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A blood drive was held in Gonvick. Vitalant, formerly United Blood Services is the only blood provider to more than 70 hospitals across North Dakota, South Dakota and western Minnesota. They also supply nearly 1,000 hospitals across the country giving you the opportunity to transform lives locally and beyond. Despite the terrible weather many came in on January 15, at the Gonvick Community Center to donate their time and blood. It was sponsored by Gonvick Legion Auxiliary. Fay Bjerke was in charge of the event. The next one will be held in Clearbrook.

Clearbrook City Council holds January meeting

By Bonnie Kirchman
Jon Smith, plant manager for Garden Valley Technologies attended the January 13th meeting of the Clearbrook City Council to follow-up on the company's request to purchase property from the city. City staff and council members are still researching sales prices. The council will make a decision on the sale at a special meeting that will also cover the issue of easements for the sewer and water project.

Two Clearbrook residents brought several concerns to the city council. The issues included noise caused by a semi-trailer parked near their home in the lot currently designated for truck parking. The parking lot will be relocated in the spring and the council members asked the residents to be patient until the change can be made. The residents also expressed concerns about cars speeding along their street. Mayor Dylan Goudge will discuss the issue with Police Chief Dan Gazelka, who was unable to attend the meeting. The residents were also asked to contact the Sheriff's department when this occurs to ensure the dispatching of the closest law enforcement personnel. The residents also requested assistance plowing snow from their sidewalks. Council members responded that Clearbrook residents and business owners are responsible for snow removal on their own properties.

Zach Thoma, engineer with Karvaako, provided a proposed bike trail layout for the council's input. Thoma has worked with

county engineer Dan Sauvé to address any potential issues in the planning. Council members made suggestions on the trail route, reviewing the layout as it runs by Charps and through Kloster Park.

Fire Chief Adam Krog provided a year-end summary of 2019 calls made by the department. The fire department responded to 106 calls. Krog categorized these as 72 medical, 11 structural fires, 2 grass fires, 4 vehicle fires, 6 motor vehicle accidents, 6 calls for assistance, 1 weather-related, 2 false fire alarms, and 2 hazardous materials (gas) calls. Krog added that the 11 structural fire calls included chimney fires and call-backs to fire sites and calls for assistance are generally for falls. The total number of calls is typical for the department, with annual call totals generally falling between 90 and 120.

All fire equipment is now stored inside the fire hall after the sale of an old pumper. Bids will be obtained for the repairs to the exterior fire hall wall. After the bids are received the fire department will make a request to the Clearbrook Community Club for donations toward the cost of the repairs.

The fire department's annual meeting will take place on February 3, 2020. The townships will be invited and fire rate information will be shared at this meeting. The annual fish fry event is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th. The department has declined a request to serve a meal at the All-School Reunion due to time and scheduling issues of the department's

volunteer members.

Joy Walberg gave the monthly liquor store report. Bingo nights continue to be busy, with the next one scheduled for February 8th. The bar will be open on Sundays through the Super Bowl when NFL games are scheduled. A Valentine's Day steak fry will take place on Friday, February 14th. Those wishing to attend this event should sign up in advance. Staff will be working at the Clearbrook-Gonvick school staff party/scholarship fundraiser. Joy reported that the annual inventory has been completed and went well. City staff is looking at programs that could reduce the liquor store's credit card fees.

Mark Snobl updated the council on utilities and maintenance issues. The gas meter for Charps has been refurbished. They are working to keep fire hydrants cleared of snow for emergency access. The gym heating units are not functioning properly due to electrical issues. The council considered fixing or replacing the units and the advantages and disadvantages of continuing with the current four units or reducing to one unit. Snobl will obtain bids for both repair and replacement of the units. The council also discussed snow removal equipment, including snowblowers for the skid steer and lease or purchase of an end loader. Snobl was asked to bring quotes on snow removal equipment options back to the council for further discussion.

Lucie Thompson, City Clerk, brought planning questions for the street project to the council. Members discussed the locations of driveways on Main Street and issues regarding the steps at DaRoo's and the Roxy. The run-up to the north doors on the fire hall will also be addressed during the planning process.

Council..
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Historical Society Annual Meeting
The Clearwater County Historical Society will hold its 2019 ANNUAL MEETING on January 26, 2020 at the Legion Meeting room at 200 Elm Street in Clearbrook at 2:00. The meeting will begin with coffee and dessert followed by a short business meeting.

Agenda items include the election of 3 directors and well as financial and society reports. Several "Friends of the Museum" will be recognized during the meeting.

At approximately 3:30 Society Outreach Director Greg Powell will give a short program.

The public is invited to all society meetings. You do not have to be a historical society member to attend. For more information call the History Center at 218-785-2000

2019 Year in Review....

September...Dana Fenske's story of running marathons in 14 states...Veterans Memorial Ride made a stop in Clearbrook and Gonvick at the Legion...Beth Rose Windus charged with felony criminal vehicular homicide related to the death of Jon Sundquist...Hannah Marsh will be the new 6th grade teacher at C-G School...51 years to meet his son-Mike Cudmore and his son Michael O'Shaughnessy share their story of connecting after all these years...Alvina Norley's life of generosity is featured on her 96th birthday...The families of Brittany Wagner & Cole Kortan announced their upcoming wedding...2019 Homecoming Royalty are Chase Voxland and Danae Stenzel...Gonvick LINK Site faces cuts without increased funding, discussed at County board of Commissioners...50th Anniversary celebrated for Donald and Rosemary Amundson of Leonard...Kirk Sather, son of Richard Sather of Gonvick, graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University earning a Masters' in Science...Great photos from Blast to Brooks shared...Over 700 youth participated in Mn 4-H state shooting held in Alexandria...Clearbrook has the go ahead for bike trail project...Cornerstone of Bagley celebrate the National Assisted Living week with the gathering of family and friends picnic...

We Lost...Jonathon Sundquist, Donna Shadley, Ruth Ann Johnson, Darlene (Knudson) Henningsgaard, Everett Sorenson, Randy Stavenes, Milton Carlson, Carole Teigland, Jacob Hertwig, Mary E Carlson, Michael Myrle, Inga Linder, Mark Hendrickson, Hilda Rue and Dr. John Olson...

October...Wade Klema of Gonvick took the big prize for his record breaking 1,661 lb. pumpkin during Gonvick Pumpkin Day and Car show and Bed Races.....Cider-making event tantalizes the taste buds of Garden Club featured with pictures...Gonvick graduate, Robin Kelleher with her toy Australian Shepherd release a second book "Smart Little Dog named Lina"...Laura Takkunen is the new English teacher at C-G School...Jay Jones created a sculpture and Chris Holm shared his music for Clearbrook Depot dedication... Building Trades class made a gazebo for the Clearbrook Park....Aerial photo of Pumpkin Day submitted by Bruce Emmel...Fiber Festival featuring Rilla Nelson's great great grandmother's spinning wheel was one of many exhibitors...Enbridge and Team Industries gave money for the Clearbrook Dam area...Double feature held in Gully with Knowledge Bowl and Entertainment...Elise Prosser recently committed to attend and play basketball for Concordia College...Craig Gapinski is welcomed as a new Veterinarian at Cornerstone Vet in Gonvick...2nd annual Trunk and Treat was held in Clearbrook with lots of goodies for kids...The Clover Town Hall received a facelift this summer, photos and story shared...

