

Superintendent Mark Ristau

I hope everyone is staying safe and has remained healthy. I would like to confirm that the Governor has extended distance learning for the rest of the year. This means students WILL NOT be returning to school this spring.

I had held out hope that we would indeed return to school but that will not be the case. At this time all I can say is that we will continue with distance learning. We will begin to make decisions on spring activities and functions in the coming weeks for things like prom, graduation, returning devices/books etc.

I can assure you that the Medford School District is committed to serving our students and families. I ask that you continue to check emails and social media in the coming days and weeks as announcements are being made and news is being delivered from the school.

I will continue to communicate with families as well with the Friday videos.

If you have questions feel free to call me at 214-6322 or by email at mristau@medfordtigers.org.

Stay Safe,

M Ristau Superintendent

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ATTENDANCE LINES

Please call when your student will be absent or needs to leave early for an appointment.

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Grades 7-12

507-214-6353

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Grades K-6

507-214-6378

PRESCHOOL ATTENDANCE

507-214-6380

Medford Community

MEDFORD MAYOR'S LINES



Thanks to all of you for Staying in Place, minimizing the need to leave home except for work, groceries and immediate errands. It is good to see families out walking and biking. The dogs, too, are smiling! In the last thirty days, we have learned a new language around the COVID outbreak, a new way of living and maybe, enjoying quality time with loved ones that have you studying, playing board games and catching up on movies and reruns. Whatever you are doing, know that these coming spring weeks will also require continued patience and imagination. Please do check in with residents who live alone or are elderly as to needs or just to have a conversation. When driving by Medford Senior Care or the Medford Manor toot the horn or walk around the buildings with a wave and smile.

We are encouraged to wear masks and gloves—a scarf or bandana will do. This is to give some protection in transferring the virus. It is also acknowledging an appreciation of the people that are still working—whether at Grampa's Ole Town Meats, Anhorn's, Casey's, grocery stores or any other place of business.

A big thank you to the individuals who cleaned up the roundabout. Respecting social distancing, they cleaned off all the materials encouraging new growth. This area is reminiscent of the Oak Savannah that was commonplace when the original settlers came up the Straight River. While out walking, suggest taking along plastic bags and have the family do clean up around the ditches, school property, Learners' Pond—along railroad tracks. Also, if you walk up or down Woodland Trail, take a shovel along and dig out the buckthorn along the pathway. It is easy to spot, short woody stems with roots that run along the surface. We have healthy growths around Medford so suggest having your children checking the yard for those young plants—they are a lot easier to pull out then!

Last fall, we all learned of Emerald Ash Borer. Thanks, again, to many of you who have removed infested trees. As a reminder, this is part of my column last October: EAB's active period is May 1 - September 30 when NO removal of branches, trees or stumps should be done. Pesticide treatments can typically be done during spring, April 15 – June 15, depending on the insecticide in use. Always consult the label when using insecticides. A commercial pesticide contractor can provide treatment at a cost of \$10-20 per inch of trunk diameter. Owatonna Groundmasters are already advertising EAB treatment. Other possible vendors in Owatonna include D & D Yard Service LLC, From the Ground Up Lawn Care & Cleanup LLC, Wolfe & Sons, Inc. and in Northfield, Knechts Nurseries & Landscaping Inc. Carr Tree Service who works with Steele-Waseca Coop is also familiar with our community.

Most soil is a mix of sand and gravel in Medford. (Clay is more prevalent on our bluffs.) Any pesticide has direct impact on ground water and drainage to the Straight River so caution must be used. Always follow the pesticide label directions attached to the pesticide container you are using. Remember, the label is the law.

While spending time at home, you may want to replace/add a storage shed or reside or reroof your residence. Anything with construction does require a permit. Check out the city website for this information: medfordminnesota.com as well as any city announcements. You can send Andy and email at cityadministrator@medfordminnesota.com or call the office 507/455-2866 for details.

Thanks to all of you who have submitted your 2020 Census form. Medford has continued to lead the county in completed forms. As of April 15, nationwide 49.4% had been counted. Minnesota 59.2% Steele County 60.9%. Blooming Prairie 58.1%. Ellendale 49.6%. **MEDFORD 69.6%**! You do need the twelve-digit number supplied with the original mailing in mid-March. It can be filled out online at my2020census.gov or call toll free at 1-844-468-2020. We all count! This is a great lesson in history and citizen participation as you work at home and with your children on their school work.

