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School board approves school opening plan

A three-part plan is in place to handle COVID-19 concerns within the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District.

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Cardboard boat races down Tilleda Falls are fun for everyone.

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Roads requested for ATV/UTVs

Enthusiasts make appeal to the Wittenberg Village Board to give access for ATVs and UTVs within the community.

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WBSD approves plan to reopen for 2020-21

Three plans offered to deal with COVID-19

By **MIRIAM NELSON**
News Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District met Sunday and approved plans to reopen the schools this fall for the 2020-2021 school term.

Superintendent Garrett Rogowski and Director of Student Services Megan Marcks explained the three-part plan put together by administrators. The first section of the plan consisted of the expectations recommended in order for students and teachers to return to the classrooms. The second listed expectations for student absences and instructions from staff when dealing with COVID-19 related absences. The third was a plan to put into place in the event that the school district faces a mandatory shut-down like what happened mid-March of this year.

Each section was divided into two columns of expectations of the students and parents or caregivers and the expectations of the staff which included teachers, assistants, custodians, drivers, cafeteria workers and administrative members.

The section further broke down the information into several scenarios, such as in classrooms; hallways, lockers and common areas; drop off, pickup; transportation; meetings and conferences;

office and health office; restrooms; lunches and cafeterias; and recess. In the classrooms and the lunches and cafeterias scenarios the plan was further divided by age groups.

"Our intention is to have the kids back in school," said Rogowski.

Rogowski said that the plan is fluid and still open to suggestions. The plan takes into considerations guidelines and restrictions set by the state Department of Public Instruction and the Department of Health Services and is subject to any Shawano County or state mandates, he said.

"It isn't etched in stone," said Rogowski of the proposed plan. "It's based on what we know from DPI and DHS, what is and isn't allowed, and ultimately what our vision is for the 2020-2021 school year."

Parents/Caregivers will be asked to conduct wellness checks including temperature readings and to keep children home if they have a temperature over 100.4 degrees and any other signs of illness. Students are encouraged to wear a mask or a face shield when entering, exiting or moving about a room or when dealing directly with staff. They are asked to clean or replace the masks as needed. If the student doesn't have a mask, the school will provide one.

According to Rogowski, the school district can't legally make wearing masks mandatory. Where social distancing is possible, wearing a mask is not required, but staff will encourage students to wear them when in close contact.

District Nurse Rebecca Wendel

has been in daily contact with other district nurses as well as with the county and state health departments and explained to the board that they should be prepared for constant changes. She noted that she will be working with office staff regarding procedures for determining if a student is presenting COVID-19 symptoms in the event that she is not at the school. Wendel splits her time between all three school buildings.

If the student is in quarantine or isolation the plan offers a way for students to keep up with their studies with instructions from their teachers.

The third section of the plan provides for a shift to remote learning if state or local regulations shut down in-class instruction. The plan will offer daily online learning with a regular school schedule and a grading system.

The board approved the plan with the understanding that it will be updated as needed.

The plan will be made available to all parents and district residents to view on the district website, Facebook page or they can arrange to pick up a hard copy at the district office in the high school building, 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg. Because staffing during the summer is staggered during the pandemic it is recommended to call 715-253-2211 before coming to the school.

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Pool to reopen next week

Aquatic Director John Rudeen announced at the Wittenberg-Birnamwood School District meeting June 22 that he is on track to reopen the pool July 21, with some new restrictions and

hours of operation to be determined.

Locker rooms will not be available at this time, so patrons are asked to arrive and depart in swimsuits. There will be no chairs, tables or couches in the lobby in order to encourage social distancing.

Because of the daily changes to COVID-19 related information and

the ongoing construction work at the high school, Rudeen suggested calling ahead to verify hours and conditions of operations.

The Darwin E. Smith Community Aquatic Center is attached to the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School at 400 W. Grand Ave., Wittenberg. The phone number is 715-253-2255.

Corrections

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Historical society reopens museum, seeks volunteers

Annual meeting set for July 28

By **MIRIAM NELSON**
News Editor

After months of reduced activity due to the pandemic, people are starting to venture out as counties begin to reopen.

Nonprofits depend almost entirely on volunteers, and the Wittenberg Area Historical Society is looking to add more names to its volunteer roster when it opens the museum Sunday.

In past years, the museum has been open to the public every Sunday from Memorial Day until Labor Day. This year, the museum will be open only July 19, Aug. 16 and Sept. 20. The hours are 1:30-4 p.m. The museum is located at 502 W. Summit St., Wittenberg.

