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## Board plans hearing on \$1.76 million budget increase

The Board of Directors of the City of Dodge is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2013-2014 budget increase of \$1.76 million. The hearing will be held on Monday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber. The proposed budget increase is necessary to cover the cost of the new hospital expansion project, which is estimated to cost \$10 million. The City Council will also be asked to approve the budget increase at the same time.

Recreation Dept. to offer Zumba fitness class

## Open house to celebrate hospital expansion



Open house to celebrate hospital expansion. The new hospital building is set to open in the fall of 2013. The building is a state-of-the-art facility that will provide the community with the highest quality of care.

VA's mobile office is coming to Liberal

## Dodge City officials grapple with statue display

Dodge City officials are currently in a meeting to discuss the placement of a new statue in the city square. The statue is a tribute to the city's history and is set to be unveiled in the summer of 2013. The officials are trying to find a suitable location for the statue that will be both visible and respectful to the surrounding area.



Authorities identify Colorado couple as airplane crash victims. The couple was on board the plane when it crashed in the mountains of Colorado last week.

City to offer free Franchise Night for those wanting to open or expand small business

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Authorities have identified the victims of a small airplane crash in the Colorado Rockies. The plane was carrying a couple from Colorado when it crashed on a mountain slope last week. The couple was on a sightseeing trip and was not experienced pilots. The crash was caused by a combination of factors, including poor weather and a loss of control.

Downstate businesses setting the groundwork for organization

## Downstate businesses setting the groundwork for organization

Businesses in downstate Kansas are working together to form a new organization. The organization is intended to provide a voice for downstate businesses and to advocate for their interests. The organization will be formed in the summer of 2013 and will have a focus on economic development and infrastructure improvement in the region.

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