Enjoy this time together. May is a great month to get outdoors and find more things to do. We will all remember the spring of 2020. Be safe. *Mayor Lois*





Medford Young Life/ WyldLife Make a Difference

Are you an adult who cares about kids and wants them to know that they matter?

We would welcome volunteers to help connect kids to Christ through:

- Being a club leader
- Being a committee member
- Helping with fundraisers/ events
 - Financial support
 - Prayer

Please email Mary Cronin at younglifemedford@gmail.com for information.



Stay Tuned for Upcoming Summer Announcements!

Although Club Nights & Summer Camps had to be put on hold, Young Life Leaders look forward to holding some special events once it is safe to do so.



Who is Young Life

Right now, kids are finding life to the full around the world.

BE PART OF THE ADVENTURE TODAY!

Young Life/ WyldLife is in the world of high school/middle school — learning kids' names, hearing their stories, having fun and sharing with them the great news of a God who loves them.

Stay up to date by following the Medford Young Life and Medford WyldLife Facebook pages.

FACTS AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Young Life 2019

All data is for the 2018-2019 school year unless noted otherwise.

OUR MISSION

Introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith.

OUR GOAL

To double the number of kids we reach around the world, as we implement our Forward priorities of **Deeper in Christ**, **Together**, **Innovation** and **Growth**.

OUR STORY

Since 1941, Young Life leaders have walked with kids and earned the right to be heard in an exhausting and exciting world.

348,000 Kids involved weekly around the world



Kids Around the World Who Attended a Young Life Camp

2018-2019 Camping Numbers



Become a High School Big with Big Brothers Big Sisters

Are you a high school freshman or sophomore? Are you looking for volunteer experience to stand out on your growing resume? Do you want to take a small break from your normal school routine? Do you like kids? Then, we need you! There are kids in Medford waiting to be matched with a high schooler like you next fall as a part of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Minnesota's School Site Program.

"It's a lot of fun hanging out with my Little dude," said Zach Wetmore, a graduating senior at Medford High School. "Plus, it's a rewarding experience. I'm so glad I did it."

Big Brothers Big Sisters matches Medford high schoolers with kids grades K-6 based on interests, personalities, and preferences. As a child's Big, high schoolers are an extra friend at school once a week for about 30 minutes. Matches usually meet during lunch or another time that works during the school day. Bigs and Littles play games, go outside, help with schoolwork—it's up to each Big and Little. Being a High School Big is a fun, one-to-one mentoring experience that looks great on college applications.

"I am so proud of the Bigs and Littles at Medford School," said Megan Schmitz, Match Support Specialist at Big Brothers Big Sisters. "I hear so many great stories about matches having fun and growing together. Medford's high school mentors truly change lives."

Take the first step to becoming a Big: inquire online. Head to bbbsofsouthernmn.org and click Become a Big. All it takes is the willingness to be a child's extra friend and a minimum commitment of 2 school years. Inquire now so you can be matched this fall!

Early Childhood Screening

Early Childhood screening for the Medford school district is postponed until Fall 2020. If your child needs to be screened before entrance to kindergarten please contact Jackie Vagle at (507)214-6380 or jvagle.medfordtigers.org for more information.

PLEASE DO NOT FLUSH CLEANING WIPES

Many people have purchased cleaning wipes because they have not been able to purchase toilet paper due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Please **DO NOT FLUSH CLEANING WIPES** down the toilet. Throw them in the trash. Wipes do not dissolve like toilet paper. Wipes can clog your pipes and can cause backups in sewer lines, mains, and cause major problems with the City's wastewater treatment infrastructure and system. We appreciate your cooperation to prevent a backup! Please spread the word. The Public Works Crew has noticed a considerable increase in wipes coming into the system in recent days – Posted 3/20/2020.



