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Now that's funny!

"Insomnia sharpens your math skills because you spend all night calculating how much sleep you'll get if you're able to 'fall asleep right now'."

—ANONYMOUS

"Here's something to think about: How come you never see a headline like 'Psychic Wins Lottery?'"

—JAY LENO

"Everyone has a right to be stupid. Some just abuse the privilege."

-- DAVE BARRY



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Send us your "Where In The World is the Lynn County News" photos, and we will publish them as soon as space allows. This feature has proven very popular with LCN readers, and we love to see all the fabulous places that our readers travel.

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(Include names and location please)

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 29	80	66	0.10"
June 30	84	68	
July 1	88	69	
July 2	84	69	
July 3	84	72	0.06"
July 4	90	68	0.40"
July 5	84	67	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	1.23"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.15"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.10"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.51"
Total Precip for May:	6.75"
Total Precip for Jun:	2.85"
Total Precip. for 2021:	11.59"

City Street Bond ELECTION?

What's your city street look like? It is paved? Unpaved? In need of repair? Tahoka city leaders are aware of the sad state of many of the city's streets, and are considering calling for a bond election to pave – or repave – all streets within the city limits of Tahoka. Public hearings are scheduled at the July 12 and Aug. 9 city council meetings to hear citizen input on a proposed \$8-million bond election for a project that would include removing the existing paving and repave from the dirt up, as well as paving all streets that are currently unpaved within the city limits. The project would also include new curbs and gutters.

Tahoka City Council wants citizen input on this project, and asks any interested citizens to voice their opinions at public hearings that will be held during the July 12 and Aug. 9 city council meetings. The first meeting, on July 12, will be at 6 p.m. at the meeting room behind City Hall (former Lyntegar meeting room), and the August 9 meeting will be at the same location, at 6 p.m.

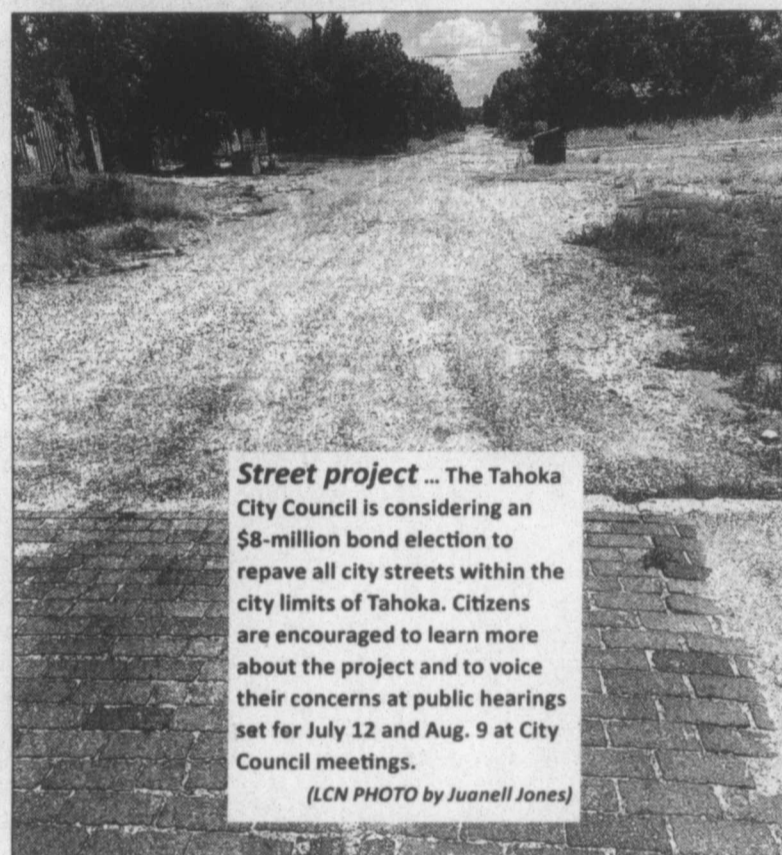
The project under consideration is a two-phase project. Phase

1 would include new paving, and curbs and gutters, for all streets that are currently unpaved in the city limits. Phase 2 would remove existing pavement from all currently paved streets, and repave with new curbs and gutters.

"The total project would be \$8,480,000," explained Julie Arrington, Tahoka City Administrator. "Phase 1 is estimated to cost \$3,855,000, and Phase 2 is estimated at \$4,625,000," she said.

(See CITY BOND ELECTION, page 8)

City to consider \$8-million bond election to repave all city streets; public input sought at council sessions



Street project ... The Tahoka City Council is considering an \$8-million bond election to repave all city streets within the city limits of Tahoka. Citizens are encouraged to learn more about the project and to voice their concerns at public hearings set for July 12 and Aug. 9 at City Council meetings.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Front elevation of Lynn County Hospital renovation (facing US 380)

New ER wing

LCH New front entry

Planning for the FUTURE

Next Thursday at THS Auditorium:

Community invited to hear plan for LCH's \$22-million project

Citizens who want to learn more about an ambitious \$22-million project that will modernize Lynn County Healthcare System facilities are invited to a Town Hall Meeting next Thursday evening, July 15, at 7 p.m. at the Tahoka School Auditorium. The auditorium is located at 2929 Ave. P, in front of the high school gym.

At this meeting, LCH representatives will explain the plan for extensive updates and additions to the hospital, including a new nursing home on hospital property west of Lynnwood Independent and Assisted Living Center.

The hospital facilities, located on the western edge of the Tahoka city limits, were built in 1970, and opened its doors in January of 1971 providing inpatient and outpatient services and emergency room services. Now celebrating its 50th year, Lynn County Hospital is one of only a few remaining independent hospitals, and is overseen by a seven-member locally-elected Board of Directors, which currently include W. Calloway Huffaker, President, and Sharon Isham, Dr. Ed Smith, Manuel DeLeon, Mary Gayle Raindl, Jana Bishop, and Connie Donald.

