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Push to enact aggregate tax to resume in 2021

McCall, Bullard stress importance of reporting in 2020 Census

By John A. Small
Managing Editor

The quest to pass legislation aimed at allowing Johnston County and Oklahoma’s other aggregate-producing counties the opportunity to collect tax funds on such production will continue in the coming session, two members of the county’s state legislative team announced this week.

State Speaker of the House Charles McCall - whose District 22 includes Johnston County - and District 6 State Sen. David Bullard were in Tishomingo Monday evening to speak to constituents at the Johnston County Chamber of Commerce’s latest legislative update event.

The program had originally been scheduled to take place at Pennington Creek Park. It was relocated to the Doghouse at Ole Red due to concerns about the weather, Chamber Executive Director Jordyn Frazier told the *Sentinel*.

Turnout for the event was small; besides McCall (R-Atoka) and Bullard (R-Durant) only six were in attendance, including Frazier and the *Sentinel*. But the legislators were unfazed and seemed to relish the opportunity for the more informal, one-on-one discussion on a variety of issues.

Chief among those issues was Bullard’s announcement that he intends to run the proposed aggregate tax bill through the state senate again in 2021. Bullard, who represents part of Johnston County, said the bill would be an amended version of Senate Bill 440, filed last year by Sen. Frank Simpson (R-Ardmore), whose District 6 includes the rest of the county.

SB 440 would have allowed individual counties to call for elections to pass a severance tax on locally mined rock, gravel, granite, sand and limestone.

The legislation would authorize any county in Oklahoma “to levy a tax upon the severance of rock, gravel, granite, sand, limestone or any other natural materials mined for purposes of

producing aggregate within the territorial limits of the county by any lawfully recognized for-profit business entity in an amount specified in the special election called as provided herein.”

The measure would also provide for exceptions for materials extracted on private property by natural persons, and for limestone extracted for agricultural purposes.

Bullard said his new version of the bill would put a portion of revenues collected by counties in which the tax is enacted into that county’s roads and bridges fund, with a portion also earmarked for municipalities. He noted that he hopes to have the Oklahoma Municipal League sign on as a supporter of the legislation.

SB 440 and a companion bill, House Bill 1404, were both assigned last year to the Senate Finance Committee, whose chairperson - Sen. Stephanie Bice of Oklahoma City - would not allow the bill to be heard. Supporters of the proposed legislation have singled out Bice, who is currently running for re-election, as a key opponent to any legislation that might benefit rural areas of the state.

Bullard cited the legislation’s status as a “county option” proposal as the reason he is a strong supporter. “If it were a statewide tax I wouldn’t be for it,” he acknowledged, but added that he felt voters in the individual counties should have the opportunity to decide whether such a tax should be enacted locally.

Among the other issues discussed at length during Monday night’s event was one of the two ballot initiatives appearing on the Nov. 3 ballot - State Question 805, a criminal justice reform measure that would alter the state’s Constitution by ending the use of sentence enhancements for repeat nonviolent offenders.

Both men voiced opposition to the citizen-led ballot measure, saying it would place additional burdens on law

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Speaker of the House Charles McCall (right) and State Sen. David Bullard discuss the upcoming legislative session with Tishomingo Mayor Woody Jumper and former State Rep. Paul Roan prior to the start of Monday night’s meeting. (*Sentinel* staff photo by John Small)

Commissioners seek answers on COVID-19 sick leave policy

By John A. Small
Managing Editor

A discussion regarding the proposed approval of a COVID-19 sick leave policy for county employees was the main item of business before the Johnston County Board of Commissioners this week.

During their regular weekly meeting Monday morning, commissioners Jacky Hallmark, Mike Thompson and T.J. Clements reviewed a copy of a fact sheet sent out earlier this year by the United States Department of Labor, which addresses paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FF-

CRA).

Under the terms of the FFCRA, employers covered under the act must provide employees up to two weeks - 80 hours, or a part-time employee’s two-week equivalent - of paid sick leave, based on the higher of their regular rate of pay or the applicable state or federal minimum wage.

The policy states that an employee is entitled to take leave related to COVID-19 if the employee is unable to work - including being unable to telework - due to one of six listed reasons. Those qualifying reasons include:

1. The employee is subject to a federal, state or local quarantine or

isolation order related to COVID-19;

2. The employee has been advised by a healthcare provider to self-quarantine related to COVID-19;

3. The employee is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and is seeking a medical diagnosis;

4. The employee is caring for an individual subject to an order or self-quarantine as described in items 1 and 2;

5. The employee is caring for their child whose school or place of care is closed, or a child care provider is unavailable, due to COVID-19 related reasons; or

6. The employee is

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State election warning issued

Oklahoma State Election Board Secretary Paul Zirix issued a voter alert this week, warning voters about a text message that was received by a voter last Friday, that falsely claimed the voter’s polling place had changed.

The complaint has been referred to law enforcement, Zirix said on Monday, Oct. 19.

According to Zirix, the text message falsely advised the voter that her polling place had changed, then asked the voter to reply to the text to confirm her name.

It then provided a phone number to call to be removed from the no-

tification list.

The phone number provided in the text message is reportedly for a male escort service.

“Disinformation about the voting process is a real threat,” Zirix said “Voters should be very cautious about phone calls, e-mails, social media posts and text messages containing false information about elections, and report suspicious communications to election officials immediately.”

Polling place changes are rare in Oklahoma. When they occur, affected voters are notified by the County Election Board through the U.S.

Postal Service.

“Election officials will never contact you by text message to tell you your polling place has changed,” Zirix said.

Voters should use the OK Voter Portal on the State Election Board website (www.ok.gov/elections/OVP.html); or contact the Johnston County Election Board at 371-3670 to find or verify their polling place.



Keeping Smokey’s plane ship-shape

A crew from Potomac River Enterprise Solutions (PRES) LLC, based out of Stafford, Va., was in Tishomingo last Thursday, Oct. 15, to inspect and make any needed repairs to the Blue Angel aircraft that is on loan from the U.S. Navy and displayed in honor of Navy Cmdr. Clarence “Smokey” Tolbert at the local war memorial just outside Pennington Creek Park. According to Jim Breland, program manager, PRES LLC travels all over the United States inspecting and maintaining aircraft that are on display to ensure that they remain safe for viewing. (*Sentinel* staff photo by Mary Lokey)

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Weekend Weather:

FRIDAY: Cloudy with high of 67F and possible morning thunderstorms; cloudy with showers overnight. SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy, with daytime high of 64F and overnight low of 53F. SUNDAY: Cloudy with occasional rain and possible thunderstorms.

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Captain Church and the Case of the Counterfeit Coins

Mrs. de Coverlet was pacing about her late husband's study, trying - without much success - to collect her thoughts, when the butler walked into the room. "The police detective you sent for has arrived," he announced.

In response, Mrs. de Coverlet looked at the clock and gave a quiet sigh of disapproval. "Finally," she said under her breath. "Thank you, Abelard. Please, send him in."

Abelard bowed slightly in response, then spun around and quietly exited the study. A moment later he returned, followed closely by a tall, thin man wearing a disheveled old trench coat and a beat-up Stetson.

The lady of the house seemed none too impressed, but managed a weak smile as she held out her hand in greeting. "Welcome," she said. "I am Mrs. Constance de Coverlet."

"Hiya," the newcomer said as he shook her hand. "Captain Jacob Caligula Church, Detective Squad."

"I appreciate the speed at which you have responded to my call," Mrs. de Coverlet said. "I'm afraid we have a bit of a situation."

"Then it's a good thing you called me," Church said as he took a seat. "Situations happen to be my specialty. So tell me about it."

Mrs. de Coverlet took a deep breath before launching into her story. "My dear husband, the late Elric Aloysius de Coverlet, served for many years as president of the North American Society of Numismatists. Are you familiar with the organization, Captain Church?"

The detective's eyes narrowed slightly as he gave the inquiry some thought. "Numismatists," he repeated slowly. "Are they the ones who tell people's fortunes by counting the number of letters in their names?"

Mrs. de Coverlet shook her head. "No," she answered. "Numismatists are people who collect coins, paper currency and medals."

"Really," Church replied, though

it was more a statement than a question. "I thought those were called millionaires."

The woman ignored the comment as she continued. "Now you have to understand, coin collectors can be a somewhat vainglorious lot. They like to believe that their ability to identify counterfeit coins is infallible; whenever some unscrupulous miscreant puts one over on them, they consider it such an insult to that sense of superiority that they often will choose not to prosecute in order to keep other collectors from finding out.

"Unfortunately, my husband was such a man. Shortly before he took ill and passed away, Elric became suspicious that a certain set of old coins he had recently purchased for his collection may not have been authentic as the seller had claimed. Despite my insistence that he investigate, he refused. I fear that his stubborn belief that reputation outweighed reparation may have hastened the illness that occasionally claimed his life."

Church nodded as he reached into the pocket of his trench coat - a death-bed gift from an ancient mystic soft drink distributor on a fog-shrouded bayou island years earlier - and pulled out a Tootsie Pop, raspberry flavored. "Do you mind?" he asked as he removed the paper wrapper. "They help me think since the doc made me give up my cigars."

He popped the candy into his mouth and rolled around on his tongue, then took it back out long enough to inquire, "Do you know who sold your husband these phony dubbloons?"

"As a matter of fact, I do," Mrs. de Coverlet told him. "A scoundrel named Simon McGyrk. He runs a shop over on the east side, right across the street from a Greek diner..."

"Yeah, I know the place," Church said. "Best souvlaki in town." He rose to his feet and announced, "I think I'll go pay Mr. McGyrk a visit. Fear not,

Small Talk

John A. Small



Mrs. de Coverlet, your husband shall be avenged." Then he popped the lollipop back into his mouth as he headed for the door.

Twenty minutes later Church parked his 1962 El Tiburon Shark Roadster in front of McGyrk's Coins and Collectibles and went inside to put his plan into effect. He walked up to the man behind the counter and asked, "Do I have the pleasure of addressing Mr. McGyrk?"

"You do," McGyrk responded. "Can I help you?"

"I hope so," Church told him. "I recently came into a bit of an inheritance and am considering investing part of it in collectible coins. But I'm not very knowledgeable about such things. I was hoping that perhaps you might have a suggestion to help me get started."

A grin spread across McGyrk's features. "A newbie, eh?" he said. "Well, as it happens I did just come upon a coin that would make a great first piece for a new collection." He reached down to a drawer beneath the counter and produced a piece roughly the size of a half-dollar, copper in color and somewhat egg-shaped.

Church took the coin and examined it, flipping it back and forth as he inspected both sides. "Interesting," he muttered. "How old is it?"

"23 B.C.," McGyrk answered. "See, there's the date, stamped right there on the back."

"Ah, yes, so I see." Church placed the coin on the countertop and smiled at the dealer. "Mr. McGyrk, you're under arrest."

A look of surprise came over McGyrk's face. "On what charge?"

"Sale of counterfeit coins," Church answered. He picked the coin back up

and waived it under McGyrk's nose. "This is obviously a phony - as phony as those coins you recently sold to the late Elric de Coverlet, I'd guess!"

He placed the coin in his pocket as evidence and slapped the cuffs on McGyrk's wrists, leading him outside into the custody of a pair of waiting uniformed officers. Later that evening he returned to give Mrs. de Coverlet the news.

She was thrilled, naturally, and at one point posed the same question that McGyrk had asked. "So how *did* you know it was phony, Captain Church?"

The detective replied. He reached into his pocket and produced the coin, placing it in the woman's hand. "I knew it was phony the moment I saw it wasn't round. Smart, huh?"

"Lucky, more like," Mrs. de Coverlet said. "You're right, it's a fake, but not for the reason you thought. Many coins of the period weren't round; they were stamped out on stone presses, not with machines like are used today. No, what gives this one away as fake is the date."

"The date?"

Mrs. de Coverlet smiled. "Yes, the date. This is 2020 A.D. - an abbreviation for 'Anno Domini,' Latin for 'In the Year of our Lord.' Which means that this is 2,020 years after the birth of Jesus."

Church seemed confused. "So?"

"So, the years before Jesus' birth have traditionally been labeled as B.C. - 'Before Christ' - meaning that this coin, if real, had been minted 23 years before the birth of Christ. But the minter would not have used 'B.C.' for the date, because the term would not yet have existed. How could he have known that Jesus would be born 23 years after the coin was made?"

Church reached into his coat pocket and pulled out another Tootsie Pop, grape this time. "I hadn't thought of that," he muttered as he popped the candy into his mouth.

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Local district attorney urges 'no' vote on State Question 805

By Craig Ladd
District Attorney,
20th Judicial District

ston, Carter, Love, Marshall and Murray counties.)

(Editor's Note: Mr. Ladd represents Johnston, Carter, Love, Marshall and Murray counties.)

As your elected District Attorney, I urge you to vote "NO" on State

Guest Column

Question 805 for the following reasons.

SQ 805 offers a Constitutional guarantee to repeat felony offenders that they will not have to face a greater range of punishment than first-time felony offenders. It is really that simple.

For example, if 805 passes, then a five-time second degree burglar (i.e. someone who breaks into your house when you aren't home) will be constitutionally protected from having to face a stiffer range of punishment than a first-time second degree burglar.

The same would be true for a five-time felony domestic abuser and a five-time felony drunk driver. SQ 805 would constitutionally protect these types of recidivist

criminals from facing a harsher range of punishment than first-time felony domestic abusers and drunk drivers.

As the law currently reads, a five-time second degree burglar faces an "enhanced" penalty of four years to life. That's correct, a five-time second degree burglar could receive as little as four years in prison for his crime.

And given that second degree burglary is considered a "non-violent" offense, such an offender would likely be released in less than a year, if not within 90 days, on an ankle monitor.