EXCHANGE CLUB
CENTER for
FAMILY UNITY

Groups meet weekly via
Zoom beginning May 7,
Thursdays 9:30-11am
or 6-7:30pm

Groups are free and open to all parents

Parent Support Groups

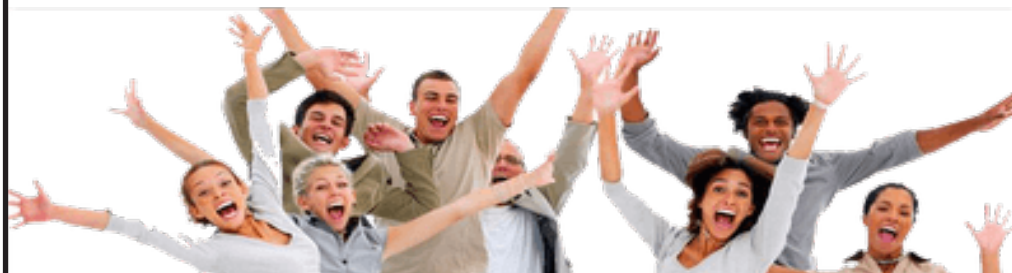
Could you use some support as you parent during these challenging times?

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!!

Join our Parent Support Group and learn some new parenting strategies while meeting other parents who share similar struggles.

Exchange Club Center for Family Unity
1850 Austin Road - Owatonna

If interested please contact Ann at
[507-338-8913](tel:507-338-8913) or ann@centerforfamilyunitymn.com



Medford Students Carter & Zack
have been Matched since
November 2018



Medford students Molly & Jenna
have been Matched since
October 2018

 **Big Brothers Big Sisters.**
OF SOUTHERN MINNESOTA

Medford Public Schools

2019-20 Testing Information

Hello Medford Families. I would like to provide you with some updated information regarding the current status of state testing and ACT entrance exams. The following information has been provided by MDE and will be updated and available on the MDE website at: <https://education.mn.gov/MDE>

MCA and MTAS Testing: Minnesota has closed statewide assessments for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year, including MCA and MTAS. The U.S. Department of Education has approved a waiver to Minnesota for the federally mandated standardized statewide assessments, accountability, and reporting requirements due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. MCA and MTAS testing will not be conducted for the 2019-2020 school year.

Minnesota College Entrance Exam Requirement: Based on the March 25th announcement and Executive Order by Governor Walz, Medford students will not be able to take the ACT exam this spring. ACT does not offer another state testing date for the current school year.

Medford will offer the first available fall state testing date next year. Ms. Routh is in communication with those students affected by this delay. Students, please refer to her email for details. Colleges are aware of school closures around the nation and know ACT and SAT tests are not able to take place this spring.

ACT does offer National testing dates on Saturdays over the summer, if parents and students are concerned about waiting until the Fall. The dates are June 13th and July 18th. You can find more information and register for the test at act.org

Matt Cole

Attention!

All remaining elementary concerts have been canceled for the school year.

Immunization Reminders

Kindergartners, 7th Graders & New Students

MN State Immunizations Law requires all kindergarten students to be up to date on immunizations (4th Polio, 3 Hep B, 5th DtaP, 2 MMR and 2 Varicella) before the first day of school. 7th graders will need a Tdap and Meningococcal booster. **Both kindergartners and 7th graders will need these immunizations or they will be sent home the first day of school.** New students will have 30 days to provide documentation of required immunizations.

Steele County Public Health holds immunization clinics the 3rd Thursday of every month from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and is located at 635 Florence Ave, West Hills, Owatonna.

12th Grade starting fall 2020

Students entering 12th grade are now required to get the booster Meningococcal vaccine (2nd dose) before school starts in the fall. Most students received their first dose before entering the 7th grade.



**BUFFALO
WILD
WINGS**



The Medford Civic Club is part of the Home Team Advantage at Buffalo Wild Wings in Owatonna!

Anytime you dine in or take out, tell them you are part of "TEAM C" and they will give the Medford Civic Club 10% of your bill as a donation!

How simple is that to help us out and feed your family at the same time!

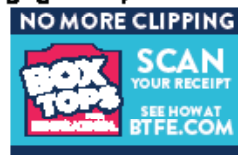
Thank you for your support!!

Have you heard?

The Box Tops for Education program is changing the way we can earn cash for our school!



SEE THIS...
CLIP IT



SEE THIS...
**SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT**

Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The Box Tops for Education team has worked hard to build a NEW-and-Improved, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app, available now.

The new app features state-of-the-art technology that allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

**BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP
OR UPDATE YOUR EXISTING APP.**



If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can "double clip" during the packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt containing participating products.

