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Physician's Laboratory (Services) \$34.02, Wintz & Ray Funeral Home (Funeral Expense) \$1,250.00, Yankton Medical Clinic (Services) \$1,122.11, Yankton Anesthesiology (Services) \$272.00; Ambulance: Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$13.48, Sacred Heart Health (Services) \$1,500.00, AT&T (Utilities) \$223.18, Channing L Bete Co. (Supplies) \$168.95, Battery Exchange (Supplies) \$27.95, Bound Tree Medical (Supplies) \$101.38, City of Yankton (Utilities) \$156.24, Credit Collection Service (Services) \$382.88, Knology (Utilities) \$118.58, Matheson Tri-Gas (Supplies) \$92.23, MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$18.01, Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$943.51. Olson's Pest Technician (Maintenance) \$65.00, Henry Schein (Supplies) \$555.64, TMA (Maintenance) \$1.616.79. Vogt's Cleaners (Maintenance) \$6.00, Vidacare Corporation (Supplies) \$250.00, Western Office Technologies (Supplies) \$9.91; Mental Illness Board: Norma Andersen (Hearings) \$30.00, Denise Cody (Hearings) \$15.00, Lewis & Clark Behavioral (Hearings) \$745.00, Lucille Lewno (Hearings) \$788.35, Shepherd Reporting (Hearings) \$82.50, Karen Swanda (Hearings) \$45.00; County Extension: City of Yankton (Utilities) \$86.22, Lauren Fosheim (Travel) \$9.25, J&H Cleaning (Maintenance) \$200.00, Knology (Utilities) \$259.60, LEAF (Rental) \$288.00, Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$320.44, National 4-H Council (Supplies) \$44.00, Wholesale Supply (Supplies) \$316.00, Western Office Technologies (Supplies) \$49.75; Weed: City of Yankton (Utilities) \$53.05; Planning & Zoning: Southgate (Maintenance) \$40.00, City of Yankton (Services) \$900.45, Patrick Garrity (Supplies) \$31.95, Russ Pavel (Supplies) \$802.44, Western Office Technologies (Supplies) \$48.18; Road & Bridge: Appeara (Supplies) \$105.06, AT&T (Utilities) \$40.73, Bomgaars (Supplies) \$487.01, B-Y Water (Utilities) \$61.00, City of Yankton (Utilities) \$40.79, CenturyLink (Utilities) \$102.72, D-P Tools (Supplies) \$78.95. Dakota Saw Repair (Repair) \$68.15, Kaiser Appliance (Supplies) \$57.93, Kimball Midwest (Supplies) \$391.05, MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$60.00, Northwestern Energy (Utilities) \$103.18, Riverside Hydraulics (Supplies) \$69.74, Stern Oil (Fuel) \$1,940.26; 911 Fund: (Utilities) \$92.97; Knology

Emergency Management: Ace Hardware (Supplies) \$41.87, Hy-Vee (Supplies) \$150.75, MidAmerican Energy (Utilities) \$8.00, Racom (Utilities) \$30.60, Sioux Falls Two-Way Radio (Maintenance) \$35.00, Western Office Technologies (Supplies) \$317.77; 24/7 Sobriety Fund: Intoximeters (Supplies) \$1,500.00, Pharchem (Supplies) \$231.00, Redwood Biotech (Supplies) \$2,185.00, Redwood Toxicology Lab (Supplies) \$1,953.32; Drainage Ditches: Arens Engineering (Project Bid Opening) \$540.00. Total General Fund \$67,893.00, Road & Bridge \$3,606.57, 911 Fund \$92.97, Emergency Man-

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Fund \$5,869.32, Drainage Ditches \$540.00. Voting Aye: All Voting Nay: None Motion carried 5-0.

agement \$583.99, 24/7 Sobriety

Action 124340EMHS: A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Freng to authorize a budgeted operating transfer of \$30,000 from the general fund to the Emergency Management fund. Voting Aye: All Nay: None Motion carried.

Action 12435W/DOE: A motion was made by Sinclair and seconded by Johnson to authorize travel expenses for Tom Schramm (and one additional person) to attend the district weed meeting in Mitchell on November 13, 2012 and travel expenses for Lori Mackey to attend the SDAAO Board meeting in Ft. Pierre, SD on October 24, 2012.

Voting Aye: All Nay: None Motion carried.

The Board discussed the service contracts for the Government Center and Safety Center. Action 12436C: A motion was made by Sinclair and seconded by Johnson to seek maintenance/service proposals from other vendors.