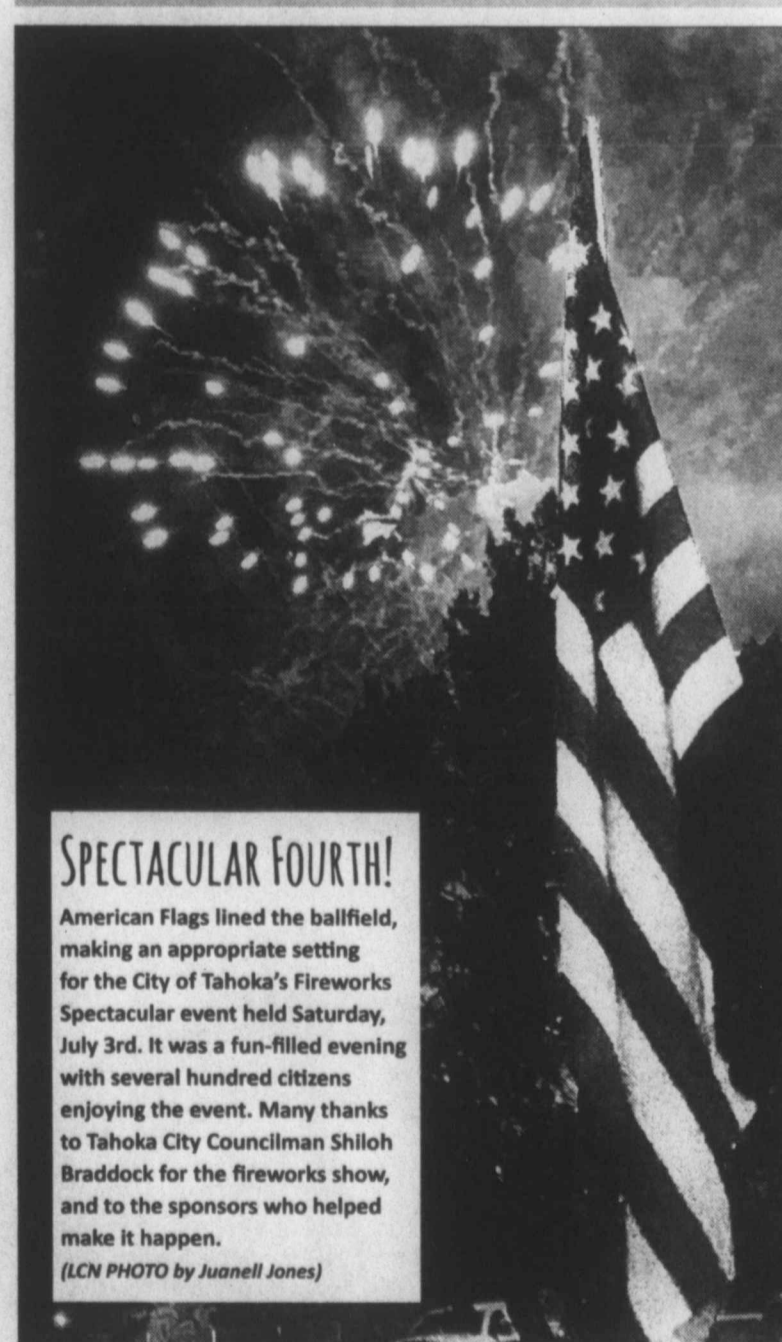
Dr. Melanie Richburg, Chief Executive Officer of LCH, said that while some areas of the hospital

have been updated to better serve their needs, such as the recently-completed lab facilities, a more comprehensive renovation project has been under consideration for some time, to update all areas of the hospital.

"It has been screamingly evident that our facilities were not prepared for handling Covid-19, and if we want to keep our hospital going forward, we need to make some significant changes," Dr. Richburg told *The News*.

Updates include new hospital rooms that are single occupancy (not the current double-occupancy design, which despite the two-beds per room has hardly ever been used in that capacity), with new wheelchair-accessible bathrooms in each room, and a separate wing of rooms that have independent ventilation systems, as well as some patient rooms designed for special-needs patients. The plan calls for tearing down the current clinic/administrative wing on the west side of the hospital and constructing a new ER wing, including a bay for ambulances to unload patients into the ER treatment area, and an

(See LCH RENOVATION, page 8)



SPECTACULAR FOURTH!

American flags lined the ballfield, making an appropriate setting for the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event held Saturday, July 3rd. It was a fun-filled evening with several hundred citizens enjoying the event. Many thanks to Tahoka City Councilman Shiloh Braddock for the fireworks show, and to the sponsors who helped make it happen.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



NOW THAT'S FUNNY!



People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day.

—WINNIE THE POOH



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July 12-16

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Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, spinach, pea salad, fruit cocktail

Thursday: Chicken salad sandwich, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, watermelon

Friday: Ham & beans, cornbread, spinach, corn, orange-pineapple cup, apple crisp

Obituaries



James Darnell Boyd

James Darnell Boyd, 81, passed away peacefully on June 4th, 2021 at his home in Lampasas, Texas.

Darnell was surrounded by his beloved wife, Mary, his three daughters, his sister and brother-in-law. He was born in Canyon, Texas on November 11th, 1939 to Raymond and Charlse Boyd.

Funeral services were held at 11am on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at Sneed Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at San Saba City Cemetery.

Darnell grew up in Odessa, Texas and later moved with his family to Snyder, Texas where he graduated from high school. In 1954, he was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at the age of 15. Darnell married Mary Stephens on December 23, 1960 in Snyder, Texas. They were devoted to each other for over 60 years. Darnell was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ and attended and served as the minister for many different congregations, including, Ira, Texas; Stephenville, Texas; Iraan, Texas; Tahoka, Texas; Fargo, North Dakota; Borger, Texas; Lometa, Texas and Bend, Texas. At the time of his death, he was a member

of the Bend Church of Christ. Darnell entered ministry at age 20 and retired from preaching in 2020 after 60 years of service. He was also a licensed insurance agent for 10 years.

Darnell was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Charlse Boyd, his brother, Billy Ray Boyd, his step-mother, Melissa Boyd, one granddaughter, Jessica Lynn Golden and one great-grandson, Lyric James Golden.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Boyd of Lampasas; three daughters-Lisa Deann Shults and husband Brian of Liberty Hill, Denise Hance and husband Kelly of Amarillo and Denita Bynum and husband Stephen of Lampasas; sister, Genell Maxwell and husband Richard of Borger; five grandchildren, Casey Meharg and wife Marlene of Gainesville, Jeremy Golden and wife Megan of Borger, Morgan Jones and husband Travis of Leander, Laura Fisher and husband Michael of Abilene and J.D. Bynum of Iwakuni, Japan; three step-grandchildren, Crystal Pesko and husband Travis of Temple, Devyon Wenino of San Diego, Kambry Hance of Amarillo and 10 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to Type One Area Diabetic Support (TOADS), 7202 Jameson Str., Amarillo, Texas 79106 or New Century Hospice, 451 East Central Texas Expressway Suite C, Harker Heights, Texas 76548.



Angelita De Leon

Angelita De Leon, of Tahoka, Texas, went to be with the Lord on Friday, July 2, 2021 at the age of 82. She was born August 26, 1938, in Victoria, Texas, to Guadalupe Trevino and Dominga Rodriguez.

Angelita was a homemaker who enjoyed sewing, quilting, and cooking, especially tamales. She loved to travel. Angelita's greatest joy was spending time with her grandkids and great grandkids. She was a devout Catholic.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Benito P. De Leon; her parents, Guadalupe and Dominga Trevino; and brother, Guadalupe Trevino, Jr.

