

Commissioners re-enforce no scavenging at the landfill

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The Cheyenne County Commissioners, at the Friday meeting, re-enforced the ruling that there will be no scavenging at the county landfill.

Dave Flemming, public works director, said after the newspaper's article which stated scavenging would not be allowed at the landfill, Byron Moberly, landfill supervisor, had received several calls. Mr. Flemming had called the Kansas Landfill Association and they said that scavenging should not be allowed and suggested a \$10,000 fine for those found scavenging.

At the last meeting, the commissioners had talked about taking bids for iron collected at the landfill. Mr. Flemming said there would need to be a much bigger pile than there is at this time before asking for bids. However, he said, there is a huge pile of old tires. He estimated that it would take around \$2,250 to get rid of them but also noted that, because it costs money to put a tire in the

dump, the cost should be pretty much covered.

Mr. Moberly had suggested that the commissioners consider getting a four-wheeler for the landfill. At the present time, the pickup is used but a four-wheeler would be more convenient and save on the wear and tear of the pickup.

The commissioners talked about the four-wheeler used for noxious weeds. The commissioners suggested that Mr. Flemming get some bids on used four-wheelers and bring them back to the next meeting.

Mr. Flemming said he will put an ad in the county newspapers asking farmers to put their baler twine in a sack before bringing it to the landfill. They are also telling producers and business owners that the landfill will not accept the large plastic tarps used for covering grain.

In other business:

- Mr. Flemming said he had bought a used pickup from surplus supply in Topeka for \$2,500.
- The commissioners signed a

permit for John Keller to put electric and water lines under a county road.

• Mr. Flemming said Gale Walz, farmer, still hadn't signed the agreement for the Hnizdil Bridge southwest of St. Francis, however, he has indicated that he will sign. Lobo Production had signed the agreement that it's utility lines can be moved if necessary when the bridge is being put in, but the county will pay for the expenses. AT&T has also signed such an agreement.

Grants and development plans
Steve Hansen, representing Pioneer Country Development, Hill City, and Corina Cox, economic development coordinator with Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Corporation, talked to the commissioners about opportunities they might want to pursue for getting grants.

There were two areas of obvious interest: bridges and an assisted living facility. Supervisor Flemming was interested in getting help with bridge building especially the bridge north of St. Francis by the River Walk. He said this bridge needs to be replaced but half of it belongs to the county and the other half belongs to the city of St. Francis.

The assisted living facility is also needed. Ways for financing including grants and community tax credits were discussed.

They noted that Cheyenne County, specifically St. Francis, has not been active in pursuing grants, even though they are members of the organizations.

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• Mr. Flemming said he had a disgruntled employee because he still had not received his "cafeteria insurance" health expense check. He requested that the checks not be mailed to employees when they can be picked up. Mr. Patton suggested that the employees not wanting their checks mailed, come to the clerk's office and sign a waiver stating that a certain person will be picking up the check. That person will need to sign for the check before taking it.

• Commissioner Brett Poling brought up having a back tax sale. Mr. Patton said that, because it costs the county so much to have it, it needs to be budgeted for the year it is planned.

• The Solid Rock Baptist Women Fellowship group provided cookies as a thank you for all the commissioners do.

• County Attorney Thadani was appointed to the Northwest Kansas Juvenile Service Governing Board. He said he had attended his first meeting on Thursday.

• The commissioners signed a resolution objecting to making the lessor prairie chicken an endangered species. If the lessor prairie chicken is determined to be an endangered species, it would stop all gas and oil production, just to name one reason for not wanting it on the list.

Next meeting

The next commissioners meeting has been set for 8 a.m. on Friday, March 29, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.



INSTRUCTOR MAX KELTZ points out an area full of e coli to FFA placers, Jacob Brubaker and Allie Frisbie.

Times photo by Jane Brubaker

FFA Chapter attends competitions

The Cheylin chapter FFA recently attended two competitions. The first was in Ag Mechanics that was held in Goodland on Feb. 27. The second was in Poultry/Entomology that was held in Hays on March 4.

Josh Keltz and Connor Hazuka attended the Goodland competition. Josh received the second place medal in Farm Power and the fourth place medal overall.

Those competing in the Hays competition were Tristan Ar-

cher, Jacob Brubaker, Allie Frisbie, Elizabeth Keltz, Ivan Kemp, Reece Leonard and Mary Anne Orten. The team received fourth overall, with Allie receiving the eighth-place medal and Jacob receiving the 10th-place medal.

McDonald News

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson were Thursday evening guests of JJ and Lori Denny of Colby to celebrate the belated sixth birthday of Claire Denny, which was March 12.

Lois Morelock was a Friday caller on Marlene Johnson. Saturday visitors of Marlene were Connie Sabatka, Tish Loker, and Dana and Kayla Howard. On Sunday, Ted and Dixie Bethell of McCook attended church with Marlene and visiting with her that afternoon.

Lois Morelock was a Monday and Tuesday guest of her brother and wife, Norman and Doris Weaver of Hugoton.

George and Dixie Louderbaugh, and Gilbert and Janice spent the

weekend in Bonner Springs. They enjoyed the wedding of Michael and Aubrey Hubbard.

50th wedding anniversary celebrated

The children of Ron and Cherry Bell hosted a dinner and reception honoring their parent's 50th wedding anniversary Sunday at the McDonald Federated Church. Charlie and Lori Bell, Jim and Debbie Bell, Daniel and Kristen, and Robert Bell had prepared a wonderful meal for their parents and guests. Afterwards a reception was held. The guest tables were beautifully decorated with fresh roses and punch, cake, and ice cream were served to many guests. A wonderful time was had by all.

Lynn and Rita Officer were among those attending the meal and reception for Ron and Cherry Bell Sunday at the Federated Church.

Lynn Officer attended the memorial services for Harold Courtright at the McDonald Cemetery Saturday.

Linda Dewey was a weekend guest of her parents, Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Sunday dinner guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey were Linda Dewey, Ashley Wahrman and Braylyn, and Tom and Kelly Dewey, Tayten and Tru.

Roland and Linda Query of Firestone, Colo., were Saturday overnight guests of Joe and Charlene Kramer. Joe and Charlene, and Roland and Linda were among those attended the meal and reception for Ron and Cherry Bell's 50th wedding anniversary at the McDonald Federated Church Sunday afternoon.

Weekend guests of Craig and Diane Cox were Diane's sister, Mary McGuckin and her daughter Alana DeForest and her son Gunnar, all of Kansas City, Mo.

Ashley Wahrman and her son Braylyn of Hays were weekend guests of Tom and Kelly Dewey and children.

South of McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

George and Kathy Banister attended the 50th wedding dinner and reception for Ron and Cherry Bell at the McDonald Federated Church Sunday.

Mike and Amy Waters, Ellen, Owen and Brynn were weekend guests of Bethel Goltl. On Saturday, Bethel and the Waters family traveled to Bethune to attend funeral services for Esther Schlichenmayer.

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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY games were played on Thursday. Pictured are Audrey Moore, Kayten Flanagan, Vladimir Chinik and John Serrano who were in the second and third grade division.

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