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Audit frustrations

Encampment mayor expresses frustration with state department

by Mike Armstrong

The Encampment Town Council held their regularly scheduled meeting on April 14 with Mayor Greg Salisbury in attendance along with council members Bill Craig, Shannon Fagan-Craig and Gary Stull.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Doreen Harvey went over the financials and, when she finished, the council approved paying the bills.

Loretta Hansen and Dawndette Spaulding came before the council and asked the Town to endorse a proclamation acknowledging National Crime Victims Rights Week. Hansen said the program works out of the Carbon County Sheriff's Department and helps people who are victimized understand what their options are and who to contact for help in different situations (see "National Crime Victims Rights Week proclaimed" on page 5 of the April 21 Saratoga Sun).

Carbon County Sheriff Archie Roybal, who was in attendance, told the Council he was proud of the work Hansen and Spaulding did for the communities.

Encampment Police Chief Kevin Shue said he had worked with the program and found it beneficial.

"This program is valuable," Shue said. "They offer counseling and other services which are really useful during a trying time for victims."

After the presentation, the Town endorsed the proclamation.

Mother Mountain Anglers came before the council to ask for the Town's annual support of the Tale of Two Cities disc golf tournament.

They asked to use the town's outdoor stage and park. The event will be held June 11 in Riverside and Encampment town parks.

Josh Craig, president of the organization, thanked the Town for its support.

"Thank you for doing this," Salisbury said. "It has turned into a great event. Thanks to the group's hard work."

Dan Jago, chairman of the Sierra Madre Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board, said a major project this summer was to rehab the water tank. He said the job was being sent out for bid and the work would probably happen in summer. Jago acknowledged this was during high water use months but hoped the job would not be intrusive to the town. He estimated the job would be completed in a two week period and requested Encampment initiate the water plan agreement between the SMWS JPB and the Town.

Salisbury requested the town be informed when the project would commence.

Jon Nelson, North Fork Engineering, gave a status report on the sewer lagoon project. Nelson said he would be in meetings in the week to come where he could finalize the cost estimate for components. Once he got the information he would contact Harvey to know the results.

The council approved Brian Anderson of Platte Valley Forest Management be allowed up to eight hours at \$150 an hour for woodpile cleanup.

Harvey asked the Council to transfer matching funds of \$8,947 from the 2009 specific purpose tax. The council approved the transfer.

B. Craig said he believed the town needed to buy a new rotograder. He said the transmission wasn't good and putting more money into the machine would not be worth it.

"It is pretty old," Salisbury said. "We have had it forever."

Public Works Director Bill Accord said he would

the 16th annual Music in the Park for \$3,000.

Encampment's Carbon County Visitors representative, John Farr, asked the council to approve the selection of Alex Gruenhagen to the member-at-large position. The council approved the candidate. Farr told the council new scenic byway signs were going up along Battle Pass.

Cabinets for the water plant were approved for purchase at \$1,026.16.

The purchase of gravel and road base from Plattoga Aggregates for \$9,200 was tabled.

"I don't mean to butt in on vendors but I want to say there was a quality issue in roadbase in Hanna," Nelson said. "I would just say keep an eye on it. He can make pretty near to WYDOT's spec road base if somebody is watching."

Salisbury thanked Nelson and asked for research to be done.

The council approved the purchase of various tires from Big Bale Company for a total of \$3,020.

Advertising for summer help was approved for the parks department.

Shue was approved to attend the Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chief of Police Conference April 25 to 28.

Graduating senior banners were approved to be purchased. There are nine seniors and the cost will be \$1,119.06.

Five organizational contracts were approved. Pro-Start received \$500, GEM Cowboy Gathering got \$500, Muzzleloaders/Mountain Man Rendezvous received \$500, Riverside Encampment Lions Club got \$500 and Sage Brush Senior Center received \$1,250.

When the Wyoming Department of Audit follow up letter came up, Salisbury made it clear he was not happy with the personnel who had come to Encampment.

"Encampment has been absolutely spotless but these young college graduates from this department have come up and made Doreen's life miserable," Salisbury said. "They keep coming back and they think these small towns need to pass proclamations and ordinances and all sorts of things to keep up with Casper and Cheyenne. This puts a huge burden on small towns and just think it is out of control."

Harvey said she is responding the best way she can. She said talking to other small municipality town clerks, they were in the same situation.

The fiscal year 2021/2022 budget ordinance amendment first reading was passed as was the fiscal year 2022/2023 budget ordinance first reading.

The next Encampment Town Council next regularly scheduled meeting will be at 7 p.m on May 12 at the Encampment Town Hall.

A Coach's Support



Photos by Mike Armstrong

Hanna, Elk Mountain, Medicine Bow (HEM) Assistant Track Coach Cliff Jones prepares to give a pat on the back to student athlete T'lyssa Solaas at the Rawlins Invite on Friday afternoon.

"...they think these small towns need to pass proclamations and ordinances and all sorts of things to keep up with Casper and Cheyenne."

~ Encampment Mayor Greg Salisbury on the Wyoming Department of Audit

research the costs of replacing the machinery.

Harvey said she was trying to find a new auditor but it was proving to be difficult. She said this was a problem across the state. The auditor which did respond told her the earliest they could be available was in January 2023 to complete the work but she needed them in October of 2022.

She indicated the cost of this firm would be \$20,000 versus the \$12,000 the town had been paying for several years. Harvey said the firm, if engaged, would write a letter explaining the delay to the State.

"I just wanted the council to know what was going on," Harvey said. "But we can only do what we can."

An amendment to Title 9.08 on alcoholic beverages passed second reading. A public hearing before the third and final reading will take place at the May council meeting.

A sewer tap application for 814 Barnett was approved.

The council passed a proclamation which stated the Town recognized April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month.

Pert Near Sandstone was the band approved to play at

Amending budgets

Unmaterialized projects lead to budget amendment for MedBow

by Mike Armstrong

The Medicine Bow Town Council held their regularly scheduled meeting on April 11 at the Medicine Bow Community Hall.

Mayor Sharon Biamon was present along with council members Cindy Chace, Sharon Kahl and Dawndee Yocum. Councilmember Lucy Schofield was absent.

The council listened to Town Clerk/Treasurer Karen Heath review the financials. The total to pay out was \$151,884.65, which the council approved.

The meeting went into a public hearing at 7:12 p.m. for a resolution amending the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget for the town.

"We have to amend the budget because some of the line items in that budget were over," Heath answered when asked why the budget had to be amended. "The good news is some of them were revenue lines, the bad news is some of them were not."

"At the end of the year everything has to jive," Biamon said. "So we have to have amendments to do that."

"Does that mean we are going to have to cut budgets in departments?" Frank Fisher with the Medicine Bow Fire Department asked.

Biamon joked when she told him not to spend any more.

"Your department is way over," Biamon laughed.

"We are way under in my eyes," Maddox said. "But we will agree to disagree."

Heath said two industrial projects which had been expected to begin had not started and monies anticipated

had not been received.

Fisher joked again that all departments in the black should donate to the fire department.

The public hearing closed and the regular scheduled meeting went back into session at 7:25 p.m.

Biamon asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2022-4 which amended the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget. She received a motion and a second. There was no discussion and the resolution was approved.

Medicine Bow's Carbon County Visitor Council representative, Mike Armstrong, requested the council approve Alex Gruenhagen for the open member at large seat on the board.

"At the end of the year everything has to jive. So we have to have amendments to do that."
~ Medicine Bow Mayor Sharon Biamon on budget amendments

He explained the seat had been open for 15 years and every municipality represented on the board needed to approve the candidate. Armstrong answered questions about Gruenhagen's background. The council approved the candidate.

Loretta Hansen and Dawndette Spaulding with the Carbon County Sheriff's Victim/Witness Program were at the meeting to have the town read a proclamation for the National Crime Victims

Rights Week. (see "National Crime Victims Rights Week proclaimed" on page 5 of the April 21 Saratoga Sun).

Hansen went over the program and its merit. Carbon County Sheriff Archie Roybal was in attendance and reinforced how important the role of the program was to the department. After Hansen's presentation, Biamon read a proclamation of support from the Town of Medicine Bow for the program.

The first reading of Ordinance 1-2022 B for fiscal appropriations for the town was approved.

Next, Biamon read a proclamation recognizing April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention month.

The council approved paying \$363,648.40 to pay off all the town's equipment for the public works department.

Town attorney Robert Pipher told the council insurance could no longer be attained for private residents to rent equipment from public works. Pipher said he looked into having residents sign a liability waiver, but his research found no waiver would be effective.

The council approved stopping the practice of renting out town equipment.

Heath recommended the bulk water rate be raised from \$8.50 to \$10 per 1,000 gallons for individuals and \$10 to \$12 per 1,000 gallons for commercial use.

Troy Maddox questioned if the town had enough water and what the actual cost was to produce 1,000 gallons. The council decided more research was needed and the item was tabled.

All board and director reports were approved.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be at 7 p.m. on May 9 at the Medicine Bow Community Hall.

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OBITUARY

Glen Maurice Parker

Glen Maurice Parker, 91 of Columbus Junction, Iowa, formerly of Saratoga Wyoming, died Sunday, April 24, at his home.

His body has been cremated and private services will be held at a later date.

Glen was born April 16, 1931, at Ft. Washakie, Wyo, the son of Clarence Leslie and Mary Margaret (Powell) Parker.

He was a graduate of Fremont County Vocational

High School in Lander, Wyoming.

He was united in marriage to Charlene Pelham, whom he later divorced.

He served with the US Army in Korea for 21 months and was a life member of the American Legion.

Glen was a Master Electrician, becoming one of the first in Wyoming.

He enjoyed rendezvous, fishing, and flying small aircraft.

He was a Legion Commander, motocross racer, a Golden Glove boxer, a baseball coach, and most of all, a beloved father.

Glen was preceded in death by his daughter Cynthia Brown, formerly of Salt Lake City

His surviving children are Forrest J. Parker of Columbus Junction, Iowa. Cordell L. Parker of Saratoga, Wyoming.

Matthew T. Parker of Rock Ford, Colorado.

Glennita Welp of Strawsburg, Colorado. Mary Pittman of Casper, Wyoming, and Martha Hodges of Russellville, Arkansas.

His surviving siblings are Forrest A. Parker and Carol Coates, both of Lander, Wyoming.

He is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

Dr. William "Bill" T. Ward

Dr. William "Bill" T. Ward passed away at the age of 89 at his beloved home in Saratoga, Wyoming on April 16, 2022.

Bill was born in Washington, D.C. on December 17, 1932 and raised in Illinois, Maryland, Colorado and, most fondly, Wyoming. He graduated from the University of Maryland at College Park and went on to the University of Maryland Medical School in Baltimore. In his quest to return to the West, he completed his radiology residency at the University of Colorado Medical Center.

Bill was an accomplished physician and dedicated his practice and life to serving rural Western communities. He logged more than 12,000 hours in Beechcraft Bonanzas serving hospitals from the Nebraska panhandle to Eastern Utah. He served those who likely wouldn't have received radiology attention and continued to serve long into his retirement by funding a scholarship at the University of Colorado Medical School

Foundation. His goal was to bring better medicine to rural Western communities.

He played college basketball at the University of Maryland, started the Inside Edge Ski Shop in Steamboat Springs, Colorado as well as being an initial developer of the Steamboat Springs, Colorado Ski Area (inspiring a love for skiing in all of his children). He skied and raced well into his 80s and raced Nastar for over 30 years. Bill dedicated his life to medicine and enjoyed the beauty of the West through art and history. During his residency, Bill was introduced to the art of E. "Bill" William Gollings, a true Cowboy Artist. Bill admired his art and became the preeminent Gollings expert. In astonishing fashion, Bill passed away 90 years to the day that his beloved "Bill" Gollings died.

Bill inspired a sense of adventure in all of us. He appreciated a good tall tale and was a prankster through and through. He was an avid outdoorsman and

loved to hunt. He believed in the Western lifestyle of rugged individualism and commitment to family and friends. Bill constantly reminded his wife, Carole,



his seven children and 11 grandchildren to "Not sweat the small stuff ... because it's all small stuff". After retirement in Saratoga, Wyoming, he mastered the game of golf with his wife, Carole, and routinely attended "coffee" with the boys and played a few games of pool.

Bill is survived by his wife, Carole; his seven children, William Ward, Jr. (Kory), John Ward (Boatie), Stacey Ward, Tami Hobson, Heidi

Watanabe (Scott), Ralph Porter (Lori), and Wendy Van Curan (Preston) and his 11 grandchildren. No services will be held to honor the life of Dr. William "Bill" T. Ward. His family requests you continue to honor and care for the great state of Wyoming.

VALLEY NEWS

Assisting the healthcare project

Rachal Blumenthal new administrative assistant to PVHP Board

Building the North Platte Valley Medical Center created just the kind of opportunity for career and personal growth that Rachal Blumenthal was looking for. So, she took it. Blumenthal was recently named Administrative Assistant to the Board of Directors for the Platte Valley Healthcare Project (PVHP). She will have a broad range of responsibilities including coordinating the Board's activities and facilitating interaction between

board members and the community. Rachal will also be assisting CEO Jeff Mincy with additional administrative support at the Platte Valley Clinic and Saratoga Care Center.

Born in Rawlins, Blumenthal (then Rachal McAlister) moved to Saratoga with her sister to live with her father when she was in the second grade. She went through the entire school system here. After graduation, Blumenthal moved to Rock Springs to study business administration at Western Wyoming Community College, and from there to Boise, ID, where she managed customer service, personnel, inventory and social media for several years at Angell's Bar and Grill.

Seeking more career opportunity, she joined U.S. Bank in Boise and later transferred to the Loveland, CO branch where she rose to senior banker. She returned to Saratoga soon after and worked as a server and office assistant until she joined Bank of the West as a universal banker in 2018.

