

Music

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We have long believed we are leaders in NW Kansas in music and art education and this award verifies our perceptions."

The BCME designation is an important part of the NAMM Foundation's efforts to advocate for school-based music education. Numerous studies have demonstrated that learning to play music can boost performance in other academic

and social skills.

Norton Community Schools educate approximately 720 students in three attendance centers. They employ four full-time music faculty and a full staff of adjunct accompanists. Course offerings include Elementary, Junior High and High School bands, Choir, AP Music Theory, and music instruction for all students at Eisenhower Elementary.

Colby College offering adult classes

The Adult Education Department at Colby Community College is offering free General Education Development (GED) preparation classes beginning April 1. The classes will meet Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. through May 30. The GED diploma is widely recognized as credible and valuable by employers and colleges. One in 20 students enrolled in post-secondary

education nationwide holds a GED diploma.

Adult Education is also offering nursing bridge classes for students who are planning to enroll in nursing classes. The instruction will provide refresher instruction in math and reading and study skills. Two enrollment options are available. Classes will be offered April 2 through May 9 on Tuesday and Thursday from 1-5 p.m. The second option is

scheduled for May 20-30 with classes meeting each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The CCC Adult Education Center is located in the lower level of the H.F. Davis Library. The center provides instruction for adults with a wide variety of goals such as improving basic reading, writing and math skills; preparing for the GED exam leading to the Kansas High School Diploma;

preparing for the Work Keys test used for obtaining a Kansas WorkReady! credential; raising skills in anticipation of entering post-secondary education or training, learning basic money management; and acquiring basic technology skills.

To enroll or for more information, call Nance Munderloh at 460-4663 or stop by the campus office.

Jones

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in the way he did things in his first term if re-elected he said he wouldn't change anything. "I look at it as my job to represent the people. I will continue to represent the people and I will fight for a common sense government. We need to look after Norton and not worry about what other towns are doing. We don't need our city government to micro-manage because we have good people in key positions, we just need to let them do what they do because they

are doing a great job. We need to stop and take the time to look at every aspect of future plans instead of making rash decisions which will only lead to trouble." he stated.

"I wish others would have looked at the pool project deeper, especially since we needed the issues of water, curbs and gutters taken care of first. It is time the city steps up and does something for the tax payer. Raising sales taxes, rates on water, sewer and electric are not for the tax payer but against

them and I want to see this change. I will listen to the those that have something to say, I am easy to find."

Mr. Jones has the dream of seeing Norton grow with more retail downtown and up on highway 36. "With the growth coming I would like to see an annexation, an expansion of the city limits to accommodate the new growth, if we get a new business to town where will they go? They will have to go outside the city limits to build that is why we need to expand our bound-

ries." Jones said. "This needs to be done in order to allow for new growth."

Mr. Jones wants the people to take voting seriously. It is important, a rite of every citizen and it is free so why not let your voice be heard and have a say in what happens in your town. If you want to see Norton grow like Jerry Jones does then be sure to go out and vote on April 2 and let Mr. Jones be your voice for the change we all want, the change that Norton needs and that is coming.

Council

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rial, and re-surfacing. This will save money by not having to repair the same area multiple times.

In the past, these projects were paid for with Special Highway funds but due to the freeze placed on Special Highway funds for the upcoming Highway 36 projects, the City Council passed a motion that the City will delay purchasing the equipment that was budgeted in street fund number 01.13.399 and purchase oil mat for pothole patching and chemicals for mosquito control from that fund instead.

The Council also discussed the restroom facility at Roadside Park. There is no money budgeted for its replacement, so the Council passed a motion, by a 4-1 vote, authorizing City Administrator Lawson to remove the restroom facility at Roadside Park, because of the condition it is in. Jerry Jones voted no.

The Council also made a motion to approve Resolution #9-2013, finding the structure at 109 E. Main to be unsafe and dangerous; requiring certain repairs and inspections; requiring certain time limits for repairs and completion; and finding any failure to complete said repairs

within a set timeline will result in the razing and removal of said structure. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The Council approved the renewal of the Class A Club License for Harmonson Redd Post #63 of the American Legion. It also approved the cereal malt beverage license for Pro-Con, Inc., to have a beer garden in the grandstand area in Elmwood Park, during sanctioned races for the 2013 race season, contingent upon approval from the

City Prosecutor.

The following building permits were presented:

Colby Canvas Co, Inc. - \$3,000 - Install awning at 206 E. Washington

Hardy Construction - \$14,000 - Re-roof buildings at 1001 and 1003 N. Norton St.

City Administrator Lawson reported that clean-up week has been set by Norton County for April 22-24. Yard waste collection will start the following week.

•PUBLIC NOTICE• NOTICE OF COUNTY CANVASS DATE

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NOTICE OF COUNTY CANVASS DATE

In compliance with the provisions of K.S.A., 25-3104, notice is hereby given that the official canvass of the General Election returns for Norton County will be Monday, April 8, 2013. The canvass will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioner's Room.

In Witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this 21st day of March, 2013.

Robert D. Wyatt,
Norton County Election Officer

•PUBLIC NOTICE• PUBLIC TESTING OF VOTE COUNTING EQUIPMENT

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The public testing of the vote counting equipment to be used in the April 2nd, 2013 General Election will be held in the County Commissioner's office, 2nd floor of the Courthouse, Norton, Kansas on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in accordance with K.S.A. 25-4610.

