

Move approved for household hazardous waste

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material from freezing. He said there is a heater in the big room, but apparently is not working.

William McKnight, maintenance supervisor, said all the heaters are on a service card with Black Hills Energy and suggested having the gas company come check out all the heaters.

Griffith said he does not need a lot of heat, but it has to stay above freezing. He said in the cold of winter the room could get down to about 35 degrees.

"I don't want to try to save money by moving and then spend more on the new location," Strnad said.

Griffith said he did not feel it would be that expensive, but agreed it might be better to find a smaller heater to keep the temperature

above freezing.

He said for the other two doors that can be taken care of, but a requirement of the fire chief was to allow the barber shop people to be able to get out in an emergency.

Commissioner Larry Enfield asked if the plan would be acceptable for the county insurance carrier and if there was a liability question.

Strnad said the county does need to notify the insurance company about the move.

Enfield asked if that would change the insurance rates.

Griffith said he did not see how the county would be spending more money with the move.

Enfield asked if the county got paid for the collection.

Griffith said the expenses come out of the landfill. He said the county

pays an administrative fee as a satellite of Hays of about \$500 a year plus the disposal cost. He said the county does three collections a year and then hauls the barrels to Hays.

Griffith said the collections are done free by the county to keep the materials out of the landfill, and on the basis the county is collecting an annual landfill fee on all the property owners in the county.

Rumpel said she had called the county insurance carrier about the move and was told the only thing they would need is the new address and a list of replacement cost of any equipment.

Commissioner Max Linin said that was his concern and with the word from the insurance company was in support of making the move. He suggested Griffith get started on getting the ventilation fans.

Griffith said all the latex paint has already been moved, but he will have to wait on the hazardous material storage until the building is secured. He said Butch Vandiver has agreed to have the road and bridge people help move the hazardous stuff, and felt it would take about a day for the move.

He said he has done an amended operating plan with the change of address, and has everything done except for the status. He said new regulations would allow the county to take stuff from small waste generators. He said now they can only take about 10 pounds from a person, but that would go up to 220 pounds so they could take barrels. He said an example would be barrels from Northwest Tech.

He said the state would have a copy of a contract the county would

have with these people, and could charge the disposal cost. He said the county's disposal fee is a lot cheaper than what the college is paying. He said he feels it is a good deal as the county could save them some cost, but he would have to include that in the amended plan.

Griffith said he does not get a breakdown of the disposal cost from Hays, but has asked for a list of disposal fees.

"I think it is a great program for us," he said. "We could help the mechanic shops, auto dealers and others with hazardous material and think it will be good for the county. The one thing we will not take is used motor oil."

Enfield said people can use the oil in burners.

Griffith said that is how the county heats the road and bridge shop.

Strnad said it would be good to look at a smaller heater, and said she had one that might work.

Griffith said it might work if it was ventless.

Strnad said she could bring it in to see if it would work, and would not have a problem donating the heater.

Linin suggested looking at getting a vent from the existing smaller heater to keep the other side of the room from freezing.

Enfield said Strnad could bring in the heater, and the county is getting to the time of year when freezing will not be much of a problem.

Griffith said he would follow up with the gas company to check the heaters.

County renews membership in Western Prairie regional group

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"People think we have this large pot of money," he said, "but our role is to help them find ways to get money. We try to help the people do the project as we do not have a huge pot of money."

He said a recent example was when Wallace County wanted to improve things at the fairgrounds. He said they helped get the project organized and Wallace County raised all the money on their own to do the building, and renovated the swimming

pool.

Nemecheck said the group is doing a kids conservation camp to encourage kids to stay at home or encourage them to come back.

He said the group is working with the World War II Honor Flights to fly those veterans to Washington, D.C. to see the memorial. He said at a recent meeting in Colby the Sons of the American Legion had pledged to send a veteran on the next honor flight. He said the flight is free for the veteran, and the group wants to find other WWII veterans who would like to make such a trip.

Commissioner Max Linin made the motion to approve the \$500 and Commissioner Larry Enfield seconded. Commissioner Strnad joined for a unanimous vote.

• Heard a report about a program that could fall to the counties in the next few years. Strnad said she attended a meeting of the local environmental protection regional group, and they said as of July 1, the state will no longer provide money for the regional group. She said the county representatives agreed to raise the fees and believe they have enough to run for

another year.

