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Water Improvements Announced

Governor Bill Lee and Commissioner David Salyers of the Tennessee Department of Environment and conservation (TDEC) announced two loans totaling \$2,918,900 for the Hiwassee Utilities Commission-Bradley County and Hiwassee Utilities Commission-McMinn County to improve water infrastructure. Each of the loans is for \$1,459,450.

The loans are a way to make water infrastructure more affordable in local communities across Tennessee. Governor Lee said "We are glad to assist both Bradley and McMinn counties and look forward to the improvements that will result from this program."

According to Salyers, "This assistance will help make vital infrastructure happen, and we are glad these loans can be made available." The Hiwassee Utilities Commission's loans comes from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program which addresses improvements to the water treatment system and has a 20-year term at .81 percent interest.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equity markets started the week with a decline. Early morning optimism around the Russian and Ukrainian talks reversed. Chinese tech stocks came under pressure amid concerns that China's ties with Russia introduce some regulatory risk. The 10-year Treasury yield climbed to 2.14%.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 1.05 to 32,945.24. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 31.20 to 4,173.11, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 262.59 points to 12,581.22.

Community News You Can Use

✓ The City of Athens Public Works Department announces that parking spaces 261, 262, 263 on Jackson Street from Hornsby Street to College Street will be closed on Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for a tree trimming. Motorists are advised to use extreme caution, watch for detour and traffic control signage, pedestrians, and work crews. Motorists should allocate additional time for traffic delays when traveling in this area. .

✓ Nominations are being taken for the Polk County High School Alumni Association's Hall of Fame and are open to every PCHS graduate. Nominations will be accepted in writing through April 1 and should include a listing of the nominee's qualifications and an essay by the person making the nomination stating in 200 words or less why the individual would make a worthy Hall of Fame inductee. Nominations should be emailed to LaMone Lowery Rose at gem_players@bellsouth.net or mailed to Polk County Alumni Association, P. O. Box 353, Benton, TN 37307.

✓ The Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency (SETHRA) will be distributing USDA commodities to eligible McMinn County residents on Thursday, March 17th, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Athens Regional Park Expo Center. You do not need a commodity card to participate. But if you have not been issued a card since Oct. 1st, 2021, you will need to provide proof of income for all household members or proof of category eligibility to participate. Eligibility will be based on total income not in excess of the state-established maximum.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Rev. Claude Melton Womac**, age 91, of Athens, died Saturday at his residence. He was a native of Cleveland and longtime resident of McMinn County. He was retired from Magic Chief as a mechanical engineer. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.
- ♦ **Ester Lee Neeley Coleman**, age 80, of Athens, died Friday at her residence. Graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m., Thursday at Chestuee Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Mable Brackett**, age 69, of Etowah, died Saturday. Arrangements will be announced by Good Samaritan Funeral Home.

TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 15th

- 1767** - Andrew Jackson was born in South Carolina. At the age of 13, he was fighting for American independence. In the war of 1812, he lived on hickory nuts and earned the nickname, "Old Hickory." He became the 7th President in 1829. The Hermitage near Nashville was his home.
- 1820** - Maine became the 23rd state.
- 1931** - D.J. Fontana, drummer for Elvis Presley, was born.
- 1941** - Mike Love of the Beachboys was born.
- 1956** - "My Fair Lady" opened on Broadway starring Julie Andrews. It ran for 2,717 performances.
- 1972** - "The Godfather," Francis Ford Coppola's epic gangster movie based on the Mario Puzo novel and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premiered in New York.

Officer-Involved Shooting in Madisonville

At the request of 10th District Attorney General Steve Crump, TBI agents are investigating the circumstances leading to an officer-involved shooting that occurred on Saturday in Monroe County. Preliminary information indicates that late Saturday night, deputies with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office were pursuing a subject believed to be involved in a shooting that occurred earlier in the evening. After the subject's vehicle became disabled, he ran from the area toward the 600 block of Gudger Road in Madisonville. Reports from the scene indicate that, a short time later, a deputy encountered the subject, who brandished a handgun. The deputy fired his service weapon, striking the man. He was transported to a Knoxville hospital for treatment. No officers were injured during the incident.

TBI agents continue to work to independently determine the series of events leading to the shooting, including collecting evidence and conducting interviews. Throughout the process, investigative findings will be shared with the District Attorney General for his review and consideration. The TBI acts solely as fact-finders in its cases and does not determine whether the actions of an officer were justified in these types of matters; that decision rests with the District Attorney General requesting TBI's involvement.

The TBI does not identify the officers involved in these types of incidents and instead refers questions of that nature to the respective department to answer as it sees fit.

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