

# public notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

WESTERN STATE BANK, GOODLAND, KANSAS, Plaintiff, vs. KENNETH GILBERT WILKENING, JR.; BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS; and SHEILA WALZ, Defendants. Case No. 05-C-35

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S 1/2 SE1/4 of Section Thirty-Two (32) in Township Six (6) South, Range Forty-One (41) West of the Sixth P.M., in Sherman County, Kansas, according to the United States Government Survey thereof.

This real estate is taken as the property of defendant Kenneth Gilbert Wilkening, Jr.; is directed by the Order of Sale to be sold; and will be sold without appraisal to satisfy the Order of Sale, subject only to the redemption period of three (3) months of defendant Kenneth Gilbert Wilkening, Jr.

Kevin Butts Sheriff of Sherman County, Kansas

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## NOTICE OF SALE

TO: THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS AND TO ALL PERSONS WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

Notice is hereby given pursuant to an Order of Sale issued by the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas in the above-captioned action, that I will on **Tuesday, January 24, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.**, offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, on the front steps of the Sherman County Courthouse, 813 Broadway in the City of Goodland, Sherman County, Kansas, the following-described real estate:

# New bridge open; road work to begin soon

K-27, from Page 1

sonally says the K-27 money was included in the final version. At the time, he said this was one of several projects for Kansas he had managed to get included in the new package.

Secretary Miller said the state has a contingency plan, which includes the sale of bonds in case the federal money fell short. She will ask the Legislature to repay \$125 million taken from the highway fund to help balance the state general fund dur-

ing the crisis caused by the Supreme Court ruling on school finance.

"We've made an enormous investment in the state highway system and it will take money to maintain it," Miller told a press conference in Norton. "If we don't have sufficient revenue to complete the projects, we'll have to go back and see what we have to cut as far as projects go. But, we're not prepared to do that today. We're confident we'll get the money we need."

Another area project possibly in

jeopardy is U.S. 183 from Plainville south to Hays.

The K-27 project is part of the 10-year Comprehensive Transportation Program the state began in 2000 and is to continue through 2009. Rebuilding of K-27 north of I-70 to the Sherman-Cheyenne County line was completed in 2001, including a new bridge over Beaver Creek north of town and major cuts in several hills to improve sight lines and safety.

When completed, the south por-

tion of the K-27 project will reduce the radius of the curves near the Smoky Hill River, where the new bridge has been built.

Whitley said the second phase of the K-27 project is to be let to contract on Feb. 15. He said the department will not consider cuts unless the Legislature is unable to find money for the state's 20 percent.

# Business surveys to begin in January

SURVEYS, from Page 1

would be better to leave it up to a permanent director.

"I don't know if it is important to be a member," West said. "There are six or eight that might be important, and the director could give us a list."

The question was tabled.

Younger said the Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance is working with the Flint Hills project to do a study of where nature, culture and history could be developed as attractions in western Kansas. They are asking for a donation of \$50 to help pay for the survey.

The council took no action on the request.

Chairman John Garcia said he had received a letter from the Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce asking the council to pay \$600 in dues for the next year, and consider

making a donation of \$50 to \$500 to help the Chamber regain its financial footing.

Members said they were surprised at the request after having paid \$8,000 in bills to help bail the Chamber out. The council is providing office space, utilities, phones, postage and office supplies to the chamber through October.

That request also was tabled, with the suggestion that a Chamber representative be asked to attend the next meeting to give an update on where they are in the rebuilding process.

Timm said the tax incentive rebate program is in place, and they have placed ads in *The Goodland Star-News* and on S&T's cable channel to let people know about it. He said it will also be placed on the Eagle cable channel.

He said there seems to be a misconception about the program, and

it's important that people know they have to have advance approval before starting a project if they want a rebate this year.

"We set this up to grandfather in projects begun this year," Timm said, "but that will not be true for projects that are planned for next year. It will be important to apply with the county assessor's office before the improvement project begins."

He said several people had called the assessor's office to get applications. The deadline is noon on Friday for projects done this year.

The next economic development meeting will be 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 17, in the basement of Western State Bank. New member Mike Cochran will begin his term, and the council will elect officers for the year.

# State may fund Road 14 project

COUNTY, from Page 1

"Your response does not obligate your participation at this time, but merely indicates whether or not we should pursue the secretary of transportation's final approval of this project," Desch wrote. "Secretary (Deb) Miller is considering announcing the approved projects in late January."

The county's share of the project will depend on approval of a special 1 percent sales tax the city and county have been discussing since May. Plans are to introduce a bill in the state Legislature to give the county permission to ask the citizens to approve tax for road projects.

Commissioner Kevin Rasure said he had talked with Rep. Jim Morrison and Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer to have them carry the bill. Under state law, the county has to have permission to increase its sales tax beyond the current 1.25 percent.

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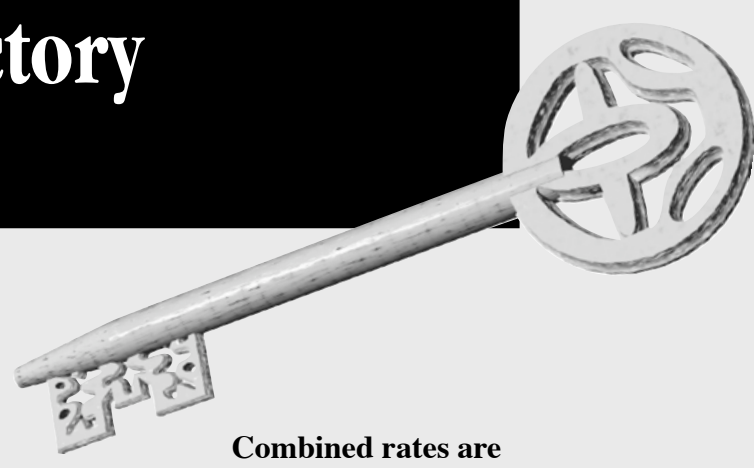
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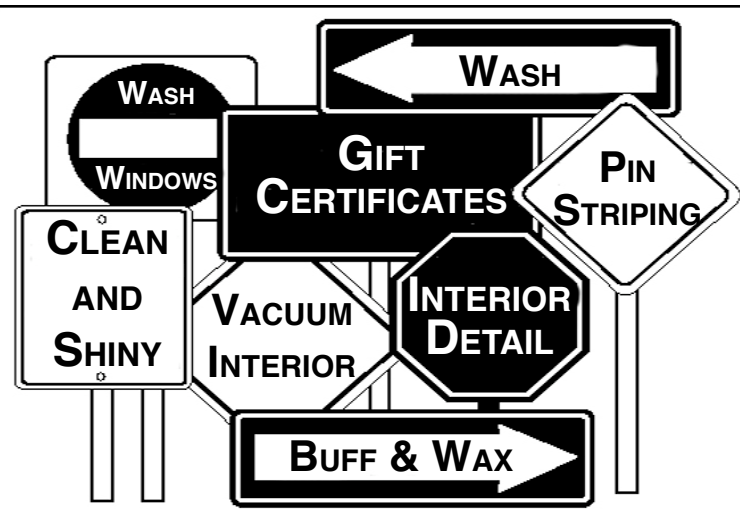
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