



photo by **Lara Love**

### Lemonade anyone?

Young entrepreneurs set up a lemonade stand on the corner of Fifth and Broadway Streets last week and stayed busy selling lemonade and other cool treats.

## Pot advocates introduce ballot initiatives

by Ellen Fike  
Wyoming Tribune Eagle  
Via Wyoming News Exchange

CHEYENNE — A number of cannabis advocates and members of the Libertarian Party made history Friday as they submitted two marijuana-related ballot initiatives, kicking off a campaign that will last until next November.

A number of organizations joined forces outside of the Wyoming State Capitol in a news conference where they discussed the importance of legalizing medical marijuana and decriminalizing marijuana for personal usage in the state.

About two dozen people were in attendance to support the ballot initiatives.

“People should be able to make their own choices in life,” Rep. Marshall Burt, L-Green River, said. “The key to making your own choices is that you don’t hurt anyone else. We’ll be here...for the freedom for people to make medical decisions for themselves.”

Burt added that medical marijuana in the state would cut down on opioid usage, as those drugs can be highly addictive, especially among

severely ill patients and veterans.

The Legislature previously considered a recreational marijuana bill, but it was killed once it got out of committee.

This is what led to the ballot initiatives being submitted through this route, as these organizers and advocates wanted to show government officials that the legalization of medical marijuana is important to the people of Wyoming.

One of the ballot initiatives would legalize medical marijuana for personal use in Wyoming, as this state is only one of four left in the nation where marijuana is fully criminalized (the other three are Idaho, Kansas and South Carolina).

The other initiative would decriminalize, not legalize, marijuana for personal use.

A survey done by the University of Wyoming’s Survey and Analysis Center in October showed that 85% of residents who were questioned supported legalizing medical marijuana. The poll also showed that 75% of surveyed residents supported decriminalization of the drug and 54% supported full legalization.

In addition to the Liber-

tarian Party, there were also representatives from Utah’s TRUCE organization, Wyoming NORML and the Wyoming Patients Coalition.

Wyoming NORML executive director Bennett Sondeno talked of his late friend, Bill, who passed away a few years ago after being exposed to Agent Orange during the Vietnam War.

“I said, ‘Bill, if you’re dying, would you consider trying cannabis?’ and he did,” Sondeno said. “He took all these drugs he was taking and quit them cold turkey, which I am not suggesting, but he managed to survive four and a half years after he should have died. Cannabis changed his life.”

Kemmerer resident Madonna Long was critically injured during a school bus accident when she was in high school that left her with a spinal cord injury. Cannabis helps with the spasms she suffers from due to her injury.

“People should be able to have the freedom to decide what they do, based on their chronic illness or disability,” Long said.

Following the news conference, the advocates headed to the Wyoming Secretary of State’s office to submit the ballot initiatives.

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## Public notices

### WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the State Transportation Commission of Wyoming has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming, acting through said Commission, and **S & L Industrial, The Contractor, on Highway Project Number B179039 in Lincoln, Teton, Sweetwater, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan, Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park, Washakie and Sublette Counties, consisting of installing signs and miscellaneous work** and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on **July 14, 2021**.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is **June 3, 2021**.

STATE TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION OF WYOMING

By:  
Pam Fredrick  
Senior Budget Analyst  
Budget Program

Pub. June 3, 10, & 17, 2021 No. 8960

CALL FOR BIDS—Worland High School  
Gym Bleacher Replacement

Washakie County School District No. 1 is now accepting bids for gym replacement bleachers at Worland High School. It will be necessary to do a walk through before the bid date. To arrange a walk through you may contact us at 307-347-9286 or via email to [wbaumstarck@wsh1.k12.wy.us](mailto:wbaumstarck@wsh1.k12.wy.us). All Project specifications are also available

via email to [wbaumstarck@wsh1.k12.wy.us](mailto:wbaumstarck@wsh1.k12.wy.us) or by contacting the district office at 307-347-9286. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 15, 2021.

Pub. June 17, 2021 No. 8968

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Terry and Jill Tonn propose to change the land use category of a portion of their property from the Industrial Land Use Category to the Agricultural Land Use Category. The subject property is 30.8 acres located in the south half of the northeast quarter, Section 17, Township 43 North, Range 96 West.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Land Use Planning Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 in the Commissioners’ Meeting Room of the County Annex Building. Anyone requiring additional information should call the County Planning Office at 864-2961. Those unable to attend are invited to comment in writing to: County Planning, 415 Arapahoe St., Thermopolis, WY 82443, or by e-mail at [hscplanner@hscounty.com](mailto:hscplanner@hscounty.com).

Pub. June 10 & 17, 2021 No. 8963

STATE OF ) IN THE  
WYOMING ) DISTRICT COURT  
) ss.  
) FIFTH JUDICIAL  
COUNTY OF ) DISTRICT  
HOT SPRINGS ) FILE NO. 2141

IN THE MATTER )  
OF THE OWL CREEK )  
IRRIGATION DISTRICT )

The Commissioners of the Owl Creek Irrigation District having filed with the Clerk of the District Court of Hot Springs County, Wyoming their REPORT AND PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2022 for said District, and therein itemizing money to be raised by assessment against lands

comprising said District in the amount of \$124,926.84, which is by assessment of \$19.63 per acre against 4,415.07 acres of land in the Lower Area or Lucerne and Dempsey Areas of said District and \$4.12 per acre against 6,059.33 acres of land, more or less, comprising what is commonly known as the Middle Area for said District; and \$4.12 per acre against 3,226.84 acres of land, more or less, comprising what is commonly known as the Upper Area of said District, together with income from other sources for a total proposed budget of \$140,714.80 as revenue, available for operations and all for the purpose of operation and maintenance of existing facilities, and to meet and pay expenses heretofore incurred and expenses that will hereafter be incurred, and to meet possible delinquencies; and it is, therefore,

ORDERED that on the 21st day of June, 2021, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., before the District Court in the Courtroom of the above-entitled Court at Thermopolis, Wyoming, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, is hereby fixed as the time and place for an examination of said REPORT AND PROPOSED BUDGET, and for the hearing of any objections thereto, and for fixing and determining the actual amount to be raised by assessment against lands within said District for the budget year July 2021 through June 2022, and it is furthermore

ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published at least twice in the Thermopolis Independent Record, prior to said hearing. DONE AND ORDERED this 28th day of May, 2021.

/s/ Bobbi Overfield  
Dsitric Court Judge

Pub. June 10 & 17, 2021 No. 8965

STATE OF ) IN THE  
WYOMING ) DISTRICT COURT  
) ss.

COUNTY OF ) FIFTH JUDICIAL  
HOT SPRINGS ) DISTRICT  
PROBATE NO.  
2021-8

IN THE MATTER OF )  
THE ESTATE )  
OF )  
EDWARD P. MORIARITY, )  
Deceased. )

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

You are hereby notified that on the 10th day of May, 2021, the estate of EDWARD P. MORIARITY was admitted to probate by the above named court. Further, that Brett Weber and Stephen McMahon were appointed as Personal Representatives thereof.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the Decedent, or to her estate, are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at 159 N. Wolcott St., Suite 400, Casper, Wyoming 82601.

Creditors having claims against the Decedent or the Estate are required to file claims in duplicate with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of the Fifth Judicial District Court on or before three (3) months after the date of first publication of this notice. If such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred, pursuant to Wyoming Law.

DATED this 4th day of June, 2021.

ESTATE OF EDWARD P. MORIARITY

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