Angelita is survived by her sons, Benito De Leon, Jr. and wife Shannon of Edna, Texas, Jose De Leon of Washington, Manuel De Leon and wife Jennifer of Tahoka, Texas, and Fabian De Leon of Tahoka, Texas; daughters, Maria De Leon of Petty, Texas, Teresa Ochoa and husband Salomon of Lubbock, Texas, and Yolanda De Leon of Tahoka, Texas; and sisters, Francis Briones of Victoria, Texas, Paula Ramirez of Houston, Texas, and Beatrice Perez of Houston, Texas. She is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gabriel Flores, Bear Villareal, Joseph



COY MERCER AND HAGEN GUPTON

Couple announce engagement

Coy Mercer and Hagen Gupton, both of Canyon, announce their engagement. Coy is the daughter of Joe and Kim Mercer of Tahoka. Gupton is the son of Kenny and Shayna Gupton of Canyon.

Coy is a graduate of Tahoka High School, and West Texas A&M. She is employed by Mc 6 Cattle Feeders, Hereford, TX. Gupton is a graduate of Canyon High School and is employed by Randall County Feedyard.

The couple will wed September 11, 2021, at the Chateau Event and Wedding Venue in Canyon.

Villareal, Nikolas De Leon, Jeremiah De Leon, and Venita De Leon. Honorary Pallbearers were Banca De Leon, Marcia Balderas, AngieLee Salinas, Abigail De Leon, and Ana De Leon.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, July 6, 2021, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm with a rosary recited at 6:30 pm in the Oaklawn Funeral Home Chapel in Edna, Texas. Funeral mass will begin at 10:00 am, on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Edna. Interment to follow in the Latin American Cemetery of Edna.

Funeral Arrangements are under the direction of Oaklawn Funeral Home in Edna. Local Arrangements were made under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home.



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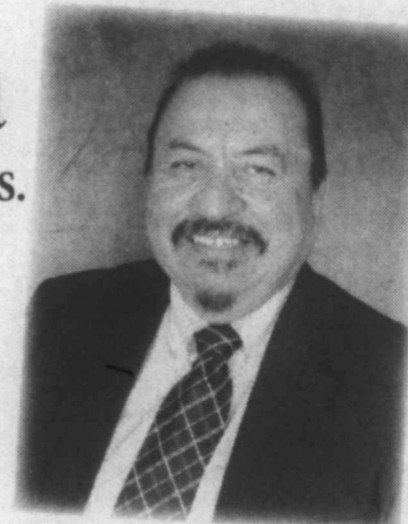
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for his 8 years of service to LCHS.

Friday, July 16, 2021

10:00 a.m.

LCH Meeting Room



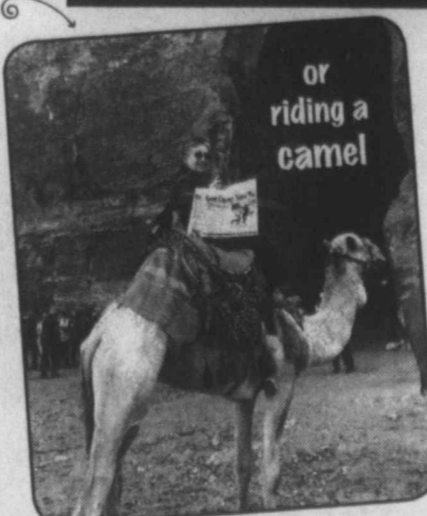
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Vehicle strikes deer on FM 2053; fireworks calls keep police busy

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka Police responded to multiple calls reporting fireworks inside the city limits during the Fourth of July weekend, with citizens complaining of the noise especially during the late night hours. City ordinances prohibit setting off fireworks within the city limits. Tahoka Police Chief Jeff Parker said his department was kept busy responding to numerous complaints.

One traffic accident was reported in the county, with a F-150 pickup striking a deer on FM 2053 just after 10 p.m. June 29. The driver said he had been rerouted to the unfamiliar farm-to-market road due to heavy rain in Lamesa, and struck a deer. Both airbags had deployed but the driver reported there were no injuries. The vehicle had to be towed from the scene.

Forgery was reported by a caller from Wilson on June 30, who told officers that he discovered some checks were written from his company's bank account. Because the checks were written in Lubbock, the caller was referred to Lubbock Police Dept.

Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. was paged to a structure fire located approximately four miles south of Wilson on the west side of FM 400 at 4:36 p.m. July 1.

Lumber valued at \$2,000-\$3,000 was reported stolen from a location north of New Home ISD on FM 1730 on July 3. The caller said that he had set up cameras at the location because he recently had \$1,000 worth of lumber stolen, and told officers that he had video of a truck loading up the lumber. The case is under investigation.

On July 4, a New Home resident reported that he had a backpack blower and fram-

ing materials taken from his residence in the 1000 block of Smith Lane.

Another theft was reported on July 5, from a rural location on CR 8, with the caller reporting that someone had cut the lock off the door to gain entry to a barn, and that he was missing two floor jacks valued at \$300 each, and some tool boxes.

A dog attacking a home owner's dog was reported at 7:50 a.m. July 4, at a rural location on CR 32. A deputy made contact with the owner of the dog that reportedly made the attack, and arrangements were being made to have the dog picked up.

Lynn County Sheriff's Office had multiple other calls during the week, for assisting motorists, unwanted persons, domestic disturbances, welfare concerns, fireworks, identity theft, illegal dumping, and 9-1-1 hangup calls.

In addition to responding to multiple calls reporting fireworks inside the city limits during the past week, Tahoka Police answered calls for suspicious persons/vehicles, loud music, and welfare concerns.

A possible prowler was reported in the 2000 block of N. 3rd at 10:30 p.m. July 1, but officers were reportedly unable to locate anyone.

At 12:40 a.m. July 4, police responded to the 1800 block of N. 5th for a report of a possibly intoxicated male who kept knocking on a residence's door. Police located the man, and arrested him on an outstanding warrant from Lynn County.

A local convenience store reported receiving a fake \$10-bill at 12:42 a.m. July 5, and also reported that three males took several beers from the store without paying for them in an incident at 2:30 a.m. July 5.



Happy to serve ... These happy workers were ready to take orders at the Big Dog Food Truck, one of many food trucks on hand Saturday at the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event held at the baseball field. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Jamaica set here July 18

The annual Jamaica celebration for St. Jude Catholic Church in Tahoka will be held on Sunday, July 18, from 12 noon until 10 p.m. on the church grounds, at 1829 South 4th and Ave. M in Tahoka. Area citizens are invited to attend.

