

Forming dispatch board discussed

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For weeks, forming a 911 dispatch board has been discussed. It has gone from 9 to 11 members to five.

At the Friday meeting of the Cheyenne County Commissioners, the board decided on a five-member board with a subcommittee of three law officers.

Andy Beikman had contacted an official at the state highway patrol training center and the official had suggested that there be only five members. Mr. Beikman said that more members made decision making more difficult. The subcommittee will have veto power over the dispatch board.

Before the meeting, he had contacted the proposed members and they had agreed to serve on the board. The 911 board will consist of Natalie Knodel, St. Francis City Council member; Janelle Bowers, director of the county emergency medical service; George Harper, St. Francis Fire Chief; Gary Rogers, county emergency manager; and Mr. Beikman.

The subcommittee, which the law requires, will be made up of the current county sheriff, county attorney and St. Francis chief of police.

A resolution will be drawn up to create the board.

Tractors purchased
Dave Flemming, road and bridge supervisor, and Rich Cox, sales representative for Sellers Tractor Supply, Salina, talked about tractors for the road and bridge department. The supervisor had proposed seeking bids for two tractors for the county and the bids had come in.

Sellers' bid was for a JCB 2155 Fastrac tractor. The bid was \$95,680 for one tractor if the county purchased two tractors. Otherwise, the bid was \$101,732 for one. The commissioners had several questions about the tractor and its operation. Mr. Flemming had also seen one in Greeley County.

Other bids for one tractor included: Yost, St. Francis, \$64,621; Goodland Greenline, Wheeler, \$79,111; Martin Tractor, Colby, \$68,300; Witzel and Rhea, Goodland, \$65,960.

The commissioners agreed that they could buy two New Holland 6070 tractors from Yost for almost the same price that one Fastrac tractor cost. Mr. Flemming will buy the tractors from Yost Farm Supply.

Trenching across roads
Mr. Flemming was concerned that there have been some companies trenching across county roads without permission from the commissioners. In Cheyenne County, there is no fee to trench across or bore under the roads. But, the road and bridge supervisor needs to know about it so, in the future, there will not be lines accidentally caught while grading or working on the roads.

Justin Barrett, county attorney, will draw up a resolution which will state that companies trenching across or boring under county roads without permission from the county officials could be fined.

Instructor to be paid
Mrs. Bowers asked for permission to create a part-time position in her department for Mike Hanson. Mr. Hanson will be teaching recertification classes for emergency medical technicians. The board approved the request and Mr. Hanson will be paid \$10 an hour for teaching.

Executive session
The county attorney asked for 10 minutes of executive session to discuss privileged attorney-client communications. No decision was made when they were out of the session.

In other business
In other business:
• Sheriff Craig Van Allen was given permission to attend several training classes including a concealed carry training, a mandatory racial profiling training and a pharmaceutical abuse investigation training.
• The sheriff said officer Jonathan Lanz has completed officer training.

Following the meeting, Commissioners Beikman and Ray Lee, along with Terry Miller, clerk, went with Supervisor Flemming to check out county roads and bridges.

Next meeting
The next regular meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Monday, March 31.



Delroy Rogers

Birthday honored

The family and friends of Delroy Rogers are holding a card shower to help him celebrate his 80th birthday on April 9.

Cards may be sent to him at 205 Cedar, St. Francis, KS 67756.

Student competes in Kansas Junior Miss

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Holly Keller represented Cheyenne County in the Kansas State Junior Miss program held in Belleville last week. The crowning took place Saturday evening and, while Holly did well, she was not selected to represent Kansas later this year.



Keller

However, Holly said it a wonderful experience.

"The highlight of the entire week was meeting all the other girls and spending the entire week with them," she said. "It was so much fun."

There was rehearsal throughout the week but there were many activities. Holly said they went to the Boyer Museum, the Republic County Museum, saw a movie at Concordia, enjoyed eating at differ-

ent restaurants and shopped in Belleville.

"I loved my host family," she said.

Dr. Nolan and Holly Beavers had a 3-year-old and a 6-month-old boys.

And, would she compete in the Junior Miss program again?

"I'd do it again in a heartbeat!" she said. "I learned a lot and gained confidence in meeting people — I'm ready for college!"