We Lost...Bloyd Ness, Nels Gunderson, Jeffery Ervin Seitz, Norman Dyrdaahl, Ernest J Rodman, James W Vicory, Richard J Djernes, Richard Hagen, Eugene L Harwood, Molly Carter, Gladyce Josephson, Palma Polly Simonson, Bergetta Bingham, Charles Balstad, James Dulka, Payton Grandstrand, Charles D Evenwoll, Cynthia Haugen, Mary Bennett...Steven Bjerke, Tony Jones, James Gustafson and Hubert Reinartz III...

November...Winners of the 2019 Fire Prevention Poster Contest were listed with great photos of the kids and their artwork...New barn at Pioneer Farmers raised by volunteers...Great Halloween pictures shared from locals...The community gathers to support Allan Danielson with a Gonvick Lions Club spaghetti feed and auction to help with medical expenses...Area Veterans honored on Veterans Day at C-G School...Gully Hunters Supper is featured as open hunting day tradition with food, auction and visiting...Enbridge held meetings for "Safest Way Tour" in 3 area locations...37 protesters blocked traffic and caused disruption in Clearbrook, resulting in one arrest for gross misdemeanor and trespassing...First grade students shared their talents in research of historical figures at C-G School...A group of young travelers shared their experience during a trip to Greece...C-

G selected for Life Skills training grant...Hunting success stories shared...

We Lost...Harry Sandeen, Maureen C Johnson, Geraldine Vallee, Earl Swenson, Paul Hedlund, Darlene Haugen, Bernice Berget, Pearl Watne, Eivind Lindseth, Frank Dewey, Edna Dahlke, Russell Grove, Judith K Brovick, Jim Galloway and Greg Olson...

December...Memory Project - Creating a Kinder World through Art, was showcased at C-G School many great young artists featured...Wedding announced for Trisha Grover and Collin Strain...Sylvia Johnson-Celebrates her 80th birthday with family and friends...Christmas lighting contest in Clearbrook takes place...First graders at C-G School are still being featured for the history figure projects, great job...Fire destroys house in Gully, no one home at the time...Nancy Vyskocil traveled with her Father, Ordean Swanson on Honor Flight trip to Washington DC and shared their experiences...Upper/Lower Red Lake Fishery Management Agreement renewed...Clearbrook business changes hands, Y- 92 owned by Kevin & Sheryl Berg was purchased by Missy & Scott Reck owners of Northdale Oil...Lindsey Lamwer sworn in as Clearwater County Veterans Service Officer...Millie Dickinson set to retire from History Center after 15 years of service...C-G School kids perform Christmas programs, great photos featured...4-H recognition and annual meeting, many groups and individuals recognized for volunteer achievements...USXC races take place with Gerald Dyrdaahl Pine Lake event, many winners and lots of fun for all...Kourtini Honeycutt and Ben Gunvalson announce their engagement...Wonderful pictures of kids with Santa and Mrs. Claus...

We Lost...Norman Neset, Spencer Brein, Donna Radniecki, Joey Bauer, Joyce Johannesson, Cora Howe, Arnold Sundbom, Annabelle Chervestad, Duane Rouland, Jack Bailey, Vernon Johnson, Kenny Rose, Maime Walton, Tom Toulouse, Deloris Johnsrud, Linda Shelquist and Donald Klinke...



This winter has been a very busy one to try and keep the sidewalks clear of snow. It keeps coming and coming and then starts to blow. Les Watne, who works for the city of Gonvick has had his hands full this year. He is working on the sidewalks next to the Gonvick Community Center.

Community Calendar

Game Day CWLC
Join your friends or make new ones at Clear Waters Life Center, Gonvick on Friday, January 24th at 12:30. Lots of games available. Favorite ones at the last meeting were hand & foot, scrabble, up words and code names.
All are Welcome- Hosted by Eva Lee and Eileen.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
BABY
shower
HONORING
Karla Steinbrink
Saturday, January 25th
• 11:00 am •
The Gonvick Community Center
Main Street • Gonvick, MN
Registered at Target & Amazon

First Call
Are you looking for the animal shelters in your area? What is the number to MN Snap (Animal Control Service)? Is there a spay and neuter service in your county? A friendly voice at First Call for Help 211 would be glad to get you the information you are looking for, 24 hours a day/7days a week. Just dial (218)326-8565 or in Clearwater County area dial (800)442-8565 or 2-1-1.

Two openings on director board
The Clearwater County Historical Society has two openings on its board of directors. People interested in county history and live in the Clearbrook or Gonvick area are encouraged to submit their names to the nominating committee. The CCHS board meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 5:00, usually in Shevlin at the history center. Each term is 3 years and a director may serve up to three terms.
Election will be held on Sunday January 26 at 2:00 at the Clearbrook legion meeting room. For details or to submit your name for consideration, call the History Center at 218-785-2000 or send an email to clearwaterhistory@icloud.com

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday
The Clearwater County Humane Society would like to say Thank You to the Bagley Rotary Club for their donation of \$500! R44C

NOTICE
2019 Public Notice of North Country Board of Health and Advisory Committee Meeting Dates
The North Country Community Health Services Board of Health and Advisory Committee will hold quarterly joint meetings on January 22, April 22, July 22, and October 28, 2020 from 1:30-3:00 pm. To obtain the location of the meeting site, contact Marissa Hetland at 218-694-6581.
The North Country Community Health Board manages the Community Health Services for Clearwater, Hubbard, and Lake of the Woods Counties under the Minnesota Local Public Health Act. R44C

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Thank you
EVERYONE
for the gifts, cards
and for coming
to my
50th BIRTHDAY PARTY
last Saturday night!
We had a Blast!
~Kandi Mormerak
R44NC



The Dudley Substation had an outage on Saturday, Minnkota crews had to come in an install a new transformer. It was a 40,000 pound 2,500 transformer along with the crane and crew from Minnkota. People in that area were without power until 5:00 that afternoon.

