

## \$3.4 million earmarked for water project

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The Board of Public Utilities came out ahead after Monday's meeting of the County Commission.

Commissioners approved the application for just under \$3.4 million from the state-managed American Recovery Act funds for use by the BPU.

The funding will go toward the project along Highway 31A, expanding water flow capacity for the northern half of the county.

Commissioners also ap-

proved returning \$300,000 of the funds so that Chapel Hill, which is partnering with BPU on sections of the project, to apply for separately.

One of the targeted uses for ARPA funds is in water and waste water system improvements.

Public Utilities will also benefit from a grant application with Tennessee Emergency Management, approved by the commission.

The \$500,000 grant, with only a ten percent match from the utility, will provide emergency generators for the wa-

ter department pumping stations, keeping water flowing during outages.

The commission adopted two new job descriptions, both custodial positions, for county government, indicating that the county is planning to bring those duties in house.

For years, the county has contracted with private cleaning services which have not satisfied all of the county departments.

"A lot of our departments have wanted us to bring this in house for the last few years," said Mayor Mike Keny.

Estimated cost for adding custodians to the county payroll is roughly the same as the current contracted cost.

The commission approved funds for an emergency repair at the county's solid waste facility.

The delivery bay rolling door was struck by a non-county vehicle delivering recyclables to the facility.

Keny said that, despite enlarging the door to prevent a reoccurrence, the same bay had been struck in the past week.

Commissioners approved

the reappointment of and a contract for County Attorney Barbara Medley to serve another two year term.

The commission approved the appointment of Paul Clifford to the Library Board and the extension of five commissioners to the Municipal Regional Solid Waste Board.

Patty Fagan, Brian Cook, and Richard Finley were appointed for a one year term as judicial commissioners.

Dr. Timothy Nash was approved as the new medical director for the county emergency medical service.

## From Cornersville to the Philippines

Special to the Tribune

Kaydence Williams, who attends Cornersville High School, and her father, Anthony, have a friend who resides in the Philippines. Kaydence and Anthony made plans to visit their friend, Julie, during fall break. Shortly after they planned their trip, the Hindang National High School, the school Julie attends, caught fire.

The Philippine government will fund the rebuilding of the school but will not replace items that were destroyed. It's the responsibility of the community and the school to replace supplies and the items needed. Families in the Philippines have an average income of less than \$500 per year; therefore, they do not have the funds to purchase books, paper, pencils, etc.

After Kaydence learned of the fire, she reached out to businesses as well as citizens in Lewisburg. She received about \$1,500 worth of donated money and school supplies. Once in the Philippines, she exchanged the money



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**Anthony, Julie, Kaydence, staff members and students of HNHS.**

Marshall County took advantage of the beautiful weather last weekend to welcome back the Goats, Music, and More fest after a two year hiatus.

Good crowds turned out for the festival's return, accomplished in a tight timeframe by the non-profit set up to produce the event separate from the city of Lewisburg.

It's good to see Lewisburg's signature event make a comeback after COVID cancellations.

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## The return of the goats



## A busy and happy Halloween

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Halloween falling this year on a Monday isn't a trick; it's a treat for the dedicated candy hunter.

Four days of events, both large and small, offer more opportunities

for trick or treating.

On Thursday, the Lewisburg campus of Columbia State will be holding a trunk or treat from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

On Friday, the Young Professionals of Marshall County Pumpkin

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