

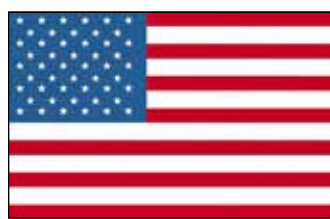
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Lake Levels

John Redmond

8 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27
Lake Elevation: 1,041.2
Normal: 1,041
Inflow (cfs): 34
Release (cfs): 97

Council Grove

Lake Elevation: 1,272.8
Normal: 1,274
Inflow (cfs): 0
Release (cfs): 30

Melvorn

Lake Elevation: 1,034.86
Normal: 1,036
Inflow (cfs): 10
Release (cfs): 20

Pomona

Lake Elevation: 972.99
Normal: 974
Inflow (cfs): 5
Release (cfs): 15

Average Gas Prices

Week ending Oct. 27, 2020

Kansas Nation
\$1.92/gal. \$2.13/gal

▼ 1.4 cents ▼ 1.9 cents
KansasGasPrices.com

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and Hartford

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State Bound

The Lebo Lady Wolves are headed to the Class 1A Division I State volleyball tournament after winning a substate championship Saturday, Oct. 24, and a state quarterfinal match Tuesday, Oct. 27.
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BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Condemnation hearing set; promotions OK'd

Mark Petterson
Managing Editor

BURLINGTON — The Burlington City Council set a condemnation hearing for a fire-damaged house and approved promotions at city hall when the council met Oct. 21.

The council passed Resolution 2020-04, which set a public hearing for 6:05 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, for the heirs of Richard Powell to appear regarding a house at 216 Hudson St. The house sustained heavy fire damage on Aug. 16, 2019. Three people died in the fire and Powell died several weeks later from injuries related to the fire.

Attempts have been made to have out-of-state relatives take care of the property; however City Attorney Philip Wright said known relatives have not been returning phone calls and an attempt to determine heirs have been unsuccessful. By setting the public hearing date, the city can begin the process to eventually abate the blight on the neighborhood.

A full governing body was present for the second regular October meeting: Mayor Stan Luke and council members Jerilyn Curtiss, Dallas Scothorn, J.J. Jasper, Lewis Lenard, Thomas Tschantz and Sharon Hall.

Mayor Luke's Oct. 7 appointment of

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B & B Bridge Co., St. Paul, began work last week to repair and replace a retaining wall at the Burlington City Dam. A number of onlookers have been visiting the area to view the progress. Work should be completed within 90 days.

2020 GENERAL ELECTION

Polling places listed in Coffey County

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3. Registered voters will be deciding races for:

- ✓ President and Vice President
- ✓ U.S. Senate
- ✓ U.S. House – 2nd Congressional District
- ✓ State Senate – District 14
- ✓ Kansas Representative – District 76
- ✓ County Commission Districts 2 and 3
- ✓ County Clerk
- ✓ County Treasurer



- ✓ County Register of Deeds
- ✓ County Attorney

- ✓ County Sheriff
- ✓ Township Treasurers
- ✓ Township Trustees
- ✓ Judicial retention questions for one Kansas Supreme Court justice, court of appeals judges in positions 4, 6, 8, 9 and 14 and District 4 court judges in positions 1, 2 and 3.

A full list of candidates appearing on the primary election ballot was printed in The Republican on Oct. 1. Sample ballots will be available to view at each polling place. A

sample ballot for your voting district is available online by going to www.coffeycountyks.org, click on "County Clerk" under the "County Services" tab at the top of the page, then click on "Election Information" on the left side of the page. Next, click on the "Sample Ballot Information" link, <https://myvoteinfo.voteks.org/VoteView>, and fill in the required voter information to access your sample ballot. Advance voting is under-

way 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. this week at the Coffey County Courthouse, Room 201, in Burlington. Advance voting will end at noon Monday.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, at the following six polling locations in Coffey County.

BURLINGTON – Kelley Hall will be the polling location for voters in Burlington City Ward 1, Burlington City Ward

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COFFEY COUNTY COMMISSION

Housing, hospital board appointments OK'd

Mark Petterson
Managing Editor

BURLINGTON — Coffey County Commissioners on Monday approved three board appointments, heard an update on the airport runway project and approved COVID-related motions.

All county commissioners were present for the regular weekly meeting: Tom Hu-

gunin, chairman, Don Meats, Bob Saueressig, Fred Rowley and Tim Johnson. Also present were County Clerk Angie Kirchner, County Counselor Wade Bowie II and Administrative Assistant Donna Berland.

