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“Wheeler: town of friendship and pride”

THE FUN STARTS FRIDAY, JULY 1

37th Annual 4th of July Celebration

Plans are well underway for the 37th Annual Wheeler Chamber of Commerce 4th of July Celebration. There are activities planned for Friday, July 1st – Monday, July 4th.

This annual event is the work of the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce and numerous Wheeler county citizens that donate their time and money to bringing fun activities to our community. Many have supported the chamber’s

efforts this year with generous donations.

To kick off our 4th of July Celebration, A Mile South (7690 US HWY 83) will open their gates at 7pm on Friday, July 1st. They will have food trucks and LIVE MUSIC by The Texas Pearl Snaps and

Roman Carbajal Band. BYOB and \$15 at the gate.

Saturday, July 3rd is jammed packed! Starting at 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM there are activities at The Tom

Britt Memorial Park (721 W Oklahoma Ave) that include a Kid’s Korner (bounce houses, obstacle courses, water games, bike trails), Sandlot Baseball, Mud Volleyball

and food/drink vendors. 1st Annual HL Owens Horseshoe Tournament starting at noon, contact TA Taylor 806.216.1737. Bring your chairs, tents, blankets, swimsuits, ball gloves, ropes and plan on having a great time! Plan to get dirty and

wet, so bring clothes/shoes accordingly!

Also on Saturday, at our downtown Courthouse Square, there will be our 1st Annual Wild & Free on 83 Car Show from 9:00am - 3:00pm with awards at 2:00pm.

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Let the fun begin. There will be lots of activities at the park for the next few days. Make time to participate.

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My apologies to my readers. It did not dawn on me until Friday after dinner that I had not taken the paper to the Post Office. Thanks, Leroy, Rhonda and Stormie for delivering them to the Post Office.

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You have been informed for the past two weeks that the Wheeler County Budget Workshop takes place at 9:00 a.m. today. This was the time

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STORM REPORT



As Reported by... Stormie Meriwether, 2022 H. S. Graduate

Dearest Friends, This summer is going too fast! Mrs. Lohberger helped me and we recorded my audition videos for UCO Department of Music. I am very glad to get that finished. I have everything in and I am ready for Freshman Orientation and enrolling in my classes.

Last Tuesday, Summer Meller and I sang at the Wheeler Assisted Living. I enjoyed that! Since the

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McCaleb Employed At Funeral Home

Chuck and Amanda Robertson and all the staff at Robertson Funeral Directors welcome Rodney McCaleb to our work family. Rodney joined Robertson Funeral Directors on June 1, 2022 and will be working mostly in our Wheeler and Shamrock locations. Rodney brings 27 years of experience in funeral service, and will help us better serve the families in Wheeler County.

Rodney McCaleb was born and raised in Electra, TX. He graduated from Electra High School in 1991. He later attended and graduated from the Dallas Institute of Funeral Service in 1994. He has been a licensed Funeral Director and Embalmer for over 27 years. Rodney has also

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Parkview Hosp. Board Meeting

A regular called meeting of the North Wheeler County Hospital District Board was held at the hospital at 6 p.m. on May 16, 2022.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roy Laughlin, Chairman; Pam Hibler, Vice-Chairman; Janie VanZandt, Secretary; Marla Ford, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Brown, Member OTHERS PRESENT: Marta Kidd, CEO; Jace Henderson, CFO; Cecil Gaither, DON, and Maintenance; and Ray

Jennings, Ambulance; Zane Zybach, newly elected board member

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER: Roy Laughlin asked Pam Hibler to preside. Pam Hibler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer.

2. Appoint New Board Member, Election of Officers, Swearing In - Zane Zybach was appointed to the Board of Directors. Roy Laughlin nominated Pam Hibler for

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Wheeler City Council Meeting

Regular Session Monday, April 18, 2022 6:00 p.m. in City Hall

The Wheeler City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 18, 2022, in City Hall located at 505 Alan L. Bean Blvd.

Council present: Mayor McCain, Tracy Tignor, Kelli Hampton, Tammy Moore, and Amy Zybach

Council absent: Kendall Hefley

Also present: Pat McDowell, Dan Sams, Ray Jennings, Kristen Moudy, and Kristi Pettit Mayor McCain called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

and opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Pat McDowell introduced himself to the Council as a candidate running for Wheeler County Judge.

Amy made the motion to approve the March 21st minutes as well as the April 4th special session minutes. The motion was seconded by Kelli Hampton. The motion carried with 4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent, and 0 abstaining.

The monthly bills were reviewed. Kelli made the motioned, seconded by Tracy,

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Commissioners' Court Meeting Held

The Commissioner’s Court of Wheeler County, Texas, met in regular session on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 9 a.m., in the Commissioners’ Courtroom of the Wheeler County Courthouse at 401 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas, to consider prior bills and

discuss matters of mutual concern and to take action on the items on the agenda.

At 10:00 a.m. action was taken on the following items on the agenda:

- The court accepted the Treasurer’s report.
- There were no budget amendments presented.
- There were no budget transfers presented.
- There were no line item transfers presented.
- There was no action taken on the Wheeler County Policy Manual
- The court voted to leave

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Merely Mustard

In addition for a space, a place, being a prerequisite of order, so too is the sequence, the timing of things another prerequisite for order. Put simply, things that are performed or that happen out of sequence result in disorder. This is true even if the things that are happening are not inherently bad things; perhaps they are good things, but if they occur at the wrong time, they yield bad fruit.

