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Essential but overlooked

Child care providers face uncertain future in wake of COVID-19 crisis

By Kat Cisar

THE MONROE TIMES

At Noah's Ark, a child care center in Monroe, teachers are now "constantly washing toys," said director Ruby Clark.

Every day, the staff is washing loads of laundry, sanitizing rooms and checking the children's temperatures and their own temperatures for signs of fever. Parents are asked to use hand sanitizer before touching a finger to the center's keyless entry.

Gloves were already standard for diaper changes or any "bathroom incident," Clark said, but social distancing with young children is "more of a trick."

"We do our best," she said.

Since Gov. Tony Evers issued emergency "Safer-at-Home" orders in March to slow the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, child care providers in Wisconsin have faced a predicament: stay open to care for the children of frontline essential workers or close.

Either way they're losing money. Help has been slow to come or too little too late.

Local child care providers say they're not getting enough government support or guidance and, in the midst of a pandemic that has already killed more than 50,000 nationwide and 300 in Wisconsin as of April 28, the situation is laying bare how undervalued and underpaid child care workers are in general.

"We're treated as babysitters. We're professionals. We're educators. We're the backbone of our communities," said Corrine Hendrickson, who had 14 enrolled at her in-home daycare and preschool program in New Glarus until she decided to close in March. One of her sons has viral-induced asthma, and her husband is a full-time firefighter. Given how contagious the respiratory illness COVID-19 is, she didn't see a

way to stay open safely.

Even before the pandemic, child care providers were struggling to stay afloat, Hendrickson said. In Wisconsin, since 2010, 68% of in-home daycares and 9% of group centers disappeared. A survey in March found that, without aid, only 11% of child care programs were "confident" they could re-open after the coronavirus crisis.

In a letter to state and federal representatives in late March, Hendrickson and other members of the Green County Child Care Network asked legislators to keep the governor's provisions for emergency funding to sustain child care.

"We are truly concerned that a fraction of our programs will be able to financially recover after the pandemic ends," they wrote.

The provisions they asked for, like hazard pay, didn't survive to make it back to Evers' desk. When the governor signed the COVID-19 response legislation April 15, he noted that it "falls short of what is needed" and he decried the lack of political support for "critical workers like first responders, childcare providers and healthcare workers who are risking their lives going to work every day."

'It's gonna hurt'

Noah's Ark is one of several local providers that chose to stay open following the governor's March 18 emergency order to restrict the size of child care settings to a maximum of 50 children and 10 teachers. The center is only serving essential workers and is down to about 20 to 25 children.

"Half of our staff is at home not working," and the rest are working at reduced hours, Clark said. Some staff members decided to stay home due to underlying health conditions that put them at greater risk with COVID-19.

The child care teachers who are still working are suddenly frontline workers in a pandemic. Child care workers

expect to catch colds and pink eye in their workplace, Clark said, but not a potentially "life-altering" illness.

"That's a huge added stress to all of us working, even though we understand how important it is to stay working" to support other essential workers, she said.

Kris Hartwig, administrator of the nonprofit Rainbow Childcare in Monroe, decided with her board of directors to also stay open, but she's worried about the future.

"It's going to be a horrible impact, just like any other small business," she said. Still, she supports stay-at-home orders and size restrictions on child care facilities. "They had the right idea... It's gonna hurt, but it was the right idea."

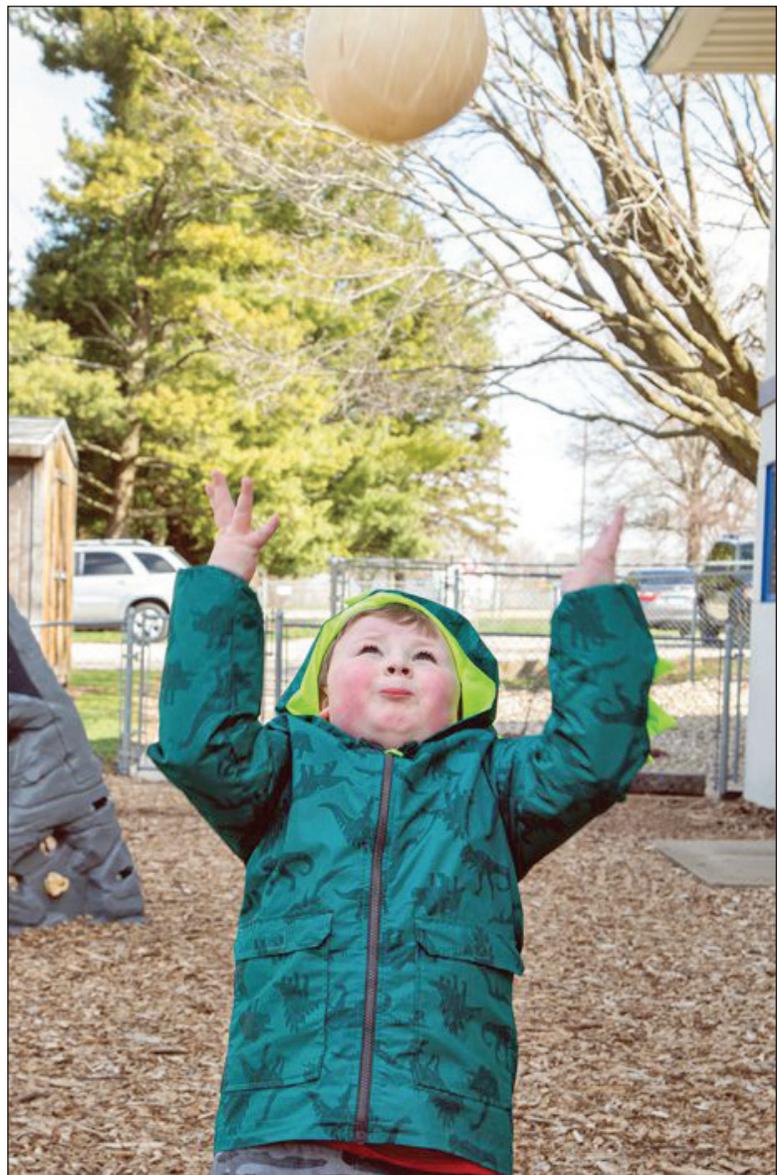
Rainbow normally employs 21 and is licensed for 198 children. After layoffs, a staff of 10 is juggling schedules to care for 32 children and undertaking health precautions like holding babies using a blanket as a barrier.