That's hardly an excessive sentence. In fact, the four-year minimum sentence is true in regards to pretty much

every "non-violent" recidivist felony offender and that's the truth, regardless of all the misinformation being disseminated on this topic.

If 805 passes, then a five-time convicted drug dealer would face a range of punishment of "not more than seven years," the same as a first-time convicted drug dealer.

The same would be true of a five-time convicted second degree burglar and a first-time second degree burglar. They would both face the same range of punishment, incarceration in prison "not exceeding seven years."

For a five-time felony drunk driver, it would cap his sentence at five years, the same potential maximum sentence as a first-time felony drunk driver.

Under SQ 805, an



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offender can commit "non-violent" felonies an *infinite number of times*, and the offender will enjoy a *Constitutional right* to be sentenced within the same range of punishment as if it was his/her first felony offense, every time.

Such a proposition is nonsensical on its face. Shouldn't we reserve Constitutional amendments to at least propositions that make sense?

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experiencing any other substantially similar condition as specified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The policy also states that the Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division (WHD) has the authority to investigate and enforce FFCRA compliance.

(A full description of the FFCRA can be found at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave>.)

After reviewing the document, the commissioners each said they felt the county had no choice but to follow the federal policy.

But they also expressed concerns about language in the policy they felt to be in some cases vague or contra-

dictory.

Hallmark and Clements in particular cited language which he said indicates that employees are not required to provide documentation that they fall under one of the six listed qualifying reasons for taking leave.

"That just kind of keeps you out in the wind as to whether they're really sick or not," Hallmark said.

He also questioned how the county would handle cases in which an employee takes leave because they think they might have the virus and do not, then come back to work and contract the virus later.

"If that happens, then what?" he asked. "I think we need to get somebody to clarify some of this for us."

Clements agreed,

adding his concerns that some employees might claim COVID-related sick leave for such activities as deer hunting.

"It's going to be a problem," Clements said. "To me this means that the employees can do what they want, and if we call them out on it they can sue us."

In addition to the FFCRA fact sheet, the commissioners were given a copy of an opinion written by District Attorney Craig Ladd in response to questions put forth by other officials.

But the commissioners said that opinion - which essentially reiterates the information provided in the fact sheet, as well as Gov. Stitt's restrictions regarding COVID-19 positive counties - did not specifically address their

questions.

As a result, the commissioners chose to table the issue until next week's meeting in hopes of obtaining clarification regarding the questions they have raised.

Two related items - regarding an emergency payroll plan for county employees due to COVID-19, and procedures for the 2020 tax collection process due to COVID-19 - were also tabled until next week.

Also during Monday's meeting, the commissioners approved a pair of claim forms turned in to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation related to the Bullard Chapel Road improvement project in District 1.

Both claim forms were approved by separate votes of 3-0.

Dateline: Johnston County



Four decades of service with RWD 3
Acie Smith (left), manager of Johnston County Rural Water District No. 3, was presented with a 40-year service pin by the District 3 Board of Directors during its Oct. 19 meeting. Smith began his service with the district on Aug. 4, 1980. Pictured with Smith is Joe F. Beck Jr.

Election resolution passed

By **Matthew Cravatt**
Sentinel Correspondent

Ravia News

The Ravia Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for last Monday, Oct. 19, was rescheduled to Monday, Oct. 26, as a precautionary measure in continuing efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

A resolution was passed at the Aug. 17 regular meeting to appear on the upcoming Nov. 3 election ballot to change the town clerk/treasurer to an appointed position, rather than elected.

If passed, the resolution would not intercede in the town clerk/treasurer's current term, and would allow opportunity, if not presumption, for the position to be sought upon becoming available.

Ravia trustees, including Mayor Ricky Kreger, have pointed out the increasing technical difficulty and computer expertise necessary to competently perform town clerk/treasurer duties as a major driving concern in the passing of

this resolution.

"It used to be pencil and paper; ledgers tracking money and bills; and payroll was done in-house, but now everything is more complicated with state and federal requirements, which calls for more training than the town can provide now, and that will only increase with time," Kreger stated.

If passed, this resolution would allow the consideration of nonresidents for town clerk/treasurer, expanding the pool of qualified applicants already educated to do the job, with minimal training required by the state.

Currently, the position of Ravia town clerk/treasurer is an elected position, prohibiting anyone to file for the position who is not a resident, leaving the town dependent on an outside accounting firm to fulfill required duties, costing as much as \$2,000 for a

month's services.

The National Weather Service based forecast summary for the Ravia area: Mostly cloudy skies with a chance of thunderstorms through the weekend cooling temperatures, and the area's first chance for frost by midweek

The Ravia Senior Citizens Center will be closed until further notice because of the COVID-19 spread and staffing issues.

Mayor Ricky Kreger reminds Ravia residents to pen or leash your dogs and keep in contact with family, friends and neighbors, as well as watching private and public property, during the public health emergency. Call 911 should an emergency or civil unrest present itself.

You can inform the Ravia-area community of important news and upcoming events with a call to 371-0275, or e-mail at ravia.news@gmail.com with details.

Fire dues deadline nears

By **Jerry Blackerby**
Sentinel Correspondent

Milburn News

The \$35 annual Milburn Fire Protection dues need to be renewed during the month of October.

The next community prayer meeting will be Nov. 5.

Normally we meet in the Milburn Community Center at 6 p.m. We try to meet on the first Thursday of each month. Come join us and help pray for the prayer requests we receive.

Even though we are only a few people, we try to do as Matthew 18:19 directs us.

We have received some wonderful praise reports of prayer requests being answered. We praise God for the answered prayers.

I created a Facebook group named "Milburn Oklahoma Community Prayer Meeting." If you have Facebook, you can join this group and post prayer requests in the group, or either call me or send me an e-mail.

When you cannot find your keys, remember a name or forget why you walked into a room, do you wonder if you have Alzheimer's or dementia?

Memory loss can be caused by normal aging, stress, or many other factors.

Most experts think the following three situations are probably caused by Alzheimer's or some other form of dementia:

- Changing the way you do things. Dementia causes a person to change how a person does everyday tasks. In the early stages a person realizes they are making mistakes, and may begin double-checking things or quit doing certain tasks. The person may make up excuses for not doing something they quit doing;
- Making choices or decisions becomes hard. Putting a decision off is an early sign of dementia, especially if the person was always decisive. Typically, this can be something like where to go eat or what to choose from a menu; and
- Problems handling money is another early symptom of dementia. One example is making math errors when balancing a checkbook.

Another example is having trouble using an ATM card or trying to use some other type of card in an ATM. Making repeated donations to a charity, renewing subscriptions to unread magazines, and also becoming a victim of financial scammers can also be early symptoms of dementia.

Milburn School:
 Today (Thursday), Oct. 22 - Seventh/eighth grade basketball tournament at Moyers continues.

Today (Thursday), Oct. 22 - Free flu shots for students and staff from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

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 Bible Trivia: Who came into Galilee preaching the Kingdom of God?
 Last week's question: What did the Israelites borrow from their Egyptian neighbors? Answer: Jewels and clothing (Exodus 3:22). Read chapters 3-12 for complete information about how Moses, following God's instructions, led the Israelites out of Egypt.

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 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28 KJV)

Please send an e-mail to jerryblackerby@windstream.net, or call me at home at (580) 443-5618 or my cell phone at (972) 824-2733, at least a week before an event, to have time to get an announcement in the "Milburn News" column.

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THS band earns straight Superior ratings at OSSAA contest

By Melany Patterson
Sentinel Correspondent

Every year that the members of the Pride of Little Dixie come to band camp, they are introduced to music and artists that they may not have ever considered listening to.

This year, listening to the music of Otis Redding and then learning their show music, students commented that this was some of the best and most difficult music they'd ever seen.

Their competition season kicked off with the 11th Annual Pauls

Valley Marching Championship, in which the Pride of Little Dixie earned honors for Outstanding Drum Major in the Parade, Class 3A; First Place in the Parade, Class 3A; and in the Field Competition for Class 3A: High Music Score, First Place Class Small 3A; and Overall Outstanding 3A Band.

Combining the parade and field competitions, the Pride of Little Dixie was awarded the Sweepstakes in Class 3A.

The difficult part in anything is keeping the momentum always mov-

THS Band News

ing forward - never becoming satisfied or complacent. Marching Band is no different.

That hard work paid off on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

While other people were enjoying the first day of fall break, the members of the Pride of Little Dixie gathered at their normal 7:30 a.m. location - the high school parking lot, which serves as their practice field - for one last rehearsal before the OSSAA SE Regional Marching Competition.

After rehearsing, loading the trailer and buses, and being treated to a wonderful meal of smoked pork sandwich-

es, chips, cookies and water furnished by the band boosters, the Pride departed for the contest.

The Pride was the first band after the lunch break. All the individual practicing, early morning group rehearsals, all of the times "run it again" was said - it all came down to this performance for a group of three judges.

The moment "Tishomingo, you may take the field for pre-placement" came out of the loudspeaker, from across the field we heard, "Band, 'ten-hut!' followed by an enthusiastic 'PRIDE!'"

For the next seven minutes, the Pride

played their "Tribute to Otis" with emotion and passion.

When it ended and the directors waited in the results area, the band students began the task of reloading the trailer and buses for the trip home.

Hank Patterson, director of the Pride, gathered the students together and told them that the results were exactly what the Pride and their directors had been working for: Straight Superiors.

There is not a "state contest" for marching band; however, by earning Superior Ratings at the OSSAA Marching contest, the Pride is now on the road to earning the sometimes elusive

Sweepstakes Award, which awards bands for earning Superiors at marching contest, district and state concert band stage performances and state sight-reading.

The senior members of the Pride of Little Dixie will be recognized during halftime of the Oct. 30 football game. The Pride will not slow down even though the OSSAA contest is done, because they will continue working toward the trip to the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, which will occur during Christmas break.

Mr. Patterson would like to thank our students for their high level of focus, dedication and hard work.

Community Calendar

Farmers To Families

The INCA Community Services RSVP program, in conjunction with the Tishomingo Lions Club, will hold its next "Farmers to Families" drive-through food distribution event next Monday, Oct. 26, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Pennington Creek Park in Tishomingo. There should be approximately 200 boxes of free food available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Veterans Barbecue Event

The third annual Veterans' Barbecue and Fish Lunch will be held Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Johnston County Fair Barn in Tishomingo from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans eat for free with proper verification, with suggested donation of \$10 for others; dine-in or carry-out. Menu includes brisket, potato salad, baked beans and cole slaw; or catfish, French fries and hush puppies. Cookies and brownies will also be available; there will also be a silent auction, and a pie and cake auction. The event is being sponsored by the Davis-Moore American Legion and Auxiliary Post 164.

INCA 'Socktober' Event

INCA Community Services' RSVP program is collecting new socks to help those in need. All sizes of men's, women's and children's socks are needed. Donations will benefit local homeless shelters and veterans' centers, and can be dropped off at any INCA county office. The Tishomingo Lions Club is also assisting in the effort, and donations may be given to any Lions Club member; or can be dropped off at the Johnston County Sentinel office, located at 706 West Main Street in Tishomingo. Call 371-2352 for more information.

Deadline for all Community Calendar items is noon on Tuesday. Announcements for Wednesday events should be published the week before the event takes place. Community Calendar items can NOT run for two consecutive weeks.

Anglers prepare for start of trout season

By James Bowser
Sentinel Correspondent

It's that time of year when anglers flock to the Blue River Public Fishing and Hunting Area in hopes of catching freshly stocked trout.

Every year from Nov. 1 to March 31, trout are brought in by truck weekly on a 6.25 mile stretch of the river.

A few things to note before grabbing your tackle are the regulations regarding the season: You can only fish with one pole; the trout limit is six per day, per person; the stringer must have your fishing license number attached to it; and you must obtain a valid fishing license.

There are pristine waterfalls and hiking trails along the bank that make fishing from shore

the preferred method, as the river is not as accommodating to most boats.

There are river crossings you may take by vehicle or on foot, such as Hughes Crossing and a small concrete bridge near camping area one. This makes fishing and navigating the many islands and hidden pools much easier to contend with.

Every year in November they hold a trout tournament, which could land some prizes if you manage to reel in a tagged trout.

Unfortunately, this year the tournament will not happen due to the pandemic.

Trout are not the only game fish in Blue River. In fact, when the trout season is over, channel catfish start their turn in the stocking process,

which is controlled by the state.

However, the orders are done by the camping supply store just outside the Blue River Public Fishing and Hunting Area known as Scotty's Blue River One Stop. Here you can gather any fishing or camping supplies you need, as well as a freshly cooked meal.

The Blue River Public Fishing and Hunting Area is also a great spot to bring the family for the weekend or a camping trip, as the river has two camping areas and a walk-in area for those who do not wish to camp. Ground fires and alcoholic beverages are only to be consumed or lit in camping areas.

While the Blue Riv-

er Public Fishing and Hunting Area is home to a lot of fishing, there are many other activities for individuals or families to partake in such as hunting within season; hiking; kayaking; and much more.

Blue River is in Johnston County, four miles east of Tishomingo on State Highway 78 and six miles north, or north on 377 toward Ada.

There are signs that will help direct you to the river.

Other game fish included in the river that are not limited to seasons are bass, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, spotted catfish and channel catfish.

Maybe it will be you who catches a record.

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Sooner Pharmacy Good Health Tips



A million times a year, pneumonia sends American adults to the hospital. And patients receiving a post-surgery prescription of ibuprofen with a rescue prescription of Percocet used less opioids than a group of similar patients who were prescribed just Percocet, according to research recently presented at the American Orthopedic Society of Sports Medicine's Annual Meeting.

Although there are effective treatments for gout, the most common form of inflammatory arthritis, a new Arthritis Care & Research study found that opioids are commonly prescribed to patients with gout who seek treatment at emergency departments.