Live music will be offered throughout the day by Conjunto Malo, Conjunto 87 and Los Hermanos Torres.

Food booths and games will be offered as well, including Hub City Cornhole and Bagz Deep Cornhole, train rides and a bounce house for children, and other games. A silent and live auction will be conducted, and raffle tickets will be available for \$1 for drawings for cash prizes including a grand prize of \$1,000 gift card, as well as gift cards for \$500, \$300, \$200 and \$100.

2021-22 TPWD drawn hunt permit applications now being accepted

Hunters looking for a new opportunity or a change of scenery this fall are encouraged to check out the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) drawn hunt permits program. Applications are being accepted now for a shot at almost 10,000 permits in 61 hunt categories.

The permits are for drawn hunts on both public and private lands throughout Texas. Among the offerings available through the online system are hunts for white-tailed and mule deer, pronghorn, turkey, alligator, dove and guided packages for exotic species and bighorn sheep.

"This season, we will conduct drawings in 61 hunt categories," said Kelly Edmiston, TPWD Public Hunting Program Coordinator. "These drawings include selections for U.S. Forest Service Antlerless Deer Permits, both adult and youth hunts, 18 e-Postcard Selections for hunters using the \$48 Annual Public Hunting Permit (APH), and hunts conducted on 9 National Wildlife Refuges (NWR) in Texas."

Applicants for e-Postcard hunts and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Antlerless Deer Permits must have a current APH permit to apply.

New areas included in this year's drawn hunt catalog include the Caddo Lake NWR

and Neches River NWR. TPWD also created three new Private Lands hunt categories, for feral hog, quail and spring turkey.

Drawn hunt opportunities can be viewed online by category or by area via an interactive map and all applications, fee payments and permit issuance is handled electronically. To participate, applicants will need internet access, an email address and a credit or debit card. The customer ID number from the applicant's hunting or fishing license is the most effective way to access the system.

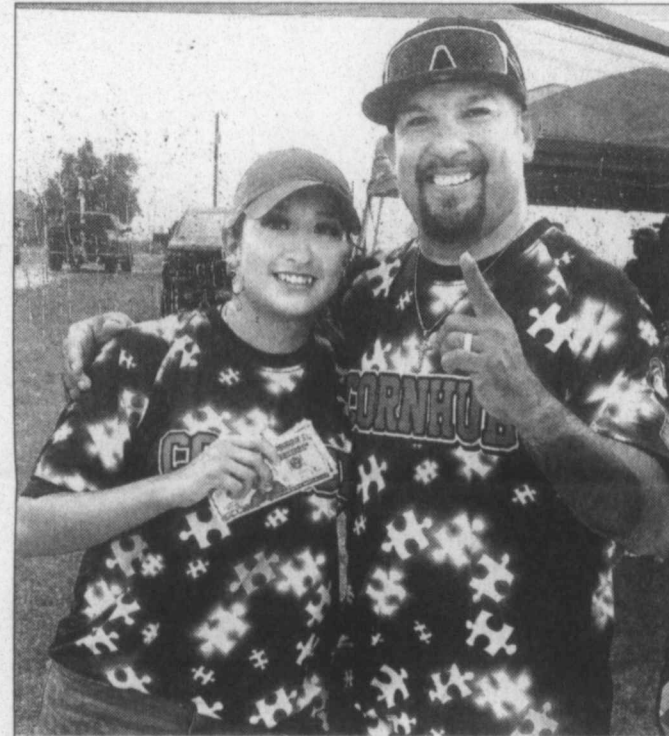
Application fees are \$3 or \$10 depending on the hunt category. Adult hunters that are selected may also need to pay a Special Permit fee of \$80 for regular hunts and \$130 for extended hunts. Some categories, such as the Youth-Only hunts, require no application fees or permit fees. Permits are open to resident and non-resident hunters alike.

The first application deadlines are in August. Aug. 1 is the deadline for the alligator hunt categories, pronghorn, and private lands dove hunts, and Aug. 15 is the deadline for archery deer, general exotic and javelina. Application deadlines are the 1st and 15th of the month from Aug. 1st to Nov. 1st. A full list of category deadlines can be found online.

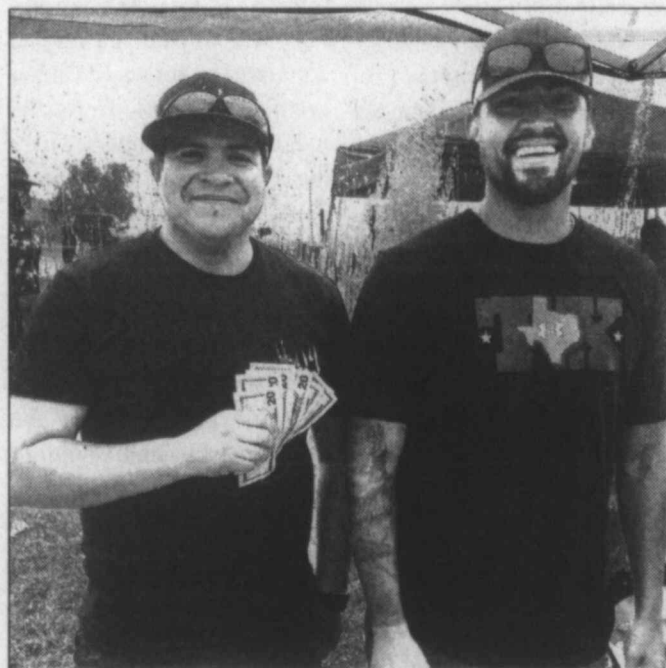
Hunters can apply up to 11:59 p.m. Central Time on the application deadline, and after the application is submitted, they can check their drawing status online at any time.

For more information or to get started in the application process visit the TPWD drawn hunts webpage. For questions, contact hunt@tpwd.texas.gov or call (512) 389-4505 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

BE Kind to one another



Cornhole brings cash! ... Shelly and Auggie Cantu show their \$200 cash prize for winning first place in the Cornhole Tournament held at the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event on Saturday. The tournament was sponsored by Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee.



We won cash! ... Jacob Aguayo and John Hadderton won a \$150 cash prize for winning second place in the Cornhole Tournament in Tahoka Saturday.

Area News News items from area newspapers

Slaton ISD names two new principals

SLATON – The Slaton Independent School District Board of Trustees approved two new principals during a special meeting on June 22.

Mario Aguirre, who has been the Slaton High School band director, will now lead SHS as principal.

Marcus Arguello, who has been teaching English at the Junior High, will now be the Junior High Assistant Principal.

