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Fall Historic Hwy 80 Sale set for October 18-20

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The Fall Historic Hwy 80 Sale, the longest yard sale in America, is set to take place from October 18 through 20. Stretching along Highway 80 in Minden and Dixie Inn, the event will feature streetside vendors, along with hundreds of booths in local antique and thrift

Participants can expect a wide variety of items for sale, including antiques, collectibles, and thrift goods. Minden, an accredited Main Street Community, encourages



visitors to explore local businesses, restaurants, and historic sites. The forecast shows beautiful fall weather for this weekend. For those looking to extend their stay, Minden offers bed-and-breakfast accommodations as well as boutique hotels.

15 UNDER 40 2024



WILL PHILLIPS/PRESS-HERALD PHOTOS

Last week the Greater Minden Chamber hosted its annual 15 Under 40 Awards Gala where the young professionals chosen had a night for their successes to be highlighted and appreciated by the surrounding local

Greater Minden Chamber honors top young professionals at 15 Under 40 gala

WILL PHILLIPS

Minden Press-Herald

Thursday evening the Greater Minden Chamber hosted their annual 15 Under 40 Gala. Each year this is an opportunity for the Chamber to recognize young professionals in the local area who have gone above and beyond in their respective fields as well as for the local community

as a whole.

Ryan Barnette - GBT -Gibsland Bank & Trust Chris Bordelon cLand Realty, LLC Elizabeth Campbell -

City of Minden Jordan Cupples - AEP -American Electric Power Michael Davis, Jr. - The Michael Anthony Creative Agency

John-Joseph "Jay" Grigsby - Webster Jr. High

Marcus Harmon - Carrier Enterprise

Halea Lipinski - Wise, Martin, and Cole CPAs Brandi McNeill - Minden Physician Practices

Twyla Mims - Webster Parish Assessor's Office Morgan Monday b1BANK

Sarah Overall - Ochsner LSU Health System Braley Raborn - Mission Creek Resources

Kristin Reagan - Minden Medical Center

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While all 15 of the individuals selected are more than worthy of the recognition they received, the Chamber is presented with the difficult challenge of choosing one amongst them as the Terry L. Gardner 2024

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SEEDS GALA 2024

Seeds Women's Center hosts annual fundraising banquet, nearing \$60,000 goal

AMBER MCDOWN

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center.

Seeds Women's Center held its annual fundraising banquet at the Minden Civic Center on October 8, drawing a large crowd to support the growing pregnancy

Seeds Women's Center offers a range of services including free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, adoption counseling, and reproductive health and loss counseling. The center has experienced a 165% increase in service demand since 2020, serving 535 individuals across 911 client visits, providing 597 pregnancy tests and 760 ultrasounds, enrolling 96 people in parenting classes, and graduating 9 fathers from the Navigating Fatherhood course.

The banquet raised \$48,606, bringing the center closer to its \$60,000 fundraising goal. "We had a great turnout and we thank all our sponsors, staff, volunteers, Pork and Fork, A



The Seeds Women's Center's annual fundraising banquet on October 8 raised \$48,606 toward the center's \$60,000 goal to support its growing services and new facility at 308 Pine Street. The event featured guest speakers Michele Smith and Rose Fenchel.

Piece of Heaven Cakery, and our speakers for the opportunity to hear their amazing stories," said Executive Director Amber Bradford.

On November 1, Seeds will close on a new, larger facility at 308 Pine Street, known as the Ward Building. Bradford noted that the new space will allow the center to better meet the community's needs. "This building is twice the size of our little blue house," she said. "With our center growing, we are facing challenges of

renovating the building,

covering higher utility costs, and stocking more supplies."

Guest speakers Michele Smith and Rose Fenchel shared their powerful personal stories. The sisters, born just 11 months apart, revealed how they survived abortion attempts as infants. Both women spoke of healing, love, and forgiveness, recounting the struggles and secrets of their upbringing in a large, financially strapped family.

Donations to Seeds Women's Center can be made at 402 Broadway Street in Minden, online www.seedswomenscenter.com/donate, or via PayPal @seedswc. "Please help us not only meet our goal but surpass it for our renovations, to make it perfect as we continue serving and making a difference right here in our community," Bradford urged.

The event marks another successful year for Seeds Women's Center. as it continues to expand its services to those in need.

OKTOBERFEST 2024



WILL PHILLIPS/PRESS-HERALD PHOTO

Oktoberfest was a huge success, bringing in not only locals but people from out of town to raise their glasses and contribute to a good cause, with proceeds from the event going to Joe LeBlanc Food Pantry.

Minden's Oktoberfest combines fun, music, and charity to support local food pantry

WILL PHILLIPS

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Minden's first annual Oktoberfest was an unforgettable evening of fun, music, food, and charity. The event, hosted by Round Table Events and generously supported by title sponsor Diamond W Contracting, took place in downtown Minden this past Saturday. Proceeds from the event benefited the Joe LeBlanc Food Pantry (JLFP), supporting their mission to fight hun-

ger in the community. The event featured a traditional Biergarten with tables and chairs for guests to enjoy the food, drinks, and atmosphere. Attendees participated in fun and familiar games such as cornhole, as well as new ones like stein hoisting, where competitors tested how long they could hold up a one-liter

A charity cornhole tournament, hosted by Fibrebond, was held that evening. Teams paid a \$50 entry fee for a chance to win cash prizes of \$500, \$250, and \$100 for the top three teams, with a portion of the proceeds going directly to JLFP.

The winners this year included Shawn Archer and Brian Smith in third place, Kevin Hagedorn and Bruce Stroud in second place, and Cannon Hatcher and Jason Hicks

taking the first place spot. Local restaurants Roma, Under Dawgs, and Shugs partnered to offer exclusive Oktoberfestthemed food and drinks throughout the event. Five local musicians, including Meredith Nelson,

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WEBSTER & MORE

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Horror special effects make-up workshop at Webster Parish Libraries a hit with kids

AMBER MCDOWN

Minden Press-Herald

The Webster Parish Libraries' main Minden branch recently hosted Aubrie's Horror Special Effects Make-Up Workshop, where kids learned techniques used in film and theater to create realistic blood, scars, and other terrifying details.

Participants enjoyed crafting ghastly-looking

wounds through special effects methods, making the event a fun, creative experience.

A second session is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, from 4-7 PM. For more information, contact Aubrie Stahl at (318) 371-3080 ext. 135.

"This is a great opportunity for anyone looking to add some frightful flair to their Halloween look!" said Stahl.



GOVERNMENT

Minden to host Fall 2024 Mid-Size City Conference

AMBER MCDOWN

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The City of Minden will host the Fall 2024 Mid-Size City Conference from October 23 to 25, bringing together lead-

ers from across Louisiana. The event will feature mayors from cities with populations between 10,000 and 30,000.

Mid-size cities cox face challenges similar to larger municipalities but with smaller budgets. "We know that every dollar

counts, and we personally know the people who pay taxes as our friends and neighbors," reads the organization's manual. The roundtable-style meetings provide an opportunity for city lead-

ers to exchange ideas and discuss solutions to common problems.

"I'm excited to host the Midsized Cities Mayor's Conference here in

Minden," said Mayor Nick Cox. "This event brings together mayors from cities across Louisiana ... to share ideas, discuss solutions to common challenges, and learn from one another. It's a great opportunity to explore strategies that work well and find ways to strengthen our communities."

The conference, held twice a year, last took place in Minden in spring 2013.

The City of Minden's hosting of this event underscores its ongoing role in supporting community development through collaborative efforts.

COMMUNITY

Witches Ride of Minden set for October 24

AMBER MCDOWN

Minden Press-Herald

The Witches Ride of Minden, hosted by Pearls of Purpose, Inc., is set to return for its second year on October 24, 2024. The event, which made a successful debut in 2023, will take place in downtown Minden and is expected to draw participants and spectators alike for an evening of spooky fun and fundraising.

Participants in the Witches Ride dress up as witches and parade through the streets on bicycles, golf carts, or on foot, all while supporting local causes. This year, Pearls of Purpose, Inc. will partner with the Webster

Parish School Board to provide board-approved Christmas books to every first grader in the parish, including those in private schools. Additionally, the organization will work with the Webster Parish chapter of CASA to provide birthday parties and Christmas gifts for children in its programs.

The event kicks off with early registration at Say Baby on October 17 from 4:30-6:30 PM, followed by event-day check-in at 5 PM on October 24 at the corner of Broadway and West Pine Street. The ride begins at 6:35 PM and will be followed by a block party at Miller Quarters featuring food trucks, face

painting, a Halloween movie, and festive tunes from DJ Kelly. A costume contest and themed festivities will add to the excitement, with categories for best individual witch, best coven, and best-decorated bicycle or golf cart.

Witches riding in the parade must be at least 18 years old. Tickets are \$55 for the Witches Ride event ticket which includes the block party, and \$12 for a block party only ticket. Children 10 years old or younger may attend the block party at no charge. For more information and registration details, visit the Witches RIde website at https://witchesrideminden.com.





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OBITUARIES



Carolyn Boyett

On Monday, October 7, 2024, Carolyn Hays Boyett passed peacefully from this temporal world into the arms of Jesus while surrounded by her loving family.

Carolyn was born on May 16, 1934, to Laroy S. Hays, Sr. and Kathleen Trammell Hays, in Sarepta, Louisiana. She graduated Sarepta

High School in 1952 and then entered Louisiana Tech University, where she graduated in 1956 with a BS degree in Math Education.

In 1956 Carolyn began teaching at Minden High School in Minden, Louisiana, for principal W.W. Williams, Sr. In August of 1956, Carolyn married her high school sweetheart, James R. Boyett, also of Sarepta, Louisiana, and a graduate of Louisiana Tech. Carolyn and J.R. made their home in Minden, Louisiana, where J.R. began teaching for the Webster Parish School

After teaching Algebra II and Advanced Math for 20 years and serving as cheerleader sponsor, Carolyn became Assistant Principal and remained in that position 10 years until her retirement in 1990. While at Minden High, Carolyn served as MHS Cheerleader sponsor, Student Council sponsor, and Jr-Sr prom sponsor. Upon her retirement, Carolyn was elected to the Webster Parish School Board, a position that she held until 2003. She served as President of the WPSB and was elected to the Louisiana School Board Association, where she also served as President.

In addition to her educational service, Carolyn was also a member of professional and community organizations. Carolyn was a longtime member of Delta Kappa Gamma, a teacher sorority, which she served as president, and the Webster Parish Retired Teachers' Association. Carolyn was a member of the Minden Young Women's Service Club which she served as President. She also served as preschool Sunday school teacher at First Baptist Church for over 50 years.

Carolyn is predeceased by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laroy S. Hays, Sr., of Minden, LA, her brother and sister-in-law, L.S. Hays, Jr. and wife Gladys, of Doyline, LA, her brother and sister- in-law, James Hays and wife Zelly, of Cleveland, Texas, in-laws, John T. Boyett and wife Lillian White Boyett of Sarepta, LA, and brotherin-law, John T. Boyett, Jr. of Sarepta, LA. She is survived by her husband, James R. Boyett of Minden, LA, her daughter, Kathie Boyett of Minden, LA, her sons, Mark Boyett and wife Holly of Daphne, Alabama, and Ross Boyett and wife Allison of Shreveport, LA, four grandchildren, Trae, Kaleigh, Graceanne, and Catherine, and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family would thank Allen Mosley and his staff at Premier Family Clinic for the excellent care they have provided Carolyn over the years and the many other medical professionals who have treated Carolyn and made it possible for her to have the quality of life that she maintained for so long.

Further, the family would like to thank Bro. Leland Crawford and their church family at First Baptist Minden for their many prayers and demonstrations of love for Carolyn during her times of illness. A special thanks to Linda Miller for her love and friendship that has sustained Carolyn during some tough times the past few

Visitation for Carolyn was held Saturday, October 12, 2024, in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church, Minden, Louisiana at 9:30 a.m. with funeral services at 11:00 a.m. with Bro. Leland Crawford officiating.

Pallbearers were Rusty Boyett, Jacob Brown, Robert Allen Clark, Bud Copeland, Lane Neilson, Chris Williams, and Mike Woodard.

Interment followed at Gardens of Memory in Minden, Louisiana under the Direction of Rose Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that gifts may be made to "Carolyn Boyett MHS Scholarship Fund" account #9047716 mail to: Gibsland Bank & Trust, 1347 Homer Road, Minden, Louisiana 71055. Please include an account number on



Norman Sims

On September 20, 2024, Norman David Sims died peacefully in Yucaipa, California He was 91 years

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Grace "Joy" in 2000; parents Henry and Helen; his sister, Henriette Davis; and 2nd wife,

Mary in 2019.

He is survived by his daughter, Teresa (Todd); Sons, Michael (Emma, deceased) and William (Kathy); 7 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, 4 great, great

He was born in Evansville, Indiana and later moved to Cheyenne, Wyoming where he met his first wife, Joy.