Normally, the historical society holds its annual meeting in May to elect officers and board members, as well as approve financial reports and the minutes of the past year's meetings. This year, due to COVID-19, the meeting was moved to Tuesday, July 28, at 6 p.m. at Washington Park on Webb Street in Wittenberg.

The public and all member donors are invited to attend. The meeting is expected to last about an hour. There are picnic tables available, but attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs to help with social distancing and to wear masks.

Some of the museum's ongoing projects include changing up exhibits and going through records and some artifacts that have been stored for many years. Donated artifacts are not removed without permission. Many items acquired over the years have no known sources, and some of these items may need to be discarded, sold or given to other facilities. The Wittenberg group has been in contact with the new Mattoon Historical Society about loaning them some artifacts or donating to them any duplicate items.

People interested in volunteering are encouraged to attend the annual meeting to discover opportunities to help, even for projects that may take only a hour or two. Painting needs to be done in the museum stairwell and on south-facing windows. Some work can be done off site, like typing up new artifact tags or correspondence. Larger projects are coordinated around work days that are arranged around members' schedules.

At the annual meeting in May 2019, there was a discussion as to whether the museum should close and the society disband. About 20 new people joined the society to take a proactive role in keeping the doors open.

Donations were collected to help repair the gutter system and other minor repairs. The town of Wittenberg donated \$1,000, and a \$1,000 matching grant from the Wittenberg Area Development Corporation was procured. Earlier in the year, \$500 had given by the village of Wittenberg. The historical society also received a \$500 grant from Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative and a \$500 donation from the Wittenberg Lions Club.

All those funds, plus about \$3,000 in memberships received earlier in the year, made it possible for the group to pay its bills and remain solvent. The society is hoping to keep growing interest in the group through donations and volunteers.

For those who can't volunteer but would like to make a financial contribution, the suggested annual donor memberships are: \$25 for a single; \$35 for a family; \$100 for a patron; and \$15 for a student.

Appointments can be arranged for visiting the museum or finding out about more volunteer opportunities by calling 715-881-0326. The Wittenberg Area Historical Society is also on Facebook.

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SHAWANO POLICE DEPARTMENT

July 13

Police logged 18 incidents, including: A purse reported stolen at Sharona's Bar, 111 S. Washington St.; a disturbance at County Road B and Lincoln Street; a camper and ice shack broken into in the 1200 block of East Lieg Avenue.

July 12

Police logged 23 incidents, including: A disturbance at Lafayette and Picnic streets; a two-vehicle property damage accident at Green Bay Street and Eberlein Park Drive; a vehicle reported vandalized in the 700 block of South Union Street; an intoxicated person in the 1300 block of East Lieg Avenue; a property damage hit-and-run at Franklin Park, 235 S. Washington St.

July 11

Police logged 28 incidents, including: Domestic disturbances in the 700 block of West Richmond Street and 600 block of West Eagle Street; disturbances in the 900 block of South Union Street, 200 block of Andrews Street, 800 block of South River Street, 1000 block of South Lincoln Street and at the Quality Inn and Suites, 104 N. Airport Drive; a debit card reported stolen at the Launching Pad, 221 N. Airport Drive; a shoplifting incident at Charlie's County Market, 521 S. Main St.

July 10

Police logged 27 incidents, including: A telephone scam complaint in the 800 block of South Park Street; a fight in progress in the 500 block of South Hamlin Street; a window reported vandalized in the 500 block of East Green Bay Street; a disturbance at the Super 8 Motel, 211 Waukechon St.; a domestic disturbance in the 1300 block of Dallman Lane.

July 9

Police logged 25 incidents, including: A property theft complaint in the 600 block of South Maiden Lane; a disturbance in the 800 block of East Richmond Street; a shoplifting complaint at Walmart, 1244 E. Green Bay St.; a domestic disturbance at Family Dollar, 413 S. Main St.; a package reported stolen in the 600 block of West Pine Street.

July 8

Police logged 18 incidents, including: A disturbance in the 300 block of North Franklin Street; three dirt bikes reported stolen from American Marine, 830 E. Green Bay St.; a stereo reported stolen from a vehicle in the 700 block of South Prospect Street.

July 7

Police logged 25 incidents, including: A domestic disturbance at ThedaCare Medical Center, 100 County Road B; assault complaints in the 1000 block of South River Street and 500 block of West Picnic Street; a purse reported stolen in the 1300 block of East Lieg Avenue; an injury accident at Sunset Avenue and Main Street.

SHAWANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

July 13

Deputies logged 37 incidents, including the following: An assault complaint on County Road HH in the Town of Wescott; disturbances on County Road B in the Town of Waukechon and Ebert Street in Gresham; a property theft complaint on Green Bay Street in Bonduel.

July 12

Deputies logged 42 incidents, including the following: An intoxicated person on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg; an 18-year-old Gillett man arrested for operating while intoxicated on Park Avenue in the Town of Wescott; a 47-year-old Hastings, Minnesota man arrested for disorderly conduct and trespassing on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg; a property theft complaint on Lake Drive in the Town of Wescott.

July 11

Deputies logged 60 incidents, including the following: A fight in progress on state Highway 156 in the Town of Navarino; a property theft on North Shore Drive in the Town of Wescott; a 17-year-old Wittenberg female arrested for battery and disorderly conduct on Webb Street in Wittenberg; a 54-year-old Hastings, Minnesota, woman arrested for disorderly conduct on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg.

July 10

Deputies logged 52 incidents, including the following: A 36-year-old Shiocton man arrested for operating while intoxicated after an injury accident on County Road M in the Town of Germania; a vehicle fire on Gumaer Road in the Town of Wescott; disorderly conduct on Red Oak Lane in the Town of Wittenberg.

July 9

Deputies logged 29 incidents, including the following: An injury accident on state Highway 29 in the Town of Hartland; a disturbance on County Road MMM in the Town of Richmond; a property theft complaint at the County Road CCC boat landing in the Town of Waukechon; a 35-year-old Wittenberg woman arrested for disorderly conduct on Shepley Road in Wittenberg.

July 8

Deputies logged 36 incidents, including the following: An injury accident on Church Road in the Town of Green Valley; a fleeing incident on County Road Z in the town of Aniwa.

July 7

Deputies logged 50 incidents, including the following: An injury accident on state Highway 29 in the Town of Morris; a property theft complaint on Sunset Circle in the Town of Wescott; a rape investigation in the Town of Hartland; a 37-year-old Clintonville woman arrested for disorderly conduct on County Road Y in the Town of Belle Plaine; a disturbance on Webb Street in Wittenberg.

Kautza cancels July County Board meeting

Shawano County Board Chairman Tom Kautza made it official Tuesday; there won't be any County Board meeting this month.

That puts off until at least August a proposed resolution declaring Shawano County a Second Amendment sanctuary.

Kautza said that with the possibility of state funding shortages due to the coronavirus, he saw no reason to hold a meeting — along with the per diem and mileage costs that accompany it — for just one agenda item.

"It's nothing that can't wait until next month," he said.

The proposed Second Amendment sanctuary resolution, which

has been delayed since March, would give the sheriff the discretion not to enforce laws considered to be an infringement on the constitutional right to keep and bear arms.

The resolution states that the county "shall not appropriate any funds for any enforcement of unconstitutional laws against the people of Shawano County, and requests the Sheriff to utilize his discretion to avoid the unlawful enforcement of any law which unconstitutionally impedes our fundamental Second Amendment right to Keep and Bear Arms."

The next scheduled meeting of the County Board would be Aug. 26.

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Recent proceedings in Shawano-Menominee County Circuit Court:

- Serena A. Hoeck, 41, of New London, was charged July 14 with a felony count of second-degree recklessly endangering safety. She could face a maximum 10 years in prison and \$25,000 fine if convicted. Hoeck is scheduled for an initial court appearance on Aug. 17.

- Gordon R. Parks, 40, of Merrill, was charged July 13 with a felony count of fifth or sixth offense operating while intoxicated. He could face a maximum 10 years in prison and \$25,000 fine if convicted. Parks was ordered held on a \$2,500 cash bond set by Judge James Habeck and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on July 27.

- Daniel R. Liebergen, 31, of Bonduel, was charged July 13 with a felony count of fourth-offense operating while intoxicated. He could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. He is free on a \$2,000 signature bond set

by Judge James Habeck. A future court date was not scheduled.

- Dylan R. Hildebrandt, 36, of Shiocton, was charged July 10 with a felony count of battery to an emergency rescue worker, and misdemeanor counts of operating while intoxicated-causing injury, possession of drug paraphernalia and disorderly conduct. He could face a maximum six years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. Hildebrandt was ordered held on a \$2,500 cash bond set by Judge James Habeck and was scheduled for an adjourned initial court appearance on July 20.

- Daryl J. Waupenekey, 28, of Neopit, was charged July 9 with a felony count of eluding or fleeing an officer in a motor vehicle. He could face a maximum 3 1/2 years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. Waupenekey posted a \$2,000 signature bond and \$500 cash bond set by Judge James Habeck and is due back in court for an adjourned initial appearance July 20.

