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PUBLIC NOTICE
Town of Lesterville
ACCEPTANCE OF MOWING BIDS**

Bids will be accepted until **5:00 p.m. Monday, April 8th** for mowing of vacant lots and railroad right-of-way property within the corporate limits of Lesterville. Landfill and lagoon cell areas are excluded from the bidding process. Bids may be hand-delivered to the Finance Office or deposited in the town's "drop box" in front of the fire hall building by the deadline. All envelopes must contain a notation of "Mowing Bid" on the front of the envelope. The Lesterville Town Board reserves the right to accept or deny any or all bids.

Questions regarding the submission of mowing bids can be directed to the Town Finance Office (364-7793). Dated this 12th day of March 2013

Janelle Munkvold
Finance Officer

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Pa. Groundhog's Handler Taking Blame For Forecast

PITTSBURGH (AP) — An Ohio prosecutor who light-heartedly filed a criminal indictment against the famous Pennsylvania groundhog who fraudulently "predicted" an early spring said he may consider a pardon now that the animal's handler is taking the blame.

Bill Deeley, president of the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club's Inner Circle, told The Associated Press on Monday that the animal rightly predicted six more weeks of winter last month, but he mistakenly announced an early spring because he failed to correctly interpret Phil's "groundhog-ese."

"I'm the guy that did it; I'll be the fall guy. It's not Phil's fault," Deeley said.

Butler County, Ohio, prosecutor Mike Gmoser told the AP that he's reconsidering the charges in light of the new evidence and may issue a full pardon.

"Frankly, he is a cute little rascal, a cute little thing," Gmoser said. "And if somebody is willing to step up to the plate and take the rap, I'm willing to listen."

The Groundhog Day celebration in Punxsutawney, a borough about 65 miles northeast of Pittsburgh, attracts worldwide attention each year. But the attention stretched well beyond Feb. 2 when Gmoser last week issued an indictment as winter-like weather continued across much of the nation even as spring began.

"Punxsutawney Phil did purposely, and with prior calculation and design cause the people to believe that spring would come early," Gmoser's indictment said. The penalty? Death, Smoser said, tongue firmly in cheek.

Deeley said this is the second year in a row he's misinterpreted Phil's forecast. "Remember, last year at this time it was 80 degrees and Phil had predicted six more weeks of winter," Deeley said.

Under normal circumstances, Deeley's interpretation of the forecast is infallible, as long as he clings to the gnarly, magical "Arcadian" cane while the rodent whispers the forecast into his ear. Deeley still doesn't know what went wrong, but he said the borough is nonetheless pleased to still be in the news more than six weeks later — although there's more snow on the ground, and local schools were closed Monday.

"We couldn't have generated this much publicity with a \$10,000 ad campaign," he said.

Rallies Held Across North Dakota In Protest Of Anti-Abortion Measures

BY JAMES MACPHERSON
Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. — More than 300 abortion-rights activists carried signs and chanted, "Veto! Veto! Veto!" in a demonstration Monday at the state Capitol protesting a package of measures that would give the state the toughest abortion restrictions in the nation.

The newly formed Stand Up For Women North Dakota also planned rallies Monday in Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot, said Robin Nelson, one of the organizers of the demonstration.

"The intent is to stop the attack on women's rights in our state," said Nelson, of Fargo.

Russell and Jenn Landphere of Bismarck brought their two infant sons with them to the Capitol.

"The priorities of this state are not in the right place," said Russell Landphere, who took a late lunch from his job as a civil engineer to attend the rally with his family.

"We're here as a family supporting women's rights," Jenn Landphere said. "We feel it's a woman's choice or a family's choice — not the government's choice."

North Dakota lawmakers moved Friday to outlaw abor-

tion in the state by passing a resolution defining life as starting at conception, essentially banning abortion in the state. The North Dakota House approved the bill 57-35 Friday, sending it to voters likely in November 2014. The Senate approved it last month.

Representatives also endorsed two other anti-abortion bills Friday. One would ban abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy based on the disputed premise that fetuses feel pain at that point. Lawmakers also passed another measure that requires a doctor who performs abortions to be a physician with hospital-admitting privileges.

The Republican-controlled Legislature had already passed measures that would ban abortion as early as six weeks, or as soon as a fetal heartbeat is detected, and because of genetic defects such as Down syndrome. Together, those bills would give North Dakota the strictest abortion laws in the nation.

The measure requiring doctors with hospital-admitting privileges to perform abortions, the genetic defects bill and the so-called fetal heartbeat measure were the first to reach Gov. Jack Dalrymple's desk Monday afternoon. The Republican, who

hasn't yet indicated whether he supports the measures, has three legislative days to act on the bills.