They married, had three children and moved to Sibley, Louisiana where he worked for Louisiana Machinery and retired in 1997. Norman was very active with the First Methodist Church in Sibley as well as other groups. Later, when his wife Joy passed, he moved to Tillamook and married his second wife, Mary. He attended the Sacred Heart Catholic Church as well as being a part of the Knights of Columbus. He continued to be involved with volunteer work. He enjoyed meeting new people and had quite the sense of humor. He loved learning new things as well as sharing all his knowledge. Norman was very much loved. When Mary passed away in 2019, he moved to California to live with his son, William. Norman had a very fulfilling life and was very blessed.

A private internment services was held at Lane Memorial Cemetery in Sibley, LA on Saturday, October 12, next to his late wife Grace "Joy".



Patrick (Pat) Cleburne Chanler

Patrick (Pat) Cleburne Chanler, born on April 23, 1943, in Minden, Louisiana, passed away on October 8, 2024, surrounded by loved ones.

Pat was a beloved father, son, grandfather, and friend known for

his wit and sense of humor. He dedicated his life to the Navy and his family, leaving a lasting impact on those who knew him.

A proud graduate of Minden High School, Pat pursued a career in carpentry where he was respected and admired for his skill and dedication. Outside of work, he enjoyed reading, watching sports, and was passionate about supporting his children in any way.

Pat was a skilled carpenter that took enormous pride in his work and that he was tough as any man out there. He served his country with honor and pride for 23 years as a US Navy Seabee. Most importantly he was a man of

eminence faith in his lord and savior Jesus Christ and we know he is in heaven with his parents, siblings, and friends, probably trying to build something with his dad. For a few lucky people, he was the best father that anyone could ever ask for and he will be missed dearly by all of us everyday.

Patrick is survived by his wife, Penny Chanler, children, Tate Chanler of Arkadelphia, Kelsey Chanler (Garett Crews) of Minden, La, Andy Chanler (Misty Chanler) of Hampton, Bryon Johnson (Joanne Johnson) of Pensacola, Fl., grandson Braden Johnson of Watertown, Ny, along with two nieces Patti Taylor (C.A. Taylor) of Bossier City, La., and Tana Beckman of Olive Branch, Ms., as well as many friends who will cherish his memory.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Thelma and Patrick N. Chanler, along with his sister Billie Jean Rea.

Visitation was held at Young's Funeral Home in El Dorado, Ar. from 6pm-8pm on Thursday, October 10. A memorial service was held on Friday, October 11 at Cornerstone Church in Smackover, Ar. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Minden High School Softball team (400 S. College St, Min-

COMMUNITY

Annual Pumpkin Patch returns at First Methodist Church in Minden

AMBER MCDOWN Minden Press-Herald

First Methodist Church (FMC) of Minden is once again ushering in the fall season with its annual Pumpkin Patch, offering a wide selection of pumpkins for the community. The event, which runs through October 31, invites residents to find the perfect pumpkin for their fall festivities, with all proceeds benefiting the church's missions and children's ministries.

Open Monday through Saturday from 1 PM to 7 PM, the Pumpkin Patch features pumpkins of all shapes and sizes, including traditional pumpkins, Snowball Pumpkins, Gourds, Weebies, Spook-



the size of each pumpkin, and all purchases support FMC's global mission efforts and local initiatives.

In addition to the pumpkin sales, the event serves as a gathering spot for the community. Families can enjoy photo booths set up throughout outings.

The church invites everyone to stop by and enjoy this beloved tradition. Visitors are encouraged to visit the front of the church to browse the pumpkin selection.

The funds raised through pumpkin sales will go directly to the FMC Committee, Missions which supports a variety of charitable efforts locally and internationally.

This year's Pumpkin Patch continues to be a highlight of the fall season, offering a chance for families to gather, enjoy the outdoors, and support a worthy cause.

GALA

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Top Young Professional of the Year. This year the title was awarded to none other than Sarah Overall.

Members of Greater Minden Chamber planned for many months a special surprise for this year's 15 Under 40 Awards Gala, turning it into a 16 Under 40 event. They wanted to include a nominee who for many years would not allow herself to be nominated. This outstanding individual was none other than CEO/ President of the Greater Minden Chamber, Stephanie Barnette, who was introduced by none other than her husband, Ryan Barnette, after he received his award.

"This next recipient has turned down nominations for this award over the years to ensure that others worthy of this honor didn't miss their seat at the table. In Minden, her name is synonymous with words and phrases like professionalism, dedication, volunteer, work ethic, and lover-of-community," said Barnette.

"I watched, as we all have, day after day and year after year how much she has contributed personally to the success of not only the Greater Minden Chamber but so many businesses and people in our city and the surrounding area. Additionally, so many of our city's events including this one would not be possible without her hard work, dedication, and unparalleled leadership."

FEST

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Colvin, The Justin Sanders Band, Flight Delay, The Leif Shively Band, and DJ Troy, provided live entertainment. For football fans, the LSU vs. Ole Miss was displayed on a 20-foot projection.

Minden's first annual Oktoberfest was not only a celebration of community spirit and fun but also a tremendous success in supporting a

worthy cause. With lively music, delicious food, and friendly competition, the event brought people together in the true spirit of giving. Thanks to the support of sponsors, local businesses, and participants, the Oktoberfest made a meaningful contribution to the Joe LeBlanc Food Pantry, helping to fight hunger and uplift the community.

CRIME

Minden man arrested for drug possession after disturbance call

STAFF REPORT Minden Press-Herald

A Minden man was arrested on multiple following a disturbance at a residence in the 600 block of Highway 531 on October 7. Officers were dispatched to the scene after a report of disruptive behavior inside the

home. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the homeowner, who stated that his son, Steven Cooper, 43, had been causing a disturbance by yelling and cursing throughout the house. The behavior prompted the household to contact Minden police.

Officers made their way to Cooper's room, where another family member was recording the incident. After knocking on Cooper's door, he initially refused to open it, instructing officers to do so themselves. Upon entry, officers found Cooper seated behind a bed, only partially visible.

As officers engaged in conversation with Cooper, one officer moved

around the bed for a better view. At this point, Cooper attempted to push the officer out of the way, suggesting they continue the discussion outside the room. During this encounter, the onicer observed several clear glass tubes with burnt ends, commonly associated with methamphetamine use.

Cooper was immediately detained and read his Miranda rights. A subsequent search of the room led to the discovery of small clear bags with white residue, suspected to be methamphetamine, along with two glass pipes and a modified light bulb containing suspected drug residue.

Cooper was transported to the Minden Police Department and later charged with disturbing the peace, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of a Schedule II controlled substance. He is awaiting transfer to the Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.

All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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Gov. Landry's Tax Reform Proposal is Worthy of Consideration

Many of us who were born and raised in Louisiana or who have lived here for a number of years understand that our state tax code, specifically including that portion of it located in our State Constitution, needs some re-evaluation and updating to account for current and future fiscal realities. In connection with this, Gov. Jeff Landry highlights the coming 2025 fiscal "cliff" in which Louisiana will face a \$500-\$700 million deficit.

The question has always been, what is the best way to do tax reform?

Well, much as he stated he would during his campaign for governor, Gov. Landry has taken a first step to eliminate the state individual income tax to make Louisiana more competitive with our neighboring states like Texas and Florida that have no state income tax. He feels doing so would send a message that Louisiana is becoming increasingly tax "friendly" and more efficient with the taxes it does collect—which, of course, contributes nationally to our profile as being a progrowth state. In fact, the Plan specifically states that it "seeks to attract new investment while protecting lowincome earners, our middle class, and senior citizens."

So, what does the Landry plan entail?

Some of the prominent items include going to a 3% flat tax rate, down from 4.25%, a \$12,500 standard deduction for low and middle-income earners, reducing the corporate tax rate from 7.5% to 3.5%, increasing the deduction for seniors (65 years and up) from \$6,000 to \$12,000 a year, eliminating

state sales taxes prescrippay and **ROYAL**

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tion drugs, permanent teacher raise pealing the corporate franchise tax. Wow!

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That would be quite a change. How would those tax revenues be replaced?

The services that would fall under the new sales tax plan include activities such as political lobbying, dog grooming, massages, car detailing, landscaping work, streaming services in our state, and numerous others. It would also likely require making permanent our "temporary" 0.45% state sales tax.

The reason I suggest that this tax reform proposal is worthy of our consideration (and I hope the governor will take on the permitting process in this state next) is because we have seen, time and again, at the federal level that tax reform (which prominently includes tax cutting!) does create jobs, spurs economic growth and attracts investment.

Pres Reagan and others have reminded us many times that "the power to tax is the power to destroy" and the more we tax something the less we will have of it. We must apply this commonsense advice to our own state tax structure. Some of the deductions and exemptions that riddle our State Constitution are decades old and may serve no need or have no real purpose any longer. Those constitutional dedications must be examined in light of Louisiana's current needs.

In short, by reducing personal and corporate income taxes we protect families and small businesses—which are the economic backbone of this state—and we provide hope. We give our children the thought that perhaps in a better economic climate they would not need to leave Louisiana and go to Dallas or Atlanta for jobs. We know many of them want to stay here, where they are from, we just have to make it possible for them to do so. We already have the best people, best food and the most interesting culture in

the world. Now, let's develop an equally great business climate.

I close with two points:

1). I note that because several of the aforementioned proposals will require changes in our State Constitution, the voters will have to agree to them and most likely that voting opportunity will come in March of 2025. 2). I commend Governor Landry for taking this on. No matter how it turns out, and I'm certain there will be much debate and amendments. numerous the Governor's plan puts a spotlight on our state tax structure and performs the equivalent of an audit. That is all for the good.

It is morally essential that government at every level impose the awesome tool of taxation—the power to remove from the pockets of American and Louisiana citizens under force of law their hard-earned monetary gains earned through blood, sweat and tears-with respect and with care, taking as little as possible and only as much as is necessary for essential government func-

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INSPIRATION

A "God Wink" Finding My Roots In Keokuk, Iowa

I was born to ask questions which led me to watch Bill Moyers PBS documentaries when he said "if the poet or author wishes to be remembered, he must leave a legacy of his life by telling his story just as it was" which takes me back to May 1989 when we were living in Plain Dealing, Louisiana. I was in a dither because I was preparing a book for publication and wanted to include a picture with information about my great grandfather W. H. Morris who became a doctor during the Civil War.

Having been born in 1948 at home, near Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, growing up in poverty and later going into an orphanage after the death of my father in 1958 I wanted to document of all of my facts before publica-

All I had to go by was the wonderful picture of my great grandfather and grandmother Morris, recalling my mother's face beam when she told us stories about how her grandfather, lived in Linn County, Iowa, and was a doctor during the Civil War.

As I was going to sleep I pondered how was I going to verify his medical records? In keeping with my lega-

cy of "God Wink" moments I was prompted by God, I



SARAH **HUDSON PIERCE**

believe, just contact the University of Iowa, and see if they could tell me what school would have been in existence

that time in Linn County. The historian told me that they are a medical school but were not in existence at that time, however Keokuk, in Lee County, Iowa would have been where he probably attended. Then I queried whether they are still open which came the quick reply. "No" but the building and "we have their records in the basement!"

Wow! In our computer driven age how likely is it to still have paper records from 150 years ago and be able to find them?

Within an hours time they found his records and said they would mail them to me.

Now I was able to back up my story along with his pic-This is a must for a true

historian because we cannot rely on hearsay or family stories!

It can be difficult but it is worth the effort if one is to make a legacy of one's life.

For so long I was reticent about sharing my story of poverty, of our meager existence of surviving on \$87.00 government assistance after my father's death in 1958 but as I grow older I know that it is in sharing our stories that we impart strength to those within our midst because it is only in being ourselves, in becoming real, not a fake person, that we become a

is still standing in Keokuk beacon of strength to those less courageous in their fight for survival!

> M. Scott Peck said it best in his book The Road Less Traveled with the words "Life is difficult!"

Yes it is but if it weren't for the struggle we wouldn't grow and with the pain we become whole as we reach up, reach out and draw love into our midst for "We are angels flying with only one wing and we can only fly embracing each other."

We can't make it alone nor should we want to.

Looking back it is so interesting how one step leads to another when we begin our search not only survival but our family tree!

I have also had a number of people who are researching our family tree to ask me questions which is gratifying because I know how it feels just to want to know.

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KEEP THIS IN MIND

The Growing Pains of a Fast-Expanding Website

ing from a very different

If you've visited our newspaper website recently, you may have noticed something frustrating—the speed isn't quite where we want it to be. Trust me, we feel it too. But I want to take a moment to explain what's going on behind the scenes, reflect on where we've been, and share how we're tackling this issue head-on.

Earlier this year, we fought a tough battle to improve the site's performance. Our servers were being hammered by nefarious bot traffic, slowing everything to a crawl. We knew we had to take swift action, so we implemented several changes, including adding a Web Application Firewall (WAF) to filter



traffic and bots. traffic

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ning smoothly for our readers. Those measures gave us a much-needed breather.