"I enjoyed working in banking, but this job with PVHP seemed like such a fantastic opportunity to get



Rachal Blumenthal recently hired on as administrative assistant to the Board of Director for the PVHP.

in on the ground floor of something important and grow with it," Blumenthal said. She also said she had been looking for ways to have more of a positive impact on the community. "I'd always looked up to those people who were leaders and active in the

community," she said. "I am hoping this job will help me play a bigger role."

Blumenthal's husband, John, owns Blumenthal Built, a construction company based in Saratoga. They have two children, Brynleigh, 2, and Bricklin, 5 mos.

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VALLEY NEWS

Saratoga Museum speeds up

Museum Director Dana Davis discusses new museum website

by Mike Armstrong

“This is the landing page and I kept the website simple,” Saratoga Museum Director Dana Davis said. “I made it simple purposely because a lot of people will be looking at it from their phone.”

“You can look at the event and if it appeals to you, hover over the picture and the event’s information become available,” Davis said. “I have been by people who have looked at website, they like how simple it is to get the information.”

She said those who want to attend an event can book online.

“It helps having an idea how many people are

events, a person can RSVP.” Davis said it is important to have a good website that easy to navigate.

“For younger people it is especially important because they are more tuned in to things that are featured online than any other media,” Davis said. “So if you can get your presence out there, I believe it will help get them to your location.”

print tickets immediately or have them on their phone so they don’t have to wait in line.

“It is about speed and the younger generation especially has this expectation,” Davis said. “They also want it simple too.”

She said having the gift shop online allows people to make purchases during holidays and birthdays



Photo by Mike Armstrong

While people may be able to get a glance at history in the Saratoga Museum, the organization’s website is more modern with the hopes of appealing to younger generations.

To view the new website, Davis has launched it under saratogamuseumwy.com.

Davis designed the site so viewers could quickly learn about the museum and its history on one drop down. The other drop down on the landing page titled more gives information about events, the gift shop, memberships, contact info and has a photo gallery. The pavilion on the museum’s grounds can be booked on the website also.

“On the gallery page the photos are current with winter scenes,” Davis said. “I will be changing them as the weather changes and more events happen. I was pretty extensive with all the photos so people looking can get a good idea of what the museum offers.”

Davis made looking at events easy also.

attending,” Davis said. “For instance the C.J. Box book signing, with people purchasing tickets online early, I have an idea on how many books to have at the event.”

She said the website prints out tickets well. Davis has the website set up for not only being able to get a membership online, if a person signs up for a membership online, there is a 10 percent discount.

Davis said the prior website was nice, but the platform expired and she wanted improve its capabilities such as having the gift shop online.

“The old website, you could donate money on, but that was about it,” Davis said. “This website offers much more from not only purchasing tickets for events, but for the free

She said at the recent Governor’s Conference for tourism, she learned the average millennials’ attention span when going to a website is eight seconds.

“This is why it is important to keep the website to navigate as simple as possible,” Davis said. “I appreciate museums that have a lot of information on their website but unfortunately the trend for the younger audience is to look on their phone and get in and out of a website with what they are seeking. They will almost be turned off if they see a lot of information on the landing page. That is what I kept in mind as I designed the website.”

Technology is changing and Davis knows although the Saratoga Museum delving into years past, people want to be able to

without having to drive specifically to the museum for a gift.

“We have an excellent gift shop with all sorts of cool items people many not even know about,” Davis said. “Now they can see them and it gives them another place to shop. I mean some don’t even know we have a gift shop and we really do have some great stuff.”

Davis is glad comments have been positive.

“Of course, my inclination is for people to come and check out the museum in person because they love history and culture,” Davis said. “But in this day and age, most people want some sort of info about where they are going first and do so without much trouble and this is what the website aimed to do.”



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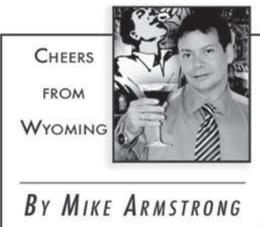
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OPINION/EDITORIAL

Shanghai: then and now



Nothing has prepared for me to see pictures of Shanghai, the city I lived in for five years, in a lockdown state which have been showing up the past couple weeks on different news outlets.

One in particular hit home on how bad the lockdown is for the residents, was a pic of a major road artery from an aerial view which is deserted. When I lived there about seven years ago, these same roads were almost parking lots due to the heavy traffic.

The picture I saw the other day from BBC, showed literally no cars on this major highway that runs down the middle of the city. Just the volume of taxis which were ever present being gone, makes this photo unbelievable.

Another picture which affected me was a picture of the street I lived on with no people on it in daytime.

Even at 4 a.m., this street was never this deserted.

Panyu Lu (Lu means street in Chinese) is one of those avenues that has world class hotels, a monster big cinema, huge apartment complexes (one of which I lived in) and countless Mom and Pop shops selling DVD's, groceries, and well honestly, just about everything a small business can. I loved walking out my complex, which probably had the population of Carbon County in its 10 buildings; and going to a duck soup restaurant where I would consistently get this amazing meal. If I wanted something different from duck, there was a small restaurant which specialized in pork where I would get meat, rice and vegetables for about \$3.

To this day, I miss the food I used to get during my years

living in Asia.

Anyway I really liked where I lived in Shanghai.

I got to practice my Chinese with the different proprietors and often given snacks of some sort, while visiting many these establishments.

I really found the locals incredibly friendly and so many loved I was from America.

To read about residents locked in their apartments and how food is getting hard to get, is shocking to me.

Shanghai, when it came to food, was the city of plenty. The markets are huge and everything is fresh. Besides the meats, fruits and vegetables, there were bread vendors and little stalls that served dumplings and noodle dishes that would be housed in one area.

It was fantastic.

I understand these markets are shut down now and the government is now involved in distributing food.

Given the protests, which seldom happen, the government isn't doing a great job.

Imagine a city of 25 million people that is not only vast, but most people live in buildings 30 or 40 stories high.

Shanghai doesn't have lot of single family homes except in some gated communities outside the city and some mansions built a 100 years ago by Westerners. Most of these old homes have multiple families living in them or have been turned into buildings for trendy businesses.

My point is there are lot of people living in a tight condensed land area.

Seeing the deserted street I knew should be busy, told me people are stuck in their homes and there is only so much one can do in a two or three bedroom apartment.

I cannot begin to express how smart I feel that I decided to leave Shanghai seven years ago. It was not an easy decision because my job was something I loved. I chose



(or recommended) spirits our company distributed. I also worked with the suppliers and distillers on how to market in China.

Again, I will say it was a great job for me.

I left Shanghai to work for a Spanish liquor company which wanted me back in the USA. I wanted to get back to my home in Hanna, but I knew I was leaving behind an amazing situation. To give a little perspective, the Shanghai company exclusively imports and distributes Cuervo, Buffalo Trace, Fireball and a few other brands known in the USA to all of China.

Again, it was a tough decision.

Did I find myself over the years thinking I blew it by not staying Shanghai?

Definitely, especially after the Spanish company and I did not have a great parting of ways.

When that happened, my boss in Shanghai offered me my job back.

I thought about it, for sure, but I was reunited with my pup and I was not ready to leave Wyoming for the hustle and

bustle of China.

I truly thank the Lord I had deciding against going back.

Because I have not talked to my old boss in a year, I don't have much of a handle how the company is doing during this time of restriction.

The lockdown seems heavy handed to me, but President Xi has made up his mind there will be zero Covid-19 in his country and he does not care how it is effecting the population.

Honestly it amazing to me, there are demonstrations although not large, but demonstrations non-the-less.

Demonstrations rarely happen in China any longer since President Xi has solidified his power. He is almost like Russia's President Putin saying demonstrations are subversive and damaging to the national interest and are not allowed.

I probably read more on what is happening in China than most folk because I had some amazing adventures during my time living there and I am curious how the place is changing and not for the better.

I have written enough about the danger of President Xi's agenda to the world in my columns, but I have to admit, I never thought he would put Shanghai into the lockdown situation currently.

By all economic indicators I have read recently, the lockdown is harming the global economy with a lot of manufacturing being shut down. Parts for different machinery which were difficult to get before the lockdown, have become impossible to receive.

I have said before, a strongman who believes his power should not be questioned, is terrible not only for the country he resides, but also terrible for the world.

Xi and Putin make this case very clear with their lack of concern for human lives.

I might continue to be shocked as more pictures come out of Shanghai's lockdown, but I will never be able to express enough leaving China when I did was the smartest move I ever did.

I also find it very sad China has turned into a place which makes me feel this way.

In World War III, Cheyenne becomes biggest bulls-eye in the world



A nuclear bulls-eye is focused smack on Wyoming's state capital. Today, when madman Vladimir Putin is talking about sending Russian nuclear missiles to the USA, it can make you wonder about what you would do in such a scenario.

This is one of those "what if" columns. I want to believe that what I am writing about here is just not realistic . . . but? Sorry if this is so pessimistic, but I think Putin has gone off the rails. If he has, that could be very bad news for Wyoming.

You can run, but you cannot hide during a nuclear attack. If Putin launches, the world as we know it could cease to exist.

Because Wyoming is the

home base to 150 sites of ICBM nuclear-tipped missiles around the F. E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, our state capital would be one of the main targets of Russian missiles.

The prospect of worldwide Armageddon becomes real when folks realize Putin is becoming more paranoid as his ill-fated invasion of Ukraine looks worse all the time. If his own people rise up against him, could he set off a nuclear war as a last desperate act of a delusional dictator? This could be the awful outcome of Putin's horrible actions. Peaceful people all over the world are being drawn back to a Cold War time when such a conflagration was on most people's minds.

World leaders and Putin experts worry the Russian leader is leaning toward using nuclear weapons in his war with Ukraine. Once that tipping point occurs, the fear is that it could escalate to World War III.

And if such a nuclear war

ensued, Wyoming could be one of Putin's first targets.

The states of Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, South Dakota, and North Dakota are called 'sponge sites,' for their ability to absorb a nuclear attack. According to Tom Collina of Ploughshares Fund, the five states' ability "to absorb a nuclear attack from Russia" is factored into the country's ability to survive a nuclear attack. He says "while high population centers with huge cultural impact may seem like obvious choices, a smarter nuclear attack would focus on countering the enemy's nuclear forces." This means the missile system at Warren AFB will be a main target.

Some decades ago, we had our Lander newspaper cartoonist draw an illustration showing a map of the United States with a bulls-eye located in Cheyenne. This gave us an idea of where the former-Soviet Union (Russia) was aiming its missiles. It was assumed the Russians would

want to cripple the ICBM (InterContinental Ballistic Missile) headquarters as a pre-emptive start of a nuclear war between the USA and the USSR. The message of that cartoon was that the rest of Wyomingites would bear a big brunt of that onslaught.

Meanwhile, the threat of a pending nuclear war, thanks to Putin, are on peoples' minds.

To folks of a certain age, such a prospect brings back memories of our childhood when we had weekly Cold War drills in our schools. We were either shown how to hide under our desks or how much time it took to rush home.

Back in the 1950s, the Strategic Air Command Base in Omaha would have been the #1 target for the old Soviet Union. My wife Nancy lived in Harlan, Iowa, which was downwind from Omaha. She recalls school officials timing the students on how long it took them to rush home after during a

missile drill.

I grew up in eastern Iowa and my dad would round up me and my brothers and take us to huge silica mines near Clayton on the banks of the Mississippi River. We would work with other folks storing huge barrels of fresh water and cases of a product called survival crackers. This would be the best place to hide in that part of the world during a nuclear attack. The mines were huge with a capacity to hold 44,000 people. It was 60 acres in size and had 14 miles of tunnels.

Out here in Wyoming, I assumed our whole state would be toast because of F. E. Warren, but not so. Maps created by Survival Freedom shows a big area near my home town of Lander that could be among the few places in the country that might provide a survivable habitat.

I guess that is a puddle of good news amidst a whole ocean of bad news in the world right now.



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WYOMING NEWS

Judge limits use of body-cam video in corner-crossing trial

By Angus M. Thuermer Jr., WyoFile.com

The judge in an upcoming corner-crossing criminal trespass trial decided Thursday to limit the use of, but not bar entirely, a body-cam video that shows law officers discussing with a ranch manager potential charges against four Missouri hunters.

Prosecutors sought to prohibit playing the video for the jury, saying the officers were discussing aspects and interpretations of trespassing laws that are the province of the court alone. Carbon County Circuit Court Judge Susan Stipe agreed to part of that request.

Four Missouri hunters have pleaded not guilty to the trespass charges and contend they stepped from one piece of public land to another — at the intersection of two public and two private sections — without setting foot on private property. The case

involves the checkerboard pattern of land ownership in parts of Carbon County where private and public land are interspersed.

The cases hinge on whether a person passing through the airspace above a private piece of land is trespassing, and their outcomes may impact public access to millions of acres of public land in the West.

Stipe agreed Thursday that playing the entire 16-minute video would not be allowed and that the discussion on it “would likely not be useful to the jurors.” But portions of it could be used by defense attorneys, Stipe said, if they want to employ it to challenge witness statements given by law-enforcement.

Essentially, if the video contradicts what officers testify to in court, defense attorneys could play relevant portions of it to challenge the officers’ statements in front of the jury.

The video is “not going

to be played unless certain portions are necessary in impeachment,” Stipe said during a two-hour motions hearing in Rawlins.

Attorneys will confer again Monday regarding jury instructions and other unsettled elements of the case before it is presented at a trial scheduled to begin Wednesday. Lawyers at Thursday’s motions hearing did not discuss any potential delay of the trial. The judge had mulled a delay last week saying she worried that a related civil suit in federal court might undermine the criminal trespass case before her.

The trial against Phillip G. Yeomans, Bradly H. Cape, John W. Slowensky and Zachary M. Smith is scheduled to begin in Rawlins starting Wednesday. The case is based on an incident in 2021. Three might face an alternative charge of trespassing to hunt involving a similar alleged corner-crossing incident in 2020.

The court has set aside two days for the matter. Criminal trespass carries a penalty of up to \$750 and six months in jail upon conviction.

