

Graveside Saturday For Mabel Tabor

Mabel Adilin Tabor, 96, passed away at home on Thursday, November 23, 2023 north of Altus, Oklahoma. Graveside services are scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2023 at the Mobeetie Cemetery, Mobeet-

ie, Texas, under the direction of Kincannon Funeral Home and Cremation Service. Mabel Adilin Shiflett was born to Almurta (Ross) and Riley Francis Shiflett on January 19, 1927, in Porter, Oklahoma. She was the third of their ten children. Mabel graduated from Goodwell (Oklahoma) High School and continued her education thereafter earning both bachelor's and master's degrees in education. She started her working career as an Oklahoma farm extension (Continued Page 2)



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Wheeler County Commissioners' Court

Commissioners purchase Flat Bed For Pickup and Vail X Speed Saw

The Commissioners' Court of Wheeler County, Texas met in regular session on Monday, November 27, 2023 at 9:00 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 mu-

tual concern and to take action on the following agenda items:

- The meeting was called to order by Judge McDowell.
- The opening prayer was offered.
- There were no public comments.
- The court accepted the

treasurer's report.

- No Budget Amendments were presented for approval.
- No Budget Transfers were presented for approval.
- No line-item transfers were presented for approval.
- No action was taken on the Burn Ban.
- The Judge gave his report.
- The commissioners gave their reports.
- JP Pct. #1 requested approval to hire Patsy McCarter to the payroll as a part-time employee for janitorial, effective November 15, 2023 at \$17.00 per hour. Approval was given.

• The court voted to change the meeting date for Commissioners' from December 25, 2023 to December 27, 2023.

• The court approved adjusting assigned fund balance-capital murder to \$500,000 and adjusting the assigned fund balance-compressor to zero, effective September 30, 2023.

• The amount of the supplement to High Plains Food Bank was approved for

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Wheeler City Council Meets

Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 16, 2023

City of Wheeler City Office
501 S. Alan L. Bean Blvd.

Present: Dan Sams Mayor; Tracy Tignor, Council Member; Camden Dorris, Council Member; Amy Zybach, Council Member; Kelli Hampton, Council Member; Bryan Markham Council Member

Staff: Stephanie Alvarado, City Secretary

Guests: Kristen Moudy, EDC Executive Director

Mayor Sams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Mayor Dan Sams.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: N/A

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Kristen updated the Council on discussions with getting fiber internet to the city of Wheeler. she and Dan are working with AW & Fiberlight. More discussions to come. Kristen discussed with the

council about tying into the city's water lines for the Tom Britt field. Discussions were had between the cost of a well versus the cost of tying into the city's water. More information is needed.

MAYOR UPDATES: Mayor Sams discussed that we will actively start looking for a new water/wastewater superintendent by putting it in the paper and on Facebook. He & Paul will conduct interviews for the maintenance worker. He also said that there were negotiations on purchasing a used truck and bulldozer from county precincts one and two respectively.

ACTION ITEMS: A motion was made by Bryan Markham

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Tim Reeves Announces For Wheeler County Sheriff

Tim Reeves would like to proudly announce his candidacy for the position of Wheeler County Sheriff in the 2024 election. Tim is a lifelong resident of Wheeler County. He graduated from Shamrock High School in 2007, married his wife Ashlee, who is also a lifelong resident of Shamrock in 2013. Together they have two children who attend school in Shamrock. Tim graduated from the Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy at Amarillo College in 2010. After graduation he went to work for the Gray County Sheriff's office for two years under Sheriff Don Copeland. In 2012, Tim accepted a position with the Wheeler County Sheriff's office where he worked for Sheriff Wes Crites. Tim worked as a Deputy Sheriff answering calls, patrolling the county, serving civil papers and investigating numerous cases. He also assisted with school presentations and the D.A.R.E program. While working for the Wheeler County Sheriff's Office Tim received 2 major awards for his efforts to save numerous lives during a wreck that occurred in Wheeler County; the first being from the High Plains Lodge Texas Fraternity of Police, and the second from Texas DPS. Tim received the Texas Department of Public Safety Director's award, which is the highest award that Texas DPS honors.

