

Some kind of a new record?

Only 778 voters show up to vote in White Bear School Board primary

Less than 2% of registered voters in the White Bear Lake school district (ISD #624) voted in Tuesday's primary election to whittle down a field of ten candidates to six. The six candidates (their vote totals provided in parentheses) will advance to the general election on Nov. 3. They are, Ellen Fahey (320), Scott A. Wilson (268), Margaret Newmaster (255), former school board member Bob Shevik (244), Leslie Sieleni (149) and Nathan H. Nelson (141). Candidates eliminated in the primary were Lynn G. Albee (113), Grace Neustadter (80), Carol Fish (80) and Taylor Swartwood (23). Voters could vote for up to three candidates as there are three seats to be elected.

A primary for the White Bear Lake city offices was not needed this year since the number of candidate filings did not exceed the threshold that would have mandated a primary election. No other cities within the school district have their city elections in the odd year, with the exception of Lino Lakes.

Lino Lakes however does not have city primaries and those offices will appear only on this year's general election ballot. Consequently, the expense of Tuesday's primary fell solely on White Bear Area Schools. 26 polling places were to be opened, according to the legal notice prepared by Ramsey County Elections.

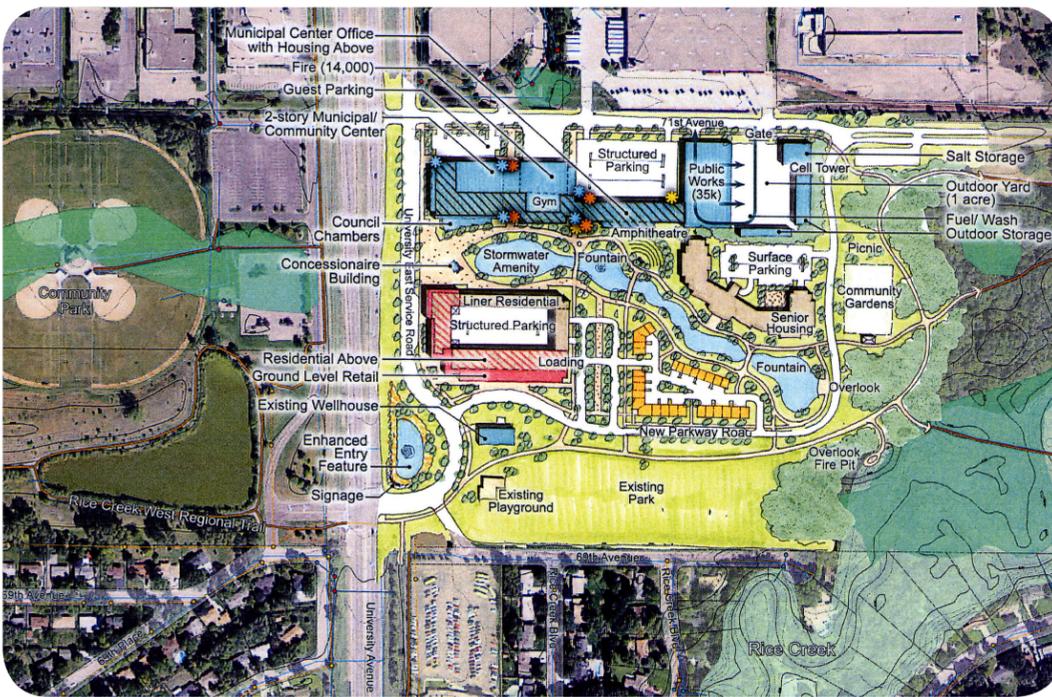
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Anoka County Record exclusive

3 sites for possible redevelopment discussed by Fridley City Council

The Fridley City Council discussed three possible sites for redevelopment at an off-camera meeting July 27. Eight sites were discussed at an earlier meeting April 27, and a series of community meetings were held earlier in the year to kick around ideas for the Columbia Arena property. That building is slated for demolition by the end of this month.

The objective of all these meetings thus far is two fold: to toss around ideas for the use of the HRA-owned Columbia Arena property, and to formulate a plan to build a new city hall campus which may or may not be on the site it is now. Placing the city operations on the arena property has been talked about, however the consensus at the council meetings has leaned toward an emphasis on a housing, retail and recreation combination that would produce a stronger tax base for the city.



One of the goals of city officials is to find a means to keep all city operations together within one campus instead of having multiple locations.