Clearwater County Historical Society names 2019 “Friends of Museum”

At its annual meeting on January 26, the Clearwater County Historical Society will honor its “2019 Friends of the Museum.” Each year the board of trustees selects individuals who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to support the programs of the county historical society.
This year the board is honoring two retiring directors and 2 volunteers.
Volunteer Paul Syverson will be recognized for his help with the cabin project at the county fairgrounds. Paul volunteered his time and expertise to put in the foundation in at the fairgrounds for the historic log cabin that was moved in last October.
Volunteer Steve Wynkoop will be acknowledged for his work on the gas station project over several construction seasons. Steve helped with the restoration both inside and out, as well as building a handicap ramp so everyone can view the interior of the building.
Donna Rae Jacobson has

been a board member for 9 years and has volunteered for many projects. She is the cashier at our bake sales and has served on our personnel committee, gift shop committee, and volunteered for many other jobs over the years. She is currently serving as the Society’s vice president.
Ken Braaten will also be recognized as the retiring president of the Historical Society. Ken has been on the board for 10 years, and served first as vice president for one year, then as president for the remaining years. During his tenure the museum added several buildings- the replica church, the new barn, and moving and restoring the Trail gas station. He also oversaw the renovation of the military exhibit building. Ken also wrote for the newsletter and did many interviews for stories for the newsletter and exhibits at the museum. Ken was also the chief cook for the annual Sunday dinner fundraiser.
Tamara Edevold remarked

that her job as executive director has been made so much easier with the help and support of these people and their involvement has been a key to the success of the museum program. All are encouraged to continue to remain involved and that Ken’s stories and his cooking are always welcome!
A certificate and a small gift will be given to each “friend” along with the gratitude and best wishes of the Clearwater County Historical Society. Members and guests are invited to come to the annual meeting on January 26 at 2:00 at the Legion meeting room in Clearbrook to help honor these “Friends of the Museum.”
For more information call the history center at 218-785-2000

Council..
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Gus Vettleson requested permission to create a community garden on the old football field. The council members expressed approval for the project.
Council members addressed Clearbrook’s pet ordinance following concerns brought forward about a group of aggressive dogs running in part of the city. The number of pets allowed and licensing fees were discussed. Residents should contact Police Chief Dan Gazelka if they have concerns regarding pet issues.
The part-time maintenance job is still open. This position is for approximately 20 hours per week and duties include snow removal, janitorial duties, and brush pickup.
Kevin Prosser resigned from his position on the council at the end of 2019. The council members recommended advertising for the open seat.
A **city staff member** was approached regarding the possible sale of a house near the pool. Council members expressed interest in purchasing the house. They will work with the county to determine if any taxes are owed before making a final decision.
In other business, the council completed the second reading of the new parking ordinance. The Border State Bank was designated as the official bank depository. The Leader-Record was re-designated as the official newspaper. The council accepted the letter of understanding for services from Brady Martz for the 2019 audit.
Lucie also presented a preliminary ATV proposal for the council members to consider. The ATV will be used for maintenance at Kloster Park. Lucie will obtain quotes for an ATV and present these to the council.
Monthly claims of \$67,756.13 and additional claims of \$120,088.71 were approved. Claims of \$316.32 and \$30.39 for North Country Hardware were also approved, with Shawn Johnson abstaining.

“What’s a psalmodikon? -Music for the Ages” Historikids Program Rescheduled-

Due to the extreme cold, the HistoriKids program originally scheduled for January 11 will be offered Saturday February 8 at 11:00 at the History Center in Shevlin.
“Music for the Ages” involves the important role music and musical instruments played in pioneer life. Imagine life without iTunes or even a radio? CCHS Outreach Director Greg Powell will share several musical instruments from the museum collection that pioneers used to make music. Many instruments were handmade and some were ordered from the Sears Catalog- a 100 years ago!
Each participant will construct a replica of a musical instrument that was made by students in our country schools over 70 years ago.

Gonvick’s Blood Drive Brings in 56 Volunteers

Gonvick, MN – Gonvick community hosted a blood drive with Vitalant, formerly United Blood Services, on January 15 at the Community Center which helped collect a total of 56 units of blood products for patients in need.
A total of 56 individuals volunteered to donate blood and 50 individuals were able to donate at the Vitalant blood drive on January 15. A total of seven donors also came forward to donate Power Red Cells (2RBC) which collects two units of red blood cells while returning platelets, plasma and a saline solution back to the donor. There were five people who volunteered for the first time.
Vitalant expressed their gratitude to Fay Bjerke, who coordinated the drive, and American Legion Auxiliary which sponsored the blood drive.
Vitalant strives to keep a 5-day supply of every blood type on the shelf at all times to be able to meet the needs of patients across the region. Donations from O-negative donors, the universal blood type, are especially important this time of year due to increased accidents and trauma cases.
Vitalant is the only blood provider to nearly 70 hospitals across the region. The blood supply is dependent on selfless donations from volunteer donors to ensure the lifesaving needs of the region are met.
About 30 percent of Vitalant’s blood supply goes to cancer patients across the region and one in seven people entering the hospital will need blood. Those relying on blood in the region receive that lifesaving blood from Vitalant.
Donors can make a convenient appointment to give blood at www.bloodhero.com or by calling 877-25-VITAL. With each donation, donors receive a free total cholesterol test and earn points in Vitalant’s donor rewards program.
Blood donation takes about an hour from check-in to refreshments. Donors can save about 20 minutes by completing their Health History Questionnaire the day they donate on www.vitalant.org

REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
Church Location:
Corner of Hwy. 2 & Red Lake Ave. SW Bagley, MN
Pastor Eli Voigt
Sunday Divine Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School / Adult Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.
GRACE FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH BAGLEY
Pastor Todd Klemme
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
September - May
Every Thursday: 10 a.m. Bible Study.
Communion First Sunday of the Month.
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH CLEARBROOK & OUR SAVIOR’S LUTHERAN CHURCH LEONARD
Pastor Robert Kirichman
Good Shepherd
Sun., Jan. 26 - 9:00am Worship; 10:00am Coffee Hour/Sunday School; Craft Day following Sunday School.
Tues., Jan. 28 - 7:00pm Hymn Planning Committee–Bonnie Borene & Karen Johnson.
Wed., Jan. 29 - 5:30pm Youth Supper, 6:00pm Youth Bible Study & Confirmation, 6:30pm Choir Practice, 7:30pm Handbell Practice
Our Savior’s
Sun., Jan. 26 - 10:00am Sunday School; 10:30am Coffee Hour; 11:00am Worship; Annual Meeting after Worship with potluck.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clearbrook
Pastor Verlyn Strenge
Wed. Jan 22 - 6:30 p.m. Awana
Thurs. Jan 23 - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer
Sat. Jan 25 - 7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast
Sun. Jan 26 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

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FAITH BIBLE CHAPEL OF CLOVER
Leonard, MN
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.
KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH’S WITNESSES
Sand Lake Ave & 5th St. Bagley
Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; 8:00 p.m. Theocratic School; 8:30 p.m. Service Meeting.
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Public Bible Talk; 10:35 a.m. Bible Study.
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Bagley 218-694-6416
Pastor:
Fr. John Melkies Svakeen
Terri D. Parish sec.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 AM
Call for weekday Mass times.
ELIM LUTHERAN BRETHREN CHURCH
Clearbrook
Pastor Adam Krog
Wed, Jan. 22 - 6:30pm Youth Group (at Brian and Shannon Engebretson); 7:00pm Bible Study & Prayer.
Thurs, Jan. 23 - 9:30am Bible Study & Prayer/
Sun, Jan. 26 - 9:30 am Sunday School; 10:30 am Worship Service.

