

# Commissioners tell tenants to sign or move out

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County commissioners decided Friday to have the people renting space in the building at 17th and Broadway sign the leases and be current by today or consider themselves evicted.

County Attorney Bonnie Selby told the commissioners this issue was not something she had planned, but she had been given a check and an envelope of money on Thursday from the two tenants.

Selby said she had a check from Marilyn Bohl, owner of Sew What, that would bring her current from July with a \$100 deduction. She said the envelope from Cynthia Bohl, owner of the 17th Street Barbershop, had \$1,050 to be applied to her rent that would pay part of what she owed from July. She said Cynthia Bohl was short of being current by \$950.

The leases that were drafted in September remain unsigned Selby said, and now both tenants have penciled in other changes and neither has signed a lease.

Commissioner Chuck Thomas asked if Selby had read the penciled additions.

Commissioner Cynthia Strnad asked if the county was treating other taxpayers the same if they are in arrears, and asked if the county paid the utilities.

Selby said the county does pay the utilities.

She said Marilyn Bohl had said someone wants to rent a part of the building and Bohl said she would collect the rent and pass it on to the county.

Strnad said she felt the county had gone far enough and felt the two should sign the lease by Jan. 29 or be evicted.

She said the same for the 17th Street Barbershop that is she does not get current and sign lease she is evicted.

Strnad made a motion including the lease and being current or be evicted by Feb. 15, seconded by Commissioner Max Linin. The motion passed 3-0 with Thomas voting in favor.

The commissioners asked that Selby contact the person looking to rent space and have them come to the commissioner meeting Friday morning.

In other business the commissioners:

- Talked to Curt Way, public works manager, about getting the road and bridge time clock changed to show the proper time. Currently Rumpel said the clock is off by 30 minutes.

Way said it has been that way since the inception of the time clock in the county shop, and would show the employees clocked in at 7:30 a.m. when they really come in at 7 a.m.

Attorney Selby said she could not explain why it was different than other time clocks in county departments.

Strnad said she felt the clock needs to be set right. She felt there could be an issue if there was a problem with the hours being reported versus what is actually being worked.

Way said the department head can set the hours under the county policy, but said he can get the time clock changed.

“Eight hours is eight hours,” he said. “It does not make a change in what they work.”

- Heard from Way that a person from Smoky Hill called to say they had finished with the radius on the south side of old U.S. 24 at the intersection with County Road 14 and would open the south lane on old U.S. 24 this week. He said the Smoky Hill person was asking about the south portion of the project, and was afraid there might be a problem.

Way said the Smoky Hill person was asking if the county commissioners wanted them to continue working when possible or to wait until later to complete the piece of County Road 14 south of the intersection to the bridge.

Way said the Smoky Hill person said they had not talked to the engineering firm.

Darin Neufeld, engineer for the project from Evans, Bierly, Hutchinson and Associates said Wednesday the state project from the intersection north to County Road 65 had a time limit, but the section south of old U.S. 24 does not have a specific deadline.

Neufeld said his inspector has been talking to the Smoky Hill foreman on a regular basis, and have been letting them know if they

cannot pour concrete because the ground is frozen.

Commissioner Thomas said he would rather see Smoky Hill wait to finish until the weather was more cooperative.

Commissioner Linin said he agreed it would be better to wait.

Way said the Smoky Hill person was worried about running over

time, and would call them back.

- Signed a letter of support to apply for an enhanced 911 wireless grant.

- Approved 4-H building leases for Ken Klemm and Lyle Helzer.

- Reviewed the county purchasing policy, and Strnad said she had a call from Lisa Tomsic about recent purchases. The commissioners

agreed the county policy is to buy local when possible and to bid things when possible.

- Talked about moving the investigator position to the county attorney’s office. Decided to table this until the meeting on Feb. 8.

- Decided to have all departments submit job descriptions by March 1.

- Tabled the chip sealing until Feb. 8, and asked about looking at general obligation bonds with a five-year payback to help pay for the chip sealing.

- Appointed Rochelle Kling Iowa Township clerk and appointed Brian Kling Iowa Township treasurer.

## Inside of ‘green’ house taking shape



Northwest Tech carpentry students Braden Miller (left) Jarrett Richey (second from right) and Braden Lucas checked out the fit of the sheet rock on the ceiling of the kitchen and living room portion of the “green” house being rehabilitated on Center Ave. Bryant Nemecheck, carpentry instructor, said the insulation is

in in most of the ceiling and outside walls. He said the sheet rock should be up on the ceiling and on some walls by the end of the week. Work is continuing in the basement by the heating, air conditioning and ventilation class to install the heating and cooling system.

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# County agrees to give \$35,000 to help hospital buy ambulance

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on the engine.

“We need to find a way to pay for this, and save the debate about the operational issue for another time when we can all sit down. The issue now is how we get the ambulance up and running.”

Thomas asked what a new ambulance would cost.

Gleason said he had three bids on ambulances being used as demos. He said the bids were relatively close and was trying to make sure the three were being compared evenly.

Strnad asked if these were the chassis.

Gleason said they were all complete box type ambulances.

He said it was not all apples to apples because they had difference sizes of boxes.

