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County Approves Subdivision Ordinance

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After several years of work, a subdivision regulation ordinance — Yankton County Ordinance No. 20 — was approved Tuesday by the Yankton County Commission.

The Yankton County Planning Commission, along with Planning and Zoning Administrator Patrick Garrity, labored on the document as time allowed during those years.

When it was presented to the County Commission for a first reading in February, some of those that would be most affected by it asked that they be given an opportunity to provide input before final approval. The commission responded by forming a committee to work through the ordinance and scheduling two public meetings.

Commissioner John Harper was the sole commissioner to vote against the document when it was first presented. However, he said Tuesday that the changes made during the public input process had made him a supporter.

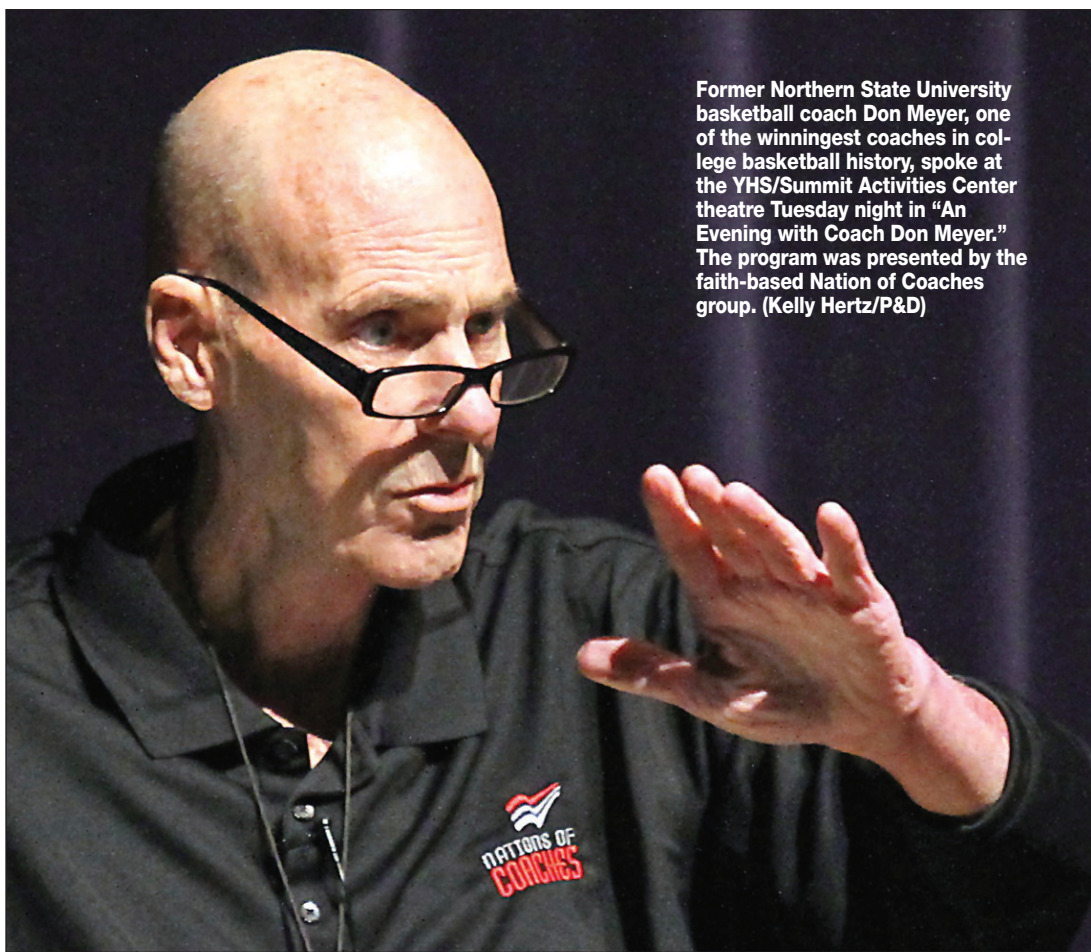
"It was a pleasure the way this committee worked," he said, noting there were realtors, developers, land owners and other segments represented during the meetings. "We had a lot of input from the public. We managed to narrow a lot of definitions."

Lee Rettig, a local contractor and realtor, was among those who asked for time to work through the ordinance before making it law.

