Historic Landmark discusses demolition, signs and awnings

By Christina Ryrholm
Hill Country Weekly editor

The Historic Landmark Commission (HLC) met earlier this month at the Ronald C. Bowman Council Chambers. Present were Chairman Ben Adam, Justin Boerner, Mike Nichols, Cali Reid and Patti Meiners. Co-spearers Hannah and Sally Fena were unable to attend.

A vote of three to one was required to pass and in the event of a tie a vote of two to tie.

Ben would vote and break the tie.

There were two requests for demolition. Although neither would be considered a historic building any structure that is over fifty years old must come before the HLC for approval. If approval is denied the request may go to city council and if they also deny approval then they must declare it a historic structure.

The First was a building located at 414 Oak Park. In spite of one public comment against demolition the resident home was approved four to zero to allow the demolition to go forward.

The second property was a structure that had been

City council calls for bond election, unveils new city brand

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Boerne city council called a special meeting for August 16. They met called a special meeting.

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unveils new election, calls for bond

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The $36 million bond (with helmet) , Quinten Cates, Tim Bannwolf, Anzollitto, Bill Bird, Bob Cates, Tim Bannwolf, Lucas Hiler and Susan Price.

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One of the important items on the agenda was to call for a bond election. As the last day (with helmet) to the next regularly scheduled city council meeting on August 23, it was necessary to have a special meeting. This Quality of Life Bond will be held in conjunction with the General Election on November 8.

The Quality of Life bond calls for millions in the boost of the Quality of Life Bond of 2007. The $36 million bond will be split into two propositions. A and B. Proposition A for Streets and Mobility Projects will be Addie Road, West Bowman Road and the Main Plaza, West Bowman Historic Shooting Club Road and Parkway Drive.

Proposition B will be Addie Parks and Open Space ($13 million), The emphasis will be developing Northside Community (the land was purchased with the 2007 bond) and improvements for Northside Park, City Park, and Northside Neighborhood Park.

There were four guiding principles as the council members took all the information from the workshops (Parks and Open Space in February), Facilities in March, Streets and Sidewalks in (March) and narrowed ideas from over forty million to $36 million in two prioritization meeting in April and June.

These bonds are thought out and are consistent with the Master Plan, Public Safety, improving

Utility services recognized

By Christina Ryrholm
Hill Country Weekly editor

At the city council meeting last week the utilities department received two awards - one for achievement and one for safety.

First up was the Texas Public Power Association System. Achievement award (really just a certificate!) The certificate states, “In recognition of the successful City, page 5

The Great American Desert revisited reveals new water for Texas

By Milan J. Michalec
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The summer heat continues to bear down on us and we are still mostly avoiding spending over 100 degrees. It is a reminder to all that we are still in a severe drought condition and care is a precious resource. In this edition we want to conserve water resources in the City of Boerne. The Mayor has given the City Ordinances, we are limited in our capacity to travel on any day. You can hand water your plants, but not your trees and any tree at day. The golf courses are taking a beating through these hot summer days and there are being brown spots in your yard is a way of life for us. Even through the hot summer heat continues, this is the time when our children is coming to an end. Boerne independent School District is the last day of school and after, all of what the children have learned will be in class. Even those that have been back up we will see the number of cars traveling around the area. The ranges in traffic not only increases during the summer but in our City but also when drill tournament is in Boerne. After a summer of growth and changing, can we really believe that school has started back up you may not have made your destination in time.

Safety on our City streets is a concern but we have a few resources that we need to be aware of. Our school year now starts with the kindergarten and elementary and Van Raub Elementary are the first schools that are within the area of our Boerne Oaks Ranch. Both the start time to school and each school at the end day is important. During these times, you may experience backup traffic, but in the area near the schools, drivers need to be careful and slowing down or picking up their children. The afternoon events seem to have more of a backup and on some days car lines up on Dietz Elkhorn as families wait in line to pick up their children. The cars line up on Dietz Elkhorn in the afternoon to occasionally step traffic for a short time. If you are wanting to pass through the area, I recommend that you find a different route during the time that you need to pass through you ensure pass through the area at an earlier or later time. These areas do not Elkhorn was no passing zones. The past, you have entered into the organized traffic lanes and attempt to go around the line of cars. This is extremely dangerous with cars making U turns and directions and kids running around the area. If you get caught sandwiched between the cars you just need to wait in line with the other cars and you can pass through the area.

