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- Samuel Burnett Jr., 53
- Bill Crawford, 81
- Laurie Beth Mockry, 52
- Clarence Schillig, 91
- Lorinda Standley, 63
- Anna Ruth Williamson, 95

Average Gas Prices

Week ending January 28, 2020

Kansas Nation

\$2.21/gal. \$2.50/gal

▼ 4.3 cents ▼ 4.0 cents

KansasGasPrices.com

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- Coffey County Conservation District - Notice of Annual Meeting.
- Coffey County - Invitation to Bid Mowing Tractor
- Anderson County Rural Water District No. 5 - Notice of Annual Meeting.
- Coffey County - Notice to Dispose of 2007 Ford Expedition.
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- City of Hartford - Ordinance No. 157, Time of Council Meeting.
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- Burlington Housing Authority - Notice of Annual Meeting.
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- City of Burlington - Quarterly Treasurer's Report.
- City of Hartford - Annual Treasurer's Report.
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Lebo-Waverly USD 243
Burlington USD 244
LeRoy-Gridley USD 245



Tough BIT

The Burlington Wildcats and Lady Wildcats competed in a competitive Burlington Invitational Tournament this past week.

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WAVERLY CITY COUNCIL

Marsh seated as Waverly mayor

Ida Wilson
Reporter

WAVERLY — The Waverly City Council met Wednesday, Jan. 8, with Jake Marsh taking the oath of office as the new mayor for the City of Waverly. Others taking the oath of office were re-elected council members Jerry Collins, Nicole Rasmussen and Tammy White.

The council elected Jerry Collins as their President.

Patty Anderson, Linda Kaminski, and Kristen Bradley were present regarding

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Waverly City Clerk Anna-Marie Keena gives the oath of office to Mayor Jake Marsh. Members of the Marsh family were present for the event.



Waverly Mayor Jake Marsh administers the oath of office to re-elected council members Jerry Collins, Nicole Rasmussen and Tammy White.

COFFEY COUNTY COMMISSION

Eight executive sessions total 75 minutes

Mark Petterson
Managing Editor

BURLINGTON — Coffey County on Monday spent 75 minutes behind closed doors in eight different executive sessions. A total of 50 minutes involved discussions about nonelected employees and 25 minutes had to do with ongoing or potential litigation.

A full board was present for the regular weekly meeting: Chairman Cody Haddock, Don Meats, Bob Saueressig, Tom Hugunin and Fred Rowley.

Two 10-minute executive sessions came at the end of County Engineer Wayne Blackbourn's report. Blackbourn, commissioners and County Counselor Wade Bowie II met behind closed doors

for consultation with the county counselor to protect the privacy rights of an employee. No action was taken upon return to open session.

Blackbourn presented commissioners a rock quotation summary for the purchase of various rock at Coffey County rock quarries. He updated commissioners about work activities throughout the county,

including burning brush as needed, resuming work on the 22nd Road guardrail project and continuing 911 sign upgrades in the southeast quadrant. Blackbourn also said a county truck with a snowplow was involved in a non-injury accident Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 16th Street and 11th Lane in Burlington. Slick roads contributed to the accident.

Commissioners approved two motions recommended by Blackbourn. They approved a \$14,861.50 payment to Evergreen Design Build for the shop door discussed last week. Funds will come from the Equipment Reserve Fund. Commissioners waived the county's purchasing policy

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CHS looks toward new initiatives in 2020

Tracy Campbell
For The Republican

BURLINGTON — During the December meeting of the Coffey Health System Board of Trustees, Chief Executive Officer Leonard Hernandez laid out a challenge for the new year.

"I really want 2020 to be our telehealth year," Hernandez said. "By the end of the year, I want us to establish four or five more modules for telehealth. I think that is the direction healthcare is going and if we want to be competitive, we need to get out there."

The hospital partnered with HCA Midwest in 2018 to begin stroke diagnosis and interventions with the assistance of a real-time, digital connection to board certified neurologists at Overland Park Regional Medical Center. Additional service lines can include psychiatry, pulmonology, and rheumatology.

Chief Clinic Officer Samantha Kuhlmann reviewed the

clinic strategic plan. Well child checks, Medicare wellness visits, and patient reminder letters are among the top priorities.

