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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: W equals H

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August 31, 2026
Perry, Oklahoma
REGULAR MEETING

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NOBLE COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, met this day in the office of the Noble County Commissioners. Present were Chairman, Jason Kienholz, County Commissioner District #1; Vice-Chairman, Gary May, County Commissioner District #2; Member, Nick Hughes, County Commissioner District #3; and Secretary, Connie Smith, County Clerk.

Also present were: Sean Webb, Asst. District Attorney; Jim Smith, Emergency Manager; April Leslie, District #2 Assistant; Brenda Landes, Election Board Secretary; Jamie Thompson; Assessor; Chad Webb, OSU-CED; Matt McGuire, Sheriff; and John Horschler.

Commissioner Kienholz, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order.

Roll call.

Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion May to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2026 Regular meeting. The motion carried. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

Announcements and Reports from County Commissioners about work in their Districts.

District #1: Hauled 2,472 tons of shale to Ranch west of CR 140 and Shilo west of CR140. Cleaned out the ditch and removed trees from the right of way on CR 80suth of Zig Zag and Old John Deere west of CR 110. Mowed right of ways north of Red Rock. Replaced a pully and belt on a tractor. Repaired truck and trailer tires. Charged the A/C on the bull dozer. Bladed roads across the district. Pushed shale at the shale pit. Attended ACCO and SIG/SIF meeting in OKC.

District #2: Attended ACCO and NODA meetings. Mowed and trimmed McGuire Cemetery and Courthouse. General maintenance.

District #3: Hauled 1,728 tons of rock and 1,104 tons of fill. Hauled the rock to 100 south of Harvest, Harvest east of 140, Knob Hill east of 130, Lariat east of 160, 140 south of Independence, Gunsmoke east of 140, Lariat east of 270, Chisolm east of 20, 210 north of Quail, 180 north of Knob Hill, and to the yard. Hauled the fill to CR 180 north of Bronco. Replaced brake lights on trailer 91; front end alignment on truck 71; replaced 2 tires on grader 75 and 1 tire on grader 74 and replaced the teeth and a hydraulic hose on the excavator. Harvested fill at the Edmondson pit. Mowed ROW throughout the district. Bladed roads throughout the district.

Discussion and Public Comments from John Horschler requesting update on CR 180. Mr. Horschler stated that his expectations for completion of the repairs to CR180 were to be completed by July 4, 2026. That deadline was not met and the road still has not been completed. Commissioner Hughes stated that the heavy rain at the end of June and beginning of July caused washout damages throughout the district that forced his crew to refocus on emergency repairs in other areas. CR 180 still needs to have the trees cleaned from the ditches before they can start to repair that road and Commissioner Hughes is unable to obtain the necessary equipment need to efficiently complete the project at this time. Once the excavator is repaired, work to CR 180 will resume.

No action was taken to approve CED #8 Materials Request Form for FY27.

Motion Kienholz to approve Salary Claims for August 2026 with warrants to be released on August 31, 2026. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

Motion Hughes to approve addendum to bid specification documents for Bid #1-2026-2027. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

Motion Kienholz to approve Resolutions directing the Deposits of Monies. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

Motion Kienholz to approve Declaration of Surplus for Workstation, Model #HPZ2G4SFF (Inventory #D1-218-18, SN# MXL95125GS) for District #1. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

Motion Kienholz to approve Resolution for Disposing of Equipment, as junked, of Workstation, Model #HPZ2G4SFF (Inventory #D1-218-18, SN# MXL95125GS) for District #1. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

No action was taken to approve P-Card policies and procedures.

Motion Kienholz to approve Blanket Purchase Orders. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

New Business [As per 1991 O.S. 25§311A. 9 – "New Business,' as used herein, shall mean any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting."]

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved September 8, 2026
Connie Smith,
Noble County Clerk

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR NOBLE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WALTER EARL HAFER, deceased.
Case No. PB-2022-42

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION TO SETTLE FINAL ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

TRISHA SUE HORN, Personal Representative of the Estate of WALTER EARL HAFER, deceased, having filed in this Court a Final Account of the administration of this estate, and a Final Account and Petition to Settle Final Account, Determination of Heirship, Distribution and Discharge, notice is hereby given that the 9th day of October, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the District Courtroom of the Noble County Courthouse, at Perry, Oklahoma, has been set by the Court for the hearing thereon and all persons interested in said estate to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said Final Account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of the said decedent determined, the estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2026.