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH
1 mile south of Clearbrook, 2 miles west on Cty. Rd. 6
Senior Pastor Larry Dorman
Associate Pastor Jim Binder
Associate Pastor Nathan Nordlund
Youth Pastor Brad Binder
Children’s Minister Nicky Ubert
www.countryfaith.org
218-776-3367
cfchurch@gvtel.com
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Sept - May); 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Jr Church during Sermon time); 10:00 a.m. Kids Worship (1st-6th Graders) most Sundays (Sept-May); 7:00 p.m. Youth Night (check the church website for dates or the Elevate Youth Facebook Page for up to date information)
Every Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer
* Wednesdays - Care groups in various homes

CLEARWATER LUTHERAN PARISH
Mt. Olive – Nazareth Oak Park – St. Petri
Pastor Jeff Merseeth
Wed, Jan. 22: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.
Sat, Jan. 25: 9:00 a.m. Mt. Olive.
Sun, Jan. 26: 8:00 a.m. Worship at St. Petri. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 8:30 a.m. Oak Park Sunday School; 9:45 a.m. Worship at Oak Park; 9:45 a.m. Nazareth SS, 11:00 a.m. Worship followed by Annual Meeting.
Wed, Jan. 29: 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH
Josiah Hoagland, Pastor
Tyler Stynberg, Youth Pastor
www.newjourneyfosson.com
Wed, Jan. 22: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.
Fri, Jan. 24: 8:30 a.m. Friday School.
Sun, Jan. 26: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.
Tue, Jan. 28: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Devotions. 10:00 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Bible Study.
Wed, Jan. 29: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group. 6:30 p.m. AWANA.

GULLY-TRAIL PARISH
Bethany * Lund
Sand Valley
Dawn Hanson, Lay Minister
Wed, Jan. 22: 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th gr. Confirmation.
Sun, Jan. 26: 10:30 a.m. Bethany worship, annual meeting & potluck.
Wed, Jan. 29: 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th gr. Confirmation.

BETHEL ASSEMBLY
Fosston
Seth Johnson, Interim Pastor
Sun, Jan. 19: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH
McIntosh
Jill Torgerson officiating
Sunday: Services are at 9:00 AM (fellowship coffee following service)

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If you think that recycling isn't worth the bother, think about what it costs you to throw your recyclables in the trash.

Clearwater County pays tipping fees by the ton for trash hauled to the Fosston Incinerator. As the tonnage increases, the costs also increase. A state-of-the-art Materials Recov-

ery Facility (MRF) recovers recyclables from trash, but the MRF operates more efficiently if it's separating mixed recyclables only, rather than recyclables from trash. Some of the recyclables aren't pulled out and end up in the landfill. Not only that, but the tipping fee for mixed recyclables is ZERO, which saves the county money!

You can reduce the volume of rubbish by recycling your paper, cardboard, plastic food and beverage containers, steel cans and, of course, aluminum and glass containers!

Take them to the recycling bins located by the County Highway Department in Bagley. Thank you! Need pointers? Call us at 218-694-6183.

Clearwater County Environmental Services



What a weekend to be born... this young calf entered the world in January.



This young calf is now safe in the barn near Berner.

Nominations sought for 2020 Clearwater County "First Lady"

In just a few weeks The Clearwater County Historical Society will host the Clearwater County "First Lady" award. Since 1977, Forty women in Clearwater County have been recognized for their accomplishments either for their service in a variety of community projects and organizations or for success in their careers. On Saturday March 14th at an event at the Bagley American Legion, a new name will be added to the honor roll.

Your help is needed to select the 2020 recipient. If you know a woman who should be considered for the award, please send a letter with her name and include your reasons for her nomination; this can include any accomplishments in her life such as her career highlights or volunteer years of service, and other characteristics that you think should be considered. Nominations of women of all ages are encouraged. Please include your name and phone number so we can let you know if your nominee is selected.

Letters should be sent to 2020 First Lady - History Center
P.O. Box 241
Bagley MN 56621.
Letters will be delivered

Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Fellowship applications due

The Anishinaabe Arts Initiative (AAI) Fellowship is made possible by the generous support of the McKnight Foundation to provide unfettered funding to one individual Native American artist to fuel his/her art in Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Mahnomen, Lake of the Woods, Becker, Roseau, Cass, and Itasca counties in Minnesota.

The goal of the annual Region 2 Arts Council AAI Fellowship Program is to assist the region's most talented Native American artists in furthering and innovating their work by awarding substantial financial support to fund creative time and/or arts experiences that facilitate depth and advancement in their art form.

Application Deadline: March 1, 2020 Maximum Award: \$5,000

Earliest Start Date: May 1, 2020

One \$5,000 award will be granted in 2020. The funds can be used for, but not limited to:

- Exploring new directions

or continuing work in progress

- Production costs, materials, or equipment

- Collaborative or community projects

- Travel, research or study to further your art

Applications are available online at r2arts.org

For more information, or with questions, contact Region 2 Arts Council at 218-751-5447; toll-free at 800-275-5447; or via email at staff@r2arts.org

53rd annual Moonlighters Sno Safari on January 25th

The 53rd Annual Oklee Moonlighters Snowmobile Safari will be held on January 25th with mild temperatures and plenty of snow this year. A perfect day for a Safari ride around the area for everyone in the family.

The riders will gather at TJ's Tavern in Oklee before heading out for the trail ride. After they get back, there will be drawings for door prizes and at 8 p.m. "Odd Man In" will be playing at TJ's for a night of music and fun.

Frostbite: serious coldweather risk

By UNMC, Central States Center for Agricultural Safety and Health, Omaha, NE

When temperatures drop below 30 degrees (Fahrenheit), farmers, ranchers and anyone working outside are at risk to incur frostbite, trench foot and/or chilblains. This is especially true when cold is combined with wind.

Cold weather conditions are the most common cause of frostbite, although direct contact with ice, frozen metal or very cold liquids can also lead to frostbite.

Trench foot is a type of tissue damage brought on by prolonged exposure to cold and wet conditions. It leads to swelling, pain and sensory disturbances in the feet.

Chilblains are the painful inflammation of small blood vessels in the skin that occur in response to repeated exposure to cold but not freezing air. Also referred to as pernio, chilblains can cause itching, red patches, swelling and blistering on hands and feet.

Aaron Yoder, Environmental, Associate Professor for Agricultural and Occupational Health at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, says farmers and ranchers can avoid these serious cold weather illnesses by recognizing their symptoms and understanding how to respond if either frostbite, trench foot or chilblains occur.

"Fingers, toes, cheeks, nose and ears are the areas where frostbite typically occurs," Yoder says. "Once skin has been frostbitten, it may look white or grayish yellow. It may feel cold, hard, and maybe waxy to the touch."