Kuhlmann reviewed a cost-free arrangement with Patient Point which placed video screens and tablets in each provider's clinic space. The tablets give providers 3D anatomical graphics, clinical information, and videos that can be sent directly to a patient's email or cell phone.

"This is an expansion of what we're doing with patient education," Kuhlmann said. "We didn't have to pay for them. They are all free and we can use 30-40 percent (of the screen time) for our own marketing. We'll have them for 24 months and then evaluate the program."

Executive Finance Committee Chair JoAnn Osburn reported low patient volumes for November. Subsequently, expenses of \$2.1 million outpaced revenue of \$1.9 million.

Judy Reese gave an update

on litigation brought about by former employees. The presiding U.S. judge reduced CHS's responsibility for opposing attorney fees.

"For me, I'm looking forward to 2020. We have so many positive things happening, I would just like to pay it and move on," Reese said.

Each board member was encouraged to voice their opinion, followed by a unanimous vote to pay legal fees without further appeal.

Hernandez also presented the medical staff report. A new policy is being drafted that allows CHS to cease medical staff privileges for providers who fail to complete their annual credentialing process after two notifications.

Medical staff officers are unchanged for 2020: John Shell, chairman; Chris Jarvis, vice chairman; Jeff Sloyer, secretary/treasurer.

Within the consent agenda, the board approved medical

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Burlington Police Department officer graduates KLETC

YODER — Burlington Police Department Officer Kyle Black graduated Friday, Jan. 24, from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center (KLETC) as a member of the 261st Basic Training Class.

Ofc. Black started working for the Burlington Police Department May 6, 2019, before attending KLETC in September 2019.

Graduates of the 261st Basic Training Class received certificates of course completion from KLETC and Kansas law enforcement certification from the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, the state's law enforcement licensing authority. The training course fulfills the state requirement for law enforcement training. Classroom lectures and hands-on applications help train officers to solve the increasingly complex problems they face in the line of duty.

Established by the Kansas Legislature in 1968, the center trains the majority of municipal, county and state law enforcement officers in Kansas and oversees the training of the remaining officers at seven authorized and certified academy programs operated by local law enforce-



Photo submitted

Kyle Black has graduated from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center. He is a patrol officer for the Burlington Police Department.

I-35 rest areas closed for repairs, remodeling

Tuesday, Jan. 28, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) temporarily closed the rest areas on the I-35 northbound and southbound lanes in the Homewood vicinity.

KDOT plans to remodel the facilities and make repairs to the water lines. The traveling

public will not be able to access the rest area buildings or parking areas during the closure, which is expected to last several months. Persons with questions may contact Kevin Ryan at KDOT-Garnett, (785) 448-5446, or Priscilla Petersen at KDOT-Chanute, (620) 902-6433.

LEBO CITY COUNCIL

Oath given to elected council members

Ida Wilson
Reporter

LEBO — The Lebo City Council began their first meeting of 2020 with Mayor Larry Boden administering the oath of office to Jim Jones, Troy Friend and Jerry Headley, who won election in the November 2019 election. They joined council members Jamie Jasnoski and Jerry Julian already on the council. This regular session of the council was held on Monday, Jan. 13.

Gary Knight, superintendent of streets and utilities,

who was on vacation the last half of December, said the annual compost report had been sent to the state. The water report had been sent to the state and showed a six percent water loss on 427 active water meters. The Emergency Water Plan had been reviewed.

Officer Aaron Cathcard provided a written police report that showed verbal warnings had been given for illegal tags, four situations regarding speeding, one warning for no headlights and one warning for a vicious dog. Two citations were given for no insurance and one for an expired

car tag. The local police assisted with a rollover accident at the Lebo exit on Interstate 35, a reported fire at the Vo-Ag building, and a medical call on South Walnut Street.

Clerk Carrie Sloan has been working on grants for the tennis court and the ground around the playground equipment. She provided a written report that included monthly income and expenses, bank balances, and the clerk's cash report through the end of 2019. She also compared 2019 income and expenses

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Ida Wilson/The Republican

Elected and re-elected members of the Lebo governing body are, from left, newly elected council member Jim Jones, Mayor Larry Boden who gave the oath of office, and re-elected council members Jerry Headley and Troy Friend.