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**Where's Erma?**  
 Did you find Erma in a photo on page A4 last week? She was checking out homemade soaps at the Northwoods Art and Book Festival in Hackensack. Where is Erma this week?

**GO PINE RIVER WINNER:**  
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# Robinhood Way improvements addressed

By Nancy Vogt  
 Echo Journal

The Lake Shore City Council on Monday, Aug. 23, listened to concerns about a road that was improved this summer, ultimately approving payment for the work done and assessments for the city and benefiting property owners.

Joe Re, who lives on Robinhood Way, said the road wasn't built to specifications and he worries a serious accident will occur.

City Engineer Dave Reese, with Widseth engineering firm, said Re is right, and the road tapers from 24 feet to 18 feet at a corner, sooner than where the city may have liked. But Anderson Brothers did the work according to specifications and design, Reese said.

Reese said after meeting with Anderson Brothers, they agreed to add recycled asphalt pave-

ment at that corner. This will address the safety concern, though it might not be as aesthetically pleasing as desired.

Re expressed his dismay that the work wasn't done correctly, he said, and he worries the asphalt will wash away.

"All in all I think the road project went pretty well," Reese said.

The council agreed to pay Anderson Brothers \$143,753 for work on Robinhood Way.

The council also approved assessments for the project. The city will pay \$101,000 and benefited property owners will be assessed \$101,000. The interest rate for the assessment is 3%, which is much lower than was estimated.

## Public safety

The council accepted a \$500 donation from the Nisswa American Legion to repair the city radar sign.

Police reported 220 incidents in July, including 115 traffic-related incidents and 105 miscellaneous calls. Traffic activity included 81 traffic warnings, 24 traffic citations and one DWI arrest.

Miscellaneous activity included six suspicious activity, six disorderly conduct, seven disturbance complaints, one property damage complaint, one boating accident and 32 aquatic invasive species warnings.

Lake Shore police assisted other agencies 10 times.

In other business Monday, the council:

▶ Approved a resolution recognizing National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day on Oct. 15, at Mayor Krista Knudsen's request. Knudsen said this is an issue she holds near and dear to her heart.

▶ Appointed Pam Poston as an alternate to the planning commission.

▶ Approved the updated preliminary capital improvement plan, outlining roads likely to be improved next year - Upper Roy Lake Road, Springside Drive and Christy Drive, as well as an overlay of Niemi Circle - and to chip seal roads most recently paved.

▶ Agreed to pay Widseth engineering firm an estimated \$5,000 for professional services for trail easement assistance for the last phase of the Gull Lake Trail.

▶ Learned City Administrator/ Planning and Zoning Administrator Teri Hastings, City Clerk/Treasurer Patti McDonald and Police Officer Mike Heldt had successful reviews.

▶ Learned the city issued seven permits in July for a total valuation of \$275,250.

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## Man dies in apparent drowning on Ruth Lake

A 66-year-old man from Kansas apparently drowned Monday, Aug. 16, on Ruth Lake in Emily.

The Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office was called at 2:58 p.m. to a report of an unconscious man who had been pulled from the water near the Ruth Lake access in Emily.

The man was swimming from a nearby pontoon when he became distressed. Attempts were made to get flotation devices to the victim. The victim became unresponsive.

Boaters at the nearby access responded to calls for help and aided in

recovering the man from the water, the sheriff's office reported. The victim was taken to the lake access where life-saving measures were attempted, but were unsuccessful.

The victim, Edward Rando, of Towanda, Kansas, was pronounced dead at the scene. Rando was transported to the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office. The apparent cause of death is listed as drowning.

Emily Police officers, Emily First Responders, Emily Fire and Rescue, North Memorial Health Ambulance and Air Care assisted the sheriff's office at the scene.

## WHAT YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Be sure to activate your online access that is free as part of your print subscription by visiting [pineandlakes.com/activate](http://pineandlakes.com/activate). Here are highlights of what was published in the Echo Journal e-papers online every day in the past week. Each e-paper is seven to nine pages of world, national, state, business, entertainment and sports news:

▶ **Thursday, Aug. 19:** U.S. vows to finish Afghan airlift. COVID-19 cases remain highest in the South. Sales, profits soar again at Target.

▶ **Friday, Aug. 20:** Taliban urge Afghan unity as protests spread. T-Mobile was hacked; what should you do? Tebow's polarizing career has reached its end.

