

* Budget cuts may see programs cut

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 \$2,936,464, a projected savings of \$172,727.
 It looks like the cuts for schools are done for this year, he added. The Senate is adamant about not wanting to cut schools any more; the House, not so much.

The governor has asked to put \$50 back into the base for next year, said Mr. Dorshorst. If that happens, the district's general fund would increase around \$37,000 over this year.

With the suggested cuts, based on the declining enrollment, it could

mean losing close to half a million dollars in spending authority and that's a lot for a small district.

The district is going to have to continue to look for ways to save money, he said. Last year's electric bill was over \$75,000 and that's two teacher salaries. It's important to continue being good stewards. There are little ways to save that turn into big savings.

The most important thing is to keep in contact with the legislators. They need to understand what education means to us in western Kansas, said Mr. Dorshorst.

* Paving set for week

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 have a problem with it if people use the equipment properly.

It would be great to get a couple treadmills in there too, he said, for both the community and the schools.

In other business, the board:

- Held closed sessions for 10 minutes and then for five for non-elected personnel with the board, Mr. Dorshorst and Principal Charles Haag. There was no action taken afterward.
- Received \$1,552 from the Next-Tech wireless rebate program for the fourth quarter.
- Decided that Board Members Dan Nedland, Dan Wasson and Barb Olson will hand out diplomas at graduation.
- Received a resignation from

Marty Olson as a Title I teacher at the grade school, effective at the end of the term.

- Hired Carolyn Shirley as a custodian.
- Tabled proposed job descriptions until the committee can take a look at them. Dan Grafel and Mrs. Olson are on that committee, said Mr. Dorshorst, adding that he had bypassed them, although not on purpose.
- Held closed sessions for 15, 10 and five minutes for negotiations with the board and Mr. Dorshorst. There was no action taken.
- Made plans to hold the employee recognition dinner at the high school on Wednesday, April 21.
- Bought a new mower for \$29,400 from Southwest Implement.

City OKs eight jobs

The Oberlin City Council approved appointments of eight people to boards at a meeting Thursday, March 4, but the city still needs a few volunteers to fill other spots.

The council OK'd appointment of Gene Gallentine to the Airport Advisory Board, Jesse Carter and Judy Scott to the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission, Larry Van Otterloo to the Tree Board, Connie Grafel, Connie Riedel and Sharleen Wurm to the Convention and Visitors Bureau board and Mary Jo Lohofener to the Minimum Housing Code Re-

view Board.
 City Administrator Austin Gilley said city boards and committees have 13 active appointments, nine expired who don't want to serve again, 19 expired and 17 active spots where the holders haven't responded and 10 with expired appointments who weret re-appointed.

It might be good to contact the people in these spots, said Mr. Gilley, and start recruiting to fill the seats where the person serving now doesn't want to continue.

Mayor Joe Stanley said he would make an effort to call all of them.

Restoring the signal



IN THE CITY BUCKET TRUCK, Dan Dempewolf replaced a bulb in a stop light at the intersection of Penn Avenue and Hall Street last week.

— Herald photo by Kimberly Davis

Second graders write thanks to area farmers

Second graders at Oberlin Elementary School wrote thank-you letters to farmers as part of an agriculture in the classroom program.

Kimberly Witt's second graders wrote these letters as part of a program Susan May did recently for the Kansas State Farm Bureau. With National Agriculture Day on Saturday, Mrs. May and Mrs. Witt provided copies of the students' letters.

Some were written just to "a farmer" while others were a lot more personal, written to family members or others the kids know. One student even wrote to his teacher, who farms along with her husband.

have chicken. I like riding horses. I appreciate all the hard work. The alfalfa so tall. All this is very good work. You're the very best farmer!

My favorite food is steak.
 Love,
 Alyssa

Dear Grandpa,
 Thank you for having cows. That way we can have milk. And thank you for making sure they are safe and healthy. Thank you for letting me keep my pigs on the farm. Thank you for healthy food.
 Love,
 Anna

Dear Mrs. Witt
 Thank you for taking good care of your animals. I really appreciate it. You should take care of you animals every day, because if you take care of your animals every day, they will live every day. My favorite food is corn on the cob and just plain corn. What's your favorite food?
 Kaleb

Dear Mrs. and Mr. Farmer,
 Thank you for providing safe and health food for me. My favorite food is steak. I'm thankful for agriculture.
 Your friend,
 Erin

Dear Farmer,
 Thank you for giving us meat and corn on the cob. Thank you for taking care of our animals and taking care of their baby cows.
 Thank you,
 Landen

Dear Daddy,
 Thank you for the food, corn, wheat and alfalfa. Thank you for healthy plants and animals. I appreciate what you did.
 Love,
 Skyler

Dear Farmer,
 Thank you for all you support. Your cows give us milk. Your pigs provide bacon and meat. You take good care of you animals. I'm thankful for chickens so we can

Dear Jess,
 Thank you for all the food and all the drinks you give us. I like piglets, calves and horses. My favorite food is steak. My favorite drink is milk.
 From,
 Kennedy

Dear Papa,
 Thank you for the food, crops, wheat and taking care of the environment. I appreciate you taking care of the dogs. Thank you for working so hard. My favorite foods from the farm are bacon, steak and pork.
 Love,
 Sage

Dear Farmer,
 I'm thankful for steak because it is good. Thank you for protecting you livestock. Thanks for growing wheat.
 Your friend,
 Rowdy

Dear Daddy,
 I thank you for planting good food and vegetables, which I love. And our meat will help our muscles. Remember to have some milk.
 Your son,
 Gabe

Dear Farmer,
 Thank you for providing safe and healthy food for me to eat. Thanks for some animal rides. Thanks for all the things that you do for the farm and cities and towns.
 Thank you farmers,
 Bethany

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