

Escapee captured near Wright

Alexis Barker
NLJ News Editor

An escape from the Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp on Monday, June 24 was short-lived for

James Michael Kennah, age 42. Kennah was sentenced out of Campbell County in March to three to six years for buying and receiving stolen property with a value of \$500 or more. He was transferred to the

Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp to begin his sentence on April 11, according to summary information from the facility.

At approximately 2:53 p.m. on Monday, Kennah was placed on

escape status at the minimum-security facility and a lockdown was initiated, according to the Wyoming Department of Corrections.

Kennah was seen running down U.S. Highway 85 from the Wyoming

Honor Conservation Camp toward Newcastle, and local law enforcement, as well as residents, were alerted as soon as the escape was confirmed by

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Interpreting the law

■ *City, county take different paths with new public records law*

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Both the city and the county are interpreting differently the requirements of a law passed by the 65th Wyoming Legislature requiring governmental entities to designate a public records person. At issue is whether each entity, such as the city and the county, appoint one person to oversee public record requests addressed to the entity they represent. Or can each entity simply appoint a public records person for each department under its jurisdiction?

The law, effective July 1, requires applications for public

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Who owns Morrissey Road?

Alexis Barker
NLJ News Editor

Ownership of a portion of Morrissey Road running through Cactus Court, a city housing development near the west end of town, has become a topic of discussion between the Newcastle City Council and the Weston County Commission after the city called ONEOK Inc. out for being unresponsive to attempts from the city to discuss repairing damage to the road, according to County Attorney Alex Berger.

On June 18, Berger informed the commission that a discussion over the ownership of Morrissey Road was needed and that it is an "issue that is constantly on his desk."

He said that he does not believe the road can be discussed in executive session because he is unaware of potential litigation and it is a dispute between the county and the city.

The topic of ownership arose, according to Berger, after damage was done by ONEOK to a section of the road and attempts to negotiate road repairs with ONEOK from the city went unanswered. Because of the lack of response from ONEOK, the city closed the road to commercial traffic, believing it owned that piece of the road.

The section in question is 2,300 feet of paved road running through land that was annexed to the city, according to Chairman Tony Barton. Commissioner Marty Ertman said that the road was established in 1968.

"The city is not sure who owns the section of Morrissey Road, that they previously thought they did," Berger said.

According to Berger, his office has been asked by City Attorney Jim Peck to determine who owns the piece of

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Dance lessons



Samantha Finley learns traditional polka dances from a member of the Bighorn Basque Club out of Buffalo, during the Night at the Museum event hosted by the Anna Miller Museum Friday. See more photos on Page 7.

Photo by Alexis Barker/NLJ

Cookies for a cause



Photo by Pam Penfield/NLJ

The children from the First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School stopped down last week to visit the staff at the News Letter Journal. They were selling homemade cookies to support the Heifer International Project, which helps low-income families in other countries purchase farm animals. They raised \$800 for the project.

Concert tickets on sale

■ *The 4th at The 4-Way features Neal McCoy, food, and fun*

Walter L. Sprague
NLJ Arts & Culture Reporter

With three platinum albums and one gold album under his belt, as well as seven top 10 hits, Neal McCoy will honor the city of Newcastle with a concert this year as we celebrate the Fourth of July. The 4th at The 4-Way event, presented by Pinnacle Bank, will start at 4:30 on July 4 in the bank's parking lot at the corner of U.S. Highways 16 and 85. Along with those achievements McCoy also boasts Entertainer of the Year, 1998 and 1999, TNN/Music City News Country Awards, Video of the Year for "Then You Can Tell Me Goodbye," 1997 TNN/Music City News Country Awards, and ACM/Home Depot Humanitarian Award 2005. The other artists performing for the evening will be The Williams Brothers Band and Nate Smith and the Caddywhompus Band.

There will be food vendors there as well,

and the fare will include, among other items, ribs, tacos, hamburgers, as well as drinks. Open containers will be allowed during the concert, however, there will be no outside food or beverages permitted on the grounds during the event, including coolers. Of course, the view of the nighttime fireworks show will be among the best in town.

Ticket prices are \$35 for the first 500 tickets sold and \$40 after that, with children ages 6 to 12 at \$12.50 and children 5 and under admitted free. Purchase tickets at Pinnacle Bank or go online at monumentaltix.com. Tickets will also be available at the gate on the evening of the concert.

Bring your lawn chairs and your mosquito spray then enjoy the Fourth of July. It will be a celebration that will be hard to beat, organizers say. The gate will open at 4 p.m., so for the best seats come early to enjoy your Independence Day celebration with Neal McCoy.

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Records

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records to be made to the designated public records person, according to the State of Wyoming 65th Legislature website. The law is called the Public Records Act (SF0057). This person's information must be given to the Wyoming Department of Administration and Information so that it can be posted on the department's website.

The bill defines "governmental entity" as the "state of Wyoming, an agency, political subdivision or state institution of Wyoming."

As of last week, both the Newcastle City Council and Weston County Commission have each designated a public records person or persons, although both expressed concerns over the interpretation of the bill.

"The Legislature said we have to have a person designated the public records person, and this had led to an interesting question," Jim Peck, Newcastle's city attorney, told the council on May 20.

Peck said he questions whether or not more than one person can be designated by the city, adding that he had attempted to get an interpretation from the state's attorney general but was unsuccessful. According to Peck, other governmental bodies within the state are also questioning the new law's meaning.

Commissioner Marty Ertman told the commissioners on June 18 that questions were raised to the Wyoming County Commissioners Association about the interpretation of the bill. Chairman Tony Barton said he was told that the county should defer to the county attorney for an opinion.

"That means there are 23 different legal positions," Ertman said.

County Clerk Becky Hadlock reported that the discussion among the clerks across the state has focused on whether the designated public records person is responsible for getting the information or for passing along the requests to the departments where the requested records are held and then follow up to be sure the request was fulfilled.

In his view, Peck said, more than one individual can be appointed, each representing a department. The city approved a resolution, on May 20, appointing Jim Owens, police chief; Robert Munger, fire chief; and Greg James, city clerk-treasurer as the public records officials for their respective offices.

"That would change if there is a new chief," Peck

City Beats

Notes from the June 17
Newcastle City Council Meeting

- The council approved reappointing Matt Ramsey to the Weston County Travel Commission board.
- The council approved summer sewer averaging for Weston County School District No. 1.
- City Engineer Mike Moore stated that a sanitation committee meeting will be needed in the near future to discuss pursuing contracting garbage service for the city to an outside entity.
- Moore reported that the city had to block off a portion of the sidewalk on Summit Avenue due to a retaining wall that had begun to fall. The city discussed avenues for repair of the wall, noting that it may be possible to get a historical grant because sections of the wall were declared historical by the local historical society.
- The city approved two ordinances to increase water rates from \$3 to \$8 for meters and by 18% across the board. Garbage rates were increased by 20% across the board for inside and outside of city limits. Councilman Don Steveson said that it is important for the public to understand that these increases are necessary to keep the specific enterprise accounts "in the black" and to help pay for improvements to infrastructure.