- Austin D. Tuszkowski, 24, of Birnamwood, was charged July 8 with a felony count of eluding or fleeing an officer in a motor vehicle. He could face a maximum 3 1/2 years in prison and \$10,000 fine if convicted. Tuszkowski is scheduled for an initial court appearance on Aug. 17.

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Kaylie Olson gets an assist from her mother as she paddles toward shore.



ABOVE: Max Giebe took first place in his Viking-inspired dragon boat, the S.S. Mbrags, at the Tilleda Falls Campground Cardboard Boat Regatta on Sunday.

RIGHT: Jordon Dietrich managed to maneuver his boat a few feet off shore but ended up heading headfirst toward the shoreline in a race-ending plunge.

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ATV/UTV traffic is being considered by the village of Wittenberg

Residents are asked to provide input

By **MIRIAM NELSON**
News Editor

During the public forum section of the July 7 village of Wittenberg board meeting, Don Aanonsen asked that the board consider allowing all-terrain vehicles and utility task vehicles to use the village roads. Aanonsen, a resident of Eland, served as spokesman for the group of 16 ATV/UTV enthusiasts who attended the board meeting. Four were Wittenberg residents.

Aanonsen informed the board that the village is the only one in western Shawano County that does not allow the operation of ATVs or UTVs within the village limits. He noted that downtown businesses would most likely see an increase in revenue if passage were allowed.

Full access to all streets within the village would be the best option, according to the group that attended the meeting. But Aanonsen offered to create a map of more limited routes.

Board members raised concerns about speed limits, safety and age limits.

Aanonsen explained that children 12 to 18 years old who have obtained a driving certificate are allowed to operate the vehicles, provided they wear helmets and do not carry passengers.

He further explained that these are licensed vehicles that have headlights, taillights and stop lights as required by law. He also noted that ATVs generally cost around \$5,000 and UTVs can cost as much as \$30,000, which he felt was a deterrent to bad behavior by youth.

The Shawano Sheriff's department is in charge of enforcing speed limits and curfews, but Aanonsen noted that drivers tend to police the actions of other drivers if they are doing anything that may wreck the sport for everyone, much the same way snowmobilers watch for and address bad behavior.

Any laws or ordinances pro-

vided through the village would apply to the drivers and, according to Aanonsen, this would include posted speed limits and curfews for minors.

Dr. Bruce Beversdorf, Eland, owned a business in Wittenberg for 40 years and acknowledged the concerns of the board regarding unsupervised youth, but he also felt opening up the streets to ATV/UTV traffic would bring business to the area. He recently encountered

eight drivers who were in need of gas but couldn't fill up in Wittenberg as there was no access.

Trustee member Paul Yaeger explained to the group that the board would need to review ordinances to determine how best to proceed and gather feedback from residents.