The men are charged with trespassing on the ranch owned by Iron Bar Holdings and Fred Eshelman, a North Carolina resident, businessman, conservationist, philanthropist and donor to conservative political causes who made millions in the pharmaceutical business. Eshelman is listed as a potential witness, according to discussion at Thursday’s hearing.

He could testify to ownership of the Elk Mountain Ranch, a legal element that Stipe called “hurdle number-one” in the prosecution’s case against the hunters. But establishing that ownership typically requires testimony from someone other than the owner himself, Stipe said.

She agreed to allow

Eshelman’s attorney, Gregory Weisz, to present evidence of ownership, boundaries and easements if he limits his testimony to those topics and not interpretations of trespass laws. Weisz also represents Eshelman in the parallel civil suit in federal court.

All the attorneys involved could instead agree to stipulate that Iron Bar and Eshelman own the property in question, Stipe said.

Attorneys debated several other aspects of the trial, including whether the jury would be considering a specific incident of alleged trespassing or the defendants’ numerous actions over a period of days — perhaps even over two years — and at different locations. Defense attorney Patrick Lewallen said the prosecution’s quest to allege trespass across a broad geographic range and expansive period was a “shotgun approach” that would allow “a potential

of 280 combinations” of circumstances to reach a potential conviction.

Stipe told prosecutors they had to limit their case, at this time, to one incident.

Attorneys also sparred over what’s known as Rule 404(b) — the use of a defendant’s previous “crimes, wrongs or acts” — to establish the defendant’s character. Prosecutors could bring up, for example, allegations that three of the four defendants corner-crossed in the same area in 2020.

Stipe and the attorneys did not resolve all the issues Thursday. Some of the many machinations could play out at the conference Monday. Many could be settled only during the trial as they may arise, the judge indicated.

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Utilities: Wyo CCUS mandate could spike monthly bills by \$100

By Dustin Bleizeffer, WyoFile.com

Adding carbon-capture systems to existing coal-fired power plants in Wyoming could cost the average residential ratepayer an additional \$100 per month, according to Black Hills Corp’s initial filings to the Wyoming Public Service Commission. The retrofit costs alone could range from \$400 million to \$1 billion for each coal unit, according to PacifiCorp, which operates as Rocky Mountain Power in Wyoming. Adding carbon capture utilization and storage technologies would also significantly reduce electrical generation efficiency at the coal plants, further ramping up the expense for ratepayers. Generation efficiency could be reduced 14%-35% at Wygen II and Neil Simpson II near Gillette, according to Black Hills Corp. Both PacifiCorp and Black Hills Corp are moving forward with feasibility studies to further analyze whether it is viable to apply CCUS at five coal-fired power units

in Wyoming. The studies stem from a 2020 legislative mandate written into House Bill 200 — Reliable and dispatchable low-carbon energy standards. Now law, the Wyoming PSC is wrestling with how to administer what some refer to as a coal-CCUS portfolio standard — the only such portfolio standard in the nation. It requires regulated utilities to determine how much CO2 capture can be applied to existing coal plants and still justify the costs to ratepayers. One preliminary conclusion by PacifiCorp and its consultant Kiewit Engineering Group, Inc. suggests that capturing 40% or more CO2 emissions would not prove economic for coal units included in its analysis. Lawmakers who supported HB 200 hoped a large price tag for adding CCUS might be justified when also factoring new jobs and revenue from selling the CO2 that’s captured from coal plants. The sold product could be utilized to produce untapped oil reserves and potentially create new CO2 byproducts.

However, regulated utilities typically cannot include factors outside their scope of services in a request for ratepayer increases, such as tertiary oil production or the value of potential CO2 byproducts. House Bill 200 proponents also sought to minimize the ratepayer burden by allowing the PSC to establish a cap for incremental rate increases. The commission in November set a 2% cap, potentially preventing something on the order of a \$100-per-month increase. But regulated utilities must be allowed to charge ratepayers for full capital and implementation costs, which could result in extending the period that a utility charges ratepayers for a CCUS investment — potentially by decades. PacifiCorp estimates the 2% cap could generate a maximum \$13.1 million annually for a CCUS project that costs between \$400 million and \$1 billion. “That means, presumably, you’d have to run [some coal units] for another 50 years,” Powder River Basin Resource

Council attorney Shannon Anderson said. “If that doesn’t happen, then at some point ratepayers are going to be paying for systems that we are no longer using.” State regulators are still wrestling with many questions and assumptions regarding the coal-CCUS feasibility mandate, PSC Chief Counsel John Burbridge said. “There certainly is a lot of discussion about the cost of installing CCUS on currently operating coal units,” Burbridge said, adding that the new statutes stemming from HB 200 allow a utility to forego installing CCUS on a coal plant if it can prove to the commission it is not viable for ratepayers. “If they can show that, and convince the commissioners that this just isn’t economic for the customers, then I think it just kind of dies a slow death.” Another result is that Wyoming ratepayers alone would likely shoulder the cost, Anderson said. PacifiCorp serves customers in six western states, including Wyoming. Typically, all six

states negotiate to divide the cost of PacifiCorp’s capital investments based on each state’s reliance on a particular facility. However, states like Oregon and Washington may decline to take on power from a Wyoming-mandated coal-CCUS investment. That could change if there were a federal carbon capture standard, but observers don’t anticipate that happening anytime soon. “It just doesn’t make sense unless there’s some environmental mandate from [the Environmental Protection Agency] or Congress or somebody,” Anderson said. “It just doesn’t make sense when wind and solar are right there and so much cheaper.” These filings are the first real numbers we’ve seen on what carbon capture means to the average consumer in Wyoming,” Anderson continued. “These are incredible penalties, really.” Although it’s made no final determination and is still collecting third-party analysis for a complete CCUS feasibility study, PacifiCorp is asking the

Wyoming PSC to approve a 0.5% surcharge to all its Wyoming customers to help pay for the mandated studies — which are already in motion — as well as implementation costs if the utility moves forward with a CCUS retrofit. If approved, the new surcharge would generate \$3.1 million in revenue from PacifiCorp’s Wyoming customers annually. The same surcharge — if extended to the 2% cap — could generate up to \$13.1 million annually if it and the PSC eventually greenlight a CCUS retrofit, according to PacifiCorp filings. A public comment period regarding PacifiCorp’s request [Docket No. 20000-616-EA-22] for the 0.5% surcharge ends on April 22. Public comments can be sent to wpsc_comments@wyo.gov.

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Cost of living grows by fastest pace in 40 years

By Mary Steurer Casper Star-Tribune Via Wyoming News Exchange

CASPER — Price increases driven by the coronavirus pandemic last year brought a state inflation measure to its highest point in four decades.

The Wyoming Cost of Living Index is a twice-a-year publication done by the Wyoming Economic Analysis Division that studies changes in inflation. The latest report, published April 18, covers the fourth quarter of 2021, which covers October, November and December.

Inflation in Wyoming rose 9.3% from the fourth quarter of 2020 to the fourth quarter of 2021, the report found.

The last time Wyoming saw a spike that high was the third quarter of 1981, which posted

a year-over-year inflation rate of 11.8%. That was during the economic recession of the early ‘80s.

The pandemic has taken prices on a roller coaster, but early last year is when inflation really began to surge, according to data from the National Bureau of Economic Research, a nonprofit group that studies the U.S. economy.

The last Wyoming Cost of Living Index report, which came out in October, recorded a 7.7% inflation rate between spring 2020 and spring 2021. That same measure was just 1.1% a year prior.

The index measures inflation rates for six consumer categories:

Transportation in Wyoming recorded the highest increase at 22.1%. It’s little wonder — oil prices have risen dramatically since tanking at the beginning

of the pandemic.

Food underwent an 8.3% increase. By comparison, food costs rose just 1.9% from the second quarter 2020 to the second quarter of 2021.

Housing had the next highest inflation at 7.4%.

Recreation and personal care underwent a 6.7% price increase.

Medical costs recorded a 4.3% increase and apparel recorded an increase of 3.3%.

The higher food prices come at no surprise. In Wyoming — where most of what we eat is shipped in from elsewhere — higher transportation costs equal higher food costs.

“Our food bill has doubled,” said Jamie Purcell, founder and executive director at Wyoming Food for Thought.

For now, the social safety net is helping to keep people

fed, Purcell said.

Public schools across the nation still offer kids free breakfast and lunch, no questions asked, on the U.S. That program is set to wear off at the end of June.

In March 2020, the federal government temporarily expanded food stamps and other social programs. While that measure’s no longer in effect, the Biden Administration in August approved permanent changes to food stamps that were expected to up average benefits by about a quarter, the New York Times reported last year.

Still, Purcell anticipates the price hike to catch up with families in six months or so. In the meantime, she encourages Wyoming residents to enroll in whatever assistance programs they

can — food stamps, free and reduced lunch for kids or the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, for example — and to take advantage of local resources like food pantries.

Some regions of the state have been hit harder by inflation than others, the cost of living index shows.

Northeast Wyoming, which includes Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan and Weston counties, had the highest rate, at 10.4%.

Southeast Wyoming — Albany, Carbon, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara and Platte counties — followed close behind with an inflation rate of 10.2%.

Central Wyoming, which includes Natrona, Converse and Fremont counties, experienced 7.4% inflation.

Nationally, the inflation rate from December 2020

to December 2021 was 7%, according to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The report also compares the costs of living in each county.

In the fourth quarter of 2021, Teton County had the highest cost of living, at 65% higher than the statewide average. As a popular tourist destination, Teton has one of the highest per-capita incomes in the country. As of late 2021, an apartment in Teton County averaged \$2,780 a month, according to the index. An average apartment in Natrona County ran \$771.

The cost of living in Natrona County is on par with the rest of Wyoming, just 6% lower than the statewide average. Laramie County, by comparison, recorded a cost of living just 5% higher than the average.

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SPORTS

Rattlers race north and south

LSRV track competes in Rawlins, Rangely

by Micky Jones

The Little Snake River Valley (LSRV) Rattlers doubled their track meets over the weekend, with one in Wyoming and one in Colorado. LSRV first travelled to Rawlins on Friday to compete in the Nancy Steinberg Invite before traveling south to Rangely, Colorado on Saturday. The Rattlers track and field team had student athletes pre-qualify for the State Track and Field Meet in both meets in different events.

"We had a smaller group in Rawlins due to the art symposium," said Head Coach Norman Yoast. "Though Kannadis Peroulis qualified in the long jump. "We had three pre-qualifiers in Rangely Colorado: Kannadis Peroulis in the 100 meter dash and triple jump, and Jordy Valles in the 100 meter dash."

Girls at Rawlins

Skylynn Ready placed 3rd in the 100 meter dash with a time of 14.73 seconds. Ready also placed 5th in the 1600 meter with a time of 6 minutes, 53.4 seconds.

Banesssa Saenz placed 7th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 15.24 seconds. Saenz also placed 5th in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1 minute 13.43 seconds and 3rd in the high jump with a height of 4 feet, 5 inches.

Cashley Criswell placed 5th in the 200 meter dash with a

time of 29.89 seconds and placed 6th in the high jump Criswell with a height of 4 feet 3 inches.

Catrina Habel placed 6th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 2 minutes, 58.55 seconds. She also placed 7th in discus with a distance of 68 feet 3 inches.

Boys at Rawlins

Kannadis Peroulis took 1st place in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.32 seconds. Peroulis also took 1st place in long jump with a distance of 20 feet, 9 inches.

Cale Cheatham placed 6th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.32 seconds. He also placed 3rd in the high jump with a height of 5 feet 4 inches.

Reilly Erickson placed 14th in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1 minute, 4 seconds. Erickson also placed 8th in the 800 meter dash with a time of 2 minutes, 52.91 seconds.

Chase McKee placed 9th in the 400 meter dash with a time of 2 minutes, 27.8 seconds.

Mason Davis placed 7th in the 1600 meter run with a time of 5 minutes, 40 seconds.

Chis Saenz placed 13th in the 1600 meter run with a time of 7 minutes, 16.57 seconds. Saenz also placed 17th in discus with a distance of 75 feet, 1 inch and 17th in shot put with a distance of 30 feet, 3 inches.

Hadley Myers took 2nd place in the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 17.75 seconds. Myers also took 2nd place in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 44.13 seconds.



Hadley Myers clears the hurdles in Rawlins on Friday afternoon. Myers took 2nd place in the 110 Meter Hurdles.

Girls at Rangely

Criswell placed 13th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 14.19 seconds. In the high jump Criswell placed 10th with a height of 4 feet, 1 inch and she placed 11th in long jump with a distance of 12 feet, 8 inches.

Saenz placed 17th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 14.75 seconds. She also placed 16th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 31.81 seconds. Saenz placed 7th in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 2.79 seconds and in the high jump Saenz placed 7th with a

height of 4 feet, 3 inches.

Ready placed 9th in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1 minute, 7.57 seconds. She also placed 5th in the 800 meter dash Ready with a time of 2 minutes, 50.48 seconds.

Habel took 9th place in the 1600 meter run with a time of 6 minutes, 55.22 seconds. Habel also took 23rd place in discus with a distance of 63 feet, 5 inches.

Ellie Gallenbeck placed 20th in the long jump with a distance of 8 feet 11 inches.

Regina Herrera placed 9th in discus with a distance of 86 feet 6 inches. She also placed 6th in shot put with a distance

of 28 feet 11 inches.

Boys at Rangely

Peroulis placed 3rd in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.85 seconds. He placed 1st in the triple jump with a distance of 42 feet, 2 inches.

Jordy Valles placed 4th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.94 seconds. Valles also placed 6th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 24.58 seconds.

Cheatham placed 11th in the 100m hurdles with a time of 12.28 seconds.

Bridger Cozzens placed 19th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.49 seconds.

Cozzens also placed 4th in discus with a distance of 102 feet and half an inch.

Hunter Jones placed 29th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 14.28 seconds. Jones placed 14th in the triple jump with a distance of 31 feet 7 inches.

Zane Matheson placed 26th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 28.11 seconds. Matheson also placed 6th in the high jump with a height of 5 feet, 1 inch.

Mason Davis placed 13th in the 800 meter dash with a time of 2 minutes, 33.86 seconds.

