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The Winger American Legion Fengestad-Solie Post #200 honored our community military members of the past with a brief program in the Memorial Park in Winger on Memorial Day. Pictured are post members: Loran Gieseke, Bruce Benbo, Paul Carlson, and Dennis Boucher. All 4 men are Vietnam Veterans.



Fengestad-Solie American Legion Post #200 Post Chaplain, Helmer Homme and Post Commander, Gary Sonsteli on Memorial Day 2020.



On Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th, Adyiaide (left) and Ainsley Hickman (right) layed the Memorial Day wreaths during the American Legion program in Winger.

Don't be shocked! Separate lightning facts from fiction

Lightning is an awe-inspiring display of nature. Captivating, careening streaks of light brighten the sky and are often accompanied by Earth-shaking booms of thunder.

Is it any wonder that people are equal parts fascinated and terrified of lightning? That's likely due to the immense power contained in lightning storms. Every bolt of lightning

delivers up to one billion volts of electricity, states National Geographic.

As afternoon summer storms return, it can help to dispel some of the myths about the energy and science behind lightning storms.

MYTH: Lightning doesn't strike the same place twice.

FACT: Contrary to what the familiar expression may

indicate, lightning can and frequently will strike the same place twice, offers Britannica. It may occur during the same storm or years or centuries later. There's no guarantee that a spot already hit by lightning is now immune.

MYTH: Crouch down to avoid a lightning strike outside.

FACT: The National

Farmer to family food assistance distribution June 15th

The first food box distribution event in the USDA Covid Food Assistance Program (CFAP) – Farmer to Family Food Assistance Program will take place on Monday, June 15th beginning at 8:30 AM at the Win-E-Mac School rear parking lot.

Grace Community Food Shelf in cooperation with the North Country Food Bank and the Win-E-Mac School will conduct the CFAP food box distribution in the rear parking lot of the the Win-E-Mac School. Enter through the school's main parking lot and then follow the traffic cones around to the back of the school to the distribution site. Distribution will begin at 8:30 AM and go until 11:30 AM or until supplies run out. Please form a single line as designated by the traffic cones.

The food assistance distribution will consist of prepackaged 10 pound boxes of protein (meat), 10 pound box of dairy (different cheeses), and 30 pound boxes of produce. There are no income requirements or other restrictions. There will be no registration or paperwork to complete. You will enter the parking lot, drive around to the rear of the school, open your trunk, and follow the cones to the distribution area. Pull up to the distribution canopy and our volunteers will place the food boxes in your vehicle. If you are in need of food assistance please take advantage of this program.

The regular Grace Community Food Shelf days are on Thursday, June 11th and Thursday, June 18th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Food Shelf. Regular USDA eligibility and income guidelines applied to the Food Shelf assistance program. You can take advantage of both the Farmer to Family Food Assistance and the Food Shelf Food Assistance programs if eligible. If you

have been unemployed by the Covid-19 pandemic you may also qualify for the Food Shelf program.

For more information please go to the Grace Community Food Shelf page on Facebook, or call 218-687-2250 and hear details of the program and/or leave a number for a callback. You can also send your questions to foodshel@gracechurcherskine.org.

Polk County releases re-opening plan

Polk County is phasing in re-opening the Government Center in Crookston following its COVID-19 preparedness plan. Residents can enter the main doors on the parking lot level for the following:

License Center – Appointments only for driver's license and title work, please call 218-281-5423 or email licensecenter@co.polk.mn.us or <https://www.co.polk.mn.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=42> to schedule an appointment. Renewals can also be made using the drop box to the left of the building's parking lot entrance.

Veterans Services – Appointments only, please call 218-281-3066 for more information.

Taxpayer Service Center (Recorder-Auditor/Treasurer-Finance) – Main counter is open for walk-ins; or please call 218-281-3464 or 218-281-2554.

Administration/Human Resources – Appointments only, please call 218-281-5408 for more information.

Social Services – Offices remain closed at this time; please call the main line at 218-281-3127 for more information.

All visitors are encouraged to wear facemasks, practice social distancing and remain home if sick. Please check www.co.polk.mn.us for more County information.

