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CITY COUNCIL APPROVES AGREEMENTS designed to strengthen law enforcement efforts in the county –
 During this week's meeting the Plattsmouth City Council approved a memorandum of understanding with the sheriff's office which would allow the formation of the Cass County Investigations Team. Plattsmouth Police Chief Steve Rathman explained this agreement would allow for the activation of a team for serious crimes, instead of just having a couple of investigators. As part of the agreement, investigators from the police department will have the authority to respond to incidents in the county's jurisdiction. An executive committee of the team will consist of administrators from both the Cass County Sheriff's Office and the Plattsmouth Police Department, with the county attorney serving as an ex-officio member.

Approval was also given to an interlocal cooperation agreement between the two agencies. This agreement would authorize officers with the police department to provide law enforcement services outside of the jurisdictional limits of the city. Chief Rathman pointed out this will be particularly beneficial along Highway 75 and the subdivisions that are just outside of the police department's jurisdiction.

Mayor Paul Lambert said these agreements appear to be a win/win for both agencies and the taxpayers. County approval is still needed on both agreements before they go into effect.

A MAN ARRESTED by Cass County sheriff's deputies in October 2023 was sentenced to the Nebraska Department of Corrections this week – 28-year-old Eric C. Becher of Aurora, Colorado is to begin serving two concurrent two-year sentences today. If he qualifies for good time, that equates to one year of incarceration. He had been free on bond since two days after his arrest.

Becher had originally been charged with two Class 2A Felonies—cocaine distribution and hallucinogenic mushroom distribution—but pled guilty to two Class 4 Felonies for drug possession.

The arrest occurred after a traffic stop for speeding on Highway 75 near the Platte River Bridge on October 1st of last year. Becher told the deputy he was in the Plattsmouth area visiting friends after attending a music festival in Arkansas.

After release from the department of corrections, Cass County District Court Judge Micheal A. Smith ordered nine months of post release supervision.

HERE'S WHAT IS NEXT in the Connect MoPac Trail study in Cass County – The discovery phase was completed this spring. Now...

-Various members of the study team will be visiting the area over the next few months. Staff from Toole Design are tentatively eyeing early May for a site visit. Advance notice is to be given on visits.

-The study team may be meeting with state and county officials to review right of way, monitor existing trail use, and see firsthand some of the comments and observations provided during the discovery phase.

Four route alternatives will be identified later this summer. A news release from the team says it has received several comments on drainage and geography concerns, right of way, buffers, traffic, farm safety, and more. Observation of these activities to understand the source of challenges and their geographical impact, such as drainage or flooding, may occur.

There is a list of frequently asked questions that will be continually updated.

<https://mopac-east-connector-trail-study-lpsnrd.hub.arcgis.com/pages/faqs>

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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR JAMIE EUGENE LAMBERT, age 45, Plattsmouth, will be 10:30am Saturday (4/20) at Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #3912 in Bellevue. -Roby Funeral Home, Plattsmouth

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR THERESA CHRISWISSER, age 60, Nehawka will be 1pm until 4pm Sunday (4/21) at the Lilac Hill Event Center in Louisville. -Fusselman-Allen-Harvey Funeral Home, Louisville

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR CAROLYN K. JASA, age 76, Syracuse, will be at 11am Saturday (4/20) at Hammons Family Funeral Services in Weeping Water.

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- NIGHTTIME BINGO at the Plattsmouth Senior Center April 18th. Meal between 5-6pm. Bingo starts at 6pm. \$13 donation for 2 cards and your meal, which will be lasagna rollups with meat sauce, garlic bread, salad, desserts and coffee or tea. RSVP by April 16th to reserve your spot.
 - MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - Plattsmouth Bible Church, 1602 First Avenue, is hosting the Drive Through Mobile Food Pantry Friday (4/19) from 4pm until the food is gone. Food is available for FREE.
 - THIS WEEK AT LOCK STOCK AND BARREL we have a special for fans of Smith and Wesson revolvers. We have an S&W antique safety hammerless "Lemon Squeezer", .32 S&W short caliber for \$225.00 and an S&W "Chiefs Special" Model 36, .38 spl caliber in outstanding condition for \$525.00. Come see us this Wednesday - Friday from 10 to 5pm and Saturday from 9am to 1pm. This special ends the 20th.
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 - THE VILLAGE OF MURRAY is seeking a Seasonal Maintenance Operator. 30-40 hrs per week, or as needed, beginning May 1, and ending Sept 1, 2024. Mowing, cleaning, maintenance and other duties as assigned. May transition to FT. \$20 per hour. Must be 18 and possess driver's license. Applications at Murray Municipal Building. 106 W. Main or at murrayclark@murrayvillage.com. Deadline: 4pm April 26th.
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