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Woman reportedly jumped off bridge

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BRECKENRIDGE, Minn. — Authorities were looking for a person who reportedly jumped off a bridge and into the Otter Tail River in western Minnesota early Monday. Breckenridge police Chief Nate Harder said one of his officers was flagged down about 2:15 a.m. by

a driver flashing her headlights by the Main Street bridge in Breckenridge. The driver told the officer she had just crossed the bridge and had seen a white female with blond hair possibly jump into the river below, while apparently holding a piece of paper, Harder said. The officer told the driver to

wait in a nearby parking lot while he checked the river, but as he was searching, she drove off. The officer described the driver who made the report as credible and not intoxicated, Harder said. "This could be very credible, or it could be nothing," the chief said. "We are treating it like somebody did go in the water."

Harder said police would like to re-interview the driver who made the report, but they don't know who she is. Along with Breckenridge police, Wilkin County sheriff's deputies, Wahpeton, N.D., police and Breckenridge firefighters were looking for the person who may have jumped.

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19 district staff placed on leave; most should return

By Chris Reinoso
 Daily Journal

The Fergus Falls Public School Board on Monday terminated or placed on leave 19 district employees, effective at the end of the school year, in a move Superintendent Jerry Ness characterized as common most school years. Earlier this month, the board approved eliminating some teachers before the beginning of the next school year to protect the district in the event of lower-than-expected

registration. Ness said most of the employees work for the iQ Academy, and that all but three are expected to return when enrollment totals are finalized later this summer. "It's a precaution, but we assume that most of these teachers will be back in the fold," he said. Five employees, all iQ Academy teachers, were placed on unrequested leave. These teachers have all achieved tenure in the district and will be the first hired back next

fall, according to Ness. **Lunch prices increasing** Also at Monday's meeting, the district approved a 4.27 percent increase in district lunch prices for the 2014-2015 school year. Kindergarten through fifth-grade students will be charged \$2.05 per meal next school year, up from \$1.95, while sixth- through 12th-graders will pay \$2.20 per meal as opposed to \$2.10 this year. These increases were not the idea

of the board, according to board member Matt Lemke, as schools participating in the National School Lunch Program are moving towards higher prices nationwide. "As a school board, we're being mandated to do it," Lemke said. The increases are to supplement the expansion of more nutritional meals in public schools, according to district business manager Mark Masten. The ultimate goal of these price increases is for lunches eventually to cost an average of \$2.65.

Development: Stone cottage next on renovation list

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also held a public hearing and approved a conditional use permit in a B-3 zone for ground floor apartments. The new zone will allow the buildings to be used for something other than government use, according to Schlossman. The business district allows for the same kind of development that can be done in a downtown area, according to Community Development Director Gordon Hydukovich. "It's a very flexible use," Hydukovich said. "I think it meets the needs of the developer." Patrick Hollister, of Fergus Falls, spoke in favor of the requests at the public hearings, saying that he and others in the community "have a deep interest in seeing this property preserved." In August, the Fergus Falls City Council approved an amendment to the development agreement for two other parcels on the RTC property. Schlossman had asked for an extension to the original agreement. Agreements in the amendment include having 10,000 square feet rehabilitated by no later than Dec. 31,

2014. A cumulative 20,000 square feet would be finished by Dec. 1, 2016, and a cumulative 30,000 square feet would be finished by Dec. 1, 2018. Everything is on track for the first completion date, according to Schlossman. Building No. 6 is more than 13,000 square feet, and next on the list for work will be the stone cottage — located toward the northeast end of the property — with construction likely to start three months after Building 6. A non-profit group is interested in that cottage, and it's looking to renovate it into offices and apartments. Other preliminary plans in the works include apartments in a 20,000-square-foot, former Minnesota Public Health building; possibly apartments and office space in the 30,000-square-foot red, brick building; and there are a couple offers on the nurses cottage, which will likely be turned into assisted living facilities. "We have some flexibility for the buildings," Schlossman said. "We could have offices, as well, and apartments upstairs, or all apartments."

Kevin Bartram, of Mutchler, Bartram Architects out of Fargo, is the lead architect on the project. Also involved is Todd Grover, a partner with MacDonald and Mack Architects in Minneapolis, a company which specializes in historic renovation architecture. Campus Development Group closed on parcels two other parcels of the RTC in March 2011, taking the nurses' cottage and assorted brick buildings out of the city's hands. The original development agreement laid out that within 12 months Schlossman was to commence rehabilitation work on the property and also that within 24 months, a minimum of 10,000 square feet needed to be rehabilitated. At the end of March 2013, those requirements weren't met, so the city sent a notice saying Schlossman was in default of the development agreement, according to City Administrator Mark Sievert. With the new agreement in August, Schlossman was no longer in default. The final decision on the rezoning requests will go to the City Council at its May 5 meeting.

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Tours: 'We'll just keep going until we're told we can't'

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they would be able to continue, with plans moving forward to redevelop the building. Historic Kirkbride is working on an estimated \$41.4 million redevelopment project to save the building from demolition. The city of Fergus Falls, which still owns the RTC property, has given permis-

sion for the tours to continue this year, according to the Schmidts, and developer Ray Willey is also supportive of their efforts. "So we'll just keep going until we're told we can't do them anymore," Maxine said. Once again this year, they will give shorter, "mini tours" during SummerFest, as well. The annual summer festival

is on the RTC grounds for a third year in a row. More than 9,000 people have toured the facility and its historic grounds since the first tour was given in February 2005. Visitors have come from at least 40 of the 50 states and eight other countries. Tours last year were booked up well in advance,

and some of the calls Maxine gets are from people who say they've been wanting to take the tour for a long time but just haven't yet. "The tours will continue," Maxine said. "There's still lots of interest, so we'll just keep going." For tour information, call Gene and Maxine Schmidt at 218-736-5328.

Trail: 'We are creating one of the greatest gems in central Minn.'

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nearby cities, and put together the \$100,000 necessary to pay for the construction. All that is left to do now is complete the final two stretches of trail. Work could begin any day, but will certainly have to begin sometime in May if the project is to be completed by the planned date of July 3. If the project is not done by that date, there will be fines assessed in accordance with the language of

the state grants, according to Malmstrom. There are three public beaches, four modern restrooms, two shower facilities and three picnic facilities along the final version of the trail, according to Malmstrom. That makes it more appealing to him than the Central Lakes Trail, which does not have as many amenities along its route. "Along the trail there are so many things to do," he said. "That's one of the things that makes this trail

highly attractive to biking families." The Otto Bremer Foundation recently made a \$25,000 donation for the purposes of marketing the trail. Beginning this summer, Malmstrom said, there will be a trail website and advertising in local publications and on billboards to alert people to the finished trail. Getting people's attention will be key, as biking enthusiasts who come to the trail are likely to spend money in the county, as

much as \$49 per day per biker, according to a study by the Lakes Area Development Association, a group Malmstrom helped create several years ago. For Malmstrom, what began as a vision on a ride through Glendalough six years ago will soon be a reality. He is thankful for all the help he has received throughout the process and is anxious to see what the future holds. "We are creating one of the greatest gems in central Minnesota," he said.

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