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— Jim Peck,
Newcastle City Attorney

clarified later for the *News Letter Journal*.

Weston County Attorney Alex Berger, on the other hand, interprets the bill to mean the commissioners must appoint one individual to receive and fulfill all county public records requests.

"It would be easier to appoint one than a dozen," Berger said. "Reading the statute with what I have heard, the county has a countywide person, and I know that pursuant to the statute, you have to have one appointed by July 1."

Berger said that the clerk's records or district court's records are considered public records and are already available to the public. Other information that can be requested under the Wyoming Sunshine Laws is what the law is referring to, and these are written requests for information.

"I don't think this is going to change a lot within the county. It is a matter of someone being in charge of telling people where to go for the records," Hadlock said.

Commissioner Tracy Hunt suggested that the law was written to ensure, in his opinion, that public records requests are complied with in the time designated by law. Ertman added that the law is putting the liability all on one

person for the requests.

"The official will be the point of contact. I don't think people will go to the department; they only talk to the public records person," Berger said. "I think that official has to follow up with the specific department and make sure the request is met. They say, 'Here is what I am looking for,' and once they get the records back, they give it to the person (who made the request). If it is insufficient information, then they go and say, 'Here is what is wrong.'"

Commissioner Nathan Todd said that he wants more information on the "point of contact" and what that individual's responsibilities will be.

"It is just merely to assist or is it to burden all responsibility?" Todd said. "That would be like creating another job for that person."

Todd added that the bill is "very vague," noting that it does not even clarify that the person needs to be an employee of the county.

The commissioners, after a lengthy discussion, appointed Berger as the "provisional" county public records facilitator.

Berger said that the various districts, such as the school district and hospital district, would be their own political subdivisions and required to appoint their own public records person. Hunt suggested that a memo be sent to the districts in the county explaining this new requirement.

Ertman suggested that the county put out some sort of statement saying that more information is needed on the statute.

"We do it because you told us to, but we expect more information immediately," Ertman said.

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Escape

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camp employees.

"Additional staff was called back to the facility, and a full facility search took place," the release says. "The inmate was not found on-site."

Shortly after Kennah escaped, a gold 2000 Pontiac Grad Prix was reported stolen from the 4-Way Gas N Go and Weston County Emergency Management Coordinator Gilbert Nelson reported that



James Kennah

law enforcement believed the two incidents were connected.

Kennah remained on escape status for roughly an hour before he was apprehended shortly after 4 p.m. near Wright. The Wyoming Highway Patrol took him into custody.

As per policy, an internal investigation into the escape will be conducted at the camp, located north of Newcastle on U.S. Highway 85.

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Fixing the Osage dump road

Alexis Barker
NLJ News Editor

Damages to the road leading to the Central Weston County Solid Waste District facilities in Osage have prevented access to the landfill, which is slated for closure this year, according to Joe Wood Jr. a member of the district board.

Wood told the Weston County commissioners on June 18 that, according to documentation he has, when the commissioners formed the district, they agreed to make the access road a four-season road. Continued issues with the road prompted the county to get proper easement for the road, he said, and he believes the road is a county road.

"The ball got dropped. Easements were not written like lots of roads in the county, and now we are at a draw," Wood told the commissioners. "The road is washed out, and it is hard to run a dump when you can't get to it."

Commissioner Marty Ertman said that the commissioners have discussed this topic "quite a few times" with Wood. She said the road is in the county but is not a county road.

"It is not shown on this list (a list of county roads) and the map you are using," Ertman said. "... It was a project to find them all for hunters, and it is not even a valid map. It is not a county road. It is a road in the county."

Wood brings in another copy of documentation on the district every time a new commissioner is seated, Ertman said.

"It is the same story on a different day," she said. "We have helped this district a bazillion times. Consensus money has gone to it. We have given quite a few times and for you to come back and say it is a county road again ... It is not a county road."

When the district was formed, Wood said, Osage had a better tax base. He said that the commissioners agreed to maintain the road or to make that road happen, at that time.

Commissioner Tracy Hunt said the real issue is whether or not the commissioners are willing to maintain the road "in spite of the fact" that it is not a county road.

Hunt asked Wood if he had reached out to Rick Williams, the county road and bridge supervisor, over the costs associated with repairing the caved-in road.

According to Wood, he made several attempts to contact the busy Williams with no success.

"We can't evaluate the circumstance without Rick's help. Go to him and see what it would take to address the problem and then come back to us to see if we want to help fix the dump road," Hunt said.

Commissioner Nathan Todd said that Williams is aware of the issue and that, in his opinion, it would not take a lot of time to get a definitive answer from him.

"Then we can address whether or not the road is a priority for the county," Hunt said.

Todd asked whether funds were available through the grant the district received to close the landfill.

"At what point is Osage supposed to be operating under that umbrella, and how do they do that without being able to get in?" Todd asked. "Is there the opportunity for funds to stabilize the road to get back there and continue operation?"

Chairman Tony Barton said that the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality and the solid waste district set the timeline for closure. As far as funds, Barton said he "would think" they could be available for that.

"If you can't get in to operate, ... that is an avenue to look at if that money could be used for the road," Todd said.

According to Ertman, an email from Craig McOmie, landfill remediation/cease and transfer program supervisor for the DEQ said that it was up to the district to maintain the facility and access.

"As far as an obligation for maintenance," Ertman said. "Other landfills have to maintain. The issue with Craig is that they (the solid waste district) does not have a good base for tax structure. We have had to help them quite a bit, and I will remind you of what he stated in the letter."

"I recognize the county is under no obligation to further assist the district with this project or with the upcoming closure," McOmie wrote, according to Ertman.

"I think we understand the problem, but we need information on what it would cost to help you," Hunt said.

The first step in solving the issue would be for Wood to talk to Williams, Barton said, and that he return to the commissioners with a cost estimate to fix the road.

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Photo courtesy of Lacey Sloan

faith & values

Daily Devotional Reading

June 28 Romans 12:1-21	July 2 1 Samuel 1:19-28
June 29 John 15:1-17	July 3 1 Samuel 2:1-11
June 30 John 15:18-16:15	July 4 1 Samuel 2:12-26
July 1 1 Samuel 1:1-18	Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society

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25 Years Ago
July 7, 1994

At 2:55 a.m. Friday, July 1, a thin section of line containing black oil ruptured causing a fire at Wyoming Refining Company. The fire was put out by refinery personnel in about 20 minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schwarze celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary June 27. They were married in Custer in 1934 and have two daughters, June Gorsuch of Rapid City, and Shirley Bergquist of Newcastle. They have enjoyed their 60 years of marriage in Newcastle.

The Elk Mountain Outlaws held a meeting June 20 at Kelly Wellman's home. Kelly called the meeting to order. Matthew led the American Pledge and Seth the 4-H pledge.

Sasha Borgialli and Tully Holmes, both of Newcastle, have received scholarships to help them continue their educations at Chadron State College.