– from *The Slatonite*

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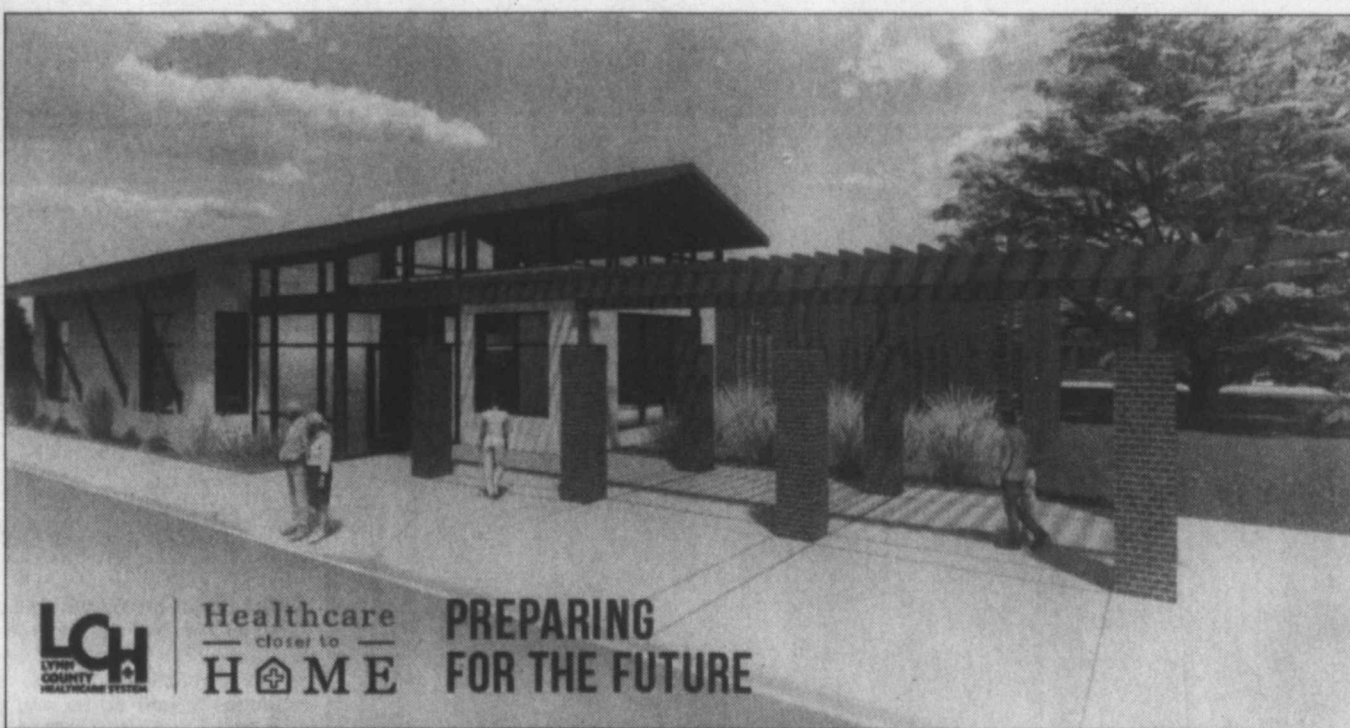
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- Transition all rooms to single occupancy, with a focus on infection control
- Build a new 40-bed nursing home, to complement Lynnwood Independent and Assisted Living and be a resource for the region
- Project will be funded through USDA loans, with an estimated 2.1% fixed interest rate

You are invited to our town hall meeting
July 15th at 7pm at the
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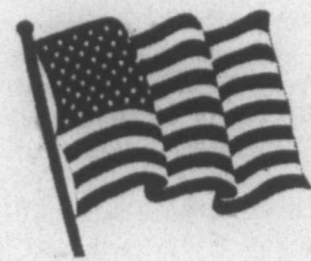
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Fun on the fourth!



Cornhole fun on the fourth ... Several teams had fun participating in the Cornhole Tournament held at the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event on Saturday. The tournament was sponsored by Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee. (LCN PHOTOS by Gary Jones)



FUNDRAISER DRIVE GREEN MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY WILSON, TX

Green Memorial Park Cemetery will have its annual fundraising drive during the month of July. The board of directors encourage all who have loved ones buried there to help with the expenses of maintaining the cemetery.

Funds can be mailed to:
Green Memorial Park Cemetery
P.O. Box 102
Wilson, Tx. 79381

The Board of Directors would like to thank each of you for your past contributions and ask for your support to help keep the cemetery neat and attractive.

Board Members:
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Lester Gickhorn
Carolyn Klaus

Did you know?

• The following can be read forward and backwards: Do geese see God? This sentence is what is called a "palindrome." The word itself is from the Greek "palin" meaning "back," and "dromos" meaning direction.

• A baby octopus is about the size of a flea when it is born. You would think this would make them hard to spot, however since eggs are laid by the tens of thousands, it would be hard to miss a massive cluster of pea-sized octopuses!

• Recycling one glass jar saves enough energy to watch television for 3 hours. The average person has the chance to recycle 25,000 cans in their lifetime — that's 75,000 hours of television!

• There is a species of spider called the Hobo Spider. Most bites from the Hobo Spider (*Tegenaria agrestis*) happen when the spider is accidentally crushed or squeezed by a human.

Youth hunter education course set July 27 in Brownwood

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office of Brown County has announced a hunter education classroom course for novice or young hunters, ages 9-17. The event will be held July 27 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Brownwood Claybird Club, 5875 County Road 225, next to the Brownwood Country Club.

The July 27 hunter education course in Brownwood is designed for novice and youth hunters.

"The course covers the core competencies of firearm and hunting safety, hunting ethics and wildlife conservation," said Scott Anderson, AgriLife Extension agent for Brown County.

The cost is \$15, payable at the door by cash only and preregistration is requested as space is limited. Participants should bring a sack lunch. All materials are provided. Please

contact instructor Bobby Clark at 361-597-0310 or the AgriLife Extension office in Brown County at 325-646-0386 to preregister.

Adults may attend with their youth participants, but only if they are also taking the class. No live ammunition is allowed in the classroom.

At the end of the course, a written exam will be offered. At least 75% correct is needed to pass and receive a temporary hunter education certification card from the instructor. Participants may then legally hunt with a valid Texas hunting license and their temporary certification card. The permanent certification will be available to download when ready.

Courses are offered across the state year round by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and are taught by certified volunteer instructors.

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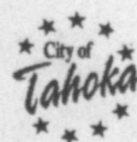
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CITY OF TAHOKA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Tahoka will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the following proposed Bond Election for the repair of municipal streets and drainage:

City Council will hear testimony on a Bond Election for the installation of new streets compete with curbs and gutters and the repair to old streets compete with curb and gutters. The work will be divided into two phases with phase 1 the installation of new streets and curbs and gutters and phase two with the repair to the old streets to include curb and gutters. The total estimated cost of the bond is \$8,480,000, which will equate to an increase of \$0.48/\$100 of property valuation.

