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GRAIN SCANDAL

Was justice served in H&I Grain sentences?



Sentences in the H&I Grain case were handed down by Judge Kent A. Shelton this week. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

Former owners given five years in prison, ordered liable for restitution of nearly \$5 million

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

Was South Dakota justice served? The three remaining defendants from the H & I Grain scandal were sentenced in Beadle County Friday. Jared and his wife Tami Steffensen were sentenced to five years in prison, while JoAnn Steffensen (Jared's mother) received a suspended sentence of 120 days in county jail. All have 30 days to appeal their sentencing.

The family, along with Jared's father Duane Steffensen, were the owners of H & I Grain. Duane was charged with 19 different counts, but he passed away Jan. 12, 2019.

INDICTMENTS

JoAnn Steffensen had originally been charged with 16 different charges, but a plea deal reduced all the charges to just one count of failing to notify the Public Utility Commission (PUC) of H & I Grain's financial troubles. Two years in prison was the maximum sentence she could have received. She was sentenced to the maximum, but it was suspended on condition she be held in county detention for 120 days and then serve two years' probation.

Jared Steffensen was indicted on 17 charges, but his plea deal reduced the number of charges to just one, Theft by Deception. It has a maximum sentence of five years in prison, and he was sentenced to the maximum time.

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FACT CHECK

Clearing up a few questions about COVID

Here are some answers, minus the politics

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

COVID, COVID, COVID! Everywhere you turn it's a hot topic, and emotions and politics permeate many news articles and stories. Despite all the coverage on television, radio, social media, magazines, newspapers and almost everywhere else, the best thing to do is find

reliable sources of information that are unbiased, and that provide information you trust.

We did a little digging to look for answers to some questions we've heard from readers.

WHAT IS COVID?

COVID-19 is a disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2). The coronavirus, also called COVID, was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei province in China in December, 2019. Despite all the politics

about where it came from, the simple fact is, it's here, there and everywhere.

The virus is small, and researchers vary on its exact size; it is believed to be 50-140 nanometers (nm) in size. Being small makes it easy to spread to other individuals by inhalation or ingestion.

In a world of almost 7.8 billion humans, as of Sept. 15, the World Health Organization reported that there have been 225.7 million confirmed cases with 4.6 million confirmed deaths. It is estimated that 2.89 percent of the world population has contracted COVID so far. Of those who have been diagnosed, it is estimated that 2.08 percent have died. Looking at the worldwide population, 0.06 percent have died from COVID.

In the United States, our population is just under 333 million people. On Sept. 16, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) reported 42.2 million confirmed COVID

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This article is based on information from well-known, reputable websites that provide facts and research, rather than politically charged opinions. As the scientists continue to do their work, best practices can change, and websites can give conflicting information. If you are confused about COVID, call or visit with your primary care provider. You already trust them with your health — let them help you, so you can make the best choices about your care.

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Tami Steffensen had her 20 indictments reduced to the single one, Theft by Deception. She was sentenced to the maximum of five years also.

RESTITUTION

On top of the prison sentences, Circuit Judge Kent A. Shelton ordered all three liable for restitution for a total of \$4,966,491.80 along with any other associated costs. Judge Shelton said he felt the defendants showed no remorse for their actions until sentencing day. After sentencing, Jared, Tami and JoAnn were immediately incarcerated.

CHS INVOLVEMENT

Jared, Tami and JoAnn, in statements given to the court, cited CHS (Central Harvest States) Hedging as having failed to control the hedging of Jared. Since CHS Hedging failed to control Jared's hedging activities, they felt the company was liable for the losses. CHS Hedging has a bankruptcy hearing scheduled Oct. 19 in Minneapolis.

Sixty farmers lost an estimated eight million dollars from H & I Grain due to non-payment for their grain.

TIMELINE

In June of 2016, the H & I Grain's fi-

nancial reports submitted to the state appeared to be in order, and the South Dakota PUC issued a grain buyer's license.

That same month, CHS freezes H & I's hedge fund. In 2016, Jared is suspected of having lost between 6-10 million dollars with his hedging account. The losses left the company insolvent, and they did not notify state regulators as required by law. They continued to accept grain, assuring farmers they were fine.

July 21, 2017, the PUC revokes H & I Grain's buyer's license and distributes the \$400,000 bond. H & I Grain declared bankruptcy, and some of the farmers who were owed payments file a civil case against the Steffensens.

At the time of plea bargain in June of this year, the farmers were still owed \$5 million.

"There's just a lot of frustration with all the people involved. I'm not sure we're going to see any satisfaction. We'd like to, but don't really expect any satisfaction financially, and we're not sure we're going to see any satisfaction legally from the state," said Kyle Lee.

Jared and Tami Steffensen both could be out of prison in 15 months. Prosecutors in the case believe that the Steffensens will appeal the sentencing.

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COVID: How does it spread, and who is most at risk of catching it?

FROM FRONT PAGE

cases in the U.S., with 677,244 deaths. It is estimated that 12.7 percent of the U.S. has contracted the coronavirus, and out of those who contracted COVID, 1.6 percent died from it. Looking at the overall U.S. population total, 0.2 percent of the population have died from the coronavirus.

In South Dakota, our population is around 884,659. On Sept. 20, the Department of Health reported 122,489 confirmed cases, and 2,105 Covid deaths were reported. It is estimated that 13.9 percent of the state has contracted the virus and out of those positive cases, 1.7 percent have become fatalities. The South Dakota population, overall, has suffered a 0.2 percent fatality rate from COVID.

In Kingsbury County, our population is estimated at 4,939. On Sept. 20, the Department of Heath reported 865 confirmed cases in the county with 18 deaths due to COVID. In our county, 17.5 percent have contracted COVID, and 2.1 percent of those who have contracted the disease have died from it. Overall, the county has suffered a 0.37 percent loss from COVID. Currently, there are 23 active cases in our county. On Nov. 19, 2020, Kingsbury County had 140 active cases.

HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE IT?

The most common symptoms of COVID, according to the CDC, are fever or chills, dry cough and fatigue. Some less common symptoms include aches and pains, sore throat, diarrhea, conjunctivitis, headache, loss of smell or taste and a rash on skin or decolorization of fingers or toes.

Serious symptoms include difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, chest pain or pressure, new confusion, inability to stay awake or loss of speech. If any of these serious symptoms are present, seek medical care immediately. People with respiratory illnesses, heart diseases and diabetes will be at a higher risk of contracting the serious symptoms listed.

A viral test is a diagnostic test for COVID. There are two types. The antigen test uses a nasal swab to detect

the proteins found in coronavirus. These tests are generally less expensive and faster but can be less accurate. False negatives could be as high as 20 percent. Some factors that could cause a false negative are collector's technique and the quality of the antigen test. In the first few days of a COVID infection, a person may not have reached their peak infection, so the test would report negative. However, the person could still be contagious.

Another form of testing is molecular or polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing. It is collected with a swab of the nasal cavity or throat. This test detects the genetic material, RNA of coronavirus. These tests are very sensitive, highly accurate and usually take an hour or more for results.

Another type of testing is antibody testing. This test is not used for diagnostic purposes. It merely identifies the antibodies and detects if a person has had a COVID infection in the past.

If you develop any of the COVID signs and symptoms, contact your healthcare provider by phone and arrange for a visit or test.

HOW DOES IT SPREAD?

The CDC says COVID can spread in three different ways. When a person with COVID exhales, coughs or sneezes, microscopic droplets, or particles, become airborne. If another person is in close proximity to an infected person, breathing in the air with the tiny droplets can cause the coronavirus to enter the lungs.

The droplets and particles that have entered the air could also land on a person's mouth, nose or eyes. This is especially true if an infected person coughs or sneezes close to another individual. Face shields are good protection from coronaviruses

spreading this way, especially if you are face-to-face with a person sneezing or coughing.

The third way COVID can spread is by touching a surface where the virus has landed and then touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Just like dust settles on the surfaces in a house, exhaled, coughed or sneezed COVID eventually settles onto a surface.

When coronaviruses land on a surface, they can live there for a few hours and up to five days; it all depends on the type of surface. Most disinfectants will kill coronaviruses; check the label if it is effective against COVID. Also follow the recommended routine written on the label for using the disinfectant properly.

WHO IS MOST AT RISK?

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) reports that the age group with the highest infection rate is individuals from 18 to 29. They use that group as their reference group. A child aged 5 to 17 will see about the same percentage of infections as the reference group. The younger age group will see less hospitalizations and deaths from COVID. The next age group includes birth to 4-year-olds. This group will see less infections, hospitalizations and deaths than those 18-29 years old.

An adult age 30-39 will see the same rate of infection as the reference group but will see double the number of hospitalizations and four times the number of deaths from COVID. The next group, from 40-49 will see the same number of infections as the reference group, but will see twice the hospitalizations and ten-fold the fatalities from COVID. A 50 to 64-year-old adult will see the same number of infections, but their age group will require four times the hospitalizations,

and death from COVID is 30 times higher than an adult 18-29 years old.

An adult 65-74 years of age will see the same number of infections, but their hospitalization risk is five times higher than the reference group. Death from COVID in this age group is 90 times higher than the reference group. For those adults over 75 but under 84, they will see the same number of infections, but they are nine times more likely to be hospitalized, and 220 times more likely to pass away from COVID as compared to the reference group. Seniors over 85 years old see the same number of infections, but they are 15 times more likely to be hospitalized and are most at risk of death from COVID. Their risk is 570 times than the reference group.

The older a person is, the greater their risk becomes. A person over 65 years of age has their risks increasing at a significantly higher rate.

Other factors that can increase the risk for hospitalization or death from COVID are lung conditions or diseases, even asthma. A person with heart disorders or diseases, a diabetic, an individual with a weakened immune system and someone who is obese may see a more serious case of a COVID infection.

Keep in mind that COVID variants also behave differently. There are reports that the Delta Variant of COVID is more serious in children. As more and more variants are identified, the harder it will be to write absolutes about COVID.

Next week we will cover some questions like: What can I do to protect myself from the spread of COVID? If I have COVID, how long am I contagious? If I have COVID, how long should I quarantine? What should I do in quarantine?

COURT NEWS

DYLAN GIMBEL, Willow Lake, 35 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

AARON FLEGEL, De Smet, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone and careless driving, fined \$230.00.

CHAD WALDNER, Freeman, 48 in a 45 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

JACQUELINE NYSTROM, Topeka, Kan., 47 in a 45 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

NOWSHAD QURASHIPRANTHO, Brookings, 80 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$137.50.

DUSTIN STAINBROOK, of Arlington, plead guilty to Driving Under the Influence, 1st offense. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail and \$782.00 in fines and costs. The 30 days in jail was suspended on the following conditions: pay fines and costs as ordered, be a law-abiding citizen for a period of one year and successfully complete DUI first offender's class. His license was also revoked for 30 days.

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Last week’s weather

- Monday, September 13, 2021
High 71, Low 56
- Tuesday, September 14, 2021
High 77, Low 56
- Wednesday, September 15, 2021
High 79, Low 49
- Thursday, September 16, 2021
High 92, Low 67
- Friday, September 17, 2021
High 74, Low 51
- Saturday, September 18, 2021
High 85, Low 51
- Sunday, September 19, 2021
High 88, Low 71

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- Letters to the Editor

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Wilkinson honored for dedication to conservation

The late Bill Wilkinson was inducted into the South Dakota State Conservation Endowment Fund on Mon., Sept. 20. Seven districts donated a total of \$1,000, and the money will be used directly for SDACD to provide education and to promote conservation in South Dakota. Wilkinson’s dedication to Kingsbury Conservation will never be forgotten. (Submitted photo)

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A responsibility to be smart with taxpayer dollars

DO YOU FIND YOURSELF wondering where your tax dollars go? In South Dakota, the simple answer is to education, health care, public safety, and other state government operations. But if you really want to talk dollars and cents, I can break it down for you using the change you find in your couch cushions.

Of course, we’ve got to start with the rules. In this case, Article 12 of the state Constitution says I must sign a balanced budget and cannot plan to spend more than we earn each year. That’s good because it means lawmakers, who negotiate the budget during each legislative session, are Constitutionally bound to pass a responsible budget.

When times are tight, we cut spending. When our economy goes from 83% performance rating on January 1st up to a peak of 116% just last month, you end up with a surplus of more than \$80 million at the end of the fiscal year.

Before we look ahead, let’s break down how the state chose to spend funds before our economy hit turbo drive.

Remember what I said about that change in your couch? Here’s the breakdown of how much of your state tax dollar goes into areas of the budget:



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- 49-cents of every dollar goes to education in South Dakota. This includes public schools, higher education, and tech colleges.
- 36-cents of every dollar goes to health care. Medicaid. Social Services. The Department of Health. The Department of Human Services. State institutions. All going to serve South Dakotans so they get access to the care they need.
- A dime out of every dollar goes to public safety, including our courts and justice system, prisons, and the Attorney General’s office.

• And a nickel of every dollar, the least of all expenditures, goes to running other state government operations.

That funding breakdown includes continuing operations and making smart investments in the future of our state. Last session, we saw major victories in growing the state’s commitment to broadband connectivity from border to border — the total state investment was \$75 million.

- We also appropriated a combined \$72 million toward scholarships and bond payoffs for technical colleges. This is a significant boost to serving South Dakotans with higher education. The Health Care Trust Fund received \$50 million, with additional funding to expand the availability of doctors and nurses across the state. Other investments include:
- \$20 million toward a Bioprocessing Facility
 - \$20 million for railroad rehabilitation in West River
 - State-supported investments of \$19 million to help with the SDSMT Mineral Industries Building project; and \$12 million to help fund the Dakota Events Complex at the State Fair
 - We also put \$10 million in the IT modernization fund to ensure we are keeping up with technology trends for efficiency.

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All of these investments are strengthening our state’s ability to compete, without over-burdening taxpayers. All of these investments were made well before our economic engine started picking up speed.

Now our economy is booming compared to where we were at the start of the pandemic. We continue to lead the nation in Moody’s “Back to Normal Index,” with our economy performing at 106% compared to March 2020.

We are also among the top in the nation, according to U.S. News, when it comes to fiscal responsibility – both in the short-term and long-term management. Not to mention, South Dakota is consistently listed among states with the lowest tax burden in the nation.

Taxpayers should be encouraged by that as we look ahead at responsibly managing nearly \$1 billion in anticipated federal assistance over a five-year period. We also will be carefully considering smart one-time investments with surplus funds; investments that will keep our economy running strong while being good stewards of the taxpayer dollar.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Jesus said, “Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.” MATTHEW 19:14

Arlington

CALVARY FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH, Prayer at 9 a.m., Worship at 9:30 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass Saturday at 5 p.m. & Sunday 5 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Services streamed on Facebook at 9:30 a.m.

LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH, First Sunday of month at 11 a.m., all other Sunday’s at 9:30 a.m.

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BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 8:30 a.m. Streaming on YouTube.

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De Smet

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DE SMET ALLIANCE CHURCH, Sunday School at 9 a.m., Church at 10:15 a.m.

DE SMET COMMUNITY CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:45 a.m.

PRAIRIE BAPTIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Bible study — Wednesday at 7 p.m.

SPIRIT LAKE PRESBYTERIAN, Worship at 10:30 a.m., listen on 88.1 FM. or Facebook Live. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Rev. Dick Poppen speaks at 9:30 a.m. on KWAT radio.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass at 8:30 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. On radio at 87.9 FM or Facebook.

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Worship at 9 a.m. at Legion first Sunday of month.

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ESMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday service at 9 a.m.

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TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.

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PRAIRIE HAVEN MENNONITE CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Evening services 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

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LAKE PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 10:30 a.m. Check Facebook

NORTH PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 9 a.m. Service on Facebook.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST—UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Worship at 10 a.m., Sunday School at 10:15 a.m., Thursday Bible Study at 7 p.m.

Oldham

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Ramona

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN, Church at 10:30 a.m.

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Children should be celebrated

“Then [Jesus] took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’” MARK 9:36

Over the Labor Day weekend, my family celebrated two birthdays, the birthdays of two of my granddaughters. One granddaughter turned ten years old that weekend, and another turned four years old the following day. We celebrated two special little girls! In our society, where we adore and celebrate our children, it is hard to imagine that biblical historians tell us that this was not always the case.

Although undoubtedly loved and cared for, children in biblical times had a very low status in society; they were not “socially esteemed” as one source of mine put it. That is hardly the case today as we see social media posts sharing the exploits and achievements and stories of children and grandchildren, while we tell one another of the humorous or cute or sometimes scary antics that we encounter among our children.

In Mark’s gospel, Jesus took a little child in his arms and told his disciples that they should welcome children. That was perhaps

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confusing for the disciples, given the status (or lack thereof) that children had in that culture. What an opportunity for those disciples to see a Savior who celebrated and welcomed someone who had no social status! What an opportunity for those disciples to see the abundant grace and mercy of the Son of God, the one sent by the Father! What an opportunity for those disciples to hear and to witness that if children were welcomed, then how much would others be welcomed into the kingdom as well!

The Apostle Paul reminds us of how welcomed we are into God’s kingdom of forgiveness and salvation when he wrote in the book of Romans, “*When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.*” Romans 8:15-17

We are not only welcomed, but we are made children of God; as children we share in all that Christ is and all that Christ has! What a celebration!



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Obituaries

YVONNE DOBSON

Yvonne Marie Dobson, age 73, of De Smet, S.D., passed away Sept. 20 at the De Smet Good Samaritan Center after a 31-year battle with Parkinson's disease. Yvonne was born July 9, 1948, to Merle and Carol (Reed) Knutson. She grew up on a small farm near Oldham before the family moved to a farm in Arlington.

She graduated from Arlington High School in 1966 before attending South Dakota State. In 1968, she transferred to Pillsbury Baptist Bible College where she reunited with her future husband, Dr. David Dobson, whom she had known since they were both in Junior High School. She and Dr. Dobson were united in Christian marriage on June 7, 1969, in Oldham, S.D. The couple farmed in Chancellor, S.D., for two years before moving to Inver Grove Heights, Minn., where Dr. Dobson earned his Doctor of Chiropractic while she worked caring for children. In 1982, Yvonne and her family moved to De Smet where Yvonne worked as the office manager at Dobson Chiropractic Clinic until moving into the De Smet Good Samaritan Center in 2018.

Yvonne was dedicated to her children and grandchildren, attending all school events and making sure every holiday and birthday was a special occasion. She loved to sew and cross-stitch, and she found so much joy in travelling—especially to Disney World in Florida—with her husband, children and grandchildren. She was an active member of the Christian Missionary Alliance in De Smet.

Yvonne is survived by her husband, Dr. David Dobson of De Smet, S.D.;



daughter, Janee (Mike) Poppinga of De Smet, S.D.; daughter, Jennifer (Adam) Rudebusch of Castlewood, S.D.; son, Jeremy Dobson of Parker, Colo.; daughter, Julie Petersen of De Smet, S.D.; daughter-in-law, Tammy Dobson; 16 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. She was preceded in death by her parents, Merle and Carol Knutson; her sister, Renae Hammerstrom and her son, James Dobson.

Funeral services for Yvonne will be on Fri., Sept. 24, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in De Smet with Pastor Mike Gunnon officiating; burial will be in Arlington City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Thurs., Sept. 23, 2021, at the Johnson-Henry Funeral Home in Arlington and preceding services in the church on Friday.

PAID OBITUARY

Dr. Gordon L. Scofield

Rapid City – Gordon L. Scofield, 95, died Wed., Sept. 15, 2021, at his residence under hospice care.

Gordon was born on Sept. 29, 1925, in Huron, S.D., to Perry L. and Zella R. Scofield. He grew up and attended school in De Smet, S.D. He married Nancy Cooney in East Chicago, Ind., on Dec. 27, 1947. Gordon and Nancy were blessed with a daughter Cathy and a son Terrence.

Survivors include his son Terrence and his wife Debra; their son Asher and his wife Jennifer; great-granddaughter Rivyn and great-grandson Abel of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his lifelong love, partner and friend, Nancy; his father and mother; two brothers; his daughter, Cathy and infant grandson.



Services were 1:00 p.m. Mon., Sept. 20, 2021, at Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home with burial following at Black Hills National Cemetery with full Military Honors.

Arrangements with Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home, Rapid City.

Gordon Wicks

Gordon Wicks, 94, Rapid City, passed away peacefully in his sleep at Fountain Springs Health Care on Sat., Sept. 11, 2021. He was born at home on Jan. 9, 1927, to Harvey and Goldie Wicks on a farm northeast of Carpenter, S.D. He was the fourth of seven children.

Gordon met the love of his life, Betty Jane Neu, in 1951 at a dance in Carpenter. The two courted primarily through letter-writing while Betty was a nursing student at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls and Gordon was working on farms around Carpenter. They were married at West Bethany Church in Erwin, S.D., on June 1, 1952. Gordon never stopped declaring himself to be the luckiest man in the world for having found her. They had four children, all raised in Rapid City.

Betty survives her husband, as do their children: Renee (Dave) Parker, Todd (Cindy) Wicks, Rapid City, Tonya (Rich) Tuley of Parker, Colo.; son-in-law, Tony Lammers, Rapid City; sister, Ione Gamber, Dallas; brothers, Larry Wicks, Carpenter,



S.D. and Milo (Lois) Wicks, Portland, Ore.; 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Sat., Oct. 16, at Atonement Lutheran Church.

A graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m., Fri., Oct. 15, at the Black Hills National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to Atonement Lutheran Church.

Arrangements with Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home, Rapid City.

Dessie Wiebe

Dessie Wiebe, 94, of De Smet, passed away Sat., Sept. 18, 2021, at the Good Samaritan Society at De Smet.

Her funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m., Tues., Sept. 21, 2021, at the Faith Mennonite Church, rural Iroquois. Burial was in the Faith Mennonite Church Cemetery.

Her visitation was Mon., Sept. 20, at the Kuhler Funeral Home, Huron, S.D. and at the Faith Mennonite Church, rural Iroquois.

Dessie Wiebe, our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, was born Jan. 30, 1927, to Abe H. and Lavina Becker Ratzlaff near Canton, Kan. She peacefully passed away at the Good Samaritan Society in De Smet, S.D. on Sept. 18, 2021, at 94 years of age. She enjoyed telling us stories

about growing up on the Kansas farm in a family of thirteen children. Many happy and memorable times were spent with six brothers and six sisters.

Grateful for having shared her life are her children, Marilyn and Kenneth Fricke, Grafton, N.D., Linda and Wesley Toews, De Smet, S.D., Delton and Valerie Wiebe, Yale, S.D. and Danny and Sharon Wiebe, Iroquois, S.D.; eighteen grandchildren and forty-five great-grandchildren; brother, Noah Ratzlaff; brother-in-law, Stuart Wedel; Dad's family: Phyllis and Bev Toews; Linda Giesbrecht and Milton and Cheryle Warkentin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy; son, Dale; daughter-in-law, Victoria; six sisters and five brothers.

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Clinging to sweet memories

JUST SOUTH OF THE HOUSE a large cement tank extended up eighteen inches from the ground. A heavy round cover fit perfectly over the top. It took a lot of muscle to move the cover, but at a very young age, each of us were warned to never mess with that cistern. It was a deep tank that contained the water for our household use. During a heavy rain, one of the folks would step outside and pull the lever on the downspout that allowed rain water to fill the reservoir. When rain was scarce, we called William and Darlene, a dear couple from Erwin, and paid them to haul in a tank of water from De Smet. Though the cistern held a couple thousand gallons, a family of eight used a lot of water. Needless to say, we never luxuriated in neck-deep bubble baths. As with everything else those days, we did not waste water on our South Dakota farm.