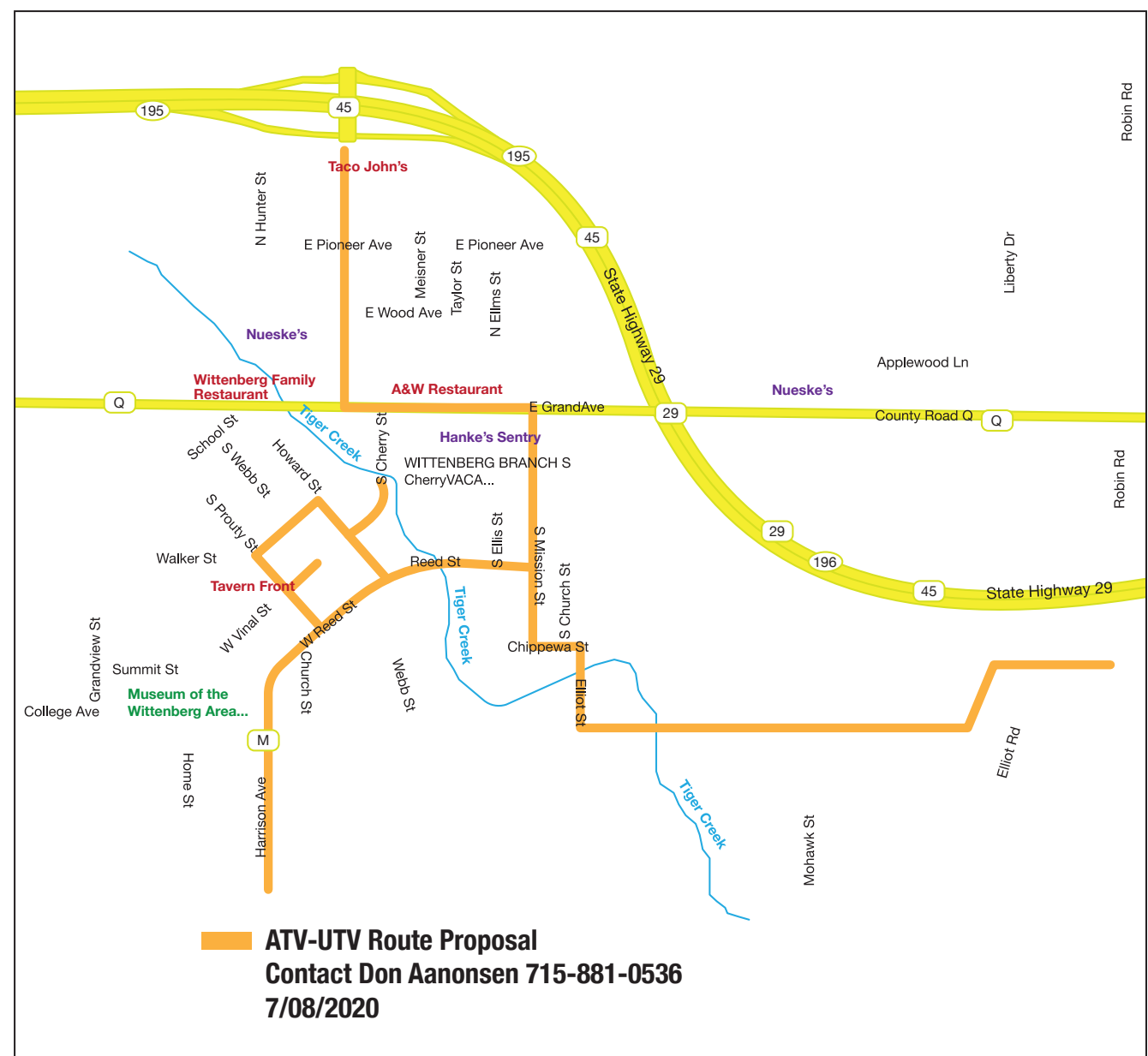
Trustee Dave Timm was concerned about marking the accepted trails in the village limits. Aanonsen assured him that if the village would pay for the signage, he would find the volunteers needed to install them.

Village Clerk Traci Matsche

agreed to put a map, once it's provided by Aanonsen, on the village website and Facebook page and will put the issue on the July 21 meeting agenda.

The village board would like input from Wittenberg residents who are encouraged to contact the board by email at wittbrg@gmail.com, by calling 715-253-6063 or by dropping off a note in the office dropbox located on the right wall of the Community Center entryway, 208 W. Vinal St., Wittenberg.

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Proposed route for ATV/UTV traffic in the village of Wittenberg, provided to the village board by Don Aanonsen.

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NTC students will benefit from historic credit transfer agreement

Northcentral Technical College students seeking to transfer credits to one of the state's private, non-profit colleges and universities will have a much easier time in the future thanks to a historic, comprehensive credit transfer agreement.

More than a dozen popular introductory courses are included in the agreement, such as chemistry, psychology, and speech.

Under the agreement, specified technical college credits will count toward requirements for a bachelor's

degree at a private college, provided the student earned a grade of "C" or better within the last ten years.

Technical college students must also meet the admissions requirements of the private college.

Dr. Morna K. Foy, president of the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS), and Dr. Rolf Wegenke, president of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges Universities (WAICU), recently signed the transfer agreement.

COLLEGE NOTES

The University of Wisconsin-Platteville awarded diplomas to the following area students: Liam Koon, Eland, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering; Corey Rayford, Hatley, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering.

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The Town of Wittenberg

Requesting Quotes for Roadwork

The Town of Wittenberg is requesting quotes for milling and topcoat on Elm Road. Milling will be 1 inch and the topcoat will be 1 inch. The road is marked where the project will be done. Project is North of the bridge and continues West for approximately one-half mile.

Bids should be in writing and placed in a sealed envelope marked Elm Road road work and mailed to the Town of Wittenberg, PO Box 186, Wittenberg, WI 54499. Bids shall be received no later than Monday, July 27, 2020 at 4:00 pm. Bids will be opened during the special Town Board meeting. The Wittenberg Town Board reserves the right to accept/decline any/all quotes.