Alma Hagerman is at home recuperating from cataract surgery performed in Rapid City Monday. Art Hagerman, Diane Kraft and Judy Ludemann accompanied her to Rapid City.

Diane Kraft and Carol Ellis were at the Art and Alma Hagerman home Thursday helping with some household chores.

Vi Coutant attended Tyler Abbott's baseball game in Upton Monday night and one in Newcastle Wednesday night.

The Prairie 4-H Club held its annual Boyd Cemetery clean-up on May 23. Members and leaders of the club cleaned, mowed, raked, and painted at the cemetery.

Dwane, Roni and Colbi Canfield left Upton Sunday, May 22, for Orlando, Fla., to visit son, Shane, and attend his Recruit graduation Review (the Passing in Review Ceremony).

The Blotter - June 27: Someone drove through a fence and all over a pasture. June 28: An older driver ran three vehicles into a ditch on 16. June 30: A black and white snake was discovered in a yard, but the officer couldn't locate it. A driver in a maroon Honda pulling a trailer called a flagger on 85 South foul names and tried to kick her.

50 Years Ago
July 3, 1969

Weston Manor will have the open house for viewing the new facilities of the nursing and convalescent home on Sunday, July 6.

The 8th Annual Sioux Nation Appaloosa Horse Show and Race Meet has been scheduled in Newcastle on Saturday and Sunday, July 26 and 27.

Franklin Manke and Jim Seppela of Edgemont, S.D., won first place honors at the four-steer dally team roping June 22 at the OK corral in Newcastle.

Michlene Holwell of Osage will leave in September to visit India under the 1969 International Farm Youth Exchange program.

A full day of celebrating is on schedule for Friday, July 4, at Newcastle. The Newcastle Fire Department and the Gateway Racing Association are sponsoring the day's activities of stock car races, a free barbecue and fireworks.

Glen D. Statler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Statler of Newcastle, received his doctor

of philosophy degree in plant pathology June 1, 1969 at the University of Wyoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abbott and John Baker toured the Sand Creek area Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Bill Jenkins and family visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Updike in Osage Friday evening. Sherry Jenkins took part in the 4-H judging at Osage.

Cathy Clingan was honored on her 9th birthday with a party at her home Monday afternoon. The girls played games and enjoyed the record player.

Carol and Sharon Kuemmerle were Saturday afternoon guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Goldie May at Newcastle.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Wocicki celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Sunday, June 29, with open house at the Corpus Christi Catholic Church hall.

In a double ring ceremony performed by Rev. Robert Morgan at the First United Methodist Church of Newcastle, Miss Judy Lee Dollison became the bride of Robert E. Hawthorne, on Saturday, June 21.

100 Years Ago
July 3, 1919

The boys of the 148th, consisting of Harris Sabin, George Shell, Elgin Smith, Oliver Barnes, William Schoonmaker, Leo Clakins, Ray Calkins, Fred Bacon, arrived home last Saturday and Sunday, having been honorably discharged at Fort Russell.

Carl Blatt was brought into town from the ranch Tuesday suffering from a bullet wound in the calf of the leg. Several stitches were necessary to close the wound. An artery was severed by the bullet and the wounded man lost considerable blood coming to town. He is now resting well and it is not thought that the wound will prove very serious, as the bone was not injured. According to word received here, Carl was passing through John Berger's place on the Little Missouri on his way to the timber after

a load of posts, when John suddenly stepped out from behind a small mound with a rifle and told Carl to throw up his hands. Before Carl could lay down the lines and obey, Berger began shooting. Carl threw himself off the wagon and got behind his horses, but not until he had received the wound in the leg. Three or four shots were fired but only one took effect.

The ladies of Weston County entertained the soldiers-sailors and veterans at a dinner at the armory, Sunday



Photo courtesy of Weston County Historical Society, C. May Fox
Henry P. Martens, pictured, was a blacksmith at Adkinson, Neb., before coming to Wyoming.

afternoon in honor of the 148th Artillery.

M. John Dunham was in Monday, taking a load of furniture out with him. Jack Barrott last week lost two valuable horses, being killed by lightning.

Earl Demorest made a business trip to the prairie last week, and he will undoubtedly install a Delco-Light system in the Nels Smith home in Green Mountain.

Simon and Herman Greenbaum expect to leave today in their car for a six weeks pleasure trip through the Yellowstone National Park.

Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Ellis were in from their homestead Tuesday after supplies. Ed Bentley yesterday bought the S.R. Dixon and Mike Coy wool clip. The price paid was 55 cents.

Interesting ads and photos:
July 3, 1969, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Wocicki photo, page 5.
July 7, 1994, 4-H Club cleans up at Boyd Cemetery photo, page 10.

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June/July 2019

Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar

DAY/DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Th June 27	7PM	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Rm
June 28-29	3PM/7PM	NE Grand Slam Jackpot Show	WC Fairgrounds Outdoor Show Ring
Friday June 28	5:30PM	BINGO	VFW Hall
Mon July 1	7PM 7PM	Newcastle City Council AA Meeting	Council Chambers WC Senior Center, Family Rm
Tues July 2	9AM 11-11:45AM	WC Commissioners Preschool Story Time/Activity	WC Courthouse WC Library
Wed July 3	1-3PM	Summer Reading Program	WC Library
Th July 4	8AM 10-5PM 11AM 4-9PM 7PM 7:30PM	NACOC Poker Run Osage Alumni Reunion NLJ 4th of July Parade (registration 10AM) 4th at the 4-Way AA Meeting Masons #13	Start at Pizza Barn Kitty Moats Complex, Osage Downtown Newcastle Pinnacle Bank Parking Lot WC Senior Center, Family Rm Masonic Lodge
Fri July 5	Dusk	Lynching of Diamond Slim	Downtown

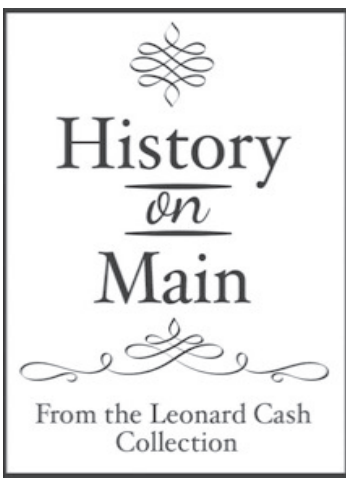
Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 29 Josie Smith Robert Finn Zach Osborn Bucky Rawhouser	July 1 Donna Bruggeman Eli Bonnema Elvin & Candi Stanton Eugene Stanton Jeff Virchow	July 3 Brooke Francis Emily Jorrey Jason Allard Robyn Stanton
June 30 Tony & Kara Lenardson	July 2 John & Jan Ellis	July 4 Chrissa (Dean) Luckow

For the Ages

News Letter Journal

Church's priest was ordained in Newcastle



Hanna Gross
NLJ Correspondent
With Leonard Cash

Local historian Leonard Cash continues with his records of Newcastle's oldest church, Christ Episcopal Church, by going through the many ministers the church has seen, along with additional information about the church's roots.