Persons with frostbitten skin will experience numbness of the area, aching, tingling and stinging. Appropriate first aid response includes finding a warm room or shelter (i.e. a vehicle) as soon as possible. If your feet or toes are frostbitten, avoid walking, which can lead to further tissue damage.

"Soak the affected area(s) in warm but not hot water," Yoder says. "Avoid rubbing the affected area because that could cause tissue damage. Use a soft cloth the wrap the affected area, but don't use a heating pad, fireplace or radiator for warming the frostbitten area. If there's a chance the area could be refrozen, don't warm it."

Minor frostbite can be treated at home. Serious frostbite may involve rewarming, medications, wound care, surgery and other various therapies.

If frostbite is severe enough to warrant a physician's care, provide the doctor with the following information to assist in developing a treatment plan:

1. List all signs and symptoms you're experiencing.

2. Document the length of time you have experienced the symptoms.

3. List key medical information, including all other medical conditions, prescribed medications, OTC medications and supplements.

4. Document the date of your last tetanus shot. Frostbite increases the risk of tetanus. If it's been more than 10 years since your last tetanus vaccination, your doctor may recommend a tetanus vaccination.

In addition to rewarming, a physician may use oral pain medicine to ease the pain of rewarming a frostbitten area.

To properly heal, a frostbitten area must be free of damaged, dead or infected tissue. It's possible that damaged tissue cannot be removed for one to three months.

Following frostbite, both prescribed and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs should be used to help combat pain. Some people may find it helpful to apply aloe vera gel or lotion several times per day to the affected area.

In trench foot, which is typically less severe than frostbite, victims may experience reddening of the skin, numbness, leg cramps and swelling. They may also have tingling pain, blisters or ulcers, bleeding under the skin and gangrene.

To treat trench foot, remove shoes or boots and wet socks. Dry the feet. Avoid walking to reduce the risk of damage to foot tissue.

Areas most susceptible to chilblains are the toes, fingers, ears, and nose. When chilblains occur, symptoms include redness, blistering, itching, inflammation and (in severe cases) ulceration.

To treat chilblains, avoid scratching the affected area. Slowly warm the skin and use corticosteroid creams to relieve itching and swelling. If blisters and ulcers are present, they should be kept clean and covered.

The most effective treatment for these cold-related illnesses is prevention, beginning with appropriate dress.

"When you're working outdoors, wear a minimum of three layers of clothing," Yoder says. "An outer layer to break the wind, a middle layer to retain insulation and an inner layer that allows for ventilation. Have a change of clothes available in case your garments become wet."

Since alcohol and drugs can increase heat loss and impair judgment, never use these substances when working in a cold environment.



With articles submitted by the staff, administration and students at the Clearbrook-Gonvick Junior and Senior High Schools

Angel Care Fundraiser to be held at school

The annual Angel Care Fundraiser is coming up in January and February.

The Lunch Ladies of Clearbrook-Gonvick present the 3rd annual Angel Care Fund raiser. It assists with weekend backpack program, meal payment assistance programs, personal hygiene items and warm winter gear for students at Clearbrook-Gonvick School.

The first will be held on Tuesday, February 11 with

a Potato Klub Supper and bake sale from 5 to 7 pm. Free will donation for supper. It will be held in the commons area of the Clearbrook-Gonvick school.

There will be raffle drawings during basketball games on Friday, January 17, Tuesday, January 28, Thursday, January 30 and Tuesday, February 11. Drawings to be held at half time the last game. Need not be

present to win.

This is a Thrivent Action Team Event.

If any groups, businesses or individuals would like to make a donation for the raffle please contact Robin Proffit at 218-776-3112 Ext 320 or by email: robinp@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us or just drop off at the school office marked "Angel Care Fundraiser". Thanks for your support!!

Snowmobile Safety Training class

Clearwater County Sheriff's Office will be hosting Snowmobile Safety Training on Febuary 9th, 2020 from 11am to 3pm at the Bagley High School parking lot. The Class will be taught by Hannah from the Minnesota DNR.

PRIOR to the class, students must go to snowmobilecourse.com and do the online training and bring proof of completion to the event.

Students have to be 11 years old to attend, but the certificate will not be valid until 12 years old. Please sign up for the class by email to hannah.mishler@state.mn.us or by calling 218-308-0970.

Isaac McQuown Named to Dean's List

PENSACOLA, FL (01/14/2020)-- Isaac McQuown of Clearbrook was named to the Dean's List by Dr. Troy Shoemaker, president of Pensacola Christian College, for academic achievement during the 2019 fall semester. This was a result of earning a semester grade point average of 3.00 or higher.

Pensacola Christian College is a liberal arts college enrolling students from every state in the U.S. and from around the world. The College has an enrollment of nearly 5,000 students (undergraduate, graduate, and seminary) and offers a variety of programs of study.

Clearbrook-Gonvick School Menu

Wed., Jan. 22 - Build a Burger, Oven Fries, Baked Beans, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk **or** Turkey Potpie with Biscuit.

Thurs., Jan. 23 - Meatball Mashed Potato Bowl, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, CC Cookie **or** Ham Subs.

Fri., Jan. 24 - Cheese Pizza, Corn, Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Choices and Milk.

Mon., Jan. 27 - Hot Ham and Cheese Croissant, Sweet Potato Puffs, or Chicken Wild Rice Soup with Egg Salad **or** PB & J Sandwich.

Tues., Jan. 28 - Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Dinner Roll (9-12) and Milk **or** Taco in a Bag.

Salad Bar available to all during lunch each day.

Bears lose close one to Stephen-Argyle

The Clearbrook Gonvick Bears lost a close game to Stephen/Argyle 68-72 But were unable to seal the victory.

The Bears had the lead at half time by a score of 33 to 28. The Bears made only 2 points on transition with 14 for the SA. Their free throw percentage was 37.5% to 60.0 for SA. The Bears managed 6 blocked shots to 3 for SA. Wyatt Buer had 3, Alex Dawson 2 and Isaac Spears 1.

Scoring for the Bears were: Alex Dawson 22, Jonny Hammes 12, Levi Nelson 11, Wyatt Buer 9, Ben Engebretson 9, Kolten Schultz 3.

Scoring for SA were: Brandon Kroll 15, Dawson Fueille-rat 9, Brody Pietruszewski 11, Jason Lindgren 23, Kaden Mooney 2, Colin McGregor 8, Kole Szczepanski 4.

Bears score 100 points

The Clearbrook/Gonvick Bears in their game on January 7 scored 100 points in their victory over Roseau. It was a high scoring game with Roseau reaching 95 points.

The Bears hit the boards out rebounding the Roseau Rams 33 to 27 on defense rebounds and 20 to 17 offense rebounds. The Bears our scored the rams 58 to 34 with points in the paint.

The Bears had more turnovers and fouls than the Rams with 27 to 23 for turnovers and 28 to 20 for fouls.

Scoring for the Bears with the 100 points were: Ben Engebretson 28, Alex Dawson 32, Kolten Schultz 16, Jonny Hammes 16, Aiden Churness 2, Wyatt Buer 1, Levi Nelson 3.