THOMAS GRIESEDIECK
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: DEBBIE LLOYD
Deputy Court Clerk

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September 4, 2026
Perry, Oklahoma
SPECIAL MEETING

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NOBLE COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, met this day in the office of the Noble County Commissioners. Present were Chairman, Jason Kienholz, County Commissioner District #1; Vice-Chairman, Gary May, County Commissioner District #2; and Secretary, Connie Smith, County Clerk.

Also present were: Sharon Courtright, District #2 Temp Assistant.

Commissioner Kienholz, Chaiman of the Board, called the Special meeting to order.

Roll call.

Motion Hughes to approve Salary Claims for August 2026 with warrants to be released on September 4, 2026. Kienholz, aye; May, aye; Hughes, aye.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved September 8, 2026
Connie Smith,
Noble County Clerk

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR NOBLE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN W. GROOM, deceased
Case No. PB-2026-13

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION TO SETTLE FINAL ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

KEITH L. GROOM, Personal Representative of the Estate of LYNN W. GROOM, deceased, having filed in this Court a Final Account of the administration of this estate, and a Final Account and Petition to Settle Final Account, Determination of Heirship, Distribution and Discharge, notice is hereby given that the 5th day of October, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the District Courtroom of the Noble County Courthouse, at Perry, Oklahoma, has been set by the Court for the hearing thereon and all persons interested in said estate to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said Final Account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of the said decedent determined, the estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2026.

THOMAS GRIESEDIECK
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF NOBLE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GREGORY ALLEN VORNDRAN, deceased.
Case No. PB-2026-2

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of GREGORY ALLEN VORNDRAN, Deceased:

All creditors having claims against GREGORY ALLEN VORNDRAN, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to MARY JO DEKEN, Personal Representative, at the law office of Sherry Wallace DeBord, 10501 Lariat, Perry, Oklahoma 73077, addressed to Sherry Wallace DeBord, attorney for the Personal Representative, on or before the following presentment date of the 16th day of November, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 170th day of September, 2026.

Sherry Wallace DeBord,
OBA #12916
10501 Lariat Road
Perry, Oklahoma 73077
Telephone: 580-336-1300
Email: judgedebord@me.com

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
CJ-2025-79

Notice is given that on the 20th day of October, 2026, at 10 a.m., at the East door of the County Courthouse, Noble County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff will offer for sale and sell, with appraisement, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, that certain real estate in Noble County, Oklahoma,:

Lot Two (2) and Three (3), in Block Eighty-one (81), in the Townsite of North And West Perry, Situated in the City of Perry, County of Noble, State of Oklahoma,

subject to unpaid taxes, and all amounts set forth in the judgment granted herein, said property having been duly appraised at $160,000.00. Sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of Noble County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2025-79, titled **SERVIS ONE, INC. DBA BSI FINANCIAL SERVICES VS Justin Schweer,** being all of the Defendants and persons holding or claiming any interest in lien in the subject property.

Noble County Sheriff
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR NOBLE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LEON WAYNE KNORI, deceased
Case No. PB-2026-22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against LEON WAYNE KNORI deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the undersigned Personal Representative at the place of business of her attorney, SHANE R. LEACH, 603 Delaware St., P.O. Box 936, Perry Oklahoma, 73077, on or before the following presentment date November 19, 2026 or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of September, 2026.

SANDRA RAE COCKRUM
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Approx. 13,500 SF Brick Building, Setting on Corner Lot. Electric, Plumbing and All Exit Sign Required by Fire Department Updated. The Main Building has New TPO Roof (Approx. 3 years old), Brand New 5-Ton Daikin HVAC. All Metal Tables stay with building.

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Perry Daily Journal

Joe Williams discusses the Free Fair

Submitted by
Tina Kilmer

Perry's Rotary Club had the regular luncheon meeting on Monday, September 14th at Perry Golf & Country Club. Rotarian Laura Vollmer called the meeting to order beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer by Reverend Doctor Joshua Bell, then in unison the group sang the first verse of America.