In last week's installment of the History on Main series, local historian Leonard Cash wrapped up the ministry of the Rev. Colin Campbell, who began his ministry career as vicar of the Episcopal Church in Newcastle in 1976. After Campbell's ministry, Cash said, he couldn't find any more ministers in his records until the Rev. Benjamin Wright came in 1996, serving in Newcastle until 2001. Between Campbell and Wright, however, the Revs. Charles Wallis, Robert Anderson and Charles Threewit served in Newcastle as traveling ministers, according to Cash.

"Christ Church had survived for one year without a priest. The search for a new priest was long and tedious, Wright said," according to an article in the *News Letter Journal* from Oct. 24, 1996. Wright credited this to the "isolation" of Wyoming and the low salaries.

When Wright arrived in

Newcastle, he came to serve as priest for the churches in both Newcastle and Sundance. Serving at two churches was hard work, but Wright said he found it enjoyable. Before his career in the local area, he served as an assistant priest in Casper, and before his ministry life, he was a pilot in the U.S. Air Force for 22 years.

"My calling (for the ministry) came when I was a teenager. ... I decided to wait until after I retired from the military," Wright said in the article.

After his military life, Wright went to Trinity School of Ministry in Pennsylvania and became a priest in 1995. He said he liked the Episcopal church because he thought it had a good "balance" between Catholicism and Protestantism.

Wright wanted to offer more education to the adults at his churches because he felt that lifelong learning was important, and he also wanted more activities for children because youth involvement with the church was important to him.

According to an online article in Cash's records, Wright was originally from Alpine, Texas, and he was raised in the Episcopal Diocese of Rio Grande. He graduated from Alpine High School in 1964 and received his Bachelor of Business Administration from Pan American College (now University of Texas) in 1968, focusing on business management and economics.

He was working on getting his Master of Business Administration when he was drafted in 1969 by the military due to the conflict in Vietnam. He started as a T-37 instructor and later flew C-130s in the Philippines. Wright was also a T-38 instructor pilot and wing staff officer at a base in Oklahoma. By the time his



NLJ file photo

Rev. Wendy Owens is the minister of Christ Episcopal Church in Newcastle.

military career was over in 1991, he was the deputy base commander at the Bitburg Air Base in Germany.

Wright was happily married to Beryl Joyce Wright, a native of England. She immigrated to America in 1970, becoming a U.S. citizen in Wyoming in 1973. She received her domestic science degree from Atholl Crescent, as well as her teaching certificate from Moray House College of Education, both of which are located in Edinburgh, Scotland. She also received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Accountancy from the University of Denver and is a licensed certified public accountant.

The online article says they have four grown children and five grandchildren. Cash said the children must have been from previous marriages because they are adults, and the Wrights didn't get married until about 2000. They married a few months before his ministry ended in Newcastle, according to Cash.

"He was really a nice guy," Cash said.

According to The Living

Church, an "independent weekly" by the Episcopal Church, Wright wrote that it was a painful decision for him to leave Newcastle, but it was something he had to do.

"I have made the trying decision to remain. However, as an evangelical Christian, the painful decision to uproot my family and leave my established home and ministry in Wyoming to seek a new ministry call in another diocese that is led by one of the remaining few bishops who show evidence of being orthodox believer," Wright said. "I have tried to do my part. I went to the 73rd General Convention as a deputy and almost wore out the 'no' button but was in the minority."

"He wasn't happy when he left here," Cash said.

Once again, Newcastle went without a resident minister for some time after Wright left, but traveling ministers Cliff Moore, Joel Dingman, Sally Boyd and Tom Campbell filled part of the gap when they served in Newcastle, according to Cash.

However, Newcastle's next and current resident priest, Wendy Owens, who lives

in Gillette, came in May of 2018, according to Cash. She was the second minister to be ordained in Newcastle, with the previously mentioned Whitehouse as the first to be ordained in 1900. The article said her ordination service was to be held on March 23, 2019, at the church, with the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Wyoming, the Rt. Rev. John Smylie, performing the ceremony.

According to the March 21, 2019, issue of the *News Letter Journal*, Owens served as a deacon in the church before becoming a priest. She was baptized in the Methodist church in Custer, South Dakota, but was "received" into the Episcopal church in Casper in 2011, according to a release from the diocese, the article reported.

Owens graduated from Worland High School before earning her bachelor's degree in math and her Juris

Doctorate at the University of Wyoming. She has a certificate in theological studies from the Seminary of the Southwest Wyoming Iona Initiative and was ordained into the transitional diaconate in October 2017.

"The release went on to say that Owens is a staff attorney with Legal Aid of Wyoming as managing attorney of the Gillette office and will remain employed in that capacity as a bivocational priest," the article reports.

And that brings us to the present. After several weeks of going through Cash's records, the history of the Episcopal church in Newcastle comes to a close. Cash wanted to add that although we've gone through many records, many more records have been either lost or destroyed, mainly due to a water leakage in Laramie, where most of the records were kept.

Senior Happenings

WC Senior Services

FRIDAY June 28

Rolls
9AM
Blood Pressure Check
9:30AM
Ladies
1PM
Dance
7PM

MONDAY July 1

Exercise
9AM

TUESDAY July 2

Dominos
1PM

WEDNESDAY July 3

Rolls @ Frontier Hardware
Toenail Clinic
9AM
Exercise
9AM
Lions Club

Noon

Mondell Heights for Lunch
Creative Handcrafts
1PM

THURSDAY July 4

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Hangman
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Bingo
2PM

Bowling
6:15PM

SATURDAY June 29

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Happy Hour
2AM

Penny Ante
6:15PM

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NIGHT at the MUSEUM

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Shannon Huber, above, demonstrates how laundry was done before modern machinery paved the way to quicker washing, during the Night at the Museum last Friday at the Anna Miller Museum. The evening featured homemade ice cream, a performance from the Bighorn Basque Club, popcorn, outdoor games and fossil digs. At right, Linda Bohn serves up homemade ice cream with a rhubarb topping to attendees. Below, the Bighorn Basque club gives a lively performance. Below left, Cousins Theodore Williams, Nichole Williams and Brayden Williams dig for dinosaur fossils. At left, Adam McFarlin helps his son Hunter churn apples to make homemade apple juice.



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road in contention. City ownership of the piece of road, if it exists, was not properly recorded, he said.

According to the public record, Berger said, the road section probably belongs to the county. But, he said, minutes from the county meetings say that the section of road was granted to the city.

Until the ownership issue is resolved, Berger said, the county can use the road, but if the city were to decide that it owns that section of the road, it can reclose it to commercial traffic.

"If the county does accept that they own it, the county is responsible for repair costs and I don't know if the county could get anything more out of ONEOK," Berger said. "We have

already negotiated a deal with them, and it is not their fault that we didn't know we own what we own."

Ertman said that there are no easements and no records of the road being quitclaimed from the county to the city. She said that she would like to see the county retain ownership.

"Did they annex the road? Does that shift maintenance responsibility to the city by law?" Commissioner Tracy Hunt asked.

"Potentially, I would have to look into the issue," Berger answered.