So, it seemed a bit unusual one hot, dry summer, when Dad hooked up a hose and pulled it back to the garden. Carefully he soaked the ground around each of Mom's dozen tomato plants. "They need to be watered deep." He lugged in a straw bale from the barn and spread it under the plants to conserve the moisture, but every Sunday, unless it had rained, he watered those tomatoes.

Two months later, Dad helped himself to six tomato slices from a platter on our supper table. He spooned a generous amount of sugar from the sugar bowl on each, then sliced one in half with his fork. Juice dripped onto his plate as he lifted the first bite to his mouth. He closed his eyes as he savored the moment. The sweet goodness must have brought back memories of his childhood. For the next ten minutes, he reminisced. As he spoke, we could feel his need to pass on precious memories of his mother.

She knew how to raise tomatoes. Even in the driest years, she managed to grow enough for their family of six sons and one daughter. As the round fruits turned scarlet, she would tug them from the vines and proudly arrange them on the old picnic table that sat next to the house in the shade. Each day she brought in a few to serve to her family with summer meals. When there were enough, she and her daughter Helen would pack them in jars and cook them in the huge canner. In plenteous years, jars of the red fruit lined pantry shelves to be used that winter for goulash, soup and scalloped tomatoes. But Dad's very favorite was his mom's wonderful tomato preserves on homemade bread.

Her name was Mary. She died



PUTTING ON THE BIG BOOTS

DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

when he was 17. Though many years later, we heard the emotion in our father's voice when he talked about his mother. We all listened quietly as we pictured this grandmother we never got to meet.

Summer breezes changed to bitter winds. Weeks passed, and it did not seem long until we sat around the table laden with Thanksgiving bounty. Just before joining us, Mom brought a pint jar from the pantry cupboard. We heard the metallic pop as she used a table knife to break the lid's seal. She poured the red contents of the jar into a gold-rimmed glass dish and set it in front of Dad.

His hazel eyes grew misty as he looked up at his wife. "Tomato preserves?" He could only manage to shake his head slowly as he gazed at the special gift.

"It didn't want to set up," Mom apologized with her gentle smile. "It's kind of runny."

Dad lifted the spoon from the dish and let it pour back in. "Smells good." Then he reached for a slice of bread, spread butter on it and spooned on so much tomato preserves that it ran off the edge. He took a big bite. "Mmm-mm. It's perfect. Just like my mother used to make."

Nearly sixty years later, I now understand why my dad used precious water to save those tomato plants. He needed to hold on to those memories of the mother he lost too soon.

As I sit here today, gazing at the variety of tomatoes lined up on my picnic table, I suddenly feel the need to make tomato preserves like the kind my grandmother used to make. The grandma that I never knew--My Grandma Mary who knew how to grow tomatoes.

Kruempel's books, the "Promises to Keep" series, are available at Amazon.com. Watch for her soon-to-be-released book, Once Upon a Midwest Sunset, a compilation of the stories from the NOOKS AND CRANNIES column. Contact her at deannkruempelauthor@gmail.com and receive free weekly stories, recipes, photos and updates.

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Sticking with what I know... most of the time

I’VE COME TO THE realization that when it comes to trying new things, I’m more likely to stick with what I know ... at least when it comes to going out to eat at a restaurant. I’m obviously not the only one either. My dad’s birthday was last Friday, and we all decided to get together to celebrate. We let him pick out where we would eat, and he chose Texas Roadhouse in Sioux Falls. I was glad he did, because that’s one of the few restaurants we’ve eaten at before in Sioux Falls.

With all the different restaurants in Sioux Falls, it’s funny that we don’t try something new when we go, but we always tend to go to the same handful of places we’ve tried before. We know we like them, and for the price of going out to eat, we are always afraid to try something different.

Not only do we always go to the same places, but I always order the same thing. At Texas Roadhouse I don’t even know why I bother looking at the menu. Although there is plenty on the menu to choose from, I know what I want before I even get in the door.

At Texas Roadhouse my go-to meal is always their 6 oz. sirloin with mushrooms, shrimp, Caesar salad and a baked sweet potato with cinnamon and butter. Of course, with all the different add-ons and options, I always forget something and normally, it’s either the mushrooms or the shrimp



HOME GROWN

AMY HALVERSON

add-on. Last weekend I forgot the mushrooms, but it was still delicious.

I’ve noticed when I’m working at Grumpy’s, there are quite a few repeat customers who must be the same way. Some don’t even bother with getting a menu and just tell me what they want. Others are like me who get the menu, think about trying something new but, eventually, end up ordering their usual.


I’m not sure why, but for some reason when it comes to eating out, I prefer to stick with what I have tried and know is good. At home it’s a little different though. I do make our favorites more often than not, but I have no problem trying a new recipe when one catches my eye.

This week I’m sharing a crockpot pizza casserole that I recently found and tried. It’s easy to throw together and adjust by adding what you like on your pizza. Enjoy!

Crockpot Pizza Casserole

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| 16 oz. spiral pasta (uncooked but rinsed) | 1 green bell pepper, chopped |
| 1 lb. ground beef | 1 cup pepperoni, sliced |
| 1 onion, chopped | 32 oz. pasta sauce |
| 1 clove garlic, minced | 1 cup water |
| | 1 cup mozzarella cheese, shredded |

Spray large crockpot with non-stick spray. In a pan, brown hamburger with onion, garlic, bell pepper and pepperoni. Drain the excess fat. Rinse pasta and place in crockpot with meat mixture and stir. Pour pasta sauce and water over the noodle mixture. Top with mozzarella cheese. Cover and cook on low for 5-6 hours.



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Lessons learned for upcoming cold and flu season



THE PRAIRIE DOC

KELLY EVANS-HULLINGER, M.D.

IT IS SEPTEMBER; fall is in the air, and what we might call “respiratory season” is nearly upon us. Respiratory season refers to the colder months in which we spend much of our time indoors, maybe October through March. Normally, this season correlates with when we see high rates of typically seasonal respiratory infections such as influenza and respiratory syncytial virus or RSV.

Living through the COVID-19 pandemic has given us knowledge we can use to greatly decrease the spread of all respiratory infections. During the 2020-2021 respiratory season, rates of influenza were at historic lows in South Dakota and across the country due to the measures we took to decrease the spread of COVID-19. So, what are the lessons learned?

First and foremost, we should learn that when we are sick with respiratory symptoms, we should avoid spreading our illness to others. It remains essential that anyone experiencing symptoms of cough, fever or cold symptoms be evaluated and consider testing for COVID-19, influenza and possibly other infections to ensure avoidance of spread.

Second, if you are sick, even if you have tested negative for COVID-19, try to avoid spreading germs to others. We should especially avoid contact with those most vulnerable to respiratory illnesses. This includes the very young and the very old and those who have suppressed immune systems or chronic lung disease. If you must be around others, keep your distance when possible, cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing and, at best, wear a mask to keep those respiratory droplets out of the air. I now cringe to think of years past when I would power through my common colds and see patients without a mask. I know I can do better in the future.

Finally, vaccines remain one of our best tools for infection prevention. Of course, vaccination against COVID-19 is crucial and has proven to be highly safe and effective, but let’s not forget other respiratory vaccines. It is time to think about getting your annual influenza vaccine. If you are 65 years old or more, or if you have any medical problems increasing your risk for bacterial pneumonia, you should ask your

healthcare provider about a pneumococcal vaccine.
We have the tools to keep ourselves and others healthy during the respiratory season. I, for one, hope that lessons learned during a respiratory viral pandemic might help us all do better in the future.
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NEWS BRIEFS

Kingsbury County American Legion 2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

- Sept. 29, 2021 Lake Preston, Ceremony 7 p.m. *Please note this first meeting begins with the annual Flag Retirement. *
- The public is invited to drop off un-serviceable American flags and to attend this event.
- Oct. 27, 2021, Arlington 7:30 p.m.
- County Veterans Day Program on Nov. 11, 2021, Badger TBD
- Feb. 23, 2022, De Smet 7:30 p.m.
- March 30, 2022, Erwin 7:30 p.m.
- April 27, 2022, Iroquois 7:30 p.m.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church Service Sunday at 10:30 a.m., 88.1 FM Radio, Live Facebook. Adult and Children Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Dick Poppen speaks on KWAT radio Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study Monday at 7 p.m. Wednesday 6-8 p.m. youth group, grades 1-6. All welcome.

On Sat., Sept. 11, Jacob Larson’s birthday was celebrated at his parents’ home with family and friends.

Last Sunday the Sunday School Picnic was held at Shady Lawn School after church services. A special treat was Mary and Glen Wienk’s ice cream from their soft ice cream maker.

Rain received this week in my gauge, one inch.

— ILLDENA POPPEN

OLDHAM-RAMONA NEWS


School Lunch

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23: Taco Pizza Bites, Mandarin Oranges, Fruit, Taco Fiesta Beans, Relishes

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: Potato Ole Supreme, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Fruit, Carrots, Relishes

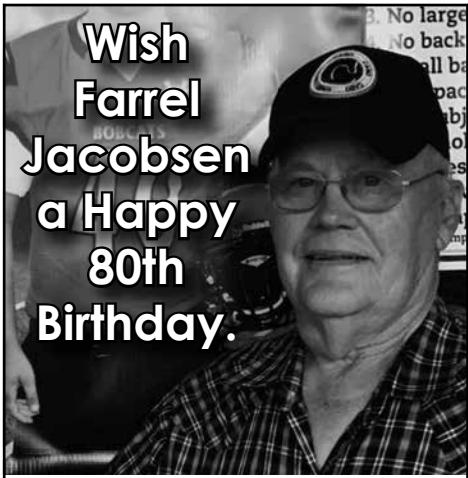
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ESMOND NEWS

1982: Esmond Merchants win the championship

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Annette and Charemon Dunham attended the community club meeting on Mon., Sept. 13; on Friday, they were at the Iroquois FFA supper and homecoming coronation. Sunday, they helped with the Legion pancake breakfast for the benefit of the youth activity fund.

The Clendenings and Mike and Perianne from Woonsocket attended the BEE vs Flandreau football game at Bridgewater. Ryder Clendening plays guard for BEE, and Mike was a classmate in Woonsocket of the BEE coach.

Marlin Clendening had an entry in the Iroquois School homecoming parade with the 1941 Command car representing the TV program “Mash.”

The Clendenings attended the Dakota Energy Members lunch Tuesday in Huron.

Mike Miller and Neil Hiemstra were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Clendening’s.

Several people attended the pancake breakfast in Iroquois on Sunday morning.

One to 1 ½" of rain was recorded this week.

HISTORY NOTE

1982: The Esmond Merchants co-ed softball team ended its regular season with an 11-1 record and a trophy for winning the Huron Mixed League “B” Division on Friday night.

They defeated “B-Ten” 12-5. Winning pitcher was Cindy Huber. Doug and Jeany Salter and Rod Hofer had the hot bats for the Merchants, and Cindy, Doug and Rod also led team defensive efforts.

The Merchants will finish the year in the league tournament this week. Team members are Gary Lorenz, Manager, Jeany and Doug Salter, Cathy and Rod Hofer, Cindy and Tim Huber, Deb and Jim Coughlin, Eileen and Brian Neneber, Vicki and Rick Aughenbaugh, Kevin Walter, Deb Finnerty, Steve DeJong, Cheri Moffitt, John Coughlin and Marie Gruntmeir.

The Esmond Merchants mixed league co-ed softball team won the championship in the Huron Tournament last week by defeating KIJV 12-8.

They defeated Burns Moving and Storage 15-6 and KIJV 22-8.

The trophies are on display at Walter’s Grocery in Iroquois.

BANCROFT NEWS

When students lived in dormitories

BY ROSE GROTHE

What a surprise!!! To wake up Friday morning to the sound of the city crew cleaning up the results of the night’s storm, parts of two trees in the street in front of my house. Thanks, guys. You did a great job. I knew nothing about it until it was over. I was truly “asleep at the switch.”

Billie Sargent of Huron was the speaker at the Presbyterian Church on Sept. 19th. Thank you, Billie.

Rose Grothe and Janice White of Brookings were Tuesday afternoon visitors at the Gareth Hamen home in Castlewood.

Linda Perry’s grandson, Logan Richie, graduated on Fri., Sept. 17, in Norfolk, Va., from a Naval Search and Rescue School. He will be stationed there as well. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Richie, sister Abbie and brother Nolan, all of Bristol, attended the ceremonies, returning home Monday.

THREE DORMATORIES IN KINGSBURY

The following is a news item from the “De Smet News.”

Kingsbury County is assured of dormitories for high school pupils in the three towns of Bancroft, Iroquois and Hetland, according to Glen Jencks, relief director. Projects for the Bancroft and Iroquois dormitories have been approved, and Hetland has been instructed to go ahead with dormitory plans. At Bancroft there are 14 boys and 16 girls enrolled at the dormitories. Calvin Barnes is dean of

the boys who stay in the Claassen Implement building. Mrs. Ruth Austin is dean of girls and has them at her home. All 30 eat at a dining hall in the north part of Perry’s store. Mrs. Wm. Frye, Mrs. Paul Feuerstenau and Mrs. Wm. Dirksen are cooks.

Thirty-one boys and girls will stay at the dormitories in Iroquois, the 13 boys are staying on the second floor of the hotel operated by Chas. Emmelius, who is also dean of boys. The 18 girls will stay with Mrs. Mary Emmelius, dean of girls, at her home. The group dining hall is in the former Trail Cafe with Leona McDonald and Raymond Hoyer as cooks.

The Rev. Green of Hetland will be dean of boys at that place, and Mrs. Oines will be dean of girls. The boys and girls will stay in two residences at Hetland. Cooks will be Mrs. Deden and Miss Nelson. Twenty-five young people will stay at the Hetland dormitories, 17 girls and 8 boys.

The deans are paid salaries, and other workers at the dormitories and dining halls are allowed to work out their investigated needs.

For September, 12c a day has been allowed for each pupil staying in the dormitory. Expenses over that must be furnished by the parents. Surplus commodities will also be allowed for the dormitories.

Rules for the pupils in the dormitories are set by each town. Ringing bells are given with definite hours set aside for meals, study periods and recreation periods. Those staying in the dormitories must all be in by certain times with a set bed time hour.

CARTHAGE NEWS

1906: Crew arrives to build new elevator

BY LORELEE NELSON

Trinity Lutheran Church will have worship Sept. 26 at 8 a.m. with the Sunday School at 9 a.m. Visitors are always welcome.

Barb Roos led a retreat at the Coughlin Inn Friday evening and Saturday with ladies attending from Clark, Pierre, Sioux Falls, De Smet and Carthage. The theme of the gathering was “Tuck Away with Jesus”

The Campbell Straw Bale Museum meeting was held Tues., Sept. 14 at the Prairie Inn with Norbert Moldan conducting the meeting. Lorelee Nelson gave the secretary’s report and Sally Madison the treasurer’s report. Everyone is invited to the museum for refreshments after the memorial service for Bill Campbell at the cemetery Sat., Sept. 26 at 2 p.m. Other items on the agenda included the internet at the museum, Sloppy Joes and root beer floats at the museum Oct. 2 from noon to 4 p.m., along with several vendors at the museum as part of the Fall Festival in Carthage. A special welcome for hunters was discussed. The next meeting will be Oct. 12 at 6 p.m.

Trinity Women of the ELCA met Thurs., Sept. 16 with Harriet Hattervig presenting the program and Lorelee Nelson hosting. Plans were made to attend the Conference Gathering Sept. 18 at Lake Campbell Lutheran Church. The next meeting will be Oct. 21.

Harriet Hattervig joined Mark and Lisa Hinkley in going to Mitchell Tuesday. They had supper together at Harriet’s.

Lorelee Nelson went to Sioux Falls on Wednesday for a gathering of teaching and nursing friends. They all worked in Sioux Falls years ago.

Darin’s Legacy Memorial was held in Carthage Sept. 5 with twenty-six teams taking part in a bean bag tournament, silent auction, a raffle and karaoke. The bean bag winners were Seth Litka and friend, Josh. Matt Steuerwald and Breeann took second place, and Karsten and Connor Hamilton won third.

DID YOU KNOW?

From “Carthage, Gem of the Redstone” by Sally Madison.

From 1901: grasshoppers are beginning to work in the cornfields in the neighborhood. Prospects are for a hay shortage this year. There are three elevators and a mill buying wheat.

From 1902: current crops are wheat ten to twenty bushels per acre, oats thirty to forty-five bushels and barley forty to sixty bushels per acre.

From 1904: fifty percent of the wheat crop has black rust.

From 1906: a construction crew arrived from Minneapolis to commence building a new elevator to the Scroggs Elevator that burned. The new elevator will be larger and have a twenty-five-thousand-bushel capacity.

IROQUOIS NEWS

1911: Will work for 40 cents/hour

Sept. 21, 1911
On Monday, **Arthur Hanson** bought the **Chas. Gehring** barber shop and consolidated it with his own at the Hanson stand, where he will run either two or three chairs as the trade demands. Gehring goes to Mitchell to work during Corn Palace week, after which he will look around for a new location.

Dr. Cawgill's auto suffered a rupture of the radiator Thursday by running into the rear of **Dr. Frudenfeld's** machine as these parties were on their way to the state fair. Frudenfeld stopped his machine quickly without warning, and Cawgill, who was following closely, did not stop quickly enough. The machine can be repaired by paying the usual automobile doctor's fee.

Sept. 24, 1931
A state exchange tells of a man in a county west of here who needs employment, but who announces that he will not work for less than 40 cents an hour nor more than eight hours a day. If these terms are not met, "the county could take care of him and his family during the winter." It is probably all right to take care of this man's family, but if the county commissioners are wise, they will see to it that the head of the household hustles his own grub or goes hungry.

First and Second Grade Notes
Phyllis Noe and Robert Irvin were absent from school last week. Those having 100% in arithmetic last week were **Vernon Bensley, Irene Blue and Donald Miller**. Those having 100% in spelling last week were **Robert Irvin and Phyllis Noe**. Helpers this week are **Phyllis Redl, Donald Miller, Hallie June Bishop and Mac Richards**. We are having a contest in second grade arithmetic, and everyone is working hard to win the prize.

Sept. 25, 1941
Two accidents occurred here recently. **Billy Aughenbaugh** had the misfortune to be kicked by a cow in such a way as to crack a bone and chip a piece from it. He will have it in a cast for at least a month. **Mrs. Clarence Davis** got her left arm caught in the washing machine wringer, injuring it almost to the elbow quite seriously. She is also under a doctor's care.

With plans under way for the annual Irokota Day, the classes met on Tuesday to elect king and queen candidates. There will be a kittenball game in the afternoon and a program and dance in the evening. The candidates are: Freshmen – **Betty Miller and Keith Legg**; Sophomores – **Marian Townsley and Dean Moeller**; Juniors – **Georgia Wiedenman and Dayton Vetterman** and Seniors – **Mary Alice Christopherson and Don Moeller**.



Officers selected for FCCLA

The FCCLA selected officers for the 2021-2022 school year. Front is Kasey Burmeister - President, middle left, Sarah Nelson-Secretary/Treasurer, Lily Blue-VP of Public Relations/Historian and Paige Wagner-Vice President. Back left, Skyler Rhoten-VP of Membership, Lexi Burma-VP of Community Service and Kali Burma-VP of National Programs. The officers are under the guidance of adviser Vicki Dant. (Submitted photo)

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Homecoming royalty
Queen Katie Dubro and King Montana Sprong were selected on Sept. 17, 2021, and will reign over the Homecoming activities at Iroquois High School. (Submitted photo)



Hunger Action Month

September is Hunger Action Month - a time when Feeding South Dakota and the community come together to raise awareness about hunger. Iroquois HOSA took part in Hunger Action Day at Feeding South Dakota in Sioux Falls. HOSA members filled over 1,500 bags with nutritious food for the Backpack Program. Helping in Sioux Falls were Co-Advisor Scott Beehler, Thackary Hansen, Kaylee Morehead, Lexi Burma, Lily Blue, Ashlyn Wipf, Advisor Daphne Moeller, Shay Conyers, Jozlyn Cottingham, Skyla Harris, Zoei Ellman-Schmidt and Chenoa Harris. (Submitted photo)

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24: Taco Salad w/ Protein & Vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: Hawaiian Chicken Salad, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: Tater Tot Hotdish w/ Vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: Hot Dog on Bun, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Fruit

School Lunch

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23: Softshell Taco, Lettuce, Cheese, Tropical Fruit, Birthday Cake

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24: Hotdog on Bun, Tater Tots, Apple

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: Hamburger Noodle Hotdish, Broccoli, Peach Slices, Bread

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: Mini Corndogs, Mac and Cheese, Veggies, Melon Mix

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: BBQ on Bun, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges

HOMECOMING



De Smet's Homecoming candidates

The 2021 DHS Homecoming Court includes candidates Riley Myers, left, Katelyn Halverson, Kennadi Buchholz, Camryn Schmidt, Kalen Garry, Rett Osthus, Cody Aughenbaugh and Colt Wilkinson. Coronation will be Thurs., Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. The Homecoming game puts the Kimball/White Lake WiLdKats challenging the De Smet Bulldogs at Wilkinson Field, Fri., Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. (Bulldog Bark Staff)

NEWS BRIEF

All Kids Bike fundraiser

LIW Elementary is seeking support for a complete Kindergarten PE Program, including a fleet of Strider AKB-Specific Bikes, helmets, pedals conversion kits, a Strider 20" bike for teacher instruction and curriculum.

The De Smet Wellness Coalition is providing 100% MATCH up to \$1,500 for all donations received by the end of day Oct. 10.

To donate, <https://support.allkidsbike.org/laura-ingalls-wild-e-elementary-school>.

De Smet Early Childhood Screenings

The De Smet Elementary School will be holding early childhood developmental screenings for children living in the De Smet School District. This screening will take place on Wednesday, September 29th at the De Smet Event Center.

Children aged Birth - 4 are eligible to be screened for hearing, cognitive ability, physical growth, fine and gross motor skills. All children NOT currently enrolled in the De Smet Preschool Program are asked to attend.

Please contact Traci Schoenfelder at LIW Elementary School 854-3963 prior to Friday, September 24th, if you would like your child screened.



POST OFFICE

Bartlett named De Smet postmaster

Goals include making someone's day easier

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

Cheryl Bartlett took over her new duties recently as De Smet's postmaster. One of her goals for her new position is to make changes that make someone's day a little easier. She says she may not be able to do it every day, but that is one of her goals.

Bartlett grew up in the central part of South Dakota. Homesteads of her mom and dad's family recently celebrated their Centennial Ranches in 2018 and 2019. She attended Black Hills State University and earned a bachelor's degree in business and a minor in psychology. She has one child, Kevin, who was very active in sports while attending school and also enjoyed volunteering as a Page and Intern for the South Dakota Legislature.

She is currently a Second Lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol in South Dakota. Bartlett does monthly training in search and rescues. She is also just ten hours away from obtaining her pilot's license.

She enjoys doing a little stained glass as a hobby and says her grandkids are her biggest interest in her life right now. They live in Montrose.



Cheryl Bartlett

Before Bartlett worked at the Post Office, she spent thirty years in the restaurant industry in different capacities. She was a training director for a company with over five thousand employees and moved on to be the training director of a national franchise. She was also a district manager.

After thirty years of working, she decided to retire and then helped her mom on their ranches.

In December of 2011, Bartlett started her career with the United States Postal Service. She started out as a PMR. A PMR is a non-carrier, relief personnel. She covered openings at different post offices around the area. She eventually worked her way up to a Postal Support Employee (PSE). In this position, she could cover for positions up to postmaster. She also spent a year and a half working as a customer representative working with one hundred and thirty national and international business accounts.