Governor announces phase 3 of re-opening Minnesota

On June 5th, Governor Tim Walz announced Phase III of the Stay Safe MN plan, including a gradual turn of the dial to allow cautious and safe re-opening of indoor dining, gyms, and entertainment venues beginning Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

Customers and employees will be either strongly recommended or required to wear masks and will be required to adhere to appropriate social distancing measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Limited re-opening of dine-in restaurants, gyms, and entertainment venues can begin on Wednesday, June 10. Occupancy rates will be limited based on risk, with an overall occupancy maximum of 250 people.

All critical businesses are required to develop and implement a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan by June 29, and the Department of Health (MDH), Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), and Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) will publish industry guidance by June 15. Under Phase III of the Stay Safe MN plan:

- Restaurants can begin offering indoor dining while maintaining social distancing, requiring reservations, and seating no more than 50 percent occupancy.
- Indoor social gatherings can take place with 10 people or less; outdoor social gatherings can take place with 25 people or less.
- Gyms, personal fitness and yoga studios, and martial arts may open at 25 percent capacity.
- Indoor entertainment venues, such as theaters and concert halls, can open at 25 percent capacity.

- Recreational indoor entertainment venues, such as bowling alleys, arcades, and museums may open at 25 percent capacity.
- Personal services, such as salons, tattoo parlors, and barbershops, may increase occupancy rates to 50 percent while requiring reservations.
- Outdoor entertainment venues, such as sporting events, concerts, and theaters may open at 25 percent capacity.
- Places of worship can increase occupancy rates to 50 percent.

Since the start of Minnesota's COVID-19 peacetime emergency, the State of Minnesota has prepared for a gradual re-opening by working with the health care sector to expand health care capacity and procure ICU beds, ventilators, and personal protective equipment.

On May 13, Governor Walz replaced Minnesota's Stay Home order with a Stay Safe order as Minnesota continues to safely turn the dial back toward normal life.

The Stay Safe Plan includes metrics that could trigger a dial back dial back based on the rate of testing, new cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. Governor Walz has stressed the importance of reopening cautiously and strategically.

Restaurants, salons, and barbershops have been able to offer limited service since June 1. Takeout, curbside, and delivery services have been permitted throughout the pandemic in Minnesota.

Business must continue to protect their employees while also taking steps to protect their customers.

Phase 4 of the Governor's plan will offer more freedom and less restrictions.



The 21 Gun Salute during the small Memorial Day program held in Winger at the Memorial Park by the Fengestad-Solie American Legion Post #200.

MSL hosts classic car show for residents



McIntosh Senior Living recently welcomes members of the Highway 2 Cruisers Club and other area classic car clubs to a car show for MSL residents to enjoy the spring weather and view some beautiful cars.



Larry and Orlett Hedlund, members of the Highway 2 Cruisers Club visited with McIntosh Senior Living residents during the Car Show held in May.



Members of the Highway 2 Cruisers Club and other local classic car clubs lines the parking lot with cars for all to enjoy.

Polk County Museum will not open until further notice

Because of COVID-19 concerns, the Polk County Museum in Crookston is closed until further notice.

"We had intended to open the museum June 16, but we're keeping it closed in compliance with executive orders from Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and guidelines from the Minnesota Historical Society," said Polk County Historical Society President Anne Muir of Crookston. "Museums are

considered entertainment venues according to the governor's executive orders."

"Although the state is slowly reopening, we're only entering phase three of four phases as stipulated by the governor," Muir said.

The Polk County Historical Society Board met June 4 and made the decision to keep the museum closed.

The Historical Society operates the museum as part of its

mission to collect, preserve, promote and communicate the history of Polk County.

For more information, call (218) 281-1038 or email polkcounty@q.com or www.mnhistoricnw.org or http://www.facebook.com/polkhistorical

Ad deadline:
Noon Friday

Lightning...

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TRUTH: It's actually the metal roof and metal sides of the vehicle that channel the lightning down to the ground, helping to safeguard people inside the vehicle. Remember, convertibles, fiberglass RVs and motorcycles are on rubber tires and offer no protection against lightning.

MYTH: Being under a tree is better than no shelter at all.