Some poor examples from nature, would be the emergence of the shoot of a warm-season plant, in November or December in the Northern Hemisphere – battered by sub-freezing temperatures, the plant would have little hope for survival. That is why it does not occur this way. Stated again, the natural world is not free to break the laws of order – humans alone have that opportunity and that burden. But an example was required for this paragraph, and the poor example of a plant blooming out of season is what came to mind to express the order (or disorder) of

sequence.

Perhaps the order of sequence is a simpler concept to grasp than is the order of arrangement, since we use the word “order” to describe sequence, e.g., “You must perform the steps in their order, to build the finished product.” The bumper of the car is not the first piece installed. The bumper is only good if it is installed at the appropriate time. A real-life example which is easy enough to imagine is my usage of email. I submit these columns each week by email. And I have found that it is absolutely imperative that I have a finished column, ready to send, before I log in to my email, the minefield of distraction. Even if I stay on course and do not wander through the numerous email messages available, the fact that they have even crossed the threshold of my eyes is enough to grant passage into my brain, cluttering it up and making it less effective for the purpose of putting together these writings, or for anything else, really. And the past

couple of years have shown that I need every advantage, and all the help I can get.

The point is, how many times do we get the timing

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THIS LITTLE BUILDING: And once again this little building is stepping up to the challenge . . . Faces have changed, grown up, grown older . . . but the spirit of service to others lives on . . . and we appreciate your support now through July 4th. Well, this little building doesn’t look like much but it has been supporting Boy Scouting in Wheeler, Texas, for over 31 years. It opened June 24th for its annual 10-day sales of fireworks. The money earned by the Supporters of Troop 472 is used to insure that any boy from the age of 11-18 that wants to be involved in scouting can do so without the worry of cost. This

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Rites June 29 For James “Jim” Batton

James Weldon “Jim” Batton, 79, of Mobeetie, TX went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, June 24, 2022 in Wheeler, TX. Services will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at Cornerstone Church in Wheeler, TX. Burial will follow at 1:30 PM in Miami, TX. Family visitation will be on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at Robertson Funeral Directors in Wheeler, TX from 6:00PM until 7:00PM.

Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors in Wheeler, TX.

Jim was born on September 14, 1942 in Dallas, TX to the late Walter and Frankye Mason Batton. He was raised in LaMarque, TX and graduated from LaMarque High School in 1961. He has remained friends with so many of his classmates and football team over the years. He attended Tulsa University, where he played football. He also attended Oklahoma State University.

Jim married the love of his life, Kay Arrington, in Miami, TX on September 4, 1961. They celebrated 60 years of marriage last year, with many friends and 53 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He served Wheeler County for 17 years on the SCS Board. He was rancher of the year for Wheeler county, but was known by many for years of stock showing across the state of Texas with convoys of families singing on the CB.

Jim announced rodeos for 4-H and Tri-State across the Panhandle, with a flair for the music he played that kept things hopping. He was on the Mobeetie School Board for 12 years and could lead a Mobeetie cheer like no one else. He served on the Parkview Hospital Board for 15 years. He was very involved in the electric co-op business for 39 years and at his death was President of the Greenbelt Electric Co-op Board and had served on the Golden Spread Electric Board in Amarillo, TX, recently retiring after 12 years.

Jim was a Mason, having held every office in his local lodge many times and served as District Deputy. He was a member of the Kheva Temple and a charter member of the Lubbock Scottish Rite.

He was a member of Cornerstone Church in Wheeler, TX. He loved music of all kinds, but especially gospel music and he led singing and sang in the choir for many, many years. He sang for many weddings and other occasions and also enjoyed singing with his quartet friends. He also taught high school Sunday School classes and loved his students very much.

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Jim Batton

Services Are Fri. For Joetta Sword

Mary Joetta Williamson Sword, 71, of Wheeler, Texas passed away Monday, June 27, 2022 in Stephenville, Texas. Services will be held at 10:00 am on Friday, July 1st at First Baptist Church in Wheeler, Texas. Burial will immediately follow at the Wheeler Cemetery. Family visitation will be on Thursday, June 30th at Robertson Funeral Directors in Wheeler, Texas from 5:00-7:00 pm.

Arrangements are made by Robertson Funeral Directors of Wheeler, Texas

Joetta was born on September 28, 1950 in Elk City, OK to the late Joe and Nadine Williamson. She was raised in Elk City, OK and graduated from Elk City High School in 1968. As the daughter of a church deacon, she began playing the piano at First Baptist Church in Canute, OK at the age of 15. After high school graduation she worked as a telephone

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Joetta Sword

H. Hardcastle Is On S.H.S.U. Honor Roll

Sam Houston State University announces Spring 2022 President’s Honor Roll.