Many families use our golf carts to take their children to school. The use of a golf cart is unlike our streets with 35 mph or less that includes our sidewalks. This does create another area of concern for us. Golf carts are motorized vehicles and right to be a car in the law of travel just like a car you and other vehicles and should abide by our City traffic rules that a car follows. Due to this reason please be aware that golf carts travel on our street and please frame that school is 20 mph. In addition to the infrastructure of the route, we also see an increase of traffic around the bus stops throughout the City. At many points in the morning when you will see parents in their cars in the right lane and they are the bus lane for the pick up to be safe.
Authorities in Norway have euthanized a walrus that had lived close to a glacier in the Gisre Fjord after concluding that it posed a risk to humans. The 660-kilogram (1,455-pound) female walrus, known affectionately as Freya, became a popular attraction in Norway in recent weeks, despite warnings from officials that people should refrain from getting too close and poses for pictures with the massive marine mammal. Freya liked to cluster on small icebergs, causing damage to them. Wildlife are protected and as recently as last month officials said they hoped Freya would leave her own accord and that euthanasia would be a last resort. The head of the directorate, Frank Bakke-Jensen, said other options — including moving the animal elsewhere — were considered. But authorities concluded it wasn’t a viable option.

While no human crew will travel aboard NASA’s Artemis I mission, that doesn’t mean the Orion spacecraft will be empty. When the Space Launch System rocket and Orion capsule — scheduled to lift off for liftoff on August 29, set off on a trip beyond the moon, the spacecraft will be carrying some special items on board. Inside Orion will be three mannequins, toys and even an Amazon Alexa, along with historic and educational items. The mission — that will kick off the Artemis program, with the aim of eventually returning humans to the moon — carries a tradition on that began in the 1960s of NASA spacecraft bearing mementos. Artemis I will carry 120 pounds of mementos, the most important, work as a means to an end rather than a source of income. Some “quiet quitters” say they’re simply representing work-life balance, but experts warn that they could be making themselves vulnerable to layoffs.
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A caller reported a deceased neighbor was on the highway.

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A caller said a homeless person drove onto his property and threw items at the window of his house.

She was concerned there could be people inside of the structure.

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Clifford James Boerner 1947—2023


He was born in Boerne, Texas, to Erno and Nora Boerner. At age 75, passed away peacefully on August 11, 2023,

A native of Germany, Dr. Karl Boerner was one of the first members of Family Medicine. He completed residencies in Family Medicine through various medical centers during his years in Germany.

Boerner loved music. From a young age, Dr. Boerner taught sin Fronal Mission Board for 18 years with Gold Paving and Great grandchildren, James, Gretchen, Jop, and Kyle.

After becoming Director of a Flight Medical Officer with a remote site medical practice in 1988, and with his family to the Gaza Strip, he began his global travels, photographing from his global travels.

Boerner loved people. After leaving NASA as a Remote Site Medical Flight Controller, he joined the Army Reserve and served with the Southern Baptist International Mission Board.

Boerner loved reading, and partly because of his love of hiking, camping, and outstanding contributions to the Southern Baptist International Mission Board, he was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Boerner showed steers, rode bulls and great grandchildren, James, Gretchen, Jop, and Kyle.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District will hold a meeting of the public on Monday, September 12, 2022, at the District Office located at 9 Toepfer Road, Boerne, Texas, to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2022. The proposed tax rate is $0.005 (1/2¢) per $100 of valuation.

The Board of Directors will also hold a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2022 -2023 Budget and the tax rate at which they will consider adoption of both. Copies of the 2022-2023 Budget are available at the District Office and the District website (www.ccgc.org) beginning on August 29, 2022.

The District encourages public feedback on the proposed budget and proposed tax rate and will accept written questions, comments, and suggestions if received by the District prior to 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 via fax to (830) 816-2807 or mail to P.O. Box 1557, Boerne, 78008.

All written comments or questions will be provided an opportunity to ask questions, give oral comments and make suggestions on the proposed budget and proposed tax rate at the public hearing. In the absence of any questions, the public hearing will be concluded.