FACT: The Insurance Information Institute advises against sheltering under a tree. If lightning hits that tree, there's a chance that a "ground charge" will spread out from the tree in all directions. In fact, being under the tree is the second-leading cause of lightning-related casualties.

MYTH: If there are no clouds or rain, you are safe.

TRUTH: Lightning can strike more than three miles from the thunderstorm itself, which is far outside the rain or thunderstorm cloud. Even infrequent lightning strikes have occurred as far as 10 miles from the thunderstorm origin.

MYTH: Cloud-to-ground lightning bolts are rare.

TRUTH: These types of bolts are quite common, with roughly 100 striking the Earth's surface every second.

Lightning can be beautiful but it also can be dangerous. Getting the facts about lightning can help keep people out of danger.

Thanks to Our Community's EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Thank you to the McIntosh First Responders and the Essentia EMTs in responding to my medical call.

We are fortunate to have these great people in our community!
Philip Lee

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Public Notification of Intent to File Application

The City of Winger has filed an application for financial assistance with USDA Rural Development. The specific purpose of this application is to Improve Sewer Systems.

Any written comments regarding this application should be provided within (15) days of this publication to USDA Rural Development, Attn: Laura Pettit, 809 8th St. SE, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501. Requests to receive a copy of this application should be directed to this office.

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LSS Meals Menu 687-2262

Tues. June 16th: Meatballs - Mashed Potatoes and Gravy - Broccoli Normandy - Wheat Rolls - Fruited Jello - Milk

Wed. June 17th: Beef Tips in Gravy over Noodles - Beets - Wheat Rolls - Pineapple Coconut Bars - Milk

MAC TO FLUSH WATERLINES

The City of McIntosh will be flushing waterlines and hydrants each Thursday throughout the summer. Residents are encouraged to watch for rusty or dirty water on these days. Fill washing machines to check water before adding clothes.

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Thank you

"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."

The family of Terry "Scrappy" Lucken wants to express their deep appreciation and gratitude to all who have shown your love and kindness to us since Terry's sudden death.

To Carlins, the 1st Responders, Pastor Tim, those who called, came to visit, or brought food, we cannot possibly thank everyone by name. Just know we love you for your kindness and friendship. A special thank you to the biker organizations who were there to honor Scrappy, and share with us how much you loved him. You are truly brothers and sisters and words cannot express how grateful we are for your passionate loyalty to one another. As you all rode into Scrappy's home, we could just hear Scrappy say, welcome to my celebration. You surrounded us with your presence as Pastor Tim shared a message of hope, peace, love and assurance of God's love. We felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as Pastor Tim spoke the words of John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall never die but have everlasting life". And so we will close with this plea, if you have not opened your heart to the Lord Jesus Christ do so now, and taste and see that God is so good.

We love you,
The family of Terry
"Scrappy"

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3 perennial gardening pointers

Gardening is an engaging hobby that can provide a host of benefits, some of which may surprise even the most devoted gardeners. For example, the Harvard Medical School notes that just 30 minutes of gardening activities burns 135 calories, making gardening a fun and simple way to incorporate more exercise into your daily routine. In addition, scientists have long proven that gardening releases the hormones serotonin and dopamine in the brain, each of which are associated with improved mood.

Perennial gardens can be especially attractive to seasoned gardeners and novices. Perennials are plants that come back year after year, and committing to a perennial garden can ensure people stick with gardening for the long haul, reaping all of the rewards that come with making such a commitment.

Before planting a perennial garden, those new to gardening may want to consider these three tips.

1. Make a plan.

A perennial garden comes back year after year, which means any mistakes you make when planting are likely to haunt you year after year as well. Factors like space and location must be considered before planting. Many garden-

ers utilize garden planning applications like GrowVeg to make the process of planning a garden simpler and more organized. Such applications can be especially useful for novices.

2. Consider aesthetics.

Gardens can be awe-inspiring, especially when gardeners consider aesthetics prior to planting. The DIY Network advises gardeners to consider scale before choosing which perennials to plant. Tall plants and wide beds tend to look best outside large homes, while short plants in small beds tend to look better outside small homes.

3. Work with a professional.

Local garden centers can be excellent resources when planning perennial gardens. Representatives at such businesses can offer tips on native plants, which will be more likely to thrive year after year than non-natives. Such representatives also can help you choose the right plants based on the amount of sunlight the plants will likely get after being planted. Each of these factors can be easily overlooked by people without much gardening experience.

