



Adriana Ankenman, a kindergartener in Mrs. Melvin's classroom at Eisenhower Elementary, demonstrates how she made her handprints on a quilt square. Every year, members of the Heritage Quilters help kindergarteners and second graders in Norton and Almena create their own quilt squares. After the children make their handprints, club members will finish the mini-quilts with batting, binding and backing. The quilts will be on display in the Norton Library in late February. — Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

# Board looks at possible projects

**By VERONICA MONIER**  
Possible capital outlay projects and purchases for this budget year were presented to the Norton School Board at Monday night's meeting.

Superintendent Greg Mann said the district plans to spend between \$100,000 and \$115,000 from the capital outlay funds. However, the total estimated cost of all the projects together is \$426,350, so the board needs to rank the projects by their importance.

The projects or purchases requested and their estimated costs are:

- Sand and re-paint the Norton High School Memorial Gym floor, \$15,000.
- Mr. Mann said the wood in the high school gym was installed in 1991-92 and hasn't been sanded since then. He said sanding is necessary every 12 to 15 years because over time, the floor will start to get rough. Also, the built up finish, which distorts the color of the wood and paint, needs to be sanded off.
- Replace a 12 foot by 120 foot section of concrete in the high school's south parking lot, \$5,600.
- Mr. Mann said this was the last section of original concrete and it's beginning to crack.
- Metal siding for the bus barn, \$3,000.
- Mr. Mann said the siding that's on the barn is beginning to warp. He's thought about talking to the Norton Correctional Facility about having a prison work crew install the new siding if it is approved.
- Replace roof over Eisenhower Elementary library, \$19,000.
- This is the worst section of roof in the district.
- Replace locker room windows at East Campus, \$11,900.
- Replace East Campus lobby window, \$8,500.
- Repair/replace tennis courts, \$120,000.

Mr. Mann said there were several options available. The first

option, which would cost \$13,000 to \$14,500, is to temporarily fix the courts. With this option the cracks would likely return within a couple of weeks or months.

The second option is, for all intents and purposes, to build new courts on top of the old ones. This option, which would cost \$120,000, would use the existing asphalt as a sub-base, would be higher than the courts are now, and could last 25 to 30 years.

The third option is for a thin asphalt overlay, which would cost around \$72,000. This is the least desirable option.

Mr. Mann said the district and the city will be discussing different options and possibilities concerning the courts. Although the courts are used by the school district nine weeks out of the year for their tennis season, they belong to the city.

- Construct a handicap bath and dressing room at Eisenhower Elementary, \$8,300.
- Install a 5 foot by 85 foot sidewalk at the Eisenhower Elementary playground, \$1,800.

Eisenhower Principal Larry Hillman said the sidewalk would be at the south end of the school and would go from the playground to the bathrooms. This is the only exit at the school without a sidewalk.

- Fill in the ruts on the "mile route" around the Eisenhower Elementary playground, \$2,250 or add a concrete walking track around the playground, \$23,000.

Mr. Hillman said these two re-

quests cover the same thing, one is just the "deluxe" version. He said the "mile route" is where Physical Education Teacher Joan Bolt has her students run. He said at the very minimum, the ruts needed to be filled in.

- Underground sprinkler system on the Norton Junior High School, \$3,500.
- Copiers, \$18,000.

Mr. Mann said the amount estimated for three copiers because each attendance center needed a new one.

- Replace windows on south side of the 1966 addition at junior/senior high, \$25,000.
- Replace vo-ag pick-up truck, \$27,000.

High School Principal Larry Stull said Vocational Ag Teacher Garrett Beydler wanted to get something a little more heavy duty with a little more space. He said nothing was wrong mechanically with the truck and it's still in good shape so it could either be used as a trade-in or could be rotated in with the maintenance trucks.

- Electronic flushers at Eisenhower Elementary, \$3,000.

Mr. Hillman said the flushers were needed on 10 to 12 urinals in the bathrooms to help with the "overflow" problems they have sometimes.

- Replace gym floor at East Campus, treat for termites and replace piping, \$65,000.

Mr. Mann said the district has about two or three years left in the floor. If the board decided to not

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# Judge to speak at Jennings celebration

**By SONYA GILLESPIE**  
The Honorable Deanell Reece Tacha will be the guest speaker at the annual Kansas Day Celebration held at the Jennings Sunflower Senior Center at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 25.