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

Date: July 12, 2021
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Community Action Building
Tahoka City Hall (back entrance)
1807 N. Main St
Tahoka, TX 79373

Residents will be given an opportunity to be heard in connection with said proposed bond election. Information on this variance is available for review at City Hall.

If you are unable to attend the hearing, you are allowed to forward a letter voicing your opinion for or against this bond election to the attention of Julie Arrington at City of Tahoka P.O. Box 300, Tahoka, Texas 79373. Your comments and concerns may be read aloud during the Public Hearing.

Prepared and posted this 6th day of July 2021, in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code

Julie Arrington
Julie Arrington, MPA, TRMC
City Administrator

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New Home Happenings

by Denise Sherrod

The New Home city council will meet on Tuesday, July 27, at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

In other city news, the paving contractor who will repair our pot caverns should be here soon. They probably need the weather to get back to its normal dry conditions before they can do much. When they can get started, we need to park somewhere other than the street on which they are working. At this time, they will only be repairing paved streets in the city limits.

We may now water twice a week. With all the rain, that probably isn't necessary right now. But when it is, if you have an address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, etc.), you may water on Tuesdays and Fridays. Houses with

an address ending in an even number may water on Mondays and Thursdays. You may water for two hours each of those days prior to 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m. Even if you have a private well, you are asked to stick to those hours to increase the effectiveness of your watering and lessen the loss through evaporation. If you water more than the allotted amount, you will be charged for the excess water that you use after the first 5,000 gallons. The charge is \$8/1000 gallons over 5,000. It's all on your water bill, so keep an eye on that to avoid any harsh surprises.

To submit items for New Home Happenings, email dsherrod@gmail.com prior to 10 a.m. on Tuesdays.

A look back at ... Woodwork

(Reprinted from the past)

Dalton Wood



BACK IN THE late 1930s there were "Fight Nights" in Tahoka when periodically high school boys from various schools in the county and area would square off against each other, and people could watch the boxing and wrestling at the Tahoka gymnasium for admission of 25 cents.

J.A. Pebsworth of Tahoka brought in a typed list of matches scheduled for one of those nights, and some of those boys who tore into each other for sport may still be around. This particular flyer, which was posted on a bulletin board someplace, was for events on an April 10, Thursday night, but I have lost my calendar and formula which tells me what year in the 1930s that was. Anyway, he said the fights and wrestling matches were held from about 1937 to 1940.

The 175-pound fight that night was between Giles of Draw and Reid Parker of Tahoka. The list always gave schools represented, but only occasionally gave first names of participants.

Among the O'Donnell boxers and wrestlers were Max Harris, C.R. Burleson, Kirkland, Davis, Clark, Tech McLaurin, and McKibben,

Other participants from Draw named were Florence, Crawford, and another Giles.

Listed from Tahoka were J.G. Adams, Finis Connolly, Tippet, Millman, Dan Daniels, Dea Parker, Herman Reid, J.W. Weathers, and Fuels.

New Home students listed were Hilton, Ensor, Crump, Randolph and Balch.

Cooper students named were Clayton and Randolph. Also on the list was a Williams from New Lynn.

I have no idea how long these people fought, but the sheet reminded me of the one time I put on boxing gloves, during physical education classes at the University of North Texas more than 50 years ago. The instructor paired us off by weight, put gloves on us, gave us a few pointers like keep your elbows in, bend slightly forward, keep your hands up to protect your face, and then had us box for three minutes.

I don't remember getting knocked down or knocking anybody down, but I do remember that those three minutes seemed like about an hour, and my arms really got tired. That was the first time I began to respect the kind of conditioning that real boxers must need to compete.

It also was the first time I thought, "There must be a better way to settle a dispute than this," and began to consider the advantages of diplomacy over might or flight.

-- from June 2005



Coach pitch All-Stars ... The New Home Little League Coach Pitch Baseball team won the District 38 All Star tournament in Idalou. They went 4-0 during the tournament. Pictured front row from left are, Easton Burrow, Austin Adams, Jett Lane, Jacob Ruiz, Keaston Kelcy and Jax Ysasaga. Middle (L-R): Trey Halfmann, River Mounce, Anson Kubacak, Kase Gray, Eli Dutton, and Ryder Brown. Back row from left are Coaches Josh Lane, Tim Burrow, Clark Kelcy, and Rusty Dutton.



Junior All-Stars ... The New Home Little League Junior Baseball team won the District 38 All-Star tournament in New Home. They outscored their opponents 56-2 with 3 shutouts. Players are, front from left - Ty Dutton, Brayson Beck; Middle (L-R): Jair Johnson, Ryder Starkey, Graham Stanford, Jaidon, Vasquez, Baron Bass, Tabor Churchwell, Tucker Watkins, Conley Mounce. Back row from left are Coach Tracy Starkey, Ryder Watkins, Coach Stephen Watkins. Not pictured is Zack Armes.

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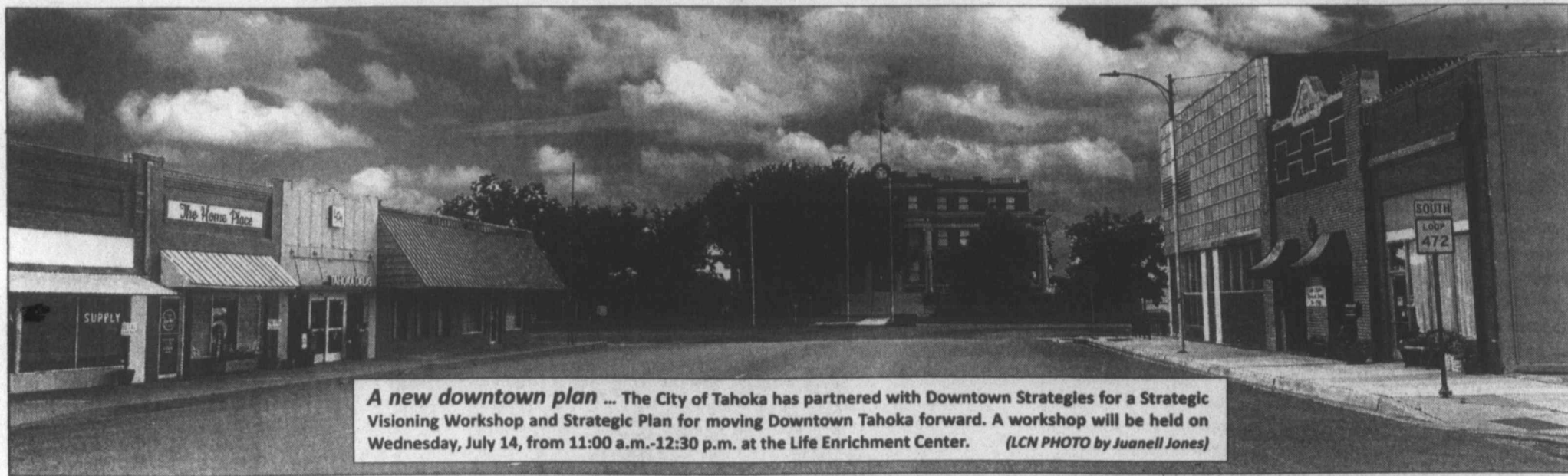
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Downtown Strategic Visioning Workshop slated next Wednesday

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ter, 1717 Main St., Tahoka. Any interested citizens are encouraged to attend this workshop to provide feedback.