Chase McKee placed 8th in the 1600 meter run with a time of 5 minutes, 33.51 seconds.

Hadley Myers took 2nd place in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 44.04 seconds.

Mason Jones placed 15th in the triple jump with a distance of 31 feet, 7 inches.

Jerick Martinez placed 2nd in discus with a distance of 109 feet, 3.5 inches. Martinez also placed 8th in shot put with a distance of 32 feet, 3.5 inches.

Ervey Marques placed 16th in discus with a distance of 77 feet 9 inches. Marques also placed 13th in shot put with a distance of 29 feet 10 inches.

Chris Soans placed 19th in discus with a distance of 67 feet 7 inches. Soans also placed 13th in shot put with a distance of 9 feet 10 inches.

The upcoming meets for the LSRV Rattlers will be Friday in Hayden, Colorado at the Clint Wells Invite, hosted by Moffat County High School and Saturday in Steamboat Spring, Colorado.

Bennett breaks record in Rawlins

Whitney Bennett breaks record set in 2003 by Tori Runner

by Mike Armstrong

The Saratoga Panther's track and field team competed in the Nancy Steinberg Invite in Rawlins, coming in 2nd in both boys and girls events as they competed against seven schools, with five from Carbon County including Saratoga. Not only were there were some surprising placings, but a nearly 20 year school record was broken over the weekend.

Head Coach Rex Hohnholt was pleased with how the Panthers did in Rawlins.

"This was a good meet, because it has been a frustrating season and the wind has had a lot to do with the frustration," Hohnholt said. "The Rawlins (meet) was literally a breeze compared to what we are used to this season at some of the places we have been."

Junior Whitney Bennett secured her name in the record books while in Rawlins, breaking a record set 19 years ago in the 300 meter hurdles. Bennet had a time of 46.67 seconds, with the previous record 46.68 seconds.

"It was a pretty good record to beat," Hohnholt said. "Congratulations to Whitney Bennett on her new school record in the 300 meter hurdles, breaking a

long standing record set by Tori Runner in 2003 which is a record that held for almost 20 years."

Not only did Bennett place 1st in the 300 meter hurdles, but she also placed 1st in the triple jump with a distance of 33 feet, 8.5 inches. Bennett also came in 2nd in the 100 meter hurdles.

"Whitney bettered her state qualifying times in both the 100 and 300 meter hurdles," Hohnholt said.

"The Rawlins (meet) was literally a breeze compared to what we are used to this season at some of the places we have been."
~ Saratoga Head Coach Rex Hohnholt

"She had a terrific day."

There were other 1st place wins by the girls team aside from Bennett's placings.

Maddie Teichman came in 1st in the 800 meter run with a time of 2 minutes, 38.92 seconds. Her teammates



Grady Bartlett pushes through the wind in Rawlins on Friday during the 4x400 meter relay. Saratoga boys took 1st in the event.

Rhiwan Williams, Makenna King, Aspen Sewell and Milan Scott came in 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th, respectively.

The girls 4X400 meter relay was also won by the Lady Panthers.

"The 3200 meter girls and boys relay teams consisting of Teichman, Marilee

Williams, Milan Scott and Sewell on the girls side won," Hohnholt said. "Kelton Johnson, Calvin Condict, Grady Bartlett and Grant Bartlett on the boys side won the 4X400 meter relay."

The girls won with a time of 4 minutes, 36.66 seconds and the boys clocked in at

4 minutes, 1 second. The boys team also placed 1st in the 4X800 meter relay with a time of 9 minutes, 22.45 seconds.

Olivia Everett placed 1st in the high jump going 4 feet, 7 inches. Scott came in 3rd at 4 feet, 5 inches.

Everett came in 2nd in the

long jump with a distance of 14 feet, 4.5 inches.

The boys did well in the high jump with Deke Herring coming in 2nd at 5 feet, 8 inches. He came in 2nd in the long jump going 17 feet, 9.25 inches.

Heston Fisher placed 1st in the triple jump going 37 feet, 7.5 inches and Kelton Johnson finishing 3rd at 36 feet even.

In the 1600 meter run, the Bartlett Twins switched up their placings, which typically see Grant coming in ahead of Grady. This time, 1st place honors went to Grady Bartlett with a time of 5 minutes, 5.44 seconds and his brother Grant coming in 2nd with a time of 5 minutes, 12.32 seconds.

"We saw some great performances but, as regionals come up, we have to figure out what kids should be in the right spot," Hohnholt said. "We have qualified some relays before with different kids and now we have to see who should be slotted."

Hohnholt said despite the weather and cancellations in the season, he feels the team is in good shape.

"I am excited for the kids," Hohnholt said. "We are coming into some of the biggest meets of the year and I believe we are going in the right direction."

The Panthers next track and field event will be the Roy Peck Invite in Riverton on April 30.

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SPORTS

Miner track sees results

HEM track and field places well in Rawlins

by Mike Armstrong

Mother Nature was kind as far as temperatures went for Friday's Nancy Steinberg Track and Field Invite in Rawlins, but she still tested the athletes with strong wind conditions.

"Our 1A Carbon County schools really competed. I thought it was a great meet."
 ~ HEM Head Coach Jackie Jones



Photo by Mike Armstrong

Avery Scott, second from left, competes in the 100 Meter Dash on Friday afternoon.

said. "She is doing well this season."

Jones was happy with freshman Justine Widdison placing in the 100 meter hurdles, coming in 5th with a time of 19.37 seconds and 4th in the Long Jump going 14 feet, 2.5 inches. Widdison was also on the Sprint Medley Relay team.

"I thought Justine had a tremendous day," Jones said. "Honestly, I think on a day like Friday, with the windy conditions, the kids had to be ready to compete and I believe all the kids did just that."

Jones was pleased Mackenzie Priest made the finals in shot put going 22 feet, 1 inch. Teammate Hanna Gonzales was right behind her at 21 feet, 5 inches.

Rainey Wilson and T'lyssa Solaas placed in the top ten in their events and were on the Sprint Medley Relay, which came in 2nd.

The boys team had Joseph Borah place 2nd in the shot put event throwing for 41 feet, 7 inches.

"Joseph has been doing well in this event all season," Jones said. "Dylan (Romero) and Cody (Priest) did their best in shot put and discus."

Freshman Jared Nelson came in 4th in the 1600 meter run at 5 minutes, 36.06 seconds.

"I don't think he ran the time he wanted, but for him trucking around four laps in that wind, which all the athletes had to do, I was proud Jared is learning to compete at the high school level," Jones said. "That is

a huge positive for Jared."

Anthony Solaas competed in the 100 meter dash and 400 meter dash for the boys team.

Seven schools competed in Rawlins. Encampment, HEM, Kemmer, Little Snake River Valley, Rawlins, Rock River and St. Stephens all participated.

"I think it is a testament to how strong track and field is in Carbon County, because there were some tremendous performances and not all coming from Rawlins which is 3A," Jones said. "Our 1A Carbon County schools really competed. I thought it was a great meet."

The Miners will be headed to Pinedale on April 29 for their next track and field event.

Jordan busts shot put record

Quade Jordan breaks record set by Adam Herring in 2003

by Micky Jones

The Encampment Tiger track team traveled north to Rawlins on Friday for the Nancy Steinberg Invite. After the previous week of canceled meets, the Tigers seemed hungry for results. Encampment returned home with pre-qualifying scores, personal bests and a new school record.

"It was good to get a track meet this week after last week's meet was canceled. We had a lot of personal bests and a couple of more athletes pre-qualified for state. It was great to see Quade break our school record in the shot put. The record he broke was a fairly old record, set back in 2003 by Adam Herring," said Head Coach Kegan Willford

Girls at Rawlins

Kristie Jordan placed 1st in shot put with a distance of 35 feet 9 inches. Jordan also took 2nd place in discus with a distance of 87 feet 11 inches. In track events, Jordan took 3rd place in 100 meter hurdles with a time of 18.5 seconds and 2nd place in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1 minute 8.5 seconds.

Cora Schroeder placed 4th in shot put with a distance of 28 feet, 3 inches and 8th in discus with a distance

of 64 feet, 7 inches. In the high jump, Schroeder placed 2nd with a height of 4 feet 7 inches and prequalified for state.

Allison Bromley placed 3rd in the 1600 meter run with a time of 6 minutes, 28 seconds. Bromley also placed 5th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 15 seconds. In the triple jump, Bromley placed 8th with a distance of 28 feet, 4 inches.

Eckerley Pickett placed 6th in the 100 meter dash with a time of 15.11 seconds. E. Pickett also placed 6th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 30.17 seconds. In the 100 meter hurdles, E. Pickett placed 7th with a time of 20.14 seconds.

Boys at Rawlins

Quade Jordan broke the 2003 school record for shot put, set by Adam Herring, by more than a foot. Throwing for 49 feet, 9 inches, Jordan soared past the previous record of 48 feet, 4 inches. In the 200 meter dash Jordan placed 5th with a time of 26.47 seconds.

Kaben Pickett placed 3rd in shot put with a distance of 36 feet 8 inches. K. Pickett placed 2nd in discus with a distance of 118 feet 8 inches. In the triple jump, K. Pickett also placed 2nd with a distance of 36 feet, 9 inches.

Michael Anderson placed 8th in the 100 Meter Dash with a time of 13.06 seconds. Anderson also placed 1st



Photo by Mike Armstrong

Quade Jordan prepares for his follow-through in shot put during the Nancy Steinberg Invite in Rawlins on Friday.

in the high jump with a height of 5 feet 8 inches and prequalifying for state. In the long jump, Anderson placed 3rd with a distance of 17 feet 8.75 inches.

Lane LaBorde placed 8th in the shot put with a distance of 35 feet. LaBorde also placed 8th in discus with a distance of 91 feet 6 inches.

Gunner Henrie took 5th place in the high jump with a

height of 5 feet. Brian Smith took 5th place in the 800 meter run with a time of 2 minutes, 29.55 seconds. Smith also took 6th place in the triple jump with a distance of 30 feet 8.5 inches.

The next scheduled track meet for the Encampment Tigers is Saturday, April 30th in Riverton at the Roy Peck Invite.

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Corner crossing report: inaccessible public acres now 8.3M

By Angus M. Thuermer Jr.,
WyoFile.com

A new report by a digital mapping company puts the acreage of public land in Wyoming that's "corner-locked" at 2.44 million acres, far more than earlier estimates of 404,000 acres. The April 8 report by onX, estimates 8.3 million acres of public land from the Rockies to the Pacific are inaccessible to the public unless reached by corner crossing. The digital mapping company, whose Global Positioning System app is used by hunters, examined land records from 11 Western states to compile its report.

Corner crossing involves stepping from one parcel of public land to another over a four-corner checkerboard-like intersection with two private parcels — without touching private land. Many believe the law is unsettled as to whether passing through the airspace above private property — a necessity in corner crossing — constitutes trespass.

Corner crossing is in "a legal gray area," onX states. That makes most of the public fearful of violating trespass laws, said Joel Webster, the vice president of Western conservation at the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership.

"There's not legal clarity and as a result, most people don't do it," he said of corner crossing.

A criminal trespass case in

Carbon County however, is challenging that uneasy status quo.

A trial set to begin in Carbon County tomorrow could settle whether four Missouri hunters are guilty under Wyoming trespass laws for corner crossing at the Elk Mountain Ranch in 2021. The case will unfold in front of a circuit court jury in Rawlins over two days.

After cataloging the corner-locked acreage and reviewing state and federal law and legal cases surrounding the conflict between private property rights and public access to public lands, onX believes the issue won't be easily remedied.

"Whatever comes next, this legal gray area could very well remain clear as fog for decades to come," its report concludes.

The onX report updates a widely used earlier estimate assembled almost a decade ago by the Center for Western Priorities that reviewed the issue across six western states. OnX began working on the corner-locked project shortly before the hunters were charged in Wyoming, said Lisa Nichols, access advocacy manager for the mapping company.

"We first started talking about it a month or two before this information started coming to light in Wyoming," she said. Company employees saw the issue in the news and "wanted to provide [others with] the information at our

fingertips."

The company has a crew that scours land records regularly to update ownership status and easements depicted in its products.

It found 27,120 property corners in the West where "two parcels of public land meet on opposite sides of a point, with private land adjacent, effectively in between them.

"Beyond these corners lie 8.3 million acres of federal and state land that are inaccessible to the general public because the legality of corner-crossing remains unclear," the report states. OnX and the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership in 2019 found that the public is blocked from 15.8 million acres of public land across the West. Some of it is completely surrounded by private land, some only "corner-locked."

"[M]ore than half of all the landlocked public land in the Western U.S. would be unlocked if corner-crossing was legalized," the report states.

Wyoming has the most corner-locked public land among the states surveyed, the report says. Its 2.44 million acres surpasses second place Nevada — 1.93 million acres — and Arizona — 1.33 million acres — the onX report states.

Across the West, about 5.9 million acres are corner-locked in a checkerboard land ownership pattern, much

of that the result of federal land grants given to facilitate railroad construction.

All told, the 27,120 property corners onX identified could provide access to public lands.

The report does not advocate corner crossing and underscores the knotty legal history surrounding the issue. It provides a landowner perspective, including complaints about disrespectful public land users and promotes a dialogue between landowners and hunters.

Among the tools that could help resolve conflicts are land swaps, easements and programs like Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Access Yes initiative that opens private lands to limited hunting, according to the company.

"We wanted to basically provide a little more context than maybe the average hunter might be aware of," Nichols said. "The legal backstory, it just feels so confusing.

"That's why we wanted to offer up a couple more viewpoints," she said, to help guide those who believe their take on the issue is the only interpretation. After reading the report, such believers may decide "maybe it's not that easy," she said.

Securing 16,102 easements from 11,000 private landowners could provide certain access to the 8.3 million acres, the

report states. At least 19% of the corners at issue are shared by oil, gas, energy, timber, or mining companies — not ranchers or farmers, the report states.