Barlett left that to become the postmaster in De Smet. She describes De Smet as a "very nice town." Growing up on a homestead/ranch, she is familiar with "going to town." She

feels De Smet's people have been very gracious toward her, and she feels the town has many economic advantages.

She sees herself as a supervisor similar to a three legged-stool. One leg is your customers, the second leg would be the team you work with or the employees. The third and final leg is the company you work for.

"If one of those legs is leaning or shortened in one way or manner, then something else is taking consequences for that," said Bartlett. "You can't please everybody, but you do have to follow the rules and keep people safe. That three-legged stool has to be balanced every day."

Bartlett doesn't plan on any changes as far as hours of operation, and services will stay about the same. The De Smet office is working on trying to update the office's mailboxes and the rural route mailboxes and also updating the contact information on all the accounts. Updating the information will mean the mail is sorted faster and will give the local customers better service.

The new postmaster considers herself fortunate to be here in a great community. Even though there are changes, she doesn't see the changes as being bad, just different.

One of Bartlett's favorite statements is "We are not guaranteed tomorrow, so we can only do with what we have today."

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DAYS GONE BY

1946: Chick-free brooder house makes comfortable home for local bachelor

10 YEARS AGO

September 21, 2011

Eric Schoenfelder was crowned the 2011 homecoming king, and **Mary Berg** was crowned the 2011 homecoming queen during the coronation ceremony at the De Smet High School Monday night. First-grader **Griffin Clubb** was one of the crown bearers. The De Smet-Iroquois Eagles will compete against the Elkton-Lake Benton Elks in their homecoming game Sept. 23 at Purrington Field.

25 YEARS AGO

September 25, 1996

The Little Gallery on the Prairie held a ribbon cutting and got its first dollar of profit Sept. 21 from the De Smet Area Chamber of Commerce. The ribbon cutting was held during the gallery's open house. They brought in artists to display works on the street during the event. Attending the ribbon cutting were **Sandra Leddy**, gallery associate, **Randy Bohn** and **Barb Bubnitz** of the chamber, **Janet Carroll** and **Lelia Guilbert**, gallery associates, **Ben Widman** of the chamber, the **Rev. Marjie Brewton** and chamber president **Patti Ward**.

50 YEARS AGO

September 23, 1971

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn on the **Ronald Kaiser** farm southeast of De Smet early Friday morning. The equipment of the De Smet Fencing Company, owned by **Ed Fetzer**, father of **Mrs. Kaiser**, was housed there, and all of it was lost in the fire. De Smet firemen responded to the call, but the building could not be saved. Mr. Fetzer has rented the 206 Service Building in De Smet for his fencing operation.

The United Methodist Church of De Smet is having dedication services at 10:30 Sunday, when they will be celebrating the complete payment of their building program, which began in 1965. There will be a potluck dinner followed by a short program with guest speakers and former pastors present.

75 YEARS AGO

September 19, 1946

The northwest corner of De Smet is being built up in the housing shortage, with several new houses under way and planned and improvements of others. It is in Ely's addition north of the railroad that the housing is being increased with **Melvin Sorenson** having built a new home at the corner of Front Street and Second Avenue, and **Leonard Brown** moving in a house and extensively remodeling it, to be the farthest house west on the south side of Chase Street. **Millard Brown** is helping his son with the work. The home has a large basement and will have six rooms. Next door to the Brown house, **Willard Brusse** has



FIFTY YEARS AGO: **Bergie Belzer** and **Marv McCune**, seniors at De Smet High School, were crowned Homecoming Royalty Thursday evening.

a recent addition to the small house he bought some months ago. Using concrete blocks, he extended the house to the west. The Sorensons are now living in their new home, a well-proportioned and attractive one-story residence. Finishing of the interior is not yet done. Excavation started this week for another house on Chase Street. **Ross Minier**, having bought a lot from **Frank Brandner** east of his home, is to start with a basement house. **Carson Berg** has a new bachelor home in a brooder house on the south side of Front Street at Third Avenue. Extension of housing in Ely's addition started during the war years with the remodeling of the **Walter Still** home. Mrs. Still is undertaking it in the absence of her husband, who is overseas. Her father came from their farm near Carthage to do the carpenter work, and this old long-empty residence was made into a beautiful home.

100 YEARS AGO,
September 23, 1921

The delegation from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kingsbury County at the state fair brought home the state championship in stock judging and a number of other honors. There were 27 girls and boys representing the county. They had 21 exhibits of pigs, three of sewing, four of canning and five teams in judging. Names in the report were **Stephen Jones**, **Rudolph Hendricks**, **Russel Smith**, **Elmer Pilant**, **Helen Hodges** and **Alice Apland**.

The county commissioners and the state highway commission met here Wednesday and opened the bids for construction of the highway between De Smet and Iroquois. The contract awarded was on a bid of \$25,000. The road is the Black & Yellow Trail and includes the change in the road to be made between the present crossing four miles west and Manchester.

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Don't forget to think local when asked to give

I HAVE BEEN RECEIVING a great deal of mail recently from non-profit organizations asking for annual contributions, and I imagine this is happening to all of you. While many of these are very worthy, please think of the following points before you bring out your checkbook.

There are many needy local organizations that do tremendous things for our community who do not have the means to send out glossy brochures to ask for your funds. These are often the neediest and do the most work for our community. Even though you do not receive a request from them, it does not mean that they do not need contributions to help them continue with their efforts. Any size donation has a huge impact on their work and means so much more than what it might mean to a larger non-profit.

Local organizations do not have paid staff. They are run by volunteers who give their time and energy without compensation. These are your



LOOKING FORWARD
RITA ANDERSON

friends and hard-working volunteers who put in countless hours and do not have time or funds to put together an expensive fund-raising campaign. Plus, most volunteers hate to ask for money or help from anyone, even their friends and neighbors.

Check to see how much of your donation actually goes to the mission of the organization or the project to which you are donating. Many large non-profits automatically take a sub-

stantial administrative fee, and little of your donation goes to the work of the organization. You might be surprised how much of your contribution goes to salaries or to an agency that is paid a great deal of money to do the fund-raising campaign.

Some non-profit organizations from outside the area list your community with projects that they are helping, but usually little of your donation comes back to your community. Give a call to the group before you donate and ask where your donation will be spent and how much goes to administrative fees.

Be aware of phone requests. I often receive phone calls from a very nice-speaking person who asks me to donate to a fire department or police/sheriff's department organization. When I ask questions about whether this goes to our local fire or sheriff's departments, they state that they are a national organization or in other words, "No, it is not going locally." Another question

I like to ask is, "How much of my donation is going to administrative fees?" That usually stops them, and they hang up. Or ask, "Are you getting paid for your work calling me? Is my donation going to pay you to call me and take my time to talk to you?" They usually hang up with these questions, also.

All of our local businesses are very generous but are asked often for donations, so please do your part to help locally, also. Surprise your favorite local organization with a check today. Think of how much that will mean to them ... and it will all stay local!! Think of the needs for your local community.

Our De Smet Community Guide lists many of our local non-profit organizations. Please call me, (605) 203-0216, if you have questions about needy organizations. Now is the time to think about our year-end contributions. We all want them to go to where it will do the most good for our community.



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Another early morning storm through Kingsbury
You probably heard the thunder roll early Friday morning. Another one of South Dakota’s early morning storms decided to take down a couple more trees. Above, Ron Deethardt’s house was the victim in De Smet. Below, a stop sign was torn down after a tree fell right by Highway 14. (Photos by Caryn Hojer and Dar DeKnikker)



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A Recap of the 2021 Homecoming Festivities - “Superheros!”



During the Homecoming parade, the LPHS Band performed for the first ime during the 20-21 school year,



The 6th Grade Class participated in their first homecoming float last Friday.



The Senior Class of '22 spent the morning preparing their float for the parade on Friday.

By: Ava Malone
Homecoming was here and gone in a flash! On Monday, the 6-12 graders dressed up for class color day. The Junior class won with the color gray. Later that night, Coronation took place at 7 o'clock. Chris Tvinnereim and Jocelyn Stefensen were crowned King and Queen. The 1st grade attendants were Weston Eichler and Harper Hill. The Junior class won the skit with the “The Bulldog Pound Down.”
Tuesday’s dress up day was mathlete vs athlete. Wednesday’s

dress up day was twin/ group day. On Wednesday, the student council surprised the students and staff with root-beer floats following lunch! Thursday’s dress up day was rapper vs. rockstar. To finish out the week’s dress up days, Friday was spirit day! For the parade on Friday, the Juniors won 1st place with their “Spiderman” themed float.
At the game against the DeS-met Bulldogs on Friday night, the Badgers took a hard loss, 0-62. The LPHS 9-12 students ended their evening with a pizza social in the auxiliary gym from 9-11.



The Junior Class Won the float competition against the 6-12th grades.



Annika Nelson goes for an overpass kill against Flandreau during the LP Tournament last Saturday.

A look into the week ahead...

- Monday, Sept. 27th
- JH/JV Football, Hamlin @ Arlington; 4:00
 - Volleyball @ Wolsey; 6:15
- Tuesday, Sept. 28th
- XC @ Sioux Valley; 4:30
 - Volleyball @ GPL; 6:00
- Wednesday, Sept. 29th
- XC @ Colman Egan; 1:00
- Thursday, Sept. 30th
- Volleyball @ DRSM; 6:00
 - Oral Interp DVC @ Arlington
- Friday, Oct. 1st
- FB @ Castlewood; 7:00
- Saturday, Oct. 2nd
- Oral Interp @ Florence; 9:00

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Juniors: Gretta Larson, Ava Malone, Janelle Rhodes, Stella Deknikker
Sophomores: Patrick Poppen, Amelia Greene, Savanna Perkins
Freshmen: Trinity Pirlet
8th Grade: Lucas Unruh, Hadlee Holt, Lorick Pirlet

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- Ben Franklin

Lake Preston

HOMECOMING 2021



Good weather makes for fun parade

The parade on Friday afternoon was met with some beautiful South Dakota weather, making it a great time for the marching band, class floats, slogans, businesses and spectators to enjoy the annual parade. Above, Brian Zeeck and son, Loyal, along with driver, Josh Buer, wave to the crowd in the fire truck. Below left, Doug and Tonya Bumann served as Grand Marshals this year. Below right, Veda Casper enjoyed gathering up lots of candy being thrown to her. (Photos by Kristi Curd)



Missy Olson, above left, Queen Jocelyn Steffensen and King Chris Twinnereim. Below, the marching band, the Lake Preston Museum and the kindergarteners all participate in the Homecoming festivities. (Photos by Kristi Curd)



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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: Tater Tot Hotdish, Vegetable, Mandarin Oranges, Bread

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: Pizza, Tossed Salad, Fruit

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: Hamburger on Bun, Potato Salad, Vegetable, Fruit

School Lunch

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23: Grilled Chicken on Bun, Baked Beans, Applesauce

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24: Chicken Noodle Hotdish, Carrots, Pineapple

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: Super Nachos, Corn, Diced Peaches, Churro

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28: Hamburger on Bun, Broccoli, Diced Pears

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NEWS BRIEFS

Fall clean-up scheduled

Dumpsters will be set up behind City Hall from Oct. 1-12. Chamber/City will not be offering alley pickup. If elderly need help, call the City Hall. Items not allowed in are tires, appliances bigger than a microwave, hazardous household materials, batteries and ashes.



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CITY COUNCIL

Clearing way for cannabis

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

In unanimous roll call votes, the Lake Preston City Council passed two ordinances that established the requirements for the distribution of cannabis within city limits. Cannabis Ordinance 447-21; Chapter 17 set a \$5000 price for a license to dispense cannabis. Cannabis Zoning Ordinance 448-21 established the zoning requirements for such an establishment. Only one such license will be available in Lake Preston.

In other new business, the council approved the 2022 budget as well as the purchase of a split heating/cooling unit for City Hall.

A request was made to remove a street light, but the council agreed to keep the light where it is and replace the current bulbs with LED bulbs.

In employee concerns, Brian Zeeck reported that the inspection of the rubble site went well other than some recyclables outside the pit. Mayor Wienk stated that fines should be sent for first offense of those who dump illegally, noting that permitted items are clearly listed at the entrance. The council will look into options to have the site open more consistently.

Zeeck found a leak at the fire hall and will get it fixed.

Doug Bumann and Zeeck will replace the fire hydrant near the Lutheran Church and create a berm near the museum to manage rainwater.

Again, Zecek asked that residents not mow clippings onto the roadways. Not only are the clippings a risk for motorcycles, they create problems for the sewer system.

Brenda Klug brought up advertising in Glacial Lakes Magazine. The council agreed to continue to run an ad in the magazine.

In old business, the council set the dates for Fall Clean-Up. Dumpsters will be behind City Hall from Oct. 1 - 12.

The council discussed joining a league for youth softball and baseball. There are pros and cons. There will be a need for community involvement for jobs such as umpiring.

Work continues on the campground. Ottertail is creating a power loop. Rain has caused delays.

Tim Austin recently did another round of nuisance property inspections. Councilwoman Donna Bumann asked if any fines had been given out. Klug will look into that. Several council members agreed that they could see improvements, while Councilman Gary Buer noted that he didn't.

Councilman Brian Verhey asked about who is responsible for mowing at the former 21st Century building. Zeek said that Prairie Ag is taking care of mowing and it was mowed only a few days before the meeting.

Mayor Wienk asked for details about the infrastructure grant as he has meetings soon with developers.

The council went into executive session. They voted to raise the hourly pay for Marla Bertsch to \$11 when she works for the library. The council also agreed to hire Mike Jenkins at \$11/hr for part-time work. Buer abstained.

Lake Preston

LOOKING BACK

1946: Skills and concentration needed to be safe driver

10 YEARS AGO

September 21, 2011

Arnold Wienk was selected as a 2011 Eminent Farmer (Rancher) by the SD Board of Regents and SDSU Colleges of Ag, Biological Sciences and Family Consumer Sciences. Wienk joins other South Dakotans as they will be honored for their contributions in leadership and service to their community on the local, state and national level. Doing what he can to benefit the people and products of the beef industry has been his mantra throughout his 53-year career as a registered Charolais seedstock producer.

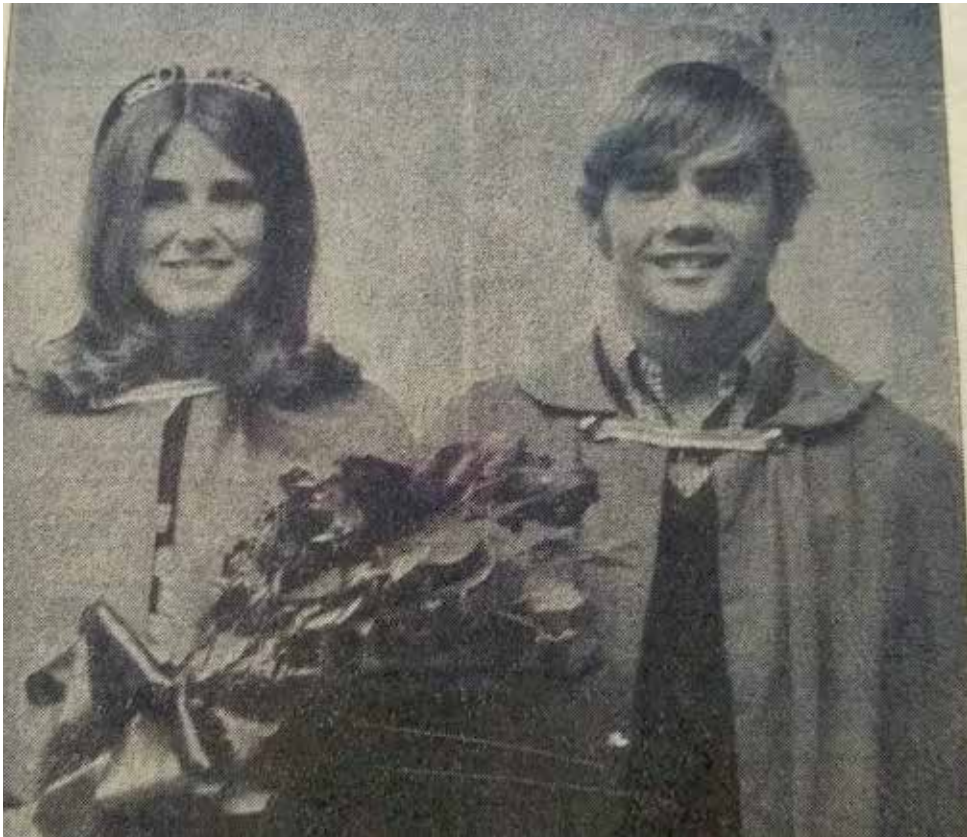
The 2011 homecoming candidates have been selected by the LPHS students. They are **Brooke Virchow, Kimberly Cleveland, Kelli Garry, Rustin Janssen, Calder Eschenbaum and Trevor Tande**. The coronation will be held on Sept. 27.

25 YEARS AGO

September 26, 1996

Justin Vincent and Jackie Stewart were selected homecoming king and queen by LPHS students. Justin is the son of **John and Marlys Vincent**, and Jackie is the daughter of **Jeff and Linda Stewart**. Attendants were juniors **John Blachford and Robin Nelson**, sophomores **Matt Sowden and Kelly Leonhardt** and freshmen **Mark Jensen and Amber Boyd**. The first graders were **Sammy Vedvei and Stacy Olson**. The homecoming parade marshals were **Vernie and Milton Swenson**.

A large billboard promoting beef as our "steak in the future" was the first of its kind in South Dakota and



FIFTY YEARS AGO: Chuck Wolkow and Ilene Baumberger are this year's homecoming king and queen. There were many beautiful, humorous and original floats featured in the parade.

was dedicated on Monday by the Kingsbury County Cattleman's Association. The local and state organizations shared the cost of erecting the sign which was manufactured by Lyle Signs, Inc. of De Smet. This sign sits on the west side of Highway 14, one mile south of De Smet.

Randy Odegaard is the winner of the Norwest Bank drawing for an Alaskan Iditarod Getaway. Odegaard

and his wife **Glenda** will receive a 5-day trip to Anchorage for the start of the race in March.

50 YEARS AGO

September 23, 1971

A new bakery will begin operations in Lake Preston this Saturday as advertised by **Dwaine Nelson and Gene Einerwold**, proprietors. The new establishment to be known as Denree Bakery will occupy the building next door north of the Preston Cafe. The building has been remodeled and redecorated and equipped with oven and allied equipment needed for a full line of bakery products. A formal grand opening will be held at a later date.

The brand new 1972 models of Chevrolets and Fords are on display at local car dealers. Ford announced they are selling the new '72 models at frozen '71 prices. Hedberg Ford will have the "Seventy-two Auto Show" on Friday and Saturday Sept. 24-25 with registration for door prizes, coffee and donuts, plus gifts for men and women.

75 YEARS AGO

September 19, 1946

A family reunion and second wedding anniversary was held at the **John Field** home in honor of **Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Field** of Seattle, WA. Several guests welcomed the visitors as it was Ralph's first visit here in six years, three of which were spent in service.

George T. Mikelson, candidate for governor, was the featured speaker at the commercial club meeting and supper last Thursday evening. Mr. Mikelson gave a short but interesting talk which was very much enjoyed by all present.

Traffic deaths continue to rise with a 69% increase over the reports from August 1945. People need to take into consideration the skills and concentration needed to be a safe driver.

100 YEARS AGO

September 22, 1921

At 5 a.m., the fire alarm sounded - as soon as people reached the open, the fire could be seen on the west side of Lake Street with flames shooting high in the sky. The fire started in the Preston Cafe by an explosion of the coffee urn. **Mrs. Reddicliffe** went down and lit the burner, then went to the kitchen to start the fire in the range. Soon the front part of the cafe was in flames. The fire spread to the **J.F. Goggins** drug store and the apartment above the cafe and the cafe itself. It was so intense that it cracked the windows on the Fraternal Hall and **Wm Harris** garage across the street.

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You are hereby summoned and required to answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action which is here with served upon you and will be filed in the Office of the clerk of the above-entitled Court, in the City of De Smet, County of Kingsbury, State of South Dakota, and to serve a copy of your Answer to the said Complaint on the subscriber at her office, the address of which is 103 Joliet Ave. SE, P.O. Box 29, De Smet, South Dakota 57231, within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and in case of your failure to answer the said Complaint within that time, judgement by default may be rendered against you as requested in the Complaint.

Dated at De Smet, South Dakota, this 30th day of July, 2021.

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**REGULAR MEETING
DE SMET COMMON COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 8, 2021**

The De Smet Common Council met in regular session on September 8, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., with the following present: Council members Cole Munger, Bret Jensen, Pam Spader, Lowell Hansen, George Cavanaugh, Shon Asleson, Mayor Gary Wolkow, Finance Officer Tracey Larson, and City Attorney Todd Wilkinson. Absent: none.

Mayor Wolkow called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The meeting was started with the council and those from the public reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUCEMENTS: none.

MINUTES: Motion was made by Spader, seconded by Hansen, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2021 Regular Meeting, all voting aye, motion carried.

CLAIMS: Motion by Asleson, seconded by Spader, to approve payment of the claims as presented, all voting aye, motion carried. The claims are as follows: PAYROLL \$42,059.58; OASI Benefit 3,217.57; Aflac, ins. premium 275.00; Dearborn National, life insurance 140.80; Delta Dental

of South Dakota 368.40; VSP 190.96; The Health Pool of SD, health insurance premium 8,007.59; SDRS, retirement benefit 4,161.24; Ace’s Door Co., Inc., garage door openers 2,968.62; Avera Occupational Medicine, drug testing 71.00; Avid Hawk LLC, monthly web site fee 35.00; Becky Jensen, event center deposit refund 455.00; Better Homes & Gardens, magazine renewal 28.00; Center Point Large Print, supplies 29.21; Century Link, utilities 67.09; City of De Smet, supplies 19.24; Connecting Point, supplies, repairs & maintenance 55.00; Cook’s Wastepaper & Recycling, city garbage collection 264.25; Cook’s Wastepaper & Recycling, residential garbage collection 6,570.08; Cowboy Country Store, fuel 12.15; Dakota Portable Toilets, Inc., repairs & maintenance 225.00; Dakota Pump & Control, repairs & maintenance 430.00; De Smet Development Corp., website contributions & second half contribution 21,500.00; De Smet Flowers, supplies 40.00; De Smet Trustworthy Hardware, supplies 288.43; De Smet Welding & Machine, repairs & maintenance 135.12; Demco, supplies 309.61; Department of Health, water & pool labs 299.00; Dustin Sik, event center deposit refund 325.00; Farmers Brothers, supplies 317.80; Grant and Williams, Inc., audit fees 34,590.00; Hawkins, Inc., chemicals 2,378.75; Innovative Office Solutions, supplies 1,231.48; Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, repairs & maintenance 146.05; Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, repairs & maintenance 220.00; Kingsbury County Auditor, law enforcement contract 6,283.33; Kingsbury Electric Cooperative utilities 154.50; Kingsbury Journal, library publishing 42.00; Kingsbury Journal, publishing 340.86; Madison Ave. Dance, event center deposit refund 280.00; Maurine Lembke meter deposit refund 75.00; Maynard’s, pool supplies 191.05; MC & R Pools, Inc. repairs & maintenance 5,500.00; Micro Marketing LLC, supplies 477.91; O’Keefe Implement, Inc., repairs & maintenance 13.42; Office Peeps, Inc., library supplies 46.00; Office Peeps, Inc., supplies 237.16; Ottertail, utilities 6,115.26; Postmaster, supplies 200.00; Reader Service, books 36.66; Reed, Inc., debt service payment 690.58; Rich’s Gas & Service, fuel, supplies, repairs & maintenance 440.94; Safety Benefits, Inc., travel & conference 65.00; SD Dept. of Revenue, recreation sales tax 522.34; SD Dept. of Revenue, sanitation sales tax 447.92; SD Municipal League Conference, conference fees 200.00; Share Corp, chemicals & supplies 2,811.87; Smith’s Lumber, supplies,76.47; Tara Schwader, event center deposit refund 50.00; The Main Stop, fuel 918.30; Tristin Gruenhagen, event center deposit refund 50.00; Valley Fibercom, utilities 494.62; Visa, utilities & supplies 1,091.70; Zane Curry, water meter deposit refund 125.00; Northwestern, utilities 111.64; Helms & Associates, turnaround project 1,734.12; IMEG, water project 787.50; Winter Contracting, LLC, water looping project 30,235.21.

