

Pistorius' story challenged at trial

The Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — What exactly was Oscar Pistorius doing in the moments before he fatally shot his girlfriend in his home?

Was he, as the double-amputee Olympian testified Friday, hobbling fearfully on his stumps with his pistol down a passageway from his bedroom toward the bathroom after hearing a possible intruder there? Or, as the chief prosecutor contended, was he instead angrily pursuing his girlfriend in the midst of an argument?

Contradicting himself at times, Pistorius sparred with the prosecutor over the differing accounts of what happened on the night he killed Reeva

Steenkamp by firing four times through the closed door of a toilet cubicle. The star athlete, who says the shooting was an accident because he mistook her for a robber, faces 25 years to life in prison if convicted of premeditated murder.

"My whole being was fixated on this person that I thought was in the bathroom," Pistorius said during the third day of his cross-examination.

He said that as he moved toward the bathroom, he screamed to his girlfriend to get down from their bed and call the police. After hearing a noise that made him think someone was opening the toilet door to attack him, Pistorius said he opened fire. Only afterward, he testified, did he realize that Steenkamp was not in the bedroom but in the toilet cubicle.

Prosecutor Gerrie Nel, however, said an argument between the couple was the "only reasonable explanation" for why Pistorius, 27, shot the 29-year-old model as she stood behind the toilet door some three meters (yards) away in the pre-dawn hours of Valentine's Day last year.



Oscar Pistorius

Navajo Nation Council, U.N. expert, criticize 'Redskins' name

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — The Navajo Nation Council voted to oppose the use of the Washington Redskins name, while a United Nations human rights expert said separately that the term is "inextricably linked to a history of suffering and dispossession."

The Council's committee of the whole voted 9-2 Thursday to oppose the name. The measure was sponsored by lawmaker Joshua Lavar Butler, who says the word can have negative psychological effects on American Indians. The statement of opposition also applies to what Butler says are disparaging references to

American Indians in other professional sports franchises.

It does not apply to college or high school mascots. The mascot for at least one high school on the Navajo Nation is the Redskins.

On Friday, James Anaya — a UN expert on indigenous people's rights — said the football team's name is a "hurtful reminder" of the mistreatment of Native Americans, but stopped short of joining in calls for the team's owner to change the name.

Last month, team owner Dan Snyder said he was creating a foundation to assist American Indian tribes but gave no indication he had plans to change the name, which he says honours Native Americans.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

**8AM - 4PM
SPECIAL SERVICES**

Electric Outages 403.529.8280
Gas Emergency..... 403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency 403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services..... 403.529.2828

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD

90 Sandstone Place SE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the following Development Appeal will be heard by the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board at a Public Hearing in City Hall Council Chambers, commencing at 12:00 pm on Tuesday, April 22, 2014.

APPEAL #5-2014

Location: 90 Sandstone Place SE (Block 30, Plan 0212588)

Purpose: On March 31, 2014 a Business License Inspector approved a development permit application for a Home Occupation – Painting Business. The appellant is appealing the approval of the Development Permit.

If you wish to inspect any other documentation on file with regard to this matter, you may do so by attending at the City Clerk Department between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Written/electronic submissions, regarding the above, will be accepted and placed before the Board. All submissions will be treated as public documents and must be received by the undersigned by 4:30 pm, **Wednesday, April 16, 2014**. Oral Submissions are normally limited to five (5) minutes.

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PROTECT WATER LINES FROM FREEZING

To protect your water lines against the possibility of freezing this winter, consider the following actions:

- Repair broken windows and ensure windows and vents are closed during the winter.
- Insulate water pipes in unheated areas of your home or business, including crawl spaces.
- If a sink is located against a non-insulated outside wall, consider opening the vanity door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes. A light bulb placed near the water pipe may generate enough heat to keep the water flowing. Similarly a heat tape wrapped around the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.

Residents of mobile homes should check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and water meter. An unheated indoor water meter should be protected with an insulated box and water pipes should be wrapped in insulation and heat tape.

