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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Lampasas, Texas under Section 9.6 of the City of Lampasas Zoning Ordinance, will hold the following Public Hearing in the City Council Chambers of the City of Lampasas, Texas located at 405 South Main Street, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 to consider the following request:

1. Grant a variance to the Two Family Residential District (Duplex) "2F" Zoning District requirements for property generally located at the southeast corner of Hackberry Street and East FM 580, specifically being Block 27, Part of Lot 3 and 4 of the Ramsdell Addition, for the following:

(1) A reduction in the minimum front yard setback from twenty five feet (25') down to fifteen feet (15').

All persons interested in the above referenced request are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide their comments at that time. Comments may also be submitted in writing to the Asst. City Secretary's office prior to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at the following address: 312 East Third Street, Lampasas, Texas 76550. For additional information, please contact Ursula Paddie, Assistant City Secretary, at (512)556-6831 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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**ARRESTS**

The following arrests were reported by law enforcement. The Dispatch Record prints the name and charge(s) of people arrested on at least one Class B misdemeanor – or more serious – charge.

**MAY 26**

Zachary Lee Phillips, 19, for tamper/fabricate physical evidence with intent to impair and possession of marijuana over 2 ounces and under 4 ounces.

**MAY 25**

Russell Jay Smithers, 43, of Houston for forgery of a government instrument/money/securities and evading arrest/detention.

**MAY 24**

Daryl James Baugh, 22, of

# City Council to interview nine applicants for open seat

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biographical information about each applicant.

Regina Bertrand has lived in Lampasas 13 years. She works as office manager for Austin Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, with a business address in Marble Falls. She also helps with the Lady Lynx youth basketball team.

She ran for City Council in 2015, when she was defeated by Robert McCauley.

Cathy Kuehne has lived in Lampasas 17 years. She is a Lampasas High School teacher, as well as a business owner/graphic artist.

Mrs. Kuehne has served on the Economic Development Go Texan Community Committee, the Christmas on the Creek Committee and the Spring Ho Committee. In addition, she is a Lampasas Association for the Arts board member, as well as a member of the Town & Country Study Club.

Meghan McCatherine has lived in Lampasas about three and a half years. She works as a residential child care licensing inspector.

Mrs. McCatherine served on a pastoral council as a church staff member.

In the "civic activities" portion of her application, Mrs. McCatherine wrote that she is a vocal supporter of all law enforcement. Her husband works for the Lampasas Police Department, and her father works for the Lampasas County Sheriff's Office.

Ross Oliver has lived in Lampasas County 33 years and has been a city resident for two years.

He is manager of LP Touring Inc.

Oliver is a Lampasas Central Appraisal District board member, and he also has served on several committees for Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce events.

In addition, he is a member of the Lampasas Independent School District site-based committee for Lampasas High School, as well as the Lampasas County Area Go Texan Committee.

Carrie Seaver has lived in Lampasas 19 years. She has been a juvenile probation officer for Lampasas County since October 2014. She also has more than 20 years of experience leading, managing and supervising professional staff in social services, according to her resume.

Her background in civic activities includes membership in LAFTA and the Lampasas County Youth Little League Board. She also served as president of Project Graduation 2010, has served on multiple Lampasas ISD boards and committees, and has been active in Grace Fellowship.

Greg Smith has lived in Lampasas County nearly 37 years and has resided in the city a total of 14 years.

Retired from a 39-year career in education, with 33 years in Lampasas ISD, Smith works part-time as an employment specialist. He was an eighth-grade science teacher, elementary counselor, high school counselor, educational diagnostician and special education transition coordinator for middle school and high school.

Smith served on the Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce Education Committee and was Spring Ho Committee chairman.

He also served on the Lampasas County Museum board and was on the board of the original Lampasas Colored School restoration project.

In addition, he helped to create the Lampasas

ISD Benevolent Fund, was a Lions Club member and served as a deacon at Central Christian Church. Also, he has officiated and coached youth sports in Lampasas for several years.

Zachary Taylor has lived in Lampasas eight years. After working for Sanderson Farms in Bryan about two years, he has been employed by Ajinomoto Windsor Foods Inc. since April 2009. He has been a manufacturing supervisor and operations superintendent for Ajinomoto's downtown Lampasas plant, and he currently holds the title of continuous improvement manager.

His council application lists special experience in project management and budgeting -- as his current department has an annual budget of about \$4 million to \$5 million.

Taylor is a Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce board member. In addition, he serves on the chamber's barbecue cookoff and Riata Roundup committees.