Bryan Harjes, landscape architect with Hoisington Koegler Group Inc. (HKGI), presented three scenarios for each of the three sites discussed at the July 27 meeting. — *Bryan Olson for ACR*

Scenario #1: (graphic above shows the Columbia Arena site under Scenario #1)

Columbia Arena (21 acres) — City Hall operations including police, fire and public works; and housing/retail, playground and park retained, community gardens, amphitheatre, gym, surface and structured parking

East TOD (11 acres) (Transit-Oriented Development)/Northstar station — High density housing, light industrial, bus dropoff, structured and surface parking, green space

Existing City Hall site (2.3 acres) — Medical/office

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Columbia Hts School Board sets election for vacant seat

by Bryan Olson — Special to the *Anoka County Record*

At its meeting Tuesday (11), the Columbia Heights school board approved plans to fill a vacant school board seat by special election.

Lori Meyer, who was elected in the 2012 general election, resigned her ISD 13 school board seat effective July 23. With 17 months left on the term, the seat has to be put to a special election.

A new law which went into effect only a few weeks ago, calls for a special election when one year or more is remaining on the term. Previously the law had been two years. (For more information on the statute change, see last week's edition of the *Record*).

Superintendent Kathy Kelly said at the meeting that the district had conferred with the Anoka County elections department, the Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA) and the school district's attorney to be sure the proper procedures under the new law (123B.095) would be followed.

Candidate filing will begin Sept. 8 and run for two weeks, ending the 22nd. A primary election is scheduled for Dec. 1, however it can be cancelled if not needed. If at least three or more candidates file, the primary will be held.

The general election will be Jan. 26, 2016.

Absentee voting for the primary commences Oct. 16 and Dec. 11 for the general.

In order to save costs, election judges will be needed at two locations only. Normally the school district elections are held at 13 polling places. The district encompasses the cities of Columbia Heights and Hilltop, and a small portion of south Fridley.

The polling places will be at Valley View Elementary School, 800 49th Ave. N.E. and at Highland Elementary School, 1500 49th Ave. N.E., which is adjacent to the high school and the school district offices. Both polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election days.

State law (204B.16) mandates that the school district must mail a notification to all registered voters directing them to the polling place they are to use for the special election. The mailing is to be sent out 25 days before the first election to which it applies. School board members asked elections clerk Dawn Hoium about this notification process and Hoium added that signs on the other eleven normal polling places would direct

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MCA scores are unacceptable

I hope this message finds you well. I want to share my thoughts with you on two significant news items that have caught my attention over the last couple of weeks.

First, the state wide MCA reading and math scores were released in late July and the results leave a lot to be desired. In reading, only 60 percent of students met state standards, compared with 59 percent in 2014. In math, 60 percent of students met math standards, down from nearly 62 percent in 2014. There was also no noted progress in closing the state's achievement gap. The numbers are even worse for St. Paul and Minneapolis Public Schools. All the data is available on the Minnesota Department of Education website. You may also find a summarized story at <http://www.better-ed.org/blog/minnesota-comprehensive-assessments-flat-again>

These woeful results are unacceptable and only prove that more money, programs, and mandates are not the answer. It is clear that our public education system is in crisis and it has been building for years. We need immediate reform and not more excuses. During the last several years, my colleagues and I have authored and supported several pieces of legislation that would empower parents and teachers. These reforms would put parents back in charge, allow educators to do their job, and maintain accountability. Every child is capable of learning and there is simply no excuse for the continued failure.

While there is much to be concerned about, The Mahtomedi School District was able to remain at the top in all areas — Congratulations!

Secondly, Governor Dayton is calling for a special session to give financial assistance to struggling resort owners near Mille Lacs Lake after the DNR recently suspended walleye fishing there. The DNR thinks it is best to suspend walleye fishing for the remainder of the season because the state recently hit its negotiated limit of 28,000 pounds.

Although I feel sorry for the resort owners and other businesses who will be adversely affected by this downturn in business, I think it would be unwise and a waste of taxpayer dollars to call a special session to address this issue. The Governor and DNR need to manage this one. To give out zero interest loans to businesses that are struggling without addressing the underlying issue is to put the cart in front of the proverbial horse.

As always, please feel free to contact me anytime if you have questions about these or any other legislative issues.

STATEMENT FROM REP. TOM HACKBARTH ON MILLE LACS LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP

St. Paul, Aug. 13 — Rep. Tom Hackbarth, R-Cedar, co-chairman of the Legislative Working Group on Mille Lacs Lake issued the following statement after today's working group meeting:

"After three meetings of the Mille Lacs Lake working group, it's disappointing that since calling for a special session Governor Dayton and his administration still have not put forward a concrete proposal about what exactly a special session relief package would look like. While progress was made at today's meeting, there are still too many unanswered questions and it remains unlikely that legislative leaders would be able to agree on the limited parameters Governor Dayton has demanded as a precondition of calling the special session.

"Once we have received a concrete proposal from the Governor or his administration, we can convene another meeting of the working group and examine a way forward to provide the immediate relief as well as a more long-term plan for ensuring the continued sustainability of walleye fishing on Mille Lacs Lake."