Two new studies published in the journal Osteoporosis International and the Journal of Bone and Mineral Research have revealed that nitrogen-bisphosphonates, drugs commonly prescribed for osteoporosis, reduced the risk of premature mortality by 34% in a cohort of over 6,000 individuals. This reduction in early mortality risk was significantly associated with a reduction in bone loss compared with no treatment. The findings present new evidence of the significant benefits of taking approved osteoporosis medicine for those at risk of osteoporosis. After the age of 50, 40% of women and 25% of men will sustain an osteoporotic fragility fracture in their life, an injury that puts them at risk of further fractures. However, currently fewer than 30% of women and 20% of men with fragility fractures are taking approved treatments for osteoporosis.

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ODL awards area libraries Health Literacy grants

The Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) has awarded 23 Health Literacy Grants totaling more than \$161,000 to libraries and adult literacy programs for the 2020-21 grant cycle.

The grant will provide programming at the library system's eight branches in Johnston, Atoka, Carter, Love and Murray counties.

Activities will include exercise classes and healthy food demonstrations, as well as outreach to senior centers and veterans centers with balance and exercise classes.

The provision of Facebook portals

will help seniors in nursing homes and residential facilities connect with family members during the pandemic.

Each year, grant applicants propose programs to meet their community's identified health needs.

This year's programs will include information sessions on physical and mental health; virtual and outside exercise classes; cooking and nutrition classes; community vegetable gardens; Story Walks in public parks; and even a bicycle safety and bicycle lending program.

The creativity and diversity of

Oklahoma's grantees brought national attention to the state's health literacy efforts, according to Leslie Gelders, literacy coordinator at ODL.

The agency's Health Literacy Project has been featured in the book *Healthy Living in the Library: Programs for All Ages* by Noah Lenstra, and Gelders has served on panels at national literacy and health conferences.

ODL continues to participate in a three-year national study on health and wellness programs in small and rural libraries.

Started nine years ago with five pilot sites, ODL's project was developed to address the state's poor health ranking. Oklahoma currently ranks 46th in the health of its residents, according to the 2019 America's Health Rankings from the United Health Foundation.

Originally, the project's emphasis was on helping adult learners understand basic health and medical information, Gelders said, but has grown far beyond that thanks to the vision and innovation of local libraries and literacy programs.

"When these local programs started attracting so many people outside of the original target group, we realized there was a great demand for health information and healthy activities by the population as a whole," Gelders said.

"We quickly adapted the grant opportunity to help libraries and literacy organizations develop programs to address that demand."

Over the course of the project - nearly a decade - 56 organizations have brought health literacy programming to their communities.

Gelders thought she had stopped being surprised by the popularity of the programs, but the pandemic brought a big surprise.

"Our goal for the 2019-20 cycle was to attract the same number of participants as in previous years. That was 20,000. When the pandemic began, we

expected the numbers to go down. Instead, our grantees reported that they had attracted more than 32,000 people to their programs."

Much of that unexpected success was due to virtual programs, Gelders said.

"The grantees had to adapt quickly, and they were able to move programs online. People could attend a tai chi class or a cooking demonstration safely from their homes, and they could watch on their own time because many of the programs were recorded. These virtual programs attracted many people who may not have been able to participate in the past because of their schedules."

For this new grant year, applicants approached their programs with the pandemic in mind, incorporating the possibility of virtual programs.

Libraries in Ada, Bartlesville and Piedmont are planning outside exercise classes. Six public libraries are planning to build Story Walks, which combine reading with outdoor fun.

Gelders said the health literacy project shows no signs of slowing down.

"Some of our grantees apply every year. Some apply off and on. But every year we have new libraries or literacy organizations who apply for funding for the first time."

New grantees this year are public libraries in Maysville and Ringling.

A Facebook group for grantees past and present lets libraries and literacy programs share ideas that can be adopted locally.

Gelders says she has seen libraries and literacy programs embrace a holistic approach to their grant requests.

Oklahoma Health Literacy Project is funded by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services.

For additional information, call (405) 522-3242, or visit libraries.ok.gov/literacy.

School Menus

COLEMAN	cauliflower, carrots, fruit, cookie.	Sausage biscuit, potato rounds, fruit, cereal.
Monday Breakfast	Thursday Lunch	Lunch
Apple cinnamon oatmeal, sausage patty, cereal, fruit.	Chicken pot pie, salad, fruit, crackers.	Chili, cinnamon roll, corn, fruit.
Lunch	Friday Lunch	Wednesday Breakfast
Pig-in-a-blanket, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit, or chef salad with dinner roll.	Pulled pork sandwich, beans, salad, fruit.	Oatmeal, toast, fruit, cereal.
Tuesday Breakfast	MILBURN	Lunch
Biscuit and sausage gravy, cereal, fruit.	Monday Breakfast	Chicken alfredo, breadstick, broccoli, fruit.
Lunch	Monday Breakfast	Thursday Breakfast
Nacho bar (beef, queso, beans) tortilla chips, salsa, fruit, or chicken fajita salad with chips.	Apple cinnamon oatmeal, sausage patty, cereal, fruit.	Doughnut, fruit, cereal.
Wednesday Breakfast	Lunch	Lunch
Fruit pizza (yogurt, fruit and crust), cereal, fruit.	Pig-in-a-blanket, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit.	Riblet sandwich, potato chips, green beans, pickles, fruit.
Lunch	Tuesday Breakfast	MANNVILLE
Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, fruit, or chef salad with dinner roll.	Doughnut, cereal, fruit.	Monday Breakfast
Thursday Breakfast	Lunch	Apple cinnamon oatmeal, sausage patty, cereal, fruit.
Doughnut, cereal, fruit.	Nacho bar (beef, queso, beans), tortilla chips, salsa, fruit.	Lunch
Lunch	Wednesday Breakfast	Pig-in-a-blanket, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit.
Pizza round, Italian salad, baby carrots, S'mores pudding, fruit, or chicken fajita salad with chips.	Fruit pizza (yogurt, fruit and crust), cereal, fruit.	Tuesday Breakfast
TISHOMINGO	Lunch	Biscuit and sausage gravy, cereal, fruit.
Monday Lunch	Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, fruit.	Lunch
Fish sticks, macaroni and cheese, peas, fruit.	Thursday Breakfast	Nacho bar (beef, queso, beans), tortilla chips, salsa, fruit.
Tuesday Lunch	Biscuit and sausage gravy, cereal, fruit.	Wednesday Breakfast
Burrito with chili and cheese, beans, lettuce, tomatoes, Spanish rice, salsa, fruit.	Lunch	Fruit pizza (yogurt, fruit and crust), cereal, fruit.
Wednesday Lunch	Pizza round, Italian salad, baby carrots, S'mores pudding, fruit.	Lunch
Pizza, broccoli,	WAPANUCKA	Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, dinner roll, fruit.
	Monday Breakfast	Thursday Breakfast
	Muffin, yogurt, fruit, cereal	Doughnut, cereal, fruit.
	Lunch	Lunch
	Pork roast, ranch roasted potatoes, roll, butternut squash, fruit.	Ranch chicken flatbread, Italian salad, baby carrots, S'mores pudding fruit.
	Tuesday Breakfast	

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Sloppy Joes	Beans & Ham	Salmon Patty	Beef Stew	Cheeseburger
Potato Salad, Corn	Tomato Spoon Relish, Greens	Lemon Herb Penne, Mixed Vegetables	Cole Slaw, Beets	Relish Tray, Tator Tots
Bun	Cornbread	Sliced Bread	Cornbread	Bun
Mayo in Salad	Margarine	Margarine	Margarine	Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup
Ambrosia	Chilled Peaches	Mandarin Oranges	Brownie	Fruit Cobbler
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Johnston County Milestones

Biddy honored for half-century in pharmacy service

Family Health Center of Southern Oklahoma (FHCSO) paid tribute this week to Phil Biddy for his 50 years of pharmacy service.

The celebration was held in conjunction with National Pharmacy Week, Oct. 18-24, a time designated to honor the pharmacy industry for its service to American communities.

Biddy is a 1970 grad-

uate of Oklahoma University Pharmacy school. After completing his required internship, he received his Vietnam draft documents to serve in the United States Army.

He began his service as a pharmacist in a M.A.S.H. third surgical hospital unit on the Mekong River at the cities of Can Tho, Binh Tuy and Saigon, Vietnam.

Upon his return to

the states, he made his home in Oklahoma and married his sweetheart, Ann, in 1975. They have two children, Lauren and Brent.

Biddy has been an Oklahoma pharmacist for just over 50 years. He and his wife owned their own drugstore for 10 of those years.

Biddy does not have plans to retire anytime soon. However, he enjoys traveling with family and vacationing in the mountains of Angel Fire, N.M.

"Phil Biddy has not only served the U.S. Army in our profession, but the communities of Tulsa, Seminole, Wewoka, Coalgate and Tishomingo for the past 50 years," FHCSO Director of Pharmacy Joe Burns,

Ph.D., said.

"The pharmacy team and I are honored to

work alongside Phil, especially during these trying times. He's a great

person who is dedicated to our patients and the FHCSO clinics."



Pharmacist Phil Biddy (above center) is congratulated for his 50 years of service by Tina Davis, administrator of the Family Health Center of Southern Oklahoma; and FHCSO Director of Pharmacy Joe Burns, Ph.D.

Obituaries

Welborn "Man" Gross

CONNERVILLE – Graveside services for Welborn "Man" Gross, 75, of Connerville, will be held at 11 a.m. this Friday, Oct. 23, at the Seeley-Blue Cemetery in Connerville. He died Oct. 19, 2020, in Connerville.

Family hour will be held today (Thursday), Oct. 22, from 4 to 6 p.m. at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo.

A full obituary will appear in next week's edition of the *Johnston County Sentinel*.

Paid Obituary

B. Wayne Ratliff

B. Wayne Ratliff was born in a fishing cabin on the banks of Pennington Creek near Tishomingo, Okla., on Oct. 17, 1942. He passed from this world with family at his bedside Sept. 15, 2020, in San Antonio, Texas, and was laid to rest with military honors on Oct. 14 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.



The third son of Charles Vernon "Pop" and Mary Geraldine (McIver) Ratliff, Wayne joined 4-year old Joe V., and 2-year old Gerald E. "Gerry." According to family lore, Pop got to the birth certificate first and named him Ballard after a family friend, but he was Wayne to family and friends.

He enlisted in the Army in 1961, just ahead of being drafted. He served tours in Korea, West Germany and Vietnam before his discharge in 1970.

On Oct. 8, 1966, he married Marsh Rose. They divorced amicably and remained friends until his death, corresponding first by letter, then by e-mail.

Wayne wed Susan Adell "Sue" Ostrode Rocha July 8, 1971. His step-parent adoption of daughters Dorothy and Wendy in 1972 was finalized days before Kimberly's birth. In 1974, Robyn completed the family.

On his discharge from the Army, Wayne decided to be a news reporter. He wrote and talked his way onto the staffs of the San Rafael (Calif.) *Independent-Journal*, the Fairfield (Calif.) *Daily Republic*, the Vallejo (Calif.) *Times-Herald*, and the *Johnston County Capital-Democrat* in Tishomingo.

In 1979, about a year after moving to Tishomingo, Wayne's desire to show his girls the world and serve his country had him exploring a return to the Army. He was too old at 37, and had too many children; but was accepted provided he come in with his old occupational specialty, at his old rank, and repeat basic training. He retired as a First Sergeant in 1994 after tours in Germany, Washington state, Desert Shield, Desert Storm, and Texas.

Wayne dreamed of studying the law from his early days as a reporter. In May 1997, he received a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Then he began his third career at the Texas Workforce Commission. He enjoyed his work as an Appeals Hearing Officer, adjudicating disputed claims for unemployment compensation.

Retirement didn't mean he stopped serving. He was on the Architectural Control Committee of his homeowner's association. A charter member of Friends of Maverick Library, he did publicity for book sales to support special programs at "his" library.

He was preceded in death by his father, Pop Ratliff; his mother, Mary Cheatham; his stepfather, Lawrence Cheatham; a brother, Gerry Ratliff; and a son-in-law, Gary Piegras.

Wayne is survived by Sue, of the home; his daughters Dorothy Shawl of San Antonio, Texas, Wendy Piegras of Toledo, Wash., Kim Hall (Matt) of Wilton, Conn., and Robyn DeRocchis (Tony) of Las Cruces, N.M.; a brother, Joe Ratliff of Tishomingo; two sisters-in-law, Patty Ratliff of Tishomingo and Margaret Allyn of Reno, Nev.; his grandchildren, Kirsten Reynolds of Colorado Springs, Colo., William Reynolds of Longview, Wash., Jeremiah Shawl of Centralia, Wash., Jack and Lydia Hall of Wilton, Conn., and Christopher Martin of Toledo, Wash.; and his former wife, Marsh Rose of Cloverdale, Calif.

A full obituary is available for viewing at: <https://www.funeralcaringusa.com/wp-content/uploads/obituary/B.%20Wayne%20Ratliff%20-%202010-14-2020.pdf>.

Paid Obituary

Bridgett Elaine Perry

Bridgett Elaine Perry, 59, gained her wings and went to be with the Lord after a short fight with cancer on Oct. 18, 2020, at her home in Tishomingo, Okla., surrounded by her loving family. Bridgett was born Oct. 30, 1960, in Lakeland, Fla., to K.C. and Lucy (Washington) Perry.



She spent her working years as a secretary/inventory specialist in the retail profession. Bridgett was full of life, love and happiness. There was not a room she couldn't walk into and make people smile. Her laughter and love for others was contagious and a gift we all treasure.