Barton said that it appeared to him that the city annexed that portion of the road but that ownership never formally transferred from the county to the city, based on documents he has reviewed.

Commissioner Ed Wagoner said

“
At the end of the day, it is for the betterment of the county and town residents,” Barton said. “We are really on the same team, and it comes down to who is going to maintain it.”

— Tony Barton,
Weston County Commissioner

Commission Clips

Notes from the June 18 Weston County Commissioners Meeting

- The commissioners voted to work with David Chick, representing New York Life Insurance Co., for whole life insurance for county employees, although some employees have said they do not want to give their information to Chick without getting the insurance. Chick said that it was necessary to get information on all employees for the county to reach the minimum employee numbers to access the insurance.
- Weston County Library Director Brenda Mahoney received permission from the commissioners to have a mural painted on a portion of the library that has staining.
- The commissioners tabled the appointment of

a Weston County Travel Commission board member until they could get clarification on the requirements established for the position.

• County Attorney Alex Berger said the city needs to negotiate with Pinnacle Bank for parking space near the Weston County Annex (the former Pinnacle Bank) and that obtaining ownership of the parking lot was even more necessary after the public defender's office and FOCUS relocated to the annex. He said that the businesses located across the street from the annex do not like county employees parking outside their businesses and that the county "wants to maintain a good relationship with business owners in Weston County."

that he would like to see ownership stay with the county to prevent the city from restricting commercial truck traffic on the road.

"You don't have to make a decision today. I just wanted to put it out there that I do need some direction as a position for the county," Berger said. "The city has invested money in that portion of road since everyone

acted like it is the city's. I don't know if they would have claim for reimbursement for that if it turns out to be a county road."

He said that he would like to further study the issue to develop a more "concrete proposal."

Barton encouraged Berger to continue to work with the city.

"At the end of the day, it is for the

betterment of the county and town residents," Barton said. "We are really on the same team, and it comes down to who is going to maintain it."

Hunt urged his fellow commissioners to consider telling ONEOK that even if the county owns the road, the city has been charged with maintaining the road and that money should be given to them for repairs.

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News Letter Journal

Hunt given approval to move ahead with projects

Alexis Barker
NLJ News Editor

Despite concerns about future maintenance and congestion near the Weston County Public Health building, the Newcastle City Council granted approval for former council member Linda Hunt, who has been a long time proponent of community beautification, to move forward with projects at Greenwood Cemetery and near the public health office.

On June 17, councilman Michael Alexander reported that the parks committee recently had a meeting with Hunt to discuss projects in the community that she had proposed, one to place statues on Stampede Street and the other to create a walking trail through the cemetery.

"We did decide ultimately that we are in favor of these projects, but it is worth mentioning for the consideration that we did have concerns about the maintenance of the proposed trail," Alexander said. "Linda assured us that she would be in charge of that and that the city would not have to worry about it."

City Engineer Mike Moore said that the organization listed will be the city and not Hunt. He said that Hunt may not always be there to maintain the trail.

"My concern about projects like this is the statues are low maintenance, but the cemetery trail will have ongoing maintenance," Moore said.

Councilwoman Ann McColley said that she would vote no if the projects would require a lot of work from city employees.

According to Hunt, she plans to use the Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp to maintain and construct the trail, which she said will not need much maintenance. She said that foot traffic will help maintain the path, although "weed eating" may be needed before any increased foot traffic.

The plan for the path is to run through the cemetery. The path is proposed to be constructed of natural materials, or dirt and gravel, and will require little maintenance according to Hunt.

"I will do it as long as I can walk, and you can discontinue it (the path) then if you want," Hunt said.

If the city is not responsible

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Students help ranchers

KateLynn Slaamot
NLJ Correspondent

Weather and flooding in the neighboring state of Nebraska have impacted that state — causing damage to fences, debris in fields and so much more, according to Taylor Rieniets, agricultural instructor at Newcastle High School. Members of the local FFA chapter and students in Rieniets' ag class developed a strong desire to help the state, Rieniets said, and bring relief to the struggling community.

The idea initially sprung up from a Bell Work activity proposed to students. They researched and learned about what Nebraska was going through, which piqued their interest, Rieniets said. The first ideas thrown around were aimed at raising funds to send to Nebraska, but that eventually evolved into a tentative plan to raise funds to travel to Nebraska to aid the community.

The students who participated in the trip were Allie Auch, Peyton Crinklaw, Leo Orban, Kaden Curren, Chauncey Jenerou, Cody Qualheim, Garrett Emmons and Gabe Rose. Each student was responsible for finding a sponsor, and the students also brought letters to numerous businesses around town to request funds for the trip, according to Rieniets. A total of \$2,880 was raised.

After several weeks of planning, the students, along with Rieniets and a couple of other adults who assisted on the trip, left on Friday, May 24. They arrived in Springview, Nebraska, that day and stayed in that area for the remainder of the trip. While in Nebraska, they helped a couple of ranch families with fencing — tearing down damaged fences, putting in new fences — cleared



Above, Peyton Crinklaw, one of the students who went to Nebraska to help ranchers with flood relief, moves fence posts. Below, the crew assembles for a photo, from left: Taylor Rieniets, Allie Auch, Peyton Crinklaw, Leo Orban, Gabe Rose, Kaden Curren, Chauncey Jenerou, Cody Qualheim, and Garrett Emmons.

debris and more. The relief force worked Saturday and Sunday, before heading home on Monday, May 27.

"I was amazed with how much debris actually moved into fields," Rieniets said.

"We got a lot out of it (trip)," Rieniets said.

The experience will stay with everyone for a very long time, Rieniets said, and the benefits that came out of the trip are multifaceted. The trip broadened the students' "horizons" and it exposed them to a new place and new experiences, according to Rieniets.

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Warm Summer Nights brings music to downtown

Walter L. Sprague
NLJ Arts & Culture Reporter

Larry Roetzel and Cambria String Band entertained the city of Newcastle on Friday evening, June 21. Sponsored by the Weston County Arts Council, Weston County Travel Commission, First State Bank of Newcastle, and *News Letter Journal*, the concert brought smiles and joy along with plenty of bluegrass music to the First State Bank parking lot.

About 300 people sat on the library lawn, or danced on the sidewalks of Main Street, or just mulled around with friends and family as they enjoyed the talents of the live band.

The first of the Warm Summer Nights concert series was well met for about three hours as the people were thankful that the rain held off



From left are Dusty Whiteside, Chris Johnson, Sam Steinken, Larry Roetzel, and Katie Lautenschlager.

Photo by Walter Sprague/NLJ

for the evening, and the temperatures and wind were moderate, adding to the enjoyment of everyone. There were a few people that even got together and danced, which everyone seemed to enjoy very much.

A food tent, erected by WCAC, sold pizza, ice cream, cotton candy, and bottled water, as well as tickets for two raffles coming up later in the summer. The items up for raffle are a rifle and a knife/hatchet set. There are still tickets available for each raffle from any of member of the WCAC board, and the price is \$10 per ticket. Open containers are also allowed at these events.