She said the group is looking at whether they want to stay together, and it could cost between \$2,500 and \$5,000. She said if the counties go alone each will be responsible for handling all the environmental issues and sending the forms to the state.

• Heard a report the Legislature has proposed putting the counties back under a tax lid, and passing term limits for county commissioners. Strnad said the tax lid would limit the money the county could raise. County Clerk Janet Rumpel said the

state used to have a limit on each fund, but went to a percentage increase where the commissioners had to pass a resolution to raise the taxes.

Strnad said the proposal would limit the total dollars, and if the county valuation increased the money would go to Topeka and not be of any benefit locally.

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 28, at the commission room on the main floor of the Sherman County Courthouse, 813 Broadway Ave.

Goodland graduate to work for Google

A passion for technology developed since childhood in Goodland will lead a Fort Hays State University senior to Mountain View, Calif., and around the world.

The latest opportunity to come Josh Cech's way is an offer to work for Google Inc. as an internal technology resident. Cech, who now lives in Wichita, starts at Google's Mountain View headquarters in August.

"I will spend two years at Google ... learning about an enormous expansion of technologies that power every aspect of how people work with computers at Google," said Cech. "The Internal Technology Residency Program will equip me with not only the skills I need to be successful at Google, but those I will need as a future information technology leader."

Cech went through a typical job application procedure to land the job, submitting an application and

completing a job interview. He attended Google's College Day in Mountain View to complete more interviews.

"I enjoyed Google's approach to hiring and found the process to be both challenging and interesting," he said.

"The primary reason I accepted an offer from Google was the opportunity to work with so many intelligent individuals who are developing products that are continuously changing our lives and the way we communicate on a global scale," said Cech. "The Silicon Valley area is home to many of the world's largest technology corporations, and I am excited to be immersed in the innovative spirit of the region."

Cech will travel beyond Mountain View, spending time in many of Google's more than 60 offices around the world.

Having been exposed to comput-

ers at a young age, it didn't take Cech long to become passionate about technology.

"My passion for technology grew from exposure to computers at a young age, along with tremendous support from family and the community," he said. "Technology brings complexities and vast amounts of freedom for creativity I have always found intriguing. That initial desire to learn has intensified exponentially throughout my life."

Cech has experienced the FHSU life both on campus and as a student in the Virtual College, of which he is currently enrolled and majoring in computer networking.

"Fort Hays developed a program that allowed me to focus on a specialized concentration which complemented my career goals, in addition to offering a diverse selection of both technology and general academic courses," he said.

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CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 1-2010

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF KANORADO, KANSAS FROM K.S.A. 15-204 AND SUBSTITUTING PROVISIONS REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF CITY OFFICERS.

WHEREAS, The City of Kanorado, Kansas is authorized to exercise the powers, functions and duties of a city of the third class, including home-rule powers in the manner, and subject to the limitations, provided by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas hereby elects to and does exempt itself and make inapplicable to it K.S.A. 15-204, which applies to this city, but is part of an enactment that does not apply uniformly to all cities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF KANORADO, KANSAS:

The City of Kanorado, Kansas by the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects to and does exempt itself from and make inapplicable to it the provisions of K.S.A. 15-204 which applies to this city, but is part of an enactment that does not apply uniformly to all cities and hereby provides substitute and additional provisions in place thereof which follows:

Section 1-301: At the first regular meeting in May of each year The Mayor, by and with the consent of the council, shall appoint the following City Officers, to-wit: a Municipal Judge of the municipal court, a City Attorney, law enforcement officers and any other such officers as deemed necessary for the best interest of the City. Such appointed Officers shall hold a term of office of one year and until their successors have been appointed and qualified.

Section 1-302: The Mayor, by and with the consent of the council, shall have authority to hire at-will such employees as the City Clerk, City Treasurer, City Maintenance and all other employees as deemed necessary for the best interest of the city.

PUBLICATION: This Charter Ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official City newspaper.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This is a Charter Ordinance and shall be effective on the sixty-first (61st) day after publication, unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed and referendum is held on this Charter Ordinance as provided in Article 12, Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BODY, of the City of Kanorado on the 6th day of December 2010.



ATTEST:

Susan D. Adams, City Clerk

Dennis Korbelt
Dennis Korbelt, Mayor