She loved to crochet, and everyone always told her you need to charge for these things; her words were, "You can't charge for love and thankfulness." She always just wanted to make other people happy. Bridgett loved the water and Key West, Fla. If you knew Bridgett, you were a better person just by being around her; her kind, gentle, humorous spirit will never be forgotten but always remembered. She was preceded in death by her parents, K.C. and Lucy Perry; her grandparents, John and Mae Brantley; biological mother Betty Brantley; her former husband, Garchester Wallace Jr.; a sister, Natalie Goodman; a brother, Harold Brantley; and a granddaughter, Katriel Wallace.

Those she leaves to cherish her memories are her children, Christopher Wallace, Garchester Wallace III (Jillian), and Clifford Wallace (Roxanne); her loving life partner, Oretha Thurston; her sons, Theodore Thurston Sr. and Orioen Thurston Sr. (Jennifer); her grandchildren, Nathanael Wallace, Atarah Wallace, Benjamin Wallace, Theodore Thurston Jr., Iona Thurston, Jessica Thurston, Orioen Thurston Jr., and Kylee Kiona Lynn Thurston; her sisters, Beverly Brantley, Betty Upson, Angela Sherrod (Joseph), Zena Brown (Neville), Tangey Stephney (Kevin), Cheryl Muhammad and Kathrene Wallace; a brother, Kevin Wallace (Deidre); and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Bridgett will be laid to rest alongside her father and mother in the Medulla Cemetery in Lakeland, Fla. Funeral service date and time are currently pending at this time.

Arrangements have been made under the direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo. Friends and family can leave online condolences at www.dearmanfuneralhome.com.

Paid Obituary

Kenneth Ray Harris

Kenneth Ray Harris, 82, passed from this life on Oct. 18, 2020, at his home in Fillmore, Okla., surrounded by his loving wife and family. Kenneth was born July 10, 1938, in Davis, Okla., to Ernest Wesley and Lena (Harrison) Harris.



He got called to serve our country in the United States Army when he was in the 11th grade, and later got his GED. Kenneth has called Johnston County home for over the past 30 years. He loved his animals - horses, dogs, chickens, guineas - and he had a different whistle for all of them but when he would whistle, they knew to come.

Kenneth loved being a horse jockey and had the best stories to tell about them or really any story for that matter; his favorite racehorse's name was "Sleepy Toes." He loved his family, grandchildren and his wife, Melba - his best friend, life partner and his whole world.

Kenneth was a kindhearted, loving, caring husband, father and friend who will forever be missed.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Lena Harris; a daughter, Kim Byrom; two sisters, Wanda McCoy and Jerry Holcomb; and a granddaughter, MaKenzie Creasman.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his wife, Melba Harris; his children, Vicky Harris, Buck Harris, Sheila Wilson, Shelley West and Sharla Schultz; his grandchildren, Crissy, Chad, Liam, Cory, Brandi, Colton, Clay, Kelsie, Bryant, Jessica and Miranda; multiple great-grandchildren; his very dear friends, Leon Williamson, Woody Williamson, Carl Love, Greg Johnston and Orville White; a sister, Velma Walker; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

The family has requested that the services on Friday, Oct. 23, be private to limit the risk of COVID-19. Friends and family may send online condolences and memories to www.dearmanfuneralhome.com.

Services will be under direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home, Tishomingo.

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From: Jim Boyer
Newcastle

Virtual 4-H banquet honors leadership development



Keona Mason

Johnston County 4-H honored its outstanding members virtually via FaceBook on Saturday, Oct. 10, due to COVID-19 restrictions. The highlight of the event was the announcement of the 2019-20 County Hall of Fame recipient, Keona Mason. Mason is the daughter of Mike and Pamela

Mason of Tishomingo. She has been an active 4-H member for eight years and has served in many leadership roles, including Johnston County 4-H president this past year. Wesley Hurst of Tishomingo was recognized as the 4-H Member of the Year, and received a plaque and cash

award donated by the Roger Baker family. Mason was also recognized for the Outstanding Senior Record Book. The Johnston County OHCE, who annually sponsors the banquet, recognized grand champion speech winners by presenting 4-H jackets. Recipients included Isabel Thornburg, Samuel Blue, Paxston Eddy and Eric McBride.

Top fundraiser participants for the year included Madelenn Pryor, Karley Justice, Dakota Justice, Kendra Justice, Brenan Allen, Haven Hinton, Tagan Gibson, Jolee Prentice, Wesley Hurst, Blane Henry and Bryer Campbell. Mason received a special award for raising over \$500 for the 4-H program.

Tishomingo Chevrolet sponsors an award to the 4-H member who has the most entries at the 2019 county fair. Placing first with 24 entries and winner of the Outstanding Fair Exhibitor award was Raylee McGlocklin. In an effort to continue 4-H fun and activities through social distancing, several contests were held virtually. On the county level, the Impressive Dress contest was held and the winners were: Formal Dress – Haven Hinton; Business Professional – Keona Mason; Business Casual – Wesley Hurst; and Impressive Dress Casual – Haven Hinton. The Southeast District held a Virtual Shooting Sports Skill-A-Thon

Legislators

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enforcement agencies still coping with the 2016 passage of SQ 780, which reclassified simple drug possession and some minor property crimes from felonies to misdemeanors.

“SQ 780 was a bad idea, and 805 is no different,” Bullard said. “It does not help one bit in holding people accountable in the criminal justice system.”

McCall agreed, noting that Oklahoma is one of 11 states where the legislature cannot alter or strike down a citizen-initiated constitutional amendment. This means voters would have to approve, through a separate ballot initiative, any modification to State Question 805 – something McCall said would likely prove difficult.

The Speaker also expressed concerns over how such initiatives are presented to voters by “groups that have big money behind them” and run TV campaigns that are often misleading.

Advocates say the question will reduce Oklahoma’s prison population and save taxpayers upwards of \$190 million over the next 10 years. But opponents counter that the measure would reclassify some crimes – including domestic abuse, the abuse of vulnerable adults, animal cruelty and using a computer to solicit a minor – as “non-violent” and therefore ineligible for enhancements, no matter how many times an offender commits them.

Law enforcement agencies throughout the state have come out against the measure – as has District Attorney Craig Ladd, whose district includes Johnston County. (A guest

column by Ladd, in opposition to SQ 805, appears on Page 2 of this week’s *Sentinel*.)

Another topic McCall and Bullard addressed at length was the importance of participating in the 2020 Census. Both men noted that their districts are shown as under-reporting, and expressed concern that it will negatively impact the amount of federal dollars that are made available to this part of the state over the next 10 years.

“All the taxpayers in this area will be paying into Washington D.C., and they will use the Census figures to determine how that money is redistributed,” McCall said. “If we under-report, the money is going to go somewhere else. We want to see it come back to southern Oklahoma.”

He and Bullard added that a poor response on the Census could also have a negative impact on the state’s redistricting in 2021.

The legislators also briefly addressed the Supreme Court’s July ruling that much of eastern Oklahoma falls within an Indian reservation. Law enforcement officials across Oklahoma, including here in Johnston County, have said the decision in *McGirt v. Oklahoma* could change the handling of prosecutions across a vast swath of the state.

“There’s nothing we can do at the state level,” McCall said. “Due to a federal act, states cannot compact with tribes on criminal matters... *McGirt* is a very narrow ruling that will have to be taken up at the federal level.”

Johnston County Church Guide

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 Bobby L. Davis Sr., Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

FIRST INDIAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 803 N. Byrd • (580) 443-5665
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 Rev. Dale Perry, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sun & Wed Evening.....7:00 p.m.

FREE LOVE OUTREACH MINISTRY
 609 North Byrd St. • 387-5035
 Gary Poole, Pastor; Angella Poole, Co-Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Tuesday Overcomers.....12:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
 Thursday Overcomers.....7:00 p.m.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
 212 South Muldrow
 Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 9450 U.S. Hwy. 377 S. • 371-2271
 Stuart Bailey, Minister
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

LIGHTHOUSE CHAPEL OF PRAYER
 Sixth Street and North Byrd
 Kay Williams, Pastor
 Wednesday Services.....7:00 p.m.
 Sunday Services.....3:00 p.m.

MAD MINISTRIES
 900 East Main • 371-8509
 Ivan Richeson, Jim Branch, Pastors
 Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
 701 East 6th Street • 371-3165
 Samuel Huff, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Nightly Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 400 South Muldrow • 371-3120
 Rev. Larry Strouse, Pastor
 Sunday Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Midweek Discipleship (Wednesday).....6:30 p.m.

MURRAY STATE COLLEGE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION
 801 South Murray • 371-2160
 Tuesday Evening.....8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday.....Noon.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 202 N. Neshoba • 371-2498
 Rev. Joel Thompson, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
 Wed. ASK Group.....3:30 p.m.
 Thursday Wesley MSC.....Noon

VICTORY TABERNACLE
 201 West 4th St.
 (580) 257-0180
 Charles Pitts, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:30 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH
 8th & Kemp
 Jon Hazell, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

BROMIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Allen Hicks, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....5:45 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

BUTCHER PEN BAPTIST MISSION

193 E. Butcher Pen Road • 443-5675
 David Boggs, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

COLEMAN COLEMAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Highway 48
 Sunday Morning.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

COLEMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 6610 OK Hwy. 48 S., Coleman, OK (580) 937-4311
 Ron Brown, Pastor
 www.colemanbaptist.com
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

FOLSOM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rayden Whitmire, Pastor
 Coleman, OK
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 Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....10:45 a.m.

HOPEWELL FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
 Southeast of Coleman
 Sunday Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

CONNERSVILLE BLUE BANNER CHURCH
 Hwy. 377 North • 836-7882
 Larry Hawkins, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Hwy. 377 • 836-7161
 Art Brown, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

SEELEY CHAPEL UMC
 Rev. Gene Hancock, Pastor
 Seeley Chapel Road • 836-7142
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

TEMPLE OF GOD
 Hwy 99 • 384-5569
 Tony Poe, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

FILLMORE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
 (580) 380-6769
 Rev. Michael Horath, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

FREEDOM FELLOWSHIP
 Hwy. 48A • (580) 443-5525
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 Rev. Dusk Monetatchi, Pastor
 Breakfast.....9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Second Wednesday of the Month: Fellowship Dinner (No service on any other Wednesday.)

MANNVILLE FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 20th & Chickasaw • 371-9685
 Charles Reed, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

LEAP OF FAITH FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
 1.9 miles west of Mannville
 Rev. Judy Anglin, Pastor
 371-3442
 Sunday Fellowship...10:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship...10:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship...6:00 p.m.
 Thursday Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 211 S. Grand Ave. • 371-2065
 Rev. Kevin Russell, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 15th and Burney
 Mat Benedick, Minister
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....5:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 13th and Chickasaw
 Ron King, Pastor
 (580) 239-1161 (Home)
 (580) 653-2649
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.

MILBURN CHURCH OF GOD
 (229) 415-2283
 Rev. Billy Hall and Sister Addie Hall, Pastors
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Hwy. 78 • (580) 443-5713
 Mark McGehee, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

CHRIST INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH
 Brother Earl White, Pastor
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Night Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Service.....6:30 p.m.

MILL CREEK FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Corner of Pontotoc & Choctaw
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
 103 South Cherokee
 Darryl Patrick, Pastor
 (580) 384-5421
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

PONTOTOC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Rev. Marsha Purtell, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....9:45 a.m.

REAGAN PENNINGTON UNITED METHODIST
 Hwy. 7, Indian Church Rd.
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Worship.....7 p.m.

RAVIA RAVIA BAPTIST CHURCH
 Hwy 1 North
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD
 P.O. Box 117 • 371-9384
 Len Gipson, Pastor
 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

ROCK HARBOR CHURCH
 Hwy 22, Ravia • 371-9441
 Jon Smith, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

WAPANUCKA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Tim Carter, Pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH OF GOD
 5th and N St.
 (580) 364-2709
 Leon & Sharon Crites, Pastors
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
 Hwy. 48 North
 Frank Wallace, Pastor • 937-4430
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Thursday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS
 Kenneth & Shelly May
 (580) 378-2309
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 Thursday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

EMMANUEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
 402 E. Main
 Mark Hodges, Pastor • 638-2254
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.
 1st & 3rd Sunday.....2:30 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

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Wapanucka school closed until Oct. 26 due to virus

By James Bowser
Sentinel Correspondent

On Oct. 19, the Wapanucka Board of Education held their monthly meeting to discuss their agenda for the next month.

The main reason this is important involves the pandemic. On Oct. 8, Wapanucka schools received a notice from

the health department to close the school until further notice, which in the case of Wapanucka is Monday, Oct. 26. That is the day students will leave their

temporary virtual education and return to regular classes and activities. The school decided to take offensive action against the pandemic and purchased 150 laptops for students to use during the school year, in case they must return to virtual learning in the future.

They are well prepared. The laptops were purchased by the school, and are set to be reimbursed by the Cares Act Fund so they can possibly purchase more.

This meeting also marks the day for an opening on board seat No. 1. While not the president's seat, it is still just as important.

They will be holding an election in the future, and any resident of Wapanucka who wishes to petition the school for a spot as an electoral candidate must simply

call the school and submit everything required to run. The annual Pink-Out T-Shirt competition starts soon, with many districts close to Wapanucka having a rolling trophy for the top-selling schools.

The shirts are around \$10, and can be found at any basketball game before the start. The money will be donated to cancer research when the competition is over. A huge deal for many residents is the ATV giveaway on Nov. 14. Tickets can be purchased for \$30 each from the Wapanucka Booster Club, which houses 4-H and FFA.

On a sports note - the school will be starting basketball on Nov. 3, with a home game against Turner. Being a high school with no football season, they get a

30-day head start on the bigger schools to start the season.

In softball news, the school is planning to replace the inoperable controller for the scoreboard at the field.

To help the school make some extra funding for the kids, the school board voted to pass a few of their vehicles into surplus so they can sell the vehicles to help with items around the school and a new agriculture truck.