Linda Fletcher, Clerk

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Minutes for Board of Trustee Meeting Tuesday, June 2, 2020

Meeting was called to order, at 6:00 pm, by Village President, William Switalla – Roll Call – Marlene Wepner – present, Renee Switalla – present, Barb Buchholz – present, William Switalla – present, Sharon Beversdorf – present, David Timm – present, and Paul Yaeger – present. Also present: Brian Hamm, Eric Lemieux, Miriam Nelson, Casey and Keith Long

- Beversdorf/Wepner m/s/c to approve the May 19, 2020 regular meeting minutes.
- W.Switalla/Timm m/s/c to deviate from agenda as needed.
- Yaeger/Buchholz to open all parks with no restrictions, with signage stating that parks are not sanitized, play at your own risk. Roll call vote – 6 ayes with W.Switalla voting no.
- Yaeger/Buchholz to approve a quote from Newcomb Electric, for \$2,500, for a new tankless water heater to be installed in the Firehouse. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- R.Switalla/Wepner m/s/c to hold the annual electronics recycling event on June 27th.
- Timm/R.Switalla to approve Class A liquor licenses for Wittenberg Shell, Wagner Shell Food Mart, Hanke's Sentry Foods and Dollar General. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Timm/Buchholz to approve Class B liquor licenses for Resch Lanes and Tavern Front. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Timm/R.Switalla to approve Cigarette licenses for Wittenberg Shell, Wagner Shell Food Mart and Dollar General. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- R.Switalla/Buchholz to approve the interim bills for \$206,027.82 and the audited bills for \$20,691.59. Roll call vote – all ayes. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Beversdorf/Buchholz m/s/c to adjourn at 7:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Traci Matsche
Village of Wittenberg Clerk/Treasurer

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OPINION

YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW

Raise the bar on police transparency

Recently, the National Freedom of Information Coalition and the Brechner Center for Freedom of Information issued a statement calling for greater transparency and accountability from law enforcement. They were joined by more than 50 groups — including the Wisconsin Freedom of Information Council, Wisconsin Newspaper Association and the Wisconsin Transparency Project.

“Trust is a key element in police-citizen relationships. Secrecy is the enemy of trust,” the statement read. “Effective oversight of law enforcement requires meaningfully improving the flow of information to the public, both as a matter of law and as a matter of culture.”

The police killings of George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks and Breonna Taylor, among others, as well as video footage of police using excessive force in dealing with protesters, have underscored the need for changes in policing, including greater access to disciplinary records.



BILL LUEDERS

It is time to break down some of the barriers that prevent the public from getting a full and true picture of how police perform — sometimes laudable, sometimes not — and how government agencies respond to allegations of misconduct.

Wisconsin, according to one survey, is among just 12 states in the nation in which records of police disciplinary investigations are generally available to the public, but there are still opportunities for improvement.

For one thing, the law builds unnecessary delays into the process to afford police officers, like all public employees, an opportunity to sue to block the release of disciplinary records. It also enables departments to deny access to records while an investigation is pending, in the absence

of any proof that secrecy makes the process work better.

Early this year, the Legislature passed and Gov. Tony Evers signed into law a bill regarding the use of police body cameras. While it does a good job of balancing the public’s right to know against legitimate privacy interests, it still allows police agencies to withhold video of ongoing investigations, something that doesn’t happen with video taken by onlookers and not police.

That means, in some cases, the public can only see the video that it is not paying for.

The National FOIC and Brechner Center argue that every aspect of the police misconduct oversight process should be open to public scrutiny.

“Only by seeing the substance of each complaint, how it is resolved and what consequences are imposed can the public trust that justice is being dispensed without favor,” the statement says.