In 2019 Tim accepted a position back in Gray County

working under Sheriff Michael Ryan. Tim is currently employed by the Gray County Sheriff's office where he works as a Patrol Sergeant. Tim lacks 80 hours of training to complete his Master Peace Officer license. He has completed over 2300 hours of training programs throughout his career in Gray County. Tim has 196 hours of SWAT training, including basic SWAT, (Continued Page 2)

Wheeler Times Christmas Edition

The "Christmas Edition" of *The Wheeler Times* will be sent to press Tuesday, December 19. We will need copy by Monday at 5:00

As always, we will print the Santa Letters from the schools. If you have a youngster not in school and you want to send a letter, keep it short and email it to wtimes@windstream.net. We need to receive the letters by December 8 and there is no charge

“TOYS FOR TOTS” DONATIONS

As Christmas rapidly approaches I humbly request that you keep the Northern Wheeler County Toys for Tots in your prayers. God ALWAYS provides and this year will be no different as HIS presence is felt with every toy that is wrapped or piece of clothing that is picked out. Donations are always accepted but if you are not able to provide financial help please just... Pick a number 1-145, and

Parkview Board Minutes Memorial Service For J. Fothergill, 81

REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pam Hibler, Chairman; Marla Ford, Vice-Chairman; Ken Daughtry, Member and Zane Zybach, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: Janie Vanzandt, Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: Cecil Gaither, CEO; Jace Henderson, CFO; Skye Lane, EMS Coordinator and Mandy Meadows, DON

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER: Pam Hibler, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer offered by Jace Henderson.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Minutes of the Previous Meeting: October 16, 2023

b. Patient census

c. Payment of bills

d. Investments

e. QUAPI-Certain aspects of the report were discussed.

f. Date of the next meeting: November 20, 2013: Zane made a motion to accept the items on the Consent Agenda. Marla seconded the motion, with all in favor.

3. EMS REPORT: Skye reported that Medic 3 is back from Ware Chevrolet and they were not able to find anything wrong that caused the back of the ambulance to lock up. They will see if it happens again. It was discussed that NWCEMS should keep the suburban in case Medic 3 goes back down. Ken made the motion to keep suburban and Zane seconded motion, with all in favor. Wheeler EMS attended a training with Mobeetie FD to show them the new ambulances and how to use the stair chair, c-spine immobilization and stop the

bleeding training. She is currently working with LifeStar on getting a basic vent training class at Parkview Hospital. The National Night Out was a success that was held on October 3. Skye will accompany Chief Deputy Caden Walden and another deputy on October the 24th. They will be going to Shamrock School to educate the students on the hazards of vaping. NWCEMS is fully staffed. Kelsi Cook went to Tyler, TX for her first live week of paramedic training program. She has also started some of her clinical rotations with NWCEMS and Parkview ER. NWCEMS had 34 calls in September. There average response time is 3 minutes and 20 seconds.

4. CNO REPORT:

a. Nurse Staffing- Mandy Meadows reported that the Nursing Staff lost another Nurse Aide from the night shift. She chose not to stay PRN. The hospital is currently staffing shifts now with 2 RNs or RN and LVN with 2 Aides. The PRN pool for licensed nurses and nurse aides has gotten fewer and fewer due to those people choosing to be taken off the list or just not available to work due to conflicts with their other full time jobs. Our on-call nurses have been called in for extra help during shifts and on week-ends. The RN Administrative Staff have stepped up to cover shifts when our licensed nurses have needed off or a shift needs to be covered which in turn causes overtime for them. They are taking care of their administrative responsibilities when they can. Mandy has reviewed and updated the agency contracts. They have been signed by Jace and/or Cecil and are in place if the need arises. We currently have updated contracts with Texas Select Staffing, Nurse Core and Scout Nurse Staffing. One of our Nurse Aides has attended and completed her Certified Nurse Aide course and has her certification.

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Wheeler County SWCD ANNUAL TREE SALE

The Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District will be taking tree orders from now through March 22, 2024. Seedlings are sold in quantities listed. Lots will not be broken to facilitate the sale of individual seedlings.

Bareroot species available are Bur Oak, Chinkapin Oak, Pecan, American Plum and Shumard Oak. They are sold in multiples of 25 and priced at \$55.00.

Containerized species available are Afghanistan Pine, American Beautyberry, Austrian Pine, Black Cherry,

Catalpa, Deadora Cedar, Desert Willow, Honeylocust, Italian Stone Pine and Oriental Arborvitae. They are sold in multiples of 25 and priced at \$70.

Payment must accompany order; no trees will be reserved until payment is received and all sales will be final; no cancellations or refunds.

