

Private road issue for city

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in 1998. He said it is easy to see that possibility in hindsight.

"What can we do about that?" Garcia asked. "It is barricaded and causing some traffic problems. Somebody is going to be liable about that. Maybe we need to meet with Warren Sweat (owner of Service Oil).

"He can't keep those barricades up forever."

Mayor Rick Billinger said he had gotten some calls and had talked to Sweat.

"We need to work on this issue and look at it, because it reflects on the city," Billinger said. "I personally feel it is not a street because it is private property. Maybe they can donate it. We should share in the cost because what we have is a dead end.

"It is a different can of worms. We can ask people to participate in the street."

"Why did Sweat put up the barricades?" asked Commissioner Josh Dechant.

Billinger said it was because the street was in bad shape, and since the Travel Shoppe does not sell diesel, he does not want truck traffic through his property.

City Attorney Jeff Mason said the city could consider condemning the property, but would be a major issue. Mason said condemnation itself is a relatively simple process, but the city could find itself in a lawsuit if there is any perceived flaw in

how it is done. He said that could be a separate action from the condemnation.

"If there was an award against the city for adverse condemnation, that would come out of the general fund," Mason said.

City Manager Wayne Hill said the street would be a legitimate public use. He said Thursday the matter is more of a civil problem at this time because it is private property. Hill said it is unfortunate, but unless the city pursues the condemnation route he does not see anything happening without a direct request from the property owner.

"We have not had a face to face with the owner," Commissioner Annette Fairbanks pointed out.

Garcia asked Darin Neufeld, engineer from Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, what it might cost to fix the street.

"Depends on what you want to bring the street up to," Neufeld said. "It would be from \$160,000 to \$250,000 if you do a full rebuild."

Hill said he had talked to Sweat, and the owner had a contractor talk to Neufeld at one time.

Neufeld said he had talked to the contractor and gave him the information about how to do the road to the city specifications. He said he has not heard anything since.

"That is as far as it has gone," Hill said.

Garcia suggested asking Sweat to come to a commission meeting to talk about the issue.

Paving moves closer to town



Crews from APAC Shears of Hays were paving on old U.S. 24 about four miles west of Caruso on Friday, working their way east to Goodland. The old U.S. 24 project is the largest of the county road projects being paid for through the special one-cent sales tax. Darin Neufeld, engineer for Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and

Associates, said that when APAC reaches the west side of town, the contractor will do the mill and overlay on the city project on Caldwell Ave., from Eighth Street north to Toelkes. Neufeld expects APAC to begin the Caldwell work next week.

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District Traffic

The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court:

July 26: D. Drussel was fined \$96.50 for improper tires.

Todd C. Elick was fined \$132 for speeding

David A. Farr was fined \$10 for not wearing a seat belt.

Tika L. Hall was fined \$10 for not wearing a seat belt.

July 28: Jose L. Hernandez-Franco was fined \$183 for speeding.

July 29: Hector A. Flores was fined \$96 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

July 30: Nancy P. Alvarado was fined \$126 for speeding.

Charles S. Cunningham was

fined \$192 for improper parking.

Aug. 5: Kyle C. Gumieny was fined \$120 for speeding.

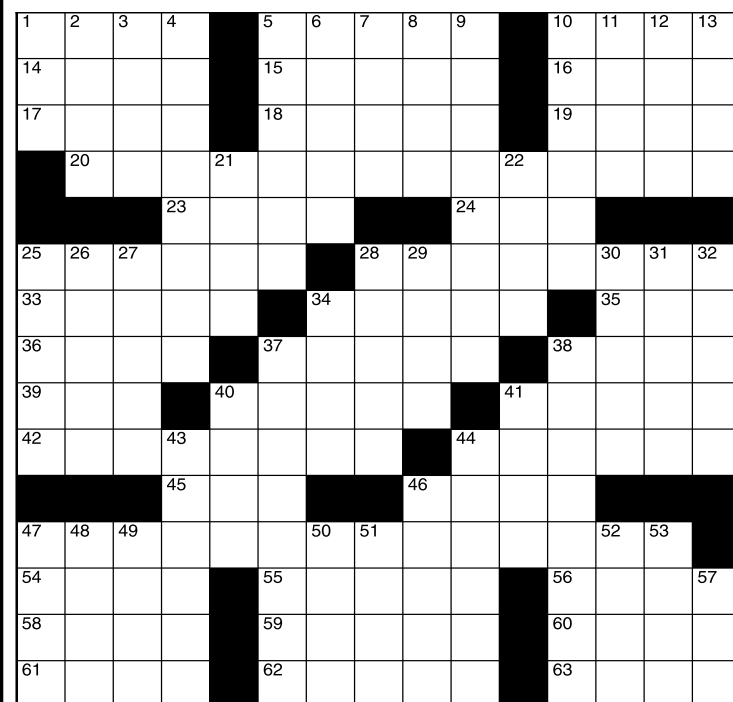
Aug. 6: David M. Brown was fined \$160 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

Aug. 7: William J. Cantrel Jr. was fined \$144 for speeding.

Aug. 12: Caleb E. Harrison was fined \$174 for improper parking.

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1. 1st So. Korean president
5. Leaves out
10. Cheek
14. Abode of Satan
15. Arthropod genus
16. The neck's back side
17. Low color intensity
18. _____ornia: 31st state
19. Mollusk genus
20. 1997 Aniston movie
23. Draws from
24. Follows sigma
25. Something unusual
28. Representative
33. Xerophilous plant
34. Chinese silk plant
35. Engage in a contest
36. Valley
37. Pillow coverings
38. Military dining room
39. Supped
40. Gets hold of
41. L. von _____, 19th C. German historian
42. Makes new
44. Races between teams
45. They _____
46. Sicilian city
47. Sherwood gang
54. _____ Grey tea
55. Yes _____ Bob
56. Star Trek species: Rom _____
58. You _____
59. Author Jong
60. Dressmaker's measure
61. _____en death: overtime
62. Ecclesiastical council
63. Enough (archaic)

CLUES DOWN

1. Rated horsepower (abbr.)
2. Pile or mound
3. Norse goddess of old age
4. Not compulsory
5. Keep busy with
6. Volcanic craters
7. Inactive
8. Misstep
9. 2 point plays for the opposition
10. Goofs
11. Swiss river
12. Prevents harm to young
13. A city from which authority is exercised
21. Gallery in London
22. E _____: wipe out
25. Reflective measuring system
26. Semiprecious silica mineral
27. Rattling breaths
28. Comforts
29. Women (French)
30. Oat species
31. Hazardous
32. Affirmatives
34. Scrape gently
37. Strokings
38. Breed of sled dog developed in Alaska
40. Pulled apart
41. Count on
43. Shadowed
44. Shed again
46. El _____, painter
47. Soaks flax
48. Pearl Harbor island
49. Mated
50. Boggy
51. Emerald Isle
52. Stylish elegance
53. Amazon river tributary
57. Not old

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