# County trying to find ways to balance next year's budget

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ments on new equipment.

Tiede said he thought at least two graders and a loader need to be re-

"If we knock \$60,000 of the repairs," he said, "that is one mill."

"The equipment costs could go down, and that would be at least

another mill or more," Rasure said. "Are we saying peel off the mill levy from road and bridge?" Thomas asked.

Tiede said Way should come ex-

what he has spent," Rasure nted.

olain his needs.

"This is considerably higher than

come in on the 11th and explain what \$300,000 left. he is thinking," Thomas said.

"I am not for a tax increase," Rasure said, "and there is over down to \$50,000 from \$200,000."

Tiede said he did not think it budget. could be cut that far.

have \$300,000 in the special equipment fund?" Rasure asked.

Tiede said the county has to have enough money to make down pay-

line is cut and the payments are first floor of the courthouse.

"Ithink we should have him (Way) taken out, there will be less than

"What do we do next year?" Thomas asked.

"Why do we have to have this big \$200,000 in his budget that could be fund that we don't use?" Rasure cut. We could cut the equipment line asked. "If we need more than \$300,000, we can raise it in the next

"I want to have new equipment "What is so special about that we and I vote for those. I do not feel we need to keep money off to the side, and it is not fair to the taxpayers."

Thomas said to set up an appointment for Way at the next meeting, which starts at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday in Thomas said if the equipment the commissioners' room on the

### Fire district tax levy stays level

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can be carried over to the next year. Rasure noted that the fire district operates on its own mill levy, though the budget must be approved by the commissioners. Rumpel said it will be 4.838 mills for next year, .025 of a mill lower than this year's of 4.863.

Tiede said it would be better to have one person who would do all the ordering for the rural departments — in Goodland, Brewster

junior varsity tournament coming

Topliff asked if the road could be

graded to smooth it during these

busy times. Way said he would see

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that could be done under the present ments together. Thomas said it did fire board organization.

Rumpel said the commissioners would have to amend the resolution had to be considered on both sides. which established the fire board. She said it sets up three separate fire County committee is looking at the stations and puts them under the fire departments and researching direction of a single fire board.

"It all comes back to the commissioners,"Tiede said. "The fire board at," Tiede said. has done some things we did not know about.'

Road 16 set to go to bid next year

Tiede asked about the idea of put- Rumpel had presented.

Rasure asked if Way had talked

tax requirements by the middle of

was planning to pay ahead enough

not appear that the city was interested, and that there were things that

Rumpel said a Shine on Sherman what might be done.

"It is something we need to look

The commissioners agreed to leave the fire district budget as

County Clerk Janet Rumpel said

done, the county needs to have

about \$1 million paid out by the first

Way said he would double check



Jazzmin Weis, Spencer Smith and Gage Owens were right in the thick of things about mid-way through the junior high race at the Goodland Invitational Cross Country Meet Thursday. Weis finished sixth among the girls, and Owens finished 24th and Smith 28th in the boys' race.

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The Grant Junior High Mustang cross country team ran at home Thursday at the Sugar Hills Golf Club, following the high school teams at the Goodland Invitational cross country meet.

Grant was well represented, with five of the 10 girls in the race from Goodland and five boys in the race as well. The junior high boys and girls ran one mile together but were ranked separately. All of Goodland's runners are seventh graders, Coach Richard Schwasinger said.

Among the girls, Stephanie Lee was fourth in 8.21 minutes, Jazzmin Weis sixth in 8.48, Chantel Coates eighth in 9.34, Kimber Linnell ninth in 9.45 and Michaela Langley, 10th in 9.54.

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In the boys' race, Jed Gray was 14th out of 28 runners, finishing in 7.16 minutes; Tyler Raby was 21st in 8.03; Jacob Schnabel 23rd in 9.02; Gage Owens 24th in 9.10; and Spencer Smith 28th in 9.44.

They did well, Schwasinger said. Lee ran well, as did

Weiss. Even though they didn't finish high enough to get a medal, he said, the boys ran well and had good "We have some that don't think they can make it

through practice," the coach said, "but they ran the The junior high and high school teams will compete at

9 a.m. Saturday at the Greeley County Cross Country Meet at the Tribune golf course.

#### on the job to meet the requirement. to make sure that happens. where it is on the schedule. Goodland native starts college running season

Goodland native Whitney Dau- Grieve led the Sterling women by tional at Baker University. The tel, a freshman at Sterling College, in her first college cross country race Saturday in Baldwin City, was the second Lady Warrior across the finish line, placing 35th overall.

course in 13 minutes, 35.31 seconds, less than a second ahead of

finishing 31st in 13:31.45.

Whitney is a 2007 graduate of country for the Cowgirls all four top 10. Baker finished fourth. years. She is the daughter of John Dautel covered the 3,200-meter Dautel and Coleen Dautel of Good- in Warrensburg on Friday to com-

women of Missouri's Park University won the team title, with five of Goodland High where she ran cross their runners finishing among the

> Dautel and her teammates will be pete in the Central Missouri Univer-

### Former Cowgirl leads volleyball team in kills

Alisha McKee is leading the Cali- keting major is a senior in her fourth ternoon.

fornia State University, Fresno vollevball team in kills with 57. McKee had eight kills

Sunday in a 3-0 home loss to St. Mary's College of California. She had 11 kills in the Lady Bulldogs' first win of the season last Friday against the University of California, Davis in Fresno.

McKee made a season-high 19 kills on Aug. 30 during a home loss

The Lady Warriors were eighth sity Mule Run. The women will run teammate Britany Brady. Chelsea overall at the Maple Leaf Invita- a 4,000-meter course.

with DeBoer about getting enough with the city portion of the joint

bond money spent to meet federal city-county bond program nearly

Way said he thought that DeBoer week of September.

season at Fresno State. the season, will be in Manhattan on Friday and Saturday to play in the Varney's Kansas State Invitational. Fresno State will play Arkansas at 4 p.m. (Mountain Time) Friday and the K-State Wildcats on Saturday morning,

Former Goodland Cowgirl to the University of Idaho. The marthen face Northern Iowa in the af-

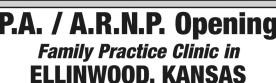
K-State is ranked No. 22 in the The Bulldogs, 1-5 for latest top-25 poll by the American Volleyball Coaches Association released Monday.

The Bulldogs will play Oregon State in Fresno next Tuesday, then open play in the Western Athletic Conference two days later with a home match against New Mexico

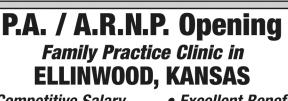
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