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2 cities and 4 school districts to hold elections within Anoka County

CANDIDATES AND BALLOTS TO BE FINALIZED FOR NOV. 3 GENERAL ELECTION

Following up on the *Record's* report in last week's edition, candidate filings have been finalized. Any withdrawals (the deadline was Aug. 13) that were late in being reported to the Secretary of State, will be listed in next week's edition.

Three candidates filed for the mayor's seat in Circle Pines: incumbent Dave Bartholomay, city councilor Richard Runbeck and Rick Miller, Jr. Running for two council seats are incumbent Matt Percy, Ronald Shull, Mike Schweigert and Richard Whitney. Whitney ran for the city council unsuccessfully two years ago.

Lino Lakes mayor Jeff Reinert will be challenged by Michael Mooney; City councilors Dave Roeser and Dale Stoesz have filed for re-election and will be challenged by three candidates, Byron Roland, Melissa Maher and Michael Manthey. Roland has run for council previously and Maher has served on the city's Charter Commission.

In school district races, only one of three incumbents on the Anoka-Hennepin ISD 11 school board will be challenged. District 5 member Nicole Hayes, who was appointed to the seat of the late Scott Wenzel, will face Scott Simmons, a resident of Brooklyn Park (as is Hayes). Incumbents Tom Heidemann (District 1), chair of the school board, and Marci Anderson (District 2) have no opponents.

As has been the case for a number of election cycles, there will be no drama in the Fridley or Spring Lake Park school district elections.

Three seats are to be elected in the Fridley ISD 14 school district, however only three candidates have filed; among them were incumbents Kim Sampson and Chris Riddle. Fred Bischke did not seek re-election — Donna Prewedo filed for the third seat.

Three seats are also on the ballot in ISD 16, the Spring Lake Park school district. Incumbents Amy Hennen and Jim Amundson filed for re-election; Colleen Vranish did not seek re-election and Anthony "Tony" Easter of Spring Lake Park filed as a candidate for the third seat. Hennen and Amundson are residents of Blaine.

White Bear Schools ISD 624 will have six candidates vying for three school board seats — see the article on page one of this edition. — *ACR staff*

(Editor's note: Previous election coverage can be found in our June 5th and August 7th editions).

Fridley Redevelopment *continued from page 1*

Scenario #2:

Columbia Arena (21 acres) — mostly the same as Scenario #1, however no city operations included and replaced with high density housing (170 units) with 20,000 square feet of retail below, and linear residential (110 units).

East TOD/Northstar station (11 acres) — this scenario puts the public works garage near the Northstar light rail station, along with all city operations, and a community center (40,000 sq. ft.) with 285 units of housing above the gym and the municipal center.

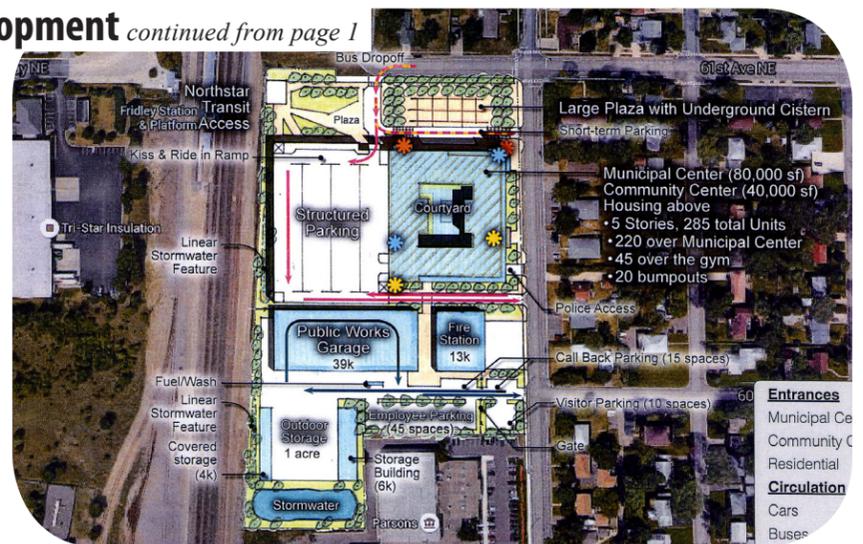
Existing City Hall site (2.3 acres) — Medical/office.

Scenario #3:

Columbia Arena (21 acres) — similar to Scenario #2, with fewer housing units overall but with units dedicated to senior housing. Also added to this plan is a 40,000 sq. ft. Community Center that would have two gyms.

East TOD/Northstar station (11 acres) — Public Works garage and outdoor storage yard, bus dropoff, structured and surface parking, courtyard, 290 units of high density housing (five stories).

