

# County approves grant-writer pact for second year

Sherman County commissioners approved the second year of the grant writer program at their last meeting in June, and today will hear a budget request from Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas.

Also on today's agenda, which begins at 8 a.m., the commissioners will review and sign an agreement dealing with a bridge replacement project east of Kanorado on old U.S. 24.

At the meeting on June 30, the commissioners met with Penny Nemecheck to discuss the grant writer contract, and agreed the program had been somewhat successful in the first year, getting a

\$300,000 grant for the city to replace the intersections at 11th and 12th, and the \$87,500 in tax credits for the home-owned carnival to buy land on the south of the fairgrounds.

Commissioner Mitch Tiede made a motion to renew the contract with Nemecheck.

Commissioner Chuck Thomas seconded, and the vote was unanimous with Commissioner Kevin Rasure voting yes also.

The commissioners met with Sheriff Doug Whitson to discuss the agreement to pay two of his deputies \$15 a month for their cell phone use.

Whitson said the two were agreeable with the proposal and that they

understood this would be added to their pay and that the \$15 would be taxable.

Curt Way, public works manager, presented a bid from J&J Drainage Co. of Hutchison, for \$21,150, to install culverts on Road 23 about one and 1/4 mile north of Road 65, plus dirt work.

Way said the total cost would be about \$35,000.

He said the work would be completed before fall harvest, weather permitting.

An agreement with Archer Daniels Midland about taking over the sewer lagoons serving its Ruleton sunflower plant was reviewed by the commissioners. Way is to take

it to Steve Boshoff, manager of the Northern Sun plant, which is a division of Archer Daniels Midland, to have them review and sign the proposal.

Once it has been signed by the company, it will be returned to the commissioners for their signature.

In other business:

- Sara Hill met with the commissioners and asked to use the fairgrounds arena for National Barrel Horse Association races on Sept. 21.
- She said this is a nonprofit organization that gives out all the money they receive in awards.
- Commissioners approved the request and gave Hill a lease to sign

and return.

- April Hall and Dana Belshe of the Sherman County Extension Council presented their budget request for next year of \$109,944, the same as this year.
- Belshe introduced Dan O'Brien as the new area extension director. Other extension council members present were Colleen Duell, Laura McClung, Chat Tuttle and Mike Briney.
- Commissioners discussed the fire conditions in the county. At this time last year, they had to impose a fire ban because of the extremely dry conditions. This year there is no ban, but the commissioners do ask that people call into central dispatch

when they burn something.

- The transmission in the county car is slipping, and Tiede is to check on trading it in on another vehicle.
- Rasure reported that he checked the garage door at the fairgrounds which they have been looking at installing an opener on. He said the door opened fairly easily and it seemed to stay open. Commissioners decided not to install an opener at this time.
- Commissioners tabled an appointment to the Goodland Regional Medical Center board to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Steve Evert.
- They approved vouchers totaling \$135,677.

# Sinclair gas station closing when merchandise runs out

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Goodland will soon be short another gas station, as the Sinclair station on Commerce Road will be closing up as soon as the merchandise runs short. The gasoline already is pretty much gone.

Manager Arlo Hansen said he decided Wednesday to close because the competition of other stations forced him to keep his prices too low to make a profit.

He said he was already out of 87 octane regular unleaded Monday, and the rest of his gasoline supply would probably out before the end of the day.

"My competition's keeping me to too low of a price to be able to make a profit," Hansen said.

There will be a clearance sale at the station until the merchandise is gone, he said, maybe about two weeks.

Hansen said he started remodel-

ing the station three years ago and has been open two years, nine months.

"We feel we have given it a fair shot," he said, "and we can't deal with the competition."

Prices in Goodland are too cheap, Hansen said, not just on gas, but also motel rooms and other things as well. Other towns around have higher prices on everything, he said. The lower prices are good for customers, he said, but make it hard on businesses.

"We've got to get into the 21st century," he said.

Goodland needs more businesses, Hansen said, and someone to invest in the community.

"We need someone like Woofers in Colby," he said, "to gamble on the community, spend big bucks."

Goodland also needs to stop dwelling on the past, he said.

"We need to forget about the truck stop (Apple Trail)," he said,

"and worry about what the community needs."

It would cost too much to fix up the building for the old truck stop, he said.

The station manager said he plans to stay in Goodland and to continue to be involved in the community. He said he's confident he will be able to find work.

Hansen said he's done a variety of different things, having about 30 different occupations during his lifetime.

"If I can't do it," he said, "it ain't worth doing."

Hansen said he had a handyman service in Glenwood, Iowa, and did just about everything under the sun.

"I will probably start that up," he said.

Or if someone offers him a job, Hansen said he might take it.

Attorney Pete Whalen, owner of the property, said the location is being offered for sale and that he has



Arlo Hansen taped up signs on pumps letting customers know that Goodland's Sinclair station was low on gas and will be closing its doors. The station will be selling off it's stock in the next few days.

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# House a historical show piece

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house is completely finished, they plan to use it as a location for birthdays, weddings, anniversaries and family reunions. They will also provide catering for these occasions.

When the renovation began, Glenda said, she set up a guest book for anyone who wanted a tour of the house. Although the house is not anywhere near complete, she said, it has already had almost 1,000 visitors. The house is in good enough condition that the Allamons have held functions in it, including a Memorial Day lunch and a lunch for the grand re-opening of the Fort Wallace Museum. They were used to raise money for the renovations.

There will be a wedding at the house in early August.

The couple has applied to the state for grants in order to help pay for the restoration, but have been denied. Up until this point, the family has done all the restoration and paid for the process from their own pocket and through donations. Many people have volunteered time to help in the clean up and help serve food at the events.

For now, the Allamons are busy getting the house in shape for the wedding. After that, they will begin working on the heating and cooling systems. Anyone who would like to volunteer their time to help restore this historical monument or to take a tour should contact the Allamons at (785) 891-3789. Donations can be sent to the Wallace County Foundation earmarked for the Clark-Robidoux House.




Bud Allamon prepared the ceiling of the Clark-Robidoux house in Wallace to get a covering of sheet rock.

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vice station. Whalen said he has had four inquiries in the last 30 days about the real estate, which includes some land behind the station back

to Market St.

"We hope something beneficial to the community comes in," he said.

# Governor answers questions after tour

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enators to continue to support the Country of Origin labeling program, under which meat in retail counters would have to be labeled.

"There are stories out there that this is very expensive," Schultz said, "but studies show the cost is not that high."

Sebelius said she understood the impacts and that she has been discussing this with the Japanese consul in Kansas City.

"Japan imports Kansas beef and sells it as Kansas beef, and there are delivery trucks with the governor's picture," Sebelius said. "Part of the reason for the visit was to get a new picture."

"(The consul) said he was concerned about the Canadian beef because his people like the beef labeled from Kansas."

Carolyn Applegate, economic development director, thanked the governor for coming and made some introductions of the officials

in the audience and the Goodland Chamber Ambassadors. She said Christi Rasure had put together two special baskets of products that make Sherman County unique.

Harlan House, area farmer, presented a basket to Polansky, whom he said he had known for 25 years.

"I am excited to have him as secretary of agriculture, and he has been helpful," House said. "He is a promoter of agriculture."

Sebelius was presented a basket by Goodland Mayor Rick Billinger and Commissioner Kevin Rasure, who thanked the governor for coming.

"I look forward to coming back," Sebelius said. "Keep the sunflowers and wheat coming in."



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