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(Neb.)-Chadron City Council Accepts Audit, Approves Walking Tours





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Photo: Rebecca Fernau with the local chapter of the Through the Eyes of a Child Foundation reads a proclamation in honor of May as Foster Care Month at the Chadron city council meeting on Monday night. There were also proclamations in honor of National Missing Children's Day (May 25th) and Chadron Poppy Day (May 18th). (Photo by KCSR-Roxie Graham-Marski)

(CHADRON)-The Chadron city council received and accepted the city's audit for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 at Monday night's meeting. Certified public accountant George Klein presented his findings, which included a tally of total city assets and liabilities. The city actually increased its total net assets over the previous year (2010-2011) by \$133,757. City manager Wayne Anderson said residents should be pleased with the financial status of the city.

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Library director Rossella Tesch presented the 2012 annual library report. Some highlights include four new laptops, a new scanner, a new coffee corner thanks to the Friends of the Library, and access to new high speed Internet courtesy of a \$20,000 grant from the Nebraska Library Commission. The library also has a new mission statement, "Chadron Public Library, the community's living room: A beautiful place to gather, explore, reflect, and grow." Tesch says this vision will be the common thread of the library's upcoming renovation and expansion project. Statistically speaking, total circulation when compared with the previous year was nearly the same. Total library visits and use of Internet computers were up as was children's and downloadable circulation. The circulation for adults was down from the previous year.

Also at the council meeting, Greenwood Cemetery walking tour organizers Junice Dagen and Sharon Rickenbach approached the council requesting permission to use the cemetery for tours again this summer during Fur Trade Days and to block off the north entrance during the tours. The council unanimously agreed. The walking tours were first established last year in an effort to raise funds for a cover for the cemetery kiosk. A cover has since been purchased. Anderson said the walking tours promise to be an entertaining time again this year. *Listen to this story for sound bite*

Dagen said this year's tours will also have a new military component as well. (Questions? Comments? E-mail news@chadrad.com.) (Copyright 2013 KCSR/Chadrad Communications, Inc. May not be reproduced in any form without permission.)