Existing City Hall site (2.3 acres) — new Municipal Center with City Hall, Fire, Police and parking.



The East TOD/train station area in Scenario #2



ANOKA COUNTY WATCHDOG

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Always on the lookout for governmental waste, fraud, and abuse in Anoka County

Quote of the Week: “Well first of all, tell me: Is there some society you know that doesn’t run on greed? You think Russia doesn’t run on greed? You think China doesn’t run on greed? What is greed? Of course, none of us are greedy, it’s only the other fellow who’s greedy. The world runs on individuals pursuing their separate interests. The great achievements of civilization have not come from government bureaus. Einstein didn’t construct his theory under order from a bureaucrat. Henry Ford didn’t revolutionize the automobile industry that way. In the only cases in which the masses have escaped from the kind of grinding poverty you’re talking about, the only cases in recorded history, are where they have had capitalism and largely free trade. If you want to know where the masses are worse off, worst off, it’s exactly in the kinds of societies that depart from that. So that the record of history is absolutely crystal clear, that there is no alternative way so far discovered of improving the lot of the ordinary people that can hold a candle to the productive activities that are unleashed by the free-enterprise system.” — **Milton Friedman**

READY, WILLING, AND UNABELER

Ugh, does this guy ever go away? After 16 years of growing government as a legislator, after a U.S. Senate campaign that utterly failed (this guy couldn’t even beat out Mike McFadden), and after a stint as a revolving-door lobbyist, Anoka’s very own Jim Abeler has announced that he is considering running for the state Senate to replace the retiring Branden Petersen.

This in addition to the chatter of Abeler running for Anoka County commissioner.

No word on whether Abeler is also considering running for dog catcher, railroad commissioner, and Greek Finance Minister.

Maybe Abeler will tell us when he decides what he wants to be when he grows up.

The notion that the GOP delegates in Senate District 35 would endorse Jim Abeler is rather preposterous.

First, Abeler is now working as a registered lobbyist, running through the revolving door and apparently wanting to walk back in.

Haven’t we had enough of politicians blurring the line between elected official and lobbyist?

And even though he’s now a registered lobbyist, Abeler also has a history as a career politician.

In fact, if Abeler ran for the state Senate in 2016, he will have not skipped even a single election of late, having run for re-election to the House in 2012, election to the U.S. Senate in 2014 and now possibly the state Senate in 2016.

He’s run 9 election cycles in a row, starting with 1998. 2016 would make it 10.

Third, Abeler compiled a voting record in the Minnesota House that will cause the delegates

to blow a gasket, especially in a Senate District dominated by strong conservatives and Tea Party affiliated voters.

Here’s what the Watchdog had to say about Abeler’s U.S. Senate campaign back in June of 2013.

Abeler the candidate stated: “Government spending is out of control and unsustainable. Massive debt to foreign countries threatens our sovereignty. Our children and grandchildren are born into a future as indentured debtors of our country’s careless spending. When we are dependent on the government, we are absolutely not free.”

In response, the Watchdog remarked: “That’s great and all, but it will indeed require some remarkable verbal and political gymnastics to reconcile this statement with Abeler’s voting record. Without doing any research, delegate and activists should ask Abeler how his statement can be squared with the following votes:

One of six House GOP members to vote to override Governor Pawlenty’s veto and impose a \$6 billion transportation tax on Minnesotans;

Voted to fund Hiawatha Light Rail Line;

Voted against allowing school districts to opt out of the Profile of Learning;

Not only a supporter, but a champion of the \$317 million boondoggle we call Northstar commuter rail;

Voted for a \$400 million tobacco tax increase disguised as a “health impact fee.”

Bought into the global warming scam by voting for the “25 by 25” mandate that requires 25% of the state’s energy come from renewable resources;

Voted for a “cap and trade” system to artificially limit carbon emissions;

Voted for numerous bonding bills filled with pork and financed with debt;

Voted to remove the requirement that school boards must put a property tax levy on the ballot;

Voted for the Vikings stadium.”

Some folks are just addicted to The Game.

911 OR 411?

It was encouraging this week to see GOP legislators putting a damper on Governor Dayton’s talk of a special session to provide taxpayer-funded bail outs for resort owners on Lake Mille Lacs.

Instead of dialing 911 like Dayton has, the GOP has dialed 411, noting that a good deal of fact finding and analysis needs to be undertaken before even beginning to entertain notions of a special legislative session.

Actually figuring out the scope of the problem is a critical first step that Governor Dayton completely skipped in his typical Ready! Fire! Aim! manner of “leadership.”

Moreover, this publication is highly skeptical of bailouts for resort owners.

At the outset, it has to be asked if this kind of activity is a proper function of government (it isn’t).

Next, it has to be asked where this type of bailout will end (it won’t).