Upcoming events for Rotary are the Annual Disc Golf Tournament on 4 October at 2pm at Rotary Park, get signed up before all the spots fill up.

September marks the beginning of the school year for Junior Rotarians. Marvin Dement introduced Riley Barnes is the daughter of Morgan and Justin Barnes, her favorite school subject is History. Riley is a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Student Counsel, Rotary Youth Leadership and a member Oklahoma Hall of Fame Team Board. Ms. Barnes is the Football Manager, and her outside activities include drawing, playing drums, fishing, camping and building Legos. Her university choices are University of Arkansas, OU and OSU.

Jaxon Boone is our next featured Junior Rotarian. He is the son of Justin and Angel Boone, his favorite subject is Agricultural Mechanics, and he is a member of NHS, STUCO, FFA, a member of the PHS Basketball team. Jaxon enjoys lifting weights, fishing, hunting and driving. Jaxon is on the Superintendents Honor Roll and a recipient of the Greenhand FFA award and the American Star award. His university choices are OU, OSU, and UCO.

Chloe Jones is our final Junior Rotarian; she is the daughter of Sheila and Klayton Jones and her favorite subjects are history and government, and she is the Senior Class Reporter, a member of STUCO Senior Chair, a cheerleader and STUCO Youth and Government through the YMCA. Chloe enjoys hanging out with friends and family, watching movies and reading and is also a member of the National Arts Honor Society. She was recently served as a page for the Oklahoma House of Representatives. Her university list is short and concise-- OSU.

The student report highlighted a busy week of activities at Perry High School. Monday, Sept. 14, will feature a home softball game against Ponca City, along with Grandparents' Night. First Baptist Church will begin its Wednesday Pizza Lunch this week, providing students with a midweek treat. The Maker Space will also be open during lunch on Mondays and Thursdays, replacing the previous Wednesday schedule.

The Lady Maroons will return to the field Tuesday, Sept. 15, for a home game against Chisholm, with Senior Night being celebrated. The team will travel to Heritage Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 17, followed by a trip to Alva on Thursday, Sept. 18, keeping the week filled with softball and school spirit.

Carol Dvorak introduced the speaker Joe Williams of the Noble County Fairgrounds spoke to Perry Rotary Monday about preparations for this year's Noble County Free Fair. Williams said he has spent the past three months helping organize the fair, with exhibitors beginning their kickoff activities Monday, Sept. 14.

Among the activities planned is Touch a Truck, scheduled Sept. 15-17 from 3 to 8 p.m. in partnership with Rock Township and Noble County District 3. Happy Acres Farm and Petting Zoo will also be on hand Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., offering visitors the opportunity to see mini donkeys, a mini horse, mini cow, goats, bunnies, geese, ducks and a chicken. The event is designed for visitors of all ages. On Sept. 19 at 5:30 p.m., the Perry Pull will feature the Harness the Power Tractor Pull, with a $20 hook fee and 80 percent payback, along with a $5 exhibition pull fee. First Bank and Trust are sponsoring the event.

The fair schedule includes the horse show beginning Sept. 12, followed by 4-H exhibit drop-off and exhibitor activities Sept. 14. Sept. 15 features the Farmhand Olympics, sheep and lamb events, ag mechanics judging, the fair dedication, Bunny Scramble and goat show. Sept. 16 will include poultry, pigeons and rabbit judging, the Bucket Calf Show and cattle show. Sept. 17 brings the junior farm equipment operator contest, swine check-in and show, along with the fruit and vegetable sculpting and arrangements contest. Exhibitors may pick up their displays Sept. 18 from 10 a.m. to noon, when all exhibits must be removed.

Noble County Fairgrounds Supervisor Joe Williams and Rotarian Carol Dvorak.

Student Rotatians Chloe Jones, Jaxon Boone, Riley Barnes and Rotary President Laura Vollmer.

Mr. Williams stated that anyone needing volunteer opportunities should reach out to him for more information. He also mentioned that the Noble County Free Fair is about Agricultural and Farming education, if anyone had specialties that they would like to exhibit i.e. hydroponics, horticulture, or bee keeping, to contact him through at *NobleCountyFairground@gmail.com*.

The group then recited the 4-Way Test, and the meeting was adjourned.

