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When the revised rates go into effect, CPL plans to show the amount of the fuel adjustment as a separate item in each customer's bill. Sales tax also will be shown separately.

The CPL manager said the new rate increase was needed to enable the company to continue to provide dependable electric service. He emphasized that the company has had a stringent cost reduction program underway for the past several years.

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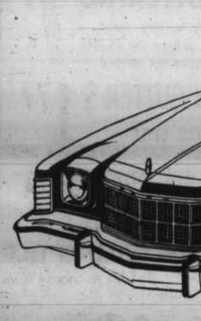

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SCS Election For Subdivision 3 Director Aug. 14

An election of particular interest to the landowners in the southwestern part of the county will be held Saturday, August 14, announced Herbert Engstrom, chairman of the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District.

A director to represent Subdivision III of the Conservation District will be elected then. Voting will be at 7 a.m. in the Garwood Lions Club Hall at Garwood, Texas.

Herbert Engstrom is the director from that area now and is eligible for re-election. Directors serve a five-year term beginning the day after the election. Anyone who owns land within the subdivision and is actively engaged in the business of farming or animal husbandry is eligible for election.

All landowners, including both the husband and wife, in the subdivision are eligible to vote.

All interested citizens are cordially invited to attend the election. For any other information on the election, please call the Columbus Field Office of the Soil Conservation Service at 732-2773.

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Bob Griffith

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study in music theory. Bob is also serving as Minister of Music for a local church in Waco, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffith of Eagle Lake, Texas.

In addition to Bob's directing duties, he is also an accomplished pianist, vocalist and instrumentalist, currently studying piano and classical guitar. He has made frequent personal appearances, both in the Baylor Religious Hour Choir, and "Best of Baylor" and a private trio.

Under Mr. Griffith's direction the Continental Singers will present an exciting selection of contemporary gospel sons, hymn and anthem arrangements, spirituals and praise songs. During their 75-day tour, the Continental Singers will perform daily, traveling from coast to coast across the United States. In addition, they will spend three weeks in Europe, touring throughout Holland, West Germany, Sweden and Denmark.

Continental Singers is a presentation of Continental Ministries, of Thousand Oaks California; Cam Floria, President.

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• Local citizens Janet Bauer, Janelle Bauer and Susan Spalinger and friend Susan Addy got some national TV coverage while attending the Olympics in Montreal. They were seen by local viewers during some of the television coverage of the activities.

• E. J. (Butch) Parma is in Methodist Hospital in Houston where he underwent serious surgery Monday of this week. Friends hope to see him up and about again real soon.

• Bob and Ola-Mae Ashby were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary (Aug. 1) during some of the activities on board the t.s.s. Mardi Gras en route from Haiti to Miami Saturday evening.

• Best wishes go out from friends to Ray and Elie Thomas on the occasion of their 23th wedding anniversary on Wednesday of this week.

• Massey Duncan, owner of the M & M Western Store, is recuperating in St. Luke's Hospital in Houston from serious back surgery. It is possible that he might be allowed to return home the latter part of this week. Friends hope to see Massey up and about at the store again real soon.

Mrs. Duncan and their son, Walker, have been looking out for things at the store during Massey's absence.

• Ed Brandon, Houston television weatherman, informed the sponsors of the Story Hour here last week that he would be unable to fulfill his commitment to appear at the story hour at the Wintermann Library Wed., July 28th as planned, due to an unforeseen commitment in Houston. No date has been set for another appearance of the TV personality in Eagle Lake.

This was a big disappointment to the youngsters, and adults, alike, but the sponsors substituted with another good program.

Cindy Morris, 23, Dies In Houston Mon.

Last rites were due to be held here at 2:30 p.m. this Wed. August 4, for Cindy Lee Morris, 23, of Houston who died in that city at 5 a.m. Monday, August 2. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Morris of Houston and the late Mrs. Virginia Mazac Morris; and the granddaughter of Mrs. Jack Morris of this city and the late Mrs. Frank Mazac.