Voting Aye: All Nay: None Motion carried.

Action 12437C: A motion was made by Freng and seconded by Johnson to authorize advertising for the first and second reading of the Amended Off-Road Vehicle ordinance.

Voting Aye: All Nay: None Motion carried.

Commissioner Moore updated the Board on the status of the Napa-Platte railroad. The Dakota Southern contract expires at the end of 2013.

Action 12438C: A motion was made by Freng and seconded by Sinclair to offset the cost for influenza vaccinations for all county employees for the fall 2012-spring 2013 season. It is recommended that shots are obtained from the County Nurse's office. As flu shots are not county mandated this constitutes a benefit for employees.

Voting Aye: All Nay: None Motion carried.

Election To Pass \$2B Mark

Presidential Campaign On Track To Be Costliest In History

BY JACK GILLUM AND BETH FOUHY Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The 2012 presidential campaign was expected Thursday to pass the \$2 billion mark in fundraising, according to accounting statements submitted to the government, thanks to an outpouring of cash from both ordinary citizens and the wealthiest Americans hoping to influence the selection of the country's next leader.

The eye-popping figure puts this election on track to be the costliest in history, fueled by a campaign finance system vastly altered by the proliferation of "super" political committees that are bankrolling a barrage of TV ads in battleground states.

President Barack Obama and Republican challenger Mitt Romney had brought in more than \$1.5 billion through the end of September, according to previous fundraising reports submitted before the final pre-election accounting statements were due Thursday night. Obama hadn't yet disclosed his fundraising for early October, but Romney's campaign said it raised \$111.8 million in the first two weeks. Added to that: more than \$230 million in donations involving super PACs since 2011.

The largest of those were two pro-Romney groups. American Crossroads, a Republicanleaning super PAC with ties to former President George W. Bush's longtime political counselor Karl Rove, reported raising at least \$68 million through September. Restore Our Future, founded by former Romney aides, reported raising \$110 million so far. Priorities USA, a pro-Obama group founded by two former aides to the president, reported raising \$50 million through last month.

The \$2 billion fundraising figure doesn't include nearly \$130 million spent on political ads by non-profit groups that aren't required to file campaign finance reports or disclose their donors. Such so-called social welfare organizations are governed by tax laws, not election



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE/MCT

President Barack Obama casts his ballot in the Bronzeville neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois, on Thursday. Obama came to Chicago to cast his ballot, becoming the first sitting U.S. president to vote early.

laws, although they are often affiliated with established super PACs. Presidential candidates in 2008 raised more

than \$1.8 billion in inflation-adjusted figures. This time, new factors have contributed to the sharp escalation in the campaign money chase.

This year marked the first time that both major party candidates opted out from the public financing system established to set limits on how much a presidential candidate can raise and spend. Both Obama and Romney would have been eligible for about \$100 million in taxpayer money to support their campaigns through the general election, but both gambled — correctly — that they could raise and spend far more.

In 2008, Obama became the first presidential contender to refuse all public financing while his Republican rival, Arizona Sen. John McCain, accepted the government funds. The lopsided result — Obama outspent McCain by more than 2-to-1 in the general election — effectively

ended public funding as an option for serious candidates.

With the 2012 election so tight, both Obama and Romney have spent considerable time at high-dollar fundraising events courting wealthy donors. Romney last month lamented the time spent fundraising rather than speaking to larger groups of voters, saying "fundraising is a part of politics when your opponent decides not to live by the federal spending limits."

Both Obama and Romney have raised considerable cash from small donors, too, especially the president. His campaign reported that more than 2 million donors have contributed at least \$427 million to his campaign.

Federal election regulators have raised the limit on individual contributions to candidates, which means campaigns can solicit more money from donors than they have in the past. Individual donors can now give a total of \$5,000 in the primary and general elections to a candidate, compared to just \$2,000 in 2000.

Syria Commits To 4-Day Truce, But Prospects Dim

BY KARIN LAUB AND BEN HUBBARD Associated Press

BEIRUT — The embattled regime of Syrian President Bashar Assad promised Thursday to observe a U.N.-proposed truce during a four-day Muslim holiday, while rebels claimed major gains in the key battleground of Aleppo.

But prospects of the cease-fire taking hold are dim, given Assad's history of broken promises and the rebel momentum in Aleppo, Syria's largest city, where fighters said they advanced into several regime-held neighborhoods.