BUILDING PERMITS: Motion was made by Asleson, seconded by Jensen, to approve the building permit application submitted by Greg Hiles for a new structure, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion was made by Jensen, seconded by Asleson, to approve the building permit application submitted by Avera De Smet Hospital for a 20 x 20 concrete patio with railing, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion was made by Jensen, seconded by Munger, to approve the building permit application submitted by Chad Kruse for two attached garages and concrete patio, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion was made by Jensen, seconded by Cavanaugh, to approve the building permit application submitted by Mike Martens for a chain link and wood fence, all voting aye, motion carried.

SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE: Five requests for special liquor licenses have been requested as follows: De Smet Volunteer Fire Department has requested a special liquor licenses for three events to be held at the De Smet Event Center on September 25, 2021 from 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM, October 2, 2021 from 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM, and on October 9, 2021 from 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM; Fields Fish and Game, LLC (David Fields) has requested a special liquor license for an event to be held on October 23, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 AM in the parking lot of Fields Fish and Game and Oxbow Restaurant; and Klinkel’s III Bar (LuAnn Klinkel) for an event to be held on October 30, 2021 from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM at the Event Center. Motion was made by Asleson, seconded by Spader, to approve the three special liquor licenses for the De Smet Volunteer Fire Department for events to be held at the De Smet Event Center on September 25, 2021 from 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM, October 2, 2021 from 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM, and on October 9, 2021 from 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM, Fields Fish and Game, LLC (David Fields) for an event to be held on October 23, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 AM in the parking lot of Fields Fish and Game and Oxbow Restaurant, and Klinkel’s III Bar (LuAnn Klinkel) for an event on October 30, 2021 from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM at the Event Center, all voting aye, motion carried.

WATER & WASTEWATER DEVELOPMENT: At the August 8, 2021 regular council meeting, the council was asked about replacing water and wastewater service lines to an existing residence that currently runs through another residence, extending the water and wastewater mains on Brewster Street, and extending utility services to a new residential structure on Ingalls Avenue. The resident inquiring about replacing the water and wastewater service lines was not present for the meeting. Shane Waterman, Engineer for IMEG had been contacted in regard to expanding the water and wastewater mains for a cost estimate. The cost estimate to extend the water main and wastewater main from HWY 25 to Sherwood Ave. was \$110,000.00. Extending the two mains an addition block from Sherwood Ave. to Ingalls Ave. would be an additional \$65,000.00. Installation of water and wastewater mains from Front Street to Brewster Street were estimated to cost \$65,000.00. Water & Wastewater Supt. Stoddard has also contacted a contractor for an estimate to extend the two mains and is waiting for the estimate. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Hansen, to approve extending the water and wastewater service lines from the water and wastewater main on Front Street to a new residential structure and agreed to split the cost with the residence and require the completion of a utility easement, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion was made by Munger, seconded by Asleson, to table extending the water and wastewater mains on Brewster until other estimates are received, all voting aye, motion carried.

ICE RINK: Kristy Hubbard, represent-

ing the Wellness Coalition, met with the council to discuss installing an ice-skating rink on the small baseball field. The Wellness Coalition would purchase the liner and fill the rink. Questions were asked from the council regarding who would inspect and keep the rink cleared of snow. Motion was made by Asleson, seconded by Jensen, to table discussion on the ice rink until the October 13, 2021 Regular Meeting and a survey can be completed on the interest and usage of an ice rink, all voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none.

WATER LOOPING PROJECT/MAIN STREET: Shane Waterman, Engineer with IMEG reported that Winter Contracting completed the water main installation in June, and asphalt repairs on the streets were completed in August. Final quantities are still being reviewed before the final pay request will be submitted for approval. Survey and video work will start for the Main Street Project will be done before the winter season. Meetings will be scheduled with business owners and the public after the survey and video work is completed. Waterman is working with the Water and Street Department Superintendents for a five-year plan to prioritize repair and development needs.

DE SMET DEVELOPMENT COORIDNATORS REPORT: Rita Anderson, De Smet Development Coordinator reported that a committee has been working on a Hwy 14 trails project that would start at the Cowboy in De Smet and go to Lake Thompson at some point. Anderson also stated that the committee had met with the Kingsbury County Commissioners about funding toward the project and asked about a city contribution and agreement to maintain the trail.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to go into executive session at 6:39 PM to discuss negotiations and contracts, all voting aye. Mayor Gary Wolkow declared the council out of executive session at 7:18 PM.

SECOND READING TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE: Motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Cavanaugh, to approve the second reading to adopt Ordinance No. VII-28 International Property Maintenance Code of the City of De Smet, all voting aye, motion carried. Ordinance No. VII-28

An Ordinance adopting the International Property maintenance Code as published by the International Code Council 2018 edition as amended by the City Council.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of De Smet that the International Property maintenance Code 2018 edition as amended by the City of De Smet shall be adopted by the City of De Smet, South Dakota.

City of De Smet Mayor – Gary Wolkow
Finance Officer – Tracey Larson

First Reading: July 14, 2021
Second Reading: September 8, 2021
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FIRST READING FOR LICENSING OF MEDICAL CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS: Discussion was held by the council determining the license fee, hours of operation, number of licenses allowed, and zon-

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ing placement of medical cannabis establishments. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to approve the first reading of Ordinance V-11, an ordinance creating licensing provisions for cannabis establishments within the City of De Smet, all voting aye, motion carried.

FIRST READING TO AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE VII-8 FOR CANNABIS DISPENSARY: Motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Cavanaugh, to approve the first reading to approve amending Zoning Ordinance V 11-8, Chapter 2.08, Section 2.08.01 Permitted uses, 16. Cannabis Dispensary (Subject to Chapter 4.23) & Chapter 4.16. Cannabis Dispensaries (requirements), all voting aye, motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Asleson, to approve the following members of the De Smet Volunteer Fire Department: Jake Anderson, Andy Alderman, Kyle Anderson, Mykel Anderson, Shon Asleson, Cory Beck, Mark Birkel, Rob Cleveland, Tom Crain, Matt Currier, Curt Eichacker, Ryan Griffith, Nick Henrich, Lane Hildebrant, Mark Hojer, Randal Holland, Dustin McCune, James Millman, Cole Munger, Tate Munger, Jim Pommer, Gordon Skyberg, Derek Sprang, Jason Springer, Jake Vincent, Daryn Warne, Kristopher Warne, Mikel Warne, Mickael Warner, and Shawn Wolkow, and Logan Griffith as a library volunteer, all voting aye, motion carried.

BUILDINGS/PARKS/POOL: Jason Springer, Supt. of the Buildings and Parks, presented estimates to purchase benches as budgeted for the small baseball field. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Munger, to approve purchasing two 15' single benches in the amount of \$1,274.00, all voting aye, motion carried. Supt. Springer also reported that the pool repairs to be done by MC&R Pools has been completed and he has a little cement work to do now, irrigation on the big baseball field is fixed, and tree removal and replacement in Washington Park. The council also discussed with Supt. Springer as to removing the sand volleyball court in Washington Park.

STREETS: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Asleson, to approve blocking a portion of Wilder Lane during home football games, all voting aye, motion carried.

PROJECT PAYMENTS: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Asleson, to approve pay request #12 in the amount of \$1,734.12 to Helms & Associates for the turnaround's project; pay request #9 in the amount of \$787.50 to IMEG for the water looping project; and pay request #4 in the amount of \$30,235.31 to Winter Contracting for the water looping project, all voted aye, motion carried. The airport project expenses will be reimbursed by 100% from grant funding.

2022 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to approve the first reading to approve Ordinance No. IV-222, all voting aye, motion carried.

SPECIAL MEETING: Motion was made by Spader, seconded by Jensen, to approve scheduling a special meeting on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 5:00 PM at the Event Center to work on the 2022 budget appropriation, all voting aye, motion carried.

CONFERENCES: Motion was made by Asleson, seconded by Munger, to approve Council person Pam Spader and Finance Officer Tracey Larson attending the SDML Annual Fall Conference in Spearfish on October 5th-8th, and Deputy Finance Officer Karen Hansen attending the Annual Safety Conference in Pierre on November 3rd & 4th, all voting aye, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Motion was made by Jensen, seconded Spader, to approve the August 2021 Cash Balances Report as presented by the Finance Officer, all voted aye, motion carried. Finance Officer Larson also reported that 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 audit reviews have been submitted to the State and waiting for approval.

OVERTIME: Motion by Spader, seconded by Cavanaugh to approve the overtime hours for the month of August as presented, all voted aye, motion carried.

OTHER: Other non-action items of discussion were as follows: 1) the August law enforcement report.

ADJOURN: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on motion by Hansen.

To comply with SDCL 6-1-10. Publication of Payroll information, the payroll changes were effective as follows: Jenny Todd, Assistant Librarian \$15.34/hour effective August 1, 2021.

Gary Wolkow, Mayor
ATTEST:
Tracey Larson, Finance Officer

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REGULAR MEETING OF LAKE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2021

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the Finance Office on Tuesday, September 14th, at 7 p.m. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Gary Buer, Joe Schnell, Brian Verhey. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, and Deb Miller from the Library.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wienk at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Schnell, seconded by Verhey to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Library- Deb Miller: Miller discussed several topics from the last 6 months, summer reading was a huge success. During the month of July Monique Hirschhorn provided sign language classes, which was also a huge success. September 23rd the carpet in the library will be cleaned. Bumann inquired about the harvest festival, Miller stated that she isn't going to do the pumpkin painting this year due to the new COVID outbreaks.

No public comments.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Verhey to approve the August 9th regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Tabled August 31st minutes, could not be approved.

No Committee Reports.

Water/Sewer/Street Report: Zeeck stated that DANR had been to the rubble site for an inspection, and the roof in the fire hall is leaking. Zeeck and Klug had been trying to get ahold of DOT about a few topics. Replacing a fire hydrant by the Lutheran church, the current one doesn't work at all. The hustler needs some work, but is it worth getting it fixed right before surplus-ing it. Austin Conrad is helping out this month- having him clean out storm drains and cleaning tractors. Discussed different ideas to help with the flooding issue at the museum. Wienk stated that there had been an issue at the rubble site, city guys opened it for residents at there leisure and it got abused. Discussed getting game cameras for the rubble site, if this happens again- this could be addressed immediately.

Finance Office Report: Klug explained the extra bill packets, miscellaneous expenses online or with the card- just so the council could see all of them. Klug stated that the ambulance notice had gotten in the paper, loan documents have been signed- filling the council in. Council decided to continue the Glacial Lakes membership for \$200 for 2022. Klug explained water deposit refunds, if there is no proof of a transaction then no refund. Klug plans to not attend the fall conference in October in Spearfish.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Buer to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A&B Business Inc. \$69.98, printer contract; Airgas \$61.56, amb.; Amazon \$587.44, library; Aron's Electric \$15,287.99, campground, lift station, etc.; AT&T \$98.80, phone/tablet; Avera Health Plan \$528.91, health insurance; Badger Oil \$4.18, badboy mower; Cooks Waste Paper & Recycling \$2,699.27, city trash/city dumper; Country \$15.00, mag. sub.; Country Living \$29.97, mag. sub.; Country Woman \$14.98, mag. sub.; Dakota pump \$707.40, lift station; David Hillestad \$40.00, 4 building permits; Deb Miller \$317.09, library supplies; Del Smith \$40.00, 4 building permits; DOR \$219.32, taxes; Full Throttle design \$80.00, payload decal; Hawkins \$1,258.47, pool/sewer; Henry Schein \$896.47, amb. supplies; HGTV \$39.97, mag. sub.; Hydro Klean \$1,190.00, lift station; Jerry Brown \$20.00, 2 building permits; Kingbrook Rural Water System \$10,821.25, purchased water; Kingsbury Journal \$206.25, publishing; Leroy Koch \$20.00, 2 building permits; Loren Trygstad \$40.00, 4 building permits; LP Auto \$277.14, lift station; LP Café \$47.35, pool pizza/summer help lunch; M&T Fire \$245.00 fire dept.; Maynard's \$43.90, pool/city/shop; MC&R Pool \$135.95, pool ladder; McMasters's Gravel \$321.10, 1" rock stockpile; Meierhenry Sargent LLP \$33,680.00, loan documents phase 1; Northwestern Energy \$89.42, natural gas; Office Peeps \$264.25, office supplies; SD One Call \$3.15, 811; Ottertail Power Co. \$3,186.72, electric; Popkes properties \$58.79, water deposit refund; Prairie Ag Partners \$3,210.33, amb./city/FD; Public Health Lab \$30.00, water testing; Runnings \$30.33, street supplies; Smith's Lumber \$505.80, campground/lift station/park; Steve Pietsch Estate \$23.94, water deposit refund; Valley Fibercom \$218.05, phones/internet. Kristi Curd \$750.00, softball 2021; LP Development Board \$1,331.25, housing study; Ryan Sauter \$750.00, baseball 2021; Amazon \$309.20, city supplies; Deluxe \$261.46, deposit

books, Execubanc \$55.20, bank fees; Mail bird \$62.84 email browser; USPS \$462.62, 2 months water bills/stamps; Walmart \$39.7, pool party supplies.

Motion by Verhey, seconded by McMasters to approve the financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business: Building Permits were reviewed.

Nuisance Properties: Klug stated that the code enforcer had just been in on Friday to do his next go around town, wasn't able to meet up with afterwards. Few questions need to be answered, Klug plans to make contact to get answers.

Campground Improvements: Briefly discussed the new lines and electric in the new campground area.

League Baseball: Council discussed the process of being in a league, Klug had made contact from a local league. Decided to hire coaches now and have them hired by December to be able to be ahead. Hopefully we can be a part of a league.

Fall Clean-up: Council discussed last years cleanup, decided to do October 1st-12th with 2 roll-offs from Cooks.

New Business: Street Light Removal: Wienk inquired if the light bulb situation, explained that we are getting all new street lights. Every street light is getting a new bulb, the resident didn't want a light shining into there house. Wienk explained to them that they could come to a council meeting to discuss the issue.

2022 Budget Ordinance 446-21: Motion by Schnell, seconded by McMasters to approve the second reading of the 2022 budget ordinance 446-2. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Cannabis Ordinance 447-21; Chapter 17: Motion by Verhey, seconded by McMasters to approve the first reading of the Cannabis Ordinance 447-21. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Cannabis Ordinance 448-21: Wienk stated that the location has to be 1000ft from the school, several residents had been inquiring. Motion by Schnell, second by Buer to approve the first reading of the Cannabis Ordinance 448-21. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

City Hall AC Unit: Two quotes were discussed, prices: King Brothers \$3,866 and Woods: \$2,908. Motion by Schnell, seconded by Gary to accept the quote from Woods. All in favor, motion carried.

Employee/Council Concerns: Bumann stated that he's getting ready for harvest. Klug stated that she wanted to thank Wienk for handle not very nice residents, the whole council stated if there's a problem, she can call any of them also. Bumann inquired if the council had gotten to see the housing study from the development board. Verhey inquired who is mowing at 21st century, either Prairie Ag or Development board. Wienk inquired about the ARPA funds for an upcoming meeting next week.

Motion by Buar, seconded by Bumann to go into executive for personal at 8:03pm.

Council came out of executive at

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8:14pm.

Motion by Verhey, seconded by McMaster to give Marla Bertsch a wage increase as the library fill-in, \$11 per hour. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Schnell, seconded by Verhey to hire Mike Jenkins part time/as needed at \$11 per hour for extra help. Buer abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Andy Wienk declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
Andy Wienk, Mayor

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
DE SMET SCHOOL
DISTRICT #38-2 MINUTES**

The School Board of the De Smet School District #38-2 of Kingsbury County, SD convened pursuant to due notice at 5:30 PM on September 13th, 2021 in the high school Library. Those in attendance were Pres. Shane Roth, Vice-Pres. Barb Asleson, Donita Garry, Jared Tolzin and Evan Buckmiller. Administrators present were Supt. Abi Van Regenmorter, Princ. Andy Armstead, and Bus. Mgr. Susan Purintun. Visitors were Mike Siefker of the Kingsbury Journal, and volleyball coach, Vicki Dylla.

Public Participation: There were no requests for public participation

Agenda item #6 was moved to allow Andrea Powell, Director of- NESC Director to introduce herself via “Zoom” conference call. Mrs. Powell became the new director of the NESC as of July 1st. A short synopsis of all the services that the NorthEast Service Cooperative provides to 25 rural schools was given. Member schools are able to provide services that may not be available but for the combining of the NESC resources to ensure every student’s needs are met. Mrs. Powell concluded that board members that have questions are free to reach out at any time.

Agenda: On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by Barb to adopt the presented agenda with addition to Consent Agenda item d. to add student C. All voting “aye”, motion carried.

Delegations: None

Conflict of Interest Disclosure: None

NESC Report: Barb Asleson reported business as usual for the NESC. Pay increases had been approved for non-certified, certified and long-term substitutes. NESC employees will continue to be considered essential workers. The administration has done an excellent job in filling para positions in center base locations.

Education Enhancement Foundation: There were no reports for the Education Enhancement Foundation.

Legislative Report. No report for this month.

Buildings and Facilities Report:. Supt. Abi noted that the committee had met prior to the board meeting. They are looking at options and while realizing the cost savings of an addition to the MS/HS building and utilizing shared spaces, there is the complexity of finding space for a safe playground area.

Castlerock Construction continues work of drainage issues on the north side of the Armory/Gym facility. Unfortunately, the last remaining tree had to be removed to install the tiling and remove any issues caused by tree roots.

Work on the bus garage repairs from fire damage is being finalized, now that the insurance settlements have been completed.

The bus that was used in the rebate program has been removed from the premises and paperwork submitted to the State for reimbursement.

MH/HS Principal Report Principal Armstead noted that the start of the school year has gone well. Staff participated in PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) training, technology training on Promethean panels and filter/management system call “GoGuardian” for student Chromebooks. Mrs. Jennifer Hojer and Mr. Brandon Vockrodt lead the training on the Promethean Panels and Mr. Armstead reviewed the “GoGuardian” capabilities.

The PBIS team has met several times and is currently working on the data collection system for behaviors. Administration and staff will be able to review and make data driven decisions about behaviors in classrooms and other areas of the school. The team is also working on a reward system. The method of rewards will help with starting behavior conversations and engaging with students.

Students are preparing for Homecoming celebrations next week. There will be a number of activities including an Olympic Game challenge, door decorating, float building, parade, coronation and the burning of the DS. Princ. Armstead noted that the coronation will be held on Thursday, September 23rd at 7:30 PM at the football field. The students and staff received a lot of positive feedback last year and the Student Council decided to revisit doing the same this year. The burning of the DS will take place following coronation in the west parking lot of the HS building. The parade will be on Friday at approximately 1:45 and will lead to the Pep Fest at the football field to be held at approximately 2:15. Kick-off for the football game with opponent Kimball/White Lake will be at 7 PM.

Elementary Principal Report: PBIS is also happening in the LIW with the elementary students. Students have PAW tickets that they redeem at the PTO Store for fun items provided by the LIW PTO organization. The kindergarten students were disappointed by the cancellation of this year’s trip to the Fair due to bad weather.

On September 29th, the District will be conducting the Early Childhood screening along with the assistance of the NESC at the Event Center.

On October 4th Parents and community members are invited to a presentation called “Ending the Silence” conducted by Mallory Kloucek from NAMI South Dakota. This presentation is for adults only. It will address the warning signs of mental health stress and how to help loved ones. On October 8, she will return to do an in-service with staff after an early dismissal.

Consent Agenda: On motion by D. Garry seconded by E. Buckmiller and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda including the

minutes from the regular meeting of August 9th, the financial report for the period of August 1st through August 31st, the bills for payment as presented (See attached listing); Approval of open enrollment application for Student A,B and C; Approval of signed employment agreement for Traci Schoenfelder for the All School Play @ \$2421 and Angela Ostrander, Culinary DDN @ \$880 per semester; Approval of KSB School Law Firm as additional legal counsel; approval of student teachers Samantha Leberg and William Riley.