The school vehicles include a 1991 Navistar school bus; a 2006 Freightliner school bus; and a 2001 Chevrolet pickup, which also happens to be their old AG truck.

Motions for the current agenda, election for board seat No. 1, and turning three school vehicles into surplus all passed.

Statdler Center available for variety of local events

This week's Member Spotlight is on the Statdler Event Center, owned by Carrie and Troy Golden and named for Carrie's grandpa, Phil Statdler, a famous cattle trader and man of true integrity inducted into the Cowboy Hall of Fame.

This new venue is located on Main Street in Tishomingo, at 202 W. Main Street. The 2,500 square foot building is a wide-open space available for reunions, birthdays, bridal and baby showers, pop-up shop, business meetings or anything else you can think of.

There is a bathroom, kitchenette with a refrigerator, freezer, sink, ice machine, and tables and chairs that are included with reservation of the space.

The cost is \$75 per hour, with a two-hour minimum; full day (8 hours) Monday - Thursday is \$300; and a full day, Friday - Sunday, is \$400.

There is a 30-minute grace period before and after the event for set-up and break down. A margarita machine and mixes, as well as tablecloths, are available for rent.

The space has a rustic feel that doesn't require much decoration, as it was previously the location of Stepp West Boutique.

So far, the venue has been used for parties and meetings with great ease. The Chamber of Commerce held its board of directors retreat there just a few weeks ago.

Small Business Saturday is Nov. 28, and the Statdler, in cooperation with the JCCC, would like to host its first pop-up shop with vendors from



the area. There is room for several 10x10 foot spaces for crafters, artisans and home-based businesses to be able to showcase their products for the kickoff of the holiday shopping season.

This will not be an event for yard sale items. More details will be announced as we move into November.

Please remember the Statdler for your next family gathering or company meeting, and check them out on Facebook. For more information or to book the center, call Carrie at (580) 421-7400.

The Golden's have made a great investment and created several lovely businesses in the area, and we thank them for their commitment and excitement for new possibilities in Tishomingo and Johnston County.

Welcome to the Chamber, Walker Manufacturing.

With two major events this month under our belt, we are excited to start really thinking about the holidays and ways to support businesses and make things fun for kids and adults to participate in shopping and community this season.

If you have any ideas and would like to be a part of creating some fun campaigns and events, please reach out.

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Nice day for a bike ride...

Spectators cheer on several of the 120 cyclists who turned out on Oct. 17 to participate in the 34th annual Alfalfa Bill Century Bike Ride, sponsored by the Johnston County Chamber of Commerce. Riders from across the country came to Tishomingo to take part in the event, featuring six routes of 10, 20, 30, 47, 64 and 100-mile paths.



Ribbon cutting ceremonies

It has been a busy couple of weeks for the Johnston County Chamber of Commerce, which - in addition to hosting its recent virtual banquet and hosting this week's Legislative Update - also formally welcomed two new additions to the Tishomingo business community with ribbon cutting and open house celebrations. The first, pictured above, was held Friday, Oct. 9, at Blue River Nutrition. The business, located at 105 N. Neshoba, specializes in meal replacement shakes and energizing teas. Then on Friday, Oct. 16, Chamber representatives turned out again to celebrate the opening of the Mulberry Wine Bar. Located at 215 W. Main Street, the outlet features a variety of wines, a bubble bar, craft beer and products from a variety of Oklahoma companies (*Sentinel* staff photos by Joshua Small)



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Crime News

Police Phone Log

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12:

3:32 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity.
2:07 p.m. - Caller reporting found property.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13:

6:34 p.m. - Caller reporting intoxicated driver.
6:42 p.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.
8:29 p.m. - Caller reporting assault.
10:53 p.m. - Medical call.
11:38 p.m. - Caller reporting abandoned vehicle.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14:

4:42 a.m. - Alarm call.
7:46 a.m. - Caller reporting vandalism.
9:44 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity.
11:45 a.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident.
12:02 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious person.
12:56 p.m. - Alarm call.
4:20 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident.
11:26 p.m. - Alarm call.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15:

1:51 p.m. - Caller reporting missing child.
4:56 p.m. - Caller reporting complaint.
10:04 p.m. - Caller reporting noise complaint.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16:

11:48 a.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.
3:23 p.m. - Caller reporting possible gunshots.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17:

1:57 a.m. - Medical call.
4:44 a.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident.
4:57 p.m. - Caller reporting possible gunshots.
9:07 p.m. - Alarm call.
10:34 p.m. - Caller reporting reckless driver.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18:

2:52 p.m. - Caller reporting break-in.
4:17 p.m. - Caller reporting theft.
8:14 p.m. - Caller reporting complaint.

Sheriff's Phone Log

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12:

2:05 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident, location not listed on log.
11:31 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting assault.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13:

8:39 a.m. - Caller in Reagan reporting intoxicated driver.
5:15 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting domestic.
6:13 p.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting suspicious activity.
6:32 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting trespassing.
6:52 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka requesting extra patrol.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14:

10:15 a.m. - Caller in Coleman reporting reckless driver.
10:33 a.m. - Caller on South Bullet Prairie Road requesting welfare check.
4:24 p.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting domestic.
3:53 p.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting unwanted person.
5:46 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting fire.
11:35 p.m. - Medical call in Ravia.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15:

12:55 a.m. - Caller in Ravia requesting extra patrol.
8:46 a.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting suspicious activity.
1:48 p.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting suspicious activity.
7:23 p.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting found property.
9:07 p.m. - Alarm call in Coleman.
10:10 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting break-in.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16:

11:56 a.m. - Alarm call on West Murray Road.
3:00 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident, location not listed on log.
6:21 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting assault.
9:16 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting prowler.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17:

2:17 a.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting property damage.
5:43 a.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting possible gunshots.
10:13 a.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting suspicious vehicle.
5:18 p.m. - Caller in Kenefic reporting road hazard.
10:51 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting suspicious activity.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18:

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Johnston County Blotter

Due to computer issues at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office, the *Johnston County Sentinel* was unable to obtain the records of cases filed during the week of Oct. 9-15 for publication in this week's issue.

The court records will appear in next week's issue of the *Sentinel*, along with those filed during the week of Oct. 16-22.

Mill Creek burglary leads to charges

An arrest warrant has been filed in Johnston County District Court for a Hennepin man already in custody elsewhere and wanted in connection with a reported burglary in Mill Creek earlier this year.

Documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's Office show that Tavis Timothy Wright, 22, faces a total of three felony charges in connection with the case.

Those charges include possession of a firearm after a former felony conviction; burglary in the third degree; and contributing to the delinquency of minors.

Court records show that the charges stem from an Aug. 15 incident in which Wright allegedly broke into an unlocked vehicle in Mill Creek and stole a loaded 9-millimeter Smith and Wesson handgun that was kept inside the vehicle.

The court documents also allege that Wright encouraged three juveniles to participate in the crime.

According to an affidavit by Deputy Christopher Boston of the Johnston County Sheriff's Office, the owner of the gun reported it stolen after discovering that someone had gone through the cab of his pickup truck.

The affidavit also states that Boston took a report later the same day from another individual in Mill Creek who said they had noticed someone tampering with their vehicle.

After reviewing surveillance video related to the second report, Boston's report states, information was sent to law enforcement agencies in surrounding counties regarding the theft report.

The information reportedly included a warning stating that the suspect was in possession of a stolen firearm.

The following day, the affidavit states, the sheriff's office received a report from the Elmore City Police Department with information matching the suspect vehicle in connection with thefts committed in Elmore City.

According to the affidavit, Wright and a juvenile had been taken into custody in Ardmore and transported to Elmore

City in connection with those thefts.

In an interview with police in Elmore City, the juvenile reportedly stated that Wright and the other juveniles had been responsible for the thefts, but that she had driven them to Elmore City.

The affidavit goes on to state that Wright gave Elmore City police a "full confession" of the crimes committed there, and that he and the juveniles had also driven to Mill Creek where they reportedly stole the 9mm. pistol, as well as a .357 pistol.

The affidavit states that one of the juveniles was 17 years old at the time the crimes were committed, while the other two were both 16

at the time.

Court records also show that Wright has several previous felony convictions in Garvin and Murray counties dating back to 2018 on a variety of charges.

Among those are convictions in Garvin County on two counts of accessory after the fact (murder in the first degree) and conspiracy to commit a felony.

At last report Wright was still being held in Elmore City and awaiting an initial appearance in Johnston County District Court on the charges filed here.

All three of the local charges against Wright carry the possibility of life in prison, according to court documents.

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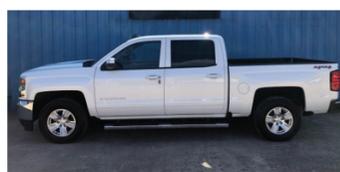
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Sports Beat

Indians fall 6-0 to closely matched Coalgate

Tishomingo back on road Friday for district contest at Comanche

By John A. Small
Managing Editor

Take away just one play, and Tishomingo's Thursday night road game at Coalgate on Oct. 15 stands as perhaps the Indians' overall best performance on both sides of the ball this season.

Unfortunately for the Indians, that one play was ultimately the only one that the host Wildcats needed. Coalgate scored off a miscue by the Tishomingo defense early in the third quarter and held on to claim the 6-0 victory, in spite of a strong overall effort by the Indians that put them within feet of scoring more than once throughout the night.

That effort did not go unnoticed by Indians Coach Clint Nabors, who praised his players for their unflinching determination.

"We think our kids play extremely hard every week, no question about it," Nabors told the *Sentinel*. "We have told our kids numerous times, there is no doubt that anyone would ever question the guts and determination they show week in and week out representing this school and this community. We just have to learn to eliminate costly mistakes and turnovers that hurt us when we have opportunities to finish."

"We just hope that each week we get another opportunity to watch film, learn from our mistakes, and get them corrected in practice and line up again on Friday night at Comanche."

Tishomingo is thus still looking for its first win with only three games remaining in a season that has seen three games canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Kickoff time for this Friday's district match-up at Comanche is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

It's a contest that promises to put the Indians to the test once again, Coach Nabors said.

"Comanche has a good football team that is coached really well and do things right," he said. "They are physical upfront, and their quarterback is their best football player and makes them go. He is a really good athlete."

"Defensively they run to the ball well, get lined up and play really hard. I think our football team can match up really good with them in some areas, and we need to be able to take advantage of that and perform at our highest level this year for four quarters."

Last week's game was an example of two teams being nearly as evenly matched as one might hope to see. The Indians and the Wildcats each gave as good as they got, as demonstrated in the scoreless tie on the scoreboard when the buzzer sounded half-time.

After having an unexpected week off after the pandemic scuttled their scheduled Oct. 9 home stand against Frederick, the Indians took to the field last week eager to get to work. They wasted little time, putting together a series of drives in the opening possession that got them as far as second-and-2 at the Coalgate 12-yard line.

But the effort to pick up first-and-goal was thwarted by a Tishomingo fumble that was recovered by the Wildcats on their own 9-yard line. It was the first of several offensive near-misses for the Indians during the night.

Undeterred, Tishomingo's defense stepped up and held the host team at bay during Coalgate's first possession. The Wildcats claimed a first down at the 50 midway through the drive after Tishomingo was flagged for a horse collar penalty, but the Indians shook it

off and tackled a Coalgate player behind the line for a four-yard loss on the very next play.

After throwing an incomplete pass on third-and-14, the Wildcats punted to start the Indians' second possession of the night. Despite a missed call on an obvious horse collar committed by the Coalgate defense, Tishomingo's Hunter Stephens picked up a first down in his opening carry to put the Indians on the Wildcats' 28.

The next play saw Colby Gray pick up four yards for THS on a quarterback sneak. Two plays later the Indians stood at fourth down with about half a yard when Cruz Martinez took the snap and ran to the Coalgate 28 for the first down as the first period ended.

The second quarter began with a Stephens carry to the Coalgate 3 for first-and-goal. But the drive again ended in disappointment for the Indians, as a pair of back-to-back losses was followed by an incomplete pass that returned possession to the Wildcats.

The rest of the quarter unfolded much as the first had, with both teams continuing to exhibit strong defensive efforts. Tishomingo's biggest such play of the night came late in the half when, after first holding Coalgate to zero yards over two plays, THS junior Justin Cardenas intercepted a Wildcat pass at the Coalgate 40 to give Tishomingo possession with 49 seconds remaining in the half.

That set the stage for what proved to be Tishomingo's biggest offensive play of the night. After throwing a successful pass on the first play of the possession to set up second-and-5, Gray fired off a pass into the waiting hands of Cardenas, who carried it to the Coalgate 9 for first-and-goal.

But that was as close as Tishomingo got to the end zone, as Coalgate's defense proved an impenetrable barrier. An incomplete pass by Tishomingo on fourth-and-goal turned the ball over on down with only one second in the half, and both teams went into the locker room scoreless at intermission.

The opening kickoff of the second half went to Coalgate, and for the first few moments it looked like a case of "second verse, same as the first." The Wildcats were flagged for illegal procedure on the first play of the possession, and the next two plays saw Tishomingo prevent the host team from picking up the five yards they had lost as a result.

And then it happened. On the third-and-11 play, Coalgate's quarterback found himself under intense pressure as the Tishomingo defense moved in for what initially appeared would be a sack.

Instead the QB managed to twist and turn his way out of danger, then darted to the left and fired off a long pass to receiver Hunter Davidson who ran all the way in for the only touchdown of the night.

The Indians recovered sufficiently to prevent the attempted two-point conversion, locking in Coalgate's lead at 6-0. But the emotional toll the setback took on the Indians was obvious, as evidenced moments later when Stephens fumbled on the ensuing kickoff return to immediately give possession back to the Wildcats.