Then, there will be the inevitable waste, fraud,

and abuse associated with this bailout as the DFL acts surprised when scammers use bailout money to buy jet skis, tattoos, and breast enhancement.

Putting all that aside, it must also be asked whether this is truly an “emergency.”

After all, an “emergency” has as a central element unpredictability. A tornado strikes. A 500-year flood event. A terrorist attack.

Here, it was public knowledge way back in early 2015 that the Walleye quota on Mille Lacs was going to be 40,000 pounds.

That was a clear and convincing red flag for those who rely on the lake for a living.

In fact, the Mille Lacs Band tribe has testified before the legislative task force that they altered their business plan for the resort they own on the lake in response to the lower quota, anticipating a reduction in Walleye fishing or an outright ban.

If a resort owner ignored this information and failed to prepare, is it the duty of his neighbor to bail him out through the force of government?

And speaking of disasters in the making, it’s quite interesting to compare Dayton’s actions regarding Mille Lacs compared to what’s happening on the Iron Range.

With iron ore prices severely depressed, the Iron Range is again experiencing significant economic dislocation.

In the face of all this, Dayton has continued to cast doubt on mining projects on the Range, such as the Polymet mine.

These mining projects would bring hundreds of high-paying jobs to the Range, running from short-term construction jobs to long-term jobs in the mines.

You would think that Dayton would be foursquare behind creating these jobs.

Nope. Instead, he may act as an obstacle to approval.

Unfortunately for Dayton and the Democrats, this issue splits the DFL base right to the core, with blue collar folks wanting the jobs and urban elites demanding that rural Minnesota remain pristine so as to not disturb the views from their lake homes not disturb their viewpoint that nature is more important than man.

Let them eat cake, so to speak.

The Watchdog predicts Dayton will ultimately side with the enviro weenies and drag his feet on approving mining permits and applications.

After all, this is the guy who grew up in the Cities as a trust fund kid. His ex-wife is one of the foremost enviro weenies in the country.

That Dayton drinks his tea with the same upturned pinky as these folks is not to be overlooked.

In the end, the governor is no different from other DFL leaders like Barack Obama. At core, they are elitist and out of touch.

They use the blue collar masses to gain political power.

And those same masses are to blame, as they let those elites exploit them.

Go ahead governor, prove us wrong.

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ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF — CRIME REPORT

ANDOVER

Burglaries

July 23 — 17xx 167 Ave NW — forced entry through front door; bow, tools

July 27 — 13660 Crosstown Blvd NW — business; aggravated robbery; male wearing a zombie mask entered the store with a taser and pepper spray. The male stole \$100 in cash. The Anoka County Crime Scene Unit responded to the scene along with the Criminal Investigation Division.

July 30 — 156xx Larch St NW — 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a father/son domestic. Both of the males were arrested.

Aug. 2 — 140xx Round Lake Blvd NW — business; forced entry through a window; papers

Thefts & Damage to Property

July 24 — 136xx Xavis St NW — unsecure vehicle; tools

July 24 — 138xx Round Lake Blvd NW — vandalism to a vehicle; hit by rocks and sticks

July 24 — 143xx Holly St NW — pants and copper wire stolen from the property

July 26 — 15200 Hanson Blvd NW — business; tablet stolen from the locker room

July 27 — 155xx Potawatomi St NW — damage to mailbox

July 28 — 22xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW — bike stolen from the property

July 29 — 140 Ave NW/Rose St NW — mail stolen from the mailbox

July 29 — 142xx Quay St NW — vandalism to a vehicle; egged

July 29 — Bunker Lake Blvd NW/RR Tracks — damage to construction camera

July 31 — 20xx 175 Ln NW — golf cart stolen from the property

July 31 — 31xx 135 Ave NW — bike stolen from the property

Aug. 2 — 163xx Wintergreen St NW — unsecure vehicle; cash

Aug. 4 — 138xx Jay St NW — vandalism to a vehicle; tires slashed

Aug. 7 — 47xx 239 Ave NE — vehicle stolen from the property; keys were not in it

Arrests

July 26 — 137xx Ibis St NW — DAS, Possession of Narcotics; a deputy stopped a driver for suspicious behavior. Upon speaking with the driver narcotics were seen in the vehicle. The male was arrested.

July 29 — Andover Blvd NW/Xeon St NW — 4th Degree DWI; deputies responded to vehicle parked in the roadway blocking. Upon waking the female driver she appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. (.16)

July 31 — 160xx Valley Dr NW — Attempted Burglary; deputies responded to a burglary in progress. While setting up a perimeter the suspect was seen running down a path. The male was detained and arrested.