If you would like to place an order, please come by the Wheeler County SWCD office at 1410 S Alan Bean Blvd., Wheeler, TX. Trees will be (Continued Page 2)



My week did not start off too good on Monday, as I had no internet. As of Monday evening I had no Facebook and was unable to check for information that was not emailed to me.

— cwe —

As I have said many times, "Everyone does not read Facebook." If you have something you want published, please email wtimes@windstream.net.

— cwe —

I see Christmas decoration going up around town.

— cwe —

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Dearest Friends, This Thanksgiving has not been what we planned. Hunter came to have Thanksgiving with my Big Family at OKC. My parents got COVID! We had to cancel our dinner plans. We stayed at the ranch and isolated them while they were sick. For Thanksgiving Day, I have to say, we had a wonderful meal! Maxey's (Continued Page 2)

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"It is hard to find the words to adequately thank Terry Tipps, Jackie Dukes, the Briscoe Volunteer Fire Department, the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department, North Wheeler County Emergency Medical Service, and Parkview Hospital staffs for their professionalism and dedication to their professions.

Our family appreciates you saving one of our family members, the farmhouse, the sheep barn, grass, and trees and extinguishing the big red barn fire at the family farm.

May you and all your families be blessed for your service and dedication to your professions.

We are so proud to be a part of Wheeler County.

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Comm. (from Page 1)

\$1,000 for the year 2024.

- Pct. #1 received approval to declare a John Deere 772G Motor Grader and Caterpillar D6D Bull Dozer surplus property.
- Pct. #1 received permission to purchase a flatbed for

Hospital (from Page 1)

b. Wages were discussed and voted on. Ken made the motion and Marla seconded. All were in favor.

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND STATEMENTS STATISTICS:

a. Palo Duro G&P Suit Update: -No new updates.

b. Audit: We will meet next month on regular meeting night at 5:00 pm for Audit Review and meeting to follow.

c. Optimization update: Different consultants have been sent in for training. They have done a good job. They have showed our staff Web tools that have helped using the system. Jace is still working

Sheriff (from Page 1)

advanced SWAT, hostage rescue training and law enforcement tactical training for trauma encounters. Tim recently completed drone training and is a licensed drone pilot. He is currently a team leader for the Gray County Special Response Team. His Special Response Team has been called to assist the Wheeler County Sheriff's office during highly volatile situations.

With almost 14 years of law enforcement experience as a Deputy Sheriff, Tim would like to continue advancing his career and serve his community and county as your Sheriff. Tim understands the duties of this position and will strive to meet the needs of Wheeler County residents. Tim believes that the safety of all communities in Wheeler County are a high priority. He believes that all school administrations should feel safe and plans to work closely with each school district to ensure the safety of all Wheeler County campuses. Tim plans to enforce new methods to reduce the drug crimes in the communities as a priority for our local's safety. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out by emailing votetimreeves@gmail.com. Tim and his family appreciate your support and vote.

Vote Tim Reeves for Wheeler County Sheriff on March 5, 2024.

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a 2019 Chevy 2500 pickup for \$6,000 from Spurlock Farms, Stratford, Texas.

- The court approved Pct. 1's payment of \$5,000 to USDA/Soil Conservation District for 2023-24 year.
- The 4 precincts were given permission to split the purchase of a Vail X Series speed saw/HiFlo/Rotate head/sprayer in the amount of \$15,750.00 from Western Equipment LLC, Childress, Texas.

with them on coding, fees and charting. He will be making a follow up call each week.

d. Employee Insurance: Third party administrator is 3 months behind for claims with Employee Insurance. Jace will follow up with them. We will have several claims hitting at once.

6. APPROVE BAD DEBT: No report

7. OLD BUSINESS

a. First Responders Agreement: Cecil has talked to our attorney. He is a little behind but will get to work on the agreement.

b. Dr Paul Elangwe payments: We have not received any payments since June. Cecil is going to talk to our attorney, and he may need to get involved with this matter. Cecil will report back to Board.

c. Physician recruitment update: Dr. Adrissi will be here next August. He is currently working on getting his Texas license.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Flu Shot Clinic: Parkview Rural Health Clinic will be having a Flu Shot Clinic on October 18, 2023

b. Halloween Pumpkin Contest: Contest for all hospital, clinic, home health and Ems employees. Entrees can be individual or teams. Team Building fun. Five-dollar entry fee and pumpkins will be on display October 24th-31st. Hospital Board has been asked to judge the contest.

c. Cybersecurity for the Boardroom: Board was given a handout to read for Cybersecurity for the Boardroom. No action needed but all board members need to read handout. Ionix does security for the hospital and sends information thru out the year.

d. Environmental Services P&P: Janie and Marla need to sign agreement. Marla Signed and Janie can sign at the next meeting.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

10. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be on Monday, November 20, 2023.