The two remaining concerts for the summer will be on July 19, with Sherry Taylor and Lazy L Band, and Aug. 23, with Nate Smith and the Caddywhompus Band. An additional sponsor of the final concert is 21 Electric.

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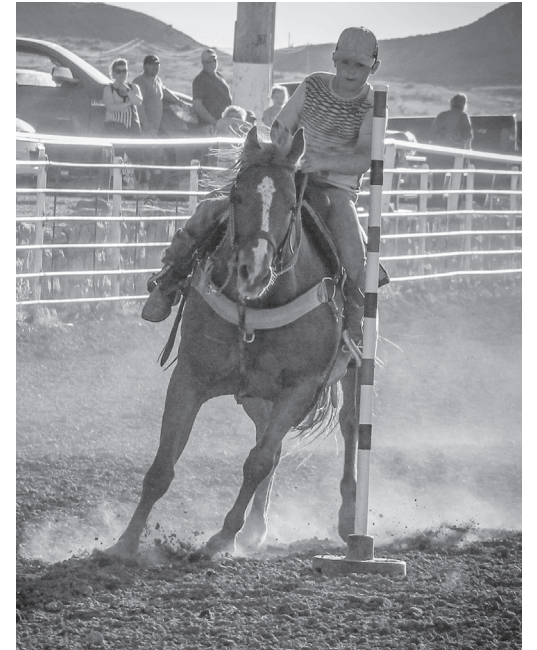
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Horsin' Around

The Friends of Fair are in charge of putting on the gymkhanas held throughout the summer at the Weston County Fairgrounds. Each gymkhana features various fun events for the kids riding their horses. The first gymkhana of this summer was held on June 4, with the next on June 20. There will be three more gymkhanas this summer, July 11, July 23 and Aug. 8. They have a different variety of events each time. They have barrels, poles, boot race, hat and scarf race, flag race, candy race, butterfly poles and sometimes a mystery event. Registration is from 5 to 5:45 p.m., with events starting at 6. These events are open to the public, and the kids welcome encouragement from the crowd. Clockwise from left: Camryn Farella, barrels; Carter Farella, poles; Kinley Redding, barrels; Kaylee Lambert, poles; and Clay Sweet, barrels.

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Students

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Rieniets also expressed pride in her students, noting that they really had to step up and make things happen.

"It takes a lot to go down and get your hands dirty," Rieniets said.

Those who went on the trip put hard work into practice, quite the advantageous experience, she said.

However, beyond those benefits, Rieniets said that the experience really allowed her and her students to put part of the FFA motto "living to serve" into practice and impact the community in a priceless way.

Additionally, despite some challenges that the adventure presented, such as bad weather, Rieniets and her students also got to connect with and develop relationships with the people of the community.

"We met some amazing people," Rieniets said.

"We realized that our neighbors really needed help," Crinklaw said. She is going to be a junior at NHS in the fall, and she said that she desired to give hands-on help to Nebraska, beyond just sending money.

Something that stood out, Crinklaw said, was how everyone came together to help each other out. Even those who were part of the community pitched in to help each other, and they also supported Rieniets and her students. Crinklaw said she also learned the importance of hard work and of working together. She said that she was



Submitted photo

Leo Orban, one of several students from Newcastle, clears debris from fields affected by flooding in Nebraska.

amazed by the impact they made on the struggling community.

"I think we had a really good impact," Crinklaw said.

Jenerou had worked in Nebraska in the past and knew how bad the weather could get there. Still, he wanted to go.

"I just wanted to help them," he said.

Jenerou's goals for the trip were to get as much done as possible, he said, and he felt like they helped a lot because the students got a lot done. He also said he enjoyed the beautiful scenery and spending

time with friends, along with meeting new people.

"I just wanted to give back to them," Jenerou said.

Rieniets said she appreciated the generosity of all those who contributed to the trip, including people in the community who helped and those in the ag and FFA program that aided. Rieniets also told the *News Letter Journal* that the students have already expressed interest in doing more relief trips like this in the future.

"They really want to expand on it," Rieniets said.

Cowboy State Look-In

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News from across Wyoming

Costumes, toys, comic books and even tattoos will be the focus for the weekend in Casper as the city's first Comic Con tops the list of weekend events in Wyoming.

The event, to be held at the Casper Events Center on Saturday and Sunday, will feature vendors, a costume contest and an appearance by Montana native Kerry Cahill, a star on the AMC television series "Walking Dead."

Doors open at 10 a.m. each day and the costume contests

will be held each day at 3 p.m. Saturday's contest will be for adults, while Sunday's will be for children.

Other events scheduled for the weekend include:

The Oil City Street Slam 3x3 Basketball Tournament in Casper on Friday and Saturday;

A "wildflower trek" with botanist Frances Clark in Dubois on Friday;

An outdoor showing of the movie "Space Jam" in Casper on Friday;

The opening weekend of "Wild West Spectacular - The Musical" in Cody;

A "Shoshoni cemetery trek" in Riverton on Saturday; A performance by Leo Rondeau and Jason Tyler Burton in Pinedale on Saturday, and

An "Xtreme Bulls" rodeo event in Cody on Sunday.

For more information on these and other events, please visit the Wyoming Tourism Division's website at TravelWyoming.com.

Wyoming Works for adult students

CHEYENNE (WNE) — Adult students in Wyoming will have more opportunities and resources to get the skills they need to secure employment with last week's launch of the Wyoming Works program.

The program was approved in March by the Wyoming Legislature, which allocated \$5 million for the program. That money will be distributed between the seven community colleges in Wyoming, according to a joint news release from the Educational Attainment Executive Council, Wyoming community colleges and the University of Wyoming.

Three million dollars of that allocation will go toward individual need-based student grants, while the remaining \$2 million will be used for the program's development.

"I think our overall goal is just the realization that as a community we need more education to

be competitive," said Dale Steenbergen, president and CEO of the Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce.

"The idea that somebody is going to train for one career and have that career for the entirety (of their life) is not the reality we have today," said Rob Hill, president of the Wyoming Association for Career and Technical Education.

People are more likely to have multiple jobs and careers throughout their lives that require different skills, he said. This program helps cater to those transitions.

The program caters to adult students who might have a home, family and job, said Judy Hay, vice president of student services for Laramie County Community College. Making the adjustment to go back to school might be difficult for them, and the program grants help give them one less thing to worry about.

that said the construction of the building would be completed by the end of July 2019," he said.

But things "kind of stretched out" due to the project's increasing scope and his organization receiving a \$1.5 million grant from the U.S. Economic Development Association, Christopherson said.

That \$1.5 million has been "set aside," Christopherson said, but he's waiting for the EDA to "give us an award letter" that will allow Energy Capital to spend the money.

The ACPIC is designed to provide space for pilot facilities to drive existing research toward commercialization of carbon products. With a steady supply of raw material — in this case coal — research can be transitioned into manufacturing of advanced carbon products.

