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The possibility of creating a call list of part-time help that could come in as needed and would be paid something along the lines of \$10 an hour was floated.

"I'm not taking away anybody's job," Freng said. "I just want it to be reasonable. Share with other people who need money in the winter. There are a lot of guys out there who could use it."

The wide-ranging discussion also hit upon the possibility of giving all county employees a cost-of-living increase in 2011, and hiring some new employees for the jail and the Register of Deeds office. The county will continue its

budget discussion during a special meeting Sept. 17.

In other business Wednesday, the commission had a first reading for a proposed change in the county zoning ordinance.

"The zoning notification process states that all real property owners must be notified," Zoning Administrator Patrick Garrity said. "That blanket, simple statement is not possible to do. If I have marital difficulties, for example, move out of the house and am gone for two months, I am not going to get the letter that is sent to my house. My wife will, but I will not."

The absolute statement that a real property owner will be notified can lead to court proceedings if someone does not receive notice even though it may be through no fault of the county, Commissioner Allen Sinclair noted.

The amendment would state that a good-faith effort must be made by the applicant to notify all owners of land.

A public hearing for the proposed change will be held during the county's first meeting in October.

Also Wednesday, the commission:

- unanimously decided to establish a cell phone policy wherein the county will pay \$1 per work day to each department for use toward a cell phone plan.

The issue arose because several employees in the state's attorney office were requesting a monthly \$30 reimbursement for private cell phones they were using for work activity. Commissioners decided the easiest solution would be to provide funding for one cell phone in each department.

"The bottom line is, if the coun-

ty is paying for a share of your cell phone, we would expect to have access to those individuals," Commissioner Mark Johnson said. "If we're going to give you an allowance for your phone, we want the phone number and access."

- verified the results of an election that will establish a road district along Curles Lane and Toots Lane west of Yankton. The vote among residents was unanimously in favor of the road district; and

- was told by Sheriff David Hunhoff that the jail is holding a record 75 inmates, 35 of which are federal inmates being held for the U.S. Marshal Service. That's more federal inmates than are being held in Minnehaha County, he added.

Commissioner Bill Tamisera was absent from Wednesday's meeting.

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interests, Radke said.

Second Chance led the investigation and called in the Humane Society of the United States to assist because of the large number of dogs needing shelter, Quinn said Wednesday.

She said anyone who saw the condition of the dogs would have taken them from Christensen's farm.

"I removed the animals, I was justified in doing it, and I'm sticking to it," Quinn said.

Calls to Turner County State's Attorney Tiffani Landeen-Hoeke and Radke were not immediately

returned Wednesday.

The lawsuit alleges that while in the care of Second Chance, many of Christensen's dogs and puppies died after contracting the parvo virus, which is highly contagious and can kill animals if not treated.

Quinn said some dogs in the shelter developed parvo due to weak immune systems, but Second Chance was cleared of any wrongdoing. She said the dropped criminal charges against Christensen had prevented Second Chance from making its case, and "maybe this will be an opportunity to present our evidence."

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26 to 34, 35 to 54 and 55 and older.

The participants will also receive a T-shirt on the day of the race, which has also brought in money for Nikki's Fund.

"We have businesses that get their names on the shirt, and it's a \$100 donation," Harris said. "We had a really good response. At least a dozen businesses have donated so far."

In the four years of the Nikki's Fund 5K, Harris said the organization has raised more than \$10,000.

One of the organizations that benefits from Nikki's Fund is USD's Student Counseling Center, which provides counseling to students who struggle with suicide.

"Nikki's Fund has helped our program in a number of ways," said Tiffany Kashas, the coordinator of prevention services and staff counselor at the center. "They have helped pay for medication, lab tests and a variety of things that help people with mental health or suicide concerns."

Kashas said Nikki's Fund has helped several students.

"We see a lot of students who come through that we screen for suicide," she said. "I would say at least one in five clients have some kind of concern with it."

The 5K will take place four days after Nicole's birthday. Nicole Harris was working at Outback Steakhouse in Sioux Falls and was a member of the Sioux Falls Storm's dance team when she committed suicide.

"She had gotten into an argument with this guy she was seeing, and he was physically abusive with her. She had to put in a protection order and that crushed her," Harris said. "I think there was just a hopelessness there that she felt she couldn't get over."

Harris said she thinks about what she could've done to help prevent her daughter's suicide.

"As a mother, I feel I should've seen that in her," she said. "I know she was upset and depressed. You always go back and think, 'I should've seen this and that.' There are so many unanswered questions, and that is tough to deal with."

The topic of her daughter's suicide remains a difficult issue for Harris, but Kashas said what Harris has done for suicide prevention is impressive.

"Janine's drive is just neat because it's such a close topic for her, and to continue to be strong and help out, that's not easy to do," she said.

Harris said the biggest way to prevent suicide is to talk about it and to help others who you think are struggling with it.

"There's a stigma there, and what we are trying to do is let others know that there is help out there for those who need it," she said. "We want other to know if they see friends or family (with issues), to say something. Don't be afraid to ask them how they are doing and help."

"Sometime when people are having problems, they will say they are fine," she added. "But be proactive. Try to talk to them about it and help them."

# ARREST

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Mabry said it is rare to come across a burglary case in which entry was forced. The majority of the time, the vehicle or house is left unlocked.

"Suspects refer to this as 'car hopping' or 'window shopping,' while law enforcement refers to these incidents as crimes of opportunity," the police chief said.

"Unfortunately, we create the opportunity when we fail to lock our doors."

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