Interim Associate Head Coach, Gibson now becomes the seventh head coach in program history, bringing a well-rounded background in coaching, education, and leadership to the role.

Gibson, a Webster County native, is the son of Janice McClain and the late Phil Gibson, a long-time coach of the WCHS Lady Trojans

Gibson stepped into the interim position at Hawai'i Pacific University last season with a steady hand and a clear vision, quickly earning the trust of student-athletes and staff alike. His promotion reflects not only his basketball acumen but also his commitment to building a program grounded in discipline, academic success, and personal growth, a press release from the



Brent Gibson

university says.

With head coaching experience at Madisonville-North Hopkins High School (KY), Deer High School (AR), and Palm Beach Atlantic University (FL), Gibson has led programs at multiple levels and earned accolades along

the way. He was named 1A West Coach of the Year at Deer and a two-time 2nd Region Coach of the Year at Madisonville-North Hopkins. His time as an assistant coach at James B. Castle High School (HI) and Madisonville-North Hopkins added depth

to his coaching foundation.

Beyond the hardwood, Gibson is a seasoned educator. He holds master's degrees in education from Murray State University and the University of Cumberlands, and has served as an assistant

principal and athletic director—roles that reflect his strong leadership and deep investment in student development.

With his official appointment, Coach Gibson is ready to guide the Sharks into a new era—fueled by passion, experience, and a deep belief

in the power of education through sport.

Hawai'i Pacific University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic (NCAA) Association Division II and plays in the Association's Pacific West Conference, the PacWest.

Clay City Council Approves Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget

Clay City Council met in regular session Tuesday evening with council members approving a second reading of the fiscal year 2026 budget.

The council unanimously approved a \$1,934,763 budget for the coming fiscal year. That budget includes funding for employee raises, fire department needs, lights at the ball fields and money set aside for large equipment needs; the city's water tank is also expected to undergo an inspection this year. The city anticipates general fund revenue for \$791,793 with \$917,575 in the utility fund and \$78,520 in the fire department fund. Other funding includes the street fund at \$32,325 and anticipated tourism revenue of about \$106,075.

The city's funding sources include property taxes, grants, golf cart permits and other funding sources with water, sewer and gas sales making up the bulk of the utility account.

In addition to approving minutes of

the previous meeting, the clerk's report and accounts payable, the council also heard a report from attorney Rebecca Johnson concerning a recent master commissioner's sale and learned that a delinquent tax payment from a resident has been made.

With no other business to come before the council the meeting

adjourned at 6:13 p.m. The next meeting of the Clay City Council is July 8, at 6:00 p.m.

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Virginia company and update are presently being implemented.

Baldwin noted the need for the district to have a generator at the plant for cases such as the one the district just experienced. He told the board he will continue to look for grants to help offset the cost of a generator that can run the plant in case of a power outage.

The superintendent also addressed the need for a line replacement in the Mt. Gilead/Mt. Pleasant area. He told the board that since 2023, the district has had 13 boil water advisories in that area due to leaks, the most recent of which was in an eight-inch main with two leaks. Baldwin provided data related to the cost of the repairs and advised that about 2000 feet of line replacement needs to be made. The water superintendent said that the district will save money by replacing the line, and showed the district the cost of line repairs over the last two years.

Baldwin provided quotes for replacing the line with the lowest quote coming from M and G Services in Marion at a cost off \$20,200. The district will purchase the materials for the line replacement. The cost for materials is about \$29,989, Baldwin said. Initially, the district received four quotes for the labor on the project and three quotes for the labor with Baldwin recommending the lowest quote for each. Work on the

line replacement will start in July and will take about two weeks, Baldwin said. He added that some work will be done at night to keep from inconveniencing customers with water being cutoff. The board approved Baldwin's recommendations for both materials and labor and approved the project.

For many months the water district has awaited a response from the Public Service Commission regarding a rate change for water customers. Although the district had anticipated having a response on June 5, Baldwin reported that on June 4, the PSC notified the water district that the deadline for the notification has been extended to July 30, to allow the agency time to gather additional information.

The water superintendent also addressed the district's policy on the rate charged to repair leaks; line damage caused by customers. Since 2015, the hourly rate has been \$60 and has included both equipment use and labor; however. Baldwin noted that the rising costs of fuel, equipment repairs and man hours make it necessary to change the rate. He recommended the district charge an hourly rate for equipment use plus labor charges. The board approved the request.

In May, the district produced 29,032,660 gallons of water and sold 24,848,480 gallons.

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The council approved an executive order by the mayor to appoint Kim Campbell as the interim city clerk, effective with Davenport's departure. Council members also asked Davenport to submit a list of qualifications and criteria to be considered for the person who will fill the position permanently.

During open discussion, council member Jim Williams noted he had received complaints about a business site on U.S. 41-North that is in need of mowing and general upkeep. Mayor Smith responded he had been in contact with the owner concerning the issue. He also noted city personnel have been busy repairing water leaks in city waterlines.

Council member Pam Eastwood expressed concern about youth in the community using motorized scooters on city streets. She noted the scooters are traveling at an unsafe speed. Williams stated he, too, had witnessed scooter riders behaving in an unsafe manner. It was also noted that the riders had caused damage on Main Street. Mayor Smith has informed Police Chief Nathan Stinchcomb of the problem.

Ms. Eastwood also asked about

maintenance of the city which runs in a north-south direction through the city. The mayor answered he is working on a plan to maintain the ditch.

Ms. Eastwood then nominated Connie Skinner to fill an unexpired vacancy on the city planning commission. That nomination was approved on a 3-1 vote. Council member Perry Culberson cast the dissenting vote.

Ms. Eastwood told members that youth are beginning to shoot fireworks in city streets, causing disruption and leaving litter in the aftermath. She also asked about restoring the old jail structure which is located behind the municipal building.

Culberson responded, "The building has to serve a purpose before putting money" into any restoration.

City resident Terry Sutton asked when repairs would be made to her yard caused by water leak repair. The mayor assured Ms. Sutton he has been in touch with public works employees to get the damage taken care of.

No further business came before the council, and the meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

The next regular meeting of Sebree City Council will be Monday, July 21, 5:30 P.M.

Mike Railey Estate

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- Snap On Composite -Thermal/ Aqueous Cleaner PBC33
- Snap On TOOL BOX
- Snap On Ultratrace UV EEIB 110A
- Snap On hand tools- Detailed List to come

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- Browning BPS 10ga 3 1/2
- Daisy Red Rider
- Kassnar 12ga double barrel
- Kel-Tec 22mag PMR30
- Remington 887 3 1/2 mag 12gauge
- Remington Model 11 12ga Automatic
- Remington Wingmaster 12ga Screw in chokes
- Ruger 22 Lr Stainless with scope
- Ruger American 223
- Ruger American 308 Flash suppressor with scope
- Ruger LCP 380
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- Savage Axis 6.5 Creedmor



- Savage 17HMR 93R17 Bull Barrel
- Savage Axis 22-250 with Accu trigger
- Stevens Model 94 single shot 20ga
- Stevens model 311 12ga Double Barrel
- Swiss Arms Pellet gun .177cal
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