The Rams scoring were: Jeremiah Bender 24, Jed Dunham 29, Dave Nelson 17, Jace Hulst 12, Steele Walsh 3, Clive Gordon 4, Maverick Jacobson 2 and Aidan Walsh 4.

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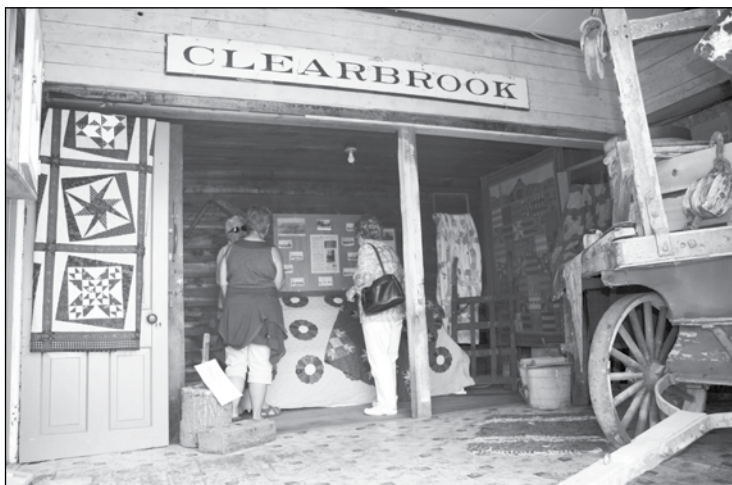
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These pictures were from the All-School Reunion in Clearbrook 10 years ago. There will be another all-School Reunion this summer June 26, 27 and 28, 2020.



How cold is too cold?

By UNMC, Central States Center for Agricultural Safety and Health, Omaha, NE

Hypothermia is one of the serious conditions farmers and ranchers may encounter when working in cold temperatures. Recognizing its symptoms and how to respond can help save lives.

A combination of these four environmental factors can easily lead to weather conditions conducive to hypothermia:

- Low temperature
- Strong and/or cold winds
- Humidity
- Cold water

Aaron Yoder, Environmental, Associate Professor for Agricultural and Occupational Health at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, says wind chill is the most dangerous element of winter weather.

“Wind chill is the measure of the rate at which skin exposed to the combined effects of wind and cold loses heat,” Yoder says. “When wind increases, the body loses heat at a faster rate, causing body temperature to decrease.”

Body heat is generated through muscular activity. That heat is lost through the movement of air or water molecules across the skin, through physical contact with another body or object, the process of heat moving away from unprotected surfaces of the body (radiation), and sweating.

“If a person’s body is unable to produce heat and has either used all its stored energy or is losing body heat faster than it can be produced, body temperature will decrease,” Yoder says. “Once that temperature goes below 95 degrees (Fahrenheit), hypothermia occurs.”

The most common reasons a person loses body heat faster than they can generate it are exposure to cold weather and immersion in cold water.

Shivering, the body’s automatic defense against cold temperature and an attempt to warm itself, is generally the first symptom of hypothermia. If body temperature continues to decline, additional symptoms include:

- Slurred speech or mumbling
- Slow, shallow breathing
- Weak pulse
- Clumsiness or lack of coordination
- Drowsiness or very low energy
- Confusion or memory loss
- Loss of consciousness
- Bright red, cold skin (in infants)

“Hypothermia symptoms begin gradually,” Yoder says. “Since confused thinking is part of hypothermia, self-awareness is reduced.”

Because the heart and other organs don’t function properly in a hypothermic state, jarring

movements may trigger irregular heartbeats in hypothermia victims. If hypothermic conditions are suspected, the victim should gently be moved to a warm area (ideally, inside). If clothing is wet, it should be carefully removed and replaced with warm, dry clothing and/or blankets.

Risk factors that increase potential for hypothermia include advanced or very young age, mental health issues, alcohol and drug use, certain medical conditions and medications.

“As we age, our bodies ability to regulate temperature may lessen,” Yoder says. “Some older adults may lose both the ability to communicate when they are cold and move to a warm location when they feel cold.”

Children lose heat faster than adults do. They are also prone to ignore the cold because they are enjoying being outside or not aware of how cold their body is.

To help keep children from becoming hypothermic, they can be dressed in one more layer of clothing than adults would wear under the same weather conditions. If a child begins to shiver, they should immediately be taken to a warmer location.

An acronym to help protect yourself from development of hypothermia is: COLD.

C – COVER – Wear a hat or other protective covering to prevent heat escaping from your head, face and neck. Mittens (rather than gloves) are the ideal covering for hands.

O – OVEREXERTION – Avoid activities that cause you to sweat a lot. The combination of wet clothing and cold temperatures can accelerate heat loss.

L – LAYERS – Wear loose fitting, layered, lightweight clothing. Outer clothing made of tightly woven, water-repellant material provides the best protection from wind. Wool, silk or polypropylene inner layers are preferable to cotton for holding body heat.

D – DRY – Stay as dry as possible. If clothing becomes wet, get out of it as soon as possible. It’s easy for snow to get inside mittens and boots, making it especially important to keep hands and feet dry.

After prolonged exposure to cold, a person may exhibit dilated pupils, decreased pulse, shallow breathing and/or loss of consciousness. In the event of these symptoms, emergency personnel (911) should be summoned. As soon as possible, move the victim to a warm room or shelter (i.e. a vehicle) and remove wet clothing. If available, provide a warm (nonalcoholic or caffeine-free) beverage for them. Keep them dry and warm by wrapping them in a blanket. If no pulse is found, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) should be implemented.

Community cooking class January 29

Are you 55 or older? Looking for ways to cook and eat healthy without spending a lot of money? Do you have mobility limitations or dietary needs that challenge your abilities in the kitchen?

Join Friends in the Kitchen monthly for free sessions at the Bagley American Legion Auditorium and learn how to create healthy, affordable, easy-to-make meals while making new friends. Classes are held the

last Wednesday of each month from 12:30-2 p.m. The next class is Jan 29.

Friends in the Kitchen is sponsored by Lutheran Social Service of MN, Bagley American Legion, Galen’s Fresh Food Market, Harmony Natural Food Co-Op, and Split Oak Farm. For more information: contact Angie Ness; email: angie.ness@lssmn.org; phone: (503) 200-0494; www.lssmn.org/services/older-adults/abundant-aging.

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Legal Notice Board of Commissioners

December 10, 2019

The December meetings for the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners commenced on December 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. with Vice-Chairman Illies presiding and Commissioners Titera, Newland and Larson present. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda– Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the Agenda with additions.

Minutes– Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the minutes for the month of November.

Oath – Veterans Service Officer – Allen Paulson administered the Oath of Office to Lindsey Lamwers, Veterans Service Officer.

Land Department – Bruce Cox presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the terms and conditions for easement to Clearwater County for highway purposes, on file.