But the THS boys quickly shook off the cobwebs and put their much-lauded "never say die" attitude back on display for all to see. They got a much-needed break on the first play of the Coalgate possession, when a bad snap resulted in



Tishomingo's Hunter Stephens (No. 28 above) muscles his way through the Coalgate defenders during a key play in the Indians' road stand against the Wildcats last Thursday, Oct. 15. In the photo below, THS junior Lane Cryer breaks up a Coalgate pass to put the Wildcats at third-and-10 late in the second quarter; the very next play would see teammate Justin Cardenas intercept a pass to give the Indians possession with 49 seconds remaining in the half. (*Sentinel* staff photos by Joshua Small)



a 16-yard loss for the Wildcats.

At that point the Tishomingo defense roared to life and made fast work of the possession, holding Coalgate to zero yardage over the next three plays. The punt put Tishomingo at its own 17, at which point the Indians launched into a series of plays that advanced them across the field before bad fortune again reared its head.

An incomplete pass on a third-and-7 play was punctuated by a 15-yard personal foul penalty against the Indians. The ensuing punt rolled to the Coalgate 46, but the possession proved short-lived as Tishomingo held the Wildcats to only six yards.

Starting at their own 14, the Indians began their next drive with a nine-yard carry by Stephens. A face mask penalty against Coalgate put Tishomingo at first-and-10 on its 35; two plays later the Indians were at fourth-and-5 as the period buzzer sounded.

The final quarter began with a Tishomingo punt that landed on the Coalgate 42 to start the Wildcats' next possession. Again the Indians held Coalgate to a mere six yards, then launched into a series of plays from their own 18 that got them near midfield before yet another setback - this time in the form of

a bizarre call by game officials.

On a second-and-6 play a member of the Wildcats' squad jumped the gun for what should have been an offsides call. The player appeared to acknowledge his error and both teams looked to the officials for the anticipated flag - but when the flags were finally thrown, it was Tishomingo who found itself tagged with a delay of game penalty.

That moved the Indians backwards five yards. Two plays later Coalgate took over on downs at its 47 when a pass intended for Tishomingo's Lane Cryer was knocked away.

The final possession of the game saw the Wildcats threatening to score yet again, standing at first-and-goal when the buzzer sounded.

Correction

Due to inaccurate information obtained from *MaxPreps.com*, last week's issue of the *Johnston County Sentinel* incorrectly reported that the Class 3A State Champion Tishomingo Lady Indians ended their 2020 fast-pitch softball season with a record of 20-3.

The team's actual record was 36-3. The *Sentinel* regrets the error.



THS freshman Cruz Martinez races alongside the boundary line to pick up some crucial yardage for the Indians. (*Sentinel* staff photo by Joshua Small)

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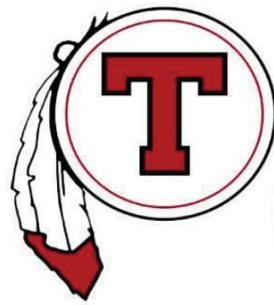
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YOUR 2020 TISHOMINGO INDIANS



Tishomingo's Justin Cardenas (No. 5) catches a long pass from Colby Gray at the Coalgate 9-yard line late in the second quarter of the Indians' road trip last Thursday, Oct. 15. (Sentinel staff photo by Joshua Small)

2020 Football Roster

Number	Name	Class	Positions
2	CRUIZ MARTINEZ	FRESH	DB/RB
3	ZACHARY CURRY	SOPH	DB/WR
4	CREED BALLINGER	SR	LB/WR
5	JUSTIN CARDENAS	JR	DB/WR
9	NICK STROUSE	JR	DB/QB
10	LANE CRYER	JR	DB/WR
20	JAKE McGEE	FRESH	DB/WR
21	STEPHEN BALL	SOPH	DB/WR
23	COLBY GRAY	SOPH	LB/QB
26	PENNINGTON MAY	JR	LB/RB
28	HUNTER STEPHENS	JR	LB/RB
30	PABLO NAJERA	SOPH	LB/RB
33	SEAN HARIEN	SOPH	LB/RB
40	NATE COPELAND	SOPH	LB/WR
48	DAKOTA PRITCHARD	JR	DL/RB
50	GAGE REDD	SOPH	DL/OL
55	TYLER KNIGHT	FRESH	LB/OL
58	CAMDEN CABINESS	SR	DL/OL
62	ROMAN RAWLS	FRESH	DL/OL
65	JIMMY PRIDY	SOPH	DL/OL
66	JARRED HOUSLEY	JR	DL/OL
74	JACOB CARTER	SR	DL/OL
75	ETHAN CARTER	SOPH	DL/OL
77	ELIJAH MIRANDA	FRESH	DL/OL
84	LEVI UNDERWOOD	SR	LB/WR
88	AIDEN CLARK	SOPH	LB/WR

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Team Managers:
Olivia Alexander, Brooklyn Claborn, Emily McCarter

Aug. 28 MADILL - Canceled
Sept. 4 ALLEN - Canceled
Sept. 11 PAULS VALLEY - Lost, 29-6
Sept. 17 KINGSTON - Lost, 42-0
Sept. 25 DAVIS - Lost, 33-6
Oct. 2 MARIETTA - Lost, 21-6
Oct. 9 FREDERICK - Canceled
Oct. 15 COALGATE - Lost, 6-0
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Nov. 6 MARLOW - AWAY



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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR JOHNSTON COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DEWAYNE MIMS AND SAMANTHA MIMS, Plaintiffs, vs. THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS OF MARTHA BROWN, FULL BLOOD CHICKASAW, ROLL #2098

and MAUREEN PHELPS s/p/a MAUREEN L. PHELPS, each deceased, and

WESLEY BROWN, FULL BLOOD CHICKASAW, ROLL #2244; MARTIN BROWN; JOHNSLIN HART s/p/a JOSLIN HART; and BETTY BROCK JACKSON, if living, and, in the alternative, if deceased, their UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS,

Defendants.

Case No. CV-2020-20

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SE(4) of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Two (2) South, Range Five (5) East of the Indian Meridian and Base-line, and A tract of land located in Lot Two (2) and Lot Three (3), Section Four (4), Township Three (3) South, Range Five (5) East of the Indian Meridian and Base-line, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Lot 2; thence N89°55'06"E along the North line of said Lot 2 a distance of 50.00 feet; thence S44°56'49"W a distance of 70.75 feet to a point on the West line of Lot 2; thence S00°01'28"E along the West line of Lot 2 a distance of 606.18 feet to a point on the East right of way line of Highway 1; thence N22°02'57"W along the East right of way line a distance of 76.84 feet to the Southeast Corner of a tract of land described in Book 165 at Page 767 in the Office of the Johnston County Clerk; thence along the East line of said Book 165 at Page 767 for the following three courses: 1. Thence N18°17'12"W a distance of 304.77 feet; 2. Thence along a non-tangent curve to the left having a radius of 3044.79 feet, an arc length of 201.24 feet, a chord bearing of N23°56'34"W and a chord distance of 201.20 feet; 3. Thence N26°38'45"W a distance of 128.45 feet to a point on the North line of Lot 3; thence N89°55'32"E along the North line of Lot 3 a distance of 261.72 feet to the point of beginning,

judicially determining the death and heirship of Martha Brown, Full Blood Chickasaw, Roll #2098, and quieting and confirming Plaintiffs title and possession therein as in the Petition set forth.

Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of October, 2020.

/s/ Cassandra Slover, COURT CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE

US Silica Company, 24275 Katy Frwy, Suite 600, Katy, TX 77494, has submitted a permit revision application for permit # L.E.-1662 to the Oklahoma Department of Mines (ODM) to mine silica sand, limestone, dolomite, shale, sandstone, sand, gravel, clay, and soil through the surface mining method on portions of the following parcels of land:

Section 10, Section 14, Section 15, Section 22, and Section 23 all in Township 1 South, Range 4 East, Johnston County, Oklahoma

The revision request is to add 178 acres to the existing permitted area of 1,123 acres.

The total permit area, containing 1,301 acres, is located in the Mill Creek U.S.G.S. quadrangle map. The permit site is located approximately five (5) miles north of the town of Mill Creek and one (1) mile west of State Highway 1.

A copy of this complete permit application is available for public inspection and copying at the Johnston County Courthouse in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, the closure of county courthouses, and the safe at home measures in place, a public review copy of an application

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OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF MINES
2915 N. Classen Blvd.,
Suite 213 Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma 73106

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ERIE BERNICE CRAVATT, Deceased

Case No.: **PB-2020-05**

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that Lahoma Harrison, Personal Representative of the Estate of Erie Bernice Cravatt, deceased, having on the 5th day of October, 2020 filed in this Court her final account of the personal representative of said estate and petition for order allowing final account, determination of heirs, distribution of said estate and for final discharge of said personal representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the judge of said court for the 2nd day of November, 2020 at 10:45 o'clock a.m., at the courtroom of the District Court of Johnston County, County Courthouse, Tishomingo, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why they said account should not be settled and allowed, said estate distributed, and the personal representative discharged.

DATED this 5th day of October, 2020.

/s/ Laura J. Corbin
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Approved as to form:

Mark H. Colbert
200 Stanley Street
P.O. Box 2169
Ardmore, OK 73402
(580) 226-1911
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

(SEAL)

(Published October 15 & 22, 2020)

NOTICE AND ORDER REFERRING AND SETTING INFORMAL CONFERENCE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA: To the applicant for a Permit Application to engage in surface mining and reclamation operations, **Arbuckle Aggregates, LLC**, ("Applicant") and to all proper objectors to the application for a permit to engage in surface mining and reclamation operations in Sections 23 & 24, Township 1 South, Range 4 East, all in Johnston County State of Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That an Informal Conference for Permit Application, Case No. **PREV 20-04-IC**, is set before John Sheridan, Informal Conference Officer, for Friday, the 30th day of October, 2020, to be held at the Stadler Event Center, 202 W. Main, Tishomingo, Oklahoma, to begin at the hour of 1:30 p.m.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please contact Andrea Adams in the Legal Department of the Oklahoma Department of Mines, 2915 North Classen Blvd., Suite 213, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106, or (405) 522-9840.

By Order of:
Mary Ann Pritchard,
Director
Oklahoma Department of Mines
By: /s/ Jonathan Allen,
Chief Legal Counsel

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the Town of Mill Creek – Water Well Rehabilitation will be received by the Town of Mill Creek at Mill Creek City Hall, 105 East Main Street, Mill Creek, OK 74856 until 2:00 pm local time on Thursday, November 5th, 2020 at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of the rehabilitation of existing water wells.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum basis.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Wall Engineering, 223 N. Washington, Durant, OK 74701, (580) 924-1800. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Town of Mill Creek City Hall on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 9am-3pm.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available free of charge by going to www.civcastusa.com and searching under the project name. Please contact CivCast directly at the contact information listed on their website for membership and download information. Hard copy bidding documents are available through CivCast at the rate specified on the website.

Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for

full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the CivCast. All relevant project information will be posted to CivCast as well.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Owner: Town of Mill Creek, Oklahoma

By: Scott Clark, Mayor

Date: October 15, 2020

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Kimmy J Rowe, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2019-43

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Defendant(s): Unknown Spouse of Kimmy J. Rowe, if any, and Kimmy J Rowe,

Notice is given that on Nov. 17, 2020, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. at the Johnston County Courthouse, the Sheriff of said County will offer for sale and sell, for cash, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate in Johnston County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N 1/2 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4) OF SECTION SIX (6), TOWNSHIP FOUR (4) SOUTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST OF THE INDIAN BASE AND MERIDIAN, JOHNSTON COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

subject to unpaid taxes, assessments, advancements by Plaintiff for taxes, insurance premiums, expenses necessary for the preservation of the subject property, if any, and prior security interests in fixtures, if any, said property having been appraised at \$30,000. Sale will be made pursuant to order of sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of Johnston County, Oklahoma.

Pursuant to judgment, Plaintiff reserves the right to recall the Special Execution and Order of Sale and to cancel this scheduled sale orally or in writing at any time prior to sale without notice or leave of Court. In the absence of Plaintiff's representative at the sale, the subject property will not be sold on the date set forth above.

Sheriff of Johnston County State of Oklahoma

By: /s/ Jon Smith Deputy

Carolyn K. Hebert, #15944
Wesley T. Kozeny, #31325
Bonial & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
609 South Kelly Avenue, Suite A-2
Edmond, Oklahoma 73003
Phone: (405) 285-8100
Fax: (405) 285-8951

(Published October 22, 2020)

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF OKLAHOMA ("PSO") THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE, AND NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR 25 YEARS TO BUILD, EQUIP, MAINTAIN, EXTEND, OWN AND OPERATE A SYSTEM FOR THE MANUFACTURE, TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION, SALE AND CONTROL OF ELECTRICITY AND COMMUNICATIONS CIRCUITS FOR ITSELF AND OTHERS IN, UNDER, OVER, ACROSS, THROUGH AND ALONG ANY AND ALL OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE

STREETS, ALLEYS, AVENUES, WAYS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES AND GROUNDS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF WAPANUCKA, JOHNSTON COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; AND GRANTING PSO THE RIGHT TO OPERATE AN ELECTRIC BUSINESS PURSUANT TO REASONABLE RULES AND REGULATION BY THE OKLAHOMA CORPORATION COMMISSION; WITH PSO AGREEING TO CHARGE LEGAL RATES FOR THE ELECTRIC SERVICE; AND, IF POSSIBLE, TO SELL AND DELIVER TO THE CITY ALL ELECTRICITY AND SERVICES REQUESTED BY IT; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT TO THE CITY BY PSO OF A MONTHLY FEE ON GROSS RECEIPTS FROM THE DELIVERY AND SALE OF ELECTRICITY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE

TOWN OF WAPANUCKA, OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. That the Town of Wapanucka, a municipal corporation of the State of Oklahoma, located in Johnston County ("Grantor"), grants to Public Service Company of Oklahoma, an Oklahoma corporation, its successors and assigns ("Grantee"), the right, power, and authority to use the streets, alleys, avenues, ways and other public places and grounds of Grantor ("Public Rights of Way") as now constituted and as it may be extended or created in the future for the purpose of building, equipping, maintaining, extending, owning and operating any plants, systems and appurtenant facilities for the manufacture, transmission, distribution, sale and control of electricity for lighting, heating and power purposes as well as for any other purposes as electric energy may be used, in and to Grantor and to the public generally and to transmit electric energy and communicate and distribute information (audio, video and data) for itself or others over distribution and transmission lines throughout the Town to the

ultimate customer and to connections and systems in other localities with poles, wires, conduits, substations, meters, appliances and apparatus necessary and convenient for the plant and system upon, across, over and under the Public Rights of Way of the Town.

