

City fails to pass dog pound contract

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Sherman County and this is a service that needs to be done. Yes, it did not happen in the right order.

"I feel this committee has worked long and hard to come up with the best option and we are looking at a year and a half and we can change it."

She made the motion to approve the contract, but did not get a second and Mayor Dechant declared it dead.

Dechant said he was hung up on the utilities.

Gerber asked what it would take to get this contract approved, and if at least three of the commissioners would vote in favor if the utility clause was removed.

Dechant said the utilities was his hang up on the contract.

Garcia said he felt it was unfortunate the way this whole project has happened, and was disappointed the county was not doing more than they are willing to do.

"This has nothing to do with Kathy," he said. "The only valid point is the utilities and where you draw the line."

He said he felt the committee should re-look at the contract and bring it back.

"That is what I am getting at,"

Gerber said. "I have heard at least three of you say you would be positive if the utilities were taken out."

Billinger agreed that was his biggest concern.

Fairbanks said she felt the committee was trying to bring the best option to the city and county.

"We need to know where we are," she said. "We have to get something done."

Gerber said Schermerhorn has stepped up to help without a formal animal control officer, and thanked her for her efforts.

Schermerhorn was at the meeting and said the building is done, and that the heating is electric. She said there is a larger heater for the dogs and a smaller one for the cats. She said the heaters are working well and the building is well insulated.

Gerber said he was estimating the electrical cost to be about \$200 a month.

Fairbanks asked if the commissioners would approve the contract contingent on removing the utilities, but Gerber said he would rather have the commission approve a clean contract.

Dechant said the contract would be put on the agenda for the next meeting on Monday, Feb. 1.

City honors employee for his hard work

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The low bid for demolition of a house at 504 E. 11th. that had been previously condemned and ordered demolished. The low bid was Mike Yarger at \$7,380. The other bid was from Conrad Pettijohn for \$13,200.

Gerber said the owner of the house had been given extra time to do repairs or tear the house down, but had failed to follow through.

Gerber reported on plans for upgrading the lobby area of the administration building. He said the commissioners need to consider an alternative date for the second meeting in February as it will fall on President's Day and that is a holiday for the city employees.

The commissioners suggested moving the meeting to Tuesday or the next Monday.

A suggestion was to hold the meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 22. Gerber said that can be decided at the next meeting.

Gerber said he would like to see the pay estimates on the various ongoing projects be included in the agenda rather than added at the end.

Gerber said he had taken them out when he first arrived, but as a compromise put them back in at the end of the agenda.

Dechant said he would like to see them in the consent agenda rather than staff reports.

Garcia said he would like to see them moved up.

Daniels said he understood the consent agenda, and would rather they be included.

Commissioner Annette Fairbanks said she felt it was a staff and management issue and that it was OK the way it was.

Gerber said he would move them to the consent agenda.

Billinger said he appreciates the work the city employees do, and that he likes what Gerber is doing.

"We need to function as efficiently as we can on the city level," he said. "Taxes are way too high in this community. I feel that is a detriment to our community, especially for something new looking to come here."

"The commission has worked hard to control taxes and costs. We are improving the water as dili-

gently as we can, and think we need to continue working on lowering the taxes."

Garcia said he was in agreement with what Billinger was saying.

"The key factor is what the people are looking at," he said, "and we have to operate with a different mentality and be good stewards of the people's taxes. We might do a workshop and talk about areas we can target — such as demand meters. We are doing good with the water rates."

Garcia said he got calls from people saying they would not mind if Main Ave. went to concrete rather than bricks.

Daniels said he had a couple of calls from people saying don't get rid of the bricks.

matters of record

District Traffic

The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court.

February 14, 2008: Marlon M. Clark, speeding, \$194.

May 7, 2009: Clinton R. Rogge, fail to yield to emergency vehicle.

June 4: William A. Evans, speeding, \$153.

June 10: Brandon K. Huggins, speeding, \$141.

June 28: Yosef Azoulay, motor carrier safety rules and regulations, \$186.

July 2: Katrina L. Harris, speeding, \$170.

July 4: Manuel E. Soto-Reyes, speeding, \$185.

July 24: Zack Stahl, speeding, \$158.

July 31: Nora S. Hamlin, speeding, \$196.

August 8: Daniel R. Dinsmore, speeding, \$176.

August 28: Thomas C. Jackson, motor carrier regulations on persons and property, \$236.

August 29: Paul N. Gidlund, no license provided, \$146.