Fast forward to today, and while we're seeing some similar speed issues, I'm happy to say they're com-

place: growth. Our website's popularity has surged in recent months, and while it's a fantastic sign of success, it's also creating some growing We're working diligently

with third-party experts to come up with the best solution to handle the increased traffic—not just for today but for the future as well. This isn't a quick fix; it's about making sure we're positioning ourselves for continued growth without sacrificing performance.

In the coming weeks, we'll most likely relocate all of our sites to a more capable

server. This move is expected to significantly improve the site's speed and handle the growing volume of traffic. However, we're committed to doing our due diligence, carefully weighing all options before making a final decision. The goal is to not only solve the issue but also ensure we're prepared for even more growth down the

I want to take a moment to thank you, our readers, for your continued patience and support. I know it can be frustrating when things aren't loading as quickly as we'd like. But in the grand scheme of things, this is what we call a "good problem to have." It's a reflection of the growing number of people who are turning to our site for news, updates, and more.

Rest assured, we're on it. And we're looking forward to a smoother, faster experience for everyone very soon. In the meantime, we appreciate your understanding and loyalty as we work through these growing pains. Thank you for sticking with

us-we'll be better for it in the end.

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SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL/COLUMN

Lakeside still perfect

Minden suffers first loss; Glenbrook wins 4th in a row

RUSSELL HEDGES

Minden Press-Herald

Through six weeks of the regular season, only one undefeated team remains in Webster Parish the Lakeside Warriors.

Lakeside improved to 6-0 with a 28-6 victory over defending champion Many in a District 3-2A opener last week,

The Warriors were thought to be the first team in school history to start the season 5-o. Upon further review, Lakeside also won its first five games in 2006. That team finished 5-5, according to Max-Preps.com.

No chance of that happening with the 2024 squad, which is definitely the first team in school history to start 6-o.

Meanwhile, Minden suffered its first loss of the season, falling to defending champion North DeSoto 42-0 in a District 1-4A game in Stonewall. The Tide dropped to 5-1 overall and 2-1 in district.

Glenbrook won its fourth straight, knocking off Arcadia 27-6 in a District 1-1A game at home. The Apaches improved to 5-1 overall. They are tied with undefeated Haynesville at the top of the district standings at 3-0.

North Webster's tough season continued with a 41-3 home loss to Carroll in a District 1-3A opener.

Lakeside put up a strong defensive effort against Many (0-6) and got big plays from Taron Riley and Kentravion Miller.

The Warriors travel to Coushatta Friday to face

Week 7 schedule

THURSDAY Glenbrook at Lincoln Prep, 7

FRIDAY Minden at Booker T. Washington, 7 North Webster at Sterlington, 7 Lakeside at Red River, 7

Red River (2-4, 1-0). The Bulldogs defeated Mansfield 20-12 in their district opener, snapping a threegame losing streak.

Minden will try to rebound against Booker T. Washington (3-3, 1-2) at Leonard C. Barnes Stadium in Shreveport. The Lions lost to Northwood 46-14 last week,

In Week 5, BTW gave North DeSoto a scare before falling 20-14 at home. Because of that, some might have believed the Griffins were ripe for the

But Minden ran into a buzzsaw. North DeSoto (4-2, 3-0) showed why it is still the team to beat in 1-4A and predicted to make another deep playoff run.

The Griffins held the Tide to 37 net total yards and five first downs while rolling up 397.

The Tide likely put this game behind before the final seconds ticked off the running clock. Minden obviously still has a chance

for an outstanding season. Of their final four opponents, Northwood in Week 9 will provide the biggest challenge and that game is at home. But the Tide will have to return to at or near their level of play in the first five weeks against BTW, a team capable of springing an upset.

Like Lakeside, Glenbrook got an outstanding defensive effort in their victory over Arcadia (2-4). Senior quarterback Easton Sanders and fullback Cade Vining scored two touchdowns each.

The Apaches travel to Grambling Thursday to play Lincoln Prep (4-2, 2-1). The Panthers routed Ringgold 53-6 last week.

Lincoln Prep could provide a challenge for Glenbrook. The Panthers scored 44 or more points in their four victories. Their lone district loss was to Haynesville 45-6 in Week 5.

North Webster simply hasn't been able to do much on offense consistently this season. The Knights have played very good defense but that unit has been on the field a lot.

Things don't get any easier Friday. The Knights visit Sterlington (3-3, 1-0), which opened defense of their 1-3A title with a 34-6 victory over Richwood.

The Panthers' record is deceptive. Their losses have come against Ouachita Parish, West Ouachita and Neville, teams with a combined record of 14-3.

It's still possible for North Webster to have a decent season. An upset Friday would obviously be a big step in the right direction.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Louisiana Tech's Omiri Wiggins scores during a 48-21 victory over MTSU last week at Joe Aillet Stadium...

Tech hammers MTS

RUSSELL HEDGES Minden Press-Herald

After a 1-3 start, Louisiana Tech Head Coach Sonny Cumbie decided to turn over playcalling duties to co-offensive coordinator Nathan Young.

Last week, the Bulldogs rolled up 553 total yards in a 48-21 rout of Conference USA foe Middle Tennessee State at Joe Aillet Stadium.

Louisiana Tech improved to 2-3 overall, snapping a three-game losing streak, and 1-1 in the conference. MTSU dropped to 1-5 and 0-2 with its fifth straight loss.

The Bulldogs were scheduled to play New Mexico State (1-5) Tuesday night in Las Cruces, N.M., the first of three straight Tuesday night games.

Tech came into last week's game averaging 18.75 points per game. The Bulldogs hadn't scored more than 40 since a 51-21 victory over Northwestern State in Week 3 last sea-

"Extremely proud of Nathan Young and our offensive staff, just an incredible game plan that

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they put together," Cumbie said. "And really just the preparation, the confidence that our kids on offense played with. It was great to see. It was fun to watch and be a part of."

There was a long delay in the game in the third quarter after defensive back Michael Richard suffered an injury making a tackle.

After going to the ground, he got up but then collapsed. Richard was removed from the field on a stretcher and taken by ambulance to a Shreveport hospital.

Richard was released from the hospital the day after the game and is expected to make a full recovery, according to a Louisiana Tech press release.

Louisiana Tech redshirt freshman Evan Bullock, making his second career start, completed 18-of-25 passes for 290 yards and five touchdowns with no interceptions.

we've "Offensively, always had it, like, had the ability to explode and go off it really anytime," Bullock said. "And I think

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it was really just finding the right match and the perfect fit, if you will. And that's exactly what allowed us to explode and showcase what we did tonight. I liked really just how we could mix things up a little bit and give new looks some things that we hadn't done before.

"It's really just a new little curve on the offense that we had, too. It was really, really fun to go out

there and play."

Tru Edwards caught six passes for 127 yards, including a 75-yard touchdown. He was one of nine Tech players who had catches. Solo Lewis and Jay Wilkerson also caught touchdown passes.
Omiri Wiggins caught

two touchdown passes and led the team in rushing with 49 yards on eight carries. Marquis Crosby had 41 on five and Jimmy Holiday had 40 on four, Crosby also threw a 19-

yard touchdown pass to Lewis for the final score of the game.

With 11 players getting carries, the Bulldogs rolled up 222 yards on the ground.

PRO FOOTBALL

Eagles release former North Webster star Devin White

RUSSELL HEDGES

Minden Press-Herald

The Philadelphia Eagles released former North Webster and LSU star Devin White last week.

White signed a \$4 million, one-year contract in March after playing his first five seasons for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The linebacker helped the Bucs win Super Bow LV in

He was the fifth overall pick in the 2019 NFL Draft and made the Pro Bowl in his third year.

According to ESPN, White worked with the first team in training camp with the Eagles, but Georgia's Nakobe Dean eventually was named the starter,

White was inactive in the Eagles' first four games. ESPN reported he did not travel with the team to Brazil for the season opener because he was dealing with an ankle injury,

He was a healthy scratch for the next two games and did not play in the fourth because of personal reasons, according to the report on ESPN.com by Tim McManus.

White made a deal with the Eagles to be released before the trade deadline before he would be subjected to waivers. If he agrees to terms with another team it could help the Eagles financially.

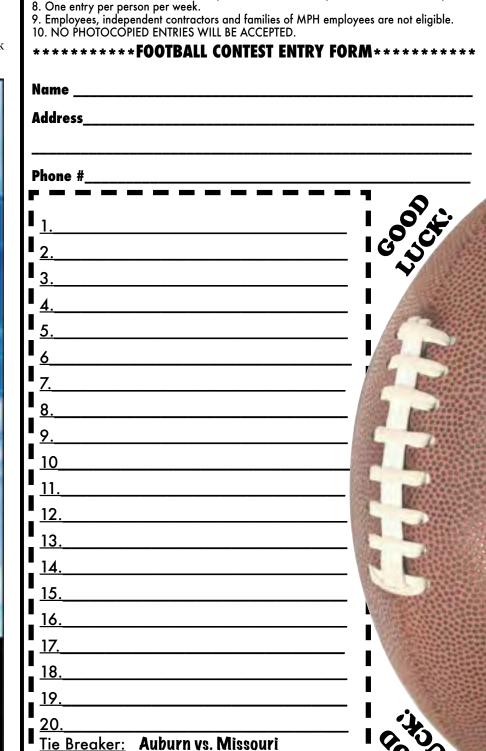
White is a 2016 graduate of North Webster where he was a star running back as well as linebacker.

Last summer, he conducted a camp at Baucum-Farrar Stadium in Springhill. In 2023, he participated in the 318 Takeover Youth Football Camp at Independence Stadium in the summer of 2023.

On X (formerly Twitter) White posted this Tuesday morning over his Today's

"Focus on today! Thank





(both teams)

Russell Hedges, Sports Editor rhedges@spechtnewspapers.com

SPORTS

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



CHRIS REICH/NSU PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES

NSU quarterback Abram Johnston threw for 301 yards in his first career start.

Youthful Demons fall to Texas A&M-Commerce

JASON PUGH

Northwestern State Associate AD for External Relations

NATCHITOCHES - A turnover helped the Northwestern State football team secure the fast start it wanted last Saturday afternoon against Southland Conference foe Texas A&M-Com-

From that point, the youth-laden Demons saw things snowball in the opposite direction as the visiting Lions answered Northwestern's opening touchdown with an avalanche of tackles for loss and an efficient offense to post a 42-21 victory at Turpin Stadium.

"We started a true freshman quarterback behind a true freshman center, a redshirt freshman left guard and a redshirt freshman tight end," firstyear head coach Blaine McCorkle said. "It was the same on the defensive side of the ball. We started four freshmen as well as two linebackers who are Division III walk-ons. I love 'em to death. Those are two tough kids. One I love like a son, and the other has beand I couldn't be prouder of those kids, but that's what we played with today. When you play in the Southland Conference, it's tough to play with that type of youth, but I'm proud of the way our kids fought."

Things could not have begun better for the Demons (0-7, 0-2) and true quarterback freshman Abram Johnston, who made his first career start in place of injured starter JT Fayard and top backup Quaterius Hawkins.

Johnston's first pass of the day came on the opening play from scrimmage and turned into a 40-yard connection with Twon Hines. Although the Lions (1-5, 1-1) scuttled the drive with two of their 11 firsthalf tackles for loss, Texas A&M-Commerce's seasonlong turnover problems gave the Demons a second chance.

Dayan Bilbo fumbled Reed Honshtein's punt at the 7-vard line before hardcharging Ty Moore recovered at the 5 to put Northwestern on the doorstep. On the next step, junior running back Kennieth Lacy scored the first of his two touchdowns on the day to give the Demons an early

The lead stood for less than three minutes as Lion quarterback Ron Peace began his ultra-efficient afternoon by connecting on all three of his passes on a six-play, 80-yard scoring drive that ended with Peace finding a wide-open Christian Jourdain for a 30-yard touchdown pass.

A drive later, the game of inches began to shift away from Northwestern.

With the Lions driving, cornerback Caesar Magee III nearly picked off a crossing route from Peace but could not corral the interception. Three plays later, BK Jackson gave the Lions the lead for good with a 1-yard touchdown plunge.

"Caesar had that one slip through his hands,' McCorkle said. "It would have been nice to have it. He's another kid I'm awful proud of. He played really hard today, really hard in the run game. He made some nice tackles on the edge and did some good things. It truly is a matter

LSU rallies, stuns Ole Miss in overtime

RUSSELL HEDGES

Minden Press-Herald

The LSU Tigers rallied for a 29-26 overtime victory over the Ole Miss Rebels last Saturday night in Tiger Stadium.

LSU's only lead of the game was the final score.

"I'm really proud of our football team, the way they never blinked," LSU Head Coach Brian Kelly said in his postgame press conference. "They were down virtually the whole game. They just kept playing. There was no frustration.

"It would've been easy for our offense to get frustrated, not getting touchdowns, but they just kept plodding along.'

The Tigers (5-1, 2-0 SEC) drove 75 yards in 13 plays to tie the game at 23. Garrett Nussmeier threw a touchdown pass to Aaron Anderson on fourth-and-5 from the Ole Miss 23 with 32 seconds left in the game. Damian Ramos kicked the extra point.