The students listed on the President’s Honor Roll at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas, are undergraduates, who have achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average in all work attempted while enrolled in not less than 12 semester hours. The university would like to recognize Houston Hardcastle, a 2021 graduate of Wheeler.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

NAME	AGE	CHARGE	BOND	RELEASE
CARPENTER, KALEN	18	DISORDERLY CONDUCT	PTA	6/19/22
PEREZ, ANGELA	46	POSS CS PG 2>=1G<4G	\$15,000.00	6/20/22
		ABANDON ENDANGER CHILD CRIM NEGLIGENCE	\$12,500.00	
		DWLI W/PREV CONV	\$1,500.00	
		POSS MARIJ <2OZ	\$1,500.00	
FINDLEY, ISAIAH	24	POSS CS PG 2<1G	\$12,500.00	6/20/22
		POSS MARIJ <2OZ	\$1,500.00	
EGBERT, DANIEL	39	MAN/DEL CS PG 2>=4G<400G	\$50,000.00	IN CUSTODY
		MAN/DEL CS PG 1<1G	\$12,500.00	
		MAN/DEL CS PG 1<1G	\$12,500.00	
		POSS MARIJ >2OZ<=4OZ	\$2,500.00	
PANNELL, RANDELL	59	ASSLT CBI FAMILY MEMBER	\$2,500.00	6/24/22
		INTERFERE W/EMERGENCY CALL	\$2,500.00	
LYNN, JOE	28	DWLI W/PREV CONV	\$1,000.00	6/22/22
ALVAREZ GARCIA, GUSTAVO	26	SMUGGLING OF PERSONS	\$15,000.00	IN CUSTODY
FREDERIC, DAVID	39	GJI MAN/DEL CS PG 1>=400G	NO BOND	IN CUSTODY
LESPERANCE, HEAVEN	19	GRAY CO WARRANT - BURG OF HAB INTEND OTHER FELONY	NO BOND	IN CUSTODY
BENNETT, KENNETH	31	BECKHAM CO WARRANT - FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE	NO BOND	IN CUSTODY



IN CUSTODY IN WHEELER CO	
ALVAREZ, GARCIA, GUSTAVO	26
ARRIAGA, GASPAR	35
BALFANZ, JAMIE	35
BARRETT, JASON	41
BELL, WAYNE	63
BELLER, MATTHEW	27
CLARK, JASON	47
COSME-JUAREZ, FILIBERTO	30
DEVINE, ADAM	24
EGBERT, DANIEL	39
FIERROS, JAMIE	34
FOTHERGILL, LEMUEL	57
FREDERIC, DAVID	39
GOMEZ, MIGUEL	45
GONZALES-LOPEZ, EPAFRODITO	32
HARP, NABIL	21
HOPE, JOSEPH	31
JONES, JOHN	28
LESPERANCE, HEAVEN	19
MONTOYA, KARLA	39
MONTOYA, ROBERT	37
MOON, VICTOR	33
NEELEY, ANTHONY	36
OLSEN, LACY	40
ORTEGA, EUTQUIO	56
PEREZ, EMILIO	33
RINCON, MIGUEL	27
RUSSELL, SCOTT	37
TIMMONS, LAUREN	39
TITSWORTH, GORDON	53
VAIL-MATEO, CARLOS	41
WATSON, MARCUS	19
WELSH, MELISSA	33
WHITE, WESLEY	36
WILLIAMS, DEJINOBLE	24

Merely (from Page 1)
of things wrong, jumping the gun, so to speak, and thus rendering our actions ineffective or detrimental? Sometimes picking the timing to act can be a challenge, although at times one might feel impelled to act or to intervene, or to do something at a particular time that happens to be the right time.

I think a way to enhance the timing of our actions might be to try to cultivate a sense of order in our lives, and once that is done, to really feel the effects of it in our bodies – in the gut, in the lungs, in the

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heart, in the skeletal muscles, and in the mind. This is helpful because feeling the harmony of right order can open our awareness and perception to the way things feel in harmony, and the way they feel when that harmony is disrupted. It is like a silent guide, which says when we should or should not do a particular thing.

Regardless of whether you believe in such silent guides, I hope that the concept of the order of sequence is compelling enough to be believed. I have the sense that my thinking has bounced around too much in the course of writing this, and that these words might induce clutter more than clarity. So I now resort to a simpler (and simpler is always better) way to communicate this message – pointing toward someone else's work. It happens that the artist who is not a physician and who nevertheless went by the stage name of Dr. John, sang about this concept many years ago in a song titled, "Right Place, Wrong Time," in which he says, among other things, "I was in the right place, but it must have been the wrong time." Voila – the order of sequence.

McCaleb (from Page 1)
served as a Music Minister at numerous churches over the years. He enjoys singing as well as collecting pens and clocks. Rodney has been married to his wife, Bridget since 1999. They have a very large cat named Callie and are both Dallas Cowboys fans.

Please stop by our Wheeler location to meet Rodney and welcome him to Wheeler County!

Batton (from Page 1)

Jim considered his 10 years of Kairos Prison Ministry one of the most rewarding parts of his life and it was dear to his heart. During the 10 years, he worked 20 life-changing Walks, serving 40 or more residents of the Clements Unit each time. He accomplished so much in his life, while also completing Kay's Honey-Do Lists.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his brother, Charles Don Batton; his in-laws, Mark and Betty Arrington; and his dear brother-in-law, Mark Alan Arrington.

Surviving members of his family include his wife, Kay Batton of Mobeetie, TX; son, Stephen Batton and wife, Tammy, of Spearman, TX; daughters, Shannon Morgette and husband, Bill, of Andrews, TX and Jamee Hamilton and husband,

(Editor's Note: It cost approximately \$40 per day per prisoner.)