The truce plan by U.N.-Arab League envoy Lakhdar Brahimi has been endorsed by the U.N. Security Council, including Assad allies Russia and China. U.N. chief Ban Ki-moon urged all countries and groups with influence in Syria to pressure both sides to stop the violence in the civil war, his spokesman said. exactly it was supposed to begin, and there were no arrangements for monitoring compliance. Brahimi never said what would happen after four days, a potentially dangerous omission considering that Assad and those trying to topple him sharply disagree on a way forward. Assad refuses to resign while the opposition says his departure is a prerequisite for talks.

"It's a longshot," Beirut-based analyst Paul Salem said of the cease-fire. "We are completely in war mode, at least for the next many months." Both sides kept fighting into late

Thursday. In an apparent setback for the

regime, activists said rebel fighters pushed into predominantly Christian and Kurdish neighborhoods in northern Aleppo that had previously been held by pro-Assad forces.

Panetta: U.S. Didn't Know Enough About Attack

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. military did not quickly intervene during the attack on the U.S. Consulate in Libya last month because military leaders did not have adequate intelligence information and felt they should not put American forces at risk, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta said Thursday.

In his most extensive comments to date on the unfolding controversy surrounding the attack in Benghazi, Panetta said U.S. forces were on heightened alert because of the anniversary of 9/11 and prepared to respond. But, he said, the attack happened over a few hours and was over before the U.S. had the chance to know what was really happening.

"(The) basic principle is that you don't deploy forces into harm's way without knowing what's going on; without having some real-time information about what's taking place," Panetta told Pentagon reporters. "And as a result of not having that kind of information, the commander who was on the ground in that area, Gen. Ham, Gen. Dempsey and I felt very strongly that we could not put forces at risk in that situation."

Panetta was referring to Gen. Carter Ham, the head of U.S. Africa Command, and Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In a letter to President Barack Obama Thursday, House Speaker John Boehner questioned if the White House considered military options during or immediately after the attack, and he questioned what the president knew about the security threats in the country. He said that the national debate over the incident shows that Americans are concerned and frustrated about the administration's response to the attack.

Action 12439H: A motion was made by Sinclair and seconded by Johnson to accept into the record the Secondary Road report for September, 2012. Voting Aye: All Nay: None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sinclair to adjourn.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be Tuesday, October 16th, 2012 at 4:30 PM in the Commission chambers.

Bruce Jensen, Chairman Yankton County Commission ATTEST: Paula Jones, Auditor Published once at the approximate cost of \$309.98.

NOAA To East:

The holiday cease-fire was the least a divided international community could agree on after the failure of a more ambitious plan for an open-ended truce and political transition talks by Brahimi's predecessor, Kofi Annan, in April.

Even the current truce, to begin Friday with the start of the Eid al-Adha holiday, appears in jeopardy from the outset. Neither side has shown an interest in laying down arms, instead pushing for incremental military gains. The truce plan remained vague

Thursday evening. It wasn't clear when

"It was a surprise," local activist Abu Raed said via Skype. "It was fast progress and in an unexpected direction."

He asked to be identified only by his nickname for fear of reprisals.

The battle for Aleppo, a former regime stronghold and Syria's business hub, has been largely deadlocked since rebels first captured parts of the city in late July. A complete rebel takeover could change the momentum of the war, although in recent months, front lines have shifted repeatedly and it was not clear if rebel fighters could maintain Thursday's gains.

Beware Of Coming 'Frankenstorm'

BY SETH BORENSTEIN AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON — An unusual nasty mix of a hurricane and a winter storm that forecasters are now calling "Frankenstorm" is likely to blast most of the East Coast next week, focusing the worst of its weather mayhem around New York City and New Jersev.

Government forecasters on Thursday upped the odds of a major weather mess, now saying there's a 90 percent chance that the East will get steady gale-force winds, heavy rain, flooding and maybe snow starting Sunday and stretching past Halloween on Wednesday.

Meteorologists say it is likely to cause \$1 billion in damages.

The storm is a combination of Hurricane Sandy, now in the Caribbean, an early winter storm in the West, and a blast of arctic air from the North. They're predicted to collide and park over the country's most populous coastal corridor and reach as far inland as Ohio.

The hurricane part of the storm is likely to come ashore somewhere in New Jersey on Tuesday morning, said National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration forecaster Jim Cisco. But this is a storm that will affect a far wider area, so people all along the East have to be wary, Cisco said.