The Rev. David Edgar, pastor of Colly Memorial United Methodist Church, officiated at the services from the chapel of Mill-Bauer Funeral Home. Interment was in the Masonic Cemetery.

She was born Jan. 30, 1953 in Houston and had resided there since that time.

Surviving are her parents; a daughter, Shayna; her grandmother, Mrs. Morris; and numerous other relatives and friends.

She was a 1971 graduate of the Spring Branch High School.

Friends join in extending deepest sympathy to the family in the loss of this loved one.

TRUCK FIRE

Eagle Lake firemen were called out early last Wednesday morning when a large truck and tractor van carrying furniture developed a brake fire near Alamo Lumber Co. on East Main. Brakes locked on the vehicle and started a fire that was extinguished with little damage.

$25,000 Damages Asked In IH10 Collision

A suit styled Early Carr of Bastrop County against Isiah Spann of Weimar was filed in district court July 28th seeking a total of $25,000.00 in damages as the result of an accident on Interstate 10 1.4 miles east of Columbus Mar. 16, 1975.

The petition sets out that the plaintiff was a passenger in a vehicle driven east by Woodie Deary when the vehicle was in collision with one Driven by Spann. Negligence by the defendant is alleged and Carr asks for a total of $25,000 for personal injuries and also for interest at the legal rate and costs of court.

$10,000 Damage Suit Filed In 1972 Accident

A collision on Jan. 27, 1972 is the subject of a damage suit filed by Melinda Bubak against H. A. Braden in district court on July 29th.

In the petition the plaintiff sets out that she was a passenger in a vehicle that was hit by one driven by Braden. The citation alleges that Braden was negligent in causing the accident at the intersection of the Bernardo Road and Lehrmann Road and a total of $10,000 is asked for injuries received, including a fractured leg. The suit also asks for interest at the legal rate plus costs of court.

No Polygraph Test For Kidnap Suspect

Because of the heavy loss of blood after he was shot in the throat, kidnap suspect Bert K. Thomure, 16, of Houston will not be given a polygraph (lie detector) test at this time, the county sheriff's office reports.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Broussard said that the alleged kidnap case will be handed directly to the grand jury this fall.

A Pasadena pharmacist, Lewis Heggen, 55, told authorities that he shot Thomure and Dudley J. Poitiere Jr., 19 of New Iberia, La. after they alleged attempted to kidnap him after he had picked up the pair as hitchhikers. After Thomure recovered sufficiently to talk, he told conflicting story about what happened, the sheriff's office reported.

Suit Filed To Collect Debt

A suit was filed by Kar Products of Illinois July 30th in District Court against Jack Wagner doing business as Eagle Lake Diesel seeking to collect an alleged past due debt.

The Illinois corporation alleges that it sold material to Wagner from Aug. 18, 1975 to Feb. 23, 1976 in the amount of $905.04 and that $325.38 had been paid leaving a past due balance of $579.66. The suit asks for judgment in that amount, plus interest and attorney fee of $175 and costs of court.

Sheriff and Mrs. Mueller Attend Sheriff's Meet

Colorado County Sheriff Geo. (Doc) Mueller and Mrs. Mueller were in San Angelo July 25-28 to attend the annual sheriff's association convention held in that city.

Included on the program was valuable information for sheriffs on new legislation and on proposed legislation relative to law enforcement. It was reported the sessions were educational and well presented.

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School Budget Approved, $29,000 In Pay Increases

Tax Rate Remains At $1.61; Pay Hikes Pass On 3-2 Vote

A record $2,498,420.00 budget for operation of the Rice Consolidated School District for the 1976-77 year, beginning September 1st, was approved by the Rice CISD board of education Monday night, but only after a long discussion on Supt. E. A. Krivacka's proposal to include $200 per year pay raises for teachers and auxiliary personnel and other increases.

The budget will be financed in part by the same tax rate in effect for 1975 taxes, $1.61 per $100 valuation, based on a 98% collection of a record $89.1 million in valuations. Of the $1.61 tax rate, $1.41 will go to local maintenance and 20 cents to bonded indebtedness and interest requirements.