"This board did show some

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Fueled By Faith



Former Northern State University basketball coach Don Meyer, one of the winningest coaches in college basketball history, spoke at the YHS/Summit Activities Center theatre Tuesday night in "An Evening with Coach Don Meyer." The program was presented by the faith-based Nation of Coaches group. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)

Legendary Coach Don Meyer Brings Inspirational Message to Yankton

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Former Northern State University (NSU) coach Don Meyer used the example of what he taught his former players to emphasize his message of leaving the world a better place to an audience gathered in the YHS/Summit Activities Center Theater Tuesday evening.

"We always had a rule at Lipscomb (University) for our camps," Meyer said. "Everybody takes notes — because the 500 richest people in the United States do it, so we might as well try it. Everybody says 'please' and 'thank you,' 'yes sir,' 'no sir,' 'yes ma'am,' 'no ma'am' and everybody picks up trash. Every school I go to, I pick up trash. I can tell a lot about a school walking down the hall way. 'Did they pick up their trash? Did they leave it a better place than it was when they got there?'"

"We played in a regional one year and lost to the national champion. Our pizza order's been screwed up and we've got a 10-hour bus ride. As a coach I'm very

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upset, then we can't find all the players — we're missing one. ... So I go in the locker room and there (he) is picking up trash in the locker room. We need more (people like him). We need people that leave a place better than it was when they got there, whether it's a locker room or a family or a business or a charity."

"An Evening With Coach Don Meyer," presented by Nation of Coaches, gave Meyer a chance to express how his faith helped him in both coaching and moving forward after a car accident and cancer nearly ended

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Daugaard \$1.7M Ahead Of Three Challengers

BY BOB MERCER
State Capitol Bureau

The four announced candidates seeking to be South Dakota's next governor show a big spread in the money they've raised, and spent, for their campaigns, according to their state-required finance reports.

The incumbent, Republican Gov. Dennis Daugaard, appeared to have little difficulty rounding up money last year in preparation for his 2014 run for re-election.

He finished 2013 with \$1,721,332 cash on hand in his campaign account, according to his campaign finance statement filed with the South Dakota secretary of state.

The two candidates competing for the Democratic nomination to challenge Daugaard however were in the opposite shape.

Joe Lowe of Piedmont brought in \$1,200 from itemized contributions and zero from contributions of \$100 or less that don't need to be individually reported.

Lowe received an in-kind contribution of printed envelopes valued at \$100. He reported spending \$1,093.

State Rep. Susan Wismer of Britton didn't announce a candidacy until early this year. Her committee paperwork and financial interest statement were filed Feb. 12.

Consequently Wismer didn't need to file a governor's campaign finance report for 2013.

The 2012 year-end report she



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Financial Leaders Debate Taxing Issues

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To tax or not to tax? That was the question asked Tuesday night during a forum on whether decades-long tax breaks should be lifted for credit unions and the Farm Credit Services of America.

The Yankton Chamber of Commerce's Governmental Affairs Committee sponsored the forum at the Yankton Middle School theater. About two dozen people attended the event, which offered an opportunity for written audience comments and questions.

The panelists included Dave Wright of the Services Center Federal Credit Union, James Nygren with the Farm Credit Services of America and Lynn Peterson of CorTrust Bank.

Peterson argued the credit unions and Farm Credit Services have strayed from their original missions and receive an unfair advantage with their tax exemptions.

"I have been in the financial industry for 22 years," he said. "I have seen the taxation issues and



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Dave Wright (left) with Services Center Federal Credit Union listens to a point from James Nygren of Farm Credit Services of America during Tuesday's tax forum at the Yankton Middle School theater. Not pictured is panelist Lynn Peterson of CorTrust Bank.

the lack thereof."

As for following a mission, Wright argued that credit unions need to remain flexible.

"Does Mr. Peterson think I should still have a wall phone at my office, and that I should do my record keeping by hand?" he said. "People are now banking online. We are changing to what our members want for financial services."

Peterson said he supported modernization for credit unions and Farm Credit Services. "But the only thing that hasn't changed (over the years) has

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Health, Fiscal Costs Cited In Neb. Medicaid Debate

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A proposal to extend health-care coverage to low-income Nebraskans is once again stirring debate among lawmakers.

Supporters argued Tuesday that a failure to pass the "Wellness in Nebraska Act" would hurt rural hospitals, lead more residents to postpone treatment and deprive Nebraska of \$2.2 billion in tax dollars paid to the federal government.

Opponents say it will divert money away from other priorities, such as education. Lawmakers ended the day without a vote, but were expected to resume debate on Wednesday.

The proposal would help cover some 54,000 residents through a combination of Medicaid and subsidized private health insurance. It would cost an estimated \$62 million between July of this year and June 2020.

The bill is LB887.

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