GENERAL FUND: Revenue – Ad Valorem Tax 1004.38, Utility Taxes 14,955.44, Interest 93.37, Admissions 5896.00; Contributions and Donations \$1550.00; County Apportionment 458.21, State Aid 77,579.00, Disbursements – 57,051.29 August Payrolls 274,967.62
TOTAL GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE – 1,275,013.81

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: Revenue – Ad Valorem Tax 591.21, Interest 2.84; Other 2243.46
Disbursements – 81,494.21
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND CASH BALANCE – 1,246,450.84

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND: Revenue – Ad Valorem Tax 310.17, Interest 1.49, Medicaid Direct 128.69
Disbursements – 11,820.34; August Payroll 15,844.96
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND CASH BALANCE – 390,301.72

FOOD SERVICE FUND: Revenue – Other Sales 91.19, Federal Reimb 1376.16
Disbursements – August Payroll 1171.46
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND CASH BALANCE – 6569.41

ENTERPRISE FUND: Revenue – none
Disbursements – none
ENTERPRISE FUND CASH BALANCE – 4005.22

TRUST AND AGENCY FUND: Revenues –34,353.42
Disbursements – 50,662.21
TOTAL TRUST AND AGENCY FUND CASH BALANCE – 64,665.24

GENERAL FUND: ATC LLC, Asbestos Inspection 600; US Post Office, stamps 110; J. Penney, Reimb Elem Supp 38.38; SDSTE Dues&Fees 30 Maynards, Beef Class \$40.44; A. VanRegenmorter Comm Reimb 300; Wards Bakery Election Supp 29.50; A.Armstead Comm Reimb 300; D.Vanderwal Reimb Trav 133.03; Walker’s Flowers Memorial Supp 56; S. Purintun Comm Reimb 300; J.Stofferahn BckGrd Check Reimb 53.25; J. Stofferahn Reimb Art Supp 86.25; T.Holland Reimb Travel 55.02; M.Perry Reimb Trave 16; S. Purintun Reimb Travel 168.00; A.VanRegenmorter Reimb Travel 485.84; L. Holt Reimb Bckgr Check 53.25; R. Garry Reimb Bckgr.Check 53.25; A.Larry Reimb Bckgr Check 53.25; N. Muser Reimb Travel 116.37; T.Holland Reimb Travel 55.02; M.Birkel Reimb Coach Fees 72.10; SD Dep. Of Motor Vehicles Title Fees 5; M. Novak Reimb Coach Fees 190; P.Dockendort Off Ftbll/travel 256.04; G. Kludt Off Ftbll 125; J. Coler Off Ftbll 125; T. Soulek Off Ftbll 125; A. Streyle Off Ftbll 125; NE Stup Assoc Reg Fee 50; SDABO Reg Fees 175; J.Hojer Reimb Elem Curr/Supp 509.30; K.Vockrodt Reimb Music 159.95; LPHS Ftbll Jamb.Fee 125; B. Geyer Reimb Ath St. Supp 543.06; A.Ostrander Reimb ELL Tuition 210; B.Vockrodt Reimb Tuition 150; L.Kroger Reimb Ath Tr, SDSU Ftbll Event 80; Pitney Bowes Postage 301.56; Dept. of Motor Vehicles Title Fees 21.20; Terry

Holland Reimb filters 2580.60; Terry Holland Travel 128.94; Terry Holland Cust Supp 416.51; L.Nolte Travel SDSU Ticket 37.80; McCook Central CC Reg Fee 50; Deubrook HS CC Reg Fee 50; G.Krause VB Off/Trav 131.20; B. Ries VB Off 85; LPHS VB Tourn Fee 125; K.Vockrodt Music Dues/Fees 122; A.Armstead Reimb Coach Fees 70; A.Armstead Reimb PBIS Supp 87.86; A.Armstead Reimb HS Tech supp 177.37; A.Armstead Reimb MS Tech Supp 125.61; T Holland Reimb Cust Supp 238.85; Arlington HS SDHSAA State Wrest Reimb 140.26; A.Armstead Reimb Elem. Tech Supp 131.29; A.Armstead Reimb MS Tech Supp 131.29; A.Armstead Reimb Tech Supp 106.48; A.Armstead Reimb Tech Repair Supp 759.90; A. Armstead Reimb MS Supp 64.86; A.Armstead Reimb HS Supp 64.86; B. Geyer - Reimb Ftbll Supp 74.53; B.Geyer Reimb Coaches Dues 51.50; L. Nolte Reimb Praxis 155; Total Gen Adv. Fund 11,987.77; American Trust Insurance Cyber Insurance 1906.68; ASBSD Bd/Admin Reg Fee 555.00; ATS Phone/Intercom Maint 770; AutoOwners Insurance Vehicle/ Bus Insur additions 2742.35; Avid Hawk Tech Supp 45; Bunker Auto Bus Tow 560; Century Business Product 174.51; Chicago Cult Center Voc. Mus Supp 12; City of De Smet Bus Gar Utilities 47.43 Bldg Utilities 235.25 Total 282.68; Cooks Wastepaper/ Recyc, Utilities 1406.34; De Smet Food Serv Reimb Adult Meals 824; De Smet Welding Cust Repairs 120; Dustex Covid Clean Serv 459; Ecolab Service 850; Fix It Shop Locksmith Armory Vault Repair 225; Flaghouse Elem PE Supp 244.73; Foreman Bus Sales and Service Repairs 971.47; Fusion Communications 426.30; Hauff Mid America Sports 78.50; Heiman Fire Maint/Ansuls Inspect 1562.40; Hillyard Cust Supp 342.87; Houghton Mifflin Co Elem Wkbk 4 149.10; Impact Applications Concussion Testing Serv 444; Innovative Solutions Office Supp 265.89; Interstate All Battery Center 58.72; JW Pepper Instrumental Music 181.99; Johnny on the Sport - Port RR Maint 460; Kingsbury Elect Coop Repairs 1848.46, Communications 54.81; Kingsbury Journal Communications 438.16; KSB School Law Title IX Prof Fees 1969; Maynards Ath Supp 21.69 Science Supp 36.90 Total Supplies 58.59; McGraw Hill Elem Wkbks K 573.84; MidState Agronomy Cust Supp 43.30; Music K-8 Instr. Periodicals 152.45; NESC Gen Services 22.51; NW Pub Serv Bus Gar Utilities 18.43; LIW Bldg 10 MS/HS Bldg 267.68 Total 296.11; O’Keefe Implement Trans Repair/ Maint 509.81; Office Peeps HS Off Supp 21.49; Elem Supp 5 48.42 Elem Office 502.80; Office Peeps Copier Maint 82.73; Total 727.84; Otter Tail Power Bus Gar Utilities 15.85, Ath Fd Utilities 174.18, LIW Utilities 553.38; MS/HS Utilities 4382.67 Total 5126.08; Premier Equip Trans Repairs 360.33; ProTec Roofing Roof Repairs 275.51; Really Good Stuff Elm Supp K 8.99; Rich’s Gas N Serv Fuel 1230.74; School Nurse Supp First Aid Supp 192.06; School Specialty Supp Princ Supp 267.61 HS Math Supp 163.99, MS Supp 6 304.47 Total 736.07; SDSU Dept Athletics Field Rental 3000; Sherwin Williams Mitchell 63.81; Sherwin Williams Cust supp Huron 5.00; Smiths Lumber Cust Supp 169.80; Taylor Music Instrument Repair 105; Trustworthy Hardware Trnas Supp 22.50; Valley Fibercom Utilities 66.98; Warne’s Appliance Freezer Repair 486.97 AC Repairs 295 Total 781.97; WH Sadlier MS LA Wkbks 1237.95; TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES 48,783.97

CAPITAL OUTLAY: Adv.Fund - A.Armstead Ftbll Tech equip 227.80;
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C.Tangen Reimb Elem Lib Books 198.76; J. Moser Trailer down payment 300; R.Garry Reimb MS Software 69.99; A. Van Regenmorter Read. Assessment Software 463.28 Total 1259.83; B. Chavez 2006 Chrysler Pacifica 1000; Harv's Drilling LLC Kitch Improve/Sensors/faucets 891.48; Mammoth Sports Construction Track Surface Repair 3500; James Moser Trailer 7300; Riverside Technologies Inc Tech Equip 9296; Ultra Computer Tech Equip 2232.44; TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES 25,479.75

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Adv Fund - A.Armstead SPED Tech Reimb Supp 10.64; R.Gigov Reimb SPED Books 50; R. Gigov Reimb SPED Curr 678.12; R. Gigov Reimb SPED Supp 641.09; R. Gigov Hearing Loss Supp 117.72; Total Adv. FD 1497.57; Fusion SPED Comm 73.15; McCrossan Boys Ranch Tuition 1724.14; NESC Early Childhood 376.90, Psychologist 648.07, Speech Path 1132.27, Physical Therapy 279.60, Occupational 512.12 Total 2948.96; Office Peeps SPED Supp 4.09; Pearson Education Testing Service 840; TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES 70087.91

FOOD SERVICE: CASH-WA of Fargo Food 5948 Supplies 485.22 Total 6433.22; D. Clubb 273.30; Dakota Signature Meats Food 31.92; R. Elkins Refund 204.85; Maynards Food, Food 156.20; Office Peeps Kitchen Supp 351; Prairie Farms Dairy Food 771.17; K. Schaefer 130.00 TOTAL FOOD SERVICE EXPENDITURES 8351.66

Approval of 8th grade VB Athletes to Varsity VB Participation: On motion by B. Asleson seconded by D. Garry to allow 8th grade athletes to participate on the varsity volleyball team. Coach Dylla reviewed the limited numbers participating at the high school level. Currently there are 11 9-12 students out for volleyball. There is currently one of those players out with an injury and concern if illness such as COVID would further lower numbers. There are nine 8th graders and 10 7th graders in the junior high program. Coach Dylla feels that in the next few years this may not be needed because of the larger participation at the JH level and coming up. All voting “aye”, motion carried.

Proposed Fiscal Year Budget 2022: Bus. Mgr. Susan Purintun gave a review of changes to the FY2022 budget. The changes to the General Fund Appropriations of \$282,669 from the July budget hearing consisted of additional expenditures attributed

to the Board’s Back to School Bonus to all contracted employees in the amount of \$123,278.50, insurance additions, and adjustments to services in areas of substitutes, maintenance and ESSER expenses. Changes made in the Capital Outlay Fund Appropriations of \$179,542 were the additions of ESSER dollars for HVAC and ventilation that could be included in the renovation/construction of the LIW and HS Gym. Those dollars are flexible and there are option to expend out in the next two budget cycles. Other increases in Capital Outlay included the emergency purchase to replace the 1999 suburban, a trailer to replace the athletic field practice field storage shed, athletic uniforms and additional technology equipment. Special Education expenditures were reduced by \$15,400 due to a decrease in staffing needs and ESSER funding through IDEA reducing the NESC’s fees for services to their school districts. The Means of Finance to fund General Fund changes were the addition of using Fund Balance toward the Starting School Bonus’, additional State Aid due to anticipated increase of enrollment, a Federal Grant to fund the PBIS training and finalizing the amounts of ESSER Funds. Capital Outlay revenue additions were increased ad valorem taxes based on the per student levy with additional students, insurance settlement for the bus garage fire and ESSER Funds. The Special Education Fund use of fund balance was reduced due to fewer expenses. The FY2022 budget could see additional changes depending on decisions of the board and community concerning the badly needed renovations/construction of the LIW Elementary building and the 1938 HS gymnasium. The Pandemic continues to drive parts of the budgeted expenditures for learning loss, along with assuring student and staff safety. The proposed resolution of adopted tax levies are set by the Legislature. The District will continue to utilize the \$200,000 opt out. Discussion was held as to the Special Education levy and the board agreed to continue at the lower levy rate of \$1.00 versus the maximum \$1.68 per thousand and utilize fund balances. The board acknowledges that depending on District student needs in the future, the levy may have to be increased substantially in order to qualify for the Extra-ordinary Cost Fund, which by law would require to be at the full maximum levy. The District currently receives no State Aid for Special Education as our valuations and tax income are high enough to meet local needs.

2549 Operation and Maintenance	\$442,703.00	\$448,203.00	\$5,500.00
2559 Transportation K-12	\$146,017.00	\$153,216.00	\$7,199.00
2569 Food Service	\$ -	\$6,819.00	\$6,819.00
6100 Male Activities	\$57,565.00	\$60,995.00	\$3,430.00
6900 Combined Activities	\$86,164.00	\$89,311.00	\$3,147.00
			\$147,542.00

Capital Outlay Fund			
1111 Elementary Programs	\$23,154	\$21,964	\$(1,190)
1121 MS Academic Programs	\$12,759	\$9,387	\$(3,372)
1131 HS Academic Programs	\$38,135	\$36,735	\$(1,400)
2122 Guidance Services	\$450	\$500	\$50
2227 Technology in Schools	\$41,250	\$63,049	\$21,799
2410 Principals Office	\$19,500	\$22,070	\$2,570
2535 ESSER Build.Const/Improvements	\$ -	\$353,664	\$353,664
2549 Operation and Maintenance	\$360,904	\$240,315	\$(120,589)
2559 Transportation K-12	\$97,025	\$105,625	\$8,600
6100 Male Activities	\$2,990	\$7,840	\$4,850
6200 Female Activities	\$6,895	\$9,732	\$2,837
6900 Combined Activities	\$18,350	\$23,246	\$4,896
			\$272,715

Special Education Fund			
1221 Mild to Moderate Disabilities	\$401,269	\$402,169	\$900
2142 Psychology Services	\$13,000	\$9,500	\$(3,500)
2152 Speech Pathology Services	\$25,300	\$15,300	\$(10,000)
2171 Physical Therapy Services	\$5,000	\$3,500	\$(1,500)
2172 Occupational Therapy	\$9,000	\$6,500	\$(2,500)
2710 SPED Administration	\$78,566	\$79,766	\$1,200
			\$(15,400)

MEANS OF FINANCE	As Published	Adopted	Difference
General Fund			
Fund Balance Desig. To Finance Budget	\$ -	\$69,094.00	\$69,094.00
3111 State Aid	\$935,910.00	\$992,248.00	\$56,338.00
4151 Small School Grants	\$21,346.00	\$25,446.00	\$4,100.00
4154 Title II Part A	\$13,567.00	\$16,807.00	\$3,240.00
4190 ESSER II	\$67,100.00	\$ -	\$(67,100.00)
4191 ESSER III	\$ -	\$81,870	\$81,870
			\$147,542

Capital Outlay Fund			
Fund Balance Desig to Finance Budget	\$35,000	\$ -	\$(35,000)
1110 Ad Valorem Taxes	\$962,078	\$1,028,859	\$66,781
1990 Other Local Revenues	\$10,000	\$24,955	\$14,955
4190 ESSER II	\$127,685	\$190,448	\$62,763
4191 ESSER III	\$ -	\$163,216	\$163,216
			\$272,715

Special Education Fund			
Fund Balance Designated to Finance Budget	\$125,859	\$110,459	\$(15,400)
			\$(15,400)

ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET:
There being no further discussion, or changes, on motion by E. Buckmiller, seconded by B. Asleson to adopt the Resolution No. B-FY2022. All voting “aye”, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. B-FY2022
ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET:
Let it be resolved, that the School Board of the De Smet School District #38-2 after duly considering the proposed budget and its changes thereto, to be published in accordance with SDCL 13-11-2 hereby approves and adopts its proposed budget and changes thereto, to be its Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1st, 2021 through June 30th, 2022. The adopted Annual Budget totals are as follows:
General Fund \$3,201,287
Capital Outlay Fund \$1,344,212
Special Education \$ 620,019
Food Service \$ 202,680
Driver’s Education \$ 4,865

APPROPRIATIONS	As Published	Adopted	Difference
General Fund			
1111 Elementary Programs	\$603,703.00	\$591,504.00	\$(12,199.00)
1121 Middle School Programs	\$369,386.00	\$380,374.00	\$10,988.00
1131 HS Academic Programs	\$595,890.00	\$625,810.00	\$29,920.00
1141 PreSchool Program	\$ -	\$33,067.00	\$33,067.00
1273 Title I Program	\$80,059.00	\$82,332.00	\$2,273.00
1221 Mild to Moder Disabilities	\$ -	\$22,730.00	\$22,730.00
2122 Guidance Services	\$71,254.00	\$73,327.00	\$2,073.00
2219 Improvement of Instruction	\$18,958.00	\$23,458.00	\$4,500.00
2222 Library Services	\$48,743.00	\$51,016.00	\$2,273.00
2227 Technology in School	\$57,130.00	\$69,370.00	\$12,240.00
2311 Board of Education	\$34,233.00	\$36,143.00	\$1,910.00
2321 Superintendent Services	\$62,970.00	\$66,680.00	\$3,710.00
2410 Principal Services	\$215,697.00	\$220,243.00	\$4,546.00
2529 Business Office	\$126,039.00	\$129,455.00	\$3,416.00

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the adopted annual budget levy requests are as follows:
General Fund \$1.409 per \$1000 of Ag Valuation
\$3.153 per \$1000 of Owner-Occupied
\$6.525 per \$1000 for all others not classified as
ag or owner-occupied.
General Fund Opt Out \$200,000
Special Education Fund \$1.00 per \$1000 of Total Valuation
Capital Outlay Fund Per SDCL 13-16-7.2 \$3441 per Student

ASBSD DELEGATE ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE: On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by D. Garry to approve Pres. Shane Roth as ASBSD Delegate Assembly Representative to Pierre on November 19th. All voting “aye”, motion carried. Pres. Roth and Supt. Abi noted that the ASBSD Region meeting will be held at the De Smet Event Center on October 27th. De Smet’s Culinary class and FCCLA will be preparing and serving the meal. The region meeting is open to area school boards and administration. ASBSD Executive Director Wade Pogney will be discussing ASBSD’s resolutions and standing positions, school funding and potential legislation for the 2022 legislative session. He will help board members to understand the need to advocate for the support of public education and the services that are offered by ASBSD. Pres. Roth would like to see formal invitations to area schools

COVID-19 BACK-TO-SCHOOL PLAN: On motion by B. Asleson, seconded by J. Tolzin to approve changes to the District COVID-19 Back-to-School Plan. All Voting “aye”, motion carried. Supt. Abi reviewed the changes. The district’s ultimate goal is to have children in school and in a healthy environment.

Recommendations for the safety of the students and staff are outlined in the plan. Families and staff are on the honor system as to whether they are vaccinated as different guidelines are in place for those who have been. Legally we cannot ask for vaccination proof. Home screening now includes the following symptoms: unexplained cough, unexplained headache and loss of taste and/or smell. The SDHSAA protocols for positive COVID-19 athletes are included for extra-curricular participants. All voting “aye” to approve the following plan. Motion carried.

DISTRICT BEHAVIOR RESOLUTION MATRIX: On motion by E. Buckmiller, seconded by D. Garry to approve the proposed District Behavior Resolution Matrix. The PBIS program instills going away from punitive punishment and teaching proper behaviors. While that is the goal, the realism is that there will always be defiance and disrespect. The chart spells it out and there is no question as to minor or major infractions and whether a teacher handles the situation or the office. Board members questioned how this will be communicated with students and parents? Meetings will be held with all students, the chart will be sent home and posted on the website along with being sent out on REMIND. In the future, it will become part of the handbook that parents sign off on. Mr. Tolzin requested that a form acknowledging that the parent and student had reviewed the chart be used this year. Principal Armstead noted that much of this is already in place but there is some that is not part of policy at this time. It is easy to read and understand the consequence for certain behaviors. All voting “aye” for adoption, motion carried.

De Smet School District 38-2 Behavior Resolution Chart

OFFENSES	1st OFFENSE	2nd OFFENSE	3rd OFFENSE	HABITUAL 4 or more (Majors)
Class One (per quarter) - Minors				
Tardy/Dress Code Technology Misuse Defiance/ Non-Compliance Disrespect Minor Classroom Disruption Inappropriate Language Physical Contact/ Minor Aggression Property Misuse Academic Honesty/ Other	-Redirection/ reteach -Conference with Student and/or Parent -Redo assignment/ quiz/test &/ or take reduced grade (teacher discretion) -Detention	-Redirection/ reteach -Conference with Student and/or Parent -Redo assignment/ quiz/test & take reduced grade (teacher discretion) -Detention	-Redirection/ reteach -Conference with Student and/or Parent -Redo assignment/ quiz/test & take zero grade (teacher discretion) -Detention	-Detention(s) or -Parent/ Student/ Teacher conference. -Zero Grade on Assignment & Removal from course -Attendance Plan -PST Referral

VIRTUAL OR LIVE

Enemy Swim Day School is seeking bid quotations for virtual or live South Dakota Licensed Counselor LPC, or Social Worker MSW, or an applicant currently pursuing or having completed a Masters in Counseling, Social Work or related fields who will provide 1-1 or small group counseling for students under the direction of our school counselor for 5-10 hours weekly (may set up a bi-weekly schedule). See our website www.esds.us under employment <https://esds.us/employment-opportunities/> for full proposal and directions for submitting a bid.

Class Two (per semester) - Majors				
Arrival/ Departure violations Academic Honesty Skipping Open Campus violation Free Study Hall violation Major Dress Code viola- tion Neglecting obligations Bus Incident Repeated Class one vio- lations	Conference with student, parent con- tact Detention(s) 1 day off the bus	-ISS (1-3 days) or de- tention, par- ent contact -Loss of Open Campus -1 week off the bus ----- Counselor referral when ap- propriate. Community service	-ISS (3-5 days), parent conference -Loss of Open Campus -2 weeks off the bus ----- Counselor referral, Attendance Contract when ap- propriate, Community service	ISS (5 days), reduce suspension if parent/ student participate in conflict resolution Loss of bus privileges for the year. ----- Attendance contract, PST, and/or Community service
Class Three (per year) - Majors				
Major Insubord ination Porno- graphic Materials Major Disrespectful/ Obscene Language or Actions/ Disruption Major Physical Aggression Technology/ CellPhone violation Academic Honesty	Cell Phone: 3 Detentions & Phone to Office stu- dent picks up after school. ISS (1-3 days), deten- tion, parent contact ----- ----- OSS if ap- plicable- ad- ministrative discretion	Cell Phone: 5 Detentions & Phone to Office parent picks up af- ter school. ISS (3-5 days), parent conference ----- ----- ----- Counselor referral when appro- priate OSS (1-3 days) if ap- plicable. Community service	Cell Phone: 1 Day ISS & Phone to Office parent picks up af- ter school. OSS (3-10 days), parent conference ----- ----- ----- Counselor referral, Community service	Cell Phone: 3 Days ISS & Phone to Office par- ent picks up after school. OSS (up to 10 days), Suspension may be reduced if parent & student participate in conflict resolution training ----- ----- ----- Community service
Class Four (per year) - Majors *Severity of infraction may require move- ment of resolution further in the matrix.				
Violence, fighting, in- timidation, tobacco policy, theft, physical injury, de- struction of property, se- cret societies, harassment, hazing, bully- ing, cyberbul- lying, sexual misconduct, illegal tech- nology of- fense	ISS (5-15 days) or OSS (3-5 days), parent con- ference, counselor referral, reduce sus- pension if student par- ticipates in counseling/ education. Restitution and police referral when appro- priate.	OSS (3-10 days), par- ent confer- ence, reduce suspension if student and parent participation in conflict resolution training or student par- ticipates in counseling/ education. Restitution and police referral when appro- priate.	OSS (5-15 days), par- ent confer- ence, reduce suspension if student and parent participation in conflict resolution training or student par- ticipates in counseling/ education. Restitution and police referral when appro- priate.	Long-term suspension or expul- sion, police referral when ap- propriate. Student and parent must attend con- flict resolu- tion train- ing before student returns to school.
Class Five (per year) - Majors	1st OFFENSE *Severity of in- fraction may require move- ment of resolution further in the matrix.		2nd OFFENSE	
Drugs, alco- hol- Using or un- der the influ- ence, or pos- sessing drug paraphernalia ----- ----- Drugs, alcohol-Pos- sessing an amount that suggests dis- tribution	OSS (5-10 days), parent conference, police referral. Reduce suspension if stu- dent and parent participate in drug/alcohol evaluation and counseling. Student ac- tivity rules will be followed. ----- ----- ----- Long-term suspension or ex- pulsion. Student and parent must attend drug/alcohol evaluation and counseling before student returns to school. Police referral.		Long-term suspension or expulsion, police referral. Student and parent must attend drug/alcohol evalua- tion and counseling be- fore student returns to school.	
Class Six (per career) - Majors				
Weapons, bomb threat, fires, endan- gering the of others	Long-term suspension or expulsion, parental conference, referral to authorities. Mandatory 12-month expulsion for firearm possession.			
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Due Process: Students shall be afforded the rights of fair procedure or due process. This includes the right to (1) be informed of conduct which would result in disciplinary action against the student; (2) notice of any rule violation; (3) exclamation of the evidence supporting the charge; (4) an opportunity to present the student’s side of the story; (5) a penalty that is proportionate to the violation.

1999 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN SURPLUS: On motion by B. Asleson, seconded by D.Garry to approve listing the 1999 Chevy Suburban for Surplus. The suburban will be advertised for sale and sealed bids received at the regular October meeting of October 12th at 5:30 PM. Appraisers appointed will be Evan Buckmiller, David Van Regenmorter and Scott Palmlund. All voting “aye”, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF POLICIES: Supt. Abi noted that seven of the policies are in reference to the new home school laws. At this time, the district has an alternative student who is participating in one class along with an extracurricular activity. The other policies are updates to current ones and have been recommended by legal counsel. On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by B. Asleson to approve the following policies:
IGDK: PARTICIPATION OF ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION STUDENTS

Alternative instruction students are allowed to participate in school-sponsored activities and activities sanctioned by the South Dakota High School Activities Association within the school district in which the student resides. Alternative instruction student participants have the same rights and responsibilities as enrolled students.