Tabor (from Page 1)

agent in the 1940s. In 1947, at the age of 20, she married John Barnes. Mabel and John had one son, Johnnie Lee Barnes. On October 19, 1959, Mabel married Earl Nebraska Tabor and they made their home at the Tabor farm in Buffalo, Oklahoma. Mabel and Earl had four children, Johnnie (Barnes), Cindy, Janita and Samuel.

Mabel's passions were her children, grandchildren, growing plants of all kinds, and all kinds of baby animals! Mabel was a dedicated school-teacher for over 50 years living in Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico. She moved to Mobeetie, Texas in the early 1980s. She was a teacher, farmer, gardener, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother. In 2019,

Mabel moved into a tiny home on her daughter Cindy's farm in Altus. She was a faithful member of the Church of Christ. Mabel is survived by her 2 daughters, Cindy (Tom) Bailey of Altus, OK and Janita Taylor of Sherman, TX; son, Samuel

(Sonya) Tabor of Forks, WA; 3 sisters, Berdine Rawlins, Emma Schultz, and Lucy McKnight; 2 brothers, Curtis Shiflett and Don Shiflett; 19 grandchildren, Samantha, Bradley, Brandy, Crystal, Nicole, Becky, Thomas, Crystal Marie, Tabitha, Charles, Katrina, Jonah, Shelby, Hannah, Naomi, Seth, Sara, Elijah, and Anna; 30 great-grandchildren, Romi, Zoie, Daniel, Claire, Kehmar, Journey, Belami, Preston, Griffin, Caleb, Noah, Axel, Ember, Rowan, Matthew, Taylor, Austin, Rashawn, Heavenn, Narissa, Emanuel Craig, Maitai, Zeke, Ezra, Kaden, Emory, Silas, Valen, Ruby, and Malachi; 2 great-great-grandchildren, Journe and Milo.

Mabel was preceded in death by parents, R.F. and Almurta Shiflett; husband, Earl; son, Johnnie; son-in-law Charles Taylor; grandson, Jason; brother, John Ross; and sisters, Ina, Alma, and Marjorie.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Wheeler Church of Christ.

Online tributes may be made at kincannonfuneral-home.com.

Storm (from Page 1)

fixed carry-out meals for us and it was delicious! I am thankful for Maxey's!

We watched movies, played games and did shopping and errands until my parents got well. Then we played cards and drove around looking at Historical sites.

I can't believe that people trash out the roadside park west of Mobeetie. Trash is everywhere and two dumpsters are full. Someone is piling trash all around the dumpster. It is blowing everywhere! My mom called TexDot. They said they would get the trash dumped and thanked her for the call. If the dumpster is full, please find another one!

We went to Old Mobeetie to see the new sign. It is very nice. It is fun to learn about the names on the marker. We visited the Old Mobeetie Cemetery to see Molly Brennan's marker. Then we went through New Mobeetie, population 87, to the Castaway Corner, north on Highway 48.

It was a beautiful day! My first calf has arrived! It's a little black heifer. I do believe she is the prettiest baby ever!

Now we are finally going to see Baba and Pop to play cards! That's it!

Chat (from Page 1)

Note the "Toys for Tots" release.

— cwe —
I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving.

— cwe —
Our Thanksgiving Day was just the small group, Jennifer, Seth, Mark, Greg, Barbara and I. We did not have the traditional turkey and dressing.

— cwe —
Our family Thanksgiving was to have been Saturday, but it was called off due to sickness in the family.

— cwe —
Therefore our weekend was rather quiet.

— cwe —

Trees (from Page 1)

available for pick up in March of 2024. Our office will take orders on Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call the Wheeler County SWCD at (806)826-3565 Ext. 101. Or you can also email us at wheelercounty@swcd.texas.gov.

