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Wednesday
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The Weather



The high yesterday 95° This morning's low 73°

Lampasas received .35 inches of rain yesterday

Today: Mostly cloudy with a high temperature near 86° and a 50% chance of showers and storms. Wind will be S near 5 mph.

Tonight: Look for the mostly cloudy skies to continue and the low temperature will dip to near 73°. Wind will become calm. There is a 30% chance of precipitation this evening.

Thursday: Partly sunny with a high temperature near 89°. There is a 70% chance of showers and storms. Winds will be S-SW near 5 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy skies with a low near 72°. Winds will become calm. There is a 50% chance of showers and storms.

Friday: Skies will be partly sunny with the temperature topping out near 86° and a 60% chance of showers and storms. Wind will be E near 5 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy skies and the low will be near 71°. Winds will become calm. There is a 30% chance of showers and storms in the evening.

Public Tax Hearings

Lampasas County will be having their public hearing on the tax rate at 6pm on Thursday September 8th at the 1st floor Annex Conference Room at 409 S. Pecan St.

On the same day, at 6:15pm, the county will have their public hearing on the County Budget.

The City of Lampasas will hold their public tax hearing on Wednesday September 7th at 5:30pm at the Calvert Building on E. 3rd St.

The no-new-revenue tax rate would impose the same amount of taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. In most cases, the voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can adopt without holding an election. In each case, these rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of taxes by the current taxable value with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

This year's no-new-revenue tax rate: \$0.2894/\$100

Highest rate approved they can raise the taxes to without voter approval: \$.3157/\$100

This year's proposed tax rate is \$0.3156/100

Damage to Local Sports Field

On 08/29/2022 it was reported that the batting cage at Turner Field had been damaged and the home plate stolen. The Lampasas PD is asking for the public's help in identifying the person or persons that did this. This batting cage is for the community and the children of Lampasas. A lot of work goes in to maintaining and having good equipment for the community to use. To replace the netting is expensive and LCYLA will have to come up with the funds to replace it. If you have any information on who is responsible for the damage and theft, please contact the Lampasas Police Department.

Cotton Crops Suffering in Drought, Heat

(Texas Tribune) Cotton production has been decimated by drought and extreme heat this year, costing Texas High Plains farmers and other agricultural industries at least \$2 billion, according to one estimate.

"There's just not much crop out there," said Brad Heffington, a cotton farmer in Littlefield. "A lot of cotton burned up and a lot of it never even made it up to begin with."

Heffington's farm is about 40 miles northwest of Lubbock in the state's High Plains, an area that stretches from Lubbock to the tip of Panhandle and covers 42 counties. The region produces an abundance of cotton and cottonseed, accounting for 66% of the state's total yield. It's more than a third of the nation's total crop. It's 4% globally.

In a good year, cotton production can net \$4 billion to \$5 billion for the High Plains economy alone. The International Center for Agricultural Competitiveness at Texas Tech University estimates cotton production in the High Plains will be down by \$2 billion this year.

As nearly the entire state — 95% — faces drought conditions, farms have been forced to cut their losses. Cotton is just one of many crops suffering under the drought. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Crop Progress report, 29% of Texas corn is in very poor condition and 39% of the state's range lands are as well. This has greatly affected livestock, as cattle sales increased this summer due to dry pastures and low hay supply to feed the cattle. (cont'd on back)

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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Tuesday shows a reported criminal mischief reported in the 2700 block of 281S at 11:47am, and a fraud reported in the 500 block of S. Broad St. at 11:59am. The afternoon shows an assault was reported in the 600 block of N. Key Ave. at 1:07pm, a minor accident reported at the intersection of Key Ave. and North Ave. at 3:34pm, a harassment on Park Lane at 4:39pm and a suspicious person reported in the 100 block of Riverview Dr. at 11:22pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Blotter for Tuesday shows Lometa with reports of suspicious activity. In Kempner there were reports of suspicious activity, medical calls, a requested welfare check and a reported trespassing. Out in the county there were civil matters, reports of suspicious activity, an accident, livestock issues, and reported threats. Deputies went into Cove on animal/livestock issues, and a medical call.