As a condition of participation, the alternative instruction student must fulfill the following conditions:

1. If participating in South Dakota High School Activities Association sanctioned activities, demonstrate compliance with Chapter I, Part IV: Student Eligibility and Chapter II, Part I: Further Eligibility Requirements for Athletic Contests of the SDHSAA By Laws by annually submitting the SDHSAA Eligibility Checklist for Alternative Instruction Students.
2. Provide to the District a copy of a transcript of the previous semester’s completed coursework issued by the parent, guardian, or other person in control of the child. The transcript must be provided prior to the current season of the sport or activity in which the alternative instruction child is participating.
3. Provide proof of age of the child by submitting to the District the child’s birth certificate or affidavit in lieu of a birth certificate.
4. Comply with all the District’s eligibility requirements. Scholastic/academic eligibility shall be verified per the District’s administrative policy following the same procedure used to accept credits towards graduation when an alternative instruction student requests a transfer to the district.
5. Satisfy the responsibilities and standards of behavior and performance, including enrollment in a related class, full participation in a course, or practice requirements, as expected of other student par-

ticipants as a condition for both the initial acceptance and continued membership in the activity including, but not limited to:

- a. All the District codes of conduct will be applicable.
- b. All the District’s academic and non-academic training rules and reporting timeline requirements will be applicable. In addition, the South Dakota High School Activities Association transfer and non-academic eligibility rules will be applicable to activities sanctioned by the SDHSAA.
- c. In order to be eligible to audition for and participate in Region Music Contests, All-State Chorus, All-State Orchestra or All-State Band, the student must be currently enrolled and attending the District’s parallel musical organization (if one exists) i.e. vocal music, instrumental music, orchestra.
- d. A student who is a member of a high school team may not participate in games, practice, tryouts, etc. in that particular sport during the same season on an independent or non-high school team, or as a member of any “All- Star” team, or completely unattached on an individual basis.
- e. All references to calendar shall refer to the District’s calendar.

6. An enrolled student who leaves an accredited program during the school year and who will be provided alternative instruction shall be ineligible for interscholastic activities for the balance of the current season of the sport or activity the student is participating in at the time of notification of alternative instruction.
JEAA: STUDENTS ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION

Children of compulsory school age must regularly attend school, either public, nonpublic, or alternative instruction.

Notification:
Notification of alternative instruction must be submitted on the South Dakota Department of Education notification form that declares the child will be provided with alternative instruction. The notification may be submitted electronically through the SD Department of Education’s online system or by providing the completed paper notification form to the District or the SD Department of Education. If the District receives a completed paper notification form, the District will date and sign or stamp the form acknowledging receipt of the notification and provide a copy to the parent, guardian or other person having control of the child. The District will then provide the completed paper notification form to the SD Department of Education. The notification will be kept confidential.

The alternative instruction notification shall be submitted to the SD Department of Education or the District within thirty (30) days from the first time the child begins an alternative instruction program, enrolls in a public or nonpublic school, or moves to a different school district.

Upon filing of a notification with the SD Department of Education or the District from the parent, guardian or other person having control of the child, the South Dakota Department of Education or the District has been

notified that the child is being provided with alternative instruction.
Enrollment on Partial Basis:

Upon request from a child’s parent or legal guardian, the District will admit a child who is a resident of the District who is being provided alternative instruction to enroll in one or more classes, while receiving alternative instruction for the balance of his or her education. Upon enrollment, the partially enrolled alternative instruction students must comply with the District’s rules and procedures and have the same rights and responsibilities as publicly enrolled students.

Open Enrollment:
School board approval is required in order for a nonresident alternative instruction student to be enrolled in the District, in accordance with the District’s open enrollment policy.

JEA: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGES
Under South Dakota law, a child who is at least six (6) years old by the first day of September, but who has not exceeded the age of eighteen (18) is of compulsory school age. It is the responsibility of every person having under their control a child between those ages to see to the child’s attendance at school, either public, nonpublic, or alternative instruction, until the child has reached the age of eighteen (18), unless excused.

All children shall attend kindergarten prior to age seven. Any child who transfers from another state may proceed in a continuous educational program without interruption if the child has not previously attended kindergarten.

Any person who does not see to the school attendance or alternate instruction of a child in their care may be guilty of a misdemeanor and if convicted, may be subject to a fine as established by law.

No student will be denied the right of attending school without due process of law.

SCHOOL-BASED GED PROGRAM
Students enrolled in high school may be eligible for a school-based GED preparatory program if they meet the following criteria:

- Sixteen or seventeen years of age, and
 - The student must present written permission from the student’s parent or guardian and one of the following:
1. Verification from a school administrator that the child will not graduate with the child’s cohort class because of credit deficiency;
 2. Authorization from a court services officer;
 3. A court order requiring the child to enter the program;
 4. Verification that the child is under the direction of the Department of Corrections; or
 5. Verification that the child is enrolled in Job Corps as authorized by Title I-C of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, as amended to January 1, 2009.
- JECAA: STUDENTS ENROLLING FROM ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION AND UNACCREDITED SCHOOLS**
- An elementary aged child who has been attending an unaccredited school in another state or country

or has been receiving alternative instruction and seeks to enroll in the District shall be placed at the child’s demonstrated level of proficiency as established by the standardized test administered to enrolled students in that grade in this District. Such child’s placement may be in one grade level higher than warranted by the child’s chronological age assuming entry into the first grade at age six and annual grade advancement thereafter. After initial placement the child may be advanced according to his or her demonstrated performance.

A child of secondary school age who has been attending an unaccredited school in another state or country or has been receiving alternative instruction who seeks to enroll in the District shall be placed in English and math at the level of achievement demonstrated by standardized tests administered to enrolled students of that age, and in all other subjects on a review of transcripts according to this policy. The child’s placement may be in one grade level higher than warranted by the child’s chronological age assuming entry into the first grade at age six and annual grade advancement thereafter. After initial placement the child may be advanced according to his/her demonstrated performance.

Procedures for determining units of credit for high school age students who have attended an unaccredited school or alternative program:

1. The principal shall appoint a credit review committee consisting of the high school staff deemed appropriate, and the parents or guardians. The purpose of the credit review committee is to make recommendations to the principal regarding which high school credits should be awarded to the applicant for work completed in the unaccredited school or alternative instruction program.
2. The credit review committee shall ensure that the student enrolling has completed at least one standardized achievement test in the areas of English and Math selected by and administered by the school district.
3. The credit review committee shall recommend to the principal units of credit for English and Mathematics based on the student’s composite Subtest achievement scores in Reading (English) and Mathematics as deemed appropriate by the committee.
4. The credit review committee shall recommend to the principal units of credit for subjects other than English and Mathematics based upon factors, including but not limited to the following: classes taken, transcripts, class or course syllabus for each course taken, and District approved minimum competency tests in particular subject areas.
5. Should there not be a consensus within the credit review committee, the committee shall submit to the principal the differing recommendations and the rationale for each recommendation given.
6. Upon receipt of the credit review committee recommendations, the principal shall determine which credits are to be applied for purposes of grade and class placement and toward graduation credits.
7. All students who have attended an unaccredited school or alternative

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program and enrolling in the District shall be required to meet District graduation requirements before being issued a diploma.

Any parent or guardian who is dissatisfied with the District's placement of the child may appeal it to the secretary of the Department of Education.

The following procedure shall be used to address an appeal of the Principal's placement decision.

1. The appeal shall be in writing. The appealing party must attach the Principal's written decision.

2. In the Superintendent's sole discretion, the Superintendent may (a) meet and discuss the matter with the Complainant, (b) meet and discuss the matter with the Complainant and Principal, or (c) meet and discuss the matter with the Principal.

3. Within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date the appeal was filed with the Superintendent, the Superintendent shall render a decision in writing. The time frame for rendering a decision by the Superintendent may be extended by the Superintendent for good cause and upon written notification to the Complainant and Principal; the notification shall identify the reason for the extension and the date on or before which the decision shall be rendered. The Complainant and Principal shall receive copies of the decision. The Superintendent may uphold, reverse or modify the Principal's decision. The Superintendent may also refer the matter back to the Principal for further investigation. The Principal may uphold, modify or reverse his or her initial decision. After a matter has been referred back to the Principal, and the Principal rendered a second decision, that decision may also be appealed to the Superintendent.

4. The Superintendent's decision may be appealed by the Complainant to the Secretary of Education within (10) ten calendar days of receipt of the Superintendent's written decision.

JED: STUDENT ABSENCES AND EXCUSES

A student's contribution to and achievement in class are directly related to attendance. Both students and parents must understand that students miss a vital portion of their education when they are absent from school.

While it is true that written work can be completed for make-up, class instruction or presentations, discussions, some audio-visual presentations, or student-teacher interaction can never be made up.

Certain absences of students will be excused by the principal on receipt of a written, signed explanation from the parent or guardian. These absences will include:

- 1. Illness or quarantine;
- 2. Bereavement or serious illness in family;
- 3. Weather so inclement as to endanger the health of the child;
- 4. Observance of major religious holidays.

A child may also be excused for other exceptional reasons with approval of the school administrator. Also with such approval, students may be eligible to be counted for school attendance for up to five days each

term if an excuse from actual school attendance is requested by a parent or guardian for attendance at a state or nationally recognized youth program of educational value or for the purpose of working as a precinct election official if the student is at least eighteen years old.

In instances of chronic or irregular absence reportedly due to illness, the school administration may request a physician's statement certifying such absences to be justifiable. Any absence other than excused absence is considered truancy.

JEE: STUDENT ATTENDANCE ACCOUNTING
The Board recognizes the importance of student accounting. Accurate information regarding the whereabouts of school-age children, both public and private, is essential to the operation of the school district.

As required by state law, the Superintendent will be responsible for an accurate record of the attendance or nonattendance of all students who are enrolled in school. The school district truancy officer will also keep a record of all those children who are required by law to be enrolled in school and who do not attend, or whose attendance is irregular.

JEG: EXEMPTIONS FROM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

GED PROGRAM: Students aged 16 years of age or older will be exempt from compulsory attendance provided they are enrolled in and participating in a school-based or school contracted Graduate Equivalency Degree (GED) program. The student must present written permission from the student's parent or guardian and meets one or more of the following five conditions:

- 1. Verification from a school administrator that the child will not graduate with the child's cohort class because of credit deficiency;
- 2. Authorization from a court services officer;
- 3. A court order requiring the child to enter the program;
- 4. Verification that the child is under the direction of the Department of Corrections; OR
- 5. Verification that the child is enrolled in Job Corps as authorized by Title I-C of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, as amended January 1, 2009.

RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION AFTER EIGHTH GRADE: A child of compulsory school age who has successfully completed the first eight grades is excused from compulsory school attendance if:

- 1. The child or the parents of the child are members of a recognized church or religious denomination that objects to the regular public high school education; and
- 2. The recognized church or religious denomination either individually or in cooperation with another recognized church or religious denomination provides a regularly supervised program of instruction in which each child participates in learning activities appropriate to the adult occupation that the child is likely to assume in later years.

STUDENT EXCUSED BECAUSE OF

ILLNESS IN FAMILY: The School Board may excuse a child from school attendance because of serious illness in his immediate family, making his presence at home an actual necessity, or his presence in school a menace to the health of other pupils. The School Board may require the submission of medical evidence as a condition of granting an excuse pursuant to this section.

STUDENT EXCUSED TO ATTEND STATE OR NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED YOUTH EVENTS, AND WORK AS PRECINCT ELECTION OFFICIAL: A student is eligible to be counted for school attendance up to five days in a school term if an excuse from actual school attendance is requested by a parent or guardian for the purpose of attending events of state or nationally recognized youth programs of educational value or for the purpose of working as a precinct election official if the student is at least eighteen years old.

Title IX Policy
It is the policy of the school district that no person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any of the school district's programs or activities. The district is required by Title IX (20 U.S.C. § 1681) and 34 C.F.R. part 106 to not discriminate in such a manner.

1. Title IX Coordinator
1. Designation. The district will designate and authorize at least one employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with its responsibilities under this policy, who will be referred to as the **"Title IX Coordinator."** The district will notify applicants for admission and employment, students, parents or legal guardians of students, employees, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the district, of the name or title, office address, electronic mail address, and telephone number of the Title IX Coordinator. Any person may report sex discrimination, including sexual harassment (whether or not the person reporting is the person alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sex discrimination or sexual harassment). This report may be made by any means, including but not limited to, in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, using the contact information listed for the Title IX Coordinator, or by any other means that results in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the person's verbal or written report. Such a report may be made at any time (including during non-business hours).

2. Definitions. As used in this policy, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. Actual knowledge means notice of sexual harassment or allegations of sexual harassment to any district employee. Imputation of knowledge based solely on vicarious liability or constructive notice is insufficient to constitute actual knowledge. This standard is not met when the only district employee with actual knowledge is the respondent (as that term is defined below). "Notice" as used in this paragraph includes, but is not limited to, a report of sexual harassment to the Title IX Coordinator as described in subsection 1.1 above.

2. Complainant means an individual who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

3. Formal complaint means a document filed by a complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment against a respondent and requesting that the district investigate the allegation of sexual harassment. The only district official who is authorized to initiate the Grievance Process for Formal Complaints of Sexual Harassment against a respondent is the Title IX Coordinator (by signing a formal complaint). At the time of filing a formal complaint with the district, a complainant must be participating in or attempting to participate in the district's education program or activity. A formal complaint may be filed with the Title IX Coordinator in person, by mail, or by electronic mail, by using the contact information required to be listed for the Title IX Coordinator under subsection 1.1 above, and by any additional method designated by the district. As used in this paragraph, the phrase "document filed by a complainant" means a document or electronic submission (such as by electronic mail or through an online portal provided for this purpose by the district) that contains the complainant's physical or digital signature, or otherwise indicates that the complainant is the person filing the formal complaint. Where the Title IX Coordinator signs a formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator is not a complainant or otherwise a party under this policy or under 34 C.F.R. part 106, and will comply with the requirements of this policy and 34 C.F.R. part 106, including subsections 5.1.3–5.1.4 and 34 C.F.R. § 106.45(b)(1)(iii).

4. Respondent means an individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

5. Consent for purposes of this policy means the willingness in fact for conduct to occur. An individual may, as a result of age, incapacity, disability, lack of information, or other circumstances be incapable of providing consent to some or all sexual conduct or activity. Neither verbal nor physical resistance is required to establish that an individual did not consent. District officials will consider the totality of the circumstances in determining whether there was consent for any specific conduct. Consent may be revoked or withdrawn at any time.

6. Sexual harassment means conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:

- 1. An employee of the district conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
- 2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's education program or activity; **Sexual assault**, as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(6)(A)(v), which means an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation: Sex Offenses, Forcible—Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

1. Rape—(Except Statutory Rape) The carnal knowledge of a person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is

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incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

2. Sodomy—Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity

3. Sexual Assault With An Object—To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity

4. Fondling—The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity

5. Sex Offenses, Non-forcible—(Except Prostitution Offenses) Unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.

1. Incest—Non-Forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law

2. Statutory Rape—Non-Forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent

3. Dating violence, as defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(10), which means violence committed by a person—who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and

4. where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:

- 1. The length of the relationship.
- The type of relationship.
- 4. The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

5. Domestic violence, as defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(8), which includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

6. Stalking, as defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(30), which means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to—
1. fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or

2. suffer substantial emotional distress.

7. Supportive measures means non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has been filed. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the district's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment. Supportive measures may include counseling, extensions of deadlines or other course-related adjustments, modifications of work or class schedules, campus escort services, mutual restrictions on contact between the parties, changes in work or housing locations, leaves of absence, increased security and monitoring of certain areas of the campus, and other similar measures. The district will maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the district to provide the supportive measures. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

3. Discrimination Not Involving Sexual Harassment.

1. General Prohibition. Except as provided elsewhere in Title IX, 34 C.F.R. part 106, or this policy, no person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any academic, extracurricular, research, occupational training, or other education program or activity operated by the district.

2. Specific Prohibitions. Except as provided elsewhere in Title IX, 34 C.F.R. part 106, or this policy, in providing any aid, benefit, or service to a student, the district will not on the basis of sex:

- 1. Treat one person differently from another in determining whether such person satisfies any requirement or condition for the provision of such aid, benefit, or service;
- 2. Provide different aid, benefits, or services or provide aid, benefits, or services in a different manner;
- 3. Deny any person any such aid, benefit, or service;
- 4. Subject any person to separate or different rules of behavior, sanctions, or other treatment;
- 5. Apply any rule concerning the domicile or residence of a student or applicant;
- 6. Aid or perpetuate discrimination against any person by providing significant assistance to any agency, organization, or person which discriminates on the basis of sex in providing any aid, benefit or service to students or employees;
- 7. Otherwise limit any person in the enjoyment of any right, privilege, advantage, or opportunity.

3. Complaint Procedure. All complaints regarding any alleged discrimination on the basis of sex, in-

cluding without limitation violations of this policy, 34 C.F.R. part 106, Title IX, Title VII, or other state or federal law—when the alleged discrimination does not arise from or relate to an allegation of sexual harassment as defined in subsection 2.6 above—shall be addressed pursuant to the district's general complaint procedure, Board Policy JFH.

4. Response to Sexual Harassment

1. Reporting Sexual Harassment. Any person who witnesses an act of unlawful sexual harassment is encouraged to report it to the District's Title IX Coordinator. No person will be retaliated against based on any report of suspected sexual harassment or retaliation. Any District employee who receives a report of sexual harassment or has actual knowledge of sexual harassment must convey that information to the Title IX Coordinator as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no case later than the end of the following school day.

2. General Response to Sexual Harassment. When the district has actual knowledge of sexual harassment in its education program or activity against a person in the United States, the district will respond promptly in a manner that is not deliberately indifferent. The district will be deemed to be deliberately indifferent only if its response to sexual harassment is clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances. For the purposes of this policy "education program or activity" includes locations, events, or circumstances over which the district exercised substantial control over both the respondent and the context in which the sexual harassment occurs. The district's response will treat complainants and respondents equitably by offering supportive measures as defined in subsection 2.7 above to a complainant, and by following the grievance process described in section 5 below before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures, against a respondent. The Title IX Coordinator will promptly contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures, consider the complainant's wishes with respect to supportive measures, inform the complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and explain to the complainant the process for filing a formal complaint.

3. Emergency Removal. Nothing in this policy precludes the district from removing a respondent from the district's education program or activity on an emergency basis, provided that the district undertakes an individualized safety and risk analysis, and determines that an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any student or other individual arising from the allegations of sexual harassment justifies removal. In the event that the district so removes a respondent on an emergency basis, then the district will provide the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal. This provision may not be construed to modify any rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

4. Administrative Leave. Nothing in this policy precludes the district from placing a non-student employee respondent on administrative leave during the pendency of

a grievance process that complies with section 5 below. This provision may not be construed to modify any rights under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the Americans with Disabilities Act. General Response Not Conditioned on Formal Complaint. With or without a formal complaint, the district will comply with the obligations and procedures described in this section 4.

5. Grievance Process for Formal Complaints of Sexual Harassment.

1. General Requirements.
1. Equitable Treatment. The district will treat complainants and respondents equitably by providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made against the respondent, and by following the grievance process described in this section 5 before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures against a respondent. Remedies will be designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity. Remedies may include the same individualized services described in subsection 2.7 as "supportive measures"; however, remedies need not be non-disciplinary or non-punitive and need not avoid burdening the respondent.

2. Objective Evaluation. This grievance process requires an objective evaluation of all relevant evidence—including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. Credibility determinations may not be based on a person's status as a complainant, respondent, or witness.

3. Absence of Conflicts of Interest or Bias. The district will require that any individual designated by a recipient as a Title IX Coordinator, investigator, decision-maker, or any person designated by a recipient to facilitate an informal resolution process, not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or an individual complainant or respondent.

4. Training. The district will ensure that all individuals or entities described in this Training section 5.1.4 receive training as provided below. Any materials used to train these individuals will not rely on sex stereotypes and will promote impartial investigations and adjudications of formal complaints of sexual harassment.

1. All District Employees and Board Members. All district employees and board members will be trained on how to identify and report sexual harassment.

2. Title IX Coordinators, Investigators, Decision-Makers, or Informal Resolution Facilitators. The district will ensure that Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision-makers, or any person designated by the district to facilitate an informal resolution process receive training on:

- 1. The definition of sexual harassment in subsection 2.6;
- 2. The scope of the district's education program or activity;
- 3. How to conduct an investigation and grievance process including hearings, appeals, and informal resolution processes, as applicable; and

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4. How to serve impartially, including by avoiding prejudgment of the facts at issue, conflicts of interest, and bias.

3. Decision-Makers. The district will ensure that decision-makers receive training on issues of relevance of questions and evidence, including when questions and evidence about the complainant’s sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant, as set forth in subsection 5.6.

4. Investigators. The district will also ensure that investigators receive training on issues of relevance to create an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence, as set forth in subsection 5.5.8.

5. Presumption. It is presumed that the respondent is not responsible for the alleged conduct until a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the grievance process.

6. Reasonably Prompt Time Frames. This grievance process shall include reasonably prompt time frames for conclusion of the grievance process, including reasonably prompt time frames for filing and resolving appeals and informal resolution processes if the district offers informal resolution processes. The process shall also allow for the temporary delay of the grievance process or the limited extension of time frames for good cause with written notice to the complainant and the respondent of the delay or extension and the reasons for the action. Good cause may include considerations such as the absence of a party, a party’s advisor, or a witness; concurrent law enforcement activity; or the need for language assistance or accommodation of disabilities.

7. Range of Possible Sanctions and Remedies. Following a determination of responsibility, the district may impose disciplinary sanctions and remedies in conformance with this and the district’s student discipline policy, and other state and federal laws. Depending upon the circumstances, these policies provide for disciplinary sanctions and remedies up to and including expulsion.

8. Range of Supportive Measures. The range of supportive measures available to complainants and respondents include those listed in subsection 2.7.

9. Respect for Privileged Information. The district will not require, allow, rely upon, or otherwise use questions or evidence that constitute, or seek disclosure of, information protected under a legally recognized privilege, unless the person holding such privilege has waived the privilege.

2. Notice of Allegations.
1. Initial Notice. Upon receipt of a formal complaint, the district will provide the following written notice to the parties who are known:

- 1. A copy of this policy.
- 2. Notice of the allegations of sexual harassment potentially constituting sexual harassment as defined in subsection 2.6, including sufficient details known at the time and with sufficient time to prepare a response before any initial interview. Sufficient details include the identities of the parties involved in the incident, if known, the conduct allegedly constituting sexual harassment, and the date and location of the

alleged incident, if known. The written notice will include a statement that the respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged conduct and that a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the grievance process. The written notice will inform the parties that they may have an advisor of their choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney, under subsection 5.5.5, and may inspect and review evidence under subsection 5.5.5. The written notice will inform the parties of any provision in the district’s code of conduct that prohibits knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information during the grievance process.

Supplemental Notice. If, in the course of an investigation, the district decides to investigate allegations about the complainant or respondent that are not included in the Initial Notice described above, the district will provide notice of the additional allegations to the parties whose identities are known.

Dismissal of Formal Complaint. The district will investigate the allegations in a formal complaint.

2. Mandatory Dismissals. The district **must** dismiss a formal complaint if the conduct alleged in the formal complaint:

- 1. Would not constitute sexual harassment as defined in subsection 2.6 even if proved;
- Did not occur in the district’s education program or activity; or
- 3. Did not occur against a person in the United States.

3. Discretionary Dismissals. The district **may** dismiss the formal complaint or any allegations therein, if at any time during the investigation or hearing:

- 1. The complainant notifies the Title IX Coordinator in writing that the complainant would like to withdraw the formal complaint or any allegations therein;
- 2. The respondent is no longer enrolled in or employed by the district; or Specific circumstances prevent the district from gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination as to the formal complaint or allegations therein.

Upon a dismissal required or permitted pursuant to subsections 5.3.2 or 5.3.3 above, the district will promptly send written notice of the dismissal and an explanation of that action simultaneously to the parties.

