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Firefighters from Vermillion, Elk Point and Centerville responded to this large grass fire near Vermillion late Monday morning. The flames were pushed along by powerful northwest winds with gusts of more than 45 miles per hour. (Shauna Marlette/Vermillion Plain Talk)

Yankton

Douglas Plan OK'd

Special Assessment Moves The Project Forward

BY ROB NIELSEN
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A long-sought project to reconstruct Douglas Ave. between Anna St. and 31st St., along with the addition of curb, gutter and sidewalk, is moving forward.

The Yankton City Commission voted 8-1 to approve a special assessment along the route. Commissioner Charlie Gross was the sole nay vote.

Yankton City Manager Amy Nelson said the project is \$1.6 million, with \$100,800 to be assessed. The project will include rebuilding Douglas Ave. between Anna St. and 31st St. and adding curb, gutter and sidewalks along the stretch of roadway. Currently, the road beyond Anna St. has no sidewalk or shoulder.

"This is a project we've been talking about since our last budget sessions this summer," Nelson said. "The engineering

department has the project, not fully designed, but a good start on the design of the project. They believe they can have that wrapped up towards the end of the year so we can bid that project out early in 2016. When the frost is out of the ground, we can award a project and begin the project."

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Yankton Tied Heat Mark Sunday

From P&D Staff Reports

Yankton officially tied a monthly record Sunday, when a reading of 96 degrees was recorded at the official observing station.

The Yankton airport recorded 97 degrees Sunday, which is an unofficial reading.

Yankton also reached 96 degrees on Oct. 2, 1997. Sunday's high reading set a new record for Oct. 11, breaking the mark of 91 first set in 1910.

Monday brought much cooler temperatures but very windy conditions. Some gusts at the airport exceeded 45 miles per hour.

Most of the Yankton area was under both a wind advisory and a Grassland Fire Danger advisory. A large field fire was reported near Vermillion late Monday morning, with units from Vermillion, Elk Point and Centerville working on the blaze through much of the afternoon.

The rest of the week is expected to see temperatures a little warmer than normal. But for those who aren't fans of the dust swirling in the harvest air, there is little chance of rain in the forecast.

A Cloud Of Dust



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

A swirl of dust, stirred even more by Monday's strong winds, follow in the wake of this crewman from Dakota Traffic Services, LLC, of Tea as he grinds off the pavement markings at Third and Walnut in downtown Yankton. New, durable pavement markings are being installed at several crosswalks. City finance officer Al Viereck said crews will be placing them around town as the fall progresses.

Yankton School Board

Results Of Facilities Survey Are Released

BY ALISSA WOOCKMAN
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Results from the Crane Youngworth/Williams Field project community survey were reviewed by Yankton School Board members at their monthly meeting Monday night.

There were more than 1,100 community members who participated in the survey, as well as more than 350 high school students. The survey involved six main questions.

The following results include the combination of both community members and student results:

1. I would prefer to remain at the current location of Crane Youngworth field:

a. Yes: 63 percent
b. I would prefer to move to Williams field: 22 percent
c. No preference: 13 percent

2. Do you feel that parking is a concern at the current location of Crane Youngworth field?

a. Yes: 51 percent
b. No: 48 percent

3. Do you feel that parking is a concern at Yankton High School Williams field?

a. Yes: 43 percent



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b. No: 56 percent
4. If we remained at the current location, what are your priorities for upgrades in addition to

the stadium?

a. (1) Restrooms
b. (2) Concession area
c. (3) Accessibility to the main stadium
d. (4) Other – Part of the comments

5. If we move to Williams Field, what are your priorities for upgrades in addition to the stadium?

a. (1) Restrooms
b. (2) Concessions
c. (3) Accessibility to the main stadium:
d. (4) Other

6. Considering either site, keeping a crown, grass surface would allow for football to be played on the field as well as other activities such as soccer, marching band, cheer and dance. A synthetic turf surface would allow for football to be played on the field as well as other

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National Initiative Helps Kids Enjoy Halloween

BY REILLY BIEL
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Children with food allergies who may have had difficulty trick-or-treating on Halloween before now have an opportunity to join in on the fun.

Yankton Hy-Vee is taking part in the Teal Pumpkin Project, a nationwide initiative launched by the Food Allergy Research & Education in 2014 that raises awareness of food allergies and promotes inclusion of all trick-or-treaters throughout the Halloween season.

"It lets people know they can have non-food items for children with food allergies that want to go trick-or-treating," said Yankton

Hy-Vee dietitian Kenny Tomek. "One in 13 kids in the country have food related allergies, so it's a lot more prevalent than people realize."

According to Tomek, people are most allergic to wheat, corn, fish, shellfish, dairy, peanuts, tree nuts and soy.

In lieu of candy, participants in the project can give out items like bubbles, markers, pencils or glowsticks, among other things.

To signal that they are part of the project, participants can have teal-colored pumpkins outside their houses or put out flyers that state they are. Teal pumpkins can be purchased, and flyers picked

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GARY WOOD/P&D

Yankton Hy-Vee is taking part in the Teal Pumpkin Project, an initiative which helps kids who have food allergies enjoy some of the fun of trick-or-treating on Halloween.

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