The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership focuses on voluntary programs and financial incentives that make more land accessible, Vice President Webster said. Although the conservation group has worked with onX on other public land issues, it was not directly involved with the corner crossing report. It is also not involved in the Carbon County litigation but agrees "more clarity on this issue would be beneficial," he said.

Webster called corner crossing "an unsettled access dispute."

Even if corner crossing is found to be legal, that wouldn't solve all the issues, Webster said. With GPS tools, "you would need to rely on corners being surveyed," and survey markers in place, he said. That's because GPS devices alone are not accurate enough to guarantee one is not trespassing.

"This issue is not going to be fully resolved in the courts," Webster said. "It's going to require cooperating with landowners to make most of these lands accessible."

"Focusing all the attention on a criminal case may make that harder," he said of obtaining access agreements. "I recognize the importance of this [Carbon County] issue

and am not downplaying that. But solving our larger access disputes is going to require working cooperatively with landowners.

"This stuff's not simple and these challenges are not going to be solved by fighting," he said.

Public access to public land may become easier with passage of the Modernizing Access to our Public Lands Act. It awaits President Joe Biden's signature.

The act calls for public lands agencies to publish data "used to depict locations at which recreation uses are available to the public." The act excludes from mapping "flowage easements" that are available to boaters on navigable waters.

"The federal and county road easement information is imperfect," Webster said. "We realized 50,000 [Bureau of Land Management] and Forest Service easements recorded in law are still sitting in dusty filing cabinets."

U.S. Sen. John Barrasso was "super helpful" with the legislation, Webster said. Barrasso wrote in an op-ed published in the Casper Star-Tribune that the mapping "will clearly tell the public which road or trail to use to access public lands."

The legislation does not address corner crossing. Nevertheless, the mapping will "highlight the boundaries of where recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting are permitted," Barrasso wrote.

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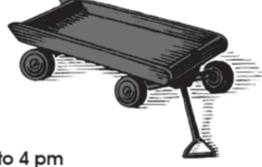
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CARBON COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on the following case file on Monday, June 6, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., Carbon Building, 3rd Floor, Room 332, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Rawlins, Wyoming. Z.C. Case File #2022-10: Request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-80) encompassing approximately 80 acres. The RRA Zone is intended to be applied in areas of the County which are particularly suited to large-lot development that allow both agricultural and residential uses intermingled.
Petitioners: Alan Harding of Brown and Hiser, LLC (Applicant) and John Fredrick Gillam II, (Land Owner)
Parcel Identification Number: 28832230007600
General Site Location: Approximately 1 mile east of Carbon County Road #291 (Hanna/Leo/Kortes Road) and approximately 4.5 miles south of the Natrona County Line.
Legal Description (taken from Quitclaim Deed, Book 1386, Page 198): S1/2SW1/4, Section 22, Township 28 North, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.
For additional information, please call the Carbon County Planning and Development Department, (307) 328-2651.

-s- Alan Harding of Brown and Hiser, LLC (Applicant) and John Fredrick Gillam II, (Land Owner)

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CARBON COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on the following case file on Monday, June 6, 2022, at 10:00 A.M., Carbon Building, 3rd Floor, Room 332, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Rawlins, Wyoming. Z.C. Case File #2022-09: Request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-10.33) on approximately 10.33 acres. The FPSR Zone is intended to be applied to areas of the County in which timber production and seasonally accessible recreation uses are the desirable predominant uses.
Petitioner: Lance Stewart (Applicant and Land Owner)
Rural Address: 15 Forest Road 500
Parcel Identification Number: 14841920003500
General Site Location: Approximately 6 miles west of Encampment off WY HWY 70 on the south side and east of U.S.F.S. Road 500.
Legal Description (taken from Warranty Deed, Book 1376, Page 184): West One-Half (1/2) of the Black Panther patented Lode Claim, Survey #304 in Section 19, Township 14, Range 84 West of the 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming as the said Black Panther Lode mining claim is described in the Patent on record in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Register of Deeds of Carbon County, Wyoming, in Book 255 at Page 414, containing 10.33 acres, more or less, together with all buildings and improvements thereon situate and appurtenances thereunto belonging.
For additional information, please call the Carbon County Planning and Development Department, (307) 328-2651.

-s- Lance Stewart (Applicant and Land Owner)

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **22nd day of April, 2022** Francis M&B LLC, dba, New Dingy Dan's, Hanna, Wyoming, filed an Application for a renewal of liquor license in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming for the following described place:
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Any protests, if any there be, against the renewal of such licenses will be heard at **6:20 p.m. on Tuesday the 10th day of May, 2022** or as soon thereafter as the Town council may so order, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming.
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-s- Lesley Birge, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF RENEWAL FOR A BAR AND GRILL LIQUOR LICENSE

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-s- Doreen Harvey, CMC, Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **20th day of April 2022**, White Dog Liquors, LLC filed an application for the renewal of a retail liquor license in the office of the clerk of the Town of Encampment for the following described place and premises to wit; **702 Freeman Avenue, Encampment, Wyoming.**
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-s- Doreen Harvey, CMC, Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **20th day of April 2022**, Bow River Crossing, LLC filed an application for renewal of a Retail Liquor License in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Elk Mountain for the following described place: **104 East Spruce Street, Elk Mountain, WY.**
Protests, if any there be, against the renewal of said license will be held at a Public Hearing at **6:30 p.m. on the day of June 6, 2022**, in the Elk Mountain Town Hall Complex, 206 Bridge Street, Elk Mountain, WY.
Dated this 20th day of April 2022.

-s- Linda Crane, Town Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **20th of April, 2022**, D's Bar & Grill, Inc. filed an application for renewal of a retail liquor license in the office of the clerk of the Town of Encampment for the following described place and premises to wit; **621 MacFarlane Avenue, Encampment, Wyoming.**
Any protest, if any there be, against the issuance of such license, will be heard at the hour of **7:00 p.m., or as time allows, on the 12th day of May, 2022** in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall located at 614 McCaffrey Avenue, Encampment, Carbon County, Wyoming.

-s- Doreen Harvey, CMC, Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **22nd day of April, 2022** Hanna Miner Inc., dba, Skinny's Beer Garden. Hanna, Wyoming, filed an application for a renewal of liquor license in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming for the following described place:
605 2nd St. Lot 1 Block 17, Original Subdivision zoned retail business.
Any protests, if any there be, against the renewal of such licenses will be heard at of **6:20 p.m. on Tuesday the 10th day of May, 2022** or as soon thereafter as the Town council may so order, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming.
Dated this, 25th day of April, 2022

-s- Lesley Birge, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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Public Notice Consideration of Resolution to Hold an Election to Establish a Fire Protection District

Pursuant to Wyo Statute 35-9-210 public notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners will consider a resolution at its regular meeting Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at the Carbon Building ~ Courthouse Annex, 215 W. Buffalo Street, Room 240A to direct the County Clerk to hold an election on November 8, 2022 to establish a Fire Protection District in the unincorporated areas of Carbon County.
The following question is outlined in the resolution to be considered and would be submitted to the qualified electors residing in unincorporated areas of Carbon County, Wyoming excluding any incorporated towns at the election:
"Shall a fire protection district be authorized and established in the unincorporated areas of Carbon County, Wyoming whose purpose is to protect from fire all persons and property within its boundaries and first response to be funded by a tax levy upon taxable property within the district not to exceed three (3) mills?
For the establishment of a fire protection district in the unincorporated areas of Carbon County, Wyoming
Against the establishment of a fire protection district in the unincorporated areas of Carbon County, Wyoming"
Qualified electors residing within the following precincts which fall within the boundaries of the proposed fire protection district are eligible to vote:
1-2 Outside Rawlins, 4-1 Muddy Gap, 5-1 Outside Sinclair, 6-1 Leo, 7-1 Outside Medicine Bow, 8-1 Outside Hanna, 9-1 Outside Elk Mountain, 10-1 McFadden, 11-2 Outside Saratoga, 12-1 Outside Encampment, 13-1 Outside Riverside, 14-1 Outside Dixon, 15-1 Outside Baggs.
Comments regarding the proposed district can be discussed at any commissioners meeting or submitted ahead of the June 7 meeting to the County Clerk at PO Box 6, or 215 W. Buffalo Room 218, Rawlins, WY 82301.
Questions can be addressed to the Clerk at (307) 328-2650.

-s- Gwynn Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

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RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **11th day of April 2022**, Moonshiners, LLC, d/b/a Cowboy Inn, filed an application for a retail liquor license in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Baggs, WY for the following described place and premises, to-wit: **Tract #1 of the Hunt Addition to the Town of Baggs, Carbon County, Wyoming**
And protest, if any there be, against the issuance of such license will be heard at **7 pm on the 10th day of May 2022** in the Town Hall, Baggs, Wyoming.

-s- Alex Foster, Clerk/Treasurer

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RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **11th day of April 2022**, Scott & Rhonda Herold, Outlaw Liquor, filed an application for renewal of a retail liquor license in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Baggs, WY for the following described place and premises, to-wit: **South Half of Lot 7 and all of Lot 8, Block 11, Original Township of Baggs, Town of Baggs, Carbon County, Wyoming.**
And protest, if any there be, against the issuance of such license will be heard at **7 pm on the 10th day of May 2022** in the Town Hall, Baggs, Wyoming.

-s- Alex Foster, Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the **22nd day of April, 2022** Nugget Bar Inc., dba, Poulos' Nugget Bar Inc. Hanna, Wyoming, filed an application for a renewal of liquor license in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming for the following described place:
2200 1st St. Lots 1 & 2 Block 2, Elmo Addition, Zoned retail business.
Any protests, if any there be, against the renewal of such licenses will be heard at **6:20 p.m. on Tuesday the 10th day of May, 2022** or as soon thereafter as the Town council may so order, in the Council Chambers of the Town of Hanna, Carbon County, Wyoming.
Dated this, 25th day of April, 2022

-s- Lesley Birge, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 5, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M. SARATOGA TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Councilwoman Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Councilman Jon Nelson, Councilman Ron Hutchins and Councilwoman D'Ron Campbell. Mayor Creed James called in by phone. Councilman Spaulding was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councilwoman Campbell added Yvonne Johnson to 'Items from the Public' on the agenda. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the regular minutes of March 15, 2022. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Councilwoman Campbell read the Deposits, Accounts Payable, Payroll and Transmittal bills as follows:

For April 5, 2022

Deposits: from 3/14/22-4/3/22 \$98,533.63
Accounts Payable: for 4/5/2022 \$168,817.61
Net Payroll: for 3/17/2022 \$34,412.08
Net Payroll: for 3/31/2022 \$31,866.75
Transmittals: for 3/17/2022 \$21,772.04
Transmittals: for 3/31/2022 \$11,681.18

Councilman Hutchins made the motion to approve the deposits from 3/14/22-4/3/22 for \$98,533.63. Councilman Nelson seconded; the motion carried.

Councilman Nelson asked how the Core and Main water meters would be coded. Treasurer Georgia Gayle stated that the water meters were coded to the water fund and the expenditures are shown in that fund and we would need a motion for Wyostar water funds to be moved to the combined cash fund.

Councilman Nelson made the motion to approve accounts payable for 4/5/22 in the amount of \$168,817.61. Councilman Hutchins seconded; the motion carried.

Councilman Hutchins made a motion to pay the net payroll for 3/17/2022 in the amount of \$34,412.08. Councilman Nelson seconded; the motion carried.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to pay the net payroll for 3/31/2022 in the amount of \$31,866.75. Councilman Hutchins seconded; the motion carried.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to pay the transmittals for 3/17/2022 in the amount of \$21,772.04. Councilman Hutchins seconded; the motion carried.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to pay the transmittals for 3/31/2022 in the amount of \$11,681.18. Councilman Hutchins seconded; the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

• WAM-JPIC Board of Directors Election
• WY Children's Trust Fund - Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month

Councilman Hutchins made a motion for Mayor James to sign the proclamation for April and Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• Carbon County Visitors' Council -Alex Gruenhagen for member-at-large nominee Councilman Nelson made a motion to support Alex Gruenhagen for the appointment. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• Wyopass

Councilman Nelson made a motion to pass on the membership. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Nelson stated a resident reached out to him about the sign at the Saratoga Resort. He asked the Planning Commission to address it. Mayor James stated that the Planning Commission will address the sign.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Carbon County Economic Development Corporation - Yvonne Johnson

Yvonne Johnson wanted to persuade the Town of Saratoga to join the investors roster. She is taking trainings and conferences all around the U.S. and is doing a lot around the county for economic development. With the current state of business, she is very hopeful she will meet the needs of the county for housing. The fund-

raiser that Yvonne organized put the CCEDC out in the economic development arena and gave them exposure to get more economic development.

Bair Energy CEO, Nicholas Bair, was present and stated that they are a small family company and do not take any government money or tax credits. He stated that they were just approved for pure green hydrogen energy. Rawlins will be their first project with their energy and they are looking at Saratoga for the Bair executive offices.

Nicholas Bair stated that their project is the only one that the EPC is supporting in the area and they will be doing business with local banks to keep money in the valley. Councilman Nelson said it may be appropriate to schedule an open house for the ins and out to the impact to the community. There will be more public input and questions. Nicholas Bair said he will be coming once a month to give an update. They are evaluating the opportunity to see if the community wants to go forward with this.

Councilwoman Campbell asked Yvonne if we can schedule an open house with the company to speak soon.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Town Hall:

• June 30, 2020 Audit- Motion to accept
Councilman Nelson made a motion to accept the audit. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• CCCOG Meeting - May 18th, 2022 6pm

Councilman Nelson stated that Saratoga will be hosting the CCCOG meeting in May. The host community provides dinner and Councilman Nelson will bring in proposals and let everyone know at the next meeting.

• Capital Business Systems/ Elevate Unified Communications/ ComTech

Councilman Hutchins made a motion to switch the phone system to a Voip system with approval of the invoice from ComTech for the Voip channels on the police department. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• Never Forget Park

Mayor James spoke to Doc Jansen and asked if he would donate the strip of land. He does not want to donate the land but would be willing to do a land swap and donate \$20,000.

