



Clark High School Prom was held Saturday night

High school proms are the social event of the spring calendar and Saturday night Clark High School hosted Prom 2017 with the theme being "A Night in Ancient Egypt". With a beautifully decorated auditorium, the banquet was held followed by the Grand March. Prior to the banquet, Prom goers went to the Furness Funeral Home for Pre-Prom activities and following the dance the

After-Prom event was held. It is a *Courier* tradition to picture the presidents and their dates. From left to right, Joslyn Hurlbert is the senior class president and her date was Dalton Martian. Mason Nelson is the junior class vice president and his date was Lexi Twait. Jennifer Hurlbert is the student body president and her date was Jacob Prouty.

Geronimo Energy discusses the Conditional Use Permit conditions with commissioners

On the agenda at the Tuesday meeting of the Clark County Board of Commissioners was: "Geronimo Energy - Crocker Wind Farm updates". Leading the Geronimo Energy legal team was attorney Brett Koenecke, Pierre. Koenecke handed the commissioners a list of nine conditions that the felt needed attention, headed by:

1. The setback distance from existing off-site, non-participating residences shall be 3/4 mile measured from the wall line of the neighboring principal building to base of the WES tower, unless otherwise negotiated pursuant to the zoning ordinance.
- The 3/4 mile setback from non-participants is arbitrary and presents significant obstacles for the Project. Crocker has reached out to home site owners within the

3/4 mile setback in an attempt to recover turbine locations without the success required to be meaningful to the project. Crocker requests a reduced setback. Crocker requests defining residences intended to be included within the setback. Said Koenecke, "We need to impress upon you (the board of commissioners) that conditions aren't suitable for the project." He then told the commissioners that the 3/4 mile setback is not suitable and he went over the remaining eight conditions, talking language correctable errors, the definition of 'residences' and the role ITC will play in going forward. "In order to consider this project, I ask that you inherently amend these conditions to make this work." He continued that the

county, landowners, Geronimo Energy and financial backers all have spent much time and many dollars and they are not willing to just walk away. "A writ of appeal will be applied in circuit court," said Koenecke. "We don't feel as it (the Crocker Wind Farm project) now stands that it is workable." Commissioner Francis Hass then stated, that he was speaking for himself, not the board, "You can't have a wide brush to paint the whole picture," said Hass, and he commented that he felt that the commissioners learned from the previous wind tower project that 1,000 feet to residences, etc., was too close. Koenecke then reiterated that Geronimo felt that 3/4 of a mile setback is unacceptable.

If Geronimo Energy would appeal to amend the conditional use permit approved earlier this spring by the Clark County Board of Commissioners, the public hearing process would begin anew. The Geronimo Energy talking points (excluding #1) included: The Conditional Use Permit was approved with the following conditions. Crocker requests the Board of Adjustment amend conditions (numbers 1, 2, 6, 7, 8) to clarify terms to accurately represent the intent of the Board and to modify unworkable conditions. Please see bullet points for more information:

2. The construction and operation of the WES shall be done in a manner so as to not interfere with the maintenance and operation of other utility and telecommunications lines, specifically incorporat-

ing terms and conditions contained in the Resolution proposed by Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative which resolution is part of the file in this matter. Prior signal degradation to ITC systems occurred in the 1990s near the Lake Benton exchange telecommunications system. Crocker's design criteria and turbine technology will mitigate potential concerns related to interference with the ITC's existing copper communications lines. The Resolution provided by the ITC at the hearing on March 7, 2017 contains provisions that require further negotiation. Crocker is working with the ITC on several other projects to reach agreeable terms and requests the Board accept the revised Resolution once these negotiations are finalized.

3. The applicant shall make a good faith effort to employ an Aircraft Detection Lighting System designed to turn blinking lights atop wind turbines on or off, based on

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WEATHER			
Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer			
	HI	LO	PR
April 25	34	28	tr
April 26	39	25	tr
April 27	45	25	0
April 28	48	26	0
April 29	53	27	0
April 30	48	37	0
May 1	56	34	0
2017 precipitation to date	2.37		
2016 precipitation to date	4.05		



Clark Elementary students and moms enjoy math and muffins in the morning

How many cube-shaped items can you identify? What things are shaped like a cylinder? Moms and grandmas and Clark Elementary School students listed off a handful of those and other shapes during the Muffins with Moms event held on April 25. Two-hundred and twenty-three people enjoyed a light breakfast of muffins, juice and coffee while talking about math in everyday life. Principal Luanne Warren read a poem about the math needed to make mud pies

and Title I teacher Jessica Jans pointed out how math is important as a parent - even in semi-daily instances like dosing children's medicine. Enjoying breakfast and learning together, from left to right are Julie and Julian McElhone, Amanda and Isaac Johnson and Kaden, Holly and Kooper Wookey.



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