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| 3 | 4 Wheeler Jr. High BB Memphis G—T—5:00 B-Here | 5 Wheeler Chamber Meeting Bring Sack Lunch Rogue Theatre. 12:00 W. Basketball McLean—H—4:00 JVB/VG/VB | 6 | 7 W. Fire Dept. 7:00 P.M. Wheeler Lions Club Basketball Dec. 7-9: Hollis, OK Tournament—VG/VB | 8 Basketball Dec. 7-9: Hollis, OK Tournament—VG/VB | 9 Basketball Dec. 7-9: Hollis, OK Tournament—VG/VB |
| 10 | 11 Comm. Court. 9:00 AM Wheeler Jr. High BB Quanah G—H—5:00 B-T | 12 W. Basketball West Texas—H—4:00 All Teams | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 W. City Council . . . 7:00 P.M. Parkview Board . . . 6:00 P.M. Wheeler Jr. High BB Clarendon G—H—5:00 B-Tere | 19 | 20 | 21 W. Fire Dept. 7:00 P.M. Chamber of Commerce Maxey's 12 Noon | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 Comm. Court. 9:00 AM | 26 | 27 W. Basketball Dec 27-29. Groom Tourn VG-VB. | 28 W. Basketball Dec 27-29. Groom Tourn VG-VB. | 29 W. Basketball Dec 27-29. Groom Tourn VG-VB. | 30 |
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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS PURSUANT TO PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATORY ACT §36.205(e) AND FOR RELATED RELIEF

DOCKET NO. 55849

On November 21, 2023, Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission" or "PUC") requesting approval of two power purchase agreements ("PPAs") pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") § 36.205(e). SPS has determined that it requires additional generation resources starting in 2024 to meet the Southwest Power Pool's Planning Reserve Margin and SPS's projected load growth. Accordingly, SPS issued an all-source request for proposals ("All-Source RFP") in 2022-2023. Through that competitive All-Source RFP, SPS selected a portfolio of resources, including two PPAs for dispatchable energy ("Dispatchable PPAs"). The Dispatchable PPAs are the subject of this proceeding. SPS is seeking approval for the other resources in the portfolio in a separate proceeding in front of the Commission.

The docket number and style of the application are Docket No. 55849, *Southwestern Public Service Company's Application for Approval of Power Purchased Agreements Pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act §36.205(e) and for Related Relief*. Because the Application affects all of SPS's customers, SPS has filed a separate application with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission for approval of the two Dispatchable PPAs listed in this application. SPS is not seeking to change its rates in this proceeding.

The Dispatchable PPAs proposed in this application are as follows:

1. A PPA with Borger Energy Associates, LLC ("Borger") for the purchase of 230 megawatts (MW) of natural gas generation from a cogeneration facility in Hutchison County, Texas ("Borger PPA"). The Borger PPA will provide dispatchable power beginning on the first day of the second month after the PPA's approval and continue for 15 years. The Borger PPA would replace an existing PPA for generation from the Borger facility that is set to expire in 2026.
2. A PPA with Wildcat Ranch Energy Storage, LLC ("Wildcat") to acquire power from a 48-MW, 4-hour battery energy storage system ("BESS") beginning no later than December 31, 2025 and continuing for 15 years ("Wildcat BESS PPA"). The BESS will be constructed in Cochran County, Texas, and will be collocated with the existing Wildcat wind farm.

The Dispatchable PPAs have a combined levelized cost of capacity of \$8.45/kW-month. The Borger PPA has a \$31.32/MWh levelized cost of energy, which includes both variable operations and maintenance expenses ("O&M") and fuel. SPS has no obligation to purchase energy under either Dispatchable PPA unless it is approved by the Commission. In addition to requesting approval of the Dispatchable PPAs, the application also asks the Commission to grant a good-cause exception to its rules to enable SPS to properly account for energy used to charge the battery.

The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is January 5, 2024, and the Commission should receive your request to intervene by that date. If you want to intervene in or comment on this proceeding, you can do so by mailing a request to intervene and ten copies to the Commission or filing a request electronically.

Electronic filing is the preferred method to participate in this proceeding, and you will be required to serve your filing on other parties by email. Therefore, you must include your own email address in your intervention request or comments. Instructions for electronic filing via the "PUC Interchange Filer" on the Commission's website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Interchange Filer are available at https://ftp.puc.texas.gov/public/puct-info/industry/filings/E-Filing_Instructions.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Interchange Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission's Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange Filer at <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov>.