"People don't realize what my staff is going through," she said. "We're constantly sanitizing, we're taking temps, we're social distancing. We're on the front lines... What would our businesses do in town without the child cares? It's needed, but it's not looked on as a profession yet. It's kind of a sore spot for me."

"We run a great curriculum here. I've got super teachers that know what they're doing, and yet I can't pay them (enough)," she said. If she paid them more, "I would out-price myself."

'On the backs of working parents'

Amanda Fields, a Monroe attorney who serves on the Rainbow board of directors, said child care workers are



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Gannon Morgan, the 5-year-old son of Abbey Morgan, tosses a ball during outside playtime at Rainbow Childcare in Monroe.

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County Board continues to work despite pandemic

By Erica Roth
CONTRIBUTOR

On April 21, the Green County Board met in the historic courthouse building on the square in Monroe.

Each county board member, newly elected, was sworn in and signed an oath of office. There are 31 County Board supervisors, elected to two-year terms with no limit on the number of terms that can be served. Five new supervisors now sit on the board.

The first order of business conducted was the election for the seats of chairperson, first vice-chair and second vice-chair.

Art Carter (District 16), Jerry Guth (District 4) and Harvey Mandel (District 12) were voted into those positions, respectively.

The new supervisors on the board are John Bernstein (District 20), Nick Hartwig (District 15), Alex Lonien (District 11), Sue Nelson (District 14) and Dawn Sass (District 30).

Committee assignments have been finalized. Contact information, committee members and meetings and more information is available on the Green County website at www.co.green.wi.gov.

Committees are still meeting, most of them

in person at this point. Social distancing is being observed and as such, some locations have been changed to bigger rooms. Meeting locations are listed on the agendas, which are posted on the county website beforehand.

The effects of COVID-19 are being felt across the board, and the departments of Green County government are no exceptions. RoAnn Warden, director of Public Health for Green County, presented to the county board at the April 21 meeting. Her presentation included up-to-date numbers and efforts to slow the spread of the virus and protect our residents, especially the most vulnerable.

The Green County Public Health website is an excellent source of information: www.gcpublichealth.org.

Transparency and open government are still front and center for Green County, especially during these turbulent times when orders from the state are changing rapidly. We are working hard together.

Stay safe. Stay healthy.

Erica Roth represents Green County Board District 24 (Town of Albany and a corner of the Town of Brooklyn) and can be reached at 608-371-9074 or eroth@greencountywi.org

Letter to the editor

Albany Alumni group thanks loyal sponsors

The Albany Alumni banquet will not be held on Memorial Weekend as usual. The annual basketball tournament was canceled due to the coronavirus.

The Alumni Committee will present scholarships to the graduating seniors sometime this year. Hopefully it will be at the Alumni banquet, which will be announced at a later date.

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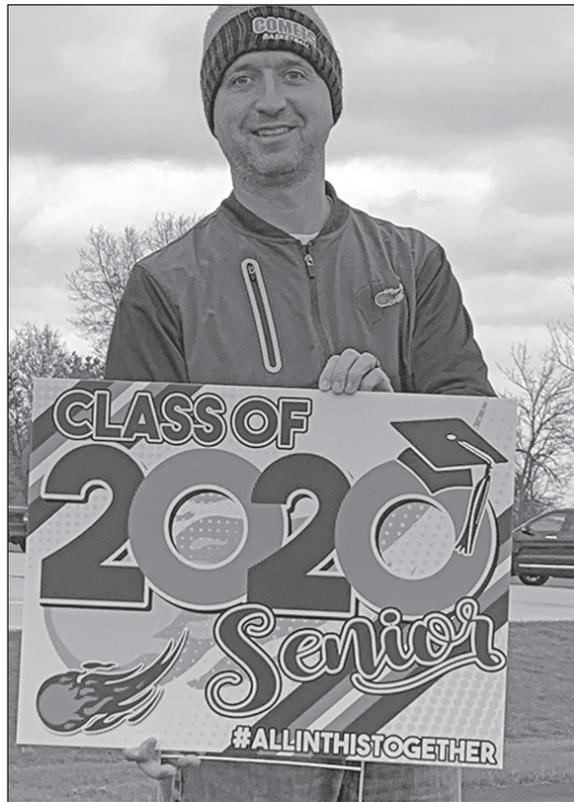
Hilltop Community Church is sponsoring a blood drive from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, May 11.

The event will be held in the Albany Lions Building, located at 402 Cincinnati St. Due to COVID-19, appointments are recommended but walk-ins will be accepted. Call 800-733-2767.



No amount of rain, wind or cold could keep the Albany School District staff from honoring the Class of 2020 on April 29. As part of a vehicle parade, staff delivered signs to each senior. The spectacle featured decorated vehicles, honking horns and plenty of Comet pride. The Albany Fire Department and Albany EMS also participated with sirens blaring and lights flashing. Connie Gregerson (4K through fifth grade principal) and District Administrator William Trow allowed funding and support for the signs and parade. Steve Elliott and Brandon Bakken coordinated routes.

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Albany Comet News

Because of the fluid situation with the COVID-19 response, many scheduled events have been, or will be, canceled over the next several weeks. We recommend you verify any events or meetings still listed here are still happening before you travel to attend.

ALL DAYS

- *No School-Social Distancing
- ~All Albertson Memorial Library programs suspended

THURSDAY, MAY 7

- Plan Commission 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 8

No events scheduled

SATURDAY, MAY 9

No events scheduled

SUNDAY, MAY 10

No events scheduled

MONDAY, MAY 11

- Village Board 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 12

- Building, Grounds & Cemetery 6:30 p.m.