Thanks for helping our school get what it needs!
Learn more about these changes at BTFE.COM



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211 MAIN STREET SOUTH, MEDFORD, MN 55049

Sunday Worship: 10:00AM – 11:00AM

Sunday School: 9:00AM – 10:00AM

Please visit our web site at www.mcucc.com

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Dylan Heiderscheidt

March 1 2020 my family and I went out and tapped 49 of the sugar maple trees that grow in my Grandfather's woods. There is no set date on when the taps should be put in, we base our date on the weather. When it gets above 32 degrees during the day that is when we start to inspect the trees. When the trees are looking wet or signs of sap dripping out of their wounds we tap the trees. We dump the bags 1-2 times a day, the trees will produce the most sap when it freezes at night and gets warm and the sun is out during the day. The best day we had was March 16 where we collected 105 gallons of sap at 10:00 am, and then on March 17 collected another 95 gallons of sap.

To turn the sap into syrup the water has to be boiled off, making the syrup have a higher sugar content. We don't add anything to the sap before it is boiled down and we don't add anything to the syrup once it is finished. In 1 hour we can boil off about 7-10 gallons of water, it is a 24 hour process boiling down a batch of sap.

Once the syrup has been boiled down to the correct sugar content we put it in big stainless steel pots and let it cool and the sediment will all setle to the bottom. We finish the syrup off in the house on the oven, because we have more control of the heat and that makes it easier. We finished off the year with about 27 gallons of syrup, we got 1 gallon of syrup from about 30 gallons of sap.

Dylan Heiderscheidt is a Freshman and the 2020 Minnesota FFA State Runner-up in Forestry Production.



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Madison Jaster

During this unpredictable time, a lot of careers have been put on hold, but not agriculture. With the distance learning being put in place this month, I have been privileged to have a much stronger relationship on my farm during this calving season. There is no greater experience than watching a new life come into this world. Calving season has taught me new skills that include problem solving, keeping accurate records, assisting a vet using a calf-jack for a breech baby and follow up care to teach him how to nurse. Normal responsibilities that I do throughout this season is creating ear tags for the new calves, cleaning and bedding pens for the pregnant cows, and building a special pen that only the calves can fit in. We make this special pen, so the calves can have their own creep feed that the mothers can't eat and also so they can stay out of any bad weather. I have also taken on more responsibilities including checking the cows throughout the day to see if they're going into labor, keeping a close eye on the new borns, doing morning and evening chores, and taking full responsibility of my bottle calf, Paco. Paco was born on February 29 and is a Simmental bull calf. His dam (mother) wanted nothing to do with him, which is when I stepped up to become his mother. I feed him morning and night along with taking him for walks around the farm. I tentatively plan to show him at the county fair this year.



Medford Public Schools

Josey Homeier

Hi, I am Josey Homeier and last year my family started our business in vegetable production. Over break we started planting tomatoes, all varieties of peppers, and many other things we offer in our store, in our greenhouse. Right now we have over 4,000 plants started and are hoping to open up our store next weekend! Check us out at homeandharvestmn.com if interested! Aside from the produce I have been working with my beef cattle to make sure they're happy and healthy, along with the many baby calves spring has brought.



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School is NOT closed
for the year.
The building is.

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If you listen closely you can
hear the hum of hard working teachers,
administrators, and support staff.

**Yes, we are brokenhearted,
but these broken hearts will lead.**

edutopia

Peyton Anderson, Educator

Medford Preschool

2020-2021 Registration

Registration is now open to all Medford and non-Medford residents.

Come explore the preschool classroom and meet the staff. This will be an excellent time to ask any questions you may have about the Medford preschool program and how we can best meet your child's educational needs.



Providing young children
a warm, child-centered environment
for promoting age-appropriate social, emotional,
physical and intellectual development.

2020-2021 Class Information

The Medford Preschool welcomes all children 3 or 4 years of age by September 1, or children not yet attending Kindergarten. **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COMPLETELY TOILET TRAINED IN ORDER TO ATTEND PRESCHOOL!**

Section A: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

M/W/F (4-5 year olds)

Section B: 12:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

M-Th (4-5 year olds)

Section C: 8:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

T/Th (3-4 year olds)

At Medford Preschool we value parents and teachers working together toward a common goal; getting your child kindergarten ready!