Aug. 1 — 15900 Block of Crosstown Blvd NW — 3rd Degree DWI; deputies responded to a single vehicle property damage crash. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. (.21)

Aug. 1 — 1xx Laurel Rd NE — Violation of a Harassment Restraining

Order; deputies responded to a violation of a HRO. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

Aug. 1 — 37xx 174 Ave NW — Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a girlfriend/boyfriend domestic. The male was arrested.

Aug. 2 — 185xx Everglade Dr NE — 2nd Degr. DWI; deputies responded to a property damage crash at the location. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. (.16)

Aug. 4 — 1000 Block Bunker Lake Blvd NW — 3rd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested.

Aug. 6 — Bunker Lake Blvd NW/Crosstown Blvd NW; DANCO Violation; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid driver's license. After identifying the male in the passenger seat the deputy learned there was an active domestic abuse no contact order against the male. The male was arrested.

EAST BETHEL

Thefts & Damage to Property

July 25 — 70xx Birchview Ln NE — bike stolen from the property

Aug. 7 — 47xx 239 Ave NE — vehicle stolen from the property; keys were not in it

Arrests

July 25 — 2000 Block of Viking Blvd NE — 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for driver for speeding. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. (.17)

July 25 — 70xx Birchview Ln NE — bike stolen from the property

July 26 — 186xx Ulysses St NE — 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, Unauthorized use of a Motor Vehicle; a deputy stopped out with a vehicle running with a male passed out in a vehicle. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

July 27 — 49xx 217 Ave NE — 5th Degree Assault; deputies responded to a boss/employee assault. One of the males was arrested.

Aug. 1 — 1xx Laurel Rd NE — Violation of a Harassment Restraining Order; deputies responded to a violation of a HRO. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

Aug. 2 — 185xx Everglade Dr NE; 2nd Degree DWI; deputies responded to a property damage crash; the driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. (.16)

HAM LAKE

Burglaries

July 24 — 18xx 153 Ave NE — window broken on a concession stand; key

Thefts & Damage to Property

July 23 — 17xx 133 Ln NE — vandalism to a vehicle; keyed

July 26 — 19xx 135 Ln NE — vandalism to a vehicle; egged

July 28 — 15200 Block Radisson Rd NE — vandalism to a vehicle; egged

July 28 — 50xx Hemlock Ln NE — female reporting her information

was used fraudulently to open a loan

Arrests

July 24 — Crosstown Blvd NE/Lexington Ave NE — 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic. The female was arrested.

July 25 — Hwy 65 NE/Constance Blvd NE — 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. (.22)

Aug. 4 — 25xx Bunker Lk Blvd NE — Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a husband/wife domestic. The male was arrested.

Aug. 6 — 13600 Block of Central Ave NE — 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, Felony Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped out with a suspicious male at the location. The male had a confirmed felony warrant. During the search of the male narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

LINWOOD TOWNSHIP

Thefts & Damage to Property

July 31 — 228xx West Martin Lake Dr NE — many items stolen from a pontoon

July 31 — 68xx 226 Ave NE — vehicle stolen from the property; keys were in it

Aug. 1 — 226xx East Martin Lake Rd NE — radio stolen from a boat

Aug. 5 — 69xx Viking Blvd NE; broken vehicle window; tools, wallet

NOWTHEN

Burglaries

Aug. 2 — 217xx Xenon St NW — forced entry into garage service door; tools, fish house

Aug. 2 — 64xx Norris Lake Rd NW — tools stolen from the property

Thefts & Damage to Property

July 25 — 86xx 190 Ave NW — vandalism to a vehicle; keyed, mirrors broken

OAK GROVE

Burglaries

July 31 — 222xx Rum River Blvd NW — garage service door kicked in; nothing of value was stolen

Arrests

July 29 — 222xx Block St Francis Blvd NW — 3rd Degree DWI, Texting while Driving; deputies responded to a single vehicle property damage crash. The driver appeared intoxicated and admitted to texting right before the crash. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested.

July 30 — 31xx 206 Ln NW — OFP Violation; deputies responded to a report of an order for protection violation. The male was arrested.

Thefts & Damage to Property

Aug. 2 — 30xx 201 Ln NW — 2 bikes stolen from the property

Aug. 4 — 210xx Old Lake George Blvd NW — vehicle stolen from the property

Aug. 5 — 210xx Old Lake George Blvd NW — damage to a chain link fence

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For 2nd year in a row, a short rain starts out Oak Grove Acorn Day festivities

As happened in 2014, a short rain hampered the start of the annual Oak Grove Acorn Day festivities last Saturday. Within a short time, that rain was replaced with sun and good weather for the rest of the day.