• Workers Compensation Site Visit on April 12 & 13, 2022

Councilman Hutchins said we need to have someone with Workers Compensation at all times.

• 2022 Primary Election Filing Form & Primary Election Proclamation publication

• 4/2/2022 Audit Engagement Letter

Councilman Nelson made the motion for Mayor James to sign the engagement letter for the 2021 audit letter with attorney review.

Councilman Hutchins seconded. Motion carried.

• \$1000 Grant from WAMCAT

• Special Event Permit - 11th Annual Hi Water Hoedown 6/4/22

Councilman Nelson asked if there was any camping involved.

Chris Shannon said a few people camp around the house on private property. He stated that they no longer own that property next to theirs so its not an issue of camping all over the area. Councilman Nelson said he would like to make it clear, that the applicant would comply to any future ordinance changes. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the special even permit on 6/4/22. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

• Special Event Permit - 11th Annual Girls' Night Out 8/27/22

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the special event permit on 8/27/21. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion.

• Motion carried.

• Pertaining to the previous conversation regarding the water fund, Councilman Nelson made a motion to move \$126,730.50 from Wyostar water fund to the general fund. Councilwoman Campbell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Police Department:

NIBRS and NCIC are in compliance. Chief Ken Lehr said they are still hiring and looking for police officers. He would like permission to hire Zharyl Younglund. Councilman Nelson made the motion. Councilman Hutchins seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Department:

Mayor James stated that there are no new updates.

Recreation Department:

No changes in hours of operation. Platte Valley basketball ends next week. Donkey basketball sold 450 tickets and 500 people attended. The recreation department made \$7500 for pool im-

provements. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the invoice for Donkey Sports and Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jon Winter will get Sarah Laughlin a name of a vendor for water fountains. There are 2 lifeguards to be hired. Councilman Nelson made a motion to hire the lifeguards. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried. Wy Community Gas awarded \$2500 in a grant. Councilman Nelson made a motion to purchase fitness equipment.

Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried. The next meeting is May 2, 2022 at 6:30pm in Town Hall.

Department of Public Works:

Lenny Layman will bring the Sandbagger machine to the WYDOT shop and will give a demonstration on it. The department has received 2 bids for the RFQ's for the Spring Ave. Waterline project and those bids will be scored with the Water & Sewer Joint Powers Board.

Councilman Hutchins made a motion to purchase aduicide for the mosquito spraying season at \$16,170. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The grant has been submitted with weed and pest that will reimburse the town for the chemicals. Director Jon Winter received a bid for mowing services from Gator Grass Services, owned from his son-in-law for \$40,490. Councilman Hutchins made a motion to hire Gator Grass Services. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Community Center Joint Powers Board:

Next meeting is April 11, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. at the PVCC

Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board:

Next meeting is April 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the PVCC.

Planning Commission:

1) WYDOT Travel Alternative Program Letter of Intent - McCall Burau will be working with Director Jon Winter on the Statement of Intent and will get it submitted by April 15, 2022. Next meeting is April 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Hall Council Chambers.

Saratoga Airport Advisory Board:

1) Contract Change Order #2 - \$17,362.00

Councilman Hutchins made a motion for Mayor James to sign the Contract Change Order #2 on the condition that it is covered 100% by the FAA. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Next meeting is April 11, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the PVCC

SCWEMS Board:

Next meeting is April 18, 2022 at 6 p.m. at Encampment Opera House.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

FURTHER BUSINESS

Last year the Prairie Dog Fundraiser raised \$33,000 to the high school. The next Prairie Dog Fundraiser will be the 5th annual fundraiser will be on June 11, 2022 at 10am.

Mayor James stated that the County will be purchasing bags for the Sandbagger and wanted to know if Saratoga would like to purchase at the same time to save on the shipping. Councilman Hutchins made a motion to purchase the sandbags for \$2,254.34. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sarah Laughlin asked to take the dates April 18 and April 21, 2022 off and wanted written consent. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the dates off. Councilman Hutchins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business to come before the council, Councilman Nelson made a motion to adjourn at 8:01pm, Councilman Hutchins seconded, and the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

-s- Mayor Creed James

-s- Marie Christen, Town Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Sierra Madre Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board (hereinafter called Owner) will receive sealed Bids for the 2022 Tank Rehabilitation Project, near Riverside, Wyoming, in accordance with the Bidding Documents.

Bids will be received on May 11, 2022 at 10:00 AM local time at Riverside Town Hall, 207 W. Welton St, P.O. Box 263, Riverside, Wyoming 82325 and will be opened publicly during the regularly scheduled Sierra Madre Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board (JPB) meeting starting at 10:00 AM on May 11, 2022.

The Scope of Work is primarily comprised of installing a 120 mils polyurea spray elastomer liner system within the interior of an existing 379,000 gallon bolted steel water storage tank (approximately 38' diam x 32' tall) including surface preparation prior to liner installation near the Town of Riverside, Wyoming.

The Owner may reject any and all Bids and reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in any Bid in accordance with W.S. 15-1-113.

Each Bid must be accompanied by Bid Security payable to Sierra Madre Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board for 5% of the total amount of the Bid (base bid plus all alternates), to be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages if the Bidder is awarded the Contract and fails to enter into an Agreement with the Owner within thirty (30) days from his notification.

All Bids shall remain open for forty-five (45) days after the day of the Bid opening.

Electronic copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office at the office of North Fork Engineering, P.O. Box 746, 118 E. Bridge Avenue, Saratoga, Wyoming 82331.

Sierra Madre Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board
/s/ Dan Jago, Chairman

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INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Encampment is seeking bid proposals for the purchase of a used motor grader meeting minimum specifications and standards set forth by the Town of Encampment.

For bid specifications please contact the Encampment Town Hall at 307-327-5501 or email enccourt@yahoo.com

Specific questions may be directed to Bill at 307-329-6927

Bids shall be sent to:

**Town of Encampment
PO Box 5
614 McCaffrey Avenue
Encampment, WY 82325**

Deadline is Monday May 11, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

The Town of Encampment reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.

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Carbon County School District #2 March 2022 Bills List \$500.00 and over

Accutrain Corp - 500.00; All In One Plumbing Service - 3,022.00; Amazon Capital Services - 6,492.32; American Red Cross - 770.00; Americinn--Laramie - 660.00; B & H Photo - 1,138.65; Bank of the West - 800.95; Barkhurst, Melody - 600.00; Black Hills Energy - 13,409.23; Capital Business Systems Inc - 1,534.39; Carbon Power & Light Company - 19,493.94; Cashwa Distributing - 13,239.55; Central Restaurant Products - 9,020.14; Comfort Inn Cody - 545.00; Communication Is Everything LLC - 13,350.00; Connect Speech Therapy LLC - 12,080.00; Cowboy Couture - 765.00; D & L Music - 519.00; Elder Equipment Leasing Inc - 1,069.64; Follett School Solutions Inc - 613.20; Fremont Therapy Group LP - 1,066.80; Gannett Grill - 789.63; GHA Technologies Inc - 2,132.81; Global Compliance Network - 1,400.00; Grainger Inc W. W. - 2,381.16; Hanna Hometown Market - 574.00; Hebbert, Emily - 585.75; High Plains Power Inc - 608.75; Holiday Inn Express-Rock Springs - 872.00; Hyatt Regency-San Francisco - 605.49; Imprest Fund JD Johnson - 1,112.40; Inn at Lander - 1,709.05; Instructional Intensity Inc - 6,300.00; Jo Ed Produce - 1,040.10; JW Pepper & Sons Inc - 519.46; Kindermusik - 698.00; Laminating and Binding Solutions Inc - 1,114.45; Laramie Tire & Auto Center LLC - 1,008.66; Little America Hotels and Resorts, Inc - 1,344.00; Long Building Technologies Inc - 788.70; Macpherson & Thompson LLC - 1,876.20; Mid American Research Chemical - 1,013.00; Middle Fork Café - 565.68; MSR West, Inc. - 8,386.00; North Park Propane LLC - 10,397.85; Olive Garden-Casper - 638.80; Pederson, Susan - 700.00; Perkins Oil Company - 4,674.29; Pine Cove Consulting LLC - 1,250.00; Popowycz, Bohdanna - 886.08; Quill Corporation - 1,189.99; Rocky Mountain Power - 7,002.81; Saratoga Auto Parts Inc - 2,884.29; Saratoga Sun - 1,059.13; Schaeffer Mfg. Co - 2,078.33; Scholastic Book Fairs - 2,451.49; Shamrock Foods Company - 8,655.10; Shape America - 1,519.30; Shively Hardware - 1,555.66; Shoshoni Rose Hotel-Lander - 2,786.30; Sinclair Oil Corporation - 763.42; SMHS Activity Acct - 6,000.00; Stinker Stores Inc. for AR - 4,819.41; Sunrise Sanitation Service Inc - 1,106.00; TeamViewer - 612.00; Town Of Encampment - 899.00; Town Of Saratoga - 814.80; Union Telephone Company - 4,317.07; Universal Athletic Services - 1,756.73; UPRSWDD Billing - 892.00; Urasky, David - 800.00; USI Ed GOV - 1,599.95; Valley Foods - 1,205.23; Ward's Science - 690.53; Williams, Jason - 500.00; World's Finest Chocolate - 1,604.75; Wyoming FCCLA - 1,620.00; Zoom Video Communications, Inc. - 2,457.00

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Town of Saratoga Cash Requirements for 4/19/2022

3 P'S PLATTE VALLEY PORTA POTTIES	\$330.00
AMERICAN EXPRESS	\$4,788.88
BARRIER SYSTEMS LLC	\$2,254.34
BCN	\$91.02
BISON STATE ELECTRIC LLC	\$222.00
CANDY MOUNTAIN	\$42.50
CARBON POWER & LIGHT	\$16,084.24
CASELLE INC	\$1,031.00
DANA KEPNER CO.	\$27,645.92
DONKEY SPORTS INC	\$1,525.00
LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIABILITY POOL	\$8,680.00
MARIE CHRISTEN	\$45.77
MPM CORP	\$580.00
NORCO, INC	\$27.59
ONE CALL OF WYOMING	\$23.25
PINE COVE CONSULTING LLC	\$2,520.00
PROFORCE MARKETING, INC	\$170.42
R.P. LUMBER INC	\$152.00
REBECCA BREY	\$66.75
SARAH LAUGHLIN	\$326.19
SARATOGA AUTO PARTS	\$294.00
SARATOGA CARBON COUNTY IMPACT JPB	\$675.00
SARATOGA SUN, INC.	\$3,330.03
SHIVELY HARDWARE	\$1,103.78
STINKER STORES	\$2,474.52
SUNDAHL POWERS KAPP & MARTIN	\$7,933.12
SWEET MARIE'S MERCANTILE	\$16.95
T&T PLUMING AND SERVICE	\$165.00
T-O ENGINEERS INC	\$23,620.83
TYLER CHRISTEN	\$297.31
UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$1,664.39
UPPER PLATTE VALLEY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT	\$1,154.00
VALLEY FIRE EXTINGUISHER	\$662.25
VALLEY OIL COMPANY	\$655.13
WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	\$50.00
WYOMING MACHINERY	\$125.54
WYOMING RETIREMENT	\$581.25
TOTAL	\$111,409.98

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, April 5, 2022 Carbon Building – Courthouse Annex, Rawlins WY

A regular meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners (BOCC) commenced Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Carbon Building – Courthouse Annex, Rawlins, WY. Attending the meeting were Chairman, John Johnson, Vice Chairman, Sue Jones, John Espy, Byron Barkhurst and Travis Moore. Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS

Chairman Johnson added a discussion about the Fairgrounds multiplex boilers under Buildings & Grounds, approval to refill a nurse position under Public Health and an update from the Carbon County Library.