If you are unable to file your intervention request or comments electronically, you may mail your request or comments (and ten copies) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326.

Further information may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones ("TTY") may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) 1-800-735-2989. A copy of SPS's Application may also be viewed on the Commission's webpage by performing a "Filing Search" at <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>. The docket number for this proceeding is 55849.

Persons with questions or who want more information about SPS's application may contact SPS at 790 S. Buchanan Street, 7th Floor, Amarillo, Texas 79101, or call 1-800-895-4999 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the application is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence and on the project website at: https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings.

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from November 20, 2023 to

November 24, 2023.
NOVEMBER 20, 2023
MD/ROY. DEED-Michelle H. Mazzini, et al to Reserve Royalty Co LLC, 7-1-23, Any Interest in County.
RDT-Capital Farm Credit ACA to Ronald R. Brown, et ux, 11-13-23, 362.219 acs W/2 and W/2 SE/4 of Sec. 50, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RELEASE UCC DT-First Financial Bank NA to Mariah Buchanan, --- --, 80 acs. N/2 SW/4 Sec. 25, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RELEASE UCC DT-First Financial Bank NA to Bobby Swift, --- --, 210' x 260' E/2 W/2 SW/4 of Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
MD-Mary Dell Tucker Donelson to James Douglas Donelson, 11-15-23, All Interest in Sec. 1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, Cert. #5/270; and any other mineral interest in county.
TRANSFER ON DEATH DEED-Randall L. Stalls, et ux to Shandon Stalls, 7-13-23, NE/4 Sec. 38, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DEED-Donald Williams to Adaline Denise Williams, 11-20-23, See Instrument.
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13. "... he drove out of sight"
21. Batman's sidekick
23. Passenger
25. Tree with pods
27. Syrup flavor
28. Cat's cry
29. Back street
31. All-out
33. Wild time
34. Our planet
35. Unit of petrol
37. Taxi ticker
40. Utter turmoil
41. Rip up
43. Paddle-wheel craft
44. Keyboard instrument with bell-like tones
46. Work up
48. Somebody
50. Take the ___ (refuse to answer)
52. Adjust
53. Old photo color
54. Door sign
56. Dispatch, as a dragon
58. European skyline sight
59. Pastoral place
60. Groceries holder
62. Source of iron

Across
1. One of the finest
4. Jalopy
9. Ski run
14. Tint tone
15. Wrestler Hulk
16. Speleologist
17. Pantry pest
18. Top scout

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40. Provide food for
41. Plumlike fruit
42. Oils and such
43. Young hog
44. Like saltwater taffy

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- Down
1. Gorge
2. Pound part
3. Rose feature
4. Inveigle
5. Behind-the-scenes band worker
6. Pudding ingredient
7. Storm preceder
8. Work, as dough
9. Crimson
10. Attorney
11. Reproductive cells
12. Pricing word

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| NAME | AGE | CHARGE | BOND | RELEASE |
|---------------------------|-----|--|-------------|------------|
| MAJORS, SHAMEKA | 47 | BRIBERY | \$12,500.00 | 11/20/23 |
| | | DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED | \$12,500.00 | |
| LUNA, GILBERT | 22 | WARRANT - CITATION FINE | \$3,000.00 | |
| | | BOND SURRENDER ORIG CHARGE POSS CS PG 2<1G | \$15,000.00 | 11/20/23 |
| | | BOND SURRENDER ORIG CHARGE POSS MARIJ<2OZ | \$40,000.00 | IN CUSTODY |
| HERRERA, SEBASTIAN | 36 | JUDGEMENT NISI ORIG CHARGE POSS CS PG 1<1G | \$25,000.00 | |
| HERRERA, ANJEL | 17 | POSS CS PG 2<1G IN DRUG FREE ZONE | \$15,000.00 | |
| NAPPI, JAMES | 38 | PUBLIC INTOXICATION | \$15,000.00 | |
| | | DISORDERLY CONDUCT INDECENT EXPOSURE | \$15,000.00 | |
| ROMULO-PEREZ, WENCESLAO | 31 | SMUGGLING OF PERSONS W/INTENT GAIN PECUNIARY BENEFIT | \$1,500.00 | 11/20/23 |
| | | IMMIGRATION DETAINER | \$4,000.00 | 11/20/23 |
| CHAMLER-CHIPLAK, CIPRIANI | 48 | SMUGGLING OF PERSONS | \$10,000.00 | 11/26/23 |
| | | MONEY LAUNDERING >=\$2,500<\$30K | \$2,000.00 | |
| | | IMMIGRATION DETAINER | \$5,000.00 | 11/26/23 |
| | | | \$5,000.00 | 11/26/23 |

Who is Tom Britt?
An Original, Wheeler Local Hero

(Editor's Note: For those of you who did not have the opportunity to know Tom Britt, for whom Tom Britt Field is named, we offer this bit of information.)