Perennial gardens can provide years of joy and inspiration, especially when gardeners give ample attention to certain details prior to planting.



MCINTOSH AFLC McIntosh Trinity / Mount Carmel:

Pastor Karl Anderson

Mt Carmel and Trinity Free Lutheran Churches in McIntosh have resumed holding Sunday Services.

9:30 am at Mt Carmel

11:00 am at Trinity

Social distancing practices will be encouraged.

Video Services will continue on GVTV Channel 30 at 10am Sunday, 7pm Sunday and 6pm Wednesday.

They will also be posted on the McIntosh AFLC Parish YouTube channel

ST. MARY'S CHURCH Fosston

Fr. John Suvaheen, Pastor

Wed. June 10: 11:30 a.m.

Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Fri. June 12: 8 a.m.. Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. June 14: 8:30 a.m.

Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

Wed. June 17: 11:30 a.m.

Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Fri. June 19: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

GOSEN LUTHERAN CHURCH Independent

Gary Johnson, Pastor

www.gosen-church.com

Face Book: Gosen Church

Sun., June 14: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (also on Facebook: gosenchurch and gosenchurch.com)

Tues, June 16: 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service telecast on GVTV--30

Wed, June 17: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at Sharon Ramberg's home

Polk County Commissioners Minutes

MAY 19, 2020
WEBEX PHONE
CONFERENCE
BOARD MINUTES

Pursuant to motion of adjournment the Polk County Board of Commissioners met in regular session via Webex Phone Conference at 9:30 o'clock a.m., May 19, 2020. Members present: Commissioner Gerald Jacobson, Commissioner Warren Strandell, Commissioner Gary Willhite, Commissioner Joan Lee and Commissioner Don Diedrich and Charles S. Whiting, County Administrator, Clerk of the Board. Other present: Michelle Cote, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Lee seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and adopted by unanimous vote of the Board to approve the May 19, 2020 agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Diedrich seconded by Commissioner Jacobson and adopted by unanimous vote of the Board to approve the consent agenda for May 19, 2020:

1. Approve Commissioner Warrants: General Revenue Fund, 104,481.38; Public Works Fund, \$133,814.05; Public Safety Fund, \$30,379.75; Public Health Fund, \$6,092.48; Forfeited Tax Sale Fund, \$25.00; CAP Grant Project, \$1,225.20; Speical Assessments (Ditch) Fund, \$7,982.00 Environmental Services Fund, \$10,792.44; Resource Recovery Fund, \$66,232.24; Landfill Fund, \$12,626.92; Per Diems, \$1,575.00; Meal Reimbursement (without overnight lodging), \$42.64 and Sign Audit List.

2. Approve the May 5, 2020 Board minutes.

3. Approve payment to US Bank, St. Louis, MO in the amount of \$34,103.91 for procurement card purchases.

4. Approve payment to Card Member Services, St. Louis, MO in the amount of \$1,584.97 for credit card purchases.

5. Approve payment to Diversified Contractors, Inc., Fargo ND in the amount of \$135,280.00 for the Human Service Center Project in East Grand Forks, MN.

COUNTY BOARD MEMBER ISSUE FORUM

1. Commissioner Jacobson brought forth that he attended a conference call meeting for the Dancing Sky on Aging where the focus was senior meals. He also attended a Northwestern Mental Health Center meeting electronically.

2. Commissioner Strandell brought forth he attended a Northwest Regional Development Commission meeting where the focus was the retirement of Cam Fanfuk, Executive Director. He also participated in a Tri-County Community Corrections meeting and a Radio Board meeting.

3. Commissioner Willhite brought forth that he attended the Tri-Valley Opportunity Council Executive Board meeting via conference call. Discussion was brought forth regarding the hours of the Transfer Station to include Saturday.