Everyone is invited to attend the celebration. Mrs. Tacha is listed among the outstanding women in the United States judicial system. She served as professor of law at the University of Kansas and became the school's chancellor of academic affairs. In December of 1985 she was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit as a Federal Appellate Judge. In January of 2001 she became Chief Judge of the Tenth Circuit. Mrs. Tacha graduated from Scandia High School,

the University of Kansas and holds a law degree from the University of Michigan. She serves on the board for St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Mo., and is a past member of the board of Baker University in Baldwin.

She is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lawrence and is active in a number of professional and civic organizations. She lives in Lawrence with her husband, John, a native of Jennings. They have two daughters and two sons. She is the daughter-in-law of Mildred Tacha of Jennings.

The Kansas Day Celebration is sponsored by the Heritage Associates of Jennings and The Czech Memorial Museum. This meeting is held in conjunction with the

Heritage Associates Annual Meeting Progress Report. Local students will display their Kansas Day projects and other activities will take place then the program will be followed by refreshments.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Heritage Associates may do so this day.

Election of Heritage officers and Directors will be held at the next regular museum meeting at 2 p.m. Feb. 5.

For more information contact President Neoma Tacha at 785-678-2470 or Lila Jennings at 785-678-2299.

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For the Period From October 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

FUNDS	1 Old balances (last report)	2 Receipts	3 Disbursements (warrants paid)	4 Net treasury cash
GENERAL OPERATING	97,220.58	175,667.72	235,133.80	37,754.50
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	44,383.26	5,409.03	28,148.46	21,643.83
TORT LIABILITY	32,464.31	0.00	32,464.31	0.00
SPECIAL HIGHWAY	113,751.18	20,562.14	4,192.82	130,120.50
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	412.50	1,000.00	0.00	1,412.50
SPECIAL PARKS	4,203.71	1,094.88	655.00	4,643.59
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT	40,537.60	982.73	0.00	41,520.33
TOURISM	0.00	5,209.67	5,209.67	0.00
LIBRARY	3,636.28	4,372.31	2,816.40	5,192.19
LIBRARY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	1,301.94	1,545.99	575.73	2,272.20
FIRE PROCEEDS CASH	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
SPECIAL HEALTH	30,322.50	87,420.32	89,850.31	27,892.51
TREES FOR TOMORROW	1,425.02	0.00	0.00	1,425.02
BOND & INTEREST	858.38	4,642.09	0.00	5,500.47
AIRPORT BOND & INTEREST	83.88	0.00	0.00	83.88
NORTHDRIDGE BOND & INT.	12,587.59	0.00	4,777.18	7,810.41
ELECTRIC	273,624.74	620,834.08	666,222.81	228,236.01
WATER	155,227.42	117,305.32	107,746.92	164,785.82
SEWER	154,285.51	93,198.36	93,830.02	153,653.85
REFUSE	47,843.80	50,792.40	66,531.19	32,105.01
REVOLVING LOAN	0.00	5,145.14	4,094.40	1,050.74
36 INTERSECTION PROJECT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NORTHDRIDGE TIF PROJECT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ELECTRIC REPLACEMENT	316,536.02	25,992.25	24,715.53	317,812.74
ELECTRIC DEPOSITS	30,575.59	2,846.55	2,178.40	31,243.74
WATER DEPOSITS	6,882.00	638.45	500.07	7,020.38
WATER REPLACEMENT	35,028.03	1,800.00	0.00	36,828.03
SEWER REPLACEMENT	37,390.97	1,819.15	0.00	39,210.12
REFUSE REPLACEMENT	49,324.92	1,500.00	0.00	50,824.92
PAYROLL	3,714.48	365,174.55	367,931.85	957.18
PRIOR YEAR	16,298.80	115,334.45	16,298.80	115,334.45
				0.00
				0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,509,921.01</b>	<b>1,715,287.58</b>	<b>1,753,873.67</b>	<b>1,471,334.92</b>

Available Cash:	
FIRST STATE Bank	1,471,334.92
Bank	
Bank	
Bank	
Total Available Cash (To agree with total funds above)	1,471,334.92

LIABILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS	
AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT BOND ISSUE	\$ 390,000.00
NORTHDRIDGE HOUSING REFUNDING BOND (2003)	\$ 34,870.00
LIBRARY REFUNDING ISSUE	\$ 165,000.00
DUMP TRUCK	\$ 7,406.16
LIBRARY COMPUTER SYSTEM	\$ 4,023.10
STREET SWEEPER	\$ 15,171.67
HI-RANGER BUCKET TRUCK	\$ 98,103.11
FIRE TRUCK	\$ 24,394.25
	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 738,968.29</b>

I, Patty Rowh do hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

Signed Patty Rowh City Treasurer

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