Assessor – Jamie Freeman presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to re-advertise for a Senior Assessor Clerk, with the pay range starting at step 1 of Grade 10 per Bjorklund's job descriptions.

Auditor-Treasurer – Al Paulson presented the bills and the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to authorize the County Auditor to pay the submitted invoices of \$178,849.65 for the County Revenue Fund and \$3,788.53 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve and authorize the Chairman and County Auditor to sign the North Country 2020- 2022 Joint Powers Agreement between the County of Lake of the Woods, County of Hubbard and County of Clearwater, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Second Amended and Restated Health Care Access Initiative Joint Powers Agreement, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve application of Julie Sauer for the 2020 on and off sale liquor and Sunday sale licenses for Lobo's Bar & Grill, Inc. with continuance of insurance.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve application of Kelley Foy for the 2020 off sale liquor license for Rock Creek General Store, Inc. with continuance of insurance.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve application of Marnie Knutson for the 2020 on sale liquor, off sale liquor and Sunday sale licenses for Sportsman's Lodge, with continuance of insurance.

Recess- Truth-in-Taxation Meeting – The Board meeting recessed at 6:00 p.m. for the Truth-in-Taxation meeting. Auditor-Treasurer, Al Paulson and Assessor, Jamie Freeman were present.

FUND	GROSS LEVY	CPA	NET LEVY BASE
Revenue	5,302,250	474,409	4,827,841
Reg. Lib.	105,990	9,483	96,507
DHS, SS	1,148,205	102,733	1,045,472
DHS, IM	581,045	51,988	529,057
Road & Bridge	1,167,200	104,433	1,062,767
SWM	500,000	44,737	455,263
Totals	8,804,690	787,783	8,016,907

Also, private citizens with concerns were Bill Fritze with Hoot Owl Resort with concerns about increases in values and taxes and Wayne Wilde with concerns about changes in classification which raised taxes on some of his properties. Jamie Freeman stated that she would look into those and let them know what she found out. Al Paulson discussed that several people called with questions about their proposed statements.

Reconvene – The meeting reconvened at 6:50 p.m.

Auditor-Treasurer – Al Paulson presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the 2020 salary for the Commissioners to remain the same as 2019, \$20,742 annually.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the Resolution Regarding the Clearwater County Auditor's 2020 Salary, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the Resolution Regarding the Clearwater County Attorney's 2020 Salary, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the Resolution Regarding the Clearwater County Sheriff's 2020 Salary, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the Non-union pay scale increase of 2.5% effective January 1, 2020 for non-union employees.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the County Sheriff, Jail Administrator and the Chief Deputy Sheriff to get the same contribution toward the Teamsters Health Fund Insurance as the Teamsters Local 346 Union, effective 1/1/2020.

By general consent, the Board waived the 3-day notice requirement for the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the following fiscal year 2020 Nursing Service Fund Budget, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the following fiscal year 2020 Nursing Service Fund Budget, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the Departmental Budgets under the County Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2020, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the levy for county purposes and instruct the County Auditor-Treasurer to spread this levy on the taxable valuation of Clearwater County for taxes payable in the year 2020.

Open – The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Nursing Service Director Marissa Hetland on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Mrs. Hetland successfully met her performance standards in communication with staff and the public, leadership, efficiency, accountability and supervision. She is working on getting North Country duties delegated to free up more of her time.

The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Steven Faldet, Maintenance Director, on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Mr. Faldet successfully met his performance standards in communication, leadership, efficiency, accountability and supervision. He does well at saving money and helping reduce costs for the county.

The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Stuart Lien, IT Director, on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Mr. Lien successfully met his performance standards in communication, leadership, efficiency, accountability and supervision. The Board found that he has been very efficient in his department, even while being short staffed.

The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Dan Sauvé, County Engineer, on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Mr. Sauvé successfully met his performance standards in communication, leadership, efficiency, accountability and supervision. The Board found that he has been very efficient in his department, even while being short staffed.

The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Dan Hecht, Environmental Services Director, on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Mr. Hecht successfully met his performance standards in communication, leadership, efficiency, accountability and supervision. They found that he is good at keeping the Board informed about his department.

Recess – The meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. on December 17, 2019. **December 17, 2019**

Reconvene – The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m. on December 17, 2019 with Chairman Nelson presiding and all Commissioners present.

Agenda – Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the Agenda with additions.

Auditor-Treasurer – Al Paulson was present to open bids for the 2020 printing bid. The following motion was made: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to accept the low bid of Leader Record for the annual publishing for 2020 for First Publication of Financial Statement, Publication of County Board Proceedings & legal notices and all other publishing requirements and the two publications of the list of delinquent taxes. And Farmers Publishing for the second publication of the financial statement.

Al Paulson also presented the bills, month end financials and the following motions:

By general consent, the Board waived the 3-day notice requirement for the following 2 motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried, to designate the County Auditor-Treasurer's Office located in the Clearwater County Courthouse as the polling place for South Clearwater 143-36 and Red Lake Reservation precincts.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the resolution to authorize the County Auditor-Treasurer to establish a Ballot Board consisting of Auditor-Treasurer Office Staff effective for the 2020 Presidential Nomination Primary, Primary and General Elections.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve application of Linda Knutson for the 2020 Off Sale beer license for Knutson's Store.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the application of Mary Gerbracht for the 2020 On sale liquor and Sunday sale licenses for Fireside Grill Inc. with continuance of insurance.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the 2020 Tobacco License for the following businesses: Clearbrook Municipal Liquor Store, Northern Bait & Convenience, Bagley Coop Association, WestsideExpress, Inc., Orton's Bagley, Lobo's Bar & Grill, Strand's Store, Bagley Municipal Liquor Store, Silver Creek Saloon, Inc., Galen's Inc., Bakken's Market, LLC, Kubiaks Family Foods, Rock Creek General Store, Inc., Knutson's Store, The Trap, Family Dollar, Inc., Sportsman's Lodge, Alida Country Store, Dollar Store #20404 and Northdale Oil Inc.

Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to authorize the County Auditor to pay the submitted invoices of \$77,423.04 for the County Revenue Fund and \$14,169.44 for the Nursing Service Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, upon recommendation from the Clearwater County Extension Committee a motion to terminate the Agricultural Educator position (1/5 time) in the M.O.A. with the University of Minnesota.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the transfer of \$75,000 from General Revenue to the Rural Signing Account.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera

and carried, to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from General Revenue to the Buildings & Grounds Account.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from General Revenue to the Equipment Account.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the transfer of \$100,000 from General Revenue to the Landfill Development Account.