Medford Preschool
750 2nd Ave SE
Room # 403
Any questions call 507-214-6380



*4 Star Parent Aware Rated
Proud to use practices that best prepare children
for kindergarten!*

Activities Calendar

Home events are Bold

- May 5 JVBB vs. Randolph
JHSB vs. Randolph
- May 7 BB vs. Maple River
SB at Maple River
TR - Home Meet
JHBB at Maple River
JHBB at Maple River
- May 8 BB vs. Lake Crystal-WM
- May 9 SB at Blue Earth Area
- May 11 BB vs. W-E-M
SB at W-E-M
JHBB at W-E-M
JHBB at W-E-M
- May 12 TR at Hayfield (Conference Meet)
CBB vs. Maple River
- May 14 SB vs. NR-1E-G
SB at NR-1E-G
JHSB vs. NR-1E-G
JHSB vs. NR-1E-G
- May 15 BB vs. Triton
SB vs. Waconia
JHBB at Triton
- May 19 TR at Pine Island (5:30-7:00)
SB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD
JHSB vs. United South Central
JHSB vs. United South Central
- May 21 BB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD
SB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD
- May 23 SB - Section 2AA Tourney -
Mankato
- May 26 BB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD
TR - Section 1A Meet - Waconia
- May 28 BB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD
TR - Section 1A Meet - Waconia

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Sports Calendar Key BB Baseball SB Softball TR Track V Varsity JV Junior Varsity C C-Squad JH Junior High	Please refer to the Activities Calendar on the left side for more information on the dates that are boxed. ***Due to Covid-19, all scheduled events are subject to change. Please check the Activity Calendar for the most up to date activity schedules.***					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
May 15 BB vs. Triton SB vs. Waconia JHBB at Triton	MEPA Meeting 6:00 p.m. Park Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.		Wooding Boaters Meeting 6:00 p.m.	BCPF Year-End Ice Cream Extracurricular 3:45 p.m.			
May 19 TR at Pine Island (5:30-7:00) SB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD JHSB vs. United South Central JHSB vs. United South Central	Zoning Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	High School Assembly Community 1:30 p.m.	Discussed Association Meeting 3:30 p.m.	BCPF Advisory Comm- cil Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Elementary Track & Field Day (Grades 3-6) 8:30 a.m.	16	
May 23 SB - Section 2AA Tourney - Mankato	City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	JD Volleyball Meeting 5:30 p.m. Grades 6-12 Band Concert 7:00 p.m.	BCPF Gardening & Growing Fun 6:00 p.m.	FEA Baby Animal Day 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	23		
May 26 BB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD TR - Section 1A Meet - Waconia	Memorial Day City Hall Closed	MHA Meeting 6:30 p.m. Grades 6-12 Choir Concert 7:00 p.m.	Elementary Track & Field Day (Grades K-2) 12:30 p.m. Graduation 7:00 p.m.	29	30		
May 28 BB - Section 2AA Tourney TBD TR - Section 1A Meet - Waconia	NO SCHOOL						
24 31		26	27	28			

The Catholic Community of Christ the King



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parishonline.com/find/christ-the-king

SCHOOL BOARD

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 763

MEDFORD, MN 55049

March 16, 2020

state qualifiers for Wrestling, Girls Basketball earned a share of the Gopher Conference Championship, One Act Play finished runner up in Sub-Sections, and individual awards across all activities.

Motion by Ms. Janke, second by Mr. Anhorn, to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried.

Jackie Berg, Chair
Jennifer Jones, Clerk

The regular meeting of the Medford Board of Education was called to order by Ms. Berg, Chair, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Medford School. Members present were Mr. Anhorn, Ms. Berg, Ms. Chambers, Ms. Janke, Ms. Jones, Ms. Winkels and Superintendent Ristau. Mr. Sutherland was absent.

Superintendent Ristau, reported on the following items:

- I. Enrollment – 927
- II. Facility Update
- III. Coronavirus

Motion by Ms. Jones, second by Ms. Chambers, to approve agenda with two additional items. Facility Updates and COVID 19 Updates. Motion carried.

Facility Update included updates on soil sampling, pre-bid walk through, conference call and potential budget questions.

There was no public input or recognition.

Coronavirus Update included updates on mandatory shutdown, e-learning prep, daycare services for emergency and staff children only, food service pick up and daily conference calls for guidance.