The new budget was passed unanimously as it was discussed in the July 28th issue of the Headlight, with the addition of some $29,000 for pay increases.

Pay Hikes Discussed

The board spent most of the time in discussion of the budget in deciding whether or not to approve pay increases as proposed by the superintendent. The original proposed budget listed expenditures at $2,469,422 and revenue at $2,491,419 thereby creating a surplus in funds.

He proposed $200 annual pay increases to teachers and auxiliary personnel, plus additional 10% of the above schedule payment to coaches, and 6% increases to bus drivers. He estimated this would cost approximately $29,000 and would still leave some $6,000.00 surplus in the 1976-77 budget.

Hospitalization Ins. Option

Mr. Krivacka told the board that teachers and auxiliary personnel might prefer to have the district pay for hospitalization rather than be given a $200 monetary raise. He noted the cost to the district would be about the same. Cost of the insurance with a state school board association sponsored firm for a teacher would be $17.88 per month and if he or she desired to insure a full family the cost would be $62.81 per month for a teacher, spouse and children. The district would pay only $17.88 and the insured teacher the rest of the premium if any more. He proposed that the teachers and employees would vote to determine if they wanted the insurance or the cash pay increase. However, all must abide by a majority decision if the insurance proposal was to become effective.

Flurry of Motions

At least four motions were made on the matter of the pay increases. The first by Bill Appelt to approve pay hikes for teachers and auxiliary personnel only with the option of insurance or cash pay increases of $200 per year died for lack of a second.

Board member Cecil A. Smith made a motion to offer a $100 per year "across the board" increase. He noted that once a raise is given that it is hard to rescind the same adding that it appears there might be no surplus in future budgets. He added that any surplus derived in 1976-77 would help to build up to the $140,000 surplus deemed advisable for one month's operation until such time as taxes come in each year. The motion was seconded by Anthony Kallina and in the vote Smith and Kallina voted for and board members Appelt and Lavo Brisco against and board president Jase Clipson broke the tie and voted against this proposal. Board members Dr. Raymond Thomas and Jose Garcia were absent from the meeting.

Appelt made another motion to go along with the

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Rice District Sells Used Equipment

The board of education of the Rice Consolidated School District, in session Monday night, approved two faculty resignations and contracts for five new teachers to complete the school faculties for the opening of school August 19th.

Resignations were accepted from Millard (Butch) Watson who has accepted a coaching and teaching position with the Schertz-Cibolo School District; and from Johnny Clawson who will be coach and teacher at Mason in order to be near an elderly grandparent. Watson was a junior high coach in Eagle Lake for three years and Clawson was an assistant coach at Rice High School and taught history for the past two years.

The board approved contracts for:

Raymond Joseph Sykowski, 25 and single, who holds a degree from Sam Houston State University and taught for the past three years at Sacred Heart School in Halletsville. He will teach history at Eagle Lake Middle School.

Dudley C. Latimer, 29 and

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5 NEW TEACHERS HIRED TO COMPLETE RICE FACULTIES

Mrs. Richter Named County Health Nurse

The appointment of Mrs. Bernice Richter, Registered Nurse and a native of Weimar, as the new full-time County Health Nurse in this county, effective Sept. 1st, was approved by Colorado County Commissioners' Court Monday.

Mrs. Richter will be compensated on the basis of the amount approved in the 1976 budget, $10,200 per year plus an allowance of $50 per month for travel, based on 15c per mile on claims to be filed with the county.

She will fill a vacancy which has existed for over a year. Dr. Raymond R. Thomas, County Health Officer, stressed the need for a full-time county health nurse ahd recommended the appointment as did County Judge Lester Cranek who said that he has "been harassed" about the existing vacancy.

Mrs. Richter, daughtgr of the Rudy Golds of Weimar, is a graduate at Scott and White Hospital and worked there for a year, but for the past six years has been director of nurses at the Parkview Manor nursing home in Weimar.

Judge Cranek stressed to the new health nurse that her duties will be under the scrutiny of the court and that she would be expected to make monthly reports on her activities.

