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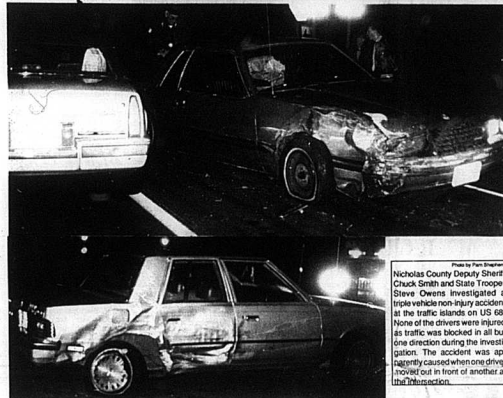
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Moving train catches fire on TTI Railroad

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CARLISLE — Fire erupted on board a TTI train engine headed to Carlisle Monday night, the result of a broken diesel line.

In an effort to get the train in position for Nicholas County firefighters to fight the fire and prevent a potentially serious situation, engineers continued to move the train on into Carlisle as, according to fire chief Mark Hughes, flames were visible around the engine compartment.

The Nicholas fire department was dispatched to the fire at about 8 p.m. and the plan, originally, was for fire trucks to meet the train at the Miller Station Road rail crossing.

There were about six train engines connected to lead the line. The one on fire was the second from the front, Hughes said.

As firefighters raced toward the Miller Station crossing, the train had moved beyond it and was seen passing Sector's Trailer Park.

Fire engines turned back around and reached the engine across from the Jockey International plants.

The business of putting the flames out was a fairly simple procedure. Once it was determined no permanent damage occurred, workers shut off the engine and continued on toward Mayville.

NCES Site Base holds first meeting

By Pam Sheppard
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CARLISLE — The Nicholas County Elementary School Site Based Management Council held its first official meeting Thursday night.

The council, which was elected last month, recently completed training and with its first meeting quickly set about establishing ground policies for the conduct of their regular meetings.

In the early going it was decided council should begin meeting in committees to discuss various established policies already in effect at the elementary school.

Council also decided to meet the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Council Chair, Nicholas County Elementary School Principal Gerald Hammons, informed members about the process involved with the employment of four new part-time aides intended to support the K-1 primary program.

Council will make recommendations from a list of candidates. Nicholas County Superintendent Cobert Gilbert provides them.

Gilbert told Hammons he was awaiting the test scores from the applicants before the hiring process would reach completion.

Hammons said his recommendation would be to take the four full time aides currently hired and the four new part-time aides together to fill each of the eight K-1 primary classes an aide in the morning. In the afternoon, after the part-time aides leave, the remaining four would be assigned classrooms as they are needed.

But his recommendation is dependent on the hiring process being finished, he said.

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Water District to sign new customers for possible lines

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CARLISLE — The FNHA grant for the Nicholas County Water District water line extension cleared its first major hurdle Thursday night as it was announced the pre-application of the project was accepted.

Now they get to apply for the grant.

To do so, according to Howard K. Bell, Engineers consultant Beuren Garten, a public meeting must be scheduled to go over the water line proposal, or show people where water lines might go. They also must sign people up who want water taps to be installed.

To improve their chance of receiving the grant, which would finance the estimated \$13 million dollar water project, Garten said, they need to be able to show the Farmer's Home Administration a list of potential customers, people who have confirmed that they want water service. The more, the better, Garten said.

So, here's the deal.

The Nicholas County Water District is offering people an incentive to sign on early. They're going to cut \$200 off the cost of a tap on fee until December 31. That means that through the remaining month of November and all December, customers will be charged \$100 plus a \$40 Usage Deposit if they sign for water service.

After December 31, the cost for a water tap will be \$300 plus the \$40 tap on fee.

You don't believe it?

Come to the public meeting. District members scheduled



By Pam Sheppard
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Nicholas County firemen responded to a car fire report at the residence of Kay Price of Barteville Road Sunday night during a period of heavy storms. The call was received in the mid-evening, about 8:30 p.m., according to Nicholas County Fire Chief Mark Hughes. The car was almost entirely engulfed and was a total loss by the time fire fighters arrived. Almost immediately following the conclusion of the fire came the tree car wreck at US 66 that same evening.

the meeting for December 10 at 7 p.m. at the Nicholas County Courthouse.

Those who are interested are advised to attend the meeting. Here's why.

To obtain approval for the District's FNHA pre-application for grant money support, Garten prepared a map outlining a tentative route for water lines.

"Some of these possible lines are not etched-in stone. We will take these lines to the place where the greatest amount of people want lines. Preference will go to the greatest concentration of population because most of the revenues will be derived from these areas. It will, however, require a pre-payment of the necessary fees," Garten said.

There is also plenty of interest for water line extensions as well.

At the Thursday night meeting were several residents of Walnut Grove and Arthur Pike. They presented a list to the Water District of residents in their area requesting water line service.

According to Water District chair Garvey Cutsinger, the district has received many similar lists from other people in other areas who also want water service.

The December 10 public meeting is designed to answer questions people may have about the grant, the water line project, future goals of the district, and sign up potential customers.

The district also requests that possible customers also

describe existing water conditions, such as if there are salt-fur holes or other contaminations or conditions that make nearby water supplies health hazards. According to Garten, such information improves the district's chances for the grant to be awarded.

"We're reaching a crucial phase of this project and its important now that we show there are a lot of Nicholas County people interested in a water service. We could miss getting money otherwise," Garten said.

In other business:

The district agreed to absorb the excess usage of water to the line which runs by the Phillip Howard residence. A leak near the tap had apparently been caused when a rock from Howard's driveway accidentally punctured the line and a considerable amount of water leaked out.

According to Howard, he had called the phone number printed on the district's bill and left a message about the leak on an answering machine. The leak apparently began on a Sunday. He had no other idea of what more he could do, he said, after having advised the district of the leak.

As a result of the problem Howard had brought to light, board members agreed to have their phone numbers appear on future Water District bills so that a board member could be notified immediately if an emergency occurred.

Howard agreed to pay to have the lines re-connected in addition to covering the nor-