Perry Council

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The council also examined how Perry compares financially with Blackwell and Kingfisher. Using 2025 audited financial information, the presentation showed that Perry's general-fund expenses per capita were comparable with the other communities, but Perry relied more heavily on utility transfers to support its general fund.

Council members noted that this distinction can be lost when residents look only at their monthly utility bills. The discussion emphasized that a portion of utility revenue helps support services residents use throughout the community.

Read also addressed concerns about electric reliability, presenting two-year reliability data comparing Perry with 23 other entities across Oklahoma.

Perry customers averaged approximately 19.3 minutes without power during the year, compared with about 90 minutes among the peer entities. Perry averaged 0.24 sustained outages per customer, while the peer average was approximately 0.8.

When outages occurred, the average restoration time in Perry was about 83.5 minutes, approximately 34 minutes faster than the comparison group. The presentation also showed Perry electric service was available more than 99.996% of the time.

Perry has received American Public Power Association reliability recognition in 2019 and 2023. Read said the figures demonstrate that while residents may have concerns about their utility bills, Perry's electric system remains highly reliable compared with other utilities.

The discussion also touched on vegetation management, with city officials encouraging residents to monitor trees near electric lines and contact the city when vegetation may threaten power lines.

Council members and city staff also discussed the long-term financial sustainability of the utility system. Officials noted that continued population growth, housing development and business recruitment will be important to spreading the city's infrastructure and service costs across a larger customer base.

The council approved a real estate contract with the Gus Edwin Malzahn Family Limited Partnership for approximately 30 acres of property intended for residential development.

The purchase price is $300,000, with the city planning to market the property to a developer for construction of residential dwelling units. The agreement was approved subject to attorney review and finalization of the documents, with the mayor authorized to execute the final contract.

The property purchase is part of the city's broader effort to address housing availability and attract additional residents to Perry.

The council also approved Resolution No. 2026-16, accepting grant funding from the Malzahn Family Affiliated Fund and authorizing Read to administer and implement the grant-funded projects.

The grants total approximately $1.19 million and are designated for several community and economic-development purposes.

The funding includes:

- $300,000 for capital improvements associated with economic development, including additional housing.
- $750,000 in matching funds for State P3 funding associated with Ditch Witch, including improvements to 25th Street and the roadway adjacent to the proposed Dunkin' and Jimmy John's development.
- $25,000 in matching funds for demolition and removal of dilapidated housing.
- $45,000 for the city's contract with Retail Strategies to assist in attracting new businesses.
- $70,000 for a contract with Melanie McGuire, including grant-writing services, economic-development services and attendance at the 2027 ICSC convention.

The resolution allows the city manager to administer the grants and implement the projects, while contracts, expenditures, changes in project scope and other matters requiring council approval will continue to come before the council.

The council's broader economic-development discussion included ongoing efforts to attract businesses and improve Perry's commercial base.

Read reported that work continues on plans involving the proposed Dunkin' and Jimmy John's development. Documents and signatures were being finalized, while the site plan was being completed. The roadway between the museum and the development is expected to become a city street, with the related infrastructure included in the development plans.

Officials also discussed the importance of attracting additional businesses and housing as part of the city's long-term strategy.

The council reviewed the city's strategic plan, which is structured around several major areas: community meetings and reports, communication, strengthening the tax base, housing, infrastructure and quality of life. The city reviews the entire plan quarterly while focusing individual meetings on specific components.

During the discussion, council members and staff talked about efforts to improve Perry's quality of life and make the community more attractive to families and visitors.

Topics included downtown revitalization, parks, public restrooms, community events and creating additional destinations within the community.

Upcoming and existing events mentioned included SpringFest, the September Celebration and Planes and Cars in October.

The city is also exploring improvements at Perry Lake, including a potential Christmas lights project. Read said he has been discussing the idea with Perry Lake Superintendent Brian Wheatley while working toward developing a plan and determining costs.

The council also discussed efforts to maintain family-friendly areas of the community. Concerns about vape shops and their compatibility with those areas were raised, with city administration working on possible recommendations for future consideration.

Officials also discussed promoting existing recreational destinations, including Perry Lake and CC Lake, as part of the city's efforts to attract visitors and provide more activities for residents.

For community events, the Perry Chamber of Commerce received a grant to purchase heavier Jersey-style water-filled barricades. The barricades are intended to improve event safety and help prevent vehicles from entering areas occupied by pedestrians and event participants.