A summary of the Appendix Proposed Advertising budget is as follows:

Total amount of the proposed budget $ 1,439,549
Total amount of increase from the current year’s budget $ 164,021
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget 15
The number of employees compensated under the current budget $ 1,275,528

The budget is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Kendall Appraisal District.

If approved by Kendall Appraisal District Board of Directors following the public hearing, the proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the majority of the governing bodies of the county, school districts and cities served by the Kendall Appraisal District.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each Appraisal District office.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON KENDALL APPRAISAL DISTRICT PROPOSED 2023-2024 REAPPRAISAL PLAN

The Kendall Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on the PROPOSED 2023-2024 REAPPRAISAL PLAN on September 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Kendall Appraisal District Office, 118 Market Avenue, Boerne, Texas 78006

A copy of the proposed 2023-2024 Reappraisal Plan is available for public inspection at the office of the Kendall Appraisal District.

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“creates exceptions to zoning regulations and ordinances; but requires conditions to ensure compatibility with other properties and the area”

Mick went to comment “individual, discretionary review of location, design, configuration and use of buildings to provide for compatibility with the surrounding uses, and for the regulation or resolution of negative impacts with the Comprehensive Master Plan, and adequate offsets of any adverse effects.”

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“In conclusion Mick strongly recommends people reserve and ensure those things about her as much as possible before giving up on her. In short, do not give up hope. They may only appeal the City’s action. Either the P&Z denies the request they are not going to give a reason. However, (spoiler alert) Mick is a lawyer so legal counsel is recommended for a reason. You never know when you may be appealing in court.”

The column is sponsored by Focus on the Family and host Jim Daly.

Focus On The Family

Pétier is prettier without makeup - by Jim Daly

Make up to compliment her when she isn’t wearing makeup. If you express an interest in a session or two with a beauty consultant, gladly foot the bill as women who work in the beauty industry are glad to do so.

The second award (a CEO of the Year award) was given to Boerne City Manager, Mike McLean. The award is selected by the Focus on the Family & Family Radio programs. Call him up at www.jimdalyblog.com or www.focusonthefamily.com

APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

KENDALL COUNTY INDIGENT HEALTH CARE

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St. Stanislaus

St. Stanislaus seeks:

PT Kitchen help $15/hr.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the proposed 2023-2024 Reappraisal Plan, please contact Kendall Appraisal District at 830-833-4547 or stop by the District Office located at 9 Toepfer Road, Boerne, Texas 78006

Like most women, she’s a work in progress. Her appearance is highly individualized and unique. Matters of her appearance are highly personal and the integrity of her beauty’s unveiled by her actions and the energy here about your wife’s appearance that you express.
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Much has changed in the jewelry industry over the past couple of years. We are pleased to continue to offer the services we have become known for the past three decades, including a wide array of unique, one-of-a-kind jewelry, and to watch our customers continue to grow in sophistication and style. We at Morrell are proud to have supported the artists we believe in, and we are happy to continue to branch into the growing market of lab created diamonds and gemstones. Our goal is to use our expertise and knowledge to help you create a piece you will be happy with for a lifetime.

We want to thank our dedicated and hard working team that has weathered the storms of the last couple years. Thank you for maintaining your commitment to providing the best possible service to all our patrons. And we want to thank you for continuing to shop local and help our business not only survive but grow better and stronger than ever.

Marcel D. McFall
Owner, Boerne, TX

Come visit us - we are open

Weekly SUDOKU
by Linda Thistle

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Boerne is a film friendly city

By Denise Fortenberry

Jay Pennington is a local working actor (and also software developer) whose acting credits include roles in an episode of the Magnum P.I. TV show and an appearance in an award winning country music video. Jay also owns & Pennington Productions with business partner Gerry Olert.

Through that company Jay has produced films from start to finish; he is writer, producer, director, actor, and now marketing guru. Gerry is in charge of the technical aspects, with 25 years of experience in sound, camera operations, editing, and lighting.

Jay refers to himself as “the film auteur” – a narrative form in which he is responsible for every aspect of the film, from conception to the final cut. He believes in thoroughly developing the script before production begins, as well as having a clear vision for the end result.

