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Tuesday May 15th 2018

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News at 7:20am & 12:15, 6pm & 10pm

The Weather



The High yesterday 89° The Low this morning 67° Rainfall at the airport about 11:50pm last night - .01 in.

Today: Another rain chance today, about 40%, as clouds pass through the area, then some sunshine to heat up the afternoon to about 90° . The calm wind this morning will get up to about 5-10 mph later this afternoon.

Tonight: A 30% chance of rain with a cloudy overnight and a low around 67°. SE wind will be 5-10 mph, and shifting to the NW.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, but with a small chance of rain in the afternoon, and a high near 92°. The N-NE wind will be 5-10 mph.

Overnight, a slight chance of rain and a low around 67°.

The rest of the week: Thursday will be sunny with a high near 94° and with calm wind becoming southerly and light. Friday will be mostly sunny, windy, and the high will get back up to 94° again. Saturday will be mostly sunny with a high near 92° and south wind will be 10-15 mph with gusts to 25.

Monday's Early Voting Start

The County Election Office reports that 379 people showed up to vote yesterday in the first day of Early Voting for the May 22nd Runoff Elections. In addition, some 245 ballots by mail had come in.

That indicates a likely large Election turnout here. The ballot for the Republican Primary Runoff Election is much bigger than it has been in recent memory in this county. There are runoffs for Lampasas County District Clerk, Precinct 2 County Commissioner, Lampasas County Judge and for District 54 Texas House of Representatives. Early Voting continues thru Friday, then Election Day is Tuesday, May 22nd.

Commissioners Meet

Lampasas County Commissioners Court met on Monday morning and, among other things, heard a couple of presentations.

Lampasas County Sheriff Jess Ramos was seeking the Court's approval to apply for a one year grant that would allow the Sheriff to hire two additional deputies. The officers would be trained for crisis intervention where mental illness was the main factor. The aim would be to divert the incarceration of persons with mental illness away from jail and to a mental health facility where their problems can be directly addressed. The Sheriff made the point that in 2017 there were 176 persons incarcerated in the County Jail with mental illness. The grant would pay the salaries of the officers and half the costs of benefits, new equipment and vehicles, but only for the one year. The request was approved 4 to 1, but Commissioner Mark Rainwater voted against it, noting that it was only a one year grant and after that, the County would have to fund the officers and the cost on its own.

Another presentation came from a Kempner resident, Michaela Ramos. Ms Ramos has two Great Danes that killed a rabid raccoon on her property. The dogs were not injured and had been vaccinated. In the process of trying to have the dead raccoon tested for rabies, Ms Ramos learned that the County Health Department will not pay for the costs (about \$100) of testing the dogs involved. The concern of Ms Ramos was about the spread of rabies when the owner of a pet or livestock cannot afford the costs of trapping and testing. Commissioner Lindeman made the point that the County does not have the resources

to take on those costs; and that animal ownership comes with the responsibility of the costs of vaccinations and protection of the animal. The Commissioner and Ms Ramos agreed to continue their discussion following the Court session.

Other actions of the Court included the approval of a utility installation permit for a waterline that will cross under CR-4765.

City Council Met Monday

The Lampasas City Council met Monday evening with a Special Session, a Workshop Session, and a Regular Session.

The highlight of the evening came in the Special Session with the stepping down of one Council member, the swearing in of a new one, the re-swearing in of 2 current members, and the election of a new Mayor Pro Tem.

Outgoing Precinct 4 Council Member, Greg Smith was honored with a plaque of appreciation for his one year of appointed service and with a donation of 10 trees in his name to the Arbor Day Foundation. Newly elected council member, Cathy Kuehne, was sworn in as Mr. Smith's replacement and took her seat on the Council. Current Council members Chuck Williamson and Michael White were sworn in for new terms, and Council member TJ Monroe was elected Mayor Pro Tem.

In the Workshop Session, City Manager Finley deGraffenried informed the Council that there were 4 qualified bids received for the renovation of the Roy L. Thomas Old City Hall. The low bid and best qualified bid was from ASJ Construction, a Lampasas company, at \$1,043,000.00. In the Regular Session, the Council voted 7-0 to



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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Monday showed a suspicious vehicle report at Western and Live Oak at 3:10am. At 9:51am there was a reckless driver on Hwy 281N and at 10:51am a call reported fraud in the 1300 block of FM 580 E. At 11:58am there was a minor accident in the 1300 block of S. Key.

The afternoon saw a disturbance in the 900 block of CTE at 12:54pm, then a fraud in the 1400 block of W. 1st at 2:42pm. At 3:12pm a suspicious person report came from the 1100 block of E. Ave H.

The evening brought an arrest in the 500 block of S. Key at 11:22pm. A 32 yr old Austin man was charged with possession of marijuana. The last call of the day was a prowler report in the 600 block of S. Ridge at 11:28pm.

Lampasas Co. Sheriff's Dept. Blotter shows Lometa had an animal bite and a few animal complaints. Kempner had some animal complaints, along with suspicious person calls and a disturbance. Out in the county, Deputies responded to a shots fired call, an alarm and an animal complaint.

The Jail Log showed the county booking in a 30 yr old Lampasas woman on a probation violation.

The Burn Ban <u>is lifted until Sunday at 7pm in Lampasas Co.</u>

Rabbit Fest Starts Thursday

The 38th Annual Rabbit Fest kicks off on Thursday, May 17th and runs through Sunday. The 2018 event will be at Copperas Cove's City Park. The Cove Chamber says that over 20,000 people attend this festival every year. It offers food and craft vendors, carnival rides, live entertainment, a car show and much more. And, don't forget the Rabbit Fest Parade on Saturday morning, May 19th.

Sports

Hancock Park Golf

In addition to the annual Memorial Day Tournament coming up the 25th thru the 28th of May, there's lots more going on at Hancock Park's Golf Course, like Thursday's Middle School Boys and Girls District Tournament. This one starts at 3pm and the course will be closed during that time.







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award the contract to ASJ Construction. This represents the culmination of 5 years of study and planning.

Other actions taken by the Council in Regular Session included:

- The approval of a proposed re-wording of an agreement with the County that would eliminate the present \$500 cap on charges by the City to the County for fire inspections.
- •The creation of an "Employee Benefits Trust" to help lower the costs to employees for benefits. Council members will comprise the board to administrate the trust.
- •The approval to renew the City's health insurance coverage for employees with Scott & White Health Plan for next year.

The County Judge is the Chief Executive Officer of the county. With over 20 years experience in administration, Randy Hoyer has....

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