4. Commissioner Lee brought forth she participated in a University of Minnesota SBCD conference call regarding the impact of COVID-19 on small businesses. In addition, she participated in a conference call sponsored by AMC focused on the COVID-19 impact on the swine industry and an Economic Club of Minnesota - Our Economy & Health in Crisis where the real unemployment rate is, herd immunity and vaccines. She also participated in a conference call with White House staff regarding FEMA reimbursements. In addition, she participated in the AMC Board of Directors meeting where the focus was revenue, furloughs and the AMC election process. She also participated in the EPA Local Government Advisory conference call. Discussion was brought forth regarding the Inter Community Council meeting where the focus was the audit and the evaluation of the Executive Director. Discussion was also brought forth regarding a call received from a taxpayer regarding a ditch buffer letter.

5. Commissioner Diedrich brought forth that he participated in a Tri-Valley Opportunity Council Executive Board meeting via conference call. He also attended a Northwestern Mental Health Center meeting via conference call where the focus was revenue and the impact of COVID-19 in addition to a succession plan for the Executive Director. Discussion was brought forth regarding a call received from Gary Osvak regarding veterans' issues. Mr. Osvak wanted to bring forth the exemplary service received from Kurt Ellefson, Polk County Veteran's Service Officer.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Sarah Reese, Public Health Director came before the Board with matters pertaining to her department:

1. COVID-19 Update

An update was given to the Board regarding the COVID-19 virus.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Jacob Snyder, Environmental Specialist/Planning and Zoning Administrator came before the Board with matters pertaining to Planning and Zoning:

1. Resolution (2020-44) Interim, Use Permit For Carole Larson To Allow For Operation Of A Bed And Breakfast

Interim, Use Permit For Carole Larson To Allow For Operation Of A Bed And Breakfast RESOLUTION (2020-44)

The following resolution (2020-444) was offered by Commissioner Lee:

WHEREAS, Polk County Zoning Ordinance, Section 12.3027 requires an Interim Use Permit to operate

Bed and Breakfast in the Shoreland District and;

WHEREAS, Carole Larson owns a parcel of land described as: That part of Government Lot 1 of Section 11, and Government Lot 2 of Section 12, all in Township 148 North, Range 42 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Polk County, Minnesota to be described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 12; thence North 0 degrees 42 minutes 50 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the west line of said Section 12 a distance of 3746.29 feet to the west bound centerline of U.S. Highway 2; thence northwesterly a distance of 679.88 feet, along said west bound centerline on a nontangential curve concave to the southwest having a radius of 11457.36 feet, a central angle of 3 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds, and a chord bearing North 60 degrees 26 minutes 33 seconds West to the point of beginning; thence southeasterly a distance of 1038.57 feet along said west bound centerline on a curve concave to the southwest having a radius of 11457.36 feet, a central angle of 5 degrees 11 minutes 37 seconds, and a chord bearing South 59 degrees 32 minutes 44 seconds East; thence North 28 degrees 59 minutes 20 seconds East, not tangent to the last described curve, along the centerline of Knute Township Road No. 781, a distance of 251.23 feet; thence continuing along last said centerline northeasterly a distance of 108.25 feet on a tangential curve concave to the southeast, having a radius of 295.13 feet, a central angle of 21 degrees 00 minutes 56 seconds, and a chord bearing North 38 degrees 21 minutes 04 seconds East; thence North 30 degrees 52 minutes 09 seconds West, not tangent to the last described curve, a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to the shoreline of Oak Lake; thence westerly, northwesterly, northeasterly, southeasterly, northeasterly, and northwesterly, along said shoreline, a distance of 1,981 feet, more or less, to a line bearing North 27 degrees 51 minutes 27 seconds East from the point of beginning; thence South 27 degrees 51 minutes 27 seconds West 378 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. EXCEPT that part contained in Government Lot One (1), Section Eleven (11), Township One Hundred Forty-eight (148), North of Range Forty-two (42), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, parcel #45.00113.00;

WHEREAS, Carole Larson has a plan that meets all requirements of the Polk County Zoning Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, The Polk County Board of Commissioners finds:

1. The applicant is requesting an Interim Use Permit to operate a bed & breakfast business on parcel #45.00113.00.

2. The property is approximately 3.69 acres in section 11of Knute Township. The property is entirely located in the shoreland district created by Oak Lake, a natural environment lake.

3. The site has been evaluated by a septic professional but we have yet to receive a design for the planned septic system.

