



Four Hart FFA members met with these three State FFA officers recently at Tulia High School. Hart members are (beginning with third from left) Leandra Perez, Camarie Neudorf, Dylan Ramirez and Eloy Marquez.

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Hart's Sales Tax Rebate Up From Last Year

Hart's sales tax rebate received in February is \$4,050.16, compared to \$3,837.40 for the same period last year, an increase of 5.54%. For the year, the City has received \$7,326.67, compared to \$6,501.91, a 12.68% increase.

Nazareth's rebate of \$3,256.86 is 0.11% down from last year's figure of \$3,250.63. For the year, Nazareth's rebate is \$5,561.06, compared to \$4,675.23 for the prior period.

Dimmitt's rebate of \$36,592.26 is down slightly from last year's figure of \$37,171.51. For the year, Dimmitt has received \$62,395.58, compared to the same period last year, \$66,957.32.

Castro County, for the year, has received \$303,252.82, compared to \$316,229.56 for last year.

The sales tax figures represent December sales reported by monthly tax filers as well as October, November and December sales by businesses that report tax quarterly.

City To Take Bids For Street Seal-coating

At the Feb. 9 City Council meeting, it was voted on to accept bids for seal-coating of some of the city streets. It was reported that the last time this occurred was in 2011 and the City had adopted an "every-other year" plan. However, there was no seal coating done in 2013 because of an abrupt change in personnel for the City Secretary. This change required more in-depth auditing, and the seal-coating was put on the back burner. It is expected that bids will be opened in March in Dimmitt, as the City of Dimmitt is also looking at such an improvement.

School Board Okays One-Year Contract Extensions

The contracts for Supt. Ken Rosser, Principals Ramona Neudorf and Lonnie Powell, Counselor Suzy Garcia and Curricula Director Robin Straley were extended for one year in a unanimous vote by the Hart School Board at their meet-

ing Monday evening.

Teachers' contracts and Business Manager Teresa Montemayor's contract will be considered in the March meeting. Salaries will be considered likely in June prior to adoption of the fiscal budget.

Board members present were President Elodia Rodriguez, Martha Gonzales, Raul Gonzalez, Erasmo Mata, Steven Ramirez, Angelica Ramirez and Vickie Chavez.

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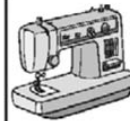
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