September 4: Emidio Barron, no valid license, \$146.

September 9: Peter Osullivan, fail to yield at sign, \$146.

September 30: John P. Daly, Jr., speeding, \$203.

October 8: Mary M. Meyer, speeding, \$164.

October 12: Thomas L. Kanan II, fail to yield to emergency vehicle, \$266.

October 23: Jairo Centeno-Silva, no valid license, \$146; speeding, \$60.

October 26: Marc A. Gugino, speeding, \$176.

November 2: John W. Jacobs, speeding, \$146.

Brian A. Rosales, speeding, \$116.

November 5: Krista L. Simon, speeding, \$146.

November 6: Brooke E. Gannon, speeding, \$170.

November 7: Kristian E. Lacour-Madsen, unlawful parking, \$146.

November 8: Ali Altintas, speeding, \$221.

November 13: Carl A. Payne, unlawful parking, \$176.

November 14: Lesa Caryl, speeding, \$194.

Gerardo G. Glenn, fail to yield to emergency vehicle, \$266.

Ronny L. Richardson, motor carrier safety rules and regulations, \$186.

November 19: Amanda M. San-

doval, no child seatbelt, \$146.

November 20: Arthur L. Boyd, speeding, \$239.

November 21: Ian F. Friley, speeding, \$146.

November 22: Randall J. Rogers, unlawful parking, \$146.

November 23: Gregory F. Brewer, speeding, \$140.

Ryan L. Bermel, speeding, \$203.

Brian M. Fernandez, Sr., speeding, \$164.

Joshua A. Miller, speeding, \$152.

Mary K. Schladand, speeding, \$146.

Catherine E. Walker, unlawful parking, \$140.

Narvisi J. Wilkie, over weight limits on wheels and axles, \$134.

Jeremie J. Harden, speeding, \$158.

November 25: Elizabeth J. Custer, unlawful parking, \$176.

Sally A. Hambleton, speeding, \$146.

Mark J. Koetting, unlawful parking, \$152.

Brent M. Poley, unlawful parking, \$146.

Karen J. Rios, unlawful parking, \$146.

November 27: Nicole S. Hill,

speeding, \$170.

Jade M. Lane, speeding, \$152.

Shawn Roy, unlawful registration, \$146.

November 29: Sung H. Bae, fail to yield to emergency vehicle, \$266.

Erik J. Christians, speeding, \$116.

Jeremy I. Esplund, speeding, \$146.

Shafiq Makhani, speeding, \$146.

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The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds: Jeffery A. Mason and Nona Mason convey and warrant to Goodland Professional Building, LLC, all of Lots 17 and 18, in Subdivision of Block 50, in Original Town of Goodland; E40' of Lots 14, 15 and 16 in Block 50, Subdivision of Block 05, in Original Town of Goodland.

Cheryl L. Pedersen and David W. Pedersen to Cheryl L. Pedersen and David W. Pedersen Lots 5, 6 and 7 in Block 3 in original town of Kanorado, also known as 210 Locust Street.

Robert W. Helman and Geraldine R. Helman, Trustees of the Robert W. Helman Revocable Trust Agreement dated November 7, 2008, to

Robert W. Helman and Geraldine R. Helman, an undivided 1/2 interest in and to the E/2 of NE/4 of Sec. 18, T6S, R39W.

Robert W. Helman and Geraldine R. Helman, Trustees of the Geraldine R. Helman Revocable Trust Agreement dated November 7, 2008, to Robert W. Helman and Geraldine R. Helman, an undivided 1/2 interest in E/2NE/4 of Sec. 18, T6S, R39W.

Megan Renee Leonard Revocable Trust dated January 30, 1996, and the Micheal Ryan Leonard Revocable Trust dated December 30, 1996, by and through their trustees, namely David Leonard and Lori Leonard, and David R. Leonard and Lori Leonard, the SE/4 of NE/4 of Sec. 19, T6S, R41W.

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Dr. Sharma graduated from the G.S. Medical College and K.E.M. Hospital Program at the University of Mumbai in India. After completing his internship and residency, he earned his diploma in orthopedic surgery at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Mumbai. He moved to the United States in 2005 and completed several clinical fellowships.

Dr. Sharma's fellowships include: Orthopedic Spine Surgery: The Christ Hospital, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, University of Cincinnati, (Cincinnati); Orthopedic Sports Medicine and Arthroscopy: Boston Children's Hospital,

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