Precinct four Commissioner Bill Stiles noted that he has been opposed to a full-time county health nurse and was skeptical of such needs, but he voted for the appointment but also indicated that the context of the monthly reports will determine whether or not he can continue support of a full-time county health nurse in this county.

RHS Yearbooks Arrive

Students of Rice High School who ordered a 1975-76 Annual and have not gotten theirs, may do so at the principal's office at the school Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., said school officials.

Mon., Aug. 16 Registration Date At St. Mary's

St. Mary's School in Nada will begin classes for the 1976-77 school year on Thursday, August 19th.

Sisters at the school advise that Monday, August 16th has been designated as the date for late registration. It is also the date set aside for the parents to meet the teachers and confirm the registration of their children.

HAY BALER, TRACTOR STOLEN HERE, RECOVERED

Two Wallis Men Arrested On Felony Theft Charges

At approximately 3:00 p.m. Sunday, August 1, the Colorado County Sheriff's Office received a call from Chief Deputy Sheriff Cotton Novicke of Austin County trying to ascertain if there had been any hay binos reported stolen in Colorado County. At that time there had been none reported missing. Chief Deputy Novicke stated that he had located a hay bine which he believed to be stolen and to notify him should a report of one stolen in Colorado County be received.

At 2:00 p.m. Monday, August 2, the Sheriff's Office was notified by Acting Police Chief Buford Ashley of Eagle Lake that Ralph (Rusty) Thomas had reported a hay baler missing from his place three miles west of Eagle Lake off of Highway 90-A.

Chief Deputy Jim Broussard and Officer Ashley and Game Warden Sam Center proceeded to Bellville where contact was made with Chief Deputy Novicke. Officers went to a farm a few miles out of Bellville where the hay bine had last been seen. When officers arrived at that location, the machine was no longer at that location. Investigation of the incident continued that evening and enough information was obtained for the Colorado County Sheriff's Department to obtain a warrant for the arrest of Johnnie L. Reznicek, 27 years of age, from Wallis.

Reznicek was arrested by Sheriff Truman Maddox at Bellville at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 3rd. Reznicek confessed to the theft of the hay bine on the night of July 29th, and took officers to the location where he had abandoned the hay machine on July 30th. Information received was that Reznicek had an accomplice and further investigation revealed that the accomplice was a Ronald Wayne Klatt, 19 years of age, from Rt. 1, Sealy. A warrant for Klatt's arrest was obtained by the Colorado County Sheriff's Department.

The evening of August the 3rd, Sheriff Maddox and Deputy Don Easton of Austin County, and Chief Deputy Jim Broussard and Deputy Paul Hromadka of Colorado County arrested Klatt at his residence near Wallis.

During interrogation of the two subjects, it was learned that they had also stolen a Massey Ferguson tractor from W. A. Virnau and Sons, Inc. at Eagle Lake in September of 1975. The men showed officers where the tractor was located at Klatt's residence and the tractor was recovered at that time. Attached to the tractor at the time was a large shredder which both subjects confessed to stealing from a dealer in Waller in September of 1975. At the time the Massey Ferguson tractor was taken from Eagle Lake, it did not have a power lift nor a seat attached. When recovered, it had both of these items attached. The two suspects confessed to stealing the power lift and seat from another tractor in Wallis, said Broussard.

Both men were returned to Columbus and placed in the Colorado County jail on two counts of felony theft. Both are out of jail on $1000.00 bond each subject to action by the September grand jury. Broussard added that the two men will be filed on in other counties for felony theft also.

Barbara Korenek Second Fatality In Nada Wreck

Barbara Jean Korenek, 20, of Garwood, died Wednesday, Aug. 4, in a Houston hospital from injuries suffered in a two-car collision July 25 near Nada.

She had been in the hospital since the day of the wreck. Miss Korenek was a passenger in a car driven by Mary Ann Henneke, 21, of Nada, who was traveling west on county road 115. Miss Henneke was treated at an El Campo hospital for facial cuts.

The driver of the other car, Joseph R. Hoffman, 35, of El Campo, was heading south on county road 113 when the collision occurred. Hoffman was killed in the accident.