Clayton Tucker has lived in the city about one year. A 2013 graduate of Southwestern University, he is a teacher and writer.

His application listed special knowledge of energy policy, and he suggested turning the business park on U.S. Highway 183 South into a solar farm. Tucker wrote that such action would bring good jobs to Lampasas and enable the city to make money by selling energy to Austin.

Kevin Veazey has lived in Lampasas County 12 years and has been a city resident for three years.

The senior pastor of Christ the Rock Church, Veazey has been a pastor more than 23 years in various cities in Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico. In addition, he was a real estate agent with Harrell & Associates Real Estate in Lampasas.

His resume lists experience in hiring and managing staff, and working with budgets.

Veazey ran for City Council last month and was defeated by TJ Monroe.

The City Council will interview applicants in an executive session Monday at 5 p.m. in Council Chambers, 405 S. Main St. After the executive session, the council is scheduled to appoint a new Place 4 member. The oath of office also is scheduled Monday.

# Man threatens suicide; courthouse evacuated

BY JIM LOWE  
 DISPATCH RECORD

A caller's exact whereabouts remained unknown as of mid-morning Thursday, after the man threatened suicide in a telephone call earlier this week to police.

Lampasas police said the man called their office Tuesday shortly after 4:40 p.m. and stated that his body would be at the courthouse, Patrol Lt. Chuck Montgomery said in a press release.

Montgomery said the caller "is known by this department."

"The caller did not specify which courthouse, but as a precautionary measure the Lampasas County Sheriff's Department evacuated the Lampasas County Courthouse," Montgomery said.

He added that the Lampasas Police Department is following up on leads to determine the location of the caller -- in an attempt to check about his welfare.

Authorities said it is possible the man is in Colorado. Police were attempting to obtain a generalized location of the caller from cell phone data, officials said.

On Tuesday, shortly before closing time for some offices around the courthouse square, sheriff's

deputies and police officers converged on the downtown site. Deputies evacuated the courthouse and searched the building thoroughly before determining the caller was not inside.

Police fanned out across the square to apprise businesses of the situation. Montgomery told the Dispatch Record at the time that the caller "said he was going to shoot himself in front of the courthouse."

In an interview Wednesday morning, Chief of Police Sammy Bailey said the person in question called the police department several times on Tuesday. During the man's initial call, in the middle of the afternoon, he talked with Ms. Bailey, but there was no suicide threat at the time.

The man was upset over a county court matter and thought Ms. Bailey could help, she said. The caller later talked with LPD Dispatcher Sue Rowe, at which time the man said he was going to go to the courthouse and shoot himself.

Police made emergency efforts to locate the caller by pinging the cell phone believed to have been used by him. It was then determined the caller was out of state, Ms. Bailey said.

Based on the information



JIM LOWE | DISPATCH RECORD

City and county law enforcement officials surrounded the Lampasas County Courthouse as a precautionary measure after a man made potentially suicidal comments to police earlier Tuesday.

at hand, police contacted authorities in El Paso County in Colorado, to see if officials in that state would attempt to locate the caller.

"Our concern was for his safety and well-being," Ms. Bailey told the Dispatch Record.

Lampasas County Sheriff Jess Ramos said -- like Ms. Bailey -- that his office's goal was to help keep the man from harming himself.



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# High-speed chase near Kempner leads to arrest

On Monday, at approximately 8:08 a.m., the Lampasas County Sheriff's Office was summoned to assist the Copperas Cove Police Department in locating an SUV driven by Thomas Matthew Kephart, 42, of Copperas Cove.

Copperas Cove police were attempting to serve a felony parole violation warrant on Kephart when he fled from them in the vicinity of Grimes Crossing and Big Divide, according to a press release from the sheriff's office. The warrant was for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, 1 to 4 grams, according to Sgt. Martin Ruiz of the Copperas Cove Police Department.

Lampasas County sheriff's deputies located the vehicle driven by Kephart at the 3500 block of County Road 3300, traveling in the

direction of Kempner. Kephart allegedly refused to stop and fled from the deputies.

Kempner Police Department assisted with the pursuit, and Kephart attempted to strike them with his SUV, the report stated.

The report said Kephart continued to evade all law enforcement units, and at times he traveled over 100 mph. He allegedly hid his vehicle in a thick brushy area on FM 580 East and left the SUV to hide himself in the brush. Lampasas County deputies located Kephart in the brush and took him into custody with no further incident.

Kephart was taken to the Lampasas County Jail and charged with a parole violation warrant, evading arrest/detention with a vehicle and two counts of aggravated assault of a public servant.