▶ **Saturday, Aug. 21:** West struggles with Afghanistan chaos as President Biden again defends U.S. pullout. Mike Richards steps down from hosting "Jeopardy." Tips to prepare and organize for the return to school.

▶ **Sunday, Aug. 22:** United States and Germany advise against travel to Kabul airport. As wildfires overwhelm the West, officials try to predict their path. Five tips for safe and sane travel with someone who has dementia.

▶ **Monday, Aug. 23:** Minnesotans are flocking to local sunflower fields for selfies. Henri makes East Coast landfall with a deadly surge. Minnesota yield prospects have faded with drought-stricken crop.

▶ **Tuesday, Aug. 24:** Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine receives full Food and Drug Administration approval. Teams search for dozens missing after Tennessee flooding. In farewell, Andrew Cuomo says it's "unfair" he had to resign as governor of New York.

▶ **Wednesday, Aug. 25:** Find this week's Echo Journal pages, along with extra pages of state, national, world, sports, business and entertainment news.

## POLICE BLOTTER

### Crow Wing County Sheriff's Department

**CRASHES:** Report on Aug. 19 at 8:47 p.m. of a property damage car/deer crash on County Road 13 in Nisswa.

Report on Aug. 20 at 4:05 p.m. of a property damage crash on County Road 15 in Jenkins.

Report on Aug. 23 at 7:14 p.m. of a personal injury bicycle/deer crash on County Road 18 in Nisswa.

**FIRE:** Report on Aug. 23 at 5:13 a.m. of a grass fire on County Road 1 in Emily.

### Breezy Point Police Department

**BURGLARY:** Report on Aug. 18 at 8:44 a.m. of a burglary on North Drive.

**CRASHES:** Report on Aug. 17 at 2:07 a.m. of a property damage squad car/deer crash on County Road 4 and Red Oak Lane.

Report on Aug. 17 at 11:30 a.m. of a personal injury crash on Ouray Drive and County Road 11.

Report on Aug. 21 at 1:12 p.m. of a property damage crash on Breezy Point Drive.

**TRAFFIC ARREST:** Report on Aug. 20 at 2:28 p.m. of a driver arrested for DWI on County Road 11 and County Road 39.

### Nisswa Police Department

**CRASHES:** Report on Aug. 16 at 3:59 p.m. of a property damage crash on Merrill Avenue.

Report on Aug. 19 at 3:25 p.m. of a personal injury crash on Lodge Road.

Report on Aug. 22 at 3:58 p.m. of a property damage crash on County Road 77.

**TRAFFIC ARREST:** Report on Aug. 20 at 3:08 a.m. of a driver arrested for fourth-degree DWI and third-

degree test refusal on County Road 77.

### Pequot Lakes Police Department

**THEFT:** Report on Aug. 18 at 3:28 p.m. of a theft on Inland Trails Road and East Cullen Road.

### Cass County Sheriff's Department

**CRASHES:** Report on Aug. 17 at 6:32 p.m. of a property damage crash on State Highway 371 in Hackensack.

Report on Aug. 21 at 7:52 a.m. of a property damage car/deer crash in East Gull Lake.

**FIRES:** Report on Aug. 17 at 10:58 p.m. of a fire on Balsam Lane in Lake Shore.

Report on Aug. 18 at 6:55 p.m. of a fire on Bass Lake Road in Lake Shore.

Report on Aug. 18 at 11:45 p.m. of a fire on State Highway 371 in Hackensack.

Report on Aug. 19 at 4:13 p.m. of a fire on Wienzel Point in Lake Shore.

Report on Aug. 21 at 4:52 p.m. of a fire on Interlachen Road in Lake Shore.

## Flying high at Gildner Park



Contributed

Community Action of Pequot Lakes donated this swingset at Gildner Park at the corner of South Oak and Pillsbury streets. The Pequot Lakes Public Works Department built and installed it Monday, Aug. 23.

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<b>Candyman (R)</b> Fri - Thu: 12:30, 2:30, 5:00, 7:50	<b>Free Guy (PG-13)</b> Fri - Thu: 1:20, 4:40, 7:10
<b>Paw Patrol: The Movie (G)</b> Fri - Thu: 12:50, 4:10, 7:30	<b>Jungle Cruise (PG-13)</b> Fri - Thu: 12:40, 4:30, 7:20
<b>Reminiscence (PG-13)</b> Fri - Thu: 4:20, 7:40	<b>Space Jam: A New Legacy (PG)</b> Fri - Thu: 1:10 PM

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