SECTION 2. All rights and privileges granted by this Ordinance will extend and be in force between Grantor and Grantee for a term of twenty-five years from and after the acceptance of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. All provisions of this Ordinance that obligate or benefit Grantee must also obligate or benefit its successors and assigns, and the word "Grantee," as used in this Ordinance, will include and mean not only Public Service Company of Oklahoma, but also its successors and assigns for which consent to assignment is given whether the assignment is for the whole or only a partial assignment. Subject to the provisions of this subsection, Grantee may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under the provisions of this Ordinance and franchise.

SECTION 4. Grantee will have the right to make and

Commissioners Proceedings

(Published October 22, 2020)

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Chairman Mike Thompson called regular meeting of 10-13-20 to order at 9:30 a.m. Answering aye was Thompson, Jacky Hallmark and TJ Clements. Others present Tom Lokey, Chris Schradder, Joe Schradder, Lanette Coppedge, Tootie Wood, Sharline Pitmon and Kathy Ross.

Hallmark moved to approve minutes of 10-5-20, second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Clements moved to approve Pay Application #9 for \$52,315.65 for CDBG 17471 Nitro Lift Building Project to RFD Construction, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Hallmark moved to approve Medical Change Order #5 for \$1,717.00 to RFD Construction Contract on CDBG-Nitro Lift Building Project, second Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Hallmark moved to approve for Johnston County to Provide Electric Cost to LED of OK in Order to Perform a No Cost Obligation Lighting Energy Audit for the Courthouse and the Jail, second Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Hallmark moved to approve Bid Out to Purchase (1) or (2) 2011 or Newer Crew Cab Pick-up, 4WD for Dist #3, second Thompson, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. These bids will be opened November 9, 2020.

Board took no action on Where to Pay Purchase of Property From. Clements has been advised by the Asst District Attorney that this can be purchased from Highway funds or General funds. Clements would like to have the deed put into Johnston County Dist #3 so the future Commissioners would know that it was paid for with Highway funds. We would check on this and report back at a later date.

Board discussed several concerns were Johnston County COVID-19 Pandemic Procedures would be needed. Thompson would like for us to check with Kellpro about the payroll procedures if either County Clerks office or the Treasurers office was unable to process payroll. He believes that this is a top priority and what about the direct deposit vs. printed checks. Sick leave for the employees was discussed for COVID sick employees and children. Also, for 2020 tax season. Is there any way to have a drop box for taxes to be paid? This would detour the public from coming in the Treasurers office, there could be a mailer put in with the tax statements that would include several payment options for the property owners. This is all concerns that need to be discussed further and will be on the agenda 10-19-20.

Transfers: J-Rev1 to J-Payroll \$3,839.97, Monthly Blankets: MC FD, Monthly Report: Court Clerk, Claims: 911 87, AT&T, 57.09, 88, AT&T, 284.33, 89, PITMON OIL, 39.00, 90, OSU-CTP, 40.00, 91, MILLER OFFICE, 37.86,

CBRI 9, RAILROAD YARD, 2110.68, J-Rev1 10, ADA PAPER COMPANY, 30.00, 11, LEXIS NEXIS RISK SOLUTIONS, 50.00, Donations 3, BENSON SOUND, 14812.50, Drug Court 7, EDMONDSON, CRAIG, 1750.00, General 708, JOHNSTON COUNTY RWD #3, 24.58, 709, C.O.P.S PRODUCTS, 453.46, 710, ADAPAPER COMPANY, 128.98, 711, ADA PAPER COMPANY, 88.63, 712, SHIPMAN COMMUNICATIONS, 905.00, 713, TOTAL ASSESSMENT SOLUTIONS CORP, 3875.00, 714, JOHNSTON COUNTY RWD #3, 24.80, 715, TISHOMINGO WATER DEPARTMENT, 67.50, 716, TISHOMINGO WATER DEPARTMENT, 91.27, 717, S.O.R.D., 61.50, 718, PEC, 46.90, 719, PEC, 28.47, 720, QUICK MART, 26.00, 721, QUICK MART, 25.00, 722, WATERLOGIC AMERICAS, 36.84, 723, MILL CREEK PWA, 58.29, 724, Jo Co Farm Bureau, 35.00, 725, COMDATA, 219.35, 726, VICTORY MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, 69.99, 727, PEC, 73.35, 728, MILLER, JOSH, 150.00, 729, AT&T, 55.64, 730, AT&T, 50.98, 731, AT&T, 64.74, 732, U.S.P.O., 4.10, 733, WELLS FARGO, 220.30, 734, AT&T, 129.62, 735, AT&T, 42.68, 736, AT&T, 52.81, 737, AT&T, 42.81, Health 38, AT&T, 62.60, 39, QUILL, 432.51, Highway 497, S.O.R.D., 82.00, 498, JOHNSTON COUNTY RWD #3, 25.81, 499, JOHNSTON COUNTY RWD #3, 24.80, 500, WELCH STATE BANK, 742.39, 501, SPRING HOUSE WATER CO, 18.49, 502, WHITE, ARTHUR, 814.00, 503, TISHOMINGO MOTOR SALES, 42.97, 504, TISHOMINGO MOTOR SALES, 393.72, 505, P&K STONE, 2541.50, 506, O.D.O.T., 2894.69, 507, O.D.O.T., 3129.23, 508, O.D.O.T., 4630.04, 509, AT&T, 95.62, 510, AT&T, 100.62, 511, AT&T, 92.49, 512, MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS, 4793.00, F-FF 13, AT&T, 91.82, CMT 14, AT&T, 90.49, ¼ Fire 16, DOUGLAS, JEFF, 125.00, BSF 105, CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, 117.30, 106, COURTESY P.C., 32.99, 107, JOHNSTON COUNTY EMS, 32.00, 108, COMDATA, 1561.60, 109, COMDATA, 113.20, 110, GALLS INC, 276.99, 111, AT&T, 280.84, 112, CHARM-TEX, 77.90, B-UCPF 3, FENIEX INDUSTRIES, 1725.12,

Report gave by Commissioners Secretary, New Business: None, Public Hearing: None

Hallmark motioned to adjourn meeting at 11:30 a.m., second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Approved on 19th of October, 2020

(Seal)

Attest: /s/ Kathy Ross, County Clerk

Chairman: /s/ Mike Thompson
Vice Chairman: /s/ Jacky Hallmark
Member: /s/ T.J. Clements

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enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the sale, delivery, control and metering of its electric energy and the conduct of its business and may reserve in these rules and regulations the right to disconnect service to customers where Grantee's meters, wires, switches, appliances or apparatus are found to have been tampered with, or when customers have failed to pay for electricity or services. Grantor will have the right to enter upon customers' premises at all reasonable times or at any hour if for the sole purpose of restoring service, for the purpose of inspecting, repairing, or reading meters or for removing wires, meters, switches and appliances, and to perform other activities necessary to provide and maintain electric service so long as these rules and regulations are not in conflict with law or the rules and regulations from time to time made by the Corporation Commission of the State of Oklahoma or by other regularly constituted regulatory authority having jurisdiction over Grantee.

Grantor gives Grantee permission to cut down, trim, remove and otherwise control using herbicides or tree growth regulators any trees, branches, vegetation or brush upon and overhanging the Public Rights of Way of the Town in the vicinity of Grantee's electric facilities where trees and other vegetation, in Grantee's reasonable opinion, may endanger the safety of Grantee's personnel or interfere with the construction, operation or maintenance of Grantee's facilities or ingress or egress to, from or along the Public Rights of Way.

SECTION 5. Grantee covenants and agrees that in consideration of this franchise and contract it will maintain electric distribution service in and to Grantor, unless excused by statute, under the rules and orders imposed upon it by the Corporation Commission of the State of Oklahoma, or by other regularly constituted regulatory authority having jurisdiction over Grantee. By accepting this franchise and contract, however, Grantee does not guarantee continuous service at all times and will be relieved temporarily from its obligation to furnish services continuously in case of any disability caused by act of God or by the elements, or terrorism, strikes, or lock-outs, or by any temporary breakdown or failure of machinery, transmission or distribution lines, appliances or apparatus, or by other causes beyond Grantee's reasonable control so long as Grantee exercises due diligence in the repair of its machinery, transmission or distribution lines, appliances and apparatus and makes best efforts to resume operation without unnecessary delay.

Grantee covenants and agrees to hold Grantor free and clear of any claims for damages or otherwise to the extent caused by Grantee's negligence in the construction or operation carried on under this contract and franchise. Regardless, it is understood and agreed that in the event of claims that are presented or prosecuted against the Town, Grantee will have the right to defend against and to settle and discharge all claims in any manner as Grantee may see fit. To this end, Grantor agrees to notify Grantee of any claims and to furnish to Grantee all related information and assistance as may be necessary in the defense of the claims.

SECTION 6. In performing the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, franchise, and contract, Grantee is given the continuing right, privilege and option to manufacture electric energy within Grantor's corporate limits and to transmit electric energy over transmission lines from other plants and to distribute electric energy from some central location at proper voltage; together with the right to transmit electric energy from and through the Town to other localities for itself or others. Grantee is authorized to allow others who have a permitted right granted by Grantor, or as may otherwise be authorized or required by applicable law, to attach telecommunications and cable facilities to its poles and structures on such conditions as it considers just and reasonable and in compliance with applicable law.

SECTION 7. During the life of this franchise and for and in consideration of acceptance of the franchise by Grantee, Grantor agrees that Grantee may charge and collect from Grantor and its inhabitants a rate or rates for its service or the service of others that must be compensatory and reasonable at all times, and if regulated, subject to the rules and orders as are in effect or that hereafter may be lawfully made by the Corporation Commission of the State of Oklahoma, or by other regularly constituted regulatory authority having jurisdiction over Grantee.

SECTION 8. During the life of this franchise, Grantee will if possible and permitted under applicable law sell to Grantor all electric energy requested by Grantor for municipal purposes including, but not limited to, water and wastewater treatment, water and storm water pumping, and the lighting of Town streets.

SECTION 9. From and after the approval and acceptance of this ordinance, and in consideration of the granting of this franchise, Grantee will pay to Grantor as a franchise fee and as compensation for the rights and privileges enjoyed under the franchise, a sum equal to two percent of its gross receipts from the delivery and, if applicable, the sale of electrical energy within the Town, payable monthly with each payment to be made not later than the first business day of the second month following the month in which the receipts were received for the billing cycle for that month. For example, payment for April receipts, for a subject year covering a billing cycle from March 29th through April 27th would be paid not later than June 1st. The fee will be in lieu of all concessions, excise, franchise, licenses, occupation, privilege, and permit fees, or taxes, except assessments for special improvements and ad valorem taxes.

Grantor must notify Grantee

in writing of newly annexed and de-annexed areas. The notice must include the ordinance number authorizing the action, an appropriate map identifying the areas, and documentation of the notice to the State of Oklahoma regarding the annexation or de-annexation. Grantee will have no responsibility for commencing franchise payments under the franchise to Grantor in newly annexed areas until Grantee has received Grantor's notification and beginning the 91st day after receipt of the notice, Grantee will begin payments to Grantor for the gross receipts from delivery and, if applicable, the sale of electrical energy in each newly annexed area and will make any appropriate adjustments in payments reflecting overpayments made in any prior month resulting from the inclusion of gross receipts from delivery and, if applicable, the sale of electrical energy in de-annexed areas. Payments for receipts in newly annexed areas and adjustments for overpayments in de-annexed areas will be made back to the effective date of the ordinance authorizing the action.

Grantor agrees that the percentage paid to Grantor by Grantee, including any necessary revision, will in no event exceed the percentage rate used to calculate any fee or tax paid to Grantor by any other person or entity if the fee or tax is based in any way on the amount of revenues from delivery or sales of electrical energy or both by such other person or entity to ultimate customers within the Town.

SECTION 10. This Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its acceptance upon its passage and approval by a vote of the qualified electors residing within the Town who will vote on the acceptance at a special election called under or pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance. If, however, this Ordinance fails to be so approved at the special election, it will be deemed wholly void and of no effect.

The Mayor of the Town is authorized and instructed to call for an election by resolution in the manner and form provided by the laws of the State of Oklahoma for the calling of special elections, giving the resolution, notice, and ballot title accordingly as provided by law for the purpose of submission to the qualified electors residing within the Town. The qualified electors will vote on the proposition by either approval or refusal of this Ordinance and the non-exclusive franchise contract granted herein; and the proper officers of the Town are directed to do all things necessary for the holding of the election and for the submission of the question and must in all things comply with the election laws of the State of Oklahoma.

If the franchise is approved at the election, Grantee will have thirty days after the election result is declared to file an acceptance of the Ordinance and franchise with the Town Clerk, in writing and executed according to law.