This year, there were minnow races, bingo, silent auction, North Memorial medical helicopter, vehicles from the Sheriff's Office, and electrical demonstrations from Connexus Energy. Mayor Mark Korin's tractor ride was popular with the kids. (Or maybe it was that his wife passed out candy to all of the riders?) Classic and antique cars were on display in the afternoon and a live band wrapped up the event in the evening.

Several elected officials including Mayor Mark Korin, and Councilmembers Mike Wylie, Dan Denno and Sean Sullivan, were in attendance along with Anoka County Sheriff James Stuart.

Sponsors for the event included American Family Insurance – St. Francis, Lake George Conservation Club, CHOPS Inc., DepotStar, Patriot Lanes Bar & Grill, Mark Nordin Enterprises, Village Bank – St. Francis, Grand Casino – Hinckley, Oak Grove Animal Hospital, Blaine Festival Charitable Gaming, and St. Francis True Value Hardware.

The *Anoka County Record* was the only newspaper represented at the annual event.

Top: the minnow races! (Below, clockwise from left): LePage garbage truck "Keep It Local"; Connexus Energy safety demonstration; Mayor Mark Korin's hay wagon ride; Anoka County Sheriff office's speedboat; Alpacas on display by Rum River Alpacas, owned by Jim and Judy Riess of Oak Grove; Anoka County deputies



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For more information regarding the above published bids/RFPs, please visit the Anoka County Web Site at: www.AnokaCounty.us/bids.

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ANOKA COUNTY SUMMARY OF BIDS

Bid #2015-33
Description of Bid/RFP:

Bids Invited for Anoka County Project State Project No. 0208-153, State Aid Project No. 002-612-014 CSAH 12 (109th Ave.) Blaine, MN

Bid Opening: September 1, 2015

For more information regarding the above published bids/RFPs, please visit the Anoka County Web Site at: www.AnokaCounty.us/bids.

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ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

The Anoka County Board met on July 28, 2015. Standing county committee information reports and action items were considered, and action was taken as necessary. The following resolutions were adopted: #2015-86 MN Department of Public Safety Grant Agreement; #2015-87 Economic Assistance Payments; and #2015-88 and 89 Sale of Tax-Forfeited Land. A full copy of the agenda, minutes, accounts, and claims greater than \$2000 may be found on the Anoka County Web site: www.anokacounty.us

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DID YOU KNOW? ...that most school districts can choose to open their polls on an election day for only 3 hours? (5 p.m. to 8 p.m.) Only 11 metro-area counties out of the state's 87 are required to have polls opened no later than 10 a.m. and closed no earlier than 8 p.m. Anoka County is one of the 11 counties. (State statute 205A.09 subdivisions 1 and 2, and statute 200.02, subdivision 24).

OFFICE OF THE MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME MINNESOTA STATUTES, CHAPTER 333

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

Redline Specialties
2. Principal Place of Business:

17638 Highway 65 NE Ham Lake, MN 55304

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Redline Properties, LLC
17638 Highway 65 NE Ham Lake, MN 55304

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

FILED: July 28, 2015
834665200025,
/s/ Derek Bertolas

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF ANDOVER COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

The City Council of the City of Andover will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at Andover City Hall, 1685 Crosstown Blvd. NW, Andover, Minnesota to review the following request:

Vacation of Easement (15-07) to vacate drainage and utility easements over, under and across the property legally described as:

Lots 2 and 3, Block 4, Grey Oaks, Anoka County, Minnesota.

AND
Part of Lot 1, Block 4, Grey Oaks, Anoka County, Minnesota.

There are several ways to participate in this process. You can attend the public hearing, send a letter, or e-mail to be added to the public record. A staff report summarizing the item will be available prior to the meeting. Please contact Brett Angell, Associate Planner with any questions at (763) 767-5142 or b.angell@andovermn.gov Brett Angell, Associate Planner

OFFICE OF THE MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME

MINNESOTA STATUTES, CHAPTER 333

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

Genesis Technical Marketing

2. Principal Place of Business:

12250 Juniper Street NW Coon Rapids, MN 55448

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Eugene M. Osterberg
12250 Juniper Street NW Coon Rapids, MN 55448

4. This certificate is an amendment of Certificate of Assumed Name File Number: 132776, originally filed on 6/10/1993.

5. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

FILED: July 7, 2015,
832134700032,
/s/ Eugene M. Osterberg, Owner

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NOWTHEN COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to the requirements of Minnesota Law, a public hearing shall be held before the Nowthen Planning and Zoning Commission on Tuesday, August 25th, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at Nowthen City Hall located at 19800 Nowthen Boulevard NW, Nowthen, Minnesota regarding the following matter:

An AMENDMENT to Chapter 11 of the City of Nowthen City Code (Zoning Ordinance) to revise the language pertaining to updated Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) maps and the associated floodplain district regulations. The City will be required to follow the DNR model floodplain ordinance and recently amended State statutes.

