

Informing the public



Travis Gillihan, a city solid waste worker, distributed solid waste information packets from the city Wednesday on E. 5th Street. The packets include a copy of the new solid waste ordinance, a list of items the Sherman County landfill will accept, information on the city's recycling program, and an agreement form for those who wish to have the city pickup their yard waste. The city plans to give a packet to every home and business in the city.

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Board accepts two resignations

By Rachel Miscall
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The Goodland School Board accepted resignations from a high school teacher and the elementary school counselor at a meeting on Monday.

After a nearly three-hour session behind closed doors, members came out to accept resignations from Theresa Riddle, elementary counselor, and Gary Gregory, high school industrial arts teacher. Both will finish the year. For most of the closed session, the board was doing annual evaluations of the district's five principals.

During the meeting, members also heard from Schyler Goodwin, president of the Goodland Development Corp., about a grant writer program the board agreed to join with the city and county commissions. The three have agreed to pay \$12,000 each to hire a grant writer to find money for projects.

Goodwin said he plans to give the board a copy of the program's bylaws that they can sign. He said the board formed to run the program, which includes school board and city and county commission members, will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 8 at Gambino's Restaurant, and may be ready to start advertising the position soon.

Speaking as a representative of the Goodland Area Chamber of Com-

merce, Goodwin said he and Ron Harding, Chamber executive director, have discussed organizing a meeting of the school board, city, county and Chamber. He said the idea would be for the entities to discuss goals and perhaps collaborate on projects. "Instead of juggling four balls," he said, "we could just juggle one ball."

Selby said it sounded like a good idea. "Whatever is good for any part is good for all of us," he said.

Goodwin said he will send the district a letter when the meeting date is set.

With a 6-1 vote, the board approved granting S & T Telephone of Brewster an easement on land near the high school track to put up a 12- by 12-foot equipment storage building.

Selby said the telephone company, which is expanding into Goodland, will pay \$1,500 cash for the easement. Mike Campbell was the only dissenting vote, after he asked whether the building could be placed elsewhere.

Selby said S & T plans to construct eight storage buildings around town. The company will lay fiber optic cable to provide telephone, long distance, Internet and cable television service in Goodland.

In other business, the board:

- Evaluated the district's five principals during a nearly three-hour closed

session to discuss personnel matters, but didn't take any action on that matter in open session. The board called each of the principals into the session at different times.

- Voted to give the Goodland Arts Council \$1,000 for an annual summer arts program. Ron Schilling said the board may not be able to give any money next year if state aid for education is reduced.

- Heard Campbell, district representative on the Northwest Kansas Service Center board in Oakley, report that a modular building the center is paying to have placed behind West Elementary School for the Head Start program will arrive Friday. He said there should be a tour of the building on Monday.

- Approved paying \$78,731 in monthly bills.

- Heard reports from the district's five principals and the athletic director.

Steve Raymer, North Elementary School principal, said the school finished state reading assessment tests and is checking the score sheets. He said a traveling exhibit from the Denver Museum of Natural History will be stopping at schools here this week.

Sharon Gregory, Central Elementary School principal, said a music program that was to be held on Tuesday has been moved to 7 p.m. on May 2 at

the Goodland High School auditorium and a field trip to Dodge City has been rescheduled for May 3. She said they have finished scoring state math assessment tests and they believe many students scored higher this year.

Gerald Burkett, West Elementary School principal, said the school will hold parent-teacher conferences this evening and Friday morning. He said two teachers are attending a conference in Denver to learn more about teaching language arts and reading.

Harvey Swager, high school principal, said the school has finished the state writing and math assessment tests and is starting reading tests. He said a group of sophomores is researching how to improve life for students at the high school.

Jim Mull, Grant Junior High principal, said mini-courses the school offers include board games, scrap booking, web page design, tennis and other outdoor activities. He said staff is busy testing students and scoring the tests.