4. The applicant has submitted an operational plan and intends to meet all applicable rules in section 12.3027 of the PCZO.

5. The Interim Use Permit would be to operate this business until a time when the applicant notifies us it is no longer desired.

6. MnDNR has contacted PZ to state that they had no formal comments on this matter but to notify the County that there is extensive fringe wetland areas along the shoreline of this property. Any disturbance or land alteration along the shoreline would have to go through WCA rules and regulations. The local Soil and Water Conservation district regulates WCA rules in Polk County.

7. The proposed use is a interim use expressly designated in the ordinance; and,

8. That the interim use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish or impair property values within the immediate vicinity.

9. That the establishment of the interim use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

10. That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided.

11. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to serve the proposed use.

12. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise and vibration, so that none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Polk County Board of Commissioners grants an interim use permit to Carole Larson with the following conditions:

1. That the interim use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish or impair property values within the immediate vicinity.

2. That the establishment of the interim use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

3. That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are being

provided.

4. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to serve the proposed use.

5. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise and vibration, so that none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result.

6. That the use of the property shall at all times be in compliance with all Federal, State of Minnesota, and County of Polk rules and regulations.

7. That all Federal, State and local regulations are followed regarding the handling and storage of hazardous materials.

8. The IUP shall remain valid for the operation of this business if all conditions of section 12.3027 of the PCZO are followed.

9. Any IUP issued under this Ordinance is granted solely to the applicant and/or the business entity named in the application, and for the premises named in the IUP application. No IUP of any sort granted pursuant to this Ordinance is transferable to any other person or premises. If a change of ownership, control or location of any licensed premises occurs, whether pursuant to move, sale, transfer, assignment or otherwise, the owner must complete a new application subject to approval pursuant to this Ordinance.

10. The owner or caretaker shall live in the facility during normal operations.

11. Patrons visiting the site must use off-street parking provided by the applicant.

12. A new septic system must be installed prior to the operations of the bed and breakfast business.

13. No more than 4 rooms will be allowed under this IUP.

14. This business should not provide public access to Oak Lake for recreational boating.

15. Applicant is bound by all applicable rules in the Polk County Zoning Ordinance and those special conditions listed above as well as all State and Federal laws applying to this operation.

Commissioner Jacobson seconded the foregoing resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote. YEAS: Lee, Diedrich, Willhite, Strandell, Jacobson NAYS: None.

2. Resolution (2020-45) Interim, Use Permit For Abraham Hershberger To Allow For Cabinet/Furniture Making Business

Interim, Use Permit For Abraham Hershberger To Allow For Cabinet/Furniture Making Business RESOLUTION (2020-45)

The following resolution (2020-45) was offered by Commissioner Lee:

WHEREAS, Polk County Zoning Ordinance, Section 12.3048 requires an Interim Use Permit to operate a cabinet/furniture making business in the Agricultural District and;

WHEREAS, Abraham Hershberger owns a parcel of land described as: That part of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N½SE¼), and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW¼NE¼), All in Section Twenty-four (24), Township One Hundred Forty-eight (148) North of Range Forty-two (42) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, being described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said N½SE¼ : thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 07 seconds West, along the North line of said N½NE¼, a distance of 1,600.04 feet to the West line of the East 1,600 feet of said N½SE¼ and the point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 22 minutes 29 seconds East, along said West line, a distance of 47.63 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 07 seconds West a distance of 2



Enjoy Farmers' Markets in 2020 with some simple precautions

Safe shopping guidance and *Minnesota Grown Directory make it easy.*

Warmer weather and longer days mean it's time for farmers' markets to open for the season.

At your local farmers' market this year, customers will still be able to support Minnesota farmers and producers by purchasing all of their favorite produce and products, with a few new changes to ensure everyone's safety.

Minnesota Farmers' Markets have been deemed an essential business and market vendors and managers are working hard to plan a safe and successful season. The Minnesota Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Shopping the Farmers' Market during COVID-19 guide helps customers know what they can do to ensure a safe market visit too.

Market shoppers should expect that things will look a little different this year at the market. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, farmers' markets have implemented new practices for protecting the health and safety of vendors and customers.