Rosary was recited at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at the Triska Funeral Home Chapel in El Campo. Requiem mass was at 4 p.m. Friday in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Nada.

Miss Korenek is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Korenek of Garwood; three sisters, Mrs. Gary Windel of Louise, Miss Madeline Korenek of Garwood, and Sister Evelyn Korenek of Victoria; five brothers, Leonard Korenek, Jr., of El Campo, Stephen, Allen, Kenneth and Patrick, all of Garwood; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Korenek of Garwood; and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Canik of Frelsburg.

Ag. Bldg. Bids Are Delayed Again

Another delay was announced at the County Commissioners' Court meeting Monday on the calling for bids for the reconstruction of the County Agriculture Building and several parties appeared before the Commissioners' Court to express requests for additions to the building.

County Judge Lester Cranek said at the opening of the discussion that plans being prepared by the architect are not ready for prospective

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Freight Train Clips Pickup Truck on McCarty

An eastbound Southern Pacific freight train clipped the rear end of a pickup truck at the intersection on McCarty Street in the downtown area at 9:50 a.m. last Friday. Damage to the pickup was light and there were no injuries.

The pickup truck, owned by Carl Austin, was driven south on McCarty by Howard Godbold. He told investigating officer Bufford Ashley that he failed to see the train. The truck almost cleared the crossing before the engine hit the right rear side of the vehicle spinning it around on the street.

DPS Joins In Police Dept. Investigation Here

Evidence May Go To Grand Jury

The Department of Public Safety will enter into the investigation of inconsistencies in the records of the Eagle Lake Police Department it was learned this week.

County Attorney Jim Whitcomb said this week that he has been in conference with District Attorney Houston Munson and Texas Ranger Ray Scholton was asked to look into the situation for possible further action. Ranger Scholton was due to be in Eagle Lake this Wednesday to begin his investigation of the matter.

Also it was indicated that the Texas Attorney General's office may investigate shortages confirmed by an audit made public last week since it is anticipated that some of the missing funds may be state funds.

Whitcomb commented that it is possible that a special grand jury session will be called in the event the ranger's investigation reveals that inconsistencies are in violation of the law. If such is the case, it is anticipated that the grand jury, whether it be a special grand jury or the regular term due to convene Sept. 7th, will get the information gathered direct without charges being filed.

Meanwhile the U. S. Fire Insurance Co., which secured the city officials with a $10,000 bond, has begun an investigation of the matter. City Attorney Bill Shuert was authorized by the Eagle Lake City Council July 27th to negotiate with the bonding company for recovery of funds that might be due to the City of Eagle Lake.

A special audit of the records of the police department, made by CPA Wm. Pierce Arthur of Columbus and made public last week, confirmed inconsistencies in the police department and in records. The audit found a total of $8,324.86 in funds unaccounted for in comparing receipts and the docket of the corporation court; plus a quantity of missing receipts. Also records were found only back to Feb. 25, 1975 and the remainder of the records are reported to be missing.

Applications Taken

City Manager T. J. Smith was authorized by the council to begin taking applications for the position of Chief of Police, vacated by the resignation of former Chief Roy Chisum at the conclusion of the session July 27th. He said this week that several job application forms have been called for but only one application had been filed Tuesday. Several applications had also been received for the position of patrolman for this city.

Former city patrolman Bufford Ashley is serving as Acting Police Chief for this city following his appointment to that position after Chief Chisum's resignation.

Anniversary Sale

Duncan and Son is holding a big thirtieth anniversary sale on Friday and Saturday of this week and the Duncans invite citizens to come by to take advantage of the savings in time for back to school wardrobes.

RICE SCHOOLS ARE SET FOR OPENING THURS., AUG. 19

Everything is in readiness for the opening of the 1976-77 school year at the schools in the Rice Consolidated Independent School District on Thursday morning, August 19th.

Classes will officially begin at all schools in the district at the regular hour on August 19th and classes will be held for the full day with all services, including cafeteria services, available. Buses will run on regular schedule on the first day of school.

