

# County and city representatives gather for meeting

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Several months ago, the Cheyenne County Commissioners and the St. Francis City Council agreed to meet every other month. The second meeting was held before the regular commissioners' meeting on Friday.

They discussed recycling, the new playground equipment in the park behind the courthouse, road funding, property clean up and possibly more sharing of law enforcement patrol. No decisions were made.

Those present from the city council were Bruce Swihart, Dale Weeks, Roger Jensen and Carla Lampe, as well as Scott Schultz, mayor. Those representing the county were Andy Beikman, Ernie Ketzner and Dale Patton, commissioners; Kari Gilliland, county attorney; and Terry Miller, clerk.

The regular commissioners' meeting began at 8 a.m. and Mila Bandel, county health nurse, told the commissioners that there were 13 employees who had attended at least one-half of the wellness checks from February 2009 until May 2010.

Six employees, she said, had taken the physical test both years. She encouraged all county employees to take part in the service.

She told about the lab blood draws that take place at the Health Fair. The cost for men is \$60 and for women, \$40, during the Health Fair. If people do not take advantage of the labs, the cost is \$277.

### Airport insurance

County Attorney Kari Gilliland, could not attend the meeting, but told the county clerk that she had talked with Robert Grace, Grace Flying Service, St. Francis, regarding special event insurance. After discussion, Mr. Grace felt the insurance was needed. He wondered if the county would be willing to pay for one-half the premium.

After discussion, the commissioners agreed to pay the one-half premium this year, but would like Mr. Grace to see if this year's participants would be in favor of an entry fee that would go toward payment of the insurance.

### Fence line change

Craig Schoenrogge, St. Francis, had approached Commissioner Beikman regarding relocating his fence line along his property on Road 15. Mr. Schoenrogge had placed markers where he would place the fence. Commissioner Beikman told Craig the commissioners would review the proposed fence line.

The commissioners, along with Supervisor Flemming and Clerk Miller went to where Mr. Schoenrogge wanted to put the fence. After looking it over, they agreed to get Attorney Gilliland's

opinion before making a decision.

### Road and bridge department report

Road and Bridge Supervisor Dave Flemming had two bids for the large shop garage door. The winning bid was from Ron Krien at a cost of \$3,707. Doyle Bock had approached Mr. Flemming about placing asphalt millings on Road 24 from the highway to his house. Mr. Bock would supply the millings.

The commissioners were concerned about maintenance of the road but Mr. Bock had told Mr. Flemming that he would not ask the county to maintain the road once the millings were incorporated. The commissioners agreed to allow the millings and the county's application, but they asked that Attorney Gilliland draw up an agreement relieving the county of future maintenance once the millings are intact.

Agreements and appointments Wage agreements for Carol Gambelin (part time dispatch/deputy) and Carol Redding (part time Register of Deeds) were signed. The commissioners decided against raising Bayne Kinzer, sheriff's officer, to Level II at this point but will wait until his one year anniversary before moving his level.

Signature cards for Bankwest, First National, and Western State Bank were signed.

Roger Jensen was re-appointed as Cheyenne County's representative to the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Organization and Commissioner Beikman was re-appointed as the alternate.

### In other business

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• A form had been presented by Ron Zweygardt pertaining to farming the land the county had purchased during the airport runway project. The commissioners did not feel comfortable signing the form and were not sure if the county land should be farmed. County Attorney Kari Gilliland will review the document and report back at the next meeting.

### Next meeting

The next commissioners' meeting will be held starting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, in the courthouse meeting room.

*Editor's note: The above article was taken from the unapproved minutes of the May 28 Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting.*



*Pool opens for the summer!*

ASURE SIGN of summer is the local pool opening. (above left to right) Austin Manners, Brad Schneider and Eric Bartels put some finishing touches to the pool before it is filled. Kids (below) have fun playing in the water and escaping the heat.

Times staff photos by Sydney Busse



## McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

McDonald calendar of events:  
Wednesday, June 2: McDonald Area Development at noon;  
Monday, June 7: McDonald Senior Citizens at noon; Wednesday, June 9: McDonald Garden Club Tour, leave McDonald at 9 a.m.

Friday visitors of Marlene and Ray Johnson were Brian and Connie Sabatka, Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Sabatka and family, Dana Howard and family and Carrie and Danae Magnani.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Fisher of Wichita were Sunday visitors of Ray and Marlene Johnson.

R.J. and Susie Sabatka spent the weekend in Manhattan visiting Rachel and Jon Mallett, and Chanda and Garrett Dowling.

Jennifer and Kasey Sabatka entertained with a Saturday luncheon for her classmates of

15-years ago.

Doug Tongish and Clinton Hopkins were Monday lunch guests of Joan Tongish following the services at the cemetery.

David, Nancy and Alan Palozzi of Lakewood, Colo., were guests of Iris McIntosh and Myra Miller from Friday to Monday.

Rick and Judy Erickson of Fort Morgan, Colo., were guests of Gail and Kay Miller from Friday to Monday. On Sunday they all met Glen and Earlene Erickson, Karen Elliott of Grand Junction Colo., and Debbie Duran of Denver in Benkelman and they ate dinner with Carroll Greene of Ogalalla, Neb., and Virginia King of Imperial. They all went to the Haiwatha Cemetery, north of Benkelman.

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson

attended the graduation of Kayla McCain on Sunday and the reception after graduation.

Eleanor Swihart attended the graduation exercises at Metro State in Denver to see her daughter graduate. She was a guest of the Steve Swihart family for several days.

Claudia and Roger Foster from Grand Junction, Colo., were weekend guests of her mother, Betty Lewis.

Karlyne Atchison and Amelia Banister attended the eighth grade graduation and reception for Ty Carmichael, son of Wade and Tammi Carmichael of Bird City.

Karlyne Atchison and Amelia Banister were Wednesday visitors of Marie Holzwarth in St. Francis.

George Vandegriffe was a Sunday visitor of Ray and Marlene Johnson.

**Open House**  
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