These new practices may include physical barriers to separate customers and vendors, limits on the number of people in the market at one time, or pre-pay and pre-ordering systems.

Despite these changes, the markets are still a great way to find local and fresh food, as well as celebrate the growing season!

"Now is a perfect time to discover your local farmers market," said Maple Grove Farmers Market Manager, Kirsten Bansen Weigle. "During this time, many of us are looking for foods grown locally with minimal handling. That's what you'll find at your local market! Please connect with favorite markets online to learn about their COVID-19 response plans and how to be a safe market shopper."

Eager customers can expect a bounty of early spring crops at the market: from rhubarb to leafy greens, spring onion, and asparagus, there is fresh produce to enjoy at the market already. Many vendors are also selling local products from Minnesota farms like maple syrup, baked goods, meat, eggs and cheese.

It's easy to find a nearby farmers' market by searching the Minnesota Grown Directory, which has 192 farmers' markets and more than 1,000 total farm and market listings. Directory users can search by product, city, zip code, or look along a route to discover local foods and products for sale near them.

USDA issues first Coronavirus food assistance payments

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue today announced the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) has already approved more than \$545 million in payments to producers who have applied for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program. FSA began taking applications May 26, and the agency has received over 86,000 applications for this important relief program.

"The coronavirus has hurt America's farmers, ranchers, and producers, and these payments directed by President Trump will help this critical industry weather the current pandemic so they can continue to plant and harvest a safe, nutritious, and affordable crop for the American people," said Secretary Perdue. "We have tools and resources available to help producers understand the program and enable them to work with Farm Service Agency staff to complete applications as smoothly and efficiently as possible and get payments into the pockets of our patriotic farmers."

In the first six days of the application period, FSA has already made payments to more than 35,000 producers. Out of the gate, the top five states for CFAP payments are Illinois, Kansas, Wisconsin, Nebraska, and South Dakota. USDA has released data on application progress and program payments and will release further updates each Monday at 2:00pm ET. The report can be viewed at farmers.gov/cfap.

FSA will accept applications through August 28, 2020. Through CFAP, USDA is making available \$16 billion in financial assistance to producers of agricultural commodities who have suffered a five-percent-or-greater price decline due to COVID-19 and face additional significant marketing costs as a result of lower demand, surplus production, and disruptions to shipping patterns and the orderly marketing of commodities.

In order to do this, producers will receive 80 percent of their maximum total payment upon approval of the application. The remaining portion of the payment, not to exceed the payment limit, will be paid at a later date nationwide, as funds remain available.

Getting Help from FSA
New customers seeking one-on-one support with the CFAP application process can call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer general assistance.

Policy Clarifications
FSA has been working with stakeholder groups to provide further clarification to producers on the CFAP program. For example, the agency has published a matrix of common marketing contracts that impact eligibility for non-specialty crops and has provided a table that crosswalks common livestock terms to CFAP cattle categories. Updated information can be found in the frequently asked questions section of the CFAP website.

More Information
To find the latest information on CFAP, visit farmers.gov/CFAP or call 877-508-8364.

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Vendor Name	Amount
American Communications Inc	4,537.50
American Solutions For Business	16,995.26
Ameripride Linen & Apparel Service	2,832.24
Architectural Resources Inc	5,457.50
Bennett/Jerry	2,052.00
Bertils Gravel & Excavation Llc	6,519.00
Cargill Incorporated	2,747.83
Church & Dwight Co Inc	9,727.87
Code 4 Services Inc	3,751.28
Computerized Fleet Analysis	2,095.00
Crookston Fuel Company	5,586.08
Crookston Times	2,563.81
ENNIS PAINT INC	42,225.00
Fosston Municipal Utilities	2,446.55
Galls LLC	2,451.97
Headwaters Regional	2,500.00
HN Quality Plumbing Inc	7,857.66
HP INC	17,155.20
Innovative Office Solutions LLC	2,704.00
Jsb Engineered Solutions	12,739.98
K & L Inc	3,806.29
Kustom Kollision LLC	2,683.00
Mayo Manufacturing Co	7,280.92
Now Micro Inc	9,874.20
Polk County Administrator	5,693.21
Polk County Highway Department	6,629.82
POMPS Tire	5,831.89
Potters Industries Inc	30,448.00
Road Machinery and Supplies Co.	2,682.77
RTVision Inc	6,180.00
The Exponent	2,758.54
Thygeson Construction Co	2,963.10
U S Water Services	9,952.11
Uline	3,650.58
US Bank Voyager Fleet Sys	3,203.63
Wenck Associates Inc	4,440.25
Widseth Smith Nolting & Assoc	20,713.50
Winter Truck Line Inc	2,011.75
Ziegler Inc	2,723.87
208 Payments less than 2000	85,178.30
Final Total:	373,651.46

