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Tuesday April 21st 2020

www.LampasasRadio.com News at 7:20am & 12, 6pm &

The Weather



The High yesterday 58° The Low this morning 41° The forecasters say there is a possibility of an isolated storm tonight associated with the dryline arriving in our area. The moisture in the air will increase as a low-level-jet pulls the Gulf moisture northward. The chances for showers and storms increase tomorrow mainly in the morning.

Today: Mostly cloudy with a high temperature near 81°. Winds will be S-SE near 5-15 mph.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and storms in the evening. The low temperature will be near 67°. The wind will be S-SE near 15 mph.

Wednesday: Cloudy then clearing in the afternoon. There is a 70% chance of showers and storms from the morning until early afternoon. The wind will be S at 10-15 mph, gusting to 20 mph. Wednesday Night: A 30% chance of showers and storms in the evening, then clearing with a low near 57°. Winds will be from the S-SW at 5-10 mph, becoming N after midnight.

Thursday: Sunny with a high near 83° Wind will be N at 5-10 mph. .

Thursday Night: Clear with E-SE winds at 5-10 mph becoming N after midnight. .

County Holding Emergency Meeting



Lampasas County Judge Randy

Hoyer announced this morning that he has scheduled an Emergency Called Commissioner's Court Meeting today at 1:30pm. The meeting is to reconsider rescinding the current Shelter in Place order and pass a new order to follow the guidance of the Executive Orders from the Governor of Texas.

Lampasas Radio will post any new orders on the Lampasas Radio Facebook page.

City Council Special Meeting



The Lampasas City Council met yesterday at 5:30pm in a special session. It was streamed live. A public comment was made by a caller who thought that the city should help everyone with their utilities, not just

the businesses. It was agreed upon that there is not enough funding, and Mayor Misti Talbert said that "the spirit of this order is to cover those impacted by the order that the council issues". The City Council is trying to provide assistance to the businesses most affected by the order closing businesses.

The City and the Economic Development Corp. are implementing assistance programs.

One is a two-tiered assistance program. Tier 1 is for businesses that lost most of their business due to accommodating the shelter in place order from the city. The will have assistance for up to 100% of the utility bill for the business. Tire 2 will include businesses that had to shut down a portion of their business, yet were able to keep other portions of their businesses open. Tier 2 will cover 75% of their 1^{st} utility bill. (See story with message from Mandy Walsh).

The City Council discussed the credit card fees that are charged to customers to use a credit or debit card. The City Council again denied for the 2nd time waiving these fees for customers.

The 2^{nd} program will be handled by the City with the criteria and detail being fine tuned as we speak. The application should be on the city's website if not tonight then tomorrow. The number to call for questions is 512.556.6831.

Re-opening Hancock Park Golf Course was discussed. The requirements will be mandatory tee-times, with tee-times a minimum of 12 minutes apart, the carts will be sanitized after each use, limiting the number of people in the Golf Shop, and only one person per group would come in to pay. Under these conditions, the re-opening of the Golf Course was approved. An amendment was made to the stay at home order to allow for policies that change at a state level to be implemented on a local level in Lampasas. For example this Friday, local retail stores will be able to have to-go options. Mayor Misti Talbert would like to remind everyone to continuing social distancing.

From the Mayor

Lampasas Mayor Misti Talbert sent the following

last night. This is regarding one of the programs offered by the City.:

"This grant was approved by the LEDC last Wednesday, April 15th and tonight by City Council. These will be small relief grants to assist any business within the City limits that has been impacted by COVID-19. The maximum amount that may be awarded is \$3,000 per applicant (keep in mind this does not mean every applicant receives he max amount). The review committee will be the determining factor and is made up of (3) Board Members (President Charlie Pratus, Misti Talbert & TJ Monroe) and (2) staff members (Finley deGraffenried and Mandy Walsh)." Please call 512-556-6831 with any questions.



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The Blotter

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Monday shows an early morning assault in the 200 block of Riverview Dr. at 12:46am. Suspicious activity was reported in the 300 block of W. North Ave at 3:54 am. A criminal trespass was reported in the 1300 block of CTE at 11:20am, then a criminal mischief report came in from the 400 block of S. Chestnut at 11:40am. The afternoon shows a burglary of motor vehicle report in the 400 block of E. 5th St. at 12:06pm. A minor accident took place in the 900 block of N. Key at 2:09pm, then a report of criminal mischief was reported in the 1700 block of Taylor St. at 3:25pm. A disturbance took place in the 100 block of S. Chestnut at 6:02pm, and a domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of N. Race St. at 8:37pm.

The Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for Monday shows Lometa with a livestock problem. Kempner shows call form animal issues, reported threats, a welfare check, a civil matter, and a medical call. Out in the county there were civil matters, livestock issues, reports of suspicious activity, and a reported disturbance. Deputies went into Cove for animal issues and a reported harassment.

The Burn Ban has been lifted indefinitely

Workforce Solutions Launches "Jobs Now" Page

Workforce Solutions of Central Texas sent the following press release.:

Workforce Solutions of Central Texas has launched a new page that helps connect job seekers directly to employers. Because of the need for essential workers across many industry sectors and the large volume of traffic on the

State's <u>WorkInTexas.com</u> job site, Workforce Solutions of Central Texas is posting jobs that are hiring now in Central Texas.

"We began to hear from job seekers that they have had trouble registering on the state web site. Our priority is to connect people with jobs so we decide to provide an alternative to view those opportunities. It is certainly a unique and critical time for the workers in Central Texas" said Susan Kamas the Executive Director of the Central Texas Workforce Board. "Families are being impacted by job loss while at the same time many employers are trying to connect with new talent".

From April 4 to April 10, there were more than 2,300 unique job postings for the Central Texas region that spanned multiple industry sectors with the leader being healthcare. Louis

LeDoux, Chief Operating Officer wants job seekers to know that Workforce Solutions is there to assist customers. "The facilities may be closed but we are still operating to serve the needs of Central Texas. We have the infrastructure in place for staff to assist the needs of our customers remotely and we are still focused on meeting their needs".

The Jobs Now! page helps job seekers to easily identify the jobs and the employers in our area. The page can be found at <u>https://workforcesolutionsctx.com/jobs-now/</u>.

Stay Home Stay Safe



Updated Closures, Cancellations and Changes.....



The Boys & Girls Club of Lampasas is offering Grab-n-Go meals from 4:30-6pm every day for any child under the age of 18. The child has to be in the car with the adult. Just pull up in front of the building and they will be set up on the sidewalk.

Lampasas High School will have a packet-pick up day on Friday May 1st from 11am-6pm. The school is asking that you turn in library books and all late fees are waived

The Radiogram Offices will be expanding our hours until further notice. We will be open from 9am to 3pm. We are still limited on where we can deliver the Radiogram. Convenience stores, the Dollar Stores, Subway, Tractor Supply and there will be more available in front of our building at 505 N. Key.

The Mission will no longer be open on Mondays. They will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm-3pm for the Drive-thru and walk -up services.

The Mission also states that at this time, due to the COVID-19 pandemic they are not taking any donations of clothing or household items until further notice.

The only donations being accepted at this time are food donations.

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