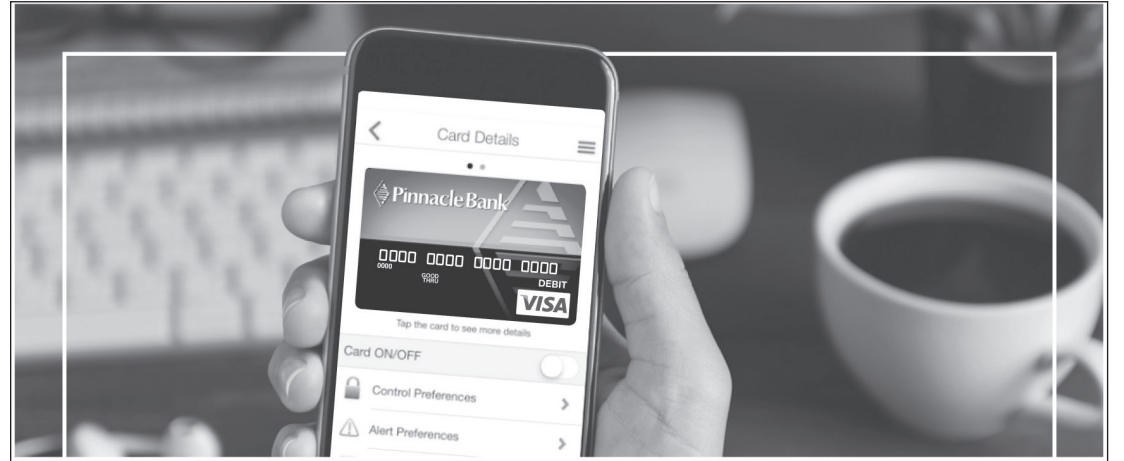
ACPIC will support commercialization for a variety of value-added carbon-based products such as graphene, carbon nanotubes, activated carbon, char for agriculture, coal to gas and coal to liquids.

Grant extended for carbon innovation

GILLETTE (WNE) — The Wyoming Business Council Board has decided to extend a 2017 grant for the development of the Advanced Carbon Products Innovation Center (ACPIC), pending a legal review and staff contingency requests.

Phil Christopherson, CEO of Energy Capital Economic Development, said the Business Council grant is for \$1.5 million. He'd requested an extension several months ago.

"When we started the project, we had a timeline established



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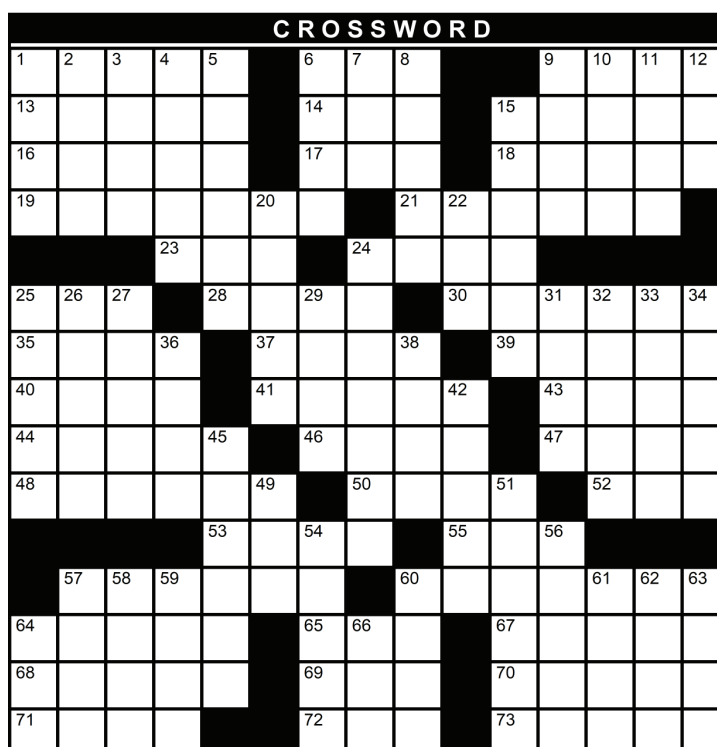
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) approved the Application of Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (BHE or the Company) to pass on to its Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] Option customers in the Gillette Division a net increase of \$0.0239 per therm, effective on and after June 1, 2019. The Commission's approval is subject to notice, protest, intervention, refund, change, further investigation, opportunity for hearing and further order of the Commission.

The average BHE Small General Service Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] Option residential customer using a monthly average of 17.33 therms may expect a monthly gas bill increase of approximately \$0.37, before taxes, during the rate-effective period of June through August 2019. Actual bills will vary with usage.

The proposed retail rate increase results in a projected dollar-for-dollar increase of approximately \$4,286 in the Company's June through August 2019 total revenues, using projected sales volumes. The increase does not change the Company's authorized rate of return.

Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 26 allows a utility to pass on to its customers known or projected commodity cost increases or decreases on a dollar-for-dollar basis, subject to public notice, opportunity for hearing and refund.

BHE's Application is on file at the Commission's offices, located at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming, and at the Company's offices. The Application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours or online at: <http://psc.state.wy.us/>.

Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before July 12, 2019. A proposed intervention or request for hearing must set forth the grounds under which they are made and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications-impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 30022-336-GP-19 (Record No. 15249) in your communications.

Dated: June 14, 2019.

(Publish June 20, 2019 and June 27, 2019)

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- 2. Famous Amos
- 3. Tumults
- 4. Chart anew
- 5. Butcher, baker and candlestick maker
- 6. #6 Across, pl.
- 7. "Pie ____ Mode
- 8. Fussy old woman
- 9. ____ code
- 10. Type of nuclear missile
- 11. Paddington Bear's homeland
- 12. "Rocky" star
- 15. Express disapproval
- 20. Extremely angry
- 22. Poetic "before"
- 24. Cindy Brady's do, sing.
- 25. * ____ blanche
- 26. Luau greeting
- 27. Lively
- 29. Yellow brick one
- 31. Ugly old witches
- 32. Obelus, pl.
- 33. Not Doric nor Corinthian
- 34. *Crème de la ____
- 36. Flightless birds
- 38. Series of reps, pl.
- 42. Yogurt-based dip
- 45. Slip-up in pool
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, notice is hereby given of the Application of Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp or the Cooperative) for approval of a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct a 69kV distribution power line.

PRECorp is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On June 11, 2019, PRECorp filed its Application requesting approval of a CPCN for authority to site, design, construct/rebuild, operate and maintain a new 6kV high voltage distribution power line; the Peabody 69kV Line Reroute (Project). The Project is to reroute approximately 3.1 miles of existing 69kV power line with 4.8 miles of a 556 Aluminum-Conductor Steel-Reinforced cable (ACSR) conductor in a similar H-frame two-pole configuration. This will result in a net increase of power line in this area of 1.7 miles. The rerouted power line will be constructed to current internal standards and guidelines and is anticipated to begin in August 2019 and completed by the end of the year. The reroute of this project will allow Peabody Mining to recover minerals under the existing power line. Generally, the Project is located in Campbell County, approximately 12 miles southeast of Wright, Wyoming.