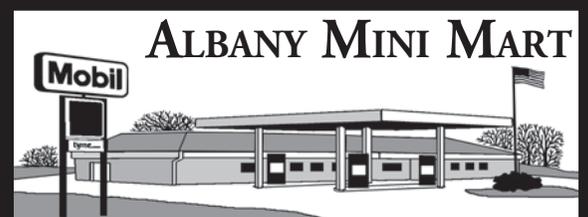
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DATCP conducts 1,100 food safety checks

To ensure a secure food supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection reported Friday that over the previous six weeks it had conducted more than 1,100 food safety checks with restaurants, manufacturers and retailers to resolve issues and reinforce best practices.

To comply with the state's restrictions on nonessential travel, DATCP in March halted many in-person inspections but remained committed to supporting businesses critical to Wisconsin's food supply chain. As a result, DATCP found several ways to address the industry's needs while maintaining safety for sanitarians and essential workers statewide.

As part of these efforts, the DATCP had:

- Conducted more than 593 food safety calls with restaurants, retailers and recreational establishments since the Safer-at-Home order took effect.

The calls reinforced safety practices, connected businesses with resources and discussed ways in which businesses have been modified during the pandemic.

- Conducted more than 346 focused food safety calls to dairy plants. This allowed DATCP to assess needs, strengthen communication, and solve issues that may impact Wisconsin's dairy foods supply.
- Completed 65 pasteurizer checks with dairy plants to verify

that pasteurizers are operating correctly.

- Conducted more than 120 focused food safety calls to manufactured food facilities to connect with industry partners, identify concerns and reinforce safety practices.

Created 32 reference documents to address frequently asked questions and offer clarification of rules and policies.

- Conducted virtual pre-inspections to license new Wisconsin businesses.

"During this pandemic, DATCP has continued to explore ways to fulfill our food safety mission," section chief for retail food and recreational programs James Kaplanek said in a news release. "Those in the industry appreciate the communication, guidance and ideas they receive from staff. Operators have said it provides confirmation that they are operating safely."

The DATCP will continue making every effort to assist and accommodate businesses until sanitarians are permitted to resume in-person inspections.

For more information about the DATCP's Division of Food and Recreational Safety, visit datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/FoodAndRecSafety.aspx.

Information about food supply, delivery and recreational facilities guidance during COVID-19, go to datcp.wi.gov/Pages/News_Media/Covid19FoodSupplyDelivery.aspx.

Obituaries

LAWRENCE FRANK GRABOW

Lawrence Frank Grabow, age 86 of Brodhead, WI passed away on April 30, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family.

Lawrence was born on June 12, 1933 in Eau Claire, WI, the son of Eldred and Ethel (Fetter) Grabow. He graduated from Orfordville High School in 1951. He then joined the US Naval Reserve in Oct. 21, 1952 and enlisted in the US Navy on June 6, 1953. He served as Hospital Corpsman until being discharged June 16, 1955. He married Jean Larsen on Dec. 8, 1951 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Beloit, WI. She passed away Feb. 22, 2004.

Lorny had farmed in Newark Township in Rock County, WI,



worked for Fairbanks Morse in Beloit, WI, farmed in Decatur Township in Green County, WI for 8 years and worked for Wisconsin Power and Light at the Rock River Generating Station in Beloit, WI for 31 years and retiring on July 1, 1995.

Lawrence is survived by his two daughters, Julie (John) Pierce of Janesville, WI, and Lynn (Kyle) Tanger of Alexandria, VA; one son, Joel Grabow of Orfordville, WI; his significant other, Donna Sommer-

feldt of Brodhead, WI; 7 grandchildren, Jerod (Jamie) Blizard, Jamison (Angi) Blizard, Jenna Blizard, Jacob and Amber Grabow, Harrison and Vivian Tanger and 5 great grandchildren, Dayton Menehan, Addy, Ellie, Jayde and Jaycee Blizard and other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Jean; a brother, Kenneth Grabow; a sister, Marie Bryant and a granddaughter, Jennifer Blizard.

Private graveside services will be held at a Greenwood Cemetery in Brodhead, WI and a celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead, WI is assisting with arrangements; www.dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com, 608-897-2484.

MARY LOUISE "MARY LOU" MILLS

Mary Louise "Mary Lou" Mills, 89, of Walworth, WI, passed away on Friday, April 24, 2020 in Holton Manor, Elkhorn, WI.

She was born August 10, 1930 in Rockton Township, IL, the daughter of Leslie and Martha (Bennett) Underhill. Mary Lou was a 1948 graduate of Beloit High School. She married Fay Mills Jr. on April 15, 1951 in Second Congregational Church, Beloit, WI. He predeceased her on July 4, 1995. Mary Lou was a long-time resident of Beloit, WI, having lived there most of her life.

Through the years, Mary Lou was employed by Wright and Wagner Dairy, Beloit Iron Works, Second Congregational Church as church secretary, and Junior Choir Director, and Luther Valley Church as church secretary, Brodhead Congregational Church, UCC as Adult Choir Director. Her last 25 years of employment were spent at Blackhawk Technical Institute at the Airport Campus, and later in the Learning Center.

Mary Lou was a talented vocalist, and well-known musician in the greater Beloit area, where she also directed choirs for adults and children. Other interests included being a member of the Beloit Chapter of



Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Beloit High School Classmates Club, Beloit Area Retired Educators Association (BAREA), the

Beaux Arts Club, Beloit Treble Clef, Sweet Adelines Chorus, and the Beloit-Janesville Symphony Orchestra's Masterworks Chorus. She was a former member of the Second Congregational Church's ADAH Chapter, and their Senior Choir. After 1995, when she retired professionally, Mary volunteered at Beloit Memorial Hospital. As recently as 2018, she sang with her daughter, Christine in the Chancel Choir at Linn Presbyterian Church in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Mary Lou was a woman with quiet strength, and a sincere faith in Jesus Christ, as her Savior. Family was what gave her joy, and kept her going! She began singing with her big brothers at a young age. She later took voice lessons from Bertha Zimmerman, where she met her husband, Fay Mills, Jr. Music was part of everything she did right from the start.

I think anyone who knew her would agree that her family (now very large) and God's service through music, are the two accomplishments she enjoyed the most! She will be deeply missed by all of us.