5) 5. Consent Agenda

- a) Correction and approval of minutes
- b) Claims and Treasurer's Reports
- c) Expense Reports
- d) Personnel
 - i) Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
 - ii) Employment
 - iii) Leave of Absence
- e) Gifts and Donations
 - i) Randy and Jason Domstrand-Drum Kit for Band
- f) Written Reports
 - i) Secondary Principal
 - ii) Elementary Principal
 - iii) Dashir Management

Motion by Mr. Anhorn, second by Ms. Janke, to approve Policy 603-Curriculum Development. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Jones, second by Ms. Winkels, to approve Policy 611-Home Schooling. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Berg, second by Ms. Chambers, to approve Policy 613-Graduation Requirements. Motion carried.

8) New Business – Tabled

- I. Policy 102-Equal Educational Opportunity
- II. Policy 410-FMLA Policy
- III. Policy 522-Student Sex Nondiscrimination
- IV. Policy 214-Out of State Travel by School Board Members

Michelle Krell and Jim Kiefer from Owatonna School District presented a potential ALC Coop to the board.

Motion by Ms. Berg, second by Ms. Chambers, to enter into ALC Coop Agreement with Owatonna School District. Motion carried.

There were no Board or Superintendent announcements.

- I. April 20, 2020-7:00 p.m.

Mr. Ristau presented a Winter Sports Recap on behalf of the Athletic Department. This included

CITY COUNCIL

Regular Council Meeting

February 24, 2020

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

Members present were Nelson, Sexton, Dempsey, Langeslag, and Bartlett.

Members absent were: none.

City staff and consultants in attendance were Andy Welti, Elizabeth Jackson, James Wicks, and Ben Cass.

Others in attendance were Danny Thomas, John Anhorn, Annie Granlund, Dan Murphy, and Dale Oolman.

Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda – Motion by Bartlett, seconded by Sexton to approve agenda as presented. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda – Agenda items are approved by one motion unless a Council member requests separate action.

Approval of the January 27, 2020 special and regular meeting minutes, the January 29, 2020 special meeting minutes, and the February 13, 2020 special meeting minutes.

Approval of the January and February city and liquor store bills.

Approval of the January check register numbers E3728-E3753, 15602-15633, and 48064-48147.

Healthy Seniors of Steele County Temporary Gam-

bling Permit Application.

Resolution 2020-06 Accepting Donation from Dave and Lois Nelson in the amount of \$20.00 in memory of Marian Houglum for the Medford Park Endowment Fund.

Motion by Langeslag, seconded by Dempsey to approve the consent agenda as presented. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Steele County – building inspection fee adjustments. Dale Oolman, Steele County Planning & Zoning Director and Dan Murphy, Steele County Building Inspector presented the proposed changes to the Steele County building permit fee schedule. Oolman stated the proposed changes were being presented at a Public Hearing being held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the County Board Room at the Steele County Administration Center.

Oolman stated the proposed new fee schedule is the 1997 Building Code Fee Schedule and is used by many cities and counties.

Motion by Bartlett, seconded by Sexton to accept the new Steele County Building Permit Fee schedule effective April 1, 2020. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report – City Council had no questions concerning Mayor Nelson's report.

Planning & Zoning Board – did not meet.

EDA Board – Council member Bartlett presented the minutes from the February 12, 2020 EDA meeting. Bartlett stated the 2020 elected officers were:

Tom Heisler – President

Corey Samora – Vice President

Grace Bartlett – Secretary

Mary Cronin – Treasurer.

Bartlett stated the EDA board recommended City

Council approve the printing of 200 cards for a cost of \$84.31 to circulate to local truck stops and city chamber locations.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Sexton to approve the EDA Board's recommendation to print 200 cards for distribution at a cost of \$84.31. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Park Board – did not meet.

City Attorney – none.

City Engineer – none.

City Administrator – Administrator Welti presented a memo. Welti stated the City's audit will be presented at the March Council meeting. Welti stated there was a meeting with the Civic Club to discuss and plan a new parade route for Straight River Days for at least the next two years. Welti stated the lifeguard positions will be posted and recruitment of new lifeguards for the 2020 pool season has begun. Welti stated he would be attending the March MAOSC board meeting.

City Clerk – none.

Public Works – Supervisor Wicks presented a memo. Wicks stated Public Works had been busy with Baker Lift station pump repair, weekly and monthly sampling, snow plow and salt/sand events, tree removal at Radal park, equipment repair, and decanting of the bio solids holding tank.