Specifically, the Project will be located in the Sections 14, 15, 22, 27, 28 and 33 of Township 42 North, Range 71 West; Sections 03 and 04 of Township 41 North, Range 71 West, 6th P.M. Campbell County, state of Wyoming.

Course 1: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 14, T.42N, R.71W; Thence North 24°12'53" East, a distance of 1389.57 feet to the Point of Beginning. Thence South 02°44'48" West, a distance of 625.54 feet; Thence North 87°21'14" West, a distance of 993.24 feet; Thence South 02°52'46" West, a distance of 4196.53 feet; Thence South 08°51'22" East, a distance of 716.34 feet; Thence South 05°50'51" West, a distance of 1519.72 feet; Thence South 42°11'20" West, a distance of 7195.05 feet; Thence South 01°24'06" East, a distance of 5437.48 feet; Thence North 88°59'29" East, a distance of 3240.08 feet; Thence South 37°55'25" East, a distance of 711.44 feet; Thence North 88°20'26" East, a distance of 1227.83 feet; Thence South 08°21'29" East, a distance of 49.66 feet to a Point of Terminus, said point being located South 37°46'37" West, a distance of 1406.31 feet from the Northeast corner of Section 03,

T.41N., R.71W.

Course 2: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 03, T.41N, R.71W; Thence South 01°46'54" West, a distance of 1053.97 feet to the Point of Beginning. Thence North 01°07'55" West, a distance of 730.63 feet; Thence North 61°32'39" West, a distance of 226.41 feet; Thence North 83°38'42" West, a distance of 232.72 feet to a Point of Terminus (Teckla Sub), said point being located South 68°22'25" West, a distance of 513.71 feet from the Northeast corner of Section 03, T.41N, R.71W.

Course 3: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 03, T.41N, R.71W; Thence South 69°18'57" West, a distance of 441.67 feet to the Point of Beginning (Teckla Sub). Thence North 89°56'55" East a distance of 145.20 feet; Thence North 01°21'03" West, a distance of 254.68 feet to a Point of Terminus (Porcupine Sub), said point being located North 70°11'02" West, a distance of 291.25 feet from the Southeast corner of Section 34, T.42N, R.71W. *Bearings and Distances are based upon NAD83 (2011) Wyoming State Plane, East Central Zone, US Feet.

The estimated total cost of the proposed Project is \$1,877,825. The Project will be financed by contribution in aid of construction from Peabody Mining.

This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at any PRECorp Wyoming business office, or at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours. The Application can also be viewed at www.precorp.coop.

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request a public hearing in this matter must so file with the Commission in writing on or before July 18, 2019. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 10014-200-CN-19 (Record No. 15273) in your communications.

Dated: June 18, 2019
(Publish June 20, 2019 and June 27, 2019)

Last week's answers



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Meeting Notice

BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the proposed budget for the West End Water District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, which is now being considered by the Board of Directors, will be held at the USDA Service Center, 1225 Washington, Newcastle, Wyoming on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at which time any and all persons interested may appear and be heard respecting the budget. A summary of proposed budget follows:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

Estimated Unencumbered Cash at June 30, 2018	330,836
Estimated Revenues:	
Water Sales	72,000
Interest Income	1,500
Total Estimated Revenue:	73,500

Total Estimated Cash & Estimated Revenues Available	
For Appropriations:	403,500
Wages	10,000
Payroll Taxes	1,000
Office & Administration	5,000
Dues, Legal & Accounting	5,500
Repairs & Labor	31,000
Miscellaneous	4,000
Propane	1,000
Insurance	1,000
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Principal Payments	0
Total Appropriations:	60,500
Cash Reserve Fund	343,500
Total Requirements (Publish June 27, 2019)	403,500

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Senior Services and Gateway Fellowship and all the workers that provided the luncheon after Glen's Celebration of Life services. We also appreciate all your visits and love that was shown to Glen and Liz during this time. God Bless all of you! Love, Liz, Dan & Michelle, Cheryl, Mike, Roy, and all the grandkids and great grandkids.

From the Boulden Family
 The family of Bill Boulden sends heartfelt thanks to Weston County Health Services and Manor for their kindness and loving care shown to Bill. Special thanks are extended to clergy and staff at Corpus Christi Catholic Church. Thanks also to friends and family for the many expressions of condolences and support. Bill, along with his family, truly understood the blessings of

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Bart Loebs prepares to throw out the first pitch of the annual Mefford Memorial Tournament on June 14. **Joey Mefford** recognized Loeb's as being a baseball lover and contributor to not only the annual tournament, but the Newcastle community as a whole. Below, teams take a moment to face the flag for the National Anthem during the opening ceremony at the Newcastle baseball fields. Seven teams from across the region came to Newcastle over three days to play baseball and enjoy prizes, thanks to **Joey and Bryan Mefford**.



Hunt

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for grooming and keeping the trail in good shape, Mayor Deb Piana said, then Hunt should be allowed to put in a trail.

City Attorney Jim Peck said that approval from the council would still be necessary because the trail will be on city property.

"If it is on city property and if she wants to do it and maintain it, that is fine with me," Piana said. "If something happens, we are not obligated to maintain it."

Piana asked why the trail was an issue if the city would not be obligated to maintain it.

"I didn't want the city to feel like they had to maintain anything," McColley said. "I wanted that to be clear. I think we are fine, though."

The council approved the trail, specifying that Moore must approve the plans and be included in the process.

Hunt also proposed putting a statue of a cow and a statue of a horse and rider near the Weston County Public Health office.

Moore said that the parks committee agreed during discussion that the statues were appropriate but that the committee was unsure of the location.

Hunt said that the location is important because the statues show the history of Stampede Street. Her plan is to add the statues to the butterflies and benches that are already there.

"I want to add on by doing the history of Stampede Street and how the trail went on through there," Hunt said.

She said that she has done research with local ranchers to make sure the cow is the same type that was run through the area and about the old stampedes that occurred on the road.

"When trailing the cattle in, a dog would see the cattle and race at them. The kids would get to whooping and hollering, and there would literally be a stampede of cattle," Hunt said. "That is how the road got its name. It is a historical location and an addition to the interpretive site in that location."

Alexander said the committee was concerned about the cluttered and random nature of the artwork. He suggested moving the butterflies to Centennial Park in favor of putting the cow and horse on Stampede Street.

"That defeats the purpose of my plan for that area," Hunt said.

The city will have no monetary requirements for the statue project, Hunt said, and she will be raising the funds through grants and donations, as well as her own funds.

"My gut feeling when I looked at it is I didn't like it. In my opinion, it is congested there and everything in that area is too much," McColley said.

"I am not trying to fight with you, but that is a lot of stuff right there," McColley said to Hunt.

Piana said that the new statues would not fit the current theme of the area.

Both McColley and Piana said they would like to see the butterflies relocated.

"If you think you have to, okay, but that defeats my whole purpose of how I would originally build that area," Hunt said. "You would also have to put them somewhere the sprinklers won't hit them."

After the discussion, Alexander moved to allow Hunt to do the project as presented and the council passed the motion.

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