Mark, of Sand Springs, OK; his wonderful grandchildren, Bryan Morgette (Andrea), Nicole Boyles (Rob), Jeremy Gudgel (Katie), Audra

Gudgel, Richard Gudgel (Lauren), Jimmy Morgette, Robert Morgette (Katie), Ashley Phifer (Keith), Bethany Toon (Michael), Tate Batton (Janneth) and Lexi McAnally (Casey); and a legacy of 23 great-grandchildren, Allison, Boston, Tucker, Julia, James, Emma, Hannah, Henry, Mason, Amelia, Eloise, Wendy, Rose, Nate, Colin, Hudson, Gideon, Luka, Ethan, Titus, Kyson, Brighton, Bexley and one coming in October.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 50, Mobeetie, TX 79061. Sign our online guest book at RobertsonFuneral.com.

Comm. (from Page 1)

the Burn Ban at Stage 1.
• The court voted to approve the increasing of mileage reimbursement rate from \$.58 per mile to \$.625, beginning July 1.

• The court approved the boring of County 27 for the installation of 12" Lay Flat line by Recoil Oilfield Services, LLC.

• Leslie Timmons, County Attorney was given permission to add Stacy Gene Rigsley to her payroll as part-time employee, effective 6-1-22.

• Leslie Timmons, County Attorney, was given permission to remove Cristina Hoffman from her payroll as a fulltime employee, effective June 15, 2022.

• Johnny Carter, Sheriff, was given approval to hire Brittany Tolbert for full-time employee, effective June 25, 2022 at \$3,284.46 monthly.

• Sheriff Johnny Carter was given permission to hire Ryan Eathorne as a full-time employee, effective June 29, 2022, at \$3,284.46 per month.

• Margaret Dorman, County Clerk, was given approval to sign a Pitney Bowes Postage Meter lease agreement at a cost of \$33.00 per month.

• The court voted to pay the month's bills.

Why was the blond fired from the M&M's factory? She kept throwing out the W's.

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SOLD! 803 N. Arkansas, Shamrock. Immaculate 2 bed with attached 1 car garage. Ken Baxter (806) 334-0123.
Under Contract! 410 S. Nebraska, Shamrock. 4 Bed/2Bath home on 2 acres with large barn and an additional 57 acres. Ken Baxter (806) 334-0123.
INCOME OPPORTUNITY: 301 N. Wall St, The Clover Apartments in downtown Shamrock. Six well maintained units that are now fully occupied at \$550 per month. Same owners for over 30 years. Ken Baxter (806) 334-0123.
FOR SALE: 805 Great Plains, Wheeler. 3 Bed/2 Bath/2 car garage with large fenced backyard. Gourmet kitchen with large grante island and walk-in pantry. Dual sinks, separate shower & garden tub. Chip & Pam Hill (972) 989-8019.
FOR SALE: 307 N. Wall St, Shamrock. Beautiful rock home with stunning original wood floors! 3 bed/2 bath with gas fireplace, brkfst nook and formal dining. Loads of cabinets in kitchen. New paint & room to add garage or carport. \$163,000. Ken (806) 334-0123 or Pam (469) 323-9625.
FOR SALE: 7645 CR 16, 1.5 miles south of Wheeler on 5.47 acres. 3 Bed/2 bath complete with insulated barn and water well. Ken Baxter (806) 334-0123.
FOR SALE! 1006 S. Alan Bean, 3 Bed/1.75 Bath, with large lot and metal storage building. Ken Baxter (806)334-0123.

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10	11 Comm. Court 10:00 AM	12	13	14	15	16
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Hosp. (from Page 1)

Chairman. Marla Ford seconded the motion; vote was unanimous. Roy Laughlin nominated Marla Ford for Vice-Chairman. Pam Hibler seconded the motion; vote was unanimous. Pam Hibler nominated Janie VanZandt for Secretary. Marla Ford seconded the motion; vote was unanimous. Zane Zybach was sworn in as a new board member. New officers were sworn in, and the appropriate paperwork was completed and signed.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: April 18, 2022
 b. PATIENT CENSUS
 c. PAYMENT OF BILLS
 d. INVESTMENTS - Currently, there are three CDs at Happy State Bank totaling \$1,117,894.54.
 e. QAPI
 f. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: June 20, 2022

Janie VanZandt made a motion to accept the items on the Consent Agenda. Marla Ford seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.

4. EMS REPORT - RAY JENNINGS: Ray reported that the Panhandle RAC has begun the wristband program to track patient information for all patients transported. The contract with Dr. Pinson has been updated effective June 1, 2022. The printer at the EMS station is repaired. The

EMS team is completing an online driving program (fleet insurance). Team members trained the Fort Elliott High School Ag Seniors on CPR and Bleeding control. Staffing is good. The team responded to 23 calls in April.

5. CNO/Maintenance Report:

a. Nurse Staffing - Cecil reported that he has lost three RNs to agencies in Amarillo and Spearman. Everything is covered now.

b. Kitchen Flooring - Childers Brothers must come back to repair certain areas.

c. EHR training - Training will be five days a week and will be intense.

6. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND STATISTICS - Jace reviewed Income and Expense Statements with the board.

a. Midcoast Suit Update - 5/23/22 Canadian - Hearing in Canadian will be on May 23. The Wheeler hearing is scheduled for the third week of August.

b. Cares Act - PRF & ARP - Jace stated that the hospital received \$1.3 million in Covid monies last year. There is about \$638,000 remaining with specific guidelines on how it can be used. The RH-C account must be used in the clinic. The RHTMP account is designated to be used for the Rural Health Clinic testing and mitigation plan. The CTMP account is to be used for testing and mitigation.

c. RHC Generator - Recently, the temperature dipped on the refrigerators. However, vaccines were not ruined. A new generator is needed and will cost \$6300 plus the cost of installation. RCTMP monies can be used for the purchase. Janie VanZandt made a motion to approve \$7000 to purchase the generator. Marla Ford seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.

d. RHC AED/EKG - The cost of an AED from Group Purchasing Organization (GPO) is \$16,000. However, they recommended an AED

for the rural health clinic that will cost \$6000. As far as the EKG, no information has been received yet.

e. Budget - Jace presented a preliminary budget summary for 2022. More information will be available in June.

7. APPROVE BAD DEBT - Jace presented a debt report to the board. After reviewing the information, Roy Laughlin made a motion to write off the debt. Janie VanZandt seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. EMR progress - go live June 1 - The system will go live at the hospital and clinic on June 1, 2022.

b. Strategic Planning - Monica Kidd reviewed the Strategic Planning Session training.

c. Employee satisfaction survey feedback - The board members will meet with the Environmental Services employees for lunch and discussion on June 1, 2022, at 11 am.

d. CEO Evaluations - Monica stated that she needs the evaluations from the board.

9. NEW BUSINESS
 a. Conflict of Interest, Adverse Legal Action Questionnaire, Orientation Packet - Board signatures were secured on the Conflict-of-Interest forms and the Adverse Legal Action questionnaire. Zane Zybach received his Orientation Packet.

b. Hospital Board Education -Marketing, CIP Grant support letters, MA Plans - Monica stated that Jennifer Chu and Paul Scronic from CORH will come to do marketing training and can help with community surveys. The board recommended questions for small groups. Also, related to Medicare Advantage Plans, community education is needed because services are denied and it hurts the hospital, as well as the patients.

c. Rural Hospital Covid-19 Healthcare Relief Grant - The hospital received a \$250,000 grant to be spent by October 31, 2022. Discussion centered on spending it to support critical staffing, infrastructure, or compensate for lost revenue. Information was presented on vanities, faucets, plumbing, and wiring that needs replaced. A bid for \$128,000 has been received to repair and replace the sidewalks, awning, and concrete between the hospital and home health buildings,

4th (from Page 4)

at 6:15 pm (right after the "King of the Grill" Backyard BBQ Contest Winners announced). Great music, food and fellowship on the Wheeler Courthouse Square.

Monday, July 4th will kick off at 7:35 am with the 1st Lt. Ben Britt Memorial Fun Run/Walk on the SW corner of the Courthouse. You can also register the day of the race from 7am - 7:30 am. Please fill out the forms and return them as soon as possible to Lee Ann Hillhouse 826.5821 or Kristen Moudy 826.3408 or fax the forms to 806.826.5557 or 806.826.5601 or email to chamber@wheeler-texas.org or online at https://forms.

Building (from Page 1)

little building has supported an untold number of young men who have given back to their communities through 53 Eagle Scout Projects. This little building has helped little boys grow into good men. We absolutely know you have choices this 4th of July season, but we would most appreciate your considering stopping by this little building to continue to help support Scouting in our community for another year. -Lee Ann Hillhouse

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and to make the front of the Home Health building ADA compliant. Monica will be getting more bids.

d. Quality & Safety Reporting - HCAHPS, Trustee Guidebook - Monica stated that the report for the last quarter had no bad comments.

e. Policy and Procedure Manual- Signature Page Radiology - Board signatures were secured.

f. Lab Costs Overview - Jace presented the costs of reagents needed to perform certain lab tests. However, it is costing the hospital \$30,000 to stock the reagents that eventually expire for tests that are never performed. Marla Ford made a motion to no longer stock the reagents for certain tests that are never performed. Janie VanZandt seconded the motion; vote was unanimous.

g. Organization Chart - Monica presented the Organization chart to the board members.

h. ER/Clinic Coverage - Dr. Miller submitted his resignation effective August 9 due to family issues. Dr. Eric submitted his resignation effective September 16. Monica and Jace have contacted a recruiting agency to search for two new doctors.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT - None.
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION - pursuant to Texas Government Code, section 551.074 - None.

12. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on June 20, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

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List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from June 20, 2022 to June 24, 2022.

JUNE 20, 2022
 DEED-Lori S. Hunt to Burnin Daylight Land and Cattle LLC, 3-3-22, See Instrument.

MD-Lori S. Hunt to Burn Daylight Land and Cattle LLC, 3-3-22, All Interest in Sections 30, 49 and 56, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

QCD-Jason Adkins to Rachel Adkins, 1-15-21, All Interest in Lots 22 and 23, Blk. D, Potts Addition, Shamrock.

EXECUTOR DEED-John William McGinty Jr. (Deceased) to Dennis Hill, et ux, 6-17-22, All Lots 14, 15 and 16, Blk. 115, New Mobeetie.