The company’s most recent project, titled “Heart Cycles,” is a film that he developed and produced. It tells the story of a therapeutic rendezvous that takes place in a coffee house, where the owner’s son makes an appearance in the film. The restaurant scene is one of the most iconic in the film, and the restaurant owner is very pleased with the final result.

The film was entered into a film festival and received several awards, including Best Screenplay, Best Feature Film, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Cinematography, and Best Original Score. Jay is now marketing the film and seeking a way to make the cut at the film festivals.

The goal, Jay explained, is to gain awards and recognition to help the film become profitable. One of the most recent awards was for the film’s composition and lighting.

Currently plans are to shoot a third film titled “Heart Cycles 2,” which will be shot in a different location. Jay is looking for a location that is more suitable for the film’s themes and will allow for more creative freedom.

Boerne Community Theatre classes begin soon

By Christine Cowley

Boerne Community Theatre will conduct its Fall Semester classes beginning August 29 and continuing through November 7 with a Showcase production on Nov. 14.

Information and registration are available on the website under the Youth tab. All classes are instructed by Boerne Community Theatre program directors Patricia Ramon and Sarah Cowley with assistance provided by students.

Tuition is $275.00 per student, payable by the first class.

The Academy is located in the strip center behind the theatre at 113 S Plant, Suite DD.

Clariﬁcation of information on trees along Frederick Creek

By Chris Knack

City of Boerne - Communications Director

Not sure if you have seen posts on social media regarding the removal of trees along Frederick Creek? Please check below for accurate information regarding the project that we have shared on social media. “We want to take a moment to provide information on work that is underway on a personal property that is being constructed along Frederick Creek/W. San Antonio Road.

As part of the trenching work to construct the sewer main, the contractor is removing trees within approved utility easements. The contractor worked with all property owners to obtain the required easements to place the sewer line and also stimulated the removal permitting process.

City infrastructure improvements will be under construction throughout the project, including the construction of the sewer main. The new Baptist Hospital will now be built.

This project began during the development process with the City in 2018 and is in accordance with City Code, as well as the ordinances in place at that time. Therefore, this project is not required to follow the most current rules on tree mitigation and-thurgagagagtree- tree limits in the amended City Code.

Upon completion of the project, and once accepted by the City, it will become City infrastructure.”

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Kendall Co. 4-H to host information night

Kendall County 4-H will be hosting their 4-H Information Night on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. This is a free event that will be held at the Kendall County Youth Ag and Equine Center 648 FM 289, Comfort. We invite all families to come anytime between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on August 23. The 4-H leaders will have tables set up for families to visit and learn more about the 4-H Program. We have had a flurry of interest and enthusiasm from the students, parents, and staff at each stop. Every campus we visited was buzzing with excitement. Students were happy to see their friends and teachers, while parents were just as happy to see their students.

For more information, you can visit our website or call the 4-H office at 830-756-3621. We look forward to seeing you at the event and learning more about the amazing opportunities we have through the 4-H Program.

Meet Rusty!

By Theresa Parker

Have you ever seen a golden retriever and saluki hybrid with gorgeous spotted markings? He is very handsome and loves to follow children around and just melt your heart. He is great with other dogs and would make an amazing family dog as he loves to follow children around and is very patient with them. Rusty is about two years old and weighs about 45 pounds or so. Visit our website for more pictures and to apply to adopt Rusty.

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1st Day of School

By Bryan Bonney

The first day of school is always a special day, and this year was no different.

As Dr. Price and I visited all 12 campuses, we could feel the excitement and enthusiasm of the students, parents, and staff at each stop. Every campus we visited was buzzing with excitement. Students were happy to see their friends and teachers, while parents were just as happy to see their students.

From a safety and security standpoint, the day went off without a hitch in any major issues. The main issue was typical traffic jams that we see for a few weeks at the start of school, but that happens every year. Our students, parents, and staff did a great job with adhering to our safety protocols. Thank you to everyone involved for making the first day of school great. As we have seen in the past few years, we fully expect student enrollment to continue to increase in the next few weeks and throughout the school year.

We have had a flurry of interest and enthusiasm from parents registering their students and that will continue.

Bryan Bonney is Boerne ISD School District Director of Communications.