

Goblins, princesses come out to dance



Big Brothers Big Sisters had a Halloween Dance on Saturday night at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Kids of all ages were there as well as adults and the Goodland Line Dancers. Sherlock Holmes, witches, a spider and various ghouls were also in attendance. Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

City accepts low bid for roof

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Saying he does not like flat roofs Mayor Rick Billinger was the lone vote against the low bid from Roofmasters Roofing of Colby for replacing the roof on the building at the city power plant over the control room and offices at the meeting last Monday.

The low bid from Roofmasters of \$15,188 was approved on a 4-1 vote with the other bid being from Weathercraft Companies of Goodland for \$18,195.

Rod Blake, power plant superintendent, said the roof in question was installed in 1992, and was a rubberized roof that was pulling away from the walls and could not be repaired any more.

He said the two companies were bidding the same type of roofing.

Billinger asked if there was any way to put a peak on that roof.

"We are talking about putting a patch on it to last 10 to 12 years and be right back here," he said. "I am not in favor of flat roofs."

Blake said because of the leaks he has had to move his computer, and does not want water in the power control room.

He said the problem with putting a pitched roof on that part of the

building is the windows, and that would cost big bucks.

"I agree I don't like flat roofs," Blake said.

Commissioner Josh Dechant asked if there was money set aside for this purpose.

City Clerk Mary Volk said money has been put aside to do the power plant roof, and said she felt this would be part of that.

Blake said he was afraid he was facing replacement of the roof on the main plant, but that so far that is giving them less of a problem than over the offices and control room.

Commissioner Annette Fairbanks asked Blake if they are the same quality roofing as far as he knows.

"Yes," Blake said. "They are both the same kind of roof."

Dechant said the \$3,000 was a 20 percent difference.

Daniels made the motion to approve the low bid from Roofmasters seconded by Dechant.

The vote was 4-1 with Commissioner John Garcia joining Daniels, Dechant and Fairbanks in voting in favor. Billinger voted against.

"I don't like flat roofs, and would not vote for any of them" Billinger said.

Council plans building repairs

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The Sherman County Economic Development Council heard Tuesday that a building committee has met with the tenants of the building at 17th and Broadway, and will get some things fixed.

Council member Jerry Fairbanks of First National Bank said the building committee had met twice and the members are Helen Dobbs, development office manager, Larry Keirns retired college president and Curtis Hurd a local building owner and contractor.

Fairbanks said the committee has walked through the building and talked to the tenants about what is going on.

"We saw some things that need to be done," he said. "We will have Hurd get a window fixed. We will get an estimate from Randy Topliff

on the roof. We need to get it done before the end of the year.

"I will get new leases done for each tenant."

Fairbanks was asked if the rent is current, and reported that all have been collected.

He said Dobbs has agreed to act as manager, and she is getting people to take care of the building for outdoor care such as for snow removal and taking care of the grounds.

The Sherman County commissioners have agreed to pay for the roof repairs, which have been estimated to cost more than \$20,000.

Thursday Dobbs said some metal was blown off the roof in the high winds, but was not sure exactly where the sheets came from or if it has caused any more roof problems.

Economic development to get cable TV

Keeping up with job openings and weather conditions was the main reason the Sherman County Economic Development Council was asked to approve a cable television hookup for the office at their meeting on Tuesday.

Helen Dobbs, office manager, said she had asked Don Newell, council member from S&T Communications if it would be possible to donate a cable television connection to the office.

Dobbs said the office has a television, but no connection and would like to be able to watch the local advertising channel on S&T to see

if job openings are posted that could be added to the economic development web site listings.

She agreed it would be good to be able to watch the weather especially during the winter months to watch for storms.

Newell said his company could not break out the ad channel, but did say they have a 13-channel package that would cost \$12.95 per month. He said the company could not really donate that.

Steve West, council member from Western State Bank, said he was not opposed to the request as he felt it would help keep the infor-

mation update for jobs open in the community.

Council member Larry Keirns, retired college president, asked if the office needs to have a connection to Eagle Cable as well because they might have different job openings.

Dobbs said they only have one television set in the office, and that it was purchased to be able to show the DVD on Goodland and Sherman County the council had made about two years ago.

West mad the motion to hookup cable from S&T seconded by council member Jerry Fairbanks.

All present voted in favor, but

Newell who abstained for conflict reasons.

The council held a closed door session for 15 minutes saying it was for personnel purposes. When they returned to open session no action was taken, but Fairbanks said he would talk with Jeris the next day.

The council's next meeting will be at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18, at the Goodland Elks before the Shine On Sherman County Community Conversation dinner and meeting.

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Aug. 28: Cathy I. Izumo, 51, Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., \$135 for speeding, 85/70.

Jackie T. Lennox, 43, Lake, Mich., \$175 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, 70-hour rule.

Aug. 29: Amber E. Collins, 18,

Colorado Springs, \$201 for speeding, 94/70.

Kirsten A. Emry, 21, Lawson, Mo., \$165 for speeding, 90/70.

Darrin K. Hicks, 42, Edgewater, Colo., \$141 for speeding, 86/70.

Aug. 30: Douglas C. Banister, 39, Colorado Springs, \$135 for speeding, 85/70.

Brad A. Friedlander, 31, Seattle, \$174 for speeding.

Robert P. Ingram, 78, Casper, Wyo., \$192 for speeding,

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