TRUSTEE DEED-Donald B. Lowrie Educational Trust to Fred Goad, et ux, 6-17-22, Pt. SW/4 Sec. 26, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey

DEED-Odis Earl White to John P. Pollard, et ux, 6-15-22, 599.88 acs out of NW/4

Sec. 67 and Pt. Sec. 74, Blk 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RDT-AimBank to Bianca De La Cruz, 6-16-22, See Instrument.

RDT-AimBank to Bianca De La Cruz, 6-16-22, See Instrument.

JUNE 21, 2022
 LIFE ESTATE DEED-Susan Evanns to Wayne L. Patterson, et al, 2-4-22, See Instrument.

DEED-Robert M. Wendel Living Trust to Thomas R. Wendel, et al, 6-1-22, All Grantor's Interest in NW/4 Sec. 41, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN. CONVEY. BILL of SALE-Dorothy F. Hinchcliff Trust UAD 10-22-1997 to Dorothy W. Whalen, 6-14-22, All Mineral Interest in Sec. 58, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; And Any Other in County.

ASSIGN. CONVEY. BILL of SALE-Dorothy F. Hinchcliff Trust UAD 10-22-1997 to Hallie M. Whalen, 6-14-22, All Mineral Interest in Sec. 58, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; And Any Other in County.

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 15. Old Italian bread
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 39. Grand ___ Auto
 40. Net
 41. Swabber

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 66. Shop tool
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 19. Sewing case
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 22. Watering holes
 23. Very inexpensive
 26. Unclear
 27. Living room piece
 31. Oz Scarecrow's lack
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 34. Not correct
 35. Anonymous John

42. Flightless birds
 43. With a bow, to Stern
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 45. Way in
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 53. It goes around the world
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- 26. Worthless amount
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- 29. Cookbook abbr.
- 30. Make lace
- 32. Harvester
- 34. Spot check?
- 35. Zip
- 36. Sea predator
- 37. Form of ether
- 39. Everyday article
- 40. Keen perception
- 42. Margin
- 44. Discipline
- 45. Qajar dynasty's domain
- 46. Symbol of sovereignty
- 47. In base 8
- 48. Bouquet
- 49. Done for
- 51. Rocking toy, to a kid
- 54. Ruler unit
- 55. Gross weight deduction
- 56. Fencing blade
- 57. It holds the line
- 59. Call
- 60. Lt.'s subordinate
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NEW BAND DIRECTOR: Matt Flores has been hired as the assistant band director for the "Pride of Wheeler" Band. Mr. Flores is a graduate of Wayland Baptist University with a major in music and specializes in percussion. His wife, Claire is also a recent graduate of Wayland with a degree in vocal performance. She too will be seeking employment in the Wheeler community. Matt is a previous student of Mr. Evans out of Olton, TX. The couple will be at the Watermelon stand at the Park during the 4th of July activities.

Council (from Page 1)

to approve the payment of Hefley Hardware bills. The motion carried with 4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent, 0 abstaining. Amy motioned to approve payment of Wheeler General Store, seconded by Tammy. The motion carried with 3 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent, and 1 (Kelli) abstaining. All other bills were approved by Tracy motioning, seconded by Kelli. The motion was approved with 4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent, and 0 abstaining.

Lisa McCasland and Bree McConnel were on the agenda, but not present. They hope to attend the May meeting.

Council reviewed the March Financials including amendments requested in February meeting. A motion to approve was made by Amy, seconded by Tracy. The motion carried with 4 in favor, 0 against, 1 absent, and 0 abstaining.

Ray Jennings, EMS Chief, addressed the Council about the A.E.D. machine for the swimming pool. He is confident that he can get a machine at no cost to the city. The EMS can help service the machine and train the pool employees to use it properly.

Kristen gave the monthly EDC and Chamber report. She informed the Council that a meeting with executives from Ecolomondo will take place soon. She also reported that she will be working with PRPC on a housing event

at the Amarillo Civic Center. Kristen also informed the Council that a public forum for the Mayor and County Judge candidates will take place at the Methodist Church at 12:15 on Tuesday, April 19th. The Council reviewed ordinances on dogs and fireworks and will continue to discuss in future meetings so that they may be amended to accommodate the current needs of our community.

Next, the Council discussed the current pool policy. They agreed that updates need to be made. Further review will continue, and the policy will be discussed again in the May meeting. They agreed the pool must be ready by May 16th for an end of year 8th grade party, and open to the public on May 24th.

Paul Arganbright was unable to attend but asked Kristi to inform the Council that the County has a utility truck that they would sell for \$7000.00 to the city maintenance department. Kristi asked for approval to purchase the truck that would be useful to pull the jet rodder and hydrovac machines, as well as an overall work truck for many maintenance purposes. The Council discussed but decided to table this request until Paul was available to answer some questions.

A discussion was had on possibly changing the meeting time for the summer due to council members having a conflict with their schedules. No decision

Court (from Page 3)

ASSIGN. CONVEY. BILL of SALE-Dorothy F. Hinchcliff Trust UAD 10-22-1997 to Margaret A. Whalen, 6-14-22, All Mineral Interest in Sec. 58, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; And Any Other in County.

DT-Richland Resources Corporation to Quail Creek Bank, 6-10-22, See Instrument.

JUNE 22, 2022 DEED-Jack Harris, et ux to Daylon Kirkland, 6-22-22, Pt. of Outlot 25, Shamrock.