VOUCHERS

Commissioner Barkhurst moved to approve the report of expenditures in the total amount of \$1,323,124.46. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ables, Duane E - County Health Officer \$1,600.00; Acme Electric Company, LLC - Generator Installation/Misc. Elect. Svcs. \$6,168.07; Advanced Heating, Inc. - Service Call on Furnace at Museum \$421.00; AlSCO, American Linen Division - Misc. Shop Supplies \$60.79; Asbestos & Technical Services, Inc. - Asbestos Removal Courthouse \$208,570.70; Astrophysics - Xray Inspection System \$26,450.00; AT&T Mobility - CCSO MDT Service \$869.22; Axis Forensic Toxicology, Inc. - Lab Fees \$705.00; Barkhurst, Vernon - Mileage/Witness Fee \$72.00; Beach, Homer - Snow Removal \$560.00; Beck Total Office Interiors - Office Furniture \$5,484.92; Bennett, Thomas L. M.D. - Autopsy Fees \$2,157.71; Best Western Cottonree - Motel Charges \$288.00; Black Hills Energy - Heating Services \$18,176.28; Blakeman Propane - Heating Services \$7,042.16; Bob Barker Company, Inc. - Inmate Clothes \$484.17; Bomgaars Supply - Paint \$44.94; Butler, Wanda I. Gonzalez - Court Interpreter \$80.00; Canaday, Phillip - Witness Fee \$15.00; Carbon County Fair Board - Monthly Outside Agency Payment \$4,166.67; Carbon County Higher Ed. Center - CPR Certification Classes \$520.00; Carbon County Library - Monthly Outside Agency Payment \$32,500.00; Carbon County Museum - Monthly Outside Agency Payment \$18,166.67; Carbon County Senior Services - Monthly Outside Agency Payment \$16,666.67; Carbon County Veterinary Hospital - K-9 Zeus Meds \$540.48; Casper Winnelson Co - Misc. Supplies/Parts \$2,283.28; Ceia USA, Ltd - Metal Detector \$12,375.00; Charm-Tex, Inc. - Jail Supplies \$809.40; Civic-Plus - Website Annual Maintenance \$5,044.36; Cna Surety - Surety Bond \$850.00; Conover, Sterling - Mileage \$25.20; Cowboy Supply House - Cleaners And Paper Products \$410.69; Crane & Hoist Sales, Inc - Crane Maintenance \$2,075.63; Dallin Motors Inc - Oil Change \$59.10; Department Of Health - State Vehicle Rental \$160.00; Dirty Boyz Sanitation, Inc - Trash Services \$1,482.00; Dixon, Town Of - Dixon Sc Water Services \$154.60; Dominion Energy - Heating Services \$326.18; Dynamic Controls Inc - Relays/VFD Replacement \$7,516.96; Econo Signs, LLC - County Road 440 Signs \$106.75; Election Systems & Software, LLC - Elections Supplies \$171.50; Elk Mountain, Town Of - Water Services \$1,318.67; Encampment, Town Of - Water Services \$102.00; Encartele - Jail Data \$2,250.00; Fatbeam LLC - Fiber & Internet \$10,340.00; FCI Constructors of WY - Courthouse Bldg. Improv \$490,470.30; FedEx Freight - Freight Charges \$55.60; Fleming, Linda - Mileage \$46.80; Fritz Welding & Machine, Inc. - Cutting Flat Steel \$16.55; Further - Has Reimbursement \$6,647.31; Galls/Quartermaster - Deputy Uniforms \$747.25; Gier, David - Mileage \$139.32; GlaxoSmithKline Pharmaceuticals - Misc. Vaccines \$959.59; Goodwin, Mandy - Mileage \$24.00; Grainger - Air Filter \$2,093.81; Graphic Business Solutions, LLC - Envelopes \$899.56; Hanna, Town Of - Water Services \$229.16; High Plains Power - Electric Services \$468.04; Honnen Equipment - Fuel/Air Filter \$670.62; Iacovetto, Karon - Monthly Janitorial Service \$9,765.00; Jack's Body & Fender Repair - Tow Charges \$633.00; Kaluzny, Emily - Personal Phone Usage \$30.00; Ken Garff Ford Greeley - 2021 Ford 1ftfw1e8xmf11208 \$49,135.00; Kilburn Tire Company - Tires \$756.84; Kone Elevators Escalators - Elevator Repair \$9,992.00; L N Curtis & Sons - Annual Compressor Services \$1,960.00; Laskia, Thomas J - Mileage \$105.00; Lifetime Benefit Solutions, Inc - Cobra \$50.00; Lindstrom, Joan - Court Interpreter \$125.00; Martinez, Natasha K., P.C - Legal Services \$1,740.00; McCarthy, Paul - Client Overpayment \$15.71; McKesson Medical-Surgical - Misc. Jail Med Supplies \$915.19; Medicine Bow, Town Of - Water Services \$100.00; Midwest Connect - Ink Cartridges \$210.00; Mike's Lock & Key - Lock Replacement Services \$506.24; Moss, Barbara - Mileage \$54.60; MPM Corp / Evergreen Disposal - Trash Services \$130.00; Norco, Inc. - Cylinder Rentals \$229.67; Offender Watch - Sex Offender Notifications \$37.70; O'Reilly Auto Parts - Misc. Parts \$93.70; Palmer, Cheryl - 2021 Local Registrar \$62.50; Patton, Sally - Victim Witness \$48.86; Perkins Oil Co - Fuel \$2,079.60; Perry, Abby - Fuel \$71.16; Perue Printing - Misc. Printing Services \$2,350.50; Pinnacle Public Finance, Inc - Lease Pymt. - 1 Cat Blade & 1 End Dump \$49,123.39; Quill Corporation - Envelopes/Pens \$104.61; R.P Lumber Company, Inc. - Misc. Parts \$220.20; Rawlins Automotive - Misc. Parts \$613.25; Rawlins Eastside Carwash - Carwash Cards \$57.60; Rawlins Hardware - Fasteners \$12.74; Rawlins, City Of - Water Services \$1,871.19; Registrationmax, LLC - Fair Exhibit Software Maintenance \$750.00; Rerucha, Cal - Meal/Mileage \$110.21; Ricoh USA Inc - It Copiers \$410.21; Rocky Mountain Power - Electric Services \$6,815.53; Rostad Law, LLC - Legal Services \$861.01; Rural Physicians Group-Pannu - Medical Services \$970.00; Saratoga Auto Parts, Inc. - Misc. Parts \$553.97; Saratoga Feed & Grain - Wood Posts \$10.80; Saratoga Sun - Legal Ads \$115.63; Saratoga, Town Of - Water Services \$56.00; Schaefer Mfg. Co - Oil \$11,008.51; Shepard's - Fuel \$2,515.25; Shively Hardware - Misc. Parts \$116.19; Sikes, Melissa - Postage \$87.94; Staples Advantage - Misc. Office Supplies \$340.01; State Of Wyoming A & I - State Mainframe Access \$18.13; State Of Wyoming DCI - Sex Offender Change Fees \$75.00; Stinker Stores Inc - Fuel \$4,272.62; Summit Food Service - Jail Meals \$11,633.96; Swanson Services Corporation - Jail Commissary \$1,793.84; T.W. Enterprises, Inc. - Generators/Misc. Parts \$44,478.04; Thos. Y. Pickett & Co., Inc. - 2022 Valuation Contract \$14,000.00; Tin Boy Garage - Oil Filter \$24.99; Trudiligence, LLC - Background Checks \$9.99; Tyler Technologies, Inc - Web Hosting Internet \$275.63; Uinta County Public Health - Calendars \$216.55; University Of Wy Extension - 4-H Salary Match \$16,797.00; UPRSWDD - Trash Services \$190.00; Us Bank - Misc. Charges \$1,802.55; Utah Tank & Trailer - R&B Truck Purchase \$129,750.00; Voiance Language Services LLC - Over The Phone Interpretation \$141.75; Walker, Deborah C - Sewn Patches \$108.00; Wilson, Karon - Mileage \$25.20; WLC Engineering - Culvert Replacement Engineering \$158.00; Wreck-A-Mend - Paint Hood/Door \$1,786.00; Wy Behavioral Institute - Medical Services \$9,048.00; Wy

Dept Of Transportation - County Plates/Bridge Payment \$41.18; Wy Law Enforcement Academy - Detention Officer Training \$1,511.00; Wy Machinery Company - Misc. Parts/Services \$4,475.79; Wy Public Health Laboratory - Lab Fees \$424.00; Wy Retirement System - Feb Vol Fire Retirement \$825.00; Wy Secretary of State - B. Sehon Notary \$60.00; Wy State Forestry - Misc. Parts \$2,523.05; Wy State Lands & Investments - Gravel \$5,550.00; Yocum, Leo - Mileage \$48.00

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Espy moved to approve the consent agenda noting any item could be removed for separate action. The consent agenda includes the March 15, 2022, regular meeting minutes, monthly receipts from Planning and Development in the amount of \$2,350.00, bonds for Lindsey West, Carbon County Treasurer in the amount of \$150,000.00, Cynthia M. Papisan, Medicine Bow Town Clerk, in the amount of \$10,000.00 and Donald Brinkman, Treasurer for the Carbon County School District #1 Recreation Board, in the amount of \$10,000.00. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

Carbon County Senior Services

Commissioner Espy moved to approve Senior Services to apply for a grant to expand the Rawlins Senior Center parking lot and match 20% of the expected cost from Chokeycherry, Fund 113 contingent upon the final bid cost and contingent upon grant award. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Health

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the Memorandum of Understanding with WY Dept. of Health and Carbon County for COVID 19 disease surveillance and testing activities for a term of January 1, 2022, through June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$190,000.00. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Planning and Development

Commissioner Barkhurst moved to accept the Certification of Recommended Action from the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission for Z.C. Case #2022-05 - James and Jennifer Sewell, REPLAT SUB Case #2022-01 - "Old Baldy Village Fifth Addition Replat, Block 9, Lots 3 and 4", C.U. Case #2022-01 - "Last Mile Transmission Line Project" and schedule a public hearing for May 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. at the Carbon Building-Courthouse Annex in Rawlins, Wyoming. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Barkhurst moved to schedule a public hearing for C.U.W. Case 2022-01 - Rock River Wind Energy Project C.U. and accept the Certification of Recommended Action from the Case #2022-02 - "Simpson Ridge Green Hydrogen Facility/Project" and schedule a public hearing for May 17, 2022, at 3:15 p.m. for Rock River Wind and 4:00 p.m. for Simpson Ridge at the Hanna Town Hall in Hanna, Wyoming. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Buildings & Grounds

Commissioner Espy moved to waive the procurement policy and allow Buildings & Grounds to order two boilers and additional parts along with a tool press kit totaling \$34,142.62 from Winnelson Casper for the fairgrounds exhibit halls. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Clerk

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the Chairman's signature on a letter to the Wyoming Department of Transportation for the Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding for Local Government bridges Concurrence and Substitution that identifies four (4) bridges in the County for replacement or rehabilitation. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Espy moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the Agreement for Services with DustBusters Enterprises, Inc to supply, haul, and apply water and magnesium chloride to Ninety-One (91) miles of road in Carbon County, Wyoming, to complete CMAQ projects (1) and (2) in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jones moved to appoint Dave Gier to the Jeffrey Center Board for a 5-year term ending November 2026, Stacey Finney to the Upper Platte River Solid Waste Disposal District for an unexpired 3-year term ending August 2024, Doretta Leake to the Memorial Hospital of Carbon County Board for an unexpired 5-year term ending June 2023 and Alex Gruenhagen on the Carbon County Visitor's Council for an unexpired 3-year term ending June 2025. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Attorney

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the 2022 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan developed by the Wyoming State Forestry Division. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the Chairman's signature on the Notice of Award for the Dixon Airport 2022 Seal Coat and Mark Project to Straight Stripe Painting, Inc in the amount of \$132,950.00. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Moore moved to approve the Vice-Chairman's signature on the letter to the FAA regarding the Notice of Award for the Dixon Airport Fence Relocation Project to Custom Fence in the amount of \$365,605.00. Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – Budget Amendment

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 10:51 a.m. to hear about a proposed Budget Amendment to departmental budgets for Fiscal Year 2022 and Clerk Bartlett noted the hearing was advertised in the Saratoga Sun on March 24. Gwynn reported the following departments need amended: County Clerk due to payouts of sick and vacation of two long-term employees retiring, a part-time employee having to work full-time off and on this year to cover one retirement and one leave of absence; Dixon Airport for fuel purchases; C4 Emergency Activations Fund to start the fund and expend from it with a donation and funds from county reserves, Outside Agencies for an increase in running the youth crisis center and Reserves to cover all of the above mentioned amendments.

Chairman Johnson called for comments for or against the amendment. There being none, he closed the hearing at 10:54 a.m. Commissioner Jones moved to adopt Resolution 2022-13 FY 2022 Budget Amendment Number Two for departmental budgets. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – Z.C. CASE #2022-03 – Louis & Kinee Waits

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 11:12 a.m. to hear Planning & Zoning file type Z.C. Case File #2022-03, Louis and Kinee Waits' request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-0.99) on approximately 0.99 acres (or 43,200 sq. ft.). Sarah Brugger, Planner/GIS Specialist, presented the case file noting they will be asking for a waiver of the minimum lot size however this zone

is appropriate due to the seasonal nature.

Chairman Johnson called for comments for or against the case. There being no comments, Chairman Johnson closed the hearing at 11:15 a.m.

Commissioner Jones moved that based on the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission and staff to approve Resolution No. 2022-14, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission Z.C. Case File #2022-03, Louis and Kinee Waits' request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) to Forestry Production and Seasonal Recreation (FPSR-0.99) on approximately 0.99 acres (or 43,200 sq. ft.) and located approximately 13 miles west of Encampment off WY HWY 70 on the north side with a waiver of the minimum lot size. Commissioner Moore seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – Z.C. CASE #2022-04 – Old Baldy Village

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 11:18 a.m. to hear Planning & Zoning file type Z.C. Case File #2022-04, Old Baldy Corporation's request for a Zone Change from Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) to Residential (RD) for Lots 1 thru 5, located in the proposed Old Baldy Village Tenth Addition Minor Subdivision encompassing approximately 1.31 acres. Sarah Brugger, Planner/GIS Specialist, presented the case file.

Chairman Johnson called for comments for or against the case. There being no comments, Chairman Johnson closed the hearing at 11:22 a.m.

Commissioner Moore moved that based on the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission and staff to approve Resolution No. 2022-15, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission Z.C. Case File #2022-04, Old Baldy Corporation's request for a Zone Change from Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) to Residential (RD) for Lots 1 thru 5, located in the proposed Old Baldy Village Tenth Addition Minor Subdivision encompassing approximately 1.31 acres and located approximately 3/4 of a mile east of Saratoga off Carbon County Road #504 (Saratoga/10 Mile/Ryan Park Road). Commissioner Espy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing – MIN SUB Case File #2022-01 – Old Baldy Village

Chairman Johnson opened a public hearing at 11:25 a.m. to hear Planning & Zoning Minor Subdivision Case File #2022-01, Old Baldy Corporation's request to create five (5) lots: Lot 1 = 10,304 sq. ft., Lot 2 = 10,085 sq. ft., Lot 3 = 10,002 sq. ft., Lot 4 = 10,593 sq. ft., and Lot 5 = 12,398 sq. ft. The applicant is also applying for a zone change request to comply with the Carbon County Zoning Resolution of 2015, as amended and is located approximately 3/4 of a mile east of Saratoga off Carbon County Road #504 (Saratoga/10 Mile/Ryan Park Road). Sarah Brugger, Planner/GIS Specialist, presented the case file.

Chairman Johnson called for comments for or against the case. There being no comments, Chairman Johnson closed the hearing at 11:27 a.m.