Robert D. Wyatt,
Norton County Election Officer

•PUBLIC NOTICE• RESOLUTION NO. 9-2013

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RESOLUTION NO. 9-2013

A RESOLUTION FINDING A CERTAIN STRUCTURE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS TO BE UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS; REQUIRING CERTAIN REPAIRS AND INSPECTIONS; REQUIRING CERTAIN TIME LIMITS FOR REPAIRS AND COMPLETION; AND FINDING ANY FAILURE TO COMPLETE SAID REPAIRS WITHIN A SET TIME LINE WILL RESULT IN THE RAZING AND REMOVAL OF SAID STRUCTURE

WHEREAS, ON THE 6TH day of March, 2013, a hearing was held before the Governing Body of the City of Norton, Kansas, in the Council Meeting Room at 5:45 p.m. as to the petition filed under Norton City Code 4-404, asking that a certain structure should be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished. That the enforcing officer of the City of Norton, Kansas, did on the 2nd day of January 2013, file with the governing body of said city, a statement in writing that the structure, hereinafter described, is unsafe and dangerous. That said owner, his or her agent, any lienholders of record, any occupant and any other parties in interest, as that term is defined by law, of the structure located at:

109 E. Main, Norton, Kansas and further described as Lot Five (5), Block Twenty-One (21), Norton Town Association Addition to the City of Norton, Norton County, Kansas with the record owner being known as Paul A. Gower and Mary S. Gower.

appeared and that said Paul Gower and Mark Whitney provided evidence as to why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS:

That the Governing Body of the City of Norton, Kansas determines that said structure above described is dangerous and unsafe; that the building has structural hazards in the north and a portion of the east load bearing walls; that the stucco, mortar and brick construction are failing; that the window on the north wall is showing signs of disrepair and decay; that the staircase on the north wall is dangerous and appears unsafe; and that there is a hazard of falling debris. That the windows on the north and east walls show signs of disrepair and lack adequate weather sealing; that the property described, most particularly the north wall and the South 20 - 30 feet of the East Wall are substandard and are unsafe and dangerous, and have structural defects and conditions which render the structure unsafe.

That the Governing Body finds that the City of Norton will secure the immediate area surrounding the North and East end of the building, and cause the area to be cordoned off from public access.

That pursuant to Norton City Code 4-407, the landowner or agent shall be ordered to commence work within thirty days of March 6th, 2013 to repair, stabilize and make the building safe and usable. That the building shall be ready for an inspection by the City within 90 days of the date of the passage of this Resolution to determine if the landowner or agent have made said building safe and usable and stabilized the building. That should the landowner or agent make said building safe and usable, and stabilized the building, within the time-frame and have said inspection, then the landowner will have 365 days from the commencement of the repair to complete the repairs necessary to bring said building to code. If said landowner or agent, fails to meet these time frames set forth herein, and fails to repair or remove said structure and fails to diligently pursue the same until the work is completed, the governing body orders that the structure be repaired, altered, improved, or vacated, removed and closed; or that the structure shall be removed and demolished.

Further, that the Governing Body finds that any costs to the city of any repairs, alterations, improvements, vacating, removal or demolition, including making the site safe, shall be assessed as costs and special assessments as set forth in Norton City Code 4-411.

Further, that any person affected by this order, may, within 30 days following service of this order, petition the District Court of Norton County for an injunction restraining the enforcing officer from carrying out the provisions of the order pending final disposition of the case.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall cause this resolution to be published once in the official City newspaper. That a copy of this resolution shall be mailed by certified mail within three days after its publication to the last known address of each owner, agent, lienholder, and occupant and shall be marked "deliver to addressee only".

Adopted on this 20th day of March, 2013.

s/ David N. Corns, Mayor

ATTEST:
s/ Darla R. Ellis, City Clerk

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McMullen & Wyatt Auctions
Farm Consignment Auction

McMullen & Wyatt Auctions is now taking consignments for our Annual Spring Auction. Any farm related items, livestock equipment, tools, machinery, tractors, or trucks accepted for the April 20 auction. To consign or for more information, please contact Donald or Robert

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•PUBLIC NOTICE• ORDINANCE NO. 1635

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**ORDINANCE NO. 1635
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER TWO, ARTICLE TWO, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTON, AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF ANIMAL KENNEL WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section Two, Article Two of the Code of the City of Norton, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-201. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this article, the following words shall mean:

- a. **Cat** shall include both male and female cats, six months of age or older.
- b. **Dog** shall include both male and female dogs, six months of age or older.
- c. **Own** shall mean and include own, keep, harbor, shelter, manage, possess, or have a part interest in any dog. If a minor owns a dog subject to the provisions of this article, the head of the household of which such minor is a member shall be deemed to own the dog for the purposes of this article.
- d. **Owner** shall mean the one who owns, his or her employee, agent, or other competent person into whose charge the actual owner has placed the dog.
- e. **At large** shall mean off the premises of the owner or keeper or not under the control or supervision of the owner or keeper.
- f. **Vicious dog** shall mean any dog which is fierce, dangerous, mean or uncontrollable; or one which has previously attacked or bitten any person, or possesses a propensity to attack or bite any person;
- g. **Harbored** shall mean any person who allows or permits any dog to habitually remain or to be lodged or fed within or upon the premises of such person.
- h. **Kenel** shall mean any residence or establishment, commercial or otherwise, where four or more dogs or cats, or both, are maintained in any one week for boarding, training or similar purposes for a fee or compensation.

Section 2: That any ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby amended.

Section 3: This ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its publication in the official city newspaper, and the signs being duly placed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Norton, Kansas, this 20th day of March, 2013.

/s/ David N. Corns, Mayor

Attest:
s/ Darla R. Ellis, City Clerk