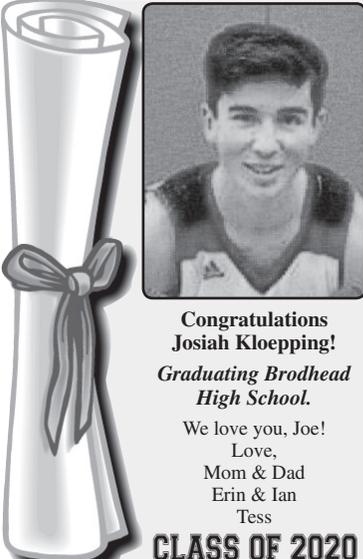
Survivors include her children, Christine (Steven) Siler of Walworth, WI, Bruce (Amy) Mills of Brodhead, WI, Benjamin Mills of Beloit, WI, and Julie (Scott) Silver of NC; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, grandson Joshua Leigh Mills and four brothers, Homer Franklin "Frank" Underhill, Cecil Allen Underhill, Irving Charles Underhill and Merlin "Duke" Eugene Underhill.

Private family services for Mary will be held, led by Pastor Terry Hennesy of Linn Presbyterian Church, Lake Geneva. A memorial service will be announced after the Covid-19 emergency is resolved. Arrangements will be published in this paper. Burial will be in Luther Valley Cemetery. Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and Crematorium, 2355 Cranston Road, Beloit, WI, assisted the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.daleymurphywisch.com.

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The Independent-Register will be publishing a special section saluting area graduates from Brodhead, Orfordville, Footville, Juda, and Albany. Parents, grandparents and friends will have the chance to pay special recognition to the graduates in their lives. Spotlights for High School & Eighth Grade graduates will be included in this section. Your message and photo will be included in the appropriate section for

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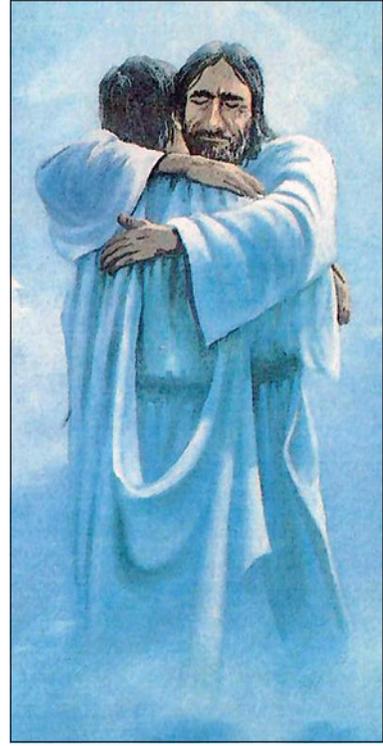
Ludell (Lydell) D. Swenson, 61 "walked" into Gods arms April 22, 2020.

He was born March 19th, 1959 and lived the better part of his life in Madison. Though severely handicapped he traveled and enjoyed his life with the help of many people. He is survived by sisters, Sandra (Ron) Zuehlke of Brodhead, Luann (Phil) Wolden of Monroe, many nieces and nephews, his faithful friend and attendant for the last twelve years, Guy Swansbro.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ludell and Eva Swenson, brother Dean Allen and niece Kari Wolden Stitt.

Graveside services were held Sunday, May 3, 2020 at 3:00 p.m., Hillcrest Cemetery in Albany Wisconsin.

We his sisters, wish to thank Options of Madison, his attendant, St. Mary's Hospital in Madison for their excellent care.



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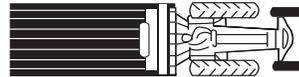
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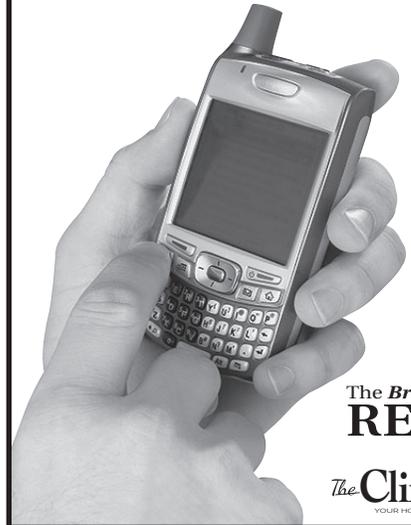
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Legal Notices

AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 13, 2020
HIGH SCHOOL L.M.C.
6:30 P.M.

AGENDA
 I. REVIEW BILLS
 II. REVIEW BUDGET UPDATE
 III. ADJOURN
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NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS
 Notice is hereby given to each and every person who owns, occupies or controls land in the following named towns and city, counties of Green and Rock, State of Wisconsin, to cut or destroy all Canada Thistle, field bindweed, commonly known as "Creeping Jenny", and leafy spurge, on all lands occupied or controlled by you at such time and in such manner as shall effectively prevent them from bearing seed, or spreading to adjoining property, as required by Section 66.0407 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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AGENDA
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
[VIRTUAL PUBLIC ATTENDANCE PREFERRED]
Wednesday, May 13, 2020
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
7:00 P.M.

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I. CALL TO ORDER
 II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 III. ROLL CALL
 IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
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 VI. APPROVAL OF BILLS
 VII. INFORMATION REPORTS
 VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD [SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY]
AGENDA
 IX. BUILDING & GROUNDS UPDATE/STAFFING
 X. SUSPENSION OF POLICIES
 XI. 2019-20 BUDGET REVISIONS
 XII. DISCUSSION OF FOOD SERVICE
 XIII. CONSIDERATION OF HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN CHANGES
 XIV. REVIEW AND UPDATE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK
 XV. ACCEPT DONATION(S)
 XVI. RESIGNATION(S)
 XVII. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)
 XVIII. VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)
 XIX. FUTURE AGENDA
 XX. ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85, (1), (c)
 a. Staffing
 b. Board Evaluations
 XXI. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
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TOWN OF MAGNOLIA
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
WILL BE HELD AT THE
MAGNOLIA TOWN HALL
14726 W. COUNTY ROAD A,
EVANSVILLE, WI 53536
MAY 12, 2020
7:00 P.M.