“We understand the difficult chal-

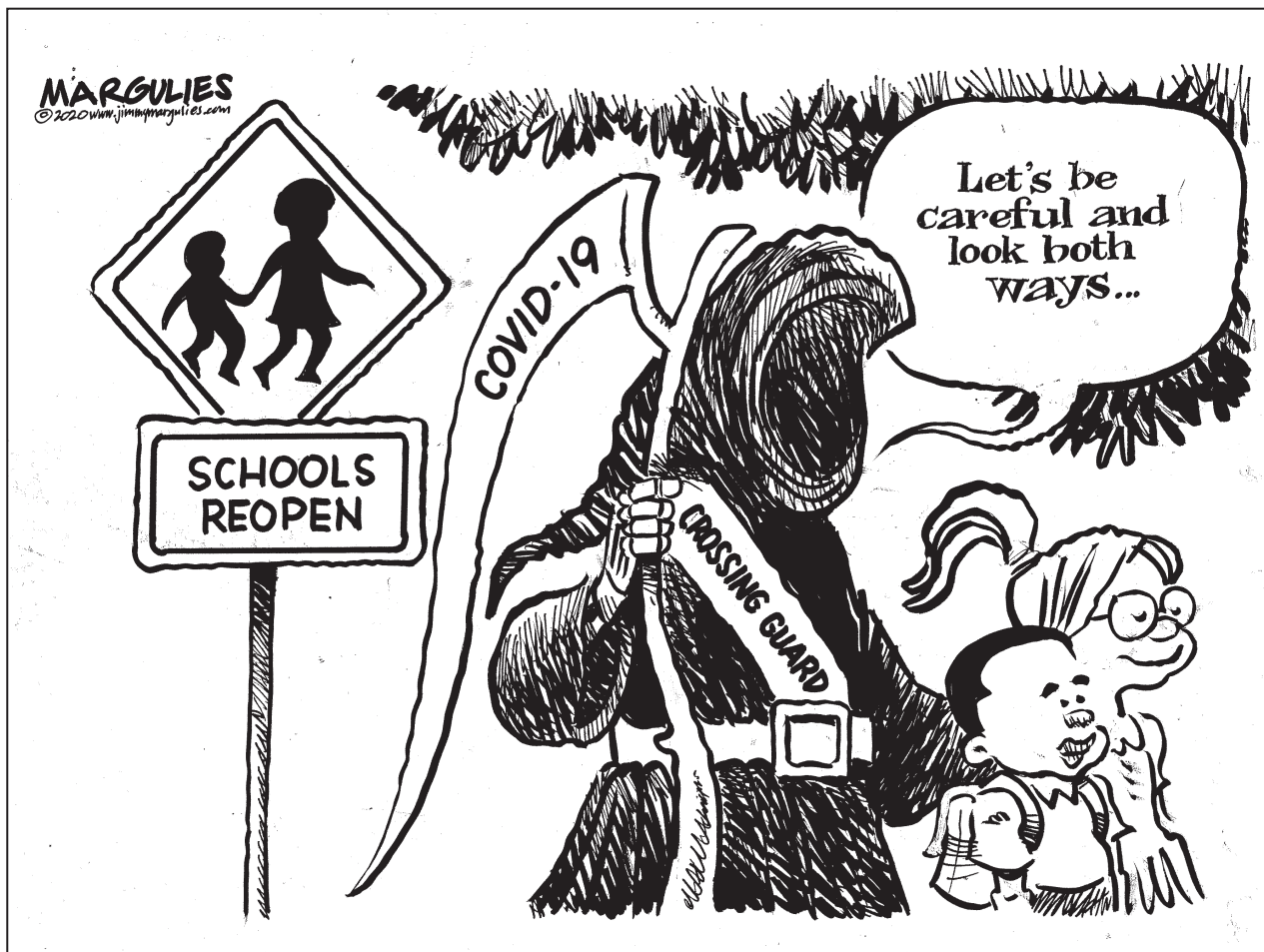
lenge police officers face each day in their work. While they have a unique position in our communities, they are still public employees — but with extraordinary power to use deadly force, to search private homes and to detain and arrest.”

Thus, we should insist on maximum transparency.

Yes, there are times when police draw complaints that are unfounded and unfair, but the public should have a right to see even these, with the expectation that ordinary people can make rational judgments about their nature and how they are addressed.

We should not have to trust the police to police themselves. Trust will come only when we are allowed to see inside the process.

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July 03, 10, 17, 2020
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
SHAWANO COURT

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for
Filing Claims
Case No. 20-PR-34

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Kenneth D. Bukowski

DOD April 28, 2020

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

1. An application for informal administration was

filed.

2. The decedent, the date of birth November 11,

1937 and date of death April 28, 2020, was domiciled in

Shawano County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address

of 272 County Road N Apt B, Birnamwood, WI 54414.

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3. The application will be heard at the Shawano
County Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate
Office before Darlene Hoffman Probate Registrar, on July 07,
2020 at 9:00am.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The
application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the
decedent's estate is October 23, 2020.

5. A claim may be filed at the Shawano County
Courthouse, Shawano, Wisconsin, Room Probate office.

6. This publication is noticed to any persons
whose names or address are unknown.

Richard L. Bukowski

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Village and Town of Wittenberg

Requesting Quotes for Joint Roadwork

The Village of Wittenberg and the Town of Wittenberg are requesting quotes for grind-
ing, shaping and new asphalt for Robin Road. The road will be 20 ft. wide, 2.5 inches
thick and approximately 3,000 ft. long. The shoulder will be 2 ft. This is a TRIP road
project for the Town of Wittenberg.