LSU won the overtime toss and went on defense. A holding penalty pushed Ole Miss back to the 35. On first-and-20, Jaxon Dart threw an incompletion.

A false start penalty moved the ball back to the 40. After two incompletions, Caden Davis hit a 57yard field goal to give the Rebels a 26-23 lead.

It took the Tigers exactly one play to win it. On first down from the 25, Nussmeier hit Kyren Lacy for a touchdown.

Ole Miss dropped to 5-2 overall and 1-2 in the

"Just an incredible atmosphere here tonight," Kelly said. "I thought our game operations in creating an incredible environment with 100 years of Tiger Stadium, hats off to them. I thought they made the stadium environment unique and electric and what you want for a game day event and then the two

teams played up to that and lived up to it.

Nussmeier completed 22-of-51 passes for 337 yards and three touchdowns with two intercep-

"I though he grew more today than at any time he's been here," Kelly said. "I think this was a growth game for him. You may disagree with me. But as a coach the growth he was able to exhibit through that game at the end is going to serve him well.'

Lacy caught five passes for 111 yards. Anderson had three for 81.

Nussmeier's other touchdown pass went for 12 yards to true freshman Trey'Dez Green in the second quarter with Ole Miss leading 10-0.

The Tigers didn't have lot of success on the ground, finishing with 87 yards. Cade Durham led the team with 39 yards on 12 carries. Josh Williams had nine for 34.

Late field goal lifts Alcorn State past GSU

CURTIS FORD

Grambling State Associate AD for Athletic Communications

GRAMBLING - The Grambling State Tigers lost another heartbreaker last Saturday.

Noah Kiani's 27-yard field goal with 7 seconds left in the game lifted Alcorn State to a 17-15 victory at Eddie G. Robinson Memorial Stadium.

The Tigers were playing for the first time since falling to Prairie View A&M on 36-34 in five overtimes Oct. 4 in the State Fair Classic in Dallas.

Grambling State fell

to 3-3 overall and 0-2 in the Southwestern Athletic Conference. SWAC West leader Alcorn State improved to 4-3 and 3-0.

GSU was plagued by missed opportunities on offense. The Tigers struggled to convert trips to the red zone into touchdowns, scoring two field goals and one touchdown on four possessions.

Grambling State quarterback Myles Crawley was 16-for-28 for 149 yards and one interception. The Braves snapped Crawley's four-game streak of throwing at least one touch-

GSU found some suc-

cess on the ground, rushing for 157 yards. The Tigers had three running backs run for over 50 yards. Tre Bradford led the way with 58 yards on 11 carries. Dedrick Talbert added 52 yards a touchdown on 11 attempts and Bull Hargrove toted the ball for 50 yards on nine touches.

Defensively, Grambling State gave up 335 yards of total offense. Linebacker Andrew Jones led the Tigers with 11 total tackles with five solo stops. Blake Davis nabbed an interception in the second quarter. He finished with eight total tackles.

OUTDOORS

Mother Nature and Father Time determine hunting success

GLYNN HARRIS

Go back and study the history of just about any annually-occurring activity and something becomes clear. Like the pendulum on a grandfather clock, there are cycles, times when the particular activity ebbs;

times when it flows. This year it's hurricanes. Experts had predicted that because of forces of nature coming together in sync, this could be a record year with increase and intensity of hurricanes. It looks like they nailed that one head on with Helene devastating the southeast doing unbelievable damage and Category 5 Milton plowing into the Florida peninsula.

There are lean years; there are years of bounty. Take, for instance, the duck situation. For more than a decade, we watched the numbers of ducks slip into a free-fall as an extended drought on wintering grounds put the hex on production. Then there were a couple of years with lots of rain up north and the ducks rebounded with a

Squirrels? It's the same thing in hunting these feisty creatures. A good acorn crop one year means a good squirrel crop the next year. By the same token, an acorn failure this year caused by inclement weather, such as drought or too much rain, means that the squirrel population will be relatively slim the next.

One of Louisiana's favorite game animals, the whitetail deer, has been caught up in the cyclic thing, and weather is the culprit, just as it is with ducks and squirrels.



GLYNN HARRIS

When weather is too warm during deer season, more deer are seen at night rather than during daylight.

It's not that the numbers of deer dropped when weather conditions were not favorable for hunting. On the contrary, they were there in numbers; it was just too warm for them to do much moving about during daylight hours. As a result, deer hunters complained long and loud about their inability to see deer. But when an upswing occurs in the cycle, hunters were smiling once

Take for example a year when deer hunters are happy and complaints are few. That's a year when winter's weather was more in line with what winter weather in Louisiana should be. It was much cooler over the state than the previous winters and as a result, deer movement during daylight hours was escalated with the result being more deer sightings, more deer har-

vested over most areas and

more trophy animals taken. Recalling a year when we had weather more seasonal and cool, if not downright cold, in the area where I hunted, I'll admit it was rather nice to occasionally break ice when walking in puddles on the road to my stand. Having to brush frost from the steps of my stand as I climbed wasn't bad either.

Being able to see my breath and scrunching down in several layers of warm clothing as I waited on stand made me forget the previous season when a walk to the stand in lightweight clothing resulted in profuse sweating. I just doesn't feel right to be deer hunting with weather this warm, conditions bow hunters experienced this season. I heard a bevy of complaints from bow hunters perched in stands

when it was just too warm

for comfort and as a result, the deer movement wasn't what they hoped it would

More seasonal temperatures not only make hunters feel more like hunting; it put the deer in motion as well. Thinking back to my season I mentioned above, I saw more deer on the move during daylight hours that season than I did in the two previous seasons combined. The majority of other hunters I talked with said the same thing; the colder temperatures during most of the season created a much more quality hunt because there was a much better chance of seeing deer than in the previous two

ture and Father Time.

LAKE What can hunters do to ensure a quality hunting season in 2024-25? Unfortunately, very little. It's all in the hands of Mother Na-

Fishing Report

BLACK BAYOU No report. Contact Honey Hole Tackle Shop 323-8707 for latest information.

BUSSEY BRAKE -Bass fishing is improved with some big ones reported. Best bets are flipping structure with creature baits and topwater lures early. Some big crappie are being caught on the flats on shiners and jigs. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole at 323-8707.

OUACHITA RIV-ER – The river is falling because of a levee issue below Columbia. Water is muddy and ramps are closed. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

D'AR-LAKE **BONNE** – The lake is down 5 feet and fishing has been good. Bass are best fishing the mouth of creeks where there is current using soft plastics, crank baits and spinners. Crappie are bunched up on the channel edges and shiners and jigs are working on them. Bream are slow; catfishing good off the banks. Just be sure if you go to watch out for stumps and obstructions just below the surface. For latest information, call Anderson Sport Center at 368-9669 or Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

BORNE – Crappie fishing has been best early mornings with shiners seeming to work best. No report on stripers. Bass should be schooling and

once located will hit shad imitation lures. Some are caught at night fishing soft plastics and dark spinners and crank baits around lighted piers. Some have been caught early mornings on topwater lures fished along the edges of grass. Bream are slow. For latest information, call Kel's Cove at 927-2264 or Terzia Tackle at 278-4498.

CANEY **LAKE** Bass are starting to school with shad imitation lures working best. Also early mornings they're hitting around pads and moss on topwater lures and buzz baits and on secondary points later in the day on crank baits and soft plastics. Night fishing is fair on dark spinners or plastic worms. Crappie are good fishing shiners or jigs around the submerged tops. For information contact Caney Lake Landing at 259-6649, Hooks Marina at 249-2347, Terzia Tackle at 278-4498 or the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE POVERTY **POINT** – Crappie are improving in deeper water on the south end. Lots of catfish are being caught. For latest reports, call Poverty Point Marina at 318/878-0101.

LAKE YUCATAN – The water is on a slight

rise with water expected to have a slow fall next week. Catfish are biting and commercial fishermen are catching a good many buffalo. The bass and crappie are slow. For info call Surplus City Landing at 318/467-2259.

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Good News

GOOD NEWS

We've all made promises to the Lord, to ourselves and others. All of these are important, but sometimes we make promises that we probably know 'we can't keep or really have no intentions of keeping.' We deceive ourselves, and willfully disobey our Lord.

We make personal promises like these:1) I promise to eat more carefully and lose X pounds by Christmas; 2) I promise to begin daily exercise - tomorrow; 3) I promise to control my temper, change my attitude, be more conscious of the feelings of others! (We all are guilt in making promises like these and then one-by-one, we break

We make promises others well; maybe something like this: 1) promise



Bill Crider

not to tell anyone what you just shared; 2) I promise I will always be your friend; 3) I promise to love/honor you in sickness/health...until death shall separate us. (Again, we soon find ourselves being 'guilty' of breaking each of these promises.)

PROMISES TO KEEP

We make promises to God as well....with the best of intentions of keeping them! Have you made promises like these to the Lord? 1) I promise to seek You first in all I say and do; 2) I promise to believe Your promises of eternal life, forgiveness of sin and salvation of the soul through Jesus Christ; 3) I promise to believe the Bible is the eternal truth without any mixture of life by its' teachings. And then we find ourselves 'twisting words and teachings to fit our needs, our wants or attitudes.'

On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your level of commitment today in obeying Christ's commands? In keeping promises made to the Lord, your family, friends and to oneself? Be honest now! 1 John 1:9 - "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

We must be careful when error and will seek to live my we take oaths and make promises. But Scriptures teaches when we do fail, when we sin against our Lord (or another person), we can seek His forgiveness and receive His pardon. Perhaps today is the 'right time to 'fess us and come clean with our Lord.

What promise do you want to make today...to yourself.... to another...to the Lord?

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THE UPWARD LOOK

The Helmet of Salvation

Max Hutto

"and take the helmet of salvation, and tion, the believer can stand firm in the the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God," Ephesians 6:17 ESV

The helmet of a Roman soldier was designed to protect his entire head from the blows of the enemies' weapons. The believer is likewise protected from the enemy by the helmet of salvation found in Christ. He

has been saved from the penalty of sin, is being saved from the power of sin, and will be saved from the presence of sin. With the assurance of this salvabattle against evil. A helmet also protects the mind. With

a renewed mind that is set on the things of the Spirit, the believer's thoughts will be guided by Christ.

Lord Jesus, I trust in You and You alone for my salvation. Protect and guide my thoughts to keep me focused on You, Your mercy and grace.

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INSPIRATION

A Trial by Fire

When we are faced with a distressing hand. 18 But even if he does not, we want situation in life most of us try to barter with God. I know I am guilty of state-

ments like "God if you help me out of this situation I'll do this". This cannot be and shouldn't be a solution for us. In the book of Daniel we find three young men by the name of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They were placed in a situation to literally be tried by fire. Their response to that situation is

one of the scriptures that motivates me daily. (Daniel 3:17-18) reads 17 If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's

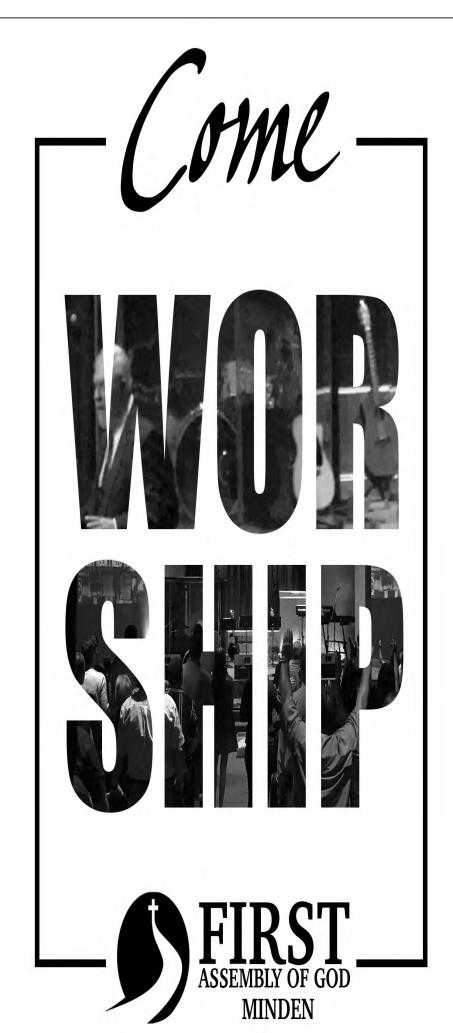
you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the im-

> age of gold you have set up." My focus is not on this entire scripture but rather on "even if". These young men committed to God in only two words. We should feel encouraged to follow their example, living our lives by "even if" and trusting in God no matter the trial.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Dixie Inn will be held as follows: DATE: TUESDAY, OC-

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Webof the Parish of Web-ster, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on July 2, 2024, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY**, **DE-CEMBER 7, 2024,** and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United

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PROPOSITION (MILLAGE)

proposition, to-wit:

Shall the Parish of Webster, State of Loui-siana (the "Parish"), be authorized to levy a tax of 1.75 mills on all the property subject to taxation in the Parish (an estimated \$500,000 expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2025 and ending with the year 2034, for the purpose of constructing, improv ing, maintaining, oper-ating and supporting facilities and programs for the elderly in the Parish through the Webster Council on the

Said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish of Webster, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

The polling places at the precincts in the Parish are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Sec-retary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs similar elections is

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority,

the returns and declare the result of the said and the officers ap-pointed to hold the said special election. All registered voters of Election, or such sub-stitutes therefor as may the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting ma-chines will be used.