DEED/MD-Mary E. Roberts Revocable Living Trust, et al to IE US Development Holdings 4 Inc., 5-22-22, 41.40 acs. SW/4 NW/4 Sec. 41, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DVL-Paul David Topper to Joshua Ashurst, et ux, 6-20-22, North 75' of E/2 Blk. 7, Original Town, Wheeler.

DT-Joshua Ashurst, et ux to Eustic Mortgage Corp., 6-20-22, North 75' of E/2 Blk. 7, Original Town, Wheeler.

DT-Joshua Ashurst, et ux to Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation, 6-20-22, North 75' of E/2 Blk. 7, Original Town, Wheeler.

DEED-Benny K. Riley, et ux to Alice M. Wolff, et vir, 6-22-22, 90' x 140' out of Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, out of Sub-Divisions 10 and 11.

HOME EQUITY AFF.-Alberto Alfaro, et ux to First Bank & Trust, 6-21-22, Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.

HOME EQUITY DT.-Alberto Alfaro, et ux to First Bank & Trust, 6-21-22, Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.

DESIGNATION HOMESTEAD-Alberto Alfaro, et ux to Ex Parte, 6-21-22, Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 4, Mont-Lew Addition, Shamrock.

JUNE 23, 2022 DEED-Vickie L. Lay to Vickie L. Lay Revocable Living Trust, 6-17-22, 150.68 acs. Sec. 25 Camp County

made at this time.

An action report from Texas Communities Group was presented on the properties that are currently under the Code Enforcement process. City workers or someone hired by the City are allowed to go on these properties to clean, mow, demolish, etc.

At 8:30 p.m., Tammy motioned to adjourn, seconded by Amy. All in favor.

School Land.

TRUST CERTIFICATION-Ronald R. Smith to Ronald R. Smith Trust, 6-3-22.

DVL-DR Crockett Limited Partnership to Ronald R. Smith Trust, 6-15-22, NW/4 Sec. 88, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT-Ronald R. Smith Trust to Plains Land Bank FLCA, 6-17-22, NW/4 Sec. 88, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

TAX DEED-County of Wheeler, et al to Vicky Valdez Forgy, et vir, 11-22-21, West 100' of South 150' of SW/4 Blk. LXIII, Romans Addition, Shamrock.

TAX DEED-County of Wheeler, et al to Israel Alvarado, et ux, 11-22-21, N/2

4th (from Page 1)

All years are welcome, registration is \$25 at the show or rsvp with Kelly or Casey Cook at 806.395.1182. Awards will be given for People's Choice, Best in Show for car and truck. Our Wild and Free on 83 Quilt Show will be set up at 401 S. Main Street (Cornerstone DV8 Youth Building) from 10:00am - 4:00pm (Saturday-Monday). If you are interested in displaying your quilt, please contact Lanette Hasty or email chamber@wheelerlertexas.org. From 10:00am-4:00pm, there are vendors and artisans set up, Panhandle Handmade Market, as well as food/drink vendors. Please contact Christie Davis at 806.736.0418 (call/text). Starting at 6:30pm the 6th Annual Janette Hink Umsted Memorial Scholarship Cornhole Tournament will start signups and bags fly at 7:00pm. Doubles \$50/team entry, double elimination, no max on teams allowed to participate. Winning team \$200 cash, second place \$100 cash.

(We are still not finished with Saturday) At 7:00pm, our street dance kicks off with live performances from Nate McLaughlin and the Rockin M Band, followed by JW Lane & CR X and finish off the night with Seth Ward and the Silence. In between the first two bands, we will have Comedian, RENO COLLIER, he is sure to bring many laughs and all that is asked is to bring an unwrapped toy for TOYS for TOTS! And somewhere in between the awesome music and laughs, we will host the 3rd Annual

Storm (from Page 1)

residents were already there, Mrs Lohberger played old-time hymns for us to warm up. Everyone sang with us. It was beautiful to see the smiles on their faces. It was fun to sing the songs they all knew so well. I got to sing the duet, "The Prayer," with Summer! We worked very hard on that song. Part of it is in Italian. Summer has a beautiful voice! I love to sing with her! We sang our contest songs and some Disney songs. It was a great day. I am thankful that Mrs. Lohberger takes us to sing for people. I will miss that when I go to college.

We received another good rain! Two inches will be just right to plant our hay grazer. We plant hay grazer and leave it for the cattle to eat late in the winter. The wild turkeys get fat on it. It is good for the cattle and the wildlife.

Have you seen the prairie dogs at US 83 and I-40? Sometimes we get sandwiches and cokes and park on the side of the East Bound, I-40 ramp just to watch them. They dig their homes in the hill. They pop up and look around. Sometimes they chase each other or just jump around. They stand up tall and look all around. I know they can destroy a pasture in the country, but this is the perfect place for them. They are entertaining and no one has to mow the grass in that spot! I hope we protect the prairie dogs and everyone can enjoy their funny show. That's it!

Lot 11 and All Lot 12, Blk. 26, Original Town, Shamrock.

TAX DEED-County of Wheeler, et al to Israel Alvarado, et ux, 11-22-21, Pt. of Outlot 27, Shamrock.

TAX DEED-County of Wheeler, et al to Wayne Patterson, et al, 11-22-21, Lot 10, Blk. 19, Original Town, Shamrock.