Tom Britt came to Wheeler in 1913 with his parents. They raised livestock and camped out (chuck wagon, etc) when they gathered cattle. Their houses had no electricity or running water. There is still an outhouse and a cistern at his old house, on the Britt Ranch today.

He supported the community, the churches, schools and children's sports his entire life. He especially loved baseball and coached little league. As a young, married adult, he was active on a "semi pro" league that played on Sundays from town to town. He served on local hospital boards, school boards, church boards, water boards and even the draft board of WW2. He was an avid supporter in every way and aspect of the community.

He was considered one of Wheeler County's early pioneers, and was a quiet, patient and humble man. There has yet been anyone that didn't love and respect him. Being respected by peers in the community, even when politics were polar opposite, he never looked for contention. He valued education and the written word, and was very articulate. Generous with his time and always willing to support when a need arose, most often anonymously. This and so much more was the contributing factor as to why the Kiwanis Club chose to name the baseball park after him, after his passing. A man of integrity, honest in his dealings, hard worker, efficient, devoutly religious, disciplined and valued the family in every way.

At his funeral, a nephew stated "Uncle Tom lived his life with a goal of 'How do I get to Heaven?' " and that sums up the man that has his priorities straight.

"What I loved about him was his acceptance of people, race, creed, and religion. He was before his time when it came to accepting diversity," another relative stated.

One man, making a difference in this small corner of the world and leaving a legacy that we all can benefit from and value a gift that continues to give to our community.

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and seconded by Camden Dorris to approve the September 2023 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

No changes to the financials were requested.

A motion was made by Amy Zybach and seconded by Tracy Tignor and passed

unanimously to approve the following budget amendments: 01-4580 Water Sewer Transfer, originally \$102,000 changed to \$0 and 08-3320 Debt Services, originally \$210,115.50 changed to 200,015.00.

A motion was made by Bryan Markham and seconded by Tracy Tignor to approve

the purchase of the supplies for the gaga ball area from Bartletts in Shamrock.

No action on sand volleyball courts.

Mayor Sams discussed a contract proposal from Ionix Computer Masters to perform IT service & cyber security for the City. The Council asked Mayor Sams request a two-

year term versus three year term. A motion was made by Amy Zybach and seconded by Bryan Markham to have Dan approve a shorter 2-year contract with Ionix if payments do not drastically go up in price with the shorter term. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Sams stated that in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code the Council would retire into executive session relative to section 551.074 Personnel Matters. The Council entered executive session at 7:06pm. The Council egressed the executive session at 7:17pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:17.

Memories of Wheeler County ...and Beyond
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Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. When I started this column in October I thought I had a plan to gently

introduce memories of family, folks and experiences in Wheeler County and beyond. In further exploration of genealogy, military records, newspaper clippings, personal letters, I am overwhelmed with salient information to share with you. Recollections of people and places have taken me all over the world and back centuries! So with your kind permission, these are some of the topics I'll be writing about in coming months:

- Adams Family History
- Grandfather Walter Wynn Adams
- Letters from the Early 1900's
- Grandmother Lettie Adams
- Harmon Family History
- Cherokee Grandmother

- Elizabeth Harmon
- Native American Culture
- Grandfather Charles G. Harmon
- Siblings, Cousins
- Wash Day without Electricity
- Harvest Gathering, Canning
- Back to the American Revolution
- Wonderful Days in Kelton
- The Methodist Church
- A Little Yellow Dress
- Trips to Pampa in a Pontiac
- School Mates and Teachers
- Why Wheeler County Matters
- Days in Vega
- Education in Austin
- Memories from Readers
- New Mexico Recollections
- The Hollands, Another Pioneer Family

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• Central Texas Kinfolk

As we enter the beauty and grace of the Christmas season, I hope to share with you meaningful memories of times past and people who have shaped our lives and brought us to this special time in history. Please join me!

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