Supervisor Wicks presented a memo with a summary of the water main break and repair located near 106 West Central Avenue. As of February 21, 2020 the water main break had been repaired and there were no further issues.

Fire Department – John Anhorn gave a brief update on the Medford Fire Department activities.

New Business –

Bond Update – Administrator Welti presented a memo. The memo was for informational purposes only and outline the outstanding bonds

CITY COUNCIL

the City has, the remaining balances, and estimated paid in full dates.

Business Façade Improvement Application for Anhorn’s – Administrator Welti presented a memo. Welti stated all required documentation and invoices had been submitted. Welti stated Council approval of the \$2,499.50 payment to John Anhorn, Anhorn’s Gas & Tire was required to complete the grant request.

Motion by Sexton, seconded by Dempsey to approve the payment of \$2,499.50 to Anhorn’s Gas & Tire. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Engineer peer review of wastewater treatment regionalization report – Administrator Welti presented a memo. Welti stated as the City waits for additional information from the City of Faribault, conducting a peer review of the initial Wastewater Regionalization Report could be completed.

Welti state the Ad Hoc Utilities work group recommended the City hire Applied Technologies for \$1,800 to conduct the peer review.

Motion by Sexton, seconded by Bartlett to approve hiring Applied Technologies for \$1,800 to conduct a peer review. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Regular City Council Meeting – Monday, March 23, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting – Monday, April 27, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Langeslag, seconded by Dempsey to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes approved at _____ meeting.

Submitted by _____ City Clerk.

Signed by _____ Mayor.

Special City Council Meeting

March 11, 2020

5:15 p.m.

City Hall

Members present were Nelson, Sexton, Langeslag, Dempsey, and Bartlett.

Members absent were: none.

City staff and consultants in attendance were Andy Welti, Elizabeth Jackson, James Wicks, and Joe Duncan.

Others attending were Jamey Krogh, Michael Prondzinski, Danny Thomas, Cole Olson, Michael Koranda, Chad Merritt, John Anhorn, Mark Heaser, Annie Granlund, Chris Baldwin, Amanda Mueller, Ross Olson, Clayton Just, and Cathi Gasner.

Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

The purpose of tonight’s meeting is to discuss the Preliminary Engineering /Feasibility Report for the Main Street Reconstruction Project 2021.

Joe Duncan, City Engineer presented the Preliminary Engineering Report for the 2021 Main Street Reconstruction Project. The project estimate total cost is \$2,713,400. The City is conducting this project in conjunction with Steele County. The City’s share of the project is \$1,155,034.00.

Duncan answered several questions from council members.

Resolution 2020-07 Receiving Feasibility Report and Calling Hearing on Improvement – Motion by Bartlett, seconded by Nelson to approve Resolution 2020-07. All members voted aye for approval. Motion carried.

Motion by Sexton, seconded by Langeslag to adjourn the Special Council meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Minutes approved at _____ meeting.

Submitted by _____ City Clerk.

Signed by _____ Mayor.

Medford School Early Childhood Census



*Are you new to the Medford community?
Do you have children under the age of 5?
Did you just have a baby?*

If so, please contact Medford school and get your child's name on our school census. This is used to send you information on Early Childhood programs such as Early Childhood Screening, Early Childhood Family Education, and School Readiness programs. The school also uses this information to send out Kindergarten registration to families and uses the census numbers for school funding.

How can your child get on our census?

- Call Medford preschool at (507) 214-6380
- Stop by the preschool room (403) at Medford Elementary and fill out a census sheet.
- Email the following information to jvagle@medfordtigers.org
 - Parent's name
 - Address, phone number, email
 - Children's names, age, and birthday



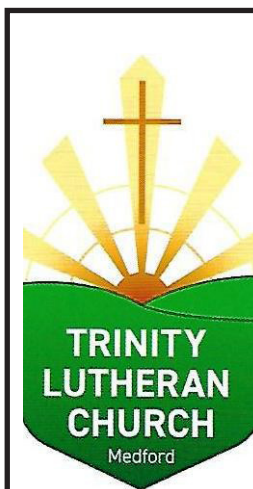
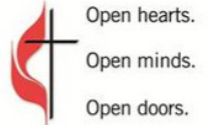
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