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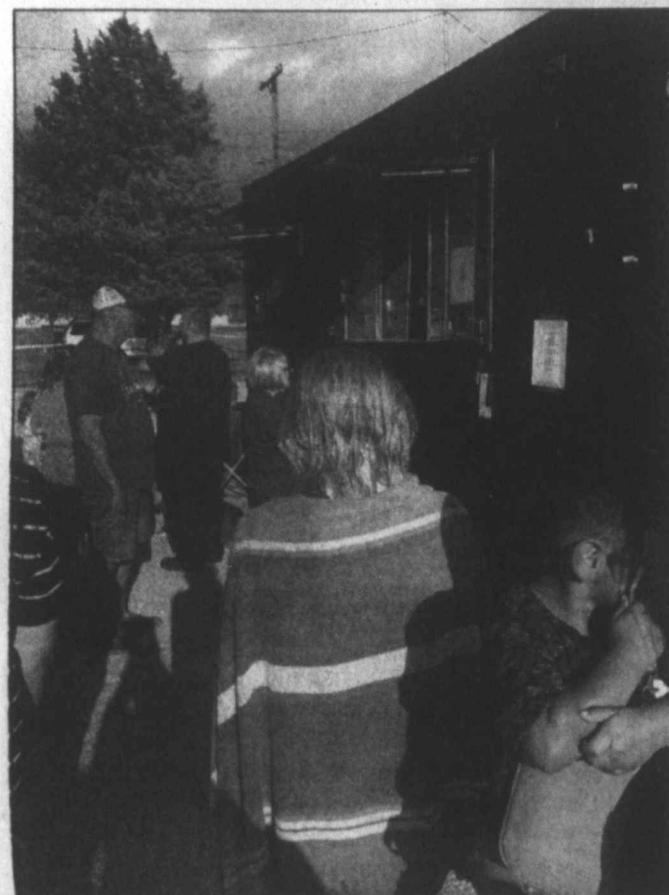
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plan for growth, economic impact, and progress.

To help make Downtown Tahoka the best it can be, community feedback is needed. Please take a few minutes to fill out the anonymous survey by going to the City of Tahoka's Facebook page and looking for the

survey titled "Downtown Tahoka Community Survey" and click on the link to the survey.

For more information, questions or concerns, contact TEDC Director David Partlow at 806-201-0237 or Julie Arrington, Tahoka City Manager at 806-561-4211.



Ready to eat ... Lots of citizens showed up hungry for a variety of food served from several food trucks on hand Saturday at the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event held at the baseball field. In this photo, the line is for Cornbreadz food truck. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

City Council to consider revisions to yard-parking ordinance here

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka City Council will consider revising a yard-parking ordinance that affects residential and commercial parking of vehicles, in their July 12 city council meeting. Any interested citizens are invited to attend the meeting that begins at 6 p.m. to hear more information about the proposed revisions, or to give input during the public hearing portion of the meeting.

The council meeting will be held at the city meeting room (formerly Lyntegar meeting room) behind Tahoka City Hall.

City officials are reviewing the current ordinance and will consider revisions that could alleviate possible hardships

to residents but still allow for safety issues to be addressed.

"Our main goal with this ordinance is for vehicles to not block the front door access to homes, should EMS or other emergency vehicles need immediate access to their homes," said Julie Arrington, Tahoka City Administrator.

"Revisions to the yard-parking section will be more specific for certain circumstances, and would also allow a time period for those who feel they cannot comply to address the issue with the city. We are also considering revisions to commercial parking, such as to not block driveways or other access to the property," she said.

Area News from area newspapers

Storm pounds Lamesa; \$10 million damage

LAMESA - When a supercell thunderstorm collides with 88 mile-per-hour winds from another weather system, things get scary.

That's what Lamesa residents experienced Saturday evening (June 26). The result was damaging straight-line winds now estimated at 110-120 miles per hour combined with rainfall measured almost a quarter-inch per minute.

Throw in some hail and add the resulting flooding, and it spells disaster.

Dawson County Judge Foy O'Brien issued a local disaster declaration and appealed to Gov. Greg Abbott for assistance.

In a letter to the governor, O'Brien said the estimated damage is in excess of \$10-million, with the full scale of the disaster still being assessed. Apparently no one was seriously injured as the storm tore roofs off buildings, toppled huge trees onto homes, flooded low-lying areas and generally created havoc across the entire city.

First-responders worked through the night to handle various issues caused by the storm. One resident's home was chest-deep in water, and other homes were flooded, causing evacuations in some areas. Downed power poles left many without electricity, and flooding shut down the highways in the area.