AGENDA:
 1. Call to Order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Approve Agenda
 4. Clerk's Report
 5. Treasurer's Report
 6. Public Comment – limit 3 minutes per person
 7. Zoning Change Petitions
 8. Highways and Bridges
 9. Town Hall Improvements
 10. Appoint/reappoint Planning and Zoning Members
 11. Appoint/reappoint Board of Adjustment Members
 12. Agenda for Next Month
 13. Pay Bills
 14. Adjourn
 Graceann Toberman,
 Town Clerk/Treasurer
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 WNAXLP 372816

TOWN OF DECATUR
NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that ap-

plication has been received by the Town Clerk, Town of Decatur, County of Green, State of Wisconsin, for a Class "B" Beer License for Professional Property Management, LLC, agent Richard C. Josephson, for Sweet Minihaha Campground, located at N4697 County E, Brodhead, WI, for a period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Jamie E. Olson
 Clerk/Treasurer
 The Independent Register
 5/6, 5/13/2020
 WNAXLP 372817

TOWN OF DECATUR
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application has been received by the Town Clerk, Town of Decatur, County of Green, State of Wisconsin, for a "Class B" Liquor License and a Class "B" Beer License for Three Waters Reserve (Southern WI Land Conservancy), agent Steven Apfelbaum, located at N3941 Golf Course Rd, Brodhead, WI, for a period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Jamie E. Olson
 Clerk/Treasurer
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 WNAXLP 372818

TOWN OF DECATUR
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application has been received by the Town Clerk, Town of Decatur, County of Green, State of Wisconsin, for a "Class B" Liquor License and a Class "B" Beer License for Crazy Horse Campground, LLC, agent James E. Hanley, located at N3201 Crazy Horse Lane, Brodhead, WI, for a period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

Jamie E. Olson
 Clerk/Treasurer
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SPECIAL MEETING
 Monday, May 11, 2020
 6:00 PM at the Town Hall
 1408 14th Street, Brodhead

1. Call to Order
 2. Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters (Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(c))
 3. Reconvene to Open Session
 4. Possible Action on Executive Session Items
 6. Adjournment
 Jamie E. Olson
 Clerk/Treasurer
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TOWN OF SPRING VALLEY
REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 11, 2020 at 6 PM
 Orfordville Fire District
 Meeting Room
 173 N. Wright St., Orfordville, WI

AGENDA

1. Call to order
 2. Approval of agenda
 3. Verification of proper public notice
 4. Secretary's Report
 5. Treasurer's report
 6. Reports
 7. Audience communication
 8. Old business
 A. Rock County Public Works
 B. Road work
 9. New business
 A. Plan for BOR
 10. Future agenda items
 11. Payment of bills
 12. Adjournment

Dela Ends, Clerk
 Recycling drop-off
 2nd Saturday of the month
 Rock Co. Public Works Bldg.
 Hwy 213 Orfordville 9am-noon.
www.townofspringvalley.com
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2019 Consumer Confidence Report Data - BRODHEAD WATERWORKS, PWS ID: 12300728

Water System Information

If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Aaron Schneider at (608) 558-0598.

Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality

Third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at the Water & Light Office, 507 19th St, Brodhead WI 53520

Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water

Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
1	Groundwater	995	Active
2	Groundwater	442	Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Aaron Schneider at (608) 558-0598.

Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Definitions

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no

known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2019)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	D-15	60	60	0	0		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb)	D-15	80	0	12.9	12.9		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2019)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
BARIIUM (ppm)	2	2	0.025	0.022 - 0.025		3/27/2017	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CADMIUM (ppb)	5	5	2.0	0.0 - 2.0		3/27/2017	No	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	4.0	0.1 - 4.0		3/27/2017	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
SODIUM (ppm)	n/a	n/a	4.59	2.01 - 4.59		3/27/2017	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2019)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.9290	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	6/27/2017	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives

Additional Health Information

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Brodhead Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

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President - Mike Krupke; Vice President - Jim Wahl; Clerk - Michael Oellerich; Treasurer - Al Schneider; Dan Calhoun; Jodi Kail

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
BRODHEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
District Office Board Room
Wednesday, April 8, 2020
7:00 P.M.
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mike Krupke at 7:00 p.m. The meeting agenda was published in the Wednesday, April 1, 2020 edition of the Independent Register and the revised meeting agenda was published in the Wednesday, April 8, 2020 edition of the Independent Register and properly posted on April 2, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Krupke, Jim Wahl, Michael Oellerich, Al Schneider, and Jodi Kail
Absent: Don Buchanan

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Al Schneider, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Meeting: March 11, 2020
Special Meeting: March 18, 2020
Regular and Special School Board Meeting Minutes were declared approved as printed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jim Wahl, to approve payment of the Insight FS bill as presented. Motion passed, 4-0-1 [M. Krupke abstained]. Motion by Jodi Kail, second by Michael Oellerich, to approve payment of the remainder of bills as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

INFORMATION REPORTS

The Administrative Team presented information reports.

Technology Director Kevin Buxton acknowledged Dave Novy and everyone involved with the backpack program. The program has been good for the community and during the current situation it's great to have this program going strong.

Pupil Services Director Sarah Wadsworth recognized Jessica Swan and Andrea Elgin for participating in a research study in normative and formal assessment for OT and PT. As a result they received a free copy of the PEDI-CAT assessment (\$500 value). Jessica Swan has also been instrumental in encouraging and supporting our Special Education teachers to provide online instruction.

Building and Grounds Director Brian Kammerer recognized Paul Romer for all of his time and effort working in the Arboretum and upkeep of the natural gardens on District grounds.

Elementary School Principal Dave Novy thanked Heather Lawrence for her part in helping our Spanish speaking families with the Lunch/Breakfast Program and the Weekend Backpack Program. She has been making deliveries, creating maps for other people to deliver, helping families fill out their lunch request forms, and translating information that has been posted on Facebook and on fliers that were hung at Piggly Wiggly. We wouldn't have been able to support all of our families in need without Heather's help.

Middle School Principal Lisa Semrow thanked Stephanie Tresemer and Erin Kammerer for their dedication to our students. She also thanked Kirsten Novy for making a video of the car parade and posing the same on the District's Facebook page. She acknowledged Brian Kammerer and his staff for deep cleaning the Middle School. She recognized Joleen Oren and Kevin Buxton for assisting with checking out laptops to Middle School students. Lastly, she thanked Shane Miller for setting up and managing the Online Homework Sheet.