An AMENDMENT to Chapter 9 of the City of Nowthen City Code to be consistent with Minnesota Pollution Control Agency requirements of the municipal separate storm sewer systems general permit regarding erosion/sediment control and post construction stormwater management.

At such hearing both written and oral comments will be heard. The City Council will act on this request at its September 8th, 2015 regular meeting. Contact the City of Nowthen at 763-441-1347 with any questions or concerns.

Dated: August 11, 2015
Corrie LaDoucer,
City Clerk/Treasurer
City of Nowthen

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NOWTHEN COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to the requirements of Minnesota Law, a public hearing shall be held before the Nowthen Planning and Zoning Commission on Tuesday, August 25th, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at Nowthen City Hall located at 19800 Nowthen Boulevard NW, Nowthen, Minnesota regarding the following matter:

A REQUEST by William and Michelle Lovlein for property owned at 6767 225th Avenue NW (PID 03-33-25-13-0008) for a Variance from Section 11-3-5.G to allow deviation from the required front and/or wetland setbacks. The property is a legal lot of record platted in Milestone Ponds with a very limited amount of buildable area under current Zoning Regulations.

At such hearing both written and oral comments will be heard. The City Council will act on this request at its September 8th, 2015 regular meeting. Contact the City of Nowthen at 763-441-1347 with any questions or concerns.

Dated: August 11, 2015
Corrie LaDoucer,
City Clerk/Treasurer
City of Nowthen

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voters as to where to go, in case voters may show up at their normal polling place by mistake.

The school district drew a line that roughly divides the school district in two — the west side of Central Ave./Hwy 65 will vote at Valley View; the east side will vote at Highland. The exception to this affects a few of the Fridley precincts where they may be on the east side of Central, however those voters are being directed to Valley View.

By consolidating the polling places to two, the district plans to save around \$50,000. To hold a general election at all 13 polling places has cost approximately \$44,000, but with two polling places, the district expects a cost of approximately \$10,500. Primary elections, with fewer election judges, have cost nearly \$20,000 each, but the district expects the pared down Dec. 1 primary will cost just under \$4,000.

School board member Laura Palmer was chosen by the board members to replace Meyer as the board's clerk.

DID YOU KNOW? ...that school boards can waive holding primary elections by passing a resolution to that effect? The school board can also pass another resolution that revokes the previous one and reinstates a primary election schedule. (MN Statute 205A.03 subd. 1)

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CITY OF HAM LAKE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VACATION OF PUBLIC LAND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing will be held before the Ham Lake City Council on the 8th day of September, 2015, at 6:01 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 15544 Central Avenue N.E. Ham Lake, Minnesota 55304, to hear comments and questions concerning the proposed vacation of Ulysses Street N.E. roadway easement, that lies within the following described land in the City of Ham Lake, Minnesota:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Lot 1, Block 1; thence South 01 degree 13 minutes 12 seconds East, assumed bearing, along the West line of said Lot 1, Block 1 a distance of 17.09 feet; thence South 54 degrees 21 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 12.50 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 01 degree 13 minutes 12 seconds East a distance of 21.82 feet; thence South 50 degrees 55 minutes 53 seconds East a distance of 75.88 feet; thence South 55 degrees 33 minutes 56 seconds East a distance of 320.00 feet; thence South 06 degrees 47 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 40.00 feet, thence South 61 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 54.00 feet; thence North 84 degrees 43 minutes 51 seconds West a distance of 39.11 feet; thence South 01 degree 56 minutes 01 second East a distance of 18.44 feet; thence North 88 degrees 03 minutes 59 seconds East a distance of 121.09 feet; thence North 02 degrees 32 minutes 56 seconds East a distance of 26.01 feet; thence North 01 degree 24 minutes 32 seconds West a distance of 70.79 feet; thence North 25 degrees 51 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 9.37 feet; thence North 68 degrees 34 minutes 54 seconds West a distance of 24.27 feet; thence North 51 degrees 46 minutes 42 seconds West a distance of 79.07 feet; thence North 59 degrees 45 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 48.88 feet; thence North 81 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds West a distance of 35.25 feet; thence North 57 degrees 08 minutes 42 seconds West a distance of 88.51 feet; thence South 78 degrees 28 minutes 48 seconds West a distance of 15.64 feet; thence North 75 degrees 43 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 8.38 feet; thence North 57 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 26.51 feet; thence North 24 degrees 47 minutes 17 seconds West a distance of 17.69 feet; thence North 09 degrees 21 minutes 28 seconds West a distance of 8.09 feet; thence North 54 degrees 21 minutes 28 seconds West a distance of 83.45 feet to the point of beginning.

Said hearing is conducted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 412.851.
Denise Webster, City Clerk

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