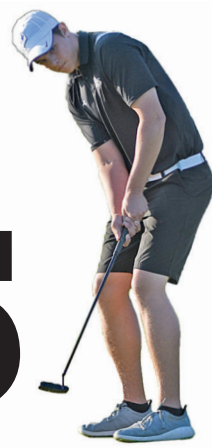




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Minocqua town board gives Bangstad more time to meet permit conditions

County zoning orders MBC to cease doing business in temporary location

By Richard Moore
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

On a 3-1 vote Tuesday, the Minocqua town board — with John Thompson recusing himself and Minocqua town chairman Mark Hartzheim voting no — agreed to give the Minocqua Brewing Company (MBC) and owner Kirk Bangstad more time to meet parking requirements at his Front Street retail location, meaning he can open provided he meets other permit conditions.

It is a recommendation only; the county enforces the permit. If the county agrees, Bangstad has until October 31 to blacktop his required parking lot and install necessary curb cuts. An escrow account will be negotiated between the parties to ensure that Bangstad meets his obligations.

In a related development this week, Oneida County moved to shut down Bangstad's separate, temporary retail operation for operating

without a permit. He would need to obtain an after-the-fact permit to continue business, but that might be moot after Tuesday's town board meeting.

In a long session that went round and round repetitively, Bangstad and Minocqua town chairman Mark Hartzheim battled it out on center stage, with Bangstad accusing Hartzheim of being the ringleader of an old boys network who didn't like him politically and Hartzheim coun-

tering that he was simply trying to enforce the rules everybody else has to live by, including two new businesses near Bangstad's location.

Bangstad said the parking lot his permit required him to construct didn't make sense.

"The town said I needed to construct a parking lot," Bangstad said. "There's three reasons why a parking lot doesn't make much sense.

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UPTOWN GIRLS

Scarlett Henderson and Ellen Kimball dance to "Uptown Girl," during the Lynda Kronzer Dance Studio's "It's Showtime" performance on Friday, June 3, at the Lakeland Union High School auditorium in Minocqua. See pages 12 and 13 for more photos from the annual dance recital.



Suspect arrested in connection with LUHS threat

By Brian Jopek
OF THE LAKELAND TIMES

On Tuesday afternoon, Lakeland Union High School administration announced the cancellation of all evening activities. As of 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, there were just a few vehicles in the LUHS parking lot.

Tuesday evening, Capt. Terri



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Adam Bauman

Hook with the Oneida County Sheriff's Office issued a press release.

"On Tuesday, June 7, 2022, the Minocqua Police Department received a threat against school officials at the Three Lakes High School and Lakeland Union High School," Hook stated in the press release. "The suspect has been located. There is no active threat to the community at this time."

On Wednesday, Oneida County Sheriff Grady Hartman told *The Lakeland Times*

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Lac du Flambeau fire station issue remains contentious

Gaulke: 'I would like a public correction'

By Brian Jopek
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The Lac du Flambeau town board, during a special meeting Tuesday, formally approved the purchase of 42 acres of land for \$550,000 as well as a contract with architect Glenn Morrison and his firm, Architecture North, for the design of a new fire station.

The land purchase had

been authorized by a majority of town electors at the town's annual meeting on April 19. Also authorized by electors at that meeting was construction of new fire station on the 42 acres for no more than \$5.5 million.

Since that time, town supervisor Bob Hanson, in meetings as well as in a letter to the editor published in the June 3 edition of *The Lake-*

land Times, has called into question the amount of money to be spent for the land as well as the license status of Morrison.

Morrison is a Lac du Flambeau resident who has been working with fire department officials the past four years on a design for, at first, the renovation of the current

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