SECTION 11. After Grantee has filed the acceptance of this Ordinance as provided in Section 10, all rights, privileges, and obligations of any other ordinances and franchises or portions thereof, under which Grantee may now be exercising its privileges to use the streets, alleys, avenues, ways, and other public places and grounds within the Town's incorporated limits, and all other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance will be and thereafter remain cancelled, annulled, and repealed.

SECTION 12. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any part or provision is judged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication will not affect or impair any of the remaining parts or provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 13. Whereas an immediate necessity exists so that the Town's residents may be provided an adequate supply of electricity for heating, lighting, and power purposes and for the purpose of providing light, heat, and power for its streets, alleys, public grounds, parks, and other public places and institutions and for the preservation of public health, peace, and safety, an emergency is declared to exist by reason of which this Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval at the special election, its publication, and PSO's filing of its acceptance.

Approved, this 12 day of October, 2020.

/s/ Leonora Burnett, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

/s/ Becky Estep, Town Clerk

(Published October 22, 2020)

SPECIAL ELECTION PROCLAMATION AND NOTICE

Under and by virtue of Section 5(a), Article XVIII, of the Oklahoma Constitution, Title 11 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 16-101, and Town of Wapanucka Resolution No. 3-2020 dated this 12 day of October, 2020, authorizing the calling of an election on the proposition stated in this notice, I, the undersigned Mayor of the Town of Wapanucka, Oklahoma (the "Town"), call and give notice of an election to be held in the Town of Wapanucka, Oklahoma, on the 9 day of Feb., 2021, for the purpose of submitting the following proposition to the registered, qualified voters in the Town.

PROPOSITION

An ordinance granting to Public Service Company of Oklahoma ("PSO") the right, privilege, and non-exclusive franchise for 25 years to build, equip, maintain, extend, own and operate a system for the manufacture, transmission, distribution, sale and control

of electricity and communications circuits for itself and others in, under, over, across, through and along any and all of the present and future streets, alleys, avenues, ways and other public places and grounds within the limits of the Town of Wapanucka, Johnston County, Oklahoma; and granting PSO the right to operate an electric business pursuant to reasonable rules and regulation by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission; with PSO agreeing to charge legal rates for the electric service; and, if possible, to sell and deliver to the Town all electricity and services requested by it; providing for payment to the Town by PSO of a monthly fee on gross receipts from the delivery and sale of electricity; and providing for the repeal of conflicting ordinances; and declaring an emergency.

Shall the proposed ordinance be approved?

FOR THE PROPOSITION - YES

AGAINST THE PROPOSITION - NO

Only registered, qualified voters of the Town may vote upon the proposition as stated above.

The polls must be opened at 7:00 A.M. and kept open continuously until 7:00 P.M.

The precinct officers designated by the Johnston County Election Board will conduct the election, act as counters and certify the results as required by law.

The number and location of the polling places for the election will be the same as prescribed by the County Election Board for state and county elections and will include all precincts totally or partially contained within the town limits.

Dated this 12 day of October, 2020.

/s/ Leonora Burnett, Mayor, Town of Wapanucka

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

/s/ Becky Estep, Town Clerk

(Published October 22, 2020)

RESOLUTION NO. 3-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF WAPANUCKA, JOHNSTON COUNTY, OKLAHOMA (THE "TOWN"), CALLING FOR A SPECIAL MEETING AND SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 9 DAY OF FEB 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING AN ORDINANCE FOR APPROVAL BY THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS THAT WILL GRANT TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF OKLAHOMA, AN OKLAHOMA CORPORATION ("PSO"), A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS TO BUILD, EQUIP, MAINTAIN, EXTEND, OWN, AND OPERATE A SYSTEM FOR THE MANUFACTURE, TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION, SALE, AND CONTROL OF ELECTRICITY IN AND TO THE TOWN AND THE PUBLIC GENERALLY, TO A VOTE OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE TOWN FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL; SPECIFYING THE QUESTION TO BE VOTED UPON AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE DISTRIBUTION AND PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

RECITALS

Article 18, §5(a) of the Oklahoma Constitution provides that no grant of a franchise by a municipal corporation will be valid unless approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors of a town.

By a vote on October 12, 2020, the Wapanucka Board of Trustees approved an Ordinance calling for a special election to be set to approve or disapprove the franchise granted in the Ordinance.

If approved, the Ordinance will grant to PSO a non-exclusive franchise for twenty-five years to build, equip, maintain, extend, own and operate a system for the manufacture, transmission, distribution, sale and control of electricity and information distribution in and to the Town and the public generally.

Upon the adoption of this Resolution, the Mayor of the Town shall proclaim a special election to submit the Ordinance for approval or disapproval by the qualified electors of the Town.

Oklahoma statutes 11 O.S. §16-101 and §16-304 require that notice of a special election must be given by publishing the Resolution, Ordinance and Special Election Proclamation and Notice of the municipal governing body calling for the special election in a legal newspaper of the county at least ten days before the date of the special election, or if there is no legal newspaper of the county in general circulation in the municipality, the notice must be given by posting a copy of the Resolution in at least five public places in the municipality.

RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Wapanucka, Oklahoma, as required by the Constitution and Oklahoma statutes shall call a special election for the purpose of submitting an Ordinance to the registered voters of the Town of Wapanucka for their approval or disapproval, the Ordinance granting to Public Service Company of Oklahoma, an Oklahoma Corporation, a non-exclusive franchise for twenty-five years to build, equip, maintain, extend, own and operate a system for the manufacture, transmission, distribution, sale and control of electricity and information distribution in and to the Town and the public generally.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the Town of Wapanucka shall call a special election on the 9 day of Feb, 2021, to be administered

by the Johnston County Election Board.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the question to be voted upon at a special election will be as follows:

PROPOSITION

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Shall the proposed ordinance be approved?

FOR THE PROPOSITION - YES

AGAINST THE PROPOSITION - NO

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or Board of Trustees does direct the Town Clerk of the Town of Wapanucka to cause the Resolution, Ordinance and Special Election Proclamation to be published in a legally qualified newspaper of the county one time within fifteen days after adoption of this Resolution, or post a copy of this Resolution in at least five public places in the municipality if the Resolution cannot be published in accordance with law, the publication or posting being for 14he purpose of giving notice of the special election to be held on the 9 day of Feb, 2021.

SIGNED by the Mayor of the Town of Wapanucka, Johnston County, Oklahoma, this 12 day of October, 2020.

/s/ Leonora Burnett, Mayor of the Town of Wapanucka

(SEAL)

Dated this 8th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:

/s/ Becky Estep, Town Clerk

(Published October 22, 2020)

Title VI, Equal Opportunity, and Affirmative Action Plan Availability

INCA Community Services, Inc. is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer. It is our policy that no employee or applicant will be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, genetic information, disability, or because he or she is a protected veteran.

Our Title VI, Equal Opportunity, and Affirmative Action Plan is available for viewing by all applicants and employees on our website at www.incaca.org, printed copies may be obtained by request. Please contact the Equal Employment Opportunities (EEO) Officer at 580-889-5193 for more information.

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Notice of Opportunity for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

INCA Community Services, Inc. and all grantee programs would like to announce that any businesses in our area that are certified as DBE/WGE and minority business will be given the opportunity for all contracts.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the matter of the Estate of LUCRETIA ANN THOMPSON, Deceased

Case No: PB-2019-15

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against LUCRETIA ANN THOMPSON, deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named personal representative, CHRISTINA ANNE THOMPSON, at the office of David Youngblood, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 540, Atoka, Oklahoma, 74525, on or before the following presentment date: the 15th day of December, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:

/s/ Becky Estep, Town Clerk

/s/David Youngblood

DAVID YOUNGBLOOD, OBA#11021 P.O. Box 540, Atoka, OK 74525 Attorney for Estate

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The Town of Mill Creek will be accepting sealed bids October 21, 2020 through November 6, 2020. Cut off will be 2:00 P.M. On a 1967 Jeep VIN # SY25876212L169 Odometer shows 17,592 miles.

Send sealed bids to Town of Mill Creek P.O. Box 10 or drop at Town Hall. Bids will be opened at next Town Council Meeting On November 9, 2020.

The Town of Mill Creek reserves the right to accept or decline any bid.

(Published October 22, 2020)

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Education of Wapanucka Public School District hereby provides legal notice that the school board election filing period for candidates will open on Monday, December 7, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and will close Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Member Position on Ballot:

The voters shall elect a board member for board position No. 1, which has a 5-year term of office.

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BID NOTICE

Johnston County Commissioners are accepting bids to Purchase:

(1 or more) 2011 or Newer Crew Cab Pick Up, 4WD

Bid closes on 11-9-20 at 9:00 am with bids being opened 11-9-20 at 10:00 am. Bids must be submitted on S.A. & I. Form 4040 and Specs may be picked up at County Clerk's office. Send bids to Kathy Ross, Johnston County Clerk, 403 West Main, Rm#101, Tishomingo, OK 73460. Put Bid #560-20 on outside of envelope.

COMMISSIONERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS

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STATE QUESTION ANALYSIS

Two state questions will appear on the November 3 general election ballot. State Question 805 was placed on the ballot by gathering signatures from citizens; State Question 814 was referred to a vote of the people by the Oklahoma Legislature. Each question is reprinted here as it will appear on the ballot followed by a brief summary.

STATE QUESTION NO. 805 INITIATIVE PETITION NO. 421

This measure seeks to add a new Article II-A to the Oklahoma Constitution. This new Article excepts and does not apply to persons who have ever been convicted of a violent felony. It would prohibit the use of a former felony conviction to increase the statutorily allowable base range of punishment for a person subsequently convicted of a felony. Individuals who are currently incarcerated for felony sentences that were enhanced based on one or more former felony convictions, and whose sentences are greater than the maximum sentence that may currently be imposed for such felonies, may seek sentence modification in court. The new Article sets forth a detailed process for such sentence modification, including but not limited to requirements for a hearing, appointment of counsel for indigent petitioners, and notification of victims, and requires that the court impose a modified sentence no greater than the current maximum sentence which may be imposed on a person convicted of the same felony with no former felony convictions, and which results in no greater time served in prison than under the original sentence. It establishes an appeal procedure, provides an effective date, and contains a severability clause.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED? FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO

SUMMARY: State Question 805 will be on the Nov. 3 ballot after nearly 250,000 Oklahoma voters signed an initiative petition. It was billed as a "smart on crime" measure that could result in up to \$186 million prison cost savings. The measure prohibits Oklahoma judges from using previous nonviolent felony convictions as a reason to increase prison sentences for defendants convicted of new nonviolent crimes. Current inmates who received enhanced sentences for nonviolent felony convictions could ask the court for sentence reductions. If approved, new guidelines require the court to impose a sentence no greater than the current maximum sentence given for a person with no former nonviolent felony convictions for the same crime. The Constitutional Amendment establishes a hearing process, appointment of counsel for indigents, notification of victims and an appeals procedure. Proponents say Oklahoma inmates convicted of property and drug crimes currently spend more than 70 percent more time behind bars than the national average. Opponents, including some law enforcement groups, anti-domestic violence advocates, and the state district attorneys association, say the measure is a misguided attempt to give repeat offenders multiple chances. In reality, they say, the measure is a get-out-of-jail card for career criminals who could return to their communities and commit more crimes. They say non-violent offenses could include domestic violence in the presence of a child, animal cruelty, home burglary, arson, DUI or soliciting sex from a minor using technology.

STATE QUESTION NO. 814 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 375

This measure seeks to amend Article 10, Section 40 of the Oklahoma Constitution (Section 40), which directs proceeds from the State's settlements with or judgments against tobacco companies. Currently, Section 40 directs 75% of proceeds to the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (TSET Fund), where earnings may only be used for tobacco prevention programs, cancer research, and other such programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans. Meanwhile, the remaining 25% of proceeds are directed to a separate fund for the Legislature (Legislative Fund). The Legislature can also direct some of that 25% to the Attorney General.

This measure amends Section 40 to reduce the percentage of proceeds that go into the TSET Fund from 75% to 25%. As a result, the remaining 75% will go to the Legislative Fund and the Legislature may continue to direct a portion to the Attorney General. The measure would also restrict the use of the Legislative Fund. Section 40 currently states only that the Legislative Fund is subject to legislative appropriation. If this measure passes, money from the Legislative Fund must be used to get federal matching funds for Oklahoma's Medicaid Program.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED? FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO

SUMMARY: State Question 814, referred to voters by the state legislature, changes the amount of money directed to the state's Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET Fund) from 75 percent of the annual payments to 25 percent. Currently TSET receives 75 percent of the annual payment and the remaining 25 percent is directed to the legislature and the Attorney General. Oklahoma voters created TSET to manage smoking cessation, cancer research, obesity and other healthy living programs from the 1998 master settlement agreement between tobacco companies and 46 states. Only earnings on the state's accumulated \$1.3 billion fund are used each year. That amounts to between \$70 million and \$75 million payments to divide between TSET and the legislature. A yes vote on Nov. 3 would let lawmakers redirect TSET funds to pay for the current Medicaid program and the expanded program Oklahoma voters approved when they narrowly passed State Question 802 in June. If passed Nov. 3, the money from the Legislative portion of TSET would be used to get federal matching funds. Gov. Kevin Stitt, who opposed the Medicaid expansion, supports State Question 814 as a way to pay the state's portion of Medicaid costs. A Constitutional amendment is required to change the settlement proceeds formula as voters earmarked the funds in 2000 by approving SQ 692 by nearly 69 percent. Some health groups, such as the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network, oppose SQ 814 on the grounds that it diverts funding from programs that improve the health of all Oklahomans.

WOTE For more information about State Questions, see the Oklahoma State Election Board website at www.ok.gov/elections/Election_Info/State_Question_info.html or the Oklahoma Secretary of State website at www.sos.ok.gov/gov/state_questions.aspx

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