- from The Lamesa Press-Reporter

JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE DATED the 1st day of July, 2021, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 1st day of July, 2021, seized, levied upon, and will on the 3rd day of August, 2021, at the Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 S. 1st, Tahoka, Texas, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Lynn County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V/P) or document number of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
1	17-09-02794	Lynn County Appraisal District v Iris Calvillo et al	Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 57, Original Townsite of the Town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 329, Page 396-398, Deed Records), Account #2172000001
2	18-03-02810	Lynn County Appraisal District v Avis Buchanan et al	Lot 3, Block 64, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 218, Page 102, Deed Records), Account #2301000001
3	18-03-02811	Lynn County Appraisal District v Blas De Anda et al	all of Lot 9, and the West half of Lot 10, Block 79, Original Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 186, Page 220, Deed Records), Account #3417000001
4	18-03-02814	Lynn County Appraisal District v Maria Quintana, et al	All of Lots 5, 6, and 7, Block 5, Original Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol 224, Page 611, Deed Records), Account #9151000001
5	18-05-02817	Lynn County Appraisal District v Blanca Estella Garza Moore et al	A Manufactured Home, 14' x 68', Label# TXS0143559, Serial # 072472143559L2CKN2B308, Lynn County, Texas, Account #4707000001
6	18-05-02817	Lynn County Appraisal District v Blanca Estella Garza Moore et al	11.5 feet of Lot 3, all of Lot 4, Block 3, Dawson Heights Addition, City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol 394, Page 626, Official Public Records), Account #6311000001
7	18-05-02817	Lynn County Appraisal District v Blanca Estella Garza Moore et al	Lot 5, Block 3, Dawson Heights Addition, City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol 376, Page 677, Official Public Records), Account #2770000001
8	18-11-02838	Lynn County Appraisal District v Gabino Escobedo, Jr. et al	the West 1/2 of Lot 3, all of Lot 4, Block 132, Original Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 318, Page 418, Deed Records), Account #12319000001
9	19-01-02840	Lynn County Appraisal District v Billy Barnett, et al	Lots 19 and 20, Block 61, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 342, Page 364, Official Public Records), Account #9306000001
10	19-01-02844	Lynn County Appraisal District v Gordon Tomlinson, et al	Lots 9 and 10, Block 43, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 356, Page 300, Official Public Records), Account #11480000001
11	19-05-02851	Lynn County Appraisal District v Carlos Gonzales et al	Lots 11 and 12, Block 3, Original Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 359, Page 558, Official Public Records), Account #8522000001
12	19-10-02868	Lynn County Appraisal District v Ricardo Frausto et al	Lots 13 and 14, Block 97, Original Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 335, Page 85, Official Public Records), Account #3048000001
13	20-02-02878	Lynn County Appraisal District v Manuel Arrizola et al	West 70' of Lot 3, Block 27, Original Townsite to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 402, Page 703, Official Public Records), Account #5158000001
14	20-03-02883	Lynn County Appraisal District v Prisiliano C. Alonzo et al	all of Lot 4, Block 123, Original Town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 252, Page 779, Deed Records), Account #1188000001
15	20-06-02890	Lynn County Appraisal District v Gertrude Sissney et al	all of Lots 11, 12 and 13, Block 25, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 326, Page 435, Deed Records), Account #10864000001
16	20-09-02903	Lynn County Appraisal District v Katie Marie Schoppa Roberts	a 5.37 acre tract, more or less, out of the South 21 acres of Section 3, Block 12, D. & S.E. RR Co. Survey, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 465, Page 558, Official Public Records), Account #10040000001
17	20-09-02906	Lynn County Appraisal District v David A. Weseloh Ph. D	A 140' X 240' tract of land, more or less, out of the Southwest part of Block 6, Lockwood Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 491, Page 910, Official Public Records), Account #3765000001

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

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/s/ Wanda Mason, Sheriff

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Contractors MUST be licensed by the State of Texas, as Licensed Electrician to submitting bid package. Contractor shall provide insurance, as required. Qualified contractors may obtain bid packages at the office of the Facilities Director, Lynn County Hospital District, 2600 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas, beginning July 6th, 2021. No security deposit for bid package is required.

Avoluntary pre-bid conference will be held on July 15, 2021, at 2600 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas 79373, at 10:00 A.M. to discuss and/or clarify the requirements of the bid request.

For further information, contact John Baker, Lynn County Healthcare System, at (806) 601-0271.

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City Bond Election ...

(Continued from page 1)

The council is considering calling for the election in August, and the \$8-million street bond election would be held Nov. 2. If voters approve the bond election, the city would get all new streets, but it comes at a cost to taxpayers.

"If the bond passes, we are estimating a 48-cent tax increase per \$100 of property value, to pay back the bond," said Arrington.

She explained that the bond would have a 25-year payout, and that the total

amount with interest accrued would amount to \$11,261,000 over the time period.

Arrington said that city engineers have stated that there may be some streets that may be not be curbed and guttered, depending on engineering requirements, but that "most streets" would get new curbs and gutters.

Citizens with any questions about the project are encouraged to attend one of the public hearings to voice their concerns.

LCH Renovation ...

(Continued from page 1)

easily-accessible Emergency Room admissions and waiting room area. The Fast Track clinic currently in the west wing would be in the new ER wing, and administrative offices would be relocated in the hospital.

To fund the project, LCHD is applying for a loan through USDA, instead of asking voters to pass a bond issue.

"We are seeking a USDA loan at a fixed rate of 2.1%," stated Dr. Richburg. "We believe we can get funding approved for 90% of the project."

The CEO said that, based on Medicare patient reimbursement policies, the hospital will be reimbursed for 100% of funds expended that relate directly to providing healthcare for Medicare patients. That reimbursement, she explained, should provide more than \$700,000 of an estimated \$900,000 annual loan payment for the project.

"We will be reimbursed

100% on Medicare patients, which will pay us an estimated additional \$720,000 per year just on Medicare patients alone, to help meet the note," said Dr. Richburg.

"That means we will have to come up with about \$200,000 annually on our part, and we believe that can be done by careful planning to shave off some costs in other areas, and as a last resort, we may have to consider adjusting taxes minimally. We have not raised taxes in a couple of years, and we are still below the rollback rate. If we consider raising taxes, we're most likely only considering a very minimal increase," she added.

"The hospital renovation has got to be done," said Dr. Richburg. "If we are going to continue to offer quality healthcare closer to home, we must have the facilities to provide that care in a manner that is safe for our patients, and safe for our staff. If we want to continue for another



Oooh! ... A great fireworks show was put on at the City of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event held Saturday, July 3rd. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

50 years, we must make these updates.

"The nursing home addition is for 40 single-occupancy rooms, each with its own bathroom. Most other nursing homes have two beds per room, but really no one wants to share a room with someone else. One wing would be for memory-care, and the other wing for long-term nursing care," she explained.

"If we can build this long-term care facility, then if there are Lynnwood residents who are no longer able to care for themselves and need additional care, they can move over to the new facility and still remain under the care of Lynn County Healthcare Systems," said Dr. Richburg.

Citizens are invited to the Town Hall Meeting to hear the plans and ask questions about the project. Additionally,

citizens are encouraged to complete a Community Needs Assessment survey online, at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/communityneedshealth>.

Did you know?

India and China are the only countries in the world with populations above 1 billion people.

O'Donnell Rodeo set July 8-10

O'Donnell's annual "Biggest Little Rodeo in Texas" will be held this weekend, July 8-10, at the rodeo grounds on US 87 in O'Donnell.

The rodeo begins nightly at 8 p.m. General admission is \$10 at the gate, with admission tickets also serving as a chance to win cash prizes in nightly drawings.

A parade starts at 6 p.m. Saturday, with riding clubs, floats and other entries, and featuring the Six White Horses from Hardin Simmons in Abilene.

A rodeo dance will also be held on Saturday night, with live music from Raised Right Men from Fort Worth.

Rodeo events include saddle bronc, bareback bronc, calf roping, team roping, break-away roping, and for the younger generation, goat sacking and mutton bustin'.

Did you know?

The medical term for a gurgling stomach is "borborygmus".

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