

Long career for public official to conclude

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Sheila Sloan Frahm, a Colby native and long-time public servant, marked the end of her weekly or monthly travels to Topeka this month.

She stepped down from her position on the Kansas State Postsecondary Technical Education Authority in December.

The end of her term concludes a public service career that began in 1978 when she won a spot on the Colby School Board.

Frahm, born into a family that had farmed in Thomas County for generations, graduated from Colby High School in 1963. She attended Fort Hays State University, graduating in 1967, and the University of Texas at Austin before returning to Colby in 1976 after her father-in-law, Albert Frahm, died and she and her husband Ken returned to the family farm.

She ran for the school board position when the family first moved back to Colby, having two young daughters at the time. She won the primary but lost the general election.

Two years later, she ran again and won, holding her position on the

board until 1985.

Frahm said she enjoyed the opportunities for interacting with the community while she was on the school board. She began traveling to Topeka as the board's representative to the Kansas Association of School Boards.

In 1985, she was appointed to the state Board of Education, winning an election to the board in 1986 and serving as the vice-chairman in 1987. She represented 34 Kansas counties.

In 1988, she was elected to the Kansas Senate for the 40th District, winning re-elected in 1992.

Frahm said she remembers going to towns throughout northwest Kansas, knocking on doors, trying to earn votes by talking to each constituent. Some people slammed the door in her face, she said, while others welcomed her in.

She was elected as Senate's majority leader in 1992, a position that allowed her to determine what bills were set to the Senate's schedule and work with the minority leader to make sure the Senate ran smoothly. For this organized, detail-oriented senator, the position was a good fit.

She served on several committees, including Agriculture,

Commerce, Education and Rules and Regulations. She considers her committee assignments "lucky," she said, because they gave her a good chance to see many aspects of government.

Frahm said she was "terrified" every time she entered a new position, not knowing exactly what to expect, but she gave each job her best efforts.

Her first senate office was small, she remembered, but she was fortunate to get her own secretary since House members had to share secretaries. Her majority leader's office seemed huge, just off the Senate chamber and with several staff members.

In 1994, she ran for lieutenant governor with Bill Graves of Salina, the Republican candidate for governor. Graves has been secretary of state.

She remembered sitting with Graves in her family's home, looking at Pizza Hut across the street, when he asked her if she would run with him. She said yes, and their campaign was successful, earning her another office upgrade at the Capitol.

While she was lieutenant governor, she said, she also served as the Secretary of Administration,

managing several state departments.

In 1996, U.S. Sen. Bob Dole resigned to focus on his presidential campaign, giving only a few hours' notice to Gov. Graves.

Graves, who could have left his position as governor to fill the Senate seat himself, asked Frahm if she would like to take it.

She said she was warned not to take the appointment but to try to run for the Senate on her own, since there were only a few months left in Dole's term, but she tried it anyway.

Within a few months, she hired a staff, closed her lieutenant governor's office, raised \$1.5 million for a re-election campaign and moved to Washington, returning to Kansas each weekend.

When she entered the Senate, she said, she became the 1,828th senator since the founding of the republic.

"I have great appreciation for government," she said.

Frahm lost the election, but said her time in the Senate seat was an experience she would not trade.

"Some of the senators were awesome and some were incredibly difficult," she recalls. "It's human nature."

When Frahm returned to Kansas, a college trustee she knew suggested she become the executive

director of the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees, a position she took in 1997.

In this role, she represented Kansas' 19 community colleges, which were incorporated into the state's higher education structure while she was held that job.

She served as executive director until 2009. In 2005, she became a member of the Postsecondary Technical Education Authority, a group that focuses on work-force training for students of all ages.

It was this group from which

Frahm just retired. For the first time in many years, she said, she now has no reason to travel to Topeka.

Frahm said she and her husband, married for 48 years, are retiring from farming. They plan to travel and spend time with their three daughters and two grandchildren.

"My husband has been extremely supportive," she said, adding that this is another transition of many they have experienced.

"What a ride I've had," she said. "I wouldn't trade it for anything."

Commissioners discuss airport

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The Cheyenne Airport was discussed several times during the Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting on Friday, Dec. 31.

Representing Grace Flying Service, Robert Grace discussed the maintenance agreement with the county. He said that through the years, the airport has changed. We have gone from a podunk airport to a modern airport. Wages for airport maintenance, Mr. Grace pointed out, has not been adjusted since 1991.

choice was \$785,000 and would be a 90-10 percent cost share with the federal government picking up 90 percent and the county, 10 percent.

Mr. Yost and the commissioners discussed the 5-year improvement plan for the airport. They also discussed snow removal with no decision being made.

Before Mr. Yost left the meeting, he said Pat Stuart is resigning from his position on the commission. The commissioners will be seeking a person to fill the position.

