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## City plans recycling program

BY DAVID LOWE  
DISPATCH RECORD

The Lampasas City Council voted Monday to work with Waste Connections Lone Star Inc. to offer a recycling program for Lampasas residents.

The public works yard at 201 Brown St. will accept recyclable items -- possibly by early November, Assistant City Manager Gary Cox said. People will not have to pay to drop off items, although earlier this month the city began charging its utility customers a \$0.50-per-month recycling fee.

The council voted 6-0, with Councilman Chuck

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## Fire on Thursday damages West First Street house

At 11:40 a.m. Thursday, a Lampasas firefighter sprays a house at 805 W. First St. as Lampasas Fire Department Capt. Corey Greiner, right, provides direction. According to initial reports at press time, a man and a 3-year-old boy were in the house when the fire started, and they escaped without injury. The Dispatch Record plans to release additional details as they become available.

## Parker named interim principal

BY ALEXANDRIA RANDOLPH  
DISPATCH RECORD

Lampasas Independent School District officials confirmed that Dick Parker began serving as interim principal of Lampasas High School as of Wednesday morning.

Superintendent Dr. Chane Rascoe said Thursday that Principal Robert White remains on paid leave, and Parker will assume the new role until



Dick Parker

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## Sheriff's office communications equipment on hold due to delay in grant funds

BY ALEXANDRIA RANDOLPH  
DISPATCH RECORD

Due to a hold on federal grant funds, the Lampasas County Commissioners Court

had to stay a decision it made last week on how to fund the purchase of sheriff's office communications equipment.

The Commissioners Court voted Sept. 24 to approve the purchase of radios,

consoles and a 40-foot communications tower, contingent on \$255,328 from a Justice Assistance Grant and Homeland Security funding. The court opted to wait until Oct. 3, however, to finalize financing for the

county's \$246,082 portion of the expense. At the Oct. 3 meeting, the court selected a five-year financing plan through Bancorp

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## Lometa announces Homecoming Court nominees

The Lometa High School Homecoming Court, elected by the student body, includes, from left, Logan Evans, Sage Thompson, Addie Chism, Nikayla Waller, Kyndle Groves, Sami Thompson, Savannah Simerly and Mason Moresco. Not pictured: Anthony Seider. Lometa will host Bynum today at 7:30 p.m. for the varsity football Homecoming game. For a game preview, see page 10.

## City Council approves permit for vapor shop

BY DAVID LOWE  
DISPATCH RECORD

The Lampasas City Council voted Monday to approve the first reading of an ordinance to grant a specific-use permit for a vapor smoking store at 203 S. Key Ave.

The business, Bam Vapor, has a Brownwood store that sells electronic cigarette liquids and accessories. Co-owner Chris Nosek also said the business will sell hemp oil in Lampasas -- as he said that product is legal in Texas and can benefit those who have chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Nosek said he will not sell cannabidiol oil -- a non-intoxicating substance derived from marijuana or hemp plants.

The Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the specific-use permit.

The city sent 29 notifications to people who own property within 200 feet of the proposed vapor shop. Five property owners said they approve of the SUP request, although their written responses to the city did not elaborate.

One nearby property owner, Max Berry, protested the SUP request. He wrote that the proposal sets a "poor

example for kids. What next?"

During a public hearing about the SUP request, Councilwoman Cathy Kuehne asked how the vapor shop will prevent sales to people younger than 18.

"Because I teach at the high school, and the vaping is just ... it's bad," Kuehne said.

Nosek said his business began preventing sales to underage customers even before regulations took effect.

"I have two teenage daughters -- 16 and 13," he said. "I never want to see that in their hands. I don't want to see it in their friends' hands. It's not for children."

He said as is the case with tobacco and alcohol sales, the vapor shop can face hefty fines or closure if it sells to people younger than 18.

"And I agree with it," Nosek said. "I don't condone it one bit. Under 18, no way."

There will be warning signs throughout the shop, and employees will check customers' identification, Nosek said. Also, the specific-use permit application states that the business follows all state and federal rules and Federal Drug Administration regulations for vapor products.

Although she raised her hand reluctantly,

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### WEATHER

Date	High	Low	Rain
Oct. 7	85	70	0
Oct. 8	79	69	0.22
Oct. 9	75	61	1.01
Oct. 10	75	56	0

2018 rainfall total: 17.16 in.  
Same date last year: 21.61 in.  
Normal through Oct. 10: 25.37 in.

Data from the National Weather Service at the Lampasas Municipal Airport.

### BRIEFLY

#### BARBECUE FOR BOOKS

The annual Barbecue for Books fundraiser is Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Lampasas Public Library, 201 S. Main St. Meals may be picked up curbside and will include a chopped brisket sandwich, chips, bottled water and chocolate cake.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available for \$10 each at the library, Hodges & Sargent Pharmacy, Cattles Pharmacy and Rutland's. Proceeds benefit the library.

#### DEMOCRATS TO MEET

The Lampasas County Democratic Party will meet Oct. 22 at 5:15 p.m. in the Lampasas County Office Building conference room, 409 S. Pecan St. For information, call 512-632-1526.

#### YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHT RALLY

The Lampasas Municipal Airport is scheduled to host a Young Eagles Flight Rally on Saturday, if weather permits. The event allows youth ages 8-17 to enjoy a short airplane ride at

no cost. Registration is set from 8-10 a.m. A parent or guardian is required to sign consent for the flight.

If weather does not permit flying this weekend, the rally will be rescheduled for Oct. 20.

#### BURN BAN LIFTED

County Judge Wayne Boultinghouse has lifted the county's burn ban until Sunday at 7 p.m. As a result, controlled outdoor fires are allowed outside incorporated city limits.

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