Dick Liess, district athletic director, said 17 students signed up to play tennis this spring, 13 for golf, 53 for track and 25 for softball. He said members of the X-Pressos, the high school show choir, had fun and learned a lot at a national competition in Branson, Mo. last week. About 80 people attended the Bigger-Faster-Stronger clinic.

public notice

LEGAL PUBLICATION

Results of the market study analysis for Sherman County for the Assessment Year 2002.

Pursuant to L.191,CH.279§2.

A study of the residential real estate market indicated an upward inflationary trend during 2001 for all homes.

A study of the commercial real estate market indicated that there was an upward inflationary trend during 2001.

A study of the real estate market for vacant land indicated that there was an overall upward inflationary trend during 2001.

Value on specific properties may not follow the general trend because of change in the property, correction of description information or adjustment of values based on sales of similar properties.

In accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-1476, the Division of Property Valuation is required to

annually furnish each county the results of its study relating to changes, if any, of the use value of agricultural land. Changes can and do occur as a result of several factors including cropping practices, commodity prices and production costs.

The study relating to use value of Agricultural Land completed by the Division of Property Valuation indicated the following changes compared to the prior year:

All Grassland: No change on majority of soil mapping units

Dry Cropland: Increase of \$2.00 to \$4.00 per/acre on majority of soil mapping units

Irrigated Cropland: Increase of \$0.00 to \$6.00 per/acre on pre-dominant Irrigated soil mapping units

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Money woes get worse

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credits to become bilingual certified.

Cutting \$34,000 from the budget won't be too hard, he said, because the district already anticipated receiving \$30,000 less from the state after the Sept. 20 count, and has prepared for that. He said it won't take much to slash another \$4,000.

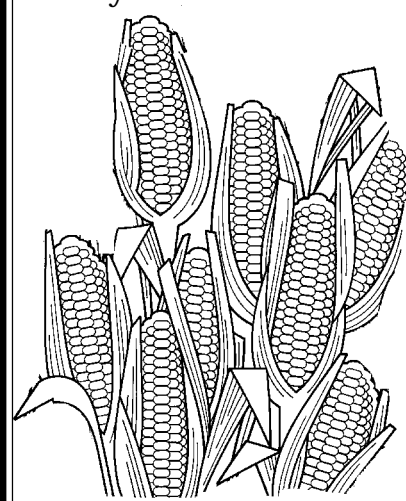
What will be tough, Selby said, is figuring out how to pay for education

next year. Without factoring in weighted students, he said, the district's official full-time enrollment is 80.5 students fewer this year than last.

Next year, he said, the enrollment could be as much as 78.8 fewer students, which would mean \$305,000 less in state aid. If legislators cut state aid for education like they are currently considering, the picture will be even bleaker.

Frontier Equity Detour

During the road construction on the Hwy 27 & 24 interchange, Goodland Greenline is allowing us to use their east entrance off Hwy 27 to access our facility. Please limit the access to car and pickup



traffic. Truck traffic please use the posted detour. Goodland Greenline has opened a lane in their equipment just north of their wash bay to allow traffic through. Frontier Equity Exchange wishes to thank Ron Lucas and Goodland Greenline for making this access available to our customers.

Eagle Cable Tv 4 x 12 in back

NEW LISTINGS

1417 cherry

This Story and a Half home offers 3 BR's, large living and dining rooms and spacious kitchen. The sellers have installed new carpeting throughout and have painted the interior. Wiring has been updated to code. Includes all

appliances. Must see inside to appreciate how neat and dean this home is. Located close to schools and priced to sell at only \$28,000.00. Call Rose Anderson at 785-899-3060, 785-899-7464 or toll free at 866-899-3060.

1320 Syracuse

Must see this neat 2 Bedroom Bungalow. The owner's have installed new floor coverings in all but one bedroom, have remodeled the bathroom and have painted the interior and exterior since March 2001. Would make an excellent investment or first time buyers

home. Call Rose Anderson at 785-899-3060 or 899-7464.

Make an appointment to see any of Homeland's many fine listings!
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