5. Dismissal of a formal complaint under this policy does not preclude the district from taking action under another provision of the district’s code of conduct or pursuant to another district policy.

4. Consolidation of Formal Complaints. The district may consolidate formal complaints as to allegations of sexual harassment against more than one respondent, or by more than one complainant against one or more respondents, or by one party against the other party, where the allegations of sexual harassment arise out of the same facts or circumstances. Where a grievance process involves more than one complainant or more than one respondent, references in this policy to the singular “party,” “complainant,” or “respondent” include the plural,

as applicable.

5. Investigation of Formal Complaint. When investigating a formal complaint and throughout the grievance process, the district will:

- 1. Designate and authorize one or more persons (which need not be district employees) as investigator(s) to conduct the district’s investigation of a formal complaint;
- 2. Ensure that the burden of proof and the burden of gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination regarding responsibility rest on the district and not on the parties provided that the district cannot access, consider, disclose, or otherwise use a party’s records that are made or maintained by a physician, psychiatrist, psychologist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional acting in the professional’s or paraprofessional’s capacity, or assisting in that capacity, and which are made and maintained in connection with the provision of treatment to the party, unless the district obtains that party’s voluntary, written consent to do so for a grievance process under this section (if a party is not an “eligible student,” as defined in 34 CFR 99.3, then the district will obtain the voluntary, written consent of a “parent,” as defined in 34 CFR 99.3);
- 3. Provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present witnesses, including fact and expert witnesses, and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence;
- 4. Not restrict the ability of either party to discuss the allegations under investigation or to gather and present relevant evidence;
- 5. Provide the parties with the same opportunities to have others present during any grievance proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney, and not limit the choice or presence of advisor for either the complainant or respondent in any meeting or grievance proceeding; however, the district may establish restrictions regarding the extent to which the advisor may participate in the proceedings, as long as the restrictions apply equally to both parties;
- 6. Provide, to a party whose participation is invited or expected, written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of all hearings, investigative interviews, or other meetings, with sufficient time for the party to prepare to participate;
- 7. Provide both parties an equal opportunity to inspect and review any evidence obtained as part of the investigation that is directly related to the allegations raised in a formal complaint, including the evidence upon which the district does not intend to rely in reaching a determination regarding responsibility and inculpatory or exculpatory evidence whether obtained from a party or other source, so that each party can meaningfully respond to the evidence prior to conclusion of the investigation. Prior to completion of the investigative report, the district will send to each party and the party’s advisor, if any, the evidence subject to inspection and review in an electronic format or a hard copy, and the parties will have at least 10 calendar days to submit a written response, which the investigator will

consider prior to completion of the investigative report; and

8. Create an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence and, at least 10 calendar days prior to the time of determination regarding responsibility, send to each party and the party’s advisor, if any, the investigative report in an electronic format or a hard copy, for their review and written response.

Exchange of Written Questions. After the district has sent the investigative report to the parties pursuant to subsection 5.5.8, but before reaching a determination regarding responsibility, the decision-maker(s) will afford each party the opportunity to submit written, relevant questions that a party wants asked of any party or witness, provide each party with the answers, and allow for additional, limited follow-up questions from each party. Questions and evidence about the complainant’s sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant, unless such questions and evidence about the complainant’s prior sexual behavior are offered to prove that someone other than the respondent committed the conduct alleged by the complainant, or if the questions and evidence concern specific incidents of the complainant’s prior sexual behavior with respect to the respondent and are offered to prove consent. The decision-maker(s) will explain to the party proposing the questions any decision to exclude a question as not relevant.

Determination Regarding Responsibility
1. Decision-Maker(s). The decision-maker(s) cannot be the same person as the Title IX Coordinator or the investigator(s).

2. Written Determination. The decision-maker(s) will issue a written determination regarding responsibility. To reach this determination, the decision-maker(s) will apply the preponderance of the evidence standard. The written determination will include:

- 1. Identification of the allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment as defined in subsection 2.6;
 - 2. A description of the procedural steps taken from the receipt of the formal complaint through the determination, including any notifications to the parties, interviews with parties and witnesses, site visits, methods used to gather other evidence, and hearings held;
 - 3. Findings of fact supporting the determination;
 - 4. Conclusions regarding the application of the district’s code of conduct to the facts;
 - 5. A statement of, and rationale for, the result as to each allegation, including a determination regarding responsibility, any disciplinary sanctions the district imposes on the respondent, and whether remedies designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district’s education program or activity will be provided by the district to the complainant; and
 - 6. The district’s procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal.
3. The district will provide the written determination to the parties

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4. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for effective implementation of any remedies.

8. Appeals. The district will offer both parties the opportunity to appeal from a determination regarding responsibility, and from the district's dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegations therein, on the grounds identified below.

1. Time for Appeal. Appeals may only be initiated by submitting a written Notice of Appeal to the Office of the Title IX Coordinator within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the respective written determination of responsibility or dismissal from which the appeal is taken. The Notice of Appeal must include (a) the name of the party or parties making the appeal, (b) the determination, dismissal, or portion thereof being appealed, and (c) a concise statement of the specific grounds (from subsection 5.8.2 below) upon which the appeal is based. A party's failure to timely submit a Notice of Appeal will be deemed a waiver of the party's right to appeal under this policy, 34 C.F.R. part, 106, and Title IX.

Grounds for Appeal. Appeals from a determination regarding responsibility, and from the district's dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegations therein, are limited to the following grounds:

1. Procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the matter;
2. New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal was made, that could affect the outcome of the matter; and
3. The Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), or decision-maker(s) had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that affected the outcome of the matter.
3. As to all appeals, the district will:
 1. Notify the other party in writing when an appeal is filed and implement appeal procedures equally for both parties;
 2. Ensure that the decision-maker(s) for the appeal is not the same person as the decision-maker(s) that reached the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal, the investigator(s), or the Title IX Coordinator;
 3. Ensure that the decision-maker(s) for the appeal complies with the standards set forth in subsections 5.1.3–5.1.4.
 4. Give both parties a reasonable, equal opportunity to submit a written statement in support of, or challenging, the outcome;
 5. Issue a written decision describing the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result; and
 6. Provide the written decision simultaneously to both parties.

9. Informal Resolution. The district will not require as a condition of enrollment or continuing enrollment, or employment or continuing employment, or enjoyment of any other right, waiver of the right to an investigation and adjudication of formal complaints of sexual harassment consistent with this section. Similarly, the district will not require the parties to participate in an informal resolution process under this section and may not offer an informal resolution process unless a formal complaint is filed. However, at any time prior to reaching a determination regarding responsibility the district may facilitate an informal resolution process, such as mediation, that does not involve a full investigation and adjudication, provided that the district:

1. Provides to the parties a written notice disclosing:
 1. The allegations;
 2. The requirements of the informal resolution process including the circumstances under which it precludes the parties from resuming a formal complaint arising from the same allegations;
 3. That at any time prior to agreeing to a resolution, any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and resume the grievance process with respect to the formal complaint; and
 4. Any consequences resulting from participating in the informal resolution process, including the records that will be maintained or could be shared;
2. Obtains the parties' voluntary, written consent to the informal resolution process; and
3. Does not offer or facilitate an informal resolution process to resolve allegations that an employee sexually harassed a student.

10. Recordkeeping.
1. The district will maintain for a period of seven years records of:

1. Each sexual harassment investigation including any determination regarding responsibility, any disciplinary sanctions imposed on the respondent, and any remedies provided to the complainant designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity;
2. Any appeal and the result therefrom;
3. Any informal resolution and the result therefrom; and
4. All materials used to train Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process. The district will make these training materials publicly available on its website, or if the district does not maintain a website then the district will make these materials available upon request for inspection by members of the public.
2. For each response required under section 4, the district will create, and maintain for a period of seven years, records of any actions, including any supportive measures, taken in response to a report or formal complaint of sexual harassment. In each instance, the district will document the basis for its conclusion that its response was not deliberately indifferent, and document that

it has taken measures designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity. If the district does not provide a complainant with supportive measures, then the district will document the reasons why such a response was not clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances. The documentation of certain bases or measures does not limit the district in the future from providing additional explanations or detailing additional measures taken.

6. Superintendent Authorized to Contract. The board authorizes the Superintendent to contract for, designate, and appoint individuals to serve in the roles of the district's investigator(s), decision-maker(s), informal resolution facilitator(s), or appellate decision-maker(s) as contemplated by this policy.

7. Access to Classes and Schools.

1. General Standard. Except as provided in this section or otherwise in 34 C.F.R. part 106, the district will not provide or otherwise carry out any of its education programs or activities separately on the basis of sex, or require or refuse participation therein by any of its students on the basis of sex.

1. Contact sports in physical education classes. This section does not prohibit separation of students by sex within physical education classes or activities during participation in wrestling, boxing, rugby, ice hockey, football, basketball, and other sports the purpose or major activity of which involves bodily contact.

2. Ability grouping in physical education classes. This section does not prohibit grouping of students in physical education classes and activities by ability as assessed by objective standards of individual performance developed and applied without regard to sex.

3. Human sexuality classes. Classes or portions of classes that deal primarily with human sexuality may be conducted in separate sessions for boys and girls.

4. Choruses. The district may make requirements based on vocal range or quality that may result in a chorus or choruses of one or predominantly one sex.

2. Classes and Extracurricular Activities. The district may provide nonvocational single-sex classes or extracurricular activities as permitted by 34 C.F.R. part 106.

8. Athletics. It is the policy of the district that no person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, be treated differently from another person or otherwise be discriminated against in any interscholastic, club, or intramural athletics offered by the district, and that the district will not provide any such athletics separately on such basis.

1. Separate Teams. Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, the district may operate or sponsor separate teams for members of each sex where selection for such teams is based upon competitive skill or the activity involved is a contact sport.

2. Equal opportunity. The district will provide equal athletic opportunity for members of both sexes. Unequal aggregate expenditures for members of each sex or unequal expenditures for male and female teams will not

constitute noncompliance with this section.

9. Certain Different Treatment on the Basis of Sex Permitted. Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the district from treating persons differently on the basis of sex as permitted by Title IX or 34 C.F.R. part 106. For example, and without limiting the foregoing, the district may provide separate toilet, locker room, and shower facilities on the basis of sex, but such facilities provided for students of one sex shall be comparable to such facilities provided for students of the other sex.

10. Retaliation Prohibited. Neither the district nor any other person may intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX, 34 C.F.R. part 106, or this policy, or because the individual has made a report or complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this policy. The district will keep confidential the identity of any individual who has made a report or complaint of sex discrimination, including any individual who has made a report or filed a formal complaint of sexual harassment, any complainant, any individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of sex discrimination, any respondent, and any witness, except as may be permitted by the FERPA statute, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, or FERPA regulations, 34 C.F.R. part 99, or as required by law, or to carry out the purposes of 34 C.F.R. part 106, including the conduct of any investigation, hearing, or judicial proceeding arising thereunder. Complaints alleging retaliation may be filed according to shall be addressed pursuant to Board Policy 2006 (Complaint Procedure).

1. Specific Circumstances.
1. The exercise of rights protected under the First Amendment does not constitute retaliation prohibited by this section.

Charging an individual with a code of conduct violation for making a materially false statement in bad faith in the course of a grievance proceeding under this part does not constitute retaliation prohibited under this section, provided, however, that a determination regarding responsibility, alone, is not sufficient to conclude that any party made a materially false statement in bad faith.

11. Notification of Policy. The district will notify applicants for admission and employment, students, parents or legal guardians of students, employees, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the district of the existence of this policy. The requirement to not discriminate, as stated in Title IX and 34 C.F.R. part 106, in the district's education program(s) or activities extends to admission and employment, and inquiries about the application of Title IX and 34 C.F.R. part 106 to the district may be referred to the district's Title IX Coordinator, the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education, or both. Publication of Policy. The district will prominently display on its website, if any, and in each handbook that it makes available to applicants for admission and employment, students, parents or legal guardians of students, employees, and all unions or professional organizations hold-

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ing collective bargaining or profes-
sional agreements with the district,
the name or title, office address,
electronic mail address, and tele-
phone number of the employee or
employees designated as the Title IX
Coordinator(s).

13. Application Outside the United States. The requirements of this policy apply only to sex discrimina-
tion occurring against a person in
the United States.

14. Scope of Policy. Nothing herein shall be construed to be more de-
manding or more constraining upon
the district than the requirements
of Title IX (20 U.S.C. § 1681) and 34
C.F.R. part 106. To the extent that
the district is in compliance with Title
IX and 34 C.F.R. part 106, then all of
the district’s obligations under this
policy shall be deemed to be fulfilled
and discharged.

There being no further business on
motion by D.Garry , seconded by
Evan to adjourn. All voting “aye”,
motion carried.6:15 PM)

ATTEST: Pres. Shane Roth
Susan L. Purintun, Business Manager

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TOWN OF ERWIN SPECIAL MEETING

A special Town meeting was held
Thursday September 16, 2021 at 6:00
PM at the Legion Hall. Members pres-
ent were Sherry Bell, Jerry Popkes,
Crystal Penn and Myrna Knadle.
This meeting was the 1st reading
of Ordinance #137, An Ordinance
adding Title 10 to the Ordinances of
the Town of Erwin thereby creating
licensing provisions for Cannabis
Establishments within the Town of
Erwin, South Dakota.

Penn made a motion to approve the
1st reading of Ordinance #137 and
Popkes 2nd.

The 2nd and Final reading will be
September 23, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the
Legion Hall in Erwin.

Popkes made a motion to adjourn
and Penn 2nd.

Myrna Knadle, Finance Officer

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ***UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES*** DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The Kingsbury County Board of
County Commissioners met Tuesday,
September 7, 2021, at 8:30 AM in the
Courtroom in the County Courthouse
with Commissioners Roger Walls,
Kyle Lee, Steve Spilde, Doug
Kazmerzak and Corey Lundquist
present. Chairman Walls presided.

Attending via Zoom were, Cindy
Bau – Emergency Management/9+11
Coordinator, Joey Klinkhammer –
Deputy Auditor, Michelle Longville
– Treasurer, Tammy Anderson –
Director of Equalization, and Mike
Siefker – Kingsbury Journal.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Those present stood and recited the
Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA
Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, stated that
the American Rescue Plan would
need to be added to the agenda.

Lundquist moved and Spilde second-
ed to approve the agenda as edited.
All present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Chairman Walls asked for public
comment. There was none.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Chairman Walls asked the Board if
there was any conflict of interest.
There was none.

MINUTES
Spilde moved and Lundquist second-
ed to approve the minutes of August
17, 2021. All present voting aye – 5,
nay - 0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY MATTERS
Dave Sorenson, Highway
Superintendent, met with the Board
to discuss highway matters.

Sorenson stated the crew had fin-
ished graveling on CR 8and spot
graveling on CR 4. They would start
graveling on CR 2 from CR 11 to HWY
25.

Sorenson discussed the timing of
graveling during the year, HB 1259
funds and the construction issue on
HWY 28 in Hamlin County.

Barnard read Resolution 2021-27. The
follow Resolution 2021-27 was ap-
proved as edited:

RESOLUTION #2021-27

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING
RESTRICTED TRUCK TRAFFIC ON
450TH AVE (CR 9) FROM 200th ST (CR
-1) TO 196TH ST (COUNTY BORDER)

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 7-18A-
2, the Kingsbury County Board of
Commissioners may enact resolu-
tions as may be proper and neces-
sary to carry into effect the powers
granted to it by law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 7-8-
20(2), the Kingsbury County Board of
Commissioners shall have the power
to make orders respecting the care
and preservation of all property be-
longing to the county; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 32-14-
7, the Kingsbury County Board of
Commissioners may
by resolution prohibit the opera-
tion of trucks or other commercial
vehicles or impose limitations as to
the weights of such vehicles on des-
ignated highways, said prohibitions
and limitations shall be designated
by appropriate signs on such high-
ways; and

WHEREAS, trucks with loads travel-
ing on 450th Ave (CR-9) from 200th
St (CR 1) to 196th St (County Border)
within Kingsbury County, South
Dakota, have caused significant
damage and destruction to the
Kingsbury County highway system
of roads at a significant cost to
Kingsbury County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 7-18-8,
the adoption of a resolution may
take effect immediately for the pres-
ervation of the public peace, health,
or safety.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED
by the Kingsbury County Board of
Commissioners,
that no person may operate a truck
with two or more axles on 450th Ave
(CR-9) from 200th St (CR 1) to 196th

St (County Border) within Kingsbury
County having no origin or destina-
tion as evidenced by a bill of lading,
along the route traveled; and will
receive a \$500.00 fine for each viola-
tion, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the
Kingsbury County Highway
Superintendent, or its designee shall
erect and/or place signage designat-
ing 450th Ave (CR-9) from 200th St
(CR 1) to 196th St (County Border)
within Kingsbury County as “No
Through Trucks” roads.

Spilde moved and Lee seconded to
accept and approve Resolution 2021-
27. All present voting via roll call:
Lee – aye, Spilde – aye, Lundquist
– aye, Kazmerzak – aye, Walls – aye.
Motion carried.

EAGLEVIEW
Ryan Poots and John Wanande with
Eagleview, Sorenson, Anderson,
Bau, and Maggie Purintun, Deputy
Director of Equalization were present
for the meeting.

Poots presented information on the
benefit of utilizing the flyover infor-
mation obtained for various offices
in the county including Emergency
Management, Sheriff, Director of
Equalization, Planning and Zoning,
and others, as well as our GIS infor-
mation.

Sheriff Strande joined the meeting
via zoom during the Eagleview pre-
sentation.

Joe Jensen, Zoning Officer, joined the
meeting.

BUDGET HEARING
Kazmerzak moved and Spilde sec-
onded to approve the provisional
budget as is. All present voting aye –
5, nay – 0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

PLANNING AND ZONING
Spilde moved and Kazmerzak sec-
onded to adjourn from regular ses-
sion and move into Planning and
Zoning at 11 ;01 A.M. to review two
Plats. All present voting aye – 5, nay –
0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board
out of Planning and Zoning at 11:08
A.M.

Barnard read the following
Resolutions:

RESOLUTION # 2021-25

WHEREAS, The Kingsbury County
Planning & Zoning Board met
to review the Plat of Spirit Lake
Addition Located in Government Lot
2 of Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M., and in
Government Lots 6 and 7 of Section
30, Township 112 North, Range 56
West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury
County, South Dakota on September
7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Kingsbury County
Planning & Zoning Commission rec-
ommended approval of the same
to the Kingsbury County Board of
County Commissioners, and

Now, Therefore, be it resolved,
that the Kingsbury County Board
of County Commissioners accepts
and approves the Plat of Spirit Lake
Addition Located in Government Lot
2 of Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M., and in
Government Lots 6 and 7 of Section
30, Township 112 North, Range
56 West of the 5th PM, Kingsbury
County, South Dakota as recom-
mended by the Planning & Zoning
Commission.

Kazmerzak moved and Lundquist
seconded to accept and approve
Resolution 2021-25. All present voting
via roll call: Lee – aye, Spilde – aye,
Lundquist – aye, Kazmerzak – aye,
Walls – aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 2021-26

WHEREAS, The Kingsbury County
Planning & Zoning Board met to
review the Plat of Bump Addition
Located in Government Lot 2 of
Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M., and
in Government Lot 6 of Section 30,
Township 112 North, Range 56 West
of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County,
South Dakota on September 7, 2021;
and

WHEREAS, the Kingsbury County
Planning & Zoning Commission rec-
ommended approval of the same
to the Kingsbury County Board of
County Commissioners, and

Now, Therefore, be it resolved,
that the Kingsbury County Board
of County Commissioners accepts
and approves the Plat of Bump
Addition Located in Government Lot
2 of Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M., and
in Government Lot 6 of Section 30,
Township 112 North, Range 56 West
of the 5th PM, Kingsbury County,
South Dakota as recommended by
the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Lee moved and Spilde seconded
to accept and approve Resolution
2021-26. All present voting via roll
call: Lee – aye, Spilde, aye, Lundquist
– aye, Kazmerzak – aye, Walls – aye.
Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION
The Board discussed the status of
the Burn Ban.

Kazmerzak moved and Lee seconded
to lift the Burn Ban for the County.
All present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

ROCS
Scott Fink, with ROCS, provided a
history of how the Kingsbury County
Transit was established in the area
and discussed the \$2,000.00 budget
request for 2022. Fink also informed
the Board of a match from the
Federal Transit Authority.

APPROVE CLAIMS
Spilde moved and Lundquist second-
ed that the following claims present-
ed to the Board for consideration be
approved and the County Auditor be
directed to issue warrant checks for
payment of same. All present voting
aye – 5, nay - 0, abstain – 0. Motion
carried.

MISCELLANEOUS
ALDERCREEK PLUMBING 361.41
REPAIRS, APPEARA 55.97 SUPPLIES,
ARLINGTON FIRE DEPT 7782.86
PREMIUM REFUND, AT&T 77.14
UTILITIES, AXON ENTEPRISE, INC
196.70 SUPPLIES, BADGER FIRE DEPT
2952.15 PREMIUM REFUND, BADGER
OIL COMPANY 1246.30 SUPPLIES,
CINDY BAU 6.00 SUPPLIES, BEADLE
COUNTY SHERIFF 70.00 CARMODY,
BILL VANBEEK 560.00 SUPPLIES,
BOWES CONSTRUCTION, INC
33133.43 SUPPLIES, BRYANT FIRE
DEPT 972.94 PREMIUM REFUND,
BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY
123.50 SUPPLIES, CARTHAGE FIRE
DEPT 463.71 PREMIUM REFUND, CIVIL
DESIGN INC. 6870.00 PRO SERVICES,
COLES PETROLEUM 14437.50
SUPPLIES, CONNECTING POINT
1390.00 SUPPLIES, CONNECTING
POINT 3445.00 PRO SERVICES,

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CRAWFORD & OTHUS 2000.00
COUNTY BURIAL, CREATIVE PRINTING
121.63 PUBLISHING, CREATIVE
PRODUCT SOURCING 290.85 DARE
SUPPLIES, CREATIVE REWARDS 135.00
AWARD, AVERA DESMET HOSPITAL
74.00 PRO SERVICES, DESMET FIRE
DEPT 12145.63 PREMIUM REFUND,
DOOLEY ENTERPRISE 953.95
SUPPLIES, FARMERS CASHWAY
DO IT CENTER 93.60 REPAIRS AND
MAINT, FIRST DISTRICT ASSOC LOCAL
5500.00 LETTER OF AGREEMENT,
HEIMAN FIRE EQUIPMENT 100.00
PRO SERVICES, CITY OF HURON
3911.45 PRO SERVICES, INTERLAKES
COMMUNITY ACTION 783.16 FEES,
INTERSTATE BATTERY 72.00 SUPPLIES
REPAIRS AND MAINT, IROQUOIS FIRE
DEPT 4645.30 PREMIUM REFUND,
JOE JENSEN 119.28 MILEAGE,
KEVIN CURD 619.38 REFUND,
KINGSBURY COUNTY TREAS 15.00
TITLE, KINGSBURY JOURNAL 31.50
PUBLISHING, KINGSBURY JOURNAL
648.03 PUBLISHING, LAKE PRESTON
FIRE 6572.19 PREMIUM REFUND,
LUCY LEWNO 166.51 MENTAL HEALTH
BOARD, LINCOLN COUNTY 386.29
REIMBURSEMENT, DARCY LOCKWOOD
15.00 MENTAL HEALTH, MARK
KATTERHAGEN 15.00 MENTAL HEALTH
BOARD, MAYNARD'S FOOD CENTER
34.19 OTHER, MCLEODS PRINTING
& OFFICE SUPP 269.15 SUPPLIES,
MITCHELL PLUMBING & HEATING
CO 534.00 REPAIRS AND MAINT,
EASTLINE SUPPLY 46.45 REPAIRS
& MAINT, EASTLINE SUPPLY 341.53
SUPPLIES, O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT 35.33
SUPPLIES, O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT 158.68
REPAIRS & MAINT, OFFICE PEEPS
INC 811.27 SUPPLIES, OLDHAM FIRE
DEPT 2900.19 PREMIUM REFUND,
PRAIRIE AG PARTNERS 1262.01
SUPPLIES, PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION
INC. 164.75 SUPPLIES, REDWOOD
TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY 28.71
SUPPLIES, RFD NEWS GROUP 797.56
PUBLISHING, RICH'S GAS & SERVICE
89.75 SUPPLIES, RICH'S GAS &
SERVICE 25.00 REPAIRS & MAINT, SD
DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 68.62 PRO
SERVICES, SDACC 1395.00 TRAVEL,
SHELLEY STRANDE 92.06 MATRON,
SIRCHIE 114.40 SUPPLIES, SMITHS
LUMBER 146.79 SUPPLIES & REPAIRS
MAIN, SPINK COUNTY TREAS 36.00
TRAVEL, TRAFIC SOLUTIONS 12565.82
PRO SERVICES, TRANSOURCE 364.78
SUPPLIES, TRUENORTH STEEL
9439.20 SUPPLIES, TRUSTWORTHY
HARDWARE 7.47 SUPPLIES,
TRUSTWORTHY HARDWARE 176.40
SUPPLIES & REPAIRS MAINT, TWO
WAY SOLUTIONS, INC. 509.94
SUPPLIES & REPAIRS, US IMAGING
9370.88 PRO SERVICES, DE SMET
VETERINARY SERVICE 98.12 SUPPLIES,
VISA 500.95 SUPPLIES, DAVID
WHEELER 837.60 PRO SERVICES, WW
TIRE 3587.36 SUPPLIES, WW TIRE
570.52 REPAIRS & MAINT, YANKTON
COUNTY 125.00 MENTAL HEALTH,

END OF MONTH
COURTHOUSE SALARIES \$56,004.40
HIGHWAY SALARIES 26,483.10

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS
Sanford Health Plan 24,909.00
AFLAC 967.42
AFLAC 354.87
Child Support 201.50
The Principal Financial Group 273.78
Garnishment 619.38
Delta Dental 610.40
Avesis Third Party
Administrators 160.04
SD Retirement
Supplement Pretax 300.00
SD Retirement System 12,644.10
SD Retirement Supplement 850.00
AFSCME 239.50
Kingsbury County 24,784.11

OFFICE REPORTS
The Register of Deeds, Sheriff's and
Director of Equalization's Reports of

Fees Collected during the month of
August 2021 were reviewed by the
Board, along with the Treasurer and
Auditor Reports.