Supt. E. A. Krivacka said that the elementary students will observe the same bus schedules which were in effect last year. High school students will be notified of their bus schedule when they pick up their schedules Monday, August 16th.

All faculty members begin workshops on Friday, August 13th and they will continue through Wednesday, August 18th.

Enrollment To Drop

Enrollment for the 1976-77 year is expected to be down compared to last year. Early figures from the principals indicate that around 1645 are expected for the start of the new year. Last year the pre-school estimates totaled 1700.

Estimates by the principals showed that of the total expected to enroll for the 1976-77 school year, there will be 370 in Eagle Lake Primary, 463 in Eagle Lake Middle School, 112 in Sheridan Elementary, 145 in Garwood Elementary, and 555 in Rice High School.

Information on the various aspects of back to school may be found elsewhere in this issue of the Headlight.

Reports from the principals at the five schools in the district give this information for the interest of parents and students:

Rice High School

Classes at Rice High School will begin at 8:20 a.m. on Thursday, August 19th, advises the principal Fred Grahmann. The daily sessions will end at 3:15 p.m. and buses will depart from the school at 3:20.

The principal said that approximately 555 high school pupils have been enrolled, down about seven from 1975-76.

High school students should pick up their schedules Monday at the respective schools. See page

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Teacher Workshops Begin Friday

All personnel occupying teaching positions and support units, including aides, in the Rice School District, will be required to participate in In-Service Training Workshops beginning this Friday and continuing through Wed., August 18th.

New activities in the in-service training will be a first aid training course (8 hours), a mandate of the school board; and drug education, a Texas Education Agency requirement for accreditation.

Monday at 1:30 p.m. there will be a general assembly in the Rice High School Commons where various phases of the school program will be discussed and remarks will be made by the school board president, Mrs. Jane Clipson.

Following the address by Mrs. Clipson, Supt. E. A. Krivacka will preside at the presentation of service awards to various teachers and auxiliary personnel.

Last Rites For Nick Marsalia 10 A.M. Thurs.

Funeral services will be held from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, August 12th for long-time resident Nick Marsalia. Mr. Marsalia, a prominent rice farmer here for many years, died Tuesday afternoon after a long illness in Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Rosary will be recited at Mill-Bauer chapel at 8:15 p.m. this Wed., Aug. 11th. Interment will be in Lakeside Cemetery.

A full obituary will be published next week.

New ELMS Students Register Fri. or Mon.

Students that are new to the Rice School District and who will be attending the Eagle Lake Middle School for the first time this year should register on either Friday, August 13 or Monday, August 16 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the school office. They should bring their report card, book card and health records with them.

Students that attended the Primary School last year and who were promoted to the fourth grade have already been registered, said Principal James Crabb.

Continental Singers Perform Here Wed., Aug. 18

The internationally known Continental Singers and Orchestra will present a live concert of contemporary Christian music next Wednesday, August 18th, at the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake at 7:30 p.m. The Singers are directed by Bob Griffith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffith of Eagle Lake. The Singers include another Eagle Lake native, Scott Powers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Powers.

The Continental Singers have been on tour in every section of the United States, as well as ten European countries, Canada, the West Indies, Japan, Taiwan, Singapore, the Philippines and the Communist countries of Poland, East Germany, and Czechoslovakia. Concerts are held in military bases, hospitals, churches, auditoriums, and outdoor pavilions.

No admission will be charged but a free will offering will be received for the Singers.

Pastor Melburn Sibley of the sponsoring church invites the public to share in a rich music opportunity.

City Gets $97,000 Sewer Grant

The offices of United States Senators Lloyd Bentsen and John Tower and Congressman J. J. (Jake) Pickle advised the Headlight by phone calls Monday that a $97,000 Community Development Block Grant was approved for the City of Eagle Lake this week.

The grant will be used by the city for the extension of sanitary sewer service to areas not now serviced, including West Main Street, the Hubbard-Ferry Road area, and Austin Road.

These are the last remaining areas of the city not currently serviced by the city's sanitary sewer system.