High School Principal Jim Matthys thanked the entire High School staff for all of their efforts in a quick turnaround of the transition to online learning. It has been a total team effort!

Superintendent Lenny Lueck recognized Dana Wyttenbach and Dave Novy for all of their work with the food service program. They have done a great job of running this program during the COVID-19 pandemic. Principal Novy has also organized and made sure that our Backpack Program would continue to run during these trying times. Lastly, he thanked Heather Lawrence for all of her help with translating documents and working with our Spanish speaking families in need by helping to organize and deliver meals for these families.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one was present to give public comment.

AGENDA ITEMS

REPORT ON ELECTION RESULTS

Election results are not being publicly released until Monday, April 13. No report could be given at this time. The Board of Canvassers meeting date and time is rescheduled for 3:00 p.m. on April 14.

OATH OF OFFICE/SWEAR IN NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS

No oath was given due to the election results not being released.

HOURS OF INSTRUCTION/EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS WAIVER (PUBLIC HEARING)

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED BY BOARD PRESIDENT AT 7:29 P.M.
No public comment.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED BY BOARD PRESIDENT AT 7:30 P.M.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to request a waiver with DPI for both hours of instruction and Educator Effectiveness consistent with resolution as presented.. Motion carried, 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CARL PERKINS CONSORTIUM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jodi Kail, to approve the Carl Perkins Consortium Memorandum of Understanding as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

DISCUSSION OF BUSSING COMPENSATION

Superintendent Lueck presented information regarding the costs of paying the bus contract for the remainder of the school year. This information included different percentages of payment of this contract as well as a comparison of how other local school districts are handling their bus contracts.

Motion by Jodi Kail to approve paying the bus company 60% of the daily base rate per bus per day charge for every day school is not in session during the COVID-19 pandemic. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Michael Oellerich, to approve paying the bus company 55% of the daily base rate per bus per day charge for every day school is not in session during the COVID-19 pandemic. Motion passed, 4-0-1 [J. Kail opposed].

APPROVAL OF VIRTUAL MEETING POLICY

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to approve new Policy BEBB [Virtual Board Meetings in Emergencies]. Motion carried, 5-0.

2ND READING OF POLICY SECTIONS K AND L

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Al Schneider, to approve the second reading of Policy Sections K and L. Motion carried, 5-0.

STAFF FOOTWEAR

Superintendent Lueck presented information on the costs of providing footwear for kitchen, maintenance, and Building and Grounds staff.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to require safety/non-slip shoes for the kitchen staff at a cost of up to \$75 per employee to be provided by the District effective for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried, 5-0.

ACCEPT DONATION(S)

Motion by Jim Wahl, second by Jodi Kail, to accept the following donation(s):

\$250.00 anonymous monetary donation to the Brodhead School District Band Program
Motion carried, 5-0.

RESIGNATION(S)

None at this time.

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.

VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA [April 27, 2020]

- Report on Election Results
Oath of Office/Swear In Newly Elected Members
Program Presentations - High School & Elementary School
Approval of Teacher Contracts
Approval of CESA 2 Service Contracts
Board Reorganization
A. Election of School Board Officials
B. Board Meeting Dates and Times for 2020-21
C. Declaration of Official School Newspaper
D. Official Depository
E. Approval of Authorized Signatures
F. Appointment of Board Member Representative for 2020 CESA 2 Delegate Assembly
G. Discuss Board Committees
2019-20 Budget Revisions
Accept Donation(s)
Resignation(s)
Employment Recommendation(s)
Volunteer Recommendation(s)

ROLL CALL VOTE TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI. STS. 19.85, (1), (c), (e)

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jim Wahl, to go into closed session, under WI. STS. 19.85, (1), (c), (e) at 8:17 p.m., for the discussion of:

- a. Staffing
b. Support Staff/Administrator Negotiations

Motion carried, 5-0.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Al Schneider, to return to open session at 9:03 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.

ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (if any)

Motion by Jodi Kail, second by Jim Wahl, to make one of the Elementary School secretary positions a full-time (1950 hours) position. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jodi Kail, to approve a 1.81% total salary increase for the Administration at a flat rate of \$1,720 per Administrator and align the Administrative compensation portion of the Employee Handbook with the teacher compensation model giving Administrators compensation for years of service and credits earned/desirable certifications. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motion by Al Schneider, second by Jim Wahl, to approve a \$0.50 per hour raise for all support staff. Motion carried, 5-0.

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jim Wahl, to give a one-time increase of \$5,000 to the School Psychologist's base compensation. Motion carried, 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Michael Oellerich, second by Jim Wahl, to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.

DATE: 4/8/20

Table with 2 columns: Vendor Name and Amount. Includes items like BADGER SPORTING GOODS (\$186.11), BRODHEAD HIGH SCHOOL (142.64), BRODHEAD MIDDLE SCHOOL (\$298.42), CEDAR CREEK LANDSCAPING (\$1,615.00), CENTERPOINT ENERGY SERVICES INC (\$9,440.41), CESA #5 (\$465.00), CITY OF BRODHEAD (\$1,980.80), DWD-UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (\$121.35), INSIGHT FS (\$291.55), KOBUSSEN BUSES LTD (\$54,848.10), MECHANICAL, INC (\$10,620.50), MENARDS - JANESVILLE (\$157.56), PEPSI-COLA (\$791.62), PIGGLY WIGGLY (\$591.50), PORTA PHONE CO (\$549.00), ESJD DBA PRAIRIE FARMS DAIRY (\$5,201.98), THE RICHARDSON SCHOOL (\$9,101.00), ROCK VALLEY PUBLISHING LLC (\$383.93), RPC-MG (\$265.00), SPEICH OIL, INC (646.41), VISA (\$3,615.85), WE ENERGIES (\$3,665.66), BMO HARRIS BANK N.A. (\$24,680.38), AST, TIMOTHY (\$157.60), CHROMEBOOKPARTS.COM (\$579.80), DEMCO INC (\$566.77), EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CORPORATION (\$158.30), MIDAMERICA (\$42,979.90), PEPSI-COLA (\$389.13), RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS LLC (\$1,769.54), RHYME BUSINESS PRODUCTS (\$1,159.81), SCHOLASTIC INC (\$107.91), SEMROW, LISA (\$103.50), U.S. CELLULAR (\$132.24), ANDERSON, ANN (\$1,553.07), APPLE COMPUTER INC (\$2,297.99), BADGER SPORTING GOODS (\$802.18), BANK OF BRODHEAD (\$175.00), BERNARD FOOD INDUSTRIES INC (\$697.18), BRODHEAD HIGH SCHOOL (\$1,193.60)



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ALBANY BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
May 11, 2020
MEDIA ROOM
6:30 PM

**Please note Room Occupancy shall be limited to 10 persons inclusive of board members and administrative staff. Those wishing to observe the meeting can watch/listen via Webex or listen via conference call.