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election, as provided in this Notice of Special

be selected and designated in accordance

with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns

thereof to said Govern ing Authority, and
NOTICE IS HEREBY
FURTHER GIVEN that
the Governing Author-

the Coverning Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Webster Parish Courthouse An-

nex, 401 Main Street,

Minden, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025, at TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

(10:30) A.M., and shall then and there in open

and public session pro

ceed to examine and

canvass the returns and declare the result

of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are

entitled to vote at said

special election and

oting machines will be used.

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Pursuant to the

provisions of a resolu-tion adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Webster,

State of Louisiana (the

"Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish

ish"), on September 3, 2024, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a

special election will be held within the Parish on SATURDAY, DE-CEMBER 7, 2024, and

that at the said election there will be submitted

to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at

the said election under the Constitution and

Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Con

stitution of the United

PROPOSITION (MILLAGE RENEWAL)

proposition, to-wit:

Shall the Parish of

Webster, State of Louisiana (the "Par-

ish"), continue to levy a special tax of 2.78 mills

on all property subject to taxation in the

Parish (an estimated \$788,000 reasonably

expected at this time to be collected from

the levy of the tax for

an entire year), for a period of 10 years,

beginning with the year 2026 and ending with the year 2035, for the

ing, operating and improving the Webster Parish Courthouse

and Annex, Webster Parish Health Unit and

Agricultural Extension

Said special elec-tion will be held at each

and every polling place in the Parish of Web-

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Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended,

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Minden, Louisiana, on TUESDAY, JANUARY

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of Webster, State of Louisiana (the "Par-

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Advertisement For

The City of Minden hereby advertises for bids for the purchase of

AERIAL BUCKET TRUCK

Bid No. 02-2025 Separate sealed

bids will be accepted in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Minden, Louisiana, until 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2024 at Minden City Hall, located at 520 Broadway, Minden, LA. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud upon completion of administrative tasks Late bids will not be accepted. Faxed bids cannot be accepted and will be discarded. The City of Minden is not responsible for the timely delivery of bids by the USPS or any

Any bids received after the above time will not be accepted under any circumstances. Any uncertainty regarding the time a bid is received will be resolved against the bidder.

Only bids written in ink or type written, and properly signed by a member of the firm or authorized representative, will be accepted. Pencil and/or photostatic figures or signa-tures will disqualify bid. However, electronic signatures as defined in LA-R.S. 9:2602(8) may be acceptable.

Electronic Bidding: ed the option to submit bid for public contracts through a uniform and secure electronic interactive system. Comply with electronic bidding as stated in the Louisiana Bid Law R.S.

Bid related materials may be found online and electronic bids may be submitted at www.BidExpress.com.

Bidding Documents: Bid specifications may be obtained at the City of Minden Public Works Department, 520 Broadway, Minden, LA 71055, (318) 377-2144.

will also be available online at www.BidExpress.com. If bidding online, all interested bidders must register for the project online. If bidders encounter any problems accessing Bid Express, please contact Bid Express, Joshua Wolboarst, 888-352-2439

Bid Proposal:
Bids shall be received from bidders only on the bid form included in the bidding documents, as provided in the Louisiana R.S. 37:2162(b). A single lump-sum bid shall be submitted.

Bid Withdrawal: Bids shall not be subject to withdrawal by bidder for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the bid opening, except as provided for in the Instructions to Bidders.

Award, Waiver and Rejection of Bids: The contract will be awarded pursuant to the requirements of applicable local and state laws and regulations.
To the extent permitted by such laws and regulations, the City of Minden reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in any bid received. Refer to the Instructions to Bidders for any forms required to be submitted with the bid.

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BOARD OF REVIEW: To sit as a Board of Review of the 2024

LLC Assessment #135427 WITH-Assessor presented information on the protests filed. Ms. Nancy Hines moved, seconded by Mr. Mike Griffith to uphold the decision

Mr. Jim Bonsall called the meeting to order at 10:45a.m. and asked Mr. Steve Lemmons to open the meeting with prayer and asked Mr. Mike Griffith led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Jim Bonsall then asked for additions to the agenda. There were no comments from the audience concerning the

agenda. Mr. Mike Griffith moved, seconded by Mr. Allen Gilbert to approve invoices for payment pending review by juror Mike Griffith. Motion carried

unanimously.
Mr. Daniel Thomas Mr. Bruce Blanton to adopt the minutes of the September 3, 2024 Road Committee, Finance Committee and Regular Meeting Motion carried unani mously.

moved, seconded by Mr. Daniel Thomas to approve the Report of the Board of Review and Certification of the 2024 Assessment of Property of Webster Parish. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce Blanton to

approve the Annual Off System Bridge System Requirements for 2024, Ordinance 006-2024 Resolution Motion carried unanimously.

to approve Board District 12 to Reapunanimously. Mr. Mike Griffith September 1, 2024. mously.
COMMENTS:

Motion carried unani-Savannah Jones Webster Parish Library Johnnye Kennon WP C.V.B. (Tourism) Allen Mosley WP Coroner Carl Thompsor WP Assessor, Denise Edwards

Brian Williams **WPPJ** OEP/HS Director Angie Chapman E911 Director **Dorcheat Historical** Museum Alicia Chapman Mayoral Candidate for Town of Cullen Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Steve Lemmons

Committee Meeting

Mr. Adam Lee to apmittee Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Daniel Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Adam Lee to apat the Intergovernmental Committee

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> Ads Work

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY October 1, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE COUNCIL OF

CITY OF MINDEN

Monday, October 7,

Beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the Pelican Conference

520 Broadway Street, Minden, LA

Items to be discussed

City Council Agenda Nick Cox, Mayor –

Jared McIver, Police Chief – August 2024

Police Report Brian Williams, Fire

Budget Report

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Sheriff's Sale

Suit number 651659 in the 1st Judicial District

WINNSBORO STATE BANK & TRUST COM-

UNOPENED SUC-CESSION OF RON-ALD J. MORGAN AKA

RON J. MORGAN COURTNEY A. MOR-

By Virtue of Writ of Sei-

zure and Sale to me di-rected from the Honor-

able 1st Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in the above

numbered and entitled cause, I have scized and will sell at Public Auction for cash ac-

Auction for cash ac-cording to law with ben-efit of appraisement in Room G-20, or any other place within the Caddo Parish Court-house in said City of Shreveport designates

by notice posted in the lobby prior to the sale, during the legal hours of sales on Wednesday, November 20,

LOT 11, BLOCK 6, CITY OF SHREVE-PORT, CADDO PAR-

ISH, LOUISIANA, AS PER PLAT RECORD-

ED IN BOOK 250, PAGE 100 OF THE

CONVEYANCE RE-CORDS OF CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND

IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED THEREON BEARING SAID GEO# 181437-111-0011-00.

ALL THAT PART OF EAST 690 FET OF

EAST 690 FET OF THE SOUTH HALF OF

NORTHWEST QUAR-TER OF NORTHWEST

QUARTER (S/2 OF NW/4), SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 20

NORTH, RANGE 10

PARISH, LOUISIANA,

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NER OF THE NORTH-WEST QUARTER OF

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (SE/C OF NW/4) OF NW/4), SECTION 22, TOWN-

SHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, WEBSTER PARISH,

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POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING
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OR LESS, TOGETHER
WITH ALL IMPROVE-

MENTS LOCATED THEREON AND ALL RIGHTS THERETO

ALSO
ALL THAT PART OF
THE EAST HALF OF
NORTHWEST QUARTER (E/2 OF NW/4)
SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH,
RANGE 10 WEST LYING NORTH OF WEBSTER PARISH ROAD
17 (ASHI FY ROAD)

17 (ASHLEY ROAD), COONTAINING 45.79 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVE-

RIGHTS THERETO BELONGING.

Said Property to be sold as belonging to the above defendant to pay and satisfy debt specified in said writ

together with attorney's

fee, interest and costs.

Henry L. Whitehorn, Sheriff and Ex-Officio

Auctioneer. Attorney W. BROOKS WATSON

The Inquisitor
Friday, October 18,
2024 Friday, November
15, 2024

LOCATED

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WEBSTER

EXCEPT:

BEGIN AT SOUTHEAST

WEBSTER

PARISH

COR-

2024 beginning 10:00 A.M.

Court of Louisiana

PANY

Versus

Chief – September 2024 Fire Report Melaney Langford, City Clerk – August 2024

will meet in WORKSHOP on

Minden City Hall

Room

include:

Ordinances

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Bonsall, President: Steve Ramsey, Vice President; Beverly Kennon, Mike Griffith, Steve Lemmons, Allen Gilbert, Nancy Hines. Randy Thomas, Daniel Thomas, Bruce Blanton and Adam Lee Absent: LaTanya Grigsby

assessment of real and personal property of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana: **Fusion Flow Control**, DRAWN this morning. There was no addition al protest presented to the Board of Review. Ms. Denise Edwards of the Webster Parish Assessor for the 2024 taxes. Motion carried unanimously.

October 16,23,30 2024

Ms. Beverly Kennon

Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Randy Thomas Appointments for the Heflin Fire Protection point Larry Hedrick and Joe Robinson to a year term from June, 2024 to May 31, 2026. Motion carried moved, seconded by Mr. Allen Gilbert to approve Board Appointments for the Webster Parish Fire Protection District 8 to Reappoint Yolanda Palmer to a 2- year term beginning

John Monzingo LSU Ag/Extension Of-

to approve the action taken at the Road

held earlier today. Motion carried unani-Ms. Beverly Kennon moved, seconded by prove the action taken at the Finance Com-

prove the action taken Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Jim Bonsall then gave Presidents' clos-

ing remarks. There

being no further busi-

ness to bring before

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the Jury, the meeting adjourned. October 16, 2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

WEBSTER PARISH **POLICE JURY**

2025 ROAD CON-STRUCTION MATERI-

The Webster Parish Police Jury solicits sealed proposals for: 2025 Road Construction Materials

The proposals must be in the hands of the undersigned no later than 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 14, 2024in the Courthouse House Annex meeting room of the Webster Parish Police Jury, 401 Main Street, Minden, Louisiana 71055. The hid forms and specification sheets are available at no charge in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Webster Parish Policy Jury. Successful bids will be approved at the Regular Meeting, Webster Parish Police December 3, 2024.

The Webster Parish Police Jury is a taxexempt governmental

The Webster Parish Police Jury abides by the requirements of the Louisiana Bid Law.

ALL BIDS SUBMITTED MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED. Webster Parish Police

Lisa Balkom Secretary-Treasurer

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SHERIFF'S SALE U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE ON BE-HALF OF BRAVO RESIDENTIAL **FUNDING TRUST** 2022-RPL1

DOUGLAS BRYANT VOORHIES & KASONDRA L. VOOR-HIES AKA KASONDRA RAGSDALE VOOR-

HIES In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana. No. CV81700 By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Web ster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law at the principle front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden. Webster Parish, Louisiana, on WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit: ALL THÁT PARCEI OF LAND IN CITY OF MINDEN, WEBSTER PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AS MORE FULLY BOOK 791, TAGE 129. ID# 115085. BEING KNOWN AND

DESCRIBED IN DEED **DESIGNATED AS LOT** 212. DAVID SUNSET DRIVE, SUBDIVI-SION LOCATED IN THE WEST HALF OF NORTHWEST QUARTER (W1/2 OF NW 1/4), SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, MINDEN, WFBSTFR PAR-ISH, LOUISIANA, AS PER MAP AND PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE THE CLERK OF COURT WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA IN MAP BOOK 2. PAGE 93. TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVE-MENTS LOCATED THEREON AND ALL

BELONGING: subject to restric Servitude and outstanding min-eral rights of reÇO alecing the prop SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPERIOR LIENS, MORTGAGES OR PRIVILEGES THERETO.