Bids should be in writing and placed in a sealed envelope marked Robin Road road
work and mailed to the Town of Wittenberg, PO Box 186, Wittenberg, WI 54499. Bids
shall be received no later than Monday, July 27, 2020 at 4:00 pm. Bids will be opened
during the special Town Board meeting. The Wittenberg Town Board and the Witten-
berg Village Board reserves the right to accept/decline any/all quotes.

Linda Fletcher, Clerk

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**Wittenberg Historical Society
Annual Meeting
Tuesday, July 28 at 6pm
Outdoors Covid Style at Washington
Park on Webb St., Wittenberg
Please practice social distancing
and masks encouraged.
Thanks for your support!**

**Minutes for Board of Trustee Meeting
Tuesday, June 16, 2020**

Meeting was called to order, at 6:00 pm, by Village President, William Switalla – Roll
Call – Marlene Wepner – present, Renee Switalla – present, Barb Buchholz – present,
William Switalla – present, Sharon Beversdorf – present, David Timm – present, and
Paul Yaeger – absent. Also present: Miriam Nelson

- Beversdorf/Wepner m/s/c to approve the June 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes.
- Timm/R.Switalla to approve a Class B liquor license for Village Inn. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Timm/Beversdorf to approve a Cigarette license for Village Inn. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Timm/R.Switalla to approve Resolution 2020-04 to transfer \$300,000 from the General MMA to the General checking, for the grant project.
- R.Switalla/Buchholz to approve the interim bills for \$2,023.00 and the audited bills for \$15,129.00. Roll call vote – all ayes. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- R.Switalla/Buchholz to approve pay request #2 from Jake's Excavating & Landscaping, for \$136,714.16 including 4 change orders, for the Webb St. project. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- R.Switalla/Buchholz to approve an additional \$2,000 for the Fire Department water heater. Roll call vote – 5 ayes with Timm voting no.
- R.Switalla/Beversdorf to cancel the contract for the extra police hours, from the Shawano County Sheriff's Department. Roll call vote – all ayes.
- Beversdorf/Buchholz m/s/c to adjourn at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Traci Matsche
Village of Wittenberg Clerk/Treasurer

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**NOTICE OF OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW
FOR THE VILLAGE OF WITTENBERG, WISCONSIN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment roll for the Village of Wittenberg
will be open for examination between 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM on Tuesday, August 11,
2020 at the office of the Village Clerk.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Review for the Village of Wittenberg,
Shawano County, shall hold its meeting on the 18th day of August, 2020 from 2:00 P.M.
to 4:00 P.M. at the Village Community Center, Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Objection forms
may be obtained in the office of the Village Clerk and shall be returned to the office by
12:00 noon on Friday, August 14, 2020. An appointment will be made for you with the
Board of Review. Request to Testify by Telephone or Sworn Written Statement forms
may also be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Revenue website, office of the
Village Clerk or Village Assessor and shall be returned to the office of the Village Clerk
by 12:00 noon on Friday, August 14, 2020.

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review
and procedural requirements if appearing before the Board:

- No person shall be allowed to appear before the Board of Review, to testify to the Board by telephone or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the Assessor to view such property.
- After the first meeting of the Board of Review and before the Board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the Board of Review may contact, or provide information to a member of the Board about the person's objection except at a session of the Board.
- No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board by telephone or contest the amount of the assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the Board or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed because the person has been granted a waiver of the 48-hours notice of an intent to file a written objection by appearing before the Board during the first two hours of the meeting and showing good cause for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirement and files a written objection, that the person provides to the clerk of the Board of Review notice as to whether the person will ask for removal of any Board members and, if so, which member will be removed and the person's reasonable estimate of the length of time that the hearing will take.
- When appearing before the Board of Review, the person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at that estimate.
- No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board or by telephone or object to a valuation; if that valuation was made by the Assessor or the Objector using the income method of valuation; unless the person supplies the Assessor all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the Assessor's manual under Sec. 73.03(2a) of Wis. Statutes, that the Assessor requests. The Village of Wittenberg has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the Assessor under this paragraph which provides exceptions for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under Sec. 19.35(1) of Wis. Statutes.
- The Board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the Board a letter from a physician, surgeon or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,
Traci Matsche, Village Clerk

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