With no further business the Board adjourned to reconvene at 8:00 o'clock a.m., May 26, 2020.

Gary Willhite, Chair
ATTEST:

Charles S. Whiting, County Administrator, Clerk of the Board

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Superintendents Notes

By Randy Bruer



End of the School Year

As graduations wrap up in the region and teachers clean-up to get ready for another year, we want to say Thank you teachers and parents for a great year at Win-E-Mac schools. We are still planning to build another house next year but a final decision will be made in July.

The school board has approved the construction of a new house built by students and taught by Mr. Johnson. We have advertised for anyone interested in the purchase. If you are interested, please give the District Office a call. In preparation for this process we will close off bids for the house on June 11, 2020. The house is not paid for until it is completed and ready to move next summer.

If you would like to give a bid on a house you would like constructed, please contact the District Office soon @ 218-563-2900.

School Construction

If you see construction going on at the school, we are covering the EFFIS material of the gym due to cracks and leaking.

This will be a permanent fix comparable to the other roof structure housing the Air Exchangers on the school roof.

Free Breakfast and Lunch

During the summer months Win-E-Mac School will be serving free Breakfast from 8:00-8:30 and free Lunch from 11:30-12:00 for all school aged children. Adults will be charged \$4.

If students want to participate regularly, please call the school and give the office the names of students participating. This program will be available all summer until August 21, 2020. This is open to any or all students.

Important Immunizations

Now is the time to prepare for student immunizations for the next school year. Do not wait until the last minute because state law does not allow a student to attend a Minnesota school, until their immunizations are up to date.

According to Minnesota's School Immunization laws, a child entering Kindergarten should have dates for the following vaccines; 5 (DTaP/DTP) Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis, 4 (IPV) Polio, 3 (Hep B) Hepatitis B, 2 (MMR) Measles-Mumps-Rubella, 2 Varicella (chickenpox) and 1(Tdap booster-7th grade only). Win-E-Mac School along with all schools in Minnesota is required to make sure all students meet the criteria for immunization certification in Minnesota schools.

If a parent has a question about immunizations, please call the school district. In order to remain in school, your student is required to be in compliance.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a hearing has been set for June 26, 2020 at 9:03 a.m. in the meeting room at Polk County Environmental Services, 320 Ingersoll Ave, Crookston, Minnesota or should you wish to join us remotely, a WEBEX meeting is available upon request, to consider the application of Brian LaPlante – Back When Foods, Inc. – P.O. Box 444, Crookston, MN 56716 for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a commercial bakery on a parcel of land located at: 30154 240th St SW, Fisher, MN 56723 and described as: That part of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Sec. 8, Twp. 150 N., R. 47 W., Polk County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Sec. 8; thence North 0 degrees 56 minutes 33 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the East line of said Sec. 8 a distance of 449.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 03 minutes 27 seconds West 515.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 56 minutes 33 seconds East 440.53 feet to the South line of said Sec. 8, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, along the South line of said Sec. 8 a distance of 600.08 feet; thence North 0 degrees 56 minutes 33 seconds West 430.66 feet; thence North 89 degrees 03 minutes 27 seconds East 600.00 feet to the point of beginning, parcel #49.00032.03. All property owners within ¼ mile of the proposed Conditional Use Permit are invited to appear at said hearing. If attending via WEBEX, you must contact our office 3 days prior to the public hearing at 218-281-6445.

Dated: June 3, 2020

Jacob J. Snyder

Planning & Zoning Administrator

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MAY 26, 2020 WEBEX PHONE CONFERENCE BOARD MINUTES

Pursuant to motion of adjournment the Polk County Board of Commissioners met in regular session