RIGHTS THERETO

Said property seized is that of the defendant and will be sold to satisfy a judgment rendered in our Honor-

able Court. October 16, 2024 November 13, 2024 Minden Press Herald

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Minden City Council REGULAR SESSION

Monday, October 7, 2024 - 6:00 p.m. City Hall - Council Chambers Prayer: Carlton Myles
Pledge: Levon Thomas
Call Meeting to Order
Welcome: Mayor Nick Cox
Additions to Agenda:

Additions to Agenda: Public Comments AGENDA ITEMS

City of Minden
(To allow comments on any of the following items prior to action.) (1)Adopt Minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session Held on September 3,

(1) New 55' Bucket Truck (2)Appointment - Minden Main Street Program/Downtown Development Commission

Commission
(3) Award Bid No. 01-2025-2024-2025 Street Improvements Project
(4) Authority to Advertise for Bids for One
(5) Authority for Mayor Cox to Execute a Purchase Agreement for 72.886
Acres Located on Recreation Drive
(6) Adopt Ordinance No. 1147 - Annual Bridge Maintenance Report
(7) Adopt Resolution - Annual Certification of Compliance with State of Louisiana Off-System Bridge Replacement Program
(8) Adopt Resolution - Requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and

development (LA DOTD) Division of Aviation Provide Funds Required to Complete the Airport Improvements at the Minden Airport Specifically as Described in the Capital Improvement Program Application for State Financial Assistance Dated September 2024
(9)Budget/Financial Report for August 2024
(10)Fire Report for September 2024
(11)Police Report for August 2024
Announcements - Council Comments - Adjournment
National Night Out
Minden City Council Regular Session
Monday, October 7, 2024
Minden City Hall - Council Chambers
Agenda Fact Sheet
Agenda Item:

Agenda Item:
) Adopt Minutes of Minden City Council Regular Session Held on September 3, 2024

Discussion: See attached

Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on September 3, 2024, as presented." MOTION:

AYE(S): ABSENCE(S):

SECOND:

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NAY(S):
ABSTENTION(S):
PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2024
The Minden City Council met at City Hall in Minden, Louisiana, beginning at
6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Nick Cox, Carlton

Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, Michael Roy, and Andy Pendergrass. Absence(s): None. Mayor Cox welcomed everyone to the meeting. Prayer was offered by Andy

Pendergrass and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Carlton Myles. At this time, a mowas observed in remembrance of Joseph "Joe" Cornelius, Sr., who previ-

the Minden City Council and as interim mayor. It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Michael Roy moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on August 5, 2024, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the Absence(s): None. the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to opt out of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness' Temporary Housing and Shelter Assistance Program, as presented. The motion was duly seconded Andy Pendergrass and the vote

unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Upon motion by Latasha Mitchell and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the

unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1146 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter Otilities, Article IV. Rates and Charges, Section 90-138(b). Service to Electric Vehicles through City-Owned Electric Vehicle Charging Station(s), of the

Ordinances, City of Minden, State of Louisiana, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Andy Pendergrass moved to adopt a Resolution for Municipal Water Pollution Prevention, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitch-

vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None. Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Carlton Myles, the coun-

unanimously approved the appointment of Kathy Cropper to the Minden Main

Program/Downtown Development Commission for the term beginning Sep-2024, and expiring September 8, 2027, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None. (58) 09-04-2024

Upon motion by Carlton Myles and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council approved the reappointment Claudine Thomas to the Min

Program/Downtown Development Commission for the term beginning on September 9, 2024, and expiring on September 8, 2027, as presented. Abstention(s):

None. Absence(s)

Andy Pendergrass moved to confirm Nathan Randle

as a full-time firefighter/operator in the Minden Fire Department, subject to passing all ap-

plicable tests.
The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unani-

mously in favor.

Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Michael Roy moved to confirm Erikka Means as a full-time police officer in the Minden Police Department, subject to passing all applicable tests. The motion was during the way and the confirmation of the conf

tion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None.

Absence(s): None.
Absence(s): None.
City Clerk Melaney Langford presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of July 2024. No motion was required.
Fire Chief Brian Williams presented the Fire Report for the month of August

2024. No motion was required.

The Police Report for the month of July 2024 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Latasha Mitchell and second by Levon Thomas. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.

Announcements and council comments were heard. The meeting was then adjourned.

ATTEST: Melaney Langford, City Clerk (59) 09-04-2024 (59) 09-04-2024 Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers

Agenda Fact Sheet Agenda Item: (2) Appointment - Minden Main Street Program/Downtown Development Commission

Discussion: Appointment of Tamra Wichelns to fill the vacancy caused by Diane Silvis' resignation. Mrs. Wichelns' term will expire on 09/08/2026.

See attached

Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to approve the appointment of Tamra Wichelns to the Minden Main Street Program/Downtown Development Commission to fill the vacant term,

Street Program/Dc as presented." MOTION: AYE(S): ABSENCE(S): SECOND: NAY(S): ABSTENTION(S): HISTORIC

Minden MAIN STREET

MAIN STREET
P. O. BOX 580 MINDEN, LA 71058-0580
318-371-4258
TAYLOR WREN, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

October 3, 2024 Mayor Nicholas A. Cox City of Minden P. O. Box 580 Minden, LA 71058

Ninden, LA /1058
Dear Mayor Cox:
Due to Diane Silvis' resignation, there is a vacancy on the Minden Main
Street Program/Downtown Development Commission.
I would like to recommend the appointment of Mrs. Tamra Wichelns to fill this
unexpired term. Mrs. Wichelns' term will expire September 8, 2026.
Thank

Thank

you for Sincerely, your consideration. Taylor When Tavlor Wren

Main Street
Minden City Council Regular Session
Monday, October 7, 2024
Minden City Hall - Council Chambers

Agenda Fact Sheet Agenda Item:

(3) Award Bid No. 01-2025 - 2024-2025 Street Improvements Project Discussion:

This street improvements project includes the following streets: WOODHAVEN DRIVE - Lewisville Road to Dead End (including Jennifer

Circle, Laurel Circle, and Kitchens Court)
GUY MILLER ROAD - Germantown Road to City Limits
EAST AND WEST STREET - Lewisville Road to Elm Street
MIGNON STREET - Talton Street to East Union Street

Suggested Wording of Motion: "I move to award Bid No. 01-2025

2024-2025 Street Improvements Project to the lowest qualified bidder meeting all requirements, T.L. Construction, LLC." MOTION:

AYE(S): ABSENCE(S): SECOND: NAY(S): ABSTENTION(S): CITY OF MINDEN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Memorandum TO:

Mayor Cox DATE: October 2, 2024 Melaney Langford, City Clerk FROM:

Tyler Wallace Tw SUBJECT: Bid # 01-2025 After reviewing the bids and upon the recommendation of Riley Company of Louisiana, Inc., I am recommending that T.L. CONSTRUCTION, LLC be awarded the contract for the City of Minden Bid No. 01-2025, 2024-2025 Street Improvements Project. T.L. Construction, LLC is the

lowest bidder and meets all requirements and specifications for this project. 112 EAST MISSISSIPPI AVE. P.O. DRAWER 1303

P.O. DRAWEH 1303 RUSTON, LOUISIANA 71273 PAUL A. RILEY, P.E., PRESIDENT ROBERT C. MYERS, P.E. October 2, 2024 Mr. Tyler Wallace Public Works Director City of Minden P.O. Box 580 Minden J. A 71058

Minden, LA 71058
RILEY COMPANY
OF LOUISIANA, INC. CONSULTING ENGINEERS PHONE: (318) 251-0238

FAX: (318) 251-0239 E-MAIL: riley@rileyco.org

FRANK W. MILLER, P.L.S. CLINTON CRUTCHFIELD, JR., P.L.S.
DAVID HERRING, P.L.S.

RF: City of Minden

2024-2025 Street Improvements Project Recommendation of Award Our File: 010-1062 Dear Mr. Wallace:

We have tabulated bids received on October 2, 2024, for the referenced project. Attached herewith is a copy of the bid tabulation.

The lowest responsive, responsible bidder is T. L. Construction, LLC of Alexandria, Louisiana in the amount of \$850,190.00. It is our recommendation that Notice of Award be issued to T. L. Construction, LLC in the amount of their low bid.

Please call me if you have questions. Thank you. Sincerely, RILEY COMPANY OF LOUISIANA, INC.

Paul A. Riley, P.E. PAR/snh

Enclosure

CITY OF MINDEN 2024-2025 STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT ENGINEERING PROJECT 1062 BID DATE: WEDNESDAY, October 2, 2024 @ 2:00 P.M.		
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	BID TABULATION			T.L. CONSTRUCTION	BENTON AND BROWN	
TEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	
1	Superpave Asphaltic Concrete (PG#64-22)	2,680	TON	\$194.00	\$150.00	
2	Cold Planing Asphaltic Pavement	19,300	S.Y.	\$4.15	\$9.00	
3	Adjust Water Valve	15	EA.	\$770.00	\$600,00	
4	Adjust Sewer Manhole	13	EA.	\$1,500.00	\$1,200.00	
5	12" Thick Soil Cement Base Course (9% By Volume)	7,850	S.Y.	\$22.50	\$25.00	
6	Temporary Signs and Barricades	1	L.S.	\$2,500.00		
	Mobilization	1	L.S.	\$40,000.00	\$50,000.00	
TOT	L AMOUNT OF BASE BID	\$850,190.00	\$896,550,00			

Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet

genda Item: (4) Authority to Advertise for Bids for One (1) New 55' Bucket Truck

This is a 2024-2025 budgeted item for Department 40.
Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the purchase of

one (1) new 55' bucket truck, as presented.' MOTION: AYE(S): ABSENCE(S):

SECOND: NAY(S): ABSTÉNTION(S): Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers

Agenda Fact Sheet Ağenda Item (5) Authority for Mayor Cox to Execute a Purchase Agreement for 72.886

Located on Recreation Drive

Gary Hammond of Landbridge Development, LLC has offered to sell 72 886 acres of land to the City of Minden for \$600,000. The property value for this land was appraised at \$950,000 on July 26, 2022.

See attached

Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to authorize Mayor Cox to execute a purchase agreement for 72.886 acres of land located on Recreation Drive, as presented." MOTION:

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ROBERT L. RUSSELL, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS®
Real Estate Appraisal, Analysis, Counseling, Valuation, and Review Louisiana State Certified General
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Post Office Box 52075 Shreveport, Louisiana 71135-2075 Delivery Address: 1941 East 70th Street Shreveport, Louisiana 71105

email: rob@rlr-appraisals.com website: www.rlr-appraisals.com Mr. Donald Sizemore

Landbridge Development, LLC 7000 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd NE, Suite 4-100 Atlanta, GA 30328 Email: donald@grhco.com

& grh@grhco.com August 19, 2022 Telephone: +1.318.798.6993

Cell: +1.318.455.7390 Toll-Free:+1.800.621.9398 Re: Client File: Peaks of Minden /Landbridge Appraiser File # 4879 Appraisal Report

Client File: Peaks of Minden /Landbridge Appraiser File # 48/9
Appraisal Report
Real Property
Apartment Site and Development Land
E/S Recreation Drive
Minden, Louisiana 71055
Dear Mr. Sizemore:
In this report, one finds analysis of real property assignment results including opinions regarding value, and limitations, and assumptions, which affect the findings. This letter and report, contains an introduction, 65 numbered pages, plus other pages, and related exhibits.
The property is as follows.
The whole ownership contains approximately 77.3-acres, described with benefit of a survey, and the shape is irregular. The large tract fronts about 1,600 feet on the east side of Recreation Drive, with a depth of about 1,230 feet. The valuer is not aware of any factors that imply adverse easements or encroachments. The site is somewhat at grade, but the topography ranges from near 250 feet MSL at the south to perhaps 200 feet MSL near the north part of the property. It has proximity to service by public utilities. About 37 acres is zoned R-5, Multi Family Residential Zoning District, and the rear 40-acres m/1 along Recreation Drive is zoned B-4, Highway Commercial Zoning District; as are the two remote tracts along Industrial Drive. The remote tracts measure 215' and 395' on Industrial Drive with the smaller one having a depth of maybe 300' and the other maybe 600', with areas of one having a depth of maybe 300' and the other maybe 600', with areas of 1.44-acres and 3.73-acres. The likely usage of these tracts seems somewhat consistent with the potential use, but as speculative land, the zoning may

Appraisers, also known as valuers are not professionals in inspection, law. or engineering; one assumes an intended user obtains relevant opinions regarding flood status, ownership, property descriptions, and zoning conformance.