The proposed North Dakota legislation is aimed at shutting down the state's sole abortion clinic in Fargo and backers say it's a direct challenge to the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade ruling that legalized abortion up until viability, which is usually at 22 to 24 weeks.

The demonstration Monday took place both outside the Capitol and inside the building while the Legislature was holding floor sessions in both chambers. An increased number of North Dakota state troopers patrolled the Capitol during the rally. No incidents were reported.

Dina Butcher, a private investigator from Bismarck, drew loud cheers after telling the crowd that the lawmakers should not be "legislating women's reproductive rights." The demonstrators could be heard by lawmakers who were meeting in their chambers down the hall.

"I am a Republican who believes in the very conservative principle of less government intrusion in my life," she said. "Where are the real conservatives when you need them?"

Loan

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close."

The debt service requirements to the city would be reduced by more than \$15,295 annually for the next 11 years.

Commissioner Charlie Gross asked how much the refinancing

is costing the city.

"We're spending (approximately) \$40,000 to save an additional \$168,000," Viereck responded.

Does the city have other debts suitable for refinancing, Commissioner David Knoff inquired.

"We don't have any others right at the moment," Viereck said.

The commission unani-

mously approved refinancing the loan.

In other business Monday, the commission:

- scheduled budget workshops for April 22 and April 23;
- held an executive session for contractual matters; and
- established the date of its second May meeting for Tuesday, May 28, because of Memorial Day.

Becker

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mount;

c. Accurate school board minutes should be a matter of course;

d. Public participation in school board meeting should be reviewed.

4. What are your thoughts on the school sentinel bill?

a. The Legislature was careful and I believe correct in allowing that decision to be made at a local

level. I already know of other schools in the state that have trained officers in their schools because they felt it was believed to be prudent. We have that choice also.

b. I have also seen where someone hired an armed guard to attend board meetings and am checking if this was within that body's authority.

5. Final thoughts?

My thanks to all who vote and a warning to those who feel that "someone else will handle it." Apathy got us to the point we're at both at the federal government and local levels. We have a duty to

\$338M Powerball Winner Says He'll Help Family

BY DAVID PORTER
Associated Press

PASSAIC, N.J. — The winner of a \$338 million Powerball jackpot told several media outlets Monday that his first priority will be helping his family.

Pedro Quezada, 44, entered Eagle Liquors store, where the ticket was sold, late Monday afternoon. The Passaic store owner ran Quezada's ticket through the lottery machine to validate that it was a winner as a newspaper and television outlets recorded the moment.

The New Jersey Lottery confirmed that the winning ticket was validated at the store at 4:30 p.m. Monday, but officials said they didn't yet know the winner's name.

Quezada, an immigrant from the Dominican Republic, told reporters in Spanish that he was "very happy" and that he intends to help his family.

His wife, Ines Sanchez, told the Bergen Record that Quezada called her with the news Monday afternoon.

"I still can't believe it," she said. "We never expected it but thank God."

The numbers drawn Saturday were 17, 29, 31, 52, 53 and Powerball 31. A lump sum payout would be \$221 million, or about \$152 million after taxes. It's the fourth-largest jackpot in Powerball history.

The family's apartment sits at the end of a short dead end block that abuts a highway in Passaic, 15 miles northwest of New York City. Neighbors stood out in the rain Monday night and spoke with pride that one of their own had struck it rich.

Eladia Vazquez has lived

across the street from Quezada's building for the past 25 years. The block has a half-dozen three-story brick apartment buildings on each side, and Vazquez says it's a neighborhood where everyone knows everyone, including what car they drive and what parking space they use.

Vazquez described Quezada and his wife as "quiet and not overly talkative" but sensed that they seemed to be working all the time.

"This is super for all of us on this block," she said. "They deserve it because they are hard-working people."

Richard Delgado, who lives down the block from Quezada's building, said the man was "a hard worker, like all of us here. We all get up in the morning and go to work."

Delgado said he got up Sunday morning and was going to take his dog for a walk when he heard the radio announce the Powerball results.

"When I heard there was one winner and it was in New Jersey, I immediately went and checked my tickets," Delgado said. "I wanted to be that guy."

When asked what it would be like to suddenly win such a large amount, Delgado said a person would have to set priorities.

"No. 1 is your health, because if you don't have that, the rest doesn't matter," he said. "No. 2 is your family. You take care of your own and live the rest of your life in peace. That's all anyone can do."

No one had won the Powerball jackpot since early February, when Dave Honeywell in Virginia bought the winning ticket and elected a cash lump sum for his \$217 million jackpot.

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