To join the meeting, go to the Albany School District website www.albany.k12.wi.us

heading District/School Board/Board Meeting Agendas to get the Webex link.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. OPEN MEETING LAW COMPLIANCE

Upon a request to the Superintendent, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodations including the provisions of informational material in an alternative format for a disabled person to be able to attend this meeting. Albany School District phone number (608)862-3135. The Board President will announce, "to comply with the Open Meeting Law, a tentative agenda was sent to the Brodhead Independent Register newspaper, radio station WEKZ on April 30, 2020, which is more than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting date. An up to date agenda is available on the District's Website: http://www.albany.k12.wi.us and at the following locations in the District: the Albany Post Office, Albany Mini Mart, on the North and East doors of the school, and on the official notice board in the main hallway near the District Office on May 4, 2020." This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. BUSINESS (I=Information, D=Discussion, A=Action)

A. During this Board meeting, the Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 118.38(1)(b), to take comments from the public pertaining to the Board's plan to ask the Department of Public Instruction for a waiver of the number of required instructional hours for the 2019-2020 school year. (I, D)

B. Approval of Proposed Resolution of Waiver of instructional hours (I, D, A)

7. ADJOURNMENT

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Town of Spring Valley Notice of Board of Review

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review Town of Spring Valley, Rock County, will meet on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 9am. at the Orfordville Fire Department meeting room, 173 N. Wright Street, Orfordville, WI.

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review and procedural requirements under state law (s. 70.47 (2), Wis. Stats.) if appearing before the board.

No person shall be allowed to appear before the board of review, to testify to the board by telephone, or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the assessor to enter onto property to conduct an exterior view of such property being assessed.

After the first meeting of the board of review and before the board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the board of review may contact, or provide information to, a member of the board about that person's objection except at a session of the board.

No person may appear before the board. Continued on next page

“overlooked.”
 Longitudinal studies suggest quality early childhood education has significant, lifelong advantages that benefit society, yet child care is among the worst paying jobs, at an average hourly wage of \$11.37 in Wisconsin. Turnover is high, according to the most recent data available from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
 Despite the low pay, it’s “very expensive for parents to send their children to daycare,” said Fields. “Something has to happen so we can afford to pay those teachers more. ... Hopefully after this, people will see how important they are.”
 Child care is “operating on the backs of working parents,” even as schools and Head Start programs get

“decent public support,” said Ruth Schmidt, executive director of the Wisconsin Early Childhood Association.
 Evers’ failed effort earlier in April to get child care provisions in his COVID-19 relief bill “isn’t surprising considering the partisanship of our state right now,” Schmidt said.
 There is another chance for relief for Wisconsin: \$51 million in federal child care grants through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES). But, as Evers’ Safer at Home order entered its sixth week in the final days of April, the money was still in limbo. To move forward, it requires a plan from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and approval through the state

Joint Committee on Finance, which could take weeks.
 Hannah Akbik, spokesperson for committee member Sen. Jon Erpenbach (D-West Point), said Evers’ relief bill would have allowed DCF more flexibility and money to help child care workers, but since Republicans removed those provisions from their bill, DCF is forced to “come begging” to the Joint Committee on Finance for approval to spend the federal money.
 “That is why Senator Erpenbach has said that there is more work to be done to relieve Wisconsinites from this crisis,” she said in a statement to the Times.
‘It’s always such a need’
 As the wife of a dairy farmer, Andrea Priebe is used to the “up and down” of the dairy industry. But she “never in a million years” expected a disruption in her own line of work running an in-home daycare in Monroe, Little Rascals Family Child Care.
 Daycare doesn’t pay much but “it’s always such a need,” she said. “And then, boom, people are told to stay home and work from home.”
 Priebe’s in-home daycare serves the children of grade school teachers. They’re contracted to pay her through the end of the school year, she said, so even though she is closed because public schools are closed and her parents are working from home, she hasn’t taken a financial hit — yet.
 “This year, I’m a little worried about the summer. The farm isn’t going to make any money. What we make on the farm usually pays the household bills,” she said. “For the daycares that aren’t being paid, I don’t know how they’re going to survive.”
 Priebe is president of the Green County Child Care Network and said membership has, for years, been “dwindling down to hardly anybody.” When she started her daycare in 2003, the number of in-home licensed child care providers within the School District of Monroe was about 30.
 “Today we have eight,” she said.



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Rainbow is still open with a limited staff who are juggling schedules.

Evers put size restrictions on child care facilities, for example, DCF lifted many regulatory restrictions like caps on the number of children allowed at in-home daycares.
 “I was appalled that basically all the rules were being thrown out the window and there didn’t seem to be much regard for the safety of the children,” Hendrickson said. “I could have taken 50 kids, 24 hours per day.”
 “Thus far,” Priebe said, “I think it’s unclear what’s essential and what’s not essential for daycare workers.”
 Brooke Skidmore, co-owner of The Growing Tree in New Glarus, wanted to stay open to serve essential workers, but decided to close her center in March because she didn’t feel she could safely remain open without the guidance of a health official and provisions for personal protective equipment.
 “It’s been a tough decision. I’ve had really supportive parents and teachers,” she said.
 Like a few other providers locally, she’s been lucky enough to get ap-

proved for an emergency Paycheck Protection Program loan through the Small Business Administration. It doesn’t cover her own lost income and runs out after eight weeks, she said.
 A vocal advocate for early childhood education, Skidmore said “to have this experience now with COVID-19 has made me less hopeful for change. ... I think our whole system needs to change.”
 She wonders, if public support isn’t there during a pandemic, when will it be?
This story originally appeared in The Monroe Times and was made available to other newspapers through the Wisconsin Newspaper Association.