The Braun bid was \$132,306, one from Lifeline was \$132,520 and from Osage \$132,235. Gleason said all three have about 1,500 miles and had discounts for the mileage.

Gleason said his recommenda-

tion was the Lifeline for \$132,520 because it fit the needs and was well equipped.

Brenda McCants, hospital board chairman, said she was there to support the request for the county to help out on the cost of a new ambulance.

Precht handed out the hospital budget for the year with statistics about the hospital census and the Goodland Family Health Clinic.

He said the budget is for a \$90,000 loss for the year rather than the nearly \$500,000 loss for last year.

In the capital budget Precht said an ambulance has been included, but this situation made it an issue sooner than had been planned.

“We have a lot of facility issues,” he said.

Gleason said the two things that hurt ambulances trade values is if they are over 10 years old and over 100,000 miles.

Strnad asked if the old ambulance could be donated to the college for use as a training vehicle.

Gleason said he had a call from the college asking about using it as

a training aid. he said if the college took the 1999 Ford they could rehabilitate it in the diesel technology and use it for respiratory therapy training and emergency medical tech classes.

Thomas said he felt they had given the commissioners enough information and food for thought. He said the commissioners were looking at the budget and would let the hospital know what they had decided the county could do to help.

County Clerk Janet Rumpel looked up what the county had done to help buy the newest ambulance in 2006 and found the county had given about \$54,000.

Precht said the hospital was looking for a commitment from the county.

“We have to make the ambulance problem go away,” he said. “We will have to do something.”

Later in the meeting the commissioners reviewed the available money and decided to give the hospital the \$35,000.

## February Consultant Schedule

ALLERGIST**	Jeffrey Rumbyrt, M.D.	February 15
CARDIOLOGIST	Barry Smith, M.D.	February 10 & 24
CARDIOLOGIST	Vijay Subbarao, M.D.	February 11
CARDIOLOGIST**	Christine Fisher, M.D.	February 8
COUNSELING SERVICES		Thursdays by Appointment
DIETITIAN	Sarah Linton, RD, LD, CDE	Monday - Friday
EARS, NOSE, THROAT	Alfred N. Carr, M.D.	February 11, 12 & 26
ENDOCRINOLOGIST	Gerald Poticha, M.D.	February 4, 5 & 11
GASTROENTEROLOGIST	Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D.	February 2, 15 & 16
GENERAL SURGEON	David D. Beck, M.D.	February 4 & 18
GENERAL SURGEON	Jeffrey Cross, M.D.	February 25
GYNECOLOGY	Laura Rokosz, M.D.	February 10 & 24
NEUROLOGIST	Steven J. Gulevich, M.D.	February 3, 10 & 24
OBSTETRICS/GYNECOLOGY	David Forschner, M.D.	March 17
ONCOLOGY	Prakash Neupane, M.D.	February 5, 12, 19 & 26
ONCOLOGY/HEMATOLOGY	Martin Rubinowitz, M.D.	February 2
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	Brian Joondeph, M.D.	February 12
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	Ronald Wise, M.D.	February 3 & 19
OPHTHALMOLOGIST**	Eric Fry, M.D.	February 5
OPHTHALMOLOGIST**	William Clifford, M.D.	February 22
ORTHOPEDIST	Tim Birney, M.D.	February 8
ORTHOPEDIST	Armond Hatzidakis, M.D.	February 1
ORTHOPEDIST	James Holmes, M.D.	February 15
ORTHOPEDIST	Edward Parks, M.D.	February 22
ORTHOPEDIST	Raj Bazaz, M.D.	February 8
ORTHOPEDIST	Kevin Nagamani, M.D.	February 3
ORTHOPEDIST	Gareth Shemesh, M.D.	February 25 & 26
PATHOLOGIST	Pathology Services P.C.	Call for Availability
PODIATRIST	Erik Ouderkirk, D.P.M.	February 10
PODIATRIST	Daniel Mallett, D.P.M.	February 24
PULMONOLOGIST	Ken Weisiger, M.D.	February 2
RADIOLOGISTS	Professional Radiology Services	WEEK DAYS
SPEECH THERAPY	Crystal Schultz	Monday – Thursday
UROLOGIST	Darrell D. Werth, M.D.	February 23
UROLOGIST	Kevin McDonald M.D.	February 9

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\*\*For an appointment with Dr. Fry or Dr. Clifford please call 1-800-526-3937

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Dr. Mohedine Shafei (Out of office on Monday)

Dr. Travis Daise (Out of office on Wednesday)

Dr. David Younger (Out of office on Thursday)

Dr. Lisa M. Unruh - Pediatrician

Jackie Jorgensen, ARNP

## matters of record

### Accidents

These accidents were investigated by the Goodland Police Department.

**Jan. 11** — 11:01 a.m., 700 W. 10th, a 2002 Ford driven by Kendall Morris was driving north on Texas Ave., and a 2003 Chevrolet driven by Sara L. Scheopner was driving east on West 10th. Both drivers said

they did not see the other vehicle as they approached the intersection where they collided.

**Jan. 12** — 6:30 a.m., 800 E. 13th, a 2001 Dodge owned by Wesley Gerrans was parked in the Northwest Tech parking lot on Harrison Ave., and was hit by an unknown vehicle.

### Non-surgical treatment of hemorrhoids.

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