Holly, a senior at St. Francis Community High School, played a piano solo entitled "Sonatina in G."

Winning the title of Kansas Junior Miss was Jairrah Mansfield from Kansas City.

Holly said Jairaah will do a great job for Kansas.

"I was happy for her," she said.

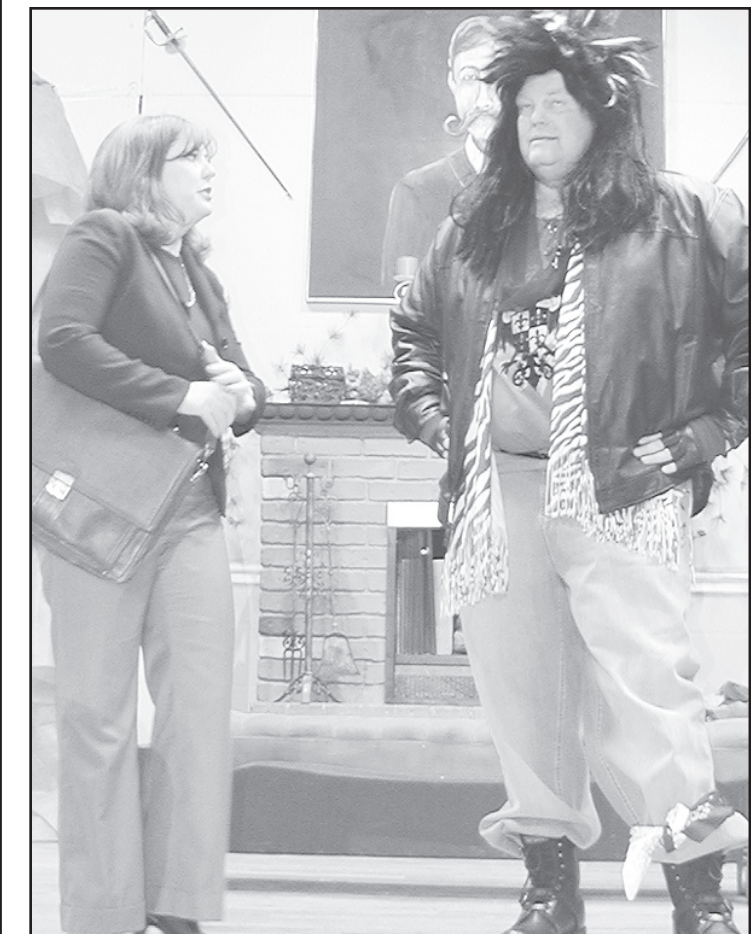
Holly said that she was happy that the Cheyenne County Young Miss Program had given her the opportunity to represent the county. She also said it was so nice to have all the cards and flowers showing support from St. Francis.

Holly is the daughter of Perry and Paula Keller, St. Francis.



WHAT DO I HEAR? Said Mary Thomas (Leisha Hilt). Erika Mary Adams (Connie Jenkins) looks to see what the noise is while Sister Mary Martin (Dara Carmichael) looks on.

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WHAT DO YOU WEAR FOR HALLOWEEN? Torch, Hoagie Carmichael dressed the part of a rock star. Miss Stacy (Leigh Ann Faulkender) tolerated him.



MARY (Elaine Kite) arrived. Above, Actress Tallay Morrow was practicing for her next big roll.

In
Loving Memory

Ted Smith Jessie Smith
April 20, 1977 March 27, 1977

IN MEMORY OF JOE LARSON
AUG. 8, 1964 ~ MARCH 24, 2005

You left and forgot
to tell our hearts
how to live
without you!

We miss you ~ Kay & Tyler

Happy Birthday!
To a REAL GREAT Lady
March 19, 2008

Love you, Ned & Lois

Happy Anniversary

March 19, 2008

Love, Ned & Lois

Happy 90th Birthday Hazel!

Love,
Your family

In Loving Memory of
Donald E. Moberly
Who passed away April 17, 2006

In two years
My sadness hasn't retreated
I miss you everyday.

Love, Donna
All your children, grandchildren
Great-grandchildren
and numerous family members
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