(cont'd from front) "They've had to liquidate their cattle herds due to the fact that there's nothing for the cattle to eat without supplemental feeding," said Brant Wilbourn, associate director of commodity and regulatory activities at Texas Farm Bureau.

A bad year for cotton spells disaster for the state, which leads the nation in cotton production. As the state's largest agricultural export, cotton is responsible for thousands of jobs in other sectors, such as ginning companies, warehouses and oil mill processing plants.

It won't be only those in agriculture who feel the impact of this year's loss. Without the disposable income from producers in the area, restaurants, small businesses, car dealerships and more will also be hurt from the sudden economic downturn in the unstable economy.

And as demand for cotton rises due to low supply, consumers also will see a rise in products or apparel with cotton.

"The biggest earner in the South Plains is the agriculture industry, so it's a serious deal when your whole economy feels that," Heffington said.

The Electric Grid and Extreme Weather

(The Texas Tribune) A year and a half after a severe winter storm nearly collapsed the state's power grid, Texas oil and gas regulators approved new rules Tuesday that would require natural gas companies to properly prepare their equipment for extreme weather.

The rules will require oil and gas companies to be able to continue operating during a weather emergency, but they do not specify the standards the agency's inspectors will use to measure readiness. They also require companies to submit annual reports to the Texas Railroad Commission, which regulates the state's massive oil and gas sector, outlining what they have done to ensure their facilities won't fail during weather emergencies.

If companies do not comply with the new rules, they would be subject to a minimum \$5,000 fine and a maximum fine of \$1 million. Critics are skeptical about whether the Railroad Commission can prevent another catastrophe like the one that struck Texas in February 2021, when extended freezing temperatures shut down natural gas facilities and power plants,

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which rely on each other to keep electricity flowing. The resulting blackouts left millions of Texans without power for days, and hundreds of people died in the winter storm.

A Federal Energy Regulatory Commission report on the Texas freeze released in late 2021 found that 87% of unplanned generation outages were due to fuel issues related to natural gas.

It's unclear from the new rules what action the attorney general can take against companies beyond fines.

According to the weatherization proposal the commission adopted Tuesday, the new rules apply only to gas supply chain facility operators and gas pipeline facility operators that are included in a supply chain map the agency created this year to chart the state's energy infrastructure, as mandated by lawmakers during the 2021 legislative session.

While the Railroad Commission took more than a year to implement weatherization standards, the Texas Public Utility Commission, which oversees the state's power grid operator — the Electric Reliability Council of Texas — implemented rules last fall requiring power plants to fix "acute" issues exposed by the February 2021 disaster. Those rules were based on recommendations that were made — but never acted upon — a decade ago by experts and federal regulators after a 2011 winter storm caused widespread rolling power outages.

During Tuesday's meeting, Luke Warford, a Democrat who is challenging Railroad Commission Chair Wayne Christian in the November election, slammed Christian and the Railroad Commission. The new rule "is beyond inadequate, failing to provide the accountability Texans deserve," Warford told the board. "How can we possibly trust that this rule is going to keep us safe now?"

Neither Christian nor the other commissioners responded to Warford's remarks during the public comments portion of the meeting.

Sports

Badger Football

Badger Football Fans:

The Lampasas Sub-Varsity football teams takes on Northeast Early College High School tomorrow at the Lampasas High School Field beginning with the Freshmen at 5pm. The JV will kick off at 6:30pm.

Badger Volleyball

The Lady Badgers competed last night against Shoemaker, the scores are as follows:

Freshman, (7-25) (23-25)

JV, (9-25) (25-19)(5-15)

Varsity, (18-25) (12-25) (13-25)

Stat leaders: Kills- B. Pelbath 4, M. Fletcher 3. Digs- B. Quarles 14, M. Fletcher 9. Blocks, L. White 1, L. Hamill 1

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