JUNE 24, 2022 DEED-Todd More Insurance Agency Inc. to TM2 Properties LLC-Series 202 N Main Street, 1-1-22, Lot 11 Blk. 2, Original Town, Shamrock.



NORTH vs SOUTH Fireworks POP OFF Competition!! This competition will see which side can bring the BEST Fireworks Show. The split will be 7th street to determine North vs. South. If you are interested in participating, you can purchase fireworks from our local fireworks stand (the bigger, the better) and let them know if you are on the NORTH side or the

Sword (from Page 1)

operator in Elk City, which led to meeting her future husband, Arvid Sword. They were married and moved to Wheeler in 1976 where she played the piano at First Baptist Church Wheeler for over 30 years.

Joetta lived a life focused on the service of others, constantly juggling the responsibility and challenges of an oilfield household. From the weekly neighborhood basketball games, with homemade fried doughnuts ready for a half-time snack, to bringing childhood friends on family vacations, Joetta always strived to make her house a home to everyone. As the mother of three Wheeler HS graduates, combined with her role as the church pianist, she was deeply connected to the lives of many members of the Wheeler community.

Preceding Joetta in death were: her parents, Joe and Nadine Williamson, her sister, Melinda Simpson, and her husband of 30 years, Arvid J. Sword. She is survived by her sons, Robert "Bobby" Schubert of Oklahoma City, OK, Kyle and Jennifer Schubert of Amarillo, TX, and Ben and Arielle Sword of Stephenville, TX; her step-children, Eugene and Suzanne Sword of Byron, GA, Viola Pitts of Verdigris, OK and Jaylene Fallin of Verdigris, OK; fourteen grandchildren, and twenty-one great grandchildren.

Chat (from Page 1)

to let your commissioners and Judge know if you are unhappy with your taxes.

Also, the city and schools will be working on their budgets for the coming year. If you don't voice your opinion, just set down and write those checks.

My "THANKS" to the City Employee responsible for sweeping the downtown streets. They really looked nice Monday morning.

I don't know if the rain was before or after the streets were swept. I measured 1.9", which from what I hear was pretty general.

The "Tank of Flowers" at the Museum certainly look pretty.

It was a quiet weekend in OKC. Cathi and Michael stopped by Thursday on their return from moving Dorcie to Iowa.

William stopped by just long enough to pick up his bicycle, which had been left in Wheeler the other week so he would have room to take Jennifer and Seth back to OKC after their visit to Wheeler and Perryton.

DEED-Danny Todd Moore, et ux to TM2 Properties LLC-Series 1321 Mobeetie Street, 1-1-22, 100' x 120' Lot 9, out of Stanley Sub-Division #5, Moore Sub-Division, out of Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DEED-Danny Todd Moore, et ux to TM2 Properties LLC-Series 101 W Texas Avenue, 1-1-22, Lot 1 and East 5' of Lot 2, Blk. 29, Original Town, Wheeler.

ASSIGN. and CONVEY.-Horcado Dream LLC to HHE II LLC, 6-14-22, See Instrument.

SOUTH side of 7th Street. The WVFD teams will pick up the fireworks or you can deliver to the fire station by 5pm on Friday. You should be able to watch from around the square.

Sunday, July 3rd the Wild and Free on 83 Quilt Show is open from 10am-4pm, at 4pm the Mr. and Miss Firecracker Pageant will be held at the 1st Lt. Benjamin Britt Auditorium at Wheeler ISD, contestants need to arrive no later than 3pm. Forms available at city hall under the water tower or email chamber@wheelerlertexas.org.

Also on Sunday, July 3rd, there will be a "King of the Grill" Backyard BBQ Contest at Market Square (300 E. Oklahoma). Cooks meeting and meat inspection will be at 10:00am, turn in times are 3:00 pm Best Burger, 4:00 pm Chef's Choice, 5:00 pm Ribs and we will announce the winners at the Courthouse Square at 6:00pm. No restrictions on cooking methods or cooking off site. BUT - NO forgiveness on turn in times! We strongly encourage to setup a table and sell your product to the public! YOU keep ALL your PROFIT from your sales. Event is OPEN to the public. "King of the Grill" t-shirts are available to order at city hall (under the water tower) or email chamber@wheelerlertexas.org. Contact for "King of the Grill" BBQ Contest is Kevin Meek.

Bluegrass Music starts (Continued Page 3)



Well...to say the least! We have had the best time the first two weeks of Summer Reading Program. I have had the most wonderful helpers to get this program off the ground. One in particular is Mrs. Ruth Irvin, who is a priceless jewel. She doesn't mind answering a hundred and one questions about a book she read or for that matter getting glue up to her elbows working on Bird Feeders the kids are designing! I am very Blessed to have her help. Of course, the Mama's are always helping and getting gunky too! Thanks to all of you for being so ready at a moments notice to work with me, I appreciate you!

Books are going out and coming in and so are the children. This is one of my favorite times of the year when school is out and the little's start to get busy! Well, I do have a few photos of the activities for all to see and at the end of July I would like for you to be sure and take all of your photos home with you to enjoy. We will still meet until July 25th which will be the last summer program but I hope you will continue to bring your children in to get books and enjoy our library! Remember times are 10am to 11am on Monday's only! We will have a one hour class on the 4th of July and then turn everyone out to celebrate in downtown Wheeler! Happy 4th and God Bless You and Yours! Vicki Ferguson/Librarian

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