Read also provided updates on several ongoing projects.

The sidewalk project extending from Bronze to BMAC was progressing, with work continuing in the area. The city's residuals project at the water treatment facility had wrapped up under budget, although a punch list and possible change orders remained.

The Sledgebox water project had begun, while the hospital remodeling project had experienced additional delays because of an HVAC issue. The project, originally expected to be completed earlier, was then anticipated to be completed around mid-October, followed by an open house.

Council members also praised city employees for their response to recent water breaks, including a break near a residence and another near Seventh and Fir streets.

The council received the July 2026 financial report. City cash remained above $17 million, although total cash was down approximately $117,000 from the previous month, primarily because of quarterly and annual payments.

The general fund remained within budget, while sales tax collections were also tracking favorably. July unrestricted 1-cent sales tax revenue was approximately $64,000.

The city's electric utility continued to experience strong seasonal demand during the summer heat. Read noted the unusually high number of days above 100 degrees this summer compared with the previous year, contributing to increased electricity usage.

The council also discussed the impact of large industrial customers on the city's electric demand and wholesale power costs.

Near the end of the meeting, the council entered executive session to discuss an economic-development proposal involving a medical-related business that could potentially locate in a city-owned building.

The agenda called for discussion of a potential proposal and possible direction to the city manager and city attorney regarding a lease agreement.

After reconvening in regular session, the council took no action on the matter.

The meeting concluded with the council continuing its focus on infrastructure, housing, economic development and quality-of-life improvements as interconnected pieces of Perry's long-term growth strategy.

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I. No bids which are tied to, or contingent upon, other work with the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority will be accepted.

II. Bidders shall familiarize themselves with the conditions and shall understand that full cooperation in executing the requirements of the Scope of Work is expected.

III. All contractors that desire to provide the OTA with manual service work are required by state statute to complete an employee E-Verify Form.

IV. The work to be performed under ITB 2026-009 consists of:

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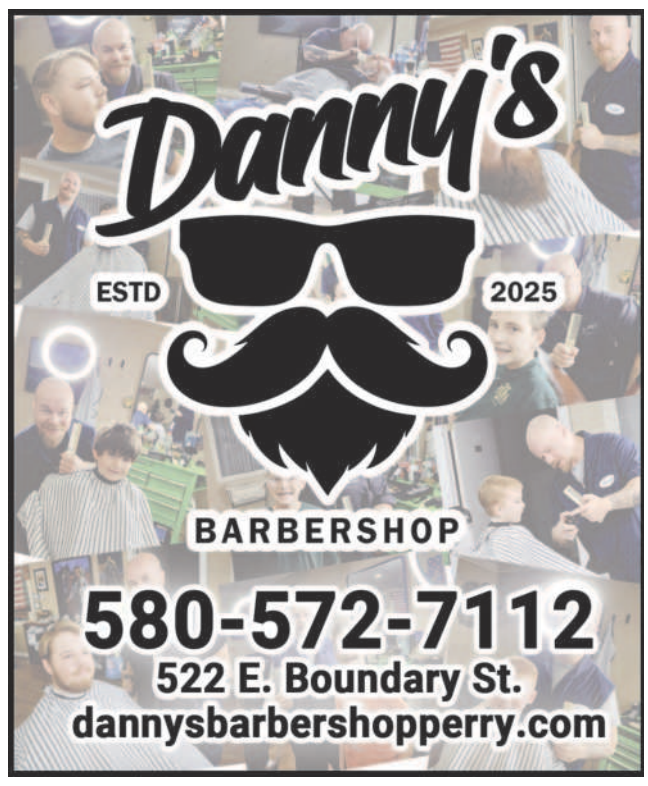
V. In awarding the contract the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to act for the best interest of the OTA without technicalities as to procedure.

VI. Policies of insurance will not be cancelled without first giving the OTA 30 calendar days' advance notice. This statement must be on the Description of Operations section of the Certificate of Insurance.

VII. Upon award of contract to a successful bidder, the contract will be completely and correctly executed by the contractor and returned to the OTA within twenty (20) calendar days from date of award. The OTA will have thirty (30) working days from the date of award to complete its execution of the contract.

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