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 board of review, testify to the board by telephone or contest the amount of any assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the board or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed under sub. (3) (a), that person provides to the clerk of the board of review notice as to whether the person will ask for removal under sub. (6m) (a) and if so which member will be removed and the person’s reasonable estimate of the length of time that the hearing will take.
 When appearing before the board, the person shall specify in writing, the person’s estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person’s objection and must specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.
 No person may appear before the board of review, testify to the board by telephone or object to a valuation; if the assessor or objector made the valuation using the income method; unless the person supplies to the assessor all of the information about income and expenses, as specified in the manual under s. 73.03 (2a), Wis. Stats., that the assessor requests. The Town of Spring Valley has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the assessor under this paragraph which provides exceptions for persons using the information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determines that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under s. 19.35(1).
 Dela Ends, Clerk (608) 897-4288
 svclerk@ckhweb.com
 www.townofspringvalley.com

If you want to appear before the board of review, you must give the town clerk Notice of Intent to file an appeal no later than the morning of June 8, 2020. More information is available at www.revenue.wi.gov.
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TOWN OF AVON
 ANNUAL MEETING
 Avon Town Hall
 May 12th, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
 AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Minutes of 2019 Meeting
4. Approve Financial Statements
5. Set Date for 2021 Meeting
6. Postpone Budget portion of the 2021 Annual Meeting to later date set by the Board
7. Set the amount for the 2020 Road Work
8. Road Funding
9. Other Issues
10. Adjournment

Stephanie Schwartzlow
 Avon Town Clerk
 Please note that with the Safer at Home Order still in place we will be limiting the number of people in the Town Hall. Avon residents if you’d like to join the meeting please call **716-293-6804, pin # 66785**(if prompted). Also, if you’d like a copy of the financial statements and 2019 meetings contact the town clerk at 608-921-3656.
 Maybe additional posting that will be posted 24 hours in advance. The three posting places in the Town of Avon are Debbie Jean’s, Sugar River Bank, and the Avon Town Hall. **Piggly Wiggly in Brodhead will be a temporary posting location until the Lobby of the Sugar River Bank is re-opened.**
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NOTICE
 TOWN OF ALBANY
 Regular Monthly Board Meeting
 6:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, May 12, 2020
 Proof of posting verified – Town Hall, Recycling Center, on the website and published.
 1. Approval of April meeting minutes.
 2. Treasurer’s Report.
 3. Public Input.
 4. Website.
 5. Plan Commission Report.
 6. Roads and Driveway Permits.
 7. Building Inspector . .
 8. Assessor.
 9. Insurance.
 10. Library:
 11. Recycling.
 12. Other Business: Building Maintenance, Deputy Clerk, Livestock Siting town ordinance discussion.
 13. Payment of Bills.
 14. Adjournment.
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Systematic change needed
 One of the biggest challenges child care providers say they’ve faced in the COVID-19 crisis is confusing or absent guidance. At the same time

Parkview FFA Alumni sale pickups May 8-9

The Parkview FFA Alumni will be doing its annual plant sale a bit differently this year.
 Supporters can order what they want and pick items up at Orfordville Lumber on Friday and Saturday, May 8-9, with curbside pickups scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 The online order form is available at this link: forms.gle/8tUpiyUPi4E9FSuMA
 Once the form is filled out and submitted, a confirmation email with the total and whether the plants are available will be sent out.
 To order, place the number of con-

tainers or packs wanted in the space that says “your answer.” Sales are dependent on what is available. Orders will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
 Please provide exact payment (cash or check) at time of pickup. Checks can be made out to Parkview FFA.
 Horticulture students planted everything in the greenhouse before school closed.
 Sale proceeds support the Parkview Agriculture Department. Contact Tjark Sattler at tsattler@email.parkview.k12.wi.us for more information.

Yard waste site hours expanded in Orfordville
 The yard waste site on West Brodhead Street in the Village of Orfordville will now be open three days a week.
 The hours will be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays.
 Residents must separate their debris into the appropriate piles; do not leave items in plastic trash bags.
 Curbside pickups will continue on Mondays; the same rules apply — do not place items in plastic bags.

Proceedings of School District of Brodhead (continued)

BRODHEAD WATER AND LIGHT COMM	\$11,174.29
CDW GOVERNMENT INC	\$4,966.51
COUNTRY VIEW TRANSPORT LLC	\$882.00
DELL MARKETING L.P.	\$13,900.00
EMC	\$1,325.00
GORDON FOOD SERVICE INC	\$10,059.19
HOBART SERVICE/ITW FOOD EQUIP	\$400.99
INDUSTRIAL ARTS SUPPLY CO	\$520.07
INSTRUMENTALIST AWARDS LLC	\$271.00
KOBUSSEN BUSES LTD	\$25,759.86
LINCOLN ELECTRIC COMPANY	\$673.01
NASCO	\$1,434.90
NEW DOCUMENTS & LABELS INC	\$346.61
RIDELL/ALL AMERICAN SPORTS CO	\$1,790.00
SCHOOL NURSE SUPPLY	\$193.76
SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF BARABOO	\$6,556.47
VOIGT MUSIC CENTER	\$423.25
WEST MUSIC COMPANY	\$157.43

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News from Parkview in Orfordville:
Viking Times

Because of the fluid situation with the COVID-19 response, many scheduled events have been, or will be, canceled over the next several weeks. We recommend you verify any events or meetings still listed here are still happening before you travel to attend.

FRIDAY, MAY 8
 • First-grade field trip 8 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 9
 • No events scheduled

SUNDAY, MAY 10
 • No events scheduled

MONDAY, MAY 11
 • Economic Development 6 p.m., regular board meeting 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 12
 • PTO meeting 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13
 • Band open house 3:30 p.m.

ALL DAYS
 • No school - social distancing
 • Orfordville Library closed, curbside pickups available

THURSDAY, MAY 7
 • No events scheduled