Coastal areas from Florida to

"We don't have many modern precedents for what the models are suggesting."

JIM CISCO

Maine will feel some effects, mostly from the hurricane part, he said, and the other parts of the storm will reach inland from North Carolina northward.

Once the hurricane part of the storm hits, "it will get broader. It won't be as intense, but its effects will be spread over a very large area," the National Hurricane Center's chief hurricane specialist, James Franklin, said Thursday.

One of the more messy aspects of the expected storm is that it just won't leave. The worst of it should peak early Tuesday, but it will stretch into midweek, forecasters say. Weather may start clearing in the mid-Atlantic the day after Halloween and Nov. 2 in the Northeast, Cisco said.

"It's almost a weeklong, five-day, six-day event," Cisco said Thursday from NOAA's northern storm forecast center in College Park, Md. "It's going to be a widespread serious storm."

With every hour, meteorologists are getting more confident that this storm is going to be bad and they're able to focus their forecasts more.

The New York area could see around 5 inches of rain during the storm, while there could be snow southwest of where it comes inland, Cisco said. That could mean snow in eastern Ohio, southwestern Pennsylvania, western Virginia, and the Shenandoah Mountains, he said.

Both private and federal meteorologists are calling this a storm that will likely go down in the history

books. "We don't have many modern precedents for what the models are suggesting," Cisco said.

It is likely to hit during a full moon when tides are near their highest, increasing coastal flooding potential, NOAA forecasts warn. And with some trees still leafy and the potential for snow, power outages could last to Election Day, some meteorologists fear.

Some have compared it to the socalled Perfect Storm that struck off the coast of New England in 1991, but Cisco said that one didn't hit as populated an area and is not comparable to what the East Coast may be facing. Nor is it like last year's Halloween storm, which was merely an early snowstorm in the Northeast.

"The Perfect Storm only did \$200 million of damage and I'm thinking a billion," said Jeff Masters, meteorology director of the private service Weather Underground. "Yeah, it will be worse."

Government Replaces Some X-Ray Scanners

CHICAGO (AP) — The federal government is quietly removing full-body X-ray scanners from seven major airports and replacing them with a different type of machine that produces a cartoon-like outline instead of the naked images that have been compared to a virtual strip search.

The Transportation Security Administration says it is making the switch in technology to speed up lines at crowded airports, not to ease passenger privacy concerns. But civil liberties groups hope the change signals that the equipment will eventually go to the scrap heap.

"Hopefully this represents the beginning of a phase-out of the Xray-type scanners, which are more privacy intrusive and continue to be surrounded by health questions," said Jay Stanley, a privacy expert at the American Civil Liberties Union.

The machines will not be retired. They are being moved to smaller airports while Congress presses the TSA to put in place stronger privacy safeguards on all of its imaging equipment.

In the two years since they first appeared at the nation's busiest airports, the "backscatter" model of scanner has been the focus of protests and lawsuits because it uses X-rays to peer beneath travelers' clothing.

Police Officer Accused Of Plot To Cook Women

NEW YORK (AP) — A city police officer was charged Thursday with leading a ghoulish double life by using a law enforcement database and fetish chat rooms to dream up a plot to torture women and then cook and eat their body parts.

Gilberto Valle left a trail of emails, instant messages and computer files detailing the bizarre cannibalism scheme, according to a criminal complaint, which identified two women as Victim 1 and Victim 2.

He catalogued at least 100 women on his computer, federal investigators said, but there was no information that anyone was harmed.

One document found on his computer was titled "Abducting and Cooking (Victim 1): A Blueprint," according to the complaint. The file also had the woman's birth date and other personal information and a list of "materials needed" — a car, chloroform and rope.

"I was thinking of tying her body onto some kind of apparatus ... cook her over low heat, keep her alive as long as possible," Valle allegedly wrote in one exchange in July, the complaint says.

Expectations Down For Apple For 4th Quarter

NEW YORK (AP) — Apple has a new iPhone, two new iPads and three new PCs as it heads into the holiday quarter, the biggest selling season of the year. But, paradoxically, it expects these new gadgets to bring down its profits compared to last year.

The reason: the new gadgets are expensive to make, according to Apple's chief financial officer.

In part, this is a normal consequence of having so many new products, said CFO Peter Oppenheimer. When a production line is new it costs more to run and the components are more expensive.

"The difference this time is the sheer number of products we're introducing at a short time," Oppenheimer told analysts on a call Thursday.