Cash on Hand	\$1,373.78
Checks in Treas.	
Possession less than 3 days	24,252.86
Credit Card	1,038.58
Cash Short	2,307.24
Cash Long-ISF Check	0.00
Demand Deposits	51,842.01
Savings Account	2,940,143.24
Revolving Loan Fund	295,487.29
Big Ditch MM	340,735.85
American Rescue Plan MM	479,690.16
Time Deposits	1,657,523.80
TOTAL	5,794,394.81

BREAKDOWN OF MONEY BY FUNDS
County General Fund 2,882,482.62
Special Revenue Funds (Road &
Bridge, E911 Fund
CH Bldg, Revolving Loan,
Emergency Management,
Domestic Abuse Funds
24/7 & M&P Fund) 2,378,144.94
Drainage Ditch #4 165,746.79
Drainage Ditch Debt
Service Cash -560.79
Amount held for School Dist.39,309.04
Amount held for Townships 6,271.03
Amount held for Cities 12,387.26
Amount held for
East Dakota Water Dist. 119.44
State Remittance 123,708.77
Amount held for others 186,785.71
TOTAL 5,794,394.81

AUDITOR
Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, met with
the Board for various items.

Barnard requested a motion to
approve an Auto Supplement
for \$5,500.00 to be moved from
the Dakota Access Funds to the
Emergency Management Budget.
The usage of funds was previously
approved.

Kazmerzak moved and Lundquist
seconded to approve the Auto
Supplement from 226-0-276.05
Assigned Dakota Access Donation to
226-0-101 Emergency Management
Cash for the purchase of Emergency
Management Maps through First
District. All present voting aye – 5,
nay - 0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

Barnard informed the Board
NorthWestern Energy was in their
third year of discretionary formula
availability and requested to Board
approve the discretionary amount
for this year's levy process of
\$43,921.00.

Spilde moved and Kazmerzak
seconded to approve the discre-
tionary amount of \$43,921.00 for
NorthWestern Energy. All present
voting aye – 5, nay - 0, abstain – 0.
Motion carried.

Barnard requested travel authoriza-
tion for Klinkhammer and herself to
attend the Auditor's Workshop in
Pierre on October 13-14, 2021. This
would be the election school for
the 2022 Federal Election, and the
Auditor's office would need to be
closed during this time.

Spilde moved and Kazmerzak sec-
onded to approve travel expenses
for Barnard and Kazmerzak to attend
the Auditor's Workshop in Pierre. All
present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Barnard requested to attend a Joint
Risk & Safety Conference in Pierre on
November 3-4, 2021. Barnard stated
this is not normally attended by the
Auditor but has information that
would benefit the County moving
forward.

Kazmerzak moved and Lee sec-
onded to approve travel expenses
for Barnard to attend the Joint Risk
& Safety Conference in November.
All present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Walls stated the Board would need
to meet in Executive Session for per-
sonnel.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde sec-
onded to adjourn from regular ses-
sion and move into Executive Session
for personnel at 1:12 P.M. All present
voting aye – 5, nay - 0, abstain – 0.
Motion carried.

Lee moved and Spilde seconded
to adjourn from Executive Session.
Chairman Walls declared the Board
out at 3:54 P.M.

SHERIFF
Sheriff Strande requested authoriza-
tion to travel to the Sheriff's Annual
Conference in Pierre on September
22-23, 2021.

Spilde moved and Lundquist sec-
onded for Sheriff Strande to attend
the Annual Conference in September.
All present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Lundquist requested to move into
Executive Session for personnel.

Lundquist moved and Kazmerzak
seconded to adjourn from regular
session and move into Executive
Session for personnel at 4:12 P.M. All
present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde sec-
onded to adjourn from Executive
Session. Chairman Walls declared
the Board out at 5:06 P.M.

MAINTENANCE
Lonny Palmlund, Maintenance, met
with the Board to discuss various
items with the Board.

Palmlund provided information on
estimates received for the Glycol
switchover for the HVAC system.
The estimates were received from
Mitchell Plumbing form Mitchell for
\$21,000.00 and Redlinger Bros. from
Watertown for \$20,146.00.

The Board requested Palmlund's rec-
ommendation on the two companies.

Palmlund stated he had never
worked with Redlinger, and the
County had a good working relation-
ship with Mitchell Plumbing who had
already worked on the system since
it was installed.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde sec-
onded to accept the estimate from
Mitchell Plumbing for \$21,000.00. All
present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Palmlund suggested adding an ad-
dendum to the preventative mainte-
nance agreement with G&R Controls
to add boiler services. This was not
added at first because we didn't
know how often the service would
be. The last service indicated the
boiler service will be needed annu-
ally.

Lee moved and Lundquist seconded
to add the addendum to the preven-
tative maintenance agreement. All
present voting aye – 5, nay - 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Palmlund and the Board discussed
the status of the windows and the
flagpole on top of the courthouse
dome.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday,
September 21, 2021, at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED
Roger Walls, Chairman
ATTEST
Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

Published 1 week at the total approx-
imate cost of \$209.39

**KINGSBURY COUNTY PLANNING AND
ZONING COMMISSION**
*****UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES*****
DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The Kingsbury County Planning and
Zoning Commission met Tuesday,
September 7, 2021, at 11:01 A.M.
in the Courtroom in the County
Courthouse with Commissioners
Roger Walls, Kyle Lee, Steven
Spilde, Doug Kazmerzak and Corey
Lundquist present along with Zoning
Officer, Joe Jensen. Chairman Jensen
presided.

The following plats were presented
to the Board.

Jensen informed the Board both
plats meet the land size require-
ments.

Plat of Bump Addition Located in
Government Lot 2 of Section 19
Township 112 North, Range 56 West
of the 5th P.M., and in Government
Lot 6 of Section 30, Township 112
North, Range 56 West of the 5th P.M.,
Kingsbury County, South Dakota.

Lundquist moved and Kazmerzak
seconded that the Plat of Bump
Addition Located in Government Lot
2 of Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M., and
in Government Lot 6 of Section 30,
Township 112 North, Range 56 West
of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County,
South Dakota be forwarded to the
Board of County Commissioners with
a recommendation for approval of
the recording of the Plat. All present
voting via aye – 5, nay – 0, abstain – 0.
Motion carried.

Plat of Spirit Lake Addition Located
in Government Lot 2 of Section 19
Township 112 North, Range 56 West
of the 5th P.M., and in Government
Lots 6 and 7 of Section 30, Township
112 North, Range 56 West of the
5th P.M., Kingsbury County, South
Dakota.

Walls moved and Spilde seconded
that the Plat of Spirit Lake Addition
Located in Government Lot 2 of
Section 19 Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M.,
and in Government Lots 6 and 7
of Section 30, Township 112 North,
Range 56 West of the 5th P.M.,
Kingsbury County, South Dakota be
forwarded to the Board of County
Commissioners with a recommenda-
tion for approval of the recording of
the Plat. All present voting via aye –
5, nay – 0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

MINUTES
Lundquist moved and Lee seconded
to approve the minutes of August 17,
2021. All present voting aye – 5, nay –
0, abstain – 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Lee seconded
to adjourn from Planning and Zoning
and return to regular session. All
present voting aye – 5, nay – 0, ab-
stain – 0. Motion carried.

Joe Jensen, Chairman

Published once at the total approxi-
mate cost of \$26.94

Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 446-21
2022 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the City of Lake Preston that the following sums are appropriate to meet the obligations of the municipality.

Governmental Funds

General Funds

410 General Government	
411 Legislative	18,500.00
411.5 Contingency	20,000.00
412 Executive	3,350.00
413 Elections	700.00
414 Financial Administration	117,500.00
419 Other	66,790.00
Total General Government	226,840.00
420 Public Safety	
421 Police	24,000.00
422 Fire	30,000.00
429 Civil Defense	300.00
Total Public Safety	54,300.00
430 Public Works	
431 Streets	180,910.00
432 Sanitation	43,700.00
437 Cemetery	3,500.00
Total Public Works	228,110.00
440 Health & Welfare	
441 Health/Demolition	2,500.00
Total Health & Welfare	2,500.00

450 Culture & Recreation	
451 Swimming Pool	50,800.00
452 Parks	45,150.00
455 Library	20,700.00
Total Culture & Recreation	116,650.00
460 Conservation & Development	
465 Development/Zoning	7,200.00
Total Conservation & Development	7,200.00
Total 2020 Appropriations	635,600.00
Total Appropriations/ Accumulations	635,600.00

Part II

The following designates the fund or funds that money derived from the following sources is applied to:

Governmental Funds

General Funds

310 Taxes	511,600.00
320 Licenses and Permits	1,000.00
330 Intergovernmental Revenue	55,200.00
340 Charges for Goods/Services	51,600.00
350 Fines and Forfeits	300.00
360 Miscellaneous Revenue	15,900.00
390 Other Sources	
/Capital Outlay	000.00
Total Means of Finance	635,600.00

Proprietary Funds	Water	Sewer	Ambulance
Beginning Retained Earnings	00.00	00.00	00.00
Estimated Revenue	133,100.00	80,000.00	158,300.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE	133,100.00	80,000.00	158,300.00
Less Appropriations (Expenses)	133,100.00	80,000.00	158,300.00
ESTIMATED SURPLUS	00.00	00.00	00.00

Part III

The finance officer is directed to certify the following dollar amount of tax levies made in this ordinance to the County Auditor.

Andy Wienk 9/14/2021
Andrew Wienk, Mayor
ATTEST:
Brenda Klug 9/14/2021
Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
1st Reading: August 9th, 2021
2nd Reading: September 14th, 2021
Published: September 22nd, 2021
ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 446-21
An Ordinance appropriating funds for the necessary expenditures and liabilities of the City of Lake Preston, Kingsbury County, South Dakota.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKE PRESTON, KINGSBURY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA:
SECTION 1. It is hereby deemed necessary and there is hereby appropriated for the objects and purposes herein specified to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities of the government of the City of Lake Preston, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, during the fiscal year of 2022 as follows:
101 General Fund 324,889.23
Andrew Wienk, Mayor
ATTEST: Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
CERTIFICATE
I, Brenda Klug, the undersigned finance officer of the City of Lake Preston, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Ordinance #446-21, for the purposes herein set forth.
Dated this 14th day of September 2021 A.D.
Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
Published twice at the approx cost of \$62.37

KCCC

Golf tournament results

BY DAR DEKNIKKER
Kingsbury Journal

Jerry (Hutch) Hutchinson hosted a golf tourney at the KCCC on Sept. 4, providing and cooking all the food as well. Tournament play included even or odd holes and co-ed teams.

CO-ED TEAM - WINNERS
1. Brenda and Dom Hansen - 52
2. Ryan and Traci Schoenfelder - 54
3. Jacob Knippling and Melissa Framstad - 64

EVEN HOLES - WINNERS
1. Cody Cavanaugh and Blake Hornig - 49
2. Tory and Trevin Holland - 52
3. Bernie Stoel and Clyde Beck - 56

ODD HOLES - WINNERS
1. Laird and Cory Beck - 47
2. Dustin and Ethan McCune - 50
3. Chuck Schultz and Randy Beck - 53

LONGEST PUTT - WINNERS
1. Traci Schoenfelder - hole 9
2. Dom Hansen - hole 2

VOLLEYBALL: Dogs second at Invite

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with 10 kills, four blocks, 10 digs; Cori Birkel with seven kills, two blocks, 15 digs and Emma Albrecht with two kills, 11 assist kills, two blocks and eight digs.

De Smet	18	15	25	23
Elkton	25	25	22	25

LAKE PRESTON TOURNAMENT
Eight schools competed in the 42nd Lake Preston Invitational Tourney this past Sat., Sept. 18, with the tournament play being the best of 3 sets.
De Smet was setup in the bracket to play Flandreau for their first game of the day. The Bulldogs were a little slow to start but started attacking the ball well and got the 2-0 win over the Fliers.
Leading the win over Flandreau was Kennadi Buchholz with nine kills, four blocks, 11 digs, three ace serves; Emma Albrecht with five assist kills, three blocks, nine digs and Cori Birkel with two kills, two blocks, six digs and two ace serves.
The next match in the bracket was De Smet versus Estelline-Hendricks. The Lady Bulldogs played well together as a team. Each player contributed exactly where they were needed to get a nice win over the Redhawks 2-0.
The Bulldogs were led by Buchholz with 10 kills, three blocks, 10 digs; Albrecht with 12 assist kills, two blocks, six digs and Jada Burke with eight kills, 10 digs and one ace serve.
After beating those two teams, De Smet competed in the championship game against a very good Arlington team. The Bulldogs played good volleyball, but the Cardinals were able to capitalize on De Smet's little mistakes to put them on top at the end of the game.
Leading De Smet in the championship game were Buchholz with 11 kills, eight blocks, 11 digs; Burke with two kills, two blocks, 11 digs; Birkel with two kills, four blocks, eight digs and Albrecht with six assist kills, two blocks and seven digs.

De Smet	26	25
Flandreau	24	19

De Smet	26	25
Estelline-Hendricks	24	19

De Smet	15	18
Arlington	25	25

RESULTS

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25th- Noah Luethmers
30th- Jordan Botkin
36th- Owen Anderson
41st- Kolby Sinclair
43rd- Isaiah Roth
48th- Eli Hubbard
VARSITY BOYS
37th- Chase Temme
43rd- Kasen Janssen
47th- Ethan Johnson

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Lake Preston:	Prarie Ag Elevator, Farm Supply, New Horizon Lounge, The Other Bar
Badger:	Badger Oil
Oldham:	Oldham Saloon

FOOTBALL: Bulldogs dominate in win

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De Smet quarterback Colt Wilkinson (4) scans the field for an open receiver. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

first, the Bulldogs were up 22-0.

The next kickoff went short, resulting in relatively good field position for the Badgers, starting at their own 38. But penalties and losses led to a punt which didn't go well, and the Bulldogs took over at A/LP's 26.

It might have all been a diabolical plan to limit De Smet's offensive stats, and if so, it was working. On the second play from scrimmage, Fast took a pitch down the left sideline to score from the 26. The two-point run made it 30-0, with 2:03 left in the first.

A/LP's next possession saw a little more life, with sophomore Caden Murphy squirting up the middle for 11 but getting concussed at the end. This time the Badgers gave Kersting room and time enough to get off a booming punt.

And so, because Mama said there'd be days like this, Garry brought it back for a punt return touchdown as the first quarter expired. The two-point run was good, and De Smet led 38-0.

The second quarter began with the Badgers starting from their own 10. Three plays resulted in seven yards, but an incomplete pass on fourth down turned the ball over on downs.

The Bulldogs took over at the A/LP 17, but this time the Badgers pushed them back, forcing a fourth-and-13 from the 20. So, of course, Wilkinson hit Rett Osthus for a touchdown. Wilkinson added the two up the middle and it was 46-0 with 8:49 left in the half.

The Badgers went three-and-out and punted. And that resulted in De Smet's worst field position of the night by far, starting at A/LP's 46.

With reserves now in, freshman Gannon Gilligan ran for nine, then junior Dylan Zell for 13. Four plays later, Zell scored from the 10 with the two-point pass making it 54-0 with 3:53 left in the half.

The ensuing kickoff was curious, but went in the Bulldogs' favor, recovered by De Smet at the 50. It took four plays from there with Gilligan scoring from the 17. The two-point pass made it 62-0, with 2:12 left in the half.

The A/LP reserves got the ball back at their own 47, after a good return by freshman Brecken Vossler. On second down, Vossler ran to the left for 34 yards to the DS 20 and then

junior Ashton Wienk added 12 more to the eight. But with time running down, a hurried play resulted in a fumble which was recovered by the Bulldogs.

One kneel down later, the half was over, and with it, the game.

The Badgers fell to 0-4 with the loss, while De Smet improved to 5-0. (And since such games are best forgotten, and the stats were not pretty, we'll skip that part.)

A/LP	0	0	x	x	0
De Smet	36	26	x	x	62

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

- De Smet Bulldogs VOLLEYBALL**

SEPT. 28: Lady Bulldogs vs Clark/Willow Lake @ Home

FOOTBALL

SEPT. 24: Bulldogs vs Kimball/White Lake – Homecoming Game

CROSS COUNTRY

SEPT. 25: Castlewood Invite

SEPT. 28: Sioux Valley Invite

SEPT. 29: Colman Invite
- Lake Preston Divers/ A/LP Badgers VOLLEYBALL**

SEPT. 27: Lady Divers @ Wolsey

SEPT. 28: Lady Divers vs Great Plains Lutheran @ Home

FOOTBALL

SEPT. 24: Badgers vs Hamlin @ Arlington
- CROSS COUNTRY**

SEPT. 22: Dell Rapids Invite

SEPT. 28: Sioux Valley Invite

SEPT. 29: Colman-Egan Invite

COMPETITIVE CHEER

SEPT. 23: Badgers at Sioux Valley

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BULLDOG CROSS COUNTRY

A cold and rainy day for a run

BY VICKI DYLLA
Kingsbury Journal

On a cold and rainy Monday, the De Smet Cross Country Team traveled to Clear Lake to compete in the Deuel Invitational.

- JV GIRLS**
18th - Harper Anderson
23rd- Julie Anderson
40th- Audi Currier
41st- Courtney Smith
VARSITY GIRLS
10th- Aubree Blue
20th- Megan Dylla
27th- Mirra Beck
28th- Adalyn Gross
29th- Alyssa Asleson
JV BOYS
20th- Gabriel Aughenbaugh
21st- Samuel Gannon

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FOOTBALL

Bulldogs defeat Badgers 62-0



De Smet's Blake Van Regenmorter (84) and the rest of the Bulldog defense close in on Arlington / Lake Preston's Nate Kersting (16) Friday night in Lake Preston. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

BY FRANK CRISLER
Arlington Sun

When a top-ranked team plays a winless team, you can pretty much guess how the game will come out. There were no surprises on that front Friday night in Lake Preston, as the De Smet Bulldogs swallowed the Arlington/Lake Preston Badgers 62-0 in Lake Preston's Homecoming game.

It doesn't get much easier for the Badgers this week as Arlington's Homecoming game Friday night will feature the 4-1 Hamlin Chargers, who have lost only to fourth-ranked Florence/Henry.

There are some lopsided games,

such as in Garretson the week before, that aren't quite as bad as the score appears. And then there are some that are. The Arlington/Lake Preston Badgers had to go through one of those Friday night.

The Badgers played hard and never quit, but they were clearly overmatched Friday—and the football gods were not smiling upon them— as pretty much everything that could go wrong, did go wrong.

The game began with a three-and-out by the Badgers, followed by a shanked, three-yard punt. That gave the Bulldogs the ball at A/LP's 20, and one play later, running back Kalen Garry was in the end zone.

The two-point run was stopped, however, leaving the score at 6-0 with

10:26 left in the first.

The Badgers got the ball back at their own 23, but lost 10 yards on three plays. The snap on the punt went bad, and kicker Nate Kersting was tackled at the two. One play later, quarterback Colt Wilkinson was in the end zone. This time the Bulldogs passed for two, and led 14-0 with 8:58 left in the first.

A/LP had a little spark of life on their next possession, starting at their own 17 and getting a first down; however, the drive stalled just past the 30, and a fourth-and-eight at the 32 turned into a seven-yard sack.

That gave De Smet the ball at A/LP's 25. This time it took three plays, with Kadyn Fast scoring from the 21. The pass was good, and with 4:10 left in the

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LADY BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL

De Smet rallies to beat Sioux Valley

BY VICKI DYLLA
Kingsbury Journal

DE SMET, 3 – SIOUX VALLEY, 2

The Lady Bulldogs started a very busy week traveling to Volga to take on the Sioux Valley Cossacks Tues., Sept. 14.

De Smet started off slowly, not attacking the ball or getting the serves up. After losing the first two sets, they warmed up and worked together to take the next three for the win. Overall, it was a good night for volleyball as the Bulldogs started attacking the ball, taking advantage of a strong front row.

Leading De Smet with the 3-2 win over the Cossacks were Kennadi Buchholz with 16 kills, 10 blocks, 13 digs, one ace serve; Jada Burke with

nine kills, seven digs, four ace serves; Cori Birkel with six kills, six blocks, six digs, one ace serve and Emma Albrecht with four kills, 13 assist kills, five blocks, eight digs and one ace serve.

De Smet	23	21	25	25	15
Sioux Valley	25	25	17	20	11

DE SMET, 1 – ELKTON, 3

De Smet traveled Thurs., Sept. 16 to Elkton to compete against the Elks of Elkton-Lake Benton. The Lady Bulldogs again started off a little slow, got things going in the third set, but came up short against the Elks for a 1-3 loss.

Leaders for De Smet were Kennadi Buchholz with 13 kills, seven blocks, 13 digs, two ace serves; Jada Burke

See **VOLLEYBALL**, page 34



The starters get ready to play some volleyball. (Submitted photo)