Apartment Site and Development Land Appraiser # 4879

The property description:
Tracts in the SW/4 of NW/4 & NW/4 of SW/4 and in the SW/4 of SW/4 in Section 35-19-9, in Webster Parish, Louisiana, more fully described in this report and its addenda

The undersigned visually observed the properties, from the adjacent rights of way, on July 26, 2022. Physical observation assists in identifying relevant property characteristics in valuation services. Practically speaking, with any typical visit, observation is limited.

typical visit, observation is limited. The market suggests generally that properly priced property, as vacant land, should sell after 12-36 months of proper marketing. Development of viable tracts generally occurs at about 12 months or so, after purchase. The apartment site, and two frontage tracts, could follow this scenario of sale and development. Construction is usually either for owner use or pre-leased tenancy, both relatively immediate. Speculative construction is less likely, and for moderate sized projects, absorption taking longer than 36-months is less likely to be feasible. The two larger sites should anticipate a much longer sale and development horizon. As of the date of value, the most probable buyer of the apartment site, as if vacant, is a regional secure income investor or developer. The remainder of the R-5 zoned site could expand with the construcof the apartment site, as if vacant, is a regional secure income investor or developer. The remainder of the R-5 zoned site could expand with the construction of the four-acre site with perhaps a retirement type apartment or cottage concept. The development B-4 land has a minimum amount of frontage, after sales in the past, mostly its frontage. It is topographically challenged though it does not show significantly, if at all, as in the flood plain. Its likely used would be low intensity commercial land, unless it were to be developed with street infrastructure to become marketable as smaller, i.e. higher per square foot, land tracts. The likely use is as a development property, perhaps as a single

tenant institutional development, with construction commensurate with the site size and location profile. The large B-4 tract would be best sold to a single user, whether a home office, institutional user, or a speculator. The property uses in the vicinity are typical of the neighborhood. They include historical construction of retail, offices, medical, and a Vo-Tech school, and in the immediate vicinity, municipal construction of a large recreation building and auxiliary sporting fields. As vacant sites, the highest and best use is speculative, with construction possible in the future. The site currently includes an Apartment Site and Development Land. This value estimate considers the highest and best use is use as an affordable Apartment Site and Development Land, to sell in whole or developed sites as future demand dicanalysis, the highest and best use is use as an anordable Apartment site and Development Land, to sell in whole or developed sites as future demand dictates. The interest appraised herein is the fee. simple estate, excluding minerals. No deviations from typical professional practice appear in this analysis. Valuers rely on the opinions of others, for the detection and analysis of hazardous substances. Viewing of this property did not reveal any signs of contaminants, with none anticipated. The assumption made in developing the estimate of value; no adverse environmental issues are present. Refer to

estimate of value; no adverse environmental issues are present. Refer to the Certification on page 1 of the attached report; followed by the General Assumptions and Limiting Conditions, as both are critical to understanding this analysis, in addition the Scope of Work discussed in the report body describes methodology employed developing the value estimate. Exposure time for the apartment site and the two remote Industrial Drive sites, in the local market, assuming proper pricing, is 18 -25 months. The procedures necessary to arrive at credible conclusions are considered. The intended use of this report is for buy/sell decisions, as identified by the appraiser based on communication with the client at the time of the assignment. That is the intended use, with no other uses contemplated by the undersigned, with litigation not anticipated. The report considers flood zone maps. However, those maps can be ambiguous, difficult to interpret, and subject to periodic change. The sites do not appear in a FEMA identified special flood hazard area, according to FEMA Maps, but valuers are not experts at flood plain determination. The majority of the site is Zone "X", there is a possible small portion of the site in a drain at the north end of the property in Zone "A", affecting perhaps 1-2% of this property. One notes being in a flood zone does affecting perhaps 1-2% of this property. One notes being in a flood zone does not indicate that a property will flood, and conversely not Landbridge Development, LLC

July 26, 2022
Real Property Appraisal Report
Apartment Site and Development Land
Appraiser # 4879

being in a flood plain does not indicate that one will not flood. This opinion considers data contained on map panel Number 22119C0385E, effective as of March 2, 2010.

of March 2, 2010.

Valuers, as a matter of Standards, disclose and note in the Report Certification, any services regarding the property, provided in any capacity, during the three years prior to accepting a new assignment. The undersigned has performed no services, as an appraiser or in any other capacity, regarding the property valued in this report, within the three-year period, immediately preceding acceptance of this assignment. The client in any analysis may be an individual, an entity, or a group, and may communicate with the undersigned directly or through an agent. This report is for the sole use and benefit of Landbridge Development, LLC, the client, and its representatives and employees, most prominently, the addressee, and Gary R. Hammond, Jr., MAI. With no other users anticipated by the undersigned, one should know that possession of the report implies no status as an intended user. Robert L. Russell developed the conclusions found herein.

The effective date of the opinion of market value of the property is July 26, 2022.

Market Values	
Recreation Drive Contiguous	\$600,000
Tract A on Industrial Drive	\$110,000
Tract B on Industrial Drive	\$240,000
Apartment Cut Out	\$260,000

The analysis makes some assumptions that are assignment specific. This analysis is for the sole use and benefit of Landbridge Development, LLC, the intended user. This fee simple analysis is consistent with property for sale and development. The intended user should know extraordinary assumptions and hypothetical conditions do affect the reported assignment results. This analysis does not consider mineral interests of any kind.

Thank you for allowing this firm the opportunity to be of service to you.

Sincerely, Robert L. Russell, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS Hobert L. Hussell, MAI, SHA, AI-GRS Louisiana Certified General Real Estate Appraiser License #G002 Landbridge Development, LLC July 26, 2022 Real Property Appraisal Report Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet Anenda Item:

Agenda Item: (6)Adopt Ordinance No. 1147 - Annual Bridge Maintenance Report

Discussion: This is a Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requirement to annually review the posting of city bridges.

See attached.
Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to adopt Ordinance No. 1147 - Annual Bridge Maintenance Report, a Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requirement to annually review the posting of city bridges, as presented.' MOTION:

AYE(S): ABSENCE(S): SECOND: NAY(S) ABSTENTION(S): ORDINANCE NO. 1147

Be it known that the City of Minden, acting in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, posts the following data covering City of Minden bridges: P6032350931631

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By motion and second of following vote on this day of AYE(S) NAY(S): ABSENCE(S) ABSTENTION(S):

ATTEST: Melaney Langford, City Clerk

respectively, Ordinance No. 1147 was adopted by the 2024.

Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor CERTIFICATE

I, Melaney Langford, City Clerk for the City of Minden, do hereby certify that in Melaney Langiolid, City Clerk for the City of Militaeri, do nelectly Certify that the foregoing is an exact copy of Ordinance No. 1147, Annual Bridge Maintenance Report, a LA DOTD requirement to annually review the posting of city bridges, adopted on Octo-

ber 7, 2024, by the City Council of the City of Minden, State of Louisiana, at a meeting thereof

regularly convened and after proper notice thereof having been given; I further certify that the

same remains in full force and effect. Signed and Sealed this

day of 2024. Melaney Langford, City Clerk Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet

(7) Adopt Resolution - Annual Certification of Compliance with State of Louisiana Off-

System Bridge Replacement Program Discussion: See attached.
Suggested Wording of Motion:

"I move to adopt a Resolution for Annual Certification of Compliance with State of Louisiana. Off-System Bridge Replacement Program, as presented." MOTION:

AYE(S): ABSENCE(S):

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ABSTENTION(S):
ANNUAL CERTIFICATION
OF COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OF LOUISIANA
OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
WHEREAS the Code of Federal Regulations as enacted by the United States
Congress mandates that all structures defined as bridges located on all public roads shall be inspected, rated for safe load capacity and posted in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards and that an inventory
of these bridges be maintained by each State; and
WHEREAS the responsibility to inspect, rate and load post those bridges
under the authority of the City of Minden, LA in accordance with those Standards is delegated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to the City of Minden, LA.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing authority of the City of
Minden (herein referred to as the City) convened in Regular Session on the
7th day of October, 2024, that it does hereby certify to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (herein referred to as the DOTD)
that for the period 1 October 2023 through 30 September 2024:

1. The City has performed and will continue to perform all interim inspections
on all City- owned or maintained bridges in accordance with the National
Bridge Inspection Standards;

2. All bridges owned or maintained by the City have been structurally analyzed and rated by the City as to the safe load capacity in accordance with

2. All bridges owned or maintained by the City have been structurally analyzed and rated by the City as to the safe load capacity in accordance with AASHTO Manual for Maintenance Inspection of Bridges. The load posting

information that has been determined by the LA DOTD for all bridges where the maximum legal load under Louisiana State law exceeds the load permitted under the operational rating, as determined above, has been critically reviewed by the City. Load posting information has been updated by the City to reflect all structural changes and obsolete structural ratings or any missing

structural ratings:
3. All City-owned or maintained bridges, which require load posting or closing, are load posted or closed in accordance with the table in the DOTD Engineering Directives and Standards Manual Directive No. 1.1.1.8. All DOTD supplied load posting information concerning a bridge has been critically reviewed by the City prior to load posting; and

All bridges owned or maintained by the City are shown on the attached list in the format specified by the LA DOTD. Corrections to date supplied to the City

These stipulations are prerequisites to participation by the City in the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program. This resolution was considered upon motion and second of

respectively, and was adopted by the following vote on this 7th day of October, 2024: AYE(S): NAY(S

ABSENCE(S): ABSTENTION(S): ATTEST: Melaney Langford, City Clerk Nicholas A. Cox, Mayor CERTIFICATE

I, Melaney Langford, City Clerk for the City of Minden, do hereby certify that an exact copy of A Resolution for the Annual Certification of Compliance with

Louisiana Off System Bridge Replacement Program adopted on October 7, 2024, by the City Council of the City of Minden, State of Louisiana, at a meeting thereof regu-

larly convened and after proper notice thereof having been given; I further certify that the same remains in full force

and effect. Signed and Sealed this day of 2024.

Melaney Langford, City Clerk Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet Agenda Item: (8) Adopt Resolution

Requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) Division of Aviation Provide Funds Required to Complete the Airport Improvements at the Minden Airport Specifically as Described in the Capital Improvement Program Application for State Financial Assistance Dated September 2024 Dated September 2024 Discussion:

See attached

See attached.

Suggested Wording of Motion:
"I move to adopt a resolution requesting that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements at the Minden Airport specifically as described in the Capital Improvement Program Application for State Financial Assistance dated September 2024, as presented." MOTION:

AYE(S): ABSENCE(S): SECOND: NAY(S): ABSTENTION(S): RESOLUTION NUMBER: CITY OF MINDEN

WHEREAS, Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides that cities, towns, parishes, and other political subdivisions of this State may separately or jointly acquire, establish, construct, expand, own, lease, control, equip, improve, maintain, operate, regulate, and police airports and landing fields for the use of aircorft: and

equip, improve, maintain, operate, regulate, and police airports and landing fields for the use of aircraft; and, WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development, Division of Aviation (formerly the LA DOTD-OAPT) is charged by Title 2 with the responsibility for the development of aviation facilities within the State to foster air commerce and to safeguard the interests of those engaged in all phases of the aviation industry and of the general public; and, WHEREAS, the City of Minden; hereinafter referred to as "Sponsor", has completed an FAA and DOTD approved Master Plan, Action Plan, and/or Airport Layout Plan which outlines the specific future development of the Minden Airport; and, the Sponsor is desirous of implementing a portion of the approved Plan recommendations which provide for the critically needed improvements as stated below to substantially improve the safety and usability of the Airport, but does not have sufficient funds of its own required for completing the needed improvements; and,

completing the needed improvements; and, WHEREAS, the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation is authorized by Title 2 to expend funds for the construction or enlargement of airports for the safety and advancement of screens the safety and

advancement of aeronautics; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Sponsor does hereby formally request that the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation provide funds required to complete the airport improvements at the Minden Airport specifically as described in the Capital Improvement Program Application for State Financial Assistance dated September 2024:

That the said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation be and is hereby assured that all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, rights of ingress and egress and means thereof will be furnished by the Sponsor and the titles thereto will be valid and indefeasible, and that the Sponsor will assume ownership, financial reporting, and complete responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the airport after completion of said improvement. SECTION III

That the Sponsor will save and hold the said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, agents, and employees harmless fro Its Officers, agents, and employees narmies from any nation of chain for damages arising out of the project, including death or injuries to third parties including, but not limited to, liability or claim for damages out of the negligence of said LA DOTD, Division of Aviation, its officers, agents, or employees, and expressly agrees to defend any suit of any nature brought against the LA DOTD, Division of Aviation as a result of this project.

That the Mayor of the Sponsor be and is hereby authorized and directed to evidence this agreement by affixing his signature at the place provided therefore on this resolution and on

subsequent related documents/agreements as required by the rules and regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration and the State of Louisiana and the Clerk is hereby authorized to attest said execution. SECTION V

That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption. The Mayor and City Council for the Sponsor of the Parish of Webster met in regular session on this date. The aforesaid resolution was offered by and seconded by
The aforesaid resolution, having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon

NAY(S): ABSENCE(S): ABSTENTION(S): WHEREUPON, the resolution was declared adopted on the day of TITLE: ATTEST: 2024. CITY OF MINDEN

CITY OF MINDEN
(Signature)
(Typed or Printed Name)
(Signature)
(Title)
CERTIFICATE
IT IS HEREBY certified that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by the Sponsor of Webster Parish, Louisiana in regular session convened on this, the

2024 day of day or (Signature of Secretary of Sponsor) (Title) Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet Agenda Item:

(9) Budget/Financial Report for August 2024 Discussion:

Melaney Langford, City Clerk, will present the Budget/Financial Report for the month of August 2024.

Suggested Wording of Motion:

No motion is required.

Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet Agenda Item: (10 Fire Report for September 2024 Discussion:

Brian Williams, Fire Chief, will present the Fire Report for the month of Sep-

Brian Williams, Fire Chief, will present tember 2024. Suggested Wording of Motion: No motion is required. Minden City Council Regular Session Monday, October 7, 2024 Minden City Hall - Council Chambers Agenda Fact Sheet

ab (11) Police Report

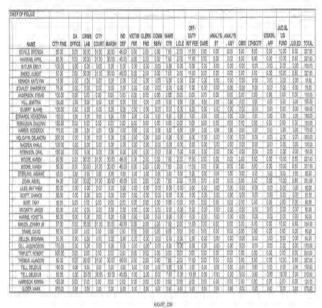
Agenda Item:

City Fines	\$8,799.50
District Attorney's Office	\$0.00
Crime Lab	
City Court	
Marshal's Office	
Indigent Defender	\$925.00
Victim's Fund	
Clerk's Fund	\$42.00
Community Service	
WARE Center	
LA Commission on Law Enforcement	
Off-Duty Witness Fee	
DARE	
State Analysis	
Agency Analysis	\$0.00
Court Case Mgmt. Information System	
LA Traumatic Head & Spinal Cord Injury	
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"I move to accept the Police Report for the month of August 2024, as presented." MOTION:

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will also be available

October 16, 2024

The Minden Housing Authority Public Housing Program Housing will be increasing the amount cur-rently charged for the flat rent to reflect 80% of the Fair Market Rent for this area effective January 1, 2025. This change is being made mandatory by HUD. The agency will be accepting public comments for 45 days. You may submit your comments in person or by email. You can also view the supporting documentation regarding this change during nor-mal business hours on Monday-Thurs-day, 8:30 am-4:00 pm. Please send written comments to the following address: Tosha Moore, 1209 East St., Minden, LA 71055 or to the email address tosha@mindenhousing.org

October 9, 16, 2024 Minden Press Herald

ADVERTISEMENT

FOR BIDS CITY OF MINDEN Owner 520 BROADWAY Address MINDEN, LA 71055 City, State, Zip Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of MINDEN ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY will be received by the CITY OF MINDEN at the CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM 520 BROADWAY, MINDEN, LOUISIANA 71055 until 2:00 P.M, Monday, November 4, 2024 , and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud as permitted by public bid law.

This is in accordance with La R.S. 38:2212 (A)(1)(b), the provisions of La R.S. 38:2212. Each bidder must have an active Unique Entity ID (SAM), as verified on www.sam.gov, prior to beginning of construction.
The CONTRACT DOC-

UMENTS may be examined at the following location(s): Cothren Graff Smoak Engineering, Inc., 6305 Westport Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71129. Copies of the CON-TRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of COTHREN, GRAFF, SMOAK ENGI-NEERING, INC. upon payment of \$ 75.00 for each set, which is refundable to prime bidders within 10 days after receipt of bids.

Owner reserves

of an act transferring right to reject any and all bids for just cause. ownership, if later. City of Minden Contract documents

online at www.BidEx-press.com. Contractors 520 Broadway St. are provided the option Minden, LA 71058ibmit hid for contracts through a uni-318-377-2144 (ext form and secure electronic interactive system as stated in

October 16, 2024

SCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN MIN-

DEN, LOUISIANA MAY BE TERMINATED BY OPERATION OF LAW

IF YOU DO NOT TAKE FURTHER ACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH

Municipal Address: 709 Horton Street, Minden,

Horton Street, Minden, LA 71055 Brief Legal: LOT #30, L.T. BROWN SUBDIV Legal Description: Lot No. Thirty (#30), L.T. BROWN SUBDIVI-SION located in the

SION, located in the West Half of Southeast Quarter (W ½ of SE

14), Section 28, Town-ship 19 North, Range 9

West, Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana,

as per map and plat thereof on file and of

of the Clerk of Court of Webster Parish,

Louisiana in Map Book 3, Page 71, together

with all improvements located thereon and all

rights thereto belong-

Tax sale title to the

record in the Office

LAW: Parcel# 110359 /

Louisiana Bid Law R.S. 38:2212.1. Minden Préss Herald Bids shall be in a sealed NOTICE Parcel No. 110359 James L. Clark or envelope marked "DO NOT OPEN – SEALED Estate

BID – MINDEN ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY – BID NUM-BER 03-2025 – ATTN: Mailyn D. Clark of Estate CITY CLERK".
Bidder shall include their full company name, address and THIS NOTICE BY PUBLICATION IS NOTIFICATION THAT YOUR RIGHTS OR license number, as is-INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DE-

sued by the
State of Louisiana
Contractors Licensing
Board on the outside of the envelope containing said bid documents.

Advertisement: October 16, 23, 30, 2024 Minden Press Herald

NOTICE Parcel No. 110676 aka James Clipson Cotton Jr. or Estate

James Clipson Cotton Belinda Celeste Staples Cotton or THIS NOTICE BY

PUBLICATION IS NOTIFICATION THAT YOUR RIGHTS OR INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DE-SCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN MIN-DEN, LOUISIANA MAY BE TERMINATED BY OPERATION OF LAW IF YOU DO NOT TAKE FURTHER ACTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW: Parcel# 110676 /

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in accordance with law within sixty (60)

days of the date of the first publication of this

notice, or the recording

above described property has been sold for failure to pay taxes. You have been identified above the solution of the solution o Municipal Address: 617 and 619 Sunset Lane Brief Legal: LOTS #11 & 12, WARSAW ADDN IN NE/4 OF NE/4 SEC fied as a person who may have an interest in this property. Your interest in the Legal Description: Lots 11 and 12, property will be terminated if you do not redeem the property by making all required payments to the tax collector listed below Warsaw Addition to the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all improvements thereon and all right thereto or file a lawsuit in belonging.
Tax sale title to the above described accordance with law within sixty (60) days of the date of the first

property has been sold for failure to pay taxes. publication of this notice, or the recording You have been identified as a person who of an act transferring ownership, if later. City of Minden may have an interest in this property.
Your interest in the property will be terminated if you 520 Broadway St. do not redeem the property by making all

0580 required payments to the tax collector listed below or file a lawsuit 318-377-2144 (ext 433)

October 16, 2024 Minden Press Herald

Minden, LA 71058-

SHERIFF'S SALE GITSIT SOLUTIONS

JEWEL FRANCES CLEMENT AKA JEWEL FRANCES MAXEY CLEMENT, ERICK STREETMAN JUSTIN DANIEL KOPF & LACY KAYE KOPF HONEA In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court

of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 81445. By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law at the principle front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana,

WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit: LOT NUMBER SIX (6) AND NUMBER SEVEN (7). BLOCK "A GLENBROOF SUBD QUARTER OF SOUTHWES

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WEST, WEBSTER
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Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the Sibley Town Hall, 345 N. Main Street, Sibley, Louisiana, the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 2 (Sibley) of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an elec-tion to be held in Fire Protection District No. 2 (Sibley) of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of an ad valorem tax therein.

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TERRY L JONES SHERIFF'S SALE In the Twenty-Sixth Ju-dicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 81681. By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law at the cording to law at the principle front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana,

on WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024, During the legal sale hours. the following property, to wit:

Lot 24 of Whispering Pines Subdivision, Unit No. 2, a subdivision located in the * South-east 1/4 of the North-

east 1/4 of Section 14, Township 19 North, Range 9 West, Min-den, Webster Parish Louisiana, as shown by Map and Plat thereof on file and of record in Plat Book 4, Page 12, Office of the Clerk of Court of Webster Par-ish, Louisiana. LESS AND EXCEPT the East 7 feet thereof, together 7 feet thereot, together with all improvements thereon and all rights thereto belonging. (Municipal Address: 1506 Holley Street, Minden, LA 71055)
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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to holiday decorating. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 18 = I)

18 25 23 26 16 Α.

Clue: Metallic strips

В. **24 25 26 23**

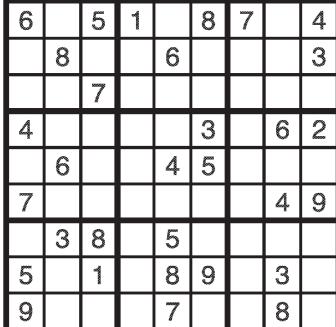
Clue: Wax illumination

18 14 17 16 23

Clue: Strings of bulbs

11 26 24 16 17 D.

Clue: Evergreen door or wall hanging



Fun By The **Numbers**

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvv to the test!

Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Long piece of squared timber
- 5. Emaciation 10. "Bewitched" boss Larry
- 14. Combining form meaning "different"
- 15. Current unit equal to 10 amperes 16. Older
- 17. Large, stocky lizard
- 18. Ringworm
- 19. Actor Pitt 20. Indian hand clash cymbals
- 22. Data at rest
- 23. Jeweled headdress 24. Indicators of when stories
- were written
- 27. Check
- 30. Cigarette (slang)
- 31. Arctic explorers (abbr.) 32. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
- 35. Delivered a speech
- 37. A place to bathe
- 38. Postmen deliver it
- 39. Surface in geometry
- 40. More (Spanish)

CLUES DOWN 1. Piece of felted material

- 2. Ancient Greek City
- 3. Aquatic plant
- 4. Potentially harmful fungus (Brit. sp.)
- 5. Body art (slang) 6. One who follows the rules
- 7. Ordinary 8. Honorably retired from
- assigned duties and retaining one's title
- 9. Relaxing space 10. Japanese socks
- 11. Indian city
- 12. Rip
- 13. Icelandic book
- 23. Where golfers begin
- 25. Small amount
- 26. Snag
- 27. Determine the sum of 28. A distinctive smell
- 29. Exposed to view
- 32. Stain or blemish

- 41. __ and Venzetti
- 42. Exclamation at the end of a prayer
- 43 Hawaiian dish
- 44. Aggressively proud men
- 45. Fellow
- 46. Mark Wahlberg comedy
- 47 Mock
- 48. When you expect to get somewhere 49. Songs
- 52. Pair of small hand drums 55. Play
- 56. Sword 60. Evergreens and shrubs genus
- 61. Filmed
- 63. Italian Seaport
- 64. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
- 65. Pores in a leaf
- 66. U. of Miami mascot is one
- 67. Snakelike fishes
- 68. Pretended to be
- 69. Body part
- 33. Small loop in embroidery
 - 34. River herring genus 36. Large beer
- 37. Deep, red-brown sea bream
- 38. Partner to cheese
- 40. At a deliberate pace 41. Gurus
- 43. Of each
- 44. Angry
- 46. Popular beverage 47. Flower cluster
- 49. Blocks 50. Those who benefitted from efforts
- of relatives (slang) 51. Polio vaccine developer

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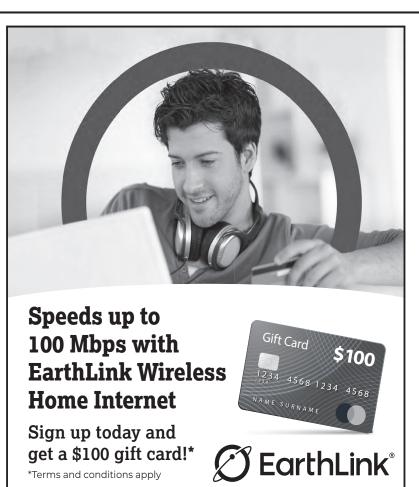
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- 53. Popular soap ingredient 54. NBAer Bradley
- 57. Popular movie about a pig
- 58. Musician Clapton
- 59. Not a sure thing
- 61. Recipe measurement (abbr.) 62. Father

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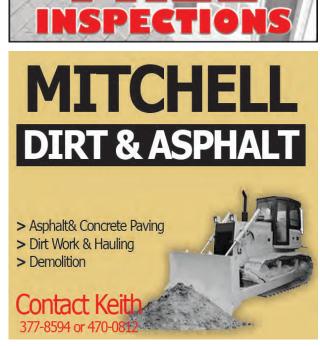












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they are

diagnosed is 64

with most people

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between ages 65

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About 1 in 8 U.S. women (about 12%) will develop invasive breast cancer over the course of her lifetime.

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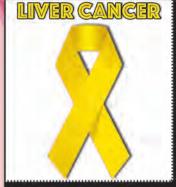
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More than 228,000 people in the US will be diagnosed with lung cancer this year, with a new diagnosis every 2.3 minutes.

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of breast cancer

cases are

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Risk factors include tobacco use, heavy alcohol use, and human papillomavirus (HPV) infection.

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is not a common cancer but is the second most common blood cancer after non-Hodgkin lymphoma in the United States. The lifetime risk for multiple myeloma is about 1 in 132.

Multiple myeloma

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Some types of cancer run in certain families, but most cancers are not clearly linked to the genes we inherit from our parents. Gene changes that start in a single cell over the course of a person's life cause most cancers.

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Roughly half of all breast cancers occur in women with no specific risk factors other than sex and age. Breast cancer occurs in every country in the world.

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cancers (listed in descending order according to estimated new cases in 2023) are breast cancer, lung and bronchus cancer, prostate cancer, colon and rectum cancer, melanoma of the skin, bladder cancer, non-Hodgkin lymphoma, kidney and renal pelvis cancer, endometrial cancer, leukemia, pancreatic cancer, thyroid cancer, and liver cancer.

The most common

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