Engineer – Dan Sauvé presented the bills, financial statement and the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to authorize Tom Riggs, Ed Houtari and Brian Svor to attend Knapheides Plant Tour and meet about our sign truck build in Quincy, Illinois leaving January 21, 2020 and returning the same day. Knapheide is covering the cost of the meeting and travel expenses leaving from Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to accept the Engineer's Certificate of Performance for CP 19-200 Aggregate Surfacing to accept said completed project for and in behalf of Clearwater County, and to authorize final payment to Vogts Dirt Service, LLC.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to adopt the Clearwater County Commercial Driver's License Drug & Alcohol Policy. This policy updates and replaces the previous Commercial Driver's License Drug & Alcohol Policy.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve payment of the Clearwater County Highway Department bills as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the purchase of a new Sign Truck Body, Hydraulic Cat Walk, Crane Equipment, Hydraulic Post Pounder and Post Puller from Bert's Truck Equipment of Moorhead, Minnesota in the amount of \$110,975.00.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to authorize the purchase of a new Sign Truck Body, Hydraulic Cat Walk, Crane Equipment, Hydraulic Post Pounder and Post Puller from Bert's Truck Equipment of Moorhead, Minnesota in the amount of \$110,975.00.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to authorize the Highway Department to purchase a Metal Cutting Band Saw in the amount not to exceed \$1,800.00.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to authorize the purchase of a semi-load of Maxwell Nuvo Gap Modified #201 from Midstates Equipment and Supply of Mountain Lake, MN on the Winter Buy Program at a reduced State Contract price of \$0.575/lb. not to exceed \$28,500.00. Also, authorize the purchase of a 55-gallon drum of Gap Primer at the State Contract price of \$2,252.25.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to authorize the rental of a Mastic Melter and tools from Midstates Equipment and Supply of Mountain Lake, MN at price of \$6,995.00 monthly, to be scheduled for mid April to early May 2020.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to establish a No Parking Zone along CSAH 49 for the East 2,650 feet of CSAH 49. The reason to establish this No Parking Zone is for safety and to maintain emergency vehicle access to the pipeline terminal along this stretch of the road.

There was a discussion on County Road 2 right of way.

Closed Session Department Head Evaluation – Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to close the meeting at 2:20 p.m. for a Department Head Evaluation of Jamie Freeman.

Commissioner Newland absent at 2:30 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to re- open the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

Assessor – Jamie Freeman presented the Board with a clerical error report for 2019. She also discussed trainings for Board of Equalization members. Currently, there is one Board member, Commissioner Newland, who is up to date on training. She would like at least one more Board member to be trained.

Environmental Service – Dan Hecht presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to allow the part-time position Demolition Landfill Operator to exceed 1,040 hours for the year 2019, with benefits to be offered on a pro-rated basis at the option of the employee.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to allow part-time employee Al Spring to exceed 1,040 hours for the year 2019, with benefits to be offered on a pro-rated basis at the option of the employee.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the Resolution regarding the administration of the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act for Gonvick City, on file.

Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the Resolution regarding the administration of the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act for Clearbrook City, on file.

MIS – Stuart Lien presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to authorize the purchase of an IBM I System Power 9 from CPS Technology Solutions at a cost of \$44,242.00 to be paid from the County Equipment Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera

and carried, to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from General Revenue to the Buildings & Grounds Account.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from General Revenue to the Equipment Account.

Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the transfer of \$100,000 from General Revenue to the Landfill Development Account.

Engineer – Dan Sauvé presented the bills, financial statement and the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the transfer of \$100,000 from General Revenue to the Landfill Development Account.

Extension – Kayla Nyegaard presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to advertise for part-time support staff for the Extension office. This position will work less than 1040 hours per year.

Recess – The meeting recessed at 3:30 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. on December 31, 2019. December 31, 2019

Reconvene – The meeting reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on December 31, 2019 with Chairman Nelson presiding and all Commissioners present.

Agenda – Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the Agenda.

Chuck Horsager, Wadena County Commissioner was present and introduced himself to the Board.

Environmental Services – Dan Hecht presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the Agreement for Roadside Spraying 2020-2021 between Clearwater County and Roy Abraham/ Noxious Weed Control at the hourly rate of \$120.00.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the Agreement for Roadside Right-of-Way Spraying 2020-2021 between Clearwater County and Roy Abraham/ Noxious Weed Control at the hourly rate of \$120.00.

Engineer – Dan Sauvé presented the Highway Department Budget for 2020 and the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve the Highway Department 2020 Budget, on file.

Sheriff – Darin Halverson

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presented the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Clearwater County Sheriff to advertise for a full-time deputy sheriff to fill a vacancy in the office.

Auditor-Treasurer – Al Paulson presented the following motions: Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, to approve the 2020 Tobacco License for the following business: Bagley American Legion.

Motion by Commissioner Newland, seconded by Commissioner Illies and carried, the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners has approved the cancellation of the following outstanding warrants: Warrant # 131888 10/21/16 \$14.49; Warrant #140912 10/19/18 \$300.00; Warrant #131931 11/08/16 \$59.64 and Warrant # 37176 10/31/19 \$15.00.

Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to approve modifying the Drug Free Workplace policy per the labor attorney suggestions, policy on file.

By general consent, the Board waived the 3-day notice requirement for the following motion: Motion by Commissioner Illies, seconded by Commissioner Newland and carried, to approve the application of Amy Culp for the 2020 Off sale and Sunday sale liquor license for the Alida Country Store, Inc.

Open - The Board conducted a performance evaluation of Jamie Freeman, Assessor, on December 6, 2019. The Board found that Ms. Freeman successfully met her performance standards in communication, efficiency, accountability and supervision. They found that she needs improvement in leadership skills. The Board has concerns with her training of staff and a high turnaround in her office.

Adjourn – Motion by Commissioner Titera, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Dated: January 7, 2019
Neal Illies, Chairman
Emily McDougall,
Board Coordinator

Clearwater County Sheriff
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Well Head Protection Plan report given at meeting

The Gonvick City Council at their last meeting had a Well Head Protection Plan (WHP) presented by Mike Strodtman from Minnesota Rural Water. The WHP plan for the city of Gonvick presents the actions that will be taken to manage potential contamination sources

that may present a risk to the quality of the community's drinking water. This plan is required by the Minnesota Department of Health under the authority granted by Minnesota Statutes, section 1031.101., sub-division 5. According to preliminary report Gonvick Drinking

Water supply management area is low vulnerability. A copy of the Wellhead Protection Plan is available at the city hall for review. City Maintenance Dan Johnson reported that another water service was put in at Cornerstone Veterinary Service

and will be hooked up when they move into the building addition. The 2020 annual appointments were made with the same ones as last year with the exception of putting Shane Olson in place of Dan Johnson who is no longer on the city council.

The City has received a money donation from the Jubilee Committee to be used for the fire works that will be held during the Gonvick All-School Reunion weekend that will be held July 9-12. Zach Karayel gave the Gonvick Police report in the absence of Dan Gazelka. There were 23 total incidents including: Assist 1; Fire 1; Juvenile Misc. 1; Medi-

cal 2; Missing or Lost Person 1; Motor Vehicle Crash 1; Threats 1; Traffic Stops 13; Welfare Checks 2. Bills were paid for a total of \$40,187.51 including General \$28,320.22, Fire \$704.26 and Water and Sewer \$11,163.03.

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