Appointments

Commissioners reappointed Judy Reese (Dist. 5) as a member of the Coffey County Hos-

pital Board. Her three-year term begins Jan. 1 and expires Dec. 31, 2024.

Commissioners appointed Greg Stice (Dist. 1) and reappointed Mike Skillman (Dist. 5) as members of the Coffey County Housing Authority. Both appointments are for four years, beginning Oct. 27 and ending Oct. 26, 2024.

Saueressig was the only commissioner to oppose Skill-

man's appointment, which passed on a 4-1 vote. Saueressig said Skillman had delinquent taxes and he couldn't support the appointment when commissioners require residents to have paid-up taxes when requesting landfill fees to be waived for structures.

Rowley believes what Skillman has to offer the CCHA board and what he has con-

tributed to the board in the past outweighs having delinquent taxes. Three other commissioners supported Skillman's reappointment.

Coffey County Airport

Coffey County Airport Manager Darren Isch updated commissioners about the recently completed runway project.

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Valnet files for bankruptcy; internet customers scramble

Mark Petterson
Managing Editor

Coffey County Valnet customers learned last week they must find a new internet provider.

Valnet, a Tulsa-based internet service provider, notified customers by letter last week about the closure of Valnet. On Oct. 5, Valnet Holdings filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in

the Oklahoma Northern Bankruptcy Court.

"Due to the current Global Pandemic and Economic Loss, the company has been faced with a difficult decision to enter into insolvency," read a letter signed Valnet Customer Care Team. "This decision was not easy for any of us as we have served our customers with great pride."

Three providers were sug-

gested as possible options for internet services: AT&T, Hughesnet and TelXP. Valnet indicated, as a courtesy, internet service for its customers would remain active until Nov. 15 at no cost to the customer.

Since 2018, TelXP has provided a partner network for Valnet, according to Adnan Sheikh, a TelXP manager, and has essentially provided the

"guts" of the Valnet internet network.

TelXP is actively reaching out to Valnet customers to provide BroadBee wireless internet, offering residential and business plans similar in price using existing Valnet equipment.

Monday morning at the Board of Coffey County Commissioners meeting, Information Technology Director

Brad Scheibmeir explained the Valnet internet situation to commissioners. The Coffey County Courthouse has two internet providers – Valnet and MT Networks.

Scheibmeir said in May commissioners signed an agreement with Valnet Holdings to provide internet services to Coffey County residents and

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Drive through flu shots set for Tuesday

BURLINGTON — A date has been set for the drive through flu shot clinic in Burlington. It will be held 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, at the EMS ambulance bay at the Coffey County Hospital.

The Coffey County Health Department (CCHD) announced the date Tuesday.

Drive through flu clinics have been held at New Strawn, Gridley, LeRoy and Waverly. The Lebo flu clinic was rescheduled to Monday, Nov. 2,

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the fire station.

Coffey County Health Department will bill Medicare, KanCare and some private insurance companies. Call the CCHD Office (620) 364-8631 before getting the flu shot to see if the insurance is accepted by CCHD. The insurance card must be presented at the flu shot clinic for the insurance companies to be accurately billed.

Consent forms for the flu

shot can be obtained online at www.coffeycountyks.org (Click on Health Department Tab then click on the Immunization Tab. Flu shot information is at the top of the page).

Vaccine Information Sheets (VIS) for the vaccines will be available at the flu shot clinic or it can be viewed online at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/flu.pdf.

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Fall back on Nov. 1

County up to 13 active COVID-19 cases

The Coffey County Health Department, in its weekly COVID-19 update released Friday, Oct. 23, confirmed six new cases of the disease and four recoveries. The active cases include eight males and five females. Two are between the ages of 11 and 30, and 11 are between the ages of 41 and 90. As of the update, the county has 13

active cases and has had 154 total positive cases, nine deaths and 132 recoveries. As of the most recent update on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's COVID-19 page, posted 9 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26, Coffey County has had 161 total positive cases, 24 hospitalizations and 1,037 negative tests.

PIGSKIN PICKS

Springeman wins with perfect entry

One week left

The eighth week of the Pigskin Picks contest featured several close games and close competition for the first-place prize that was highlighted by a single perfect entry.

Michael Springeman, Burlington correctly selected the

winners of all of the 15 contest games. One game, Centre vs. Hartford, was forfeited by Centre and so was excluded from the contest. Springeman wins first place and \$20 for his effort. Behind him, one player missed only one game, three players missed two games and another three players missed three games.

All players correctly selected the winners of eight of the contest games. Players did well with the high school games, with only one game getting missed once and the other three getting correctly predicted by all contestants. Of the college games, only two

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