Commissioner Moore moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the corrected plat for Minor Subdivision Case File #2022-01, Old Baldy Corporation's request to create five (5) lots: Lot 1 = 10,304 sq. ft., Lot 2 = 10,085 sq. ft., Lot 3 = 10,002 sq. ft., Lot 4 = 10,593 sq. ft., and Lot 5 = 12,398 sq. ft. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Espy moved to go into executive session at 11:30 a.m. with Clerk Bartlett and Ashley Mayfield Davis to discuss personnel, potential litigation and other matters considered confidential by law. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Espy moved to come out of executive session at 11:58 a.m. noting no action was taken and that the minutes be signed and sealed. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Espy moved to go into executive session at 1:34 p.m. with Clerk Bartlett and Ashley Mayfield Davis to discuss personnel, potential litigation and other matters considered confidential by law. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Espy moved to come out of executive session at 2:15 p.m. noting no action was taken and that the minutes be signed and sealed. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners

Commissioner Espy moved to allow any commissioner to sign closing documents for a property purchase. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Espy moved to authorize any commissioner to sign an asbestos abatement agreement with Asbestos & Technical Services. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Jones moved to gift the Hugus Ferguson Building 419 West Cedar St. Rawlins, WY to the Rawlins Downtown Development Authority as a true gift, unencumbered with all ceases of claim and authorize any commissioner to sign any documents necessary to complete the transaction. Commissioner Barkhurst seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Espy moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:33 p.m. Commissioner Moore seconded and the motion passed unanimously. A regular meeting of this Board will be held May 3, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at the Carbon Building-Courthouse Annex, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Suite 240A, Rawlins, WY. The public is invited to attend, or you can listen online at the website listed below. To get on the agenda, call the Clerk's Office by the Thursday before the meeting. Per Wyo. Stat. §18-3-516(f), access to county information can be obtained at or by calling the Clerk's Office at (307) 328-2668 or 1-800-250-9812.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Approved this 19th day of April 2022
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Willing John Johnson, Chairman

Legal #8285
Published in
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April 28, 2022

Town of Saratoga Manual Checks

Accounts Payable for 4/19/2022	\$116,617.88
Net Payroll for 4/14/2022	\$31,856.61
Transmittals for 4/14/2022	\$58,656.73

Legal #8287
Published in
The Saratoga Sun
April 28, 2022

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the ordinances of the Town of Saratoga, Wyoming that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the Town of Saratoga upon the request for Variance for an accessory building at 1002 West Hugus Ave, Saratoga, Wyoming.

A public hearing before the Planning Commission on the request for Variance will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 10, 2022 at the Saratoga Town Hall, 110 E. Spring Avenue, Saratoga, Wyoming, at which time any person determining to be heard may be present. Call Town Hall with any questions at 307-326-8335.

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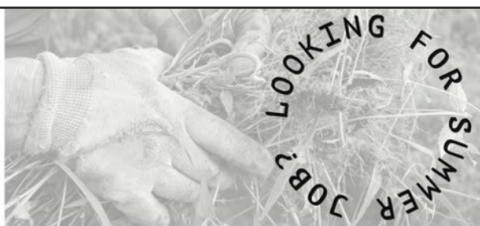
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The Saratoga police department responded to 128 calls April 18 through April 24.

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record (2), traffic accident with damage (3) school check (7) school zones (4), smoke report (1), suspicious person/circumstance (2), traffic complaint (1), traffic stop (13), trespassing (1), unauthorized use of MV (1), VIN serial number inspection (3), wanted person (1), welfare check (1).

April 18, 2022

• Juan Carlos Martinez Franco of Evans, Colorado was issued a warning for defective headlight.

• Angela Smith of Saratoga, Wyoming was issued a warning for speed.
April 19, 2022

• Aubrey Woosley of Virginia was issued a warning for speed.

• Linda Hammer of Encampment, Wyoming was issued a warning for speed.

• Kevin Klein of Colorado was issued a warning for Wyoming's Driver's Licenses act, Registration requirement violation and a warning or speed.

• Jean Barone of Illinois was issued a citation of speed.

April 24, 2022

• Juvenile male of Saratoga, Wyoming was issued a warning for no license plate light.

• Mariah Sheets of Cheyenne, Wyoming was given a warning for alcohol at hotool.

• Charlene Jacobos of Rawlins, Wyoming was given a warning for alcohol at the hot pool.

• Aaron Seilaff of Rawlins, Wyoming was given warnings for Drivers Licence Act and defective headlight.

• Alden Swanson of Saratoga, Wyoming was given a citation for no liability insurance.

• Dakota Gleason of Saratoga, Wyoming was given a citation for open container.

• Karen Woodmansee of

Encampment, Wyoming was given a citation for speed and a warning for seatbelts.

• Lillian Courture of Gorham, New Hampshire was given a warning for defective headlight.

Carbon County Sheriff's Report

April 18, 2022

• Justin Glenn of Rawlins, Wyoming was arrested for misdemeanor driving with suspended license, misdemeanor lack of registration/license plates, misdemeanor probation/ bond revocation, and misdemeanor failure to

provide insurance.

April 19, 2022

• Josue Peinado of San Diego, California was arrested for two counts of felony possession of a schedule I/II/ III drug, felony manufacture/ delivery of a schedule I/II/III drug, two counts of felony manufacturing/ delivery of meth/narcotic and felony possession of schedule I/II drugs

April 20, 2022

• Alexander Serralta of Lansing, Kansas was arrested for theft of \$1000 or more.



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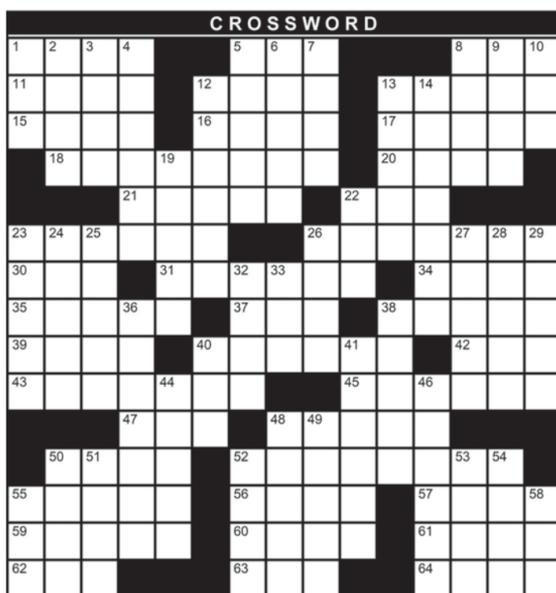
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5. Standardized testing acronym
8. Accounting degree
11. Hunted by hunter
12. Don Johnson's TV role, 1996-2001
13. Run ____ of the law
15. Mercantile establishment
16. Chemistry Nobelist Hahn
17. *Deborah Guarino's "Is Your Mama a ____?"
18. Manner of controlling yourself
20. Tiny bit
21. Willow twig
22. Nutcracker's distinguishing feature
23. Like a longer route?
26. German white wine
30. *Mom's little one
31. Bear the expenses of
34. Knock about
35. Dodge
37. "____ the fields we go"
38. Binary digits code
39. Bear den
40. Northern peat bog
42. Modern address
43. Analyst in a chemical lab
45. Smooth, as in surface of the lake
47. Gangster's pistol
48. Eyelid infections
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56. Simmering feeling
57. Prepare for publication
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61. Boundary
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63. P in #1 Down
64. Do like a model

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3. *Maman alternative
4. Kaa of "The Jungle Book"
5. French composer Erik Alfred Leslie ____
6. He made his fortune in fur trading
7. *Jord is mom to this hammer-wielding mythic thunder god
8. Chesterfield or ulster
9. Feline-inspired shoe brand
10. ____ mode
12. Not quite a nun
13. Spy's cover
14. *Popular Mother's Day gift
19. Cast somebody there
22. Almond-induced state?
23. Type of monument
24. Pepsi and Coke
25. Tiny purses
26. Actor Wahlberg
27. Loci, sing.
28. #39 Across, pl.
29. *Lorelai Gilmore's mother
32. *How many children does Queen Elizabeth have?
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RELFECTIONS FROM OUR FILES

Candidates Chosen, Big Trout, Loan Capacity, Opening Pool

100 years ago
Thursday April 27, 1922
Candidates chosen for town offices.

Caucus held at city hall last Friday evening, following water works meeting. The good representation present at the public meeting held at the town hall last Friday evening, led to the holding of a caucus after the water bond question had been discussed and meeting adjourned. M.B. McKillip was chosen to officiate as chairman of the second meeting and the balloting resulted in the nomination of the following candidates for town offices this year.

For mayor: Robt. T. Wood.
For councilmen: Roy Peek

and A.E. Dahl.

J. Gordan Morgan was also nominated for councilman, but the two gentlemen above received the greater number of votes. And were declared the nominees. By vote of the electors attending the meeting the above will be known as the "Citizens Ticket" and will appear under that heading on the ballots.

75 years ago
Thursday April 24, 1947
Big Trout Taken From Finley Pond

About 55 trout, rainbows and natives, ranging in size from four pounds to 11 pounds, was the result of draining and seining operations at the M.G. Finley

ranch east of town by the local game and fish club the past week.

The fish were placed in a tank car and taken to the government hatchery. The fish will probably be spawned and the spawn taken to the State fish hatchery at Como Bluffs for hatching.

Mr. Finley had been planning to remove the fish from the ponds for several years and the Club undertook the job as result of an agreement which will allow the use of the ponds this year as a rearing area for smaller fish.

50 years ago
Thursday April 27, 1972
Bank Increases Loan

Capacity
Loan capabilities at the Saratoga State Bank were greatly increased this week when the board of directors doubled the capital accounts surplus.

Money for the surplus fund came from the undivided profits of the institution. By transferring \$150,000 from the undivided profits the surplus fund was increased to \$300,000 according to Charles Fisher, bank president.

According to the last report of condition of the Saratoga State Bank, the local institutions capital accounts were \$25,000 in capital stock, \$150,000 in surplus, \$237,882.05 in undivided

profits and \$1,779.80 for reserve for contingencies and other capital reserve.

25 years ago
Wednesday April 23, 1997
Council works on opening pool

Councilmember and recreation board member Mark Willford said the pool will open on time. The Saratoga Town Council will move forward with chipping away at the bottom of the municipal swimming pool to find out the extent of the damage.

"If we can't fix it this spring, we'll fix it this fall," councilmember and recreation board member Mark Willford said. This

would make it possible for the swimming pool to open on time and remain open through the season.

A preliminary estimate from a Fort Collins Colo. Company was \$24,000 give or take \$5,000, Willford said. However, the problem was explained to the company over the phone.

Council member Hank Jewell said underneath the pool is rotten. "It's like a big cavity," he said. "It could be a small problem or it could be a major one."

Apparently, a lining was applied to what was the old pool and the new layer became detached. Willford said "we're not sure how much of the pool it affects."



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SENIOR CENTER MENU

- Thursday:** Baked Ham, Sweet Potato, Cauliflower, Wheat Bread, Fruited Jell-O, Whipped Topping, Milk
- Friday:** Parmesan Chicken, Angel Hair Pasta, Apsaragus, Wheat Roll, Apricots, Milk
- Monday:** Cheeseburger w/ Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, French Fries, Corn, Pears, Milk
- Tuesday:** Meatloaf, O'Brien Potatoes, Spinach, Wheat Bread, Purple Plums, Milk
- Wednesday:** Chicken Fajita, Tortilla, Spanish Rice, Squash Blend, Watermelon, Milk

N. COUNTY SCHOOLS MENU

- Thursday**
- Breakfast:** Cook's Choice
- Lunch:** Pizza, Salad Bar, Cookie, Milk
- Friday**
- No School**
- Monday**
- Breakfast:** Cook's Choice
- Lunch:** Hamburger, French Fries, Salad Bar, Milk
- Tuesday**
- Breakfast:** Cook's Choice
- Lunch:** Chicken Nuggets, Hash Browns, Salad Bar, Roll, Milk
- Wednesday**
- Breakfast:** Cook's Choice
- Lunch:** Spaghetti, Salad Bar, Garlic Breadstick, Milk

PLATTE VALLEY SCHOOL MENU

- Thursday**
- Breakfast:** Burrito, Cheese Sticks, Juice, Milk
- Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, Cheese, Salad Bar, Milk
- Friday**
- No School**
- Monday**
- Breakfast:** Pancakes, Cheese Sticks, Juice/Milk
- Lunch:** French Toast, Sausage, Hash Brown, Salad Bar, Milk
- Tuesday**
- Breakfast:** Yogurt, Cheese Sticks, Juice/Milk
- Lunch:** Chicken Tenders, Fries, Fruit, Salad Bar, Milk
- Wednesday**
- Breakfast:** PB&J, Cheese Sticks, Juice/Milk
- Lunch:** Chili Cheese Nacho, Peaches, Salad Bar, Milk

Saratoga Prom



Saratoga's Prom Royalty
Front row, left to right,
Aspen Patzer, Cole Owens,
Jeremiah Johnson,
Alessandra Rivera.
Back row, from left,
Deke Herring, Whitney
Bennett, Sam Fiedor,
Kelton Johnson, Geoffrey
Johnson, Nikki Bauer.



From left, Hanna Lathrop, an out of town guest, Piper Gray and Maddie Johnson pose for the camera.



Shelby and Ridge Knotwell share some quality time during the father/daughter dance



Hanna Lathrop and her grandfather take a spin on the dance floor.



Corina and Slayd Daley are all smiles during prom.

Encampment Prom



Owen Tanner, left, and Allison Bromley are dressed to the nines.



Prom attendees show of their dance moves.



Trinity Pena, left, and Kelsey Hytrek pose for the camera.



Peyton Munroe, left, and Tim Love twirl on the dance floor.



Bristin Sifford, left, and Katelynn Englehart enjoy their dance at the prom.

NORTH COUNTY NEWS

The winners are ...



RNB State Bank - Hanna Branch awarded the winners of the Easter Coloring Contest recently. From left, Padgett Olsen, Korbin Pelt, Isaiah Davis, Micah Davis, Hunter Jones, Bank Manager Rose Vaughn, Kya Bruce, Julia Nelsen

Photos by Mike Armstrong

Isaiah Davis accepts his prize from Bank Manager Rose Vaughn for the Easter Coloring Contest which was held by the RNB State Bank - Hanna Branch. Isaiah was one of seven winners of the contest.



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