Road and bridge department

Dave Flemming, public works director, and Mr. Yost discussed a government state program concerning tractor leases. Mr. Yost said there are very strict rules for the dealer, but he is willing to follow them, thus giving the county a way to save money.

It is a yearly lease, he said. The tractor will need to have a minimum of 150 hours and a maximum of 250 hours in 12 months. The lease is \$20 an hour.

Mr. Flemming said he would like to try the lease program. They have tractors but they have already had to have repairs. With the lease, the company would take care of the repairs. However, he didn't want to sell any of the tractors until they knew how the lease would work out.

The commissioners agreed that the leases sounded reasonable. Mr. Flemming said he would like to try two tractors to start with and the commissioners approved.

The cost for materials to make road signs will come out of the general fund. Mr. Flemming figured the cost would be about \$500. They can no longer take money for sign making out of the 911 fund.

Public Notices

Land ordered to be sold by county sheriff

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, successor by merger) to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., FKA Norwest Bank () Minnesota, N.A., solely as Trustee) for Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities I Trust 2007-AC2.) Asset Backed Certificates, Series) 2007-AC2. ()

Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Mary C. Hill, et al.
 Defendants.

Notice Of Sale

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Cheyenne County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Cheyenne County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, on January 16, 2014, at 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

A tract of land in the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township Three (3) South, Range Forty (40) West of the 6th P.M., Cheyenne County, Kansas, described as follows, to-wit

Beginning at a point which is One Thousand Sixty-one and Two Tenths Feet (1,061.2') East and Three Hundred Eighty-one and two tenths Feet (381.2') South of the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22); thence running South in a direct line a distance of Four Hundred Ninety-three and eight-tenths feet (493.8'), thence running East and parallel with the South line of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of said Section Twenty-two (22) a distance of Two Hundred Fifty-eight and Eight-tenths Feet (258.8'), but in any event to the East line of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of said Section Twenty-two (22); thence running North along said East line of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of said Section Twenty-two (22) a distance of Four Hundred Ninety-three and eight tenths feet (493.8'), thence running West and parallel with the South line of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of said Section Twenty-two (22), a distance of Two Hundred Fifty-eight and eight-tenths Feet (258.8') and to the point of beginning, commonly known as 219 North Cedar, Saint Francis, KS 67756 (the "Property")

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court. For more information, visit www.Southlaw.com

Cody Beeson, Sheriff
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Annual stockholder meeting set for Jan. 9

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Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the St. Francis Mercantile Equity Exchange will be held at the High School Cafeteria in St. Francis, Kansas, January 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. CST. Reports will be presented by the Board of Directors and Management, along with a review of the financial statements of our auditors. Members will elect two directors to serve on the Board.

Dinner will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m. CST. The business meeting will follow immediately after dinner. Drawings for door prizes will follow the meeting.

St. Francis Mercantile Equity Exchange
 Board of Directors.

Hazardous materials information can be obtained locally

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ACCESSIBILITY OF SARA TITLE III HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE INFORMATION

Section 324 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, also known as SARA Title III (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, PL99-499) requires public notice at least once annually informing the public of the means to access information about extremely hazardous substances that are manufactured, stored, and used within their community. Follow-up emergency notices may subsequently be issued.

Accordingly, information concerning LEPC meetings, SARA Title III hazardous materials planning which is included in our Cheyenne County Emergency Operations Response Plan, materials safety data sheets (MSDS), hazardous chemical inventory forms, listing extremely hazardous substances manufactured, stored, or used within Cheyenne County can be obtained from Local Emergency Planning Committee, Emergency Management, or local Fire Department by appointment. For appointment contact Cheyenne County Emergency Management at 785-332-2560.

Public hearing set for hearing of waste plan

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON REGIONAL SOLID WASTE PLAN

THE NORTHWEST KANSAS SMALL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL AUTHORITY TO ALL PEOPLE CONCERNED:

Please take notice that at 7:00 pm MST (8:00 p.m. CST), on January 23, 2014, at the Goodland City Hall, Second Floor meeting room, 204 West 11th, Goodland, Ks, the Northwest Kansas Small Solid Waste Landfill Authority, comprised of the Counties of Cheyenne, Greeley, Rawlins and Wallace, will hold a public hearing on the Regional Solid Waste 5 year plan pursuant to K.A.R. 28-29-78.

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Public Notice

Probate of will, letters filed in District court

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE SECTION

In the Matter of the Estate of ()
 () Case No. 13-PR-23
RICHARD PAUL BRUBAKER, Deceased. ()

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that on December 24, 2013, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Darla L. Deeds, an heir and Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Richard Paul Brubaker, deceased.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

Darla L. Deeds, Petitioner

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