Outside water taps and underground sprinkler systems should have their water supply shut off inside the house at the isolation valve for the tap and sprinkler line.
Lines should be drained/blown out.

- A very thin stream of water (as thick as a pencil lead) running continuously from at least one tap will help prevent a frozen water service.
- If you plan to be away from home over the winter period, close the main water isolation valve in your home. This is located next to your water meter.

A frozen water service, or a burst water pipe, is an inconvenience and expense that most people would like to avoid. Please take precautions to prevent this happening in your home or business.

PUBLIC NOTICE ROAD CLOSURE TO CLOSE A PORTION OF DOMINION STREET SE

The municipal council of the City of the Medicine Hat gave First Reading to Bylaw #4219 on Monday, April 7, 2014, a road closure bylaw to close a portion of Dominion Street SE.

The Land & Properties Department (L&P) is requesting approval of the sale of a 7,260 square foot portion of Dominion Street SE in Block 20, Plan 481M (the "Subject Lands") to Milton K. Pancoast and Barbara C. Pancoast (the "Applicants"). L&P request closure of the Subject Lands for consolidation with an adjacent parcel of land (501E Coburg Avenue SE) owned by the applicants.

A copy of proposed Bylaw #4219 and related documents may be inspected during normal office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) at the City Clerk Department or accessed via the 'Proposed Bylaws' section on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca.

Any person claiming to be affected by the proposed bylaw will be given an opportunity to be heard by the Council prior to consideration of second and third readings of this bylaw, which will occur in City Hall Council Chambers during the course of a regularly scheduled Council meeting on May 5, 2014.

Any person wishing to have a written submission (which will be handled as a public document) placed before the City Council must ensure that it arrives at the Office of the City Clerk not later than 12:00 noon, Wednesday, April 30th, 2014. The mailing address is 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta, T1A 8E6. The e-mail address is clerk@medicinehat.ca.

THIS NOTICE is provided pursuant to Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 12th day of April, 2014.

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FIRE HYDRANT & WATER MAIN FLUSHING

The Environmental Utilities Department will test and flush fire hydrants plus water mains until October 2014. This is an annual maintenance activity that maintains water quality and system infrastructure. Residents may notice some discoloring of water, which is not harmful and will disappear when flushing is complete. Fluctuating pressure may also be noticed. Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, you may wish to flush the water from your home for a few minutes by watering your lawn or running your tap. Please note that the flushing in your home will not correct private plumbing/corrosion problems. Thank you for your understanding.



The City of Medicine Hat and you partners in safe drinking water

UPCOMING GARBAGE COLLECTION DAY CHANGES

There will be no solid waste collection on Friday, April 18, 2014 due to the Easter Holidays.



All residential garbage zone collection days will advance as outlined in the schedule below and in the annual Collection Calendar.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
April 14 – Zone 5	April 15 – Zone 1	April 16 – Zone 2	April 17 – Zone 3	April 18 – No Collection
April 21 – Zone 4	April 22 – Zone 5	April 23 – Zone 1	April 24 – Zone 2	April 25 – Zone 3

If you are unsure of your garbage collection zone or schedule please visit www.medicinehat.ca and refer to the Solid Waste Utility garbage collection zone map and schedule. For additional information please contact Environmental Utilities Customer Service at 403-529-8176.

**Remember:
Don't Be Late - Set garbage out by 7:00 a.m.
Leave Room - 3 feet (1 Meter) for Automated
Collection
Bring It Back - Return carts to property**

NOTICE OF FIRST READING

DEBENTURE BORROWING BYLAWS

TAKE NOTICE that the municipal council of the City of Medicine Hat gave first reading on Monday, April 7, 2014 to Borrowing Bylaw #4226. In order to complete the project (the "Project") listed below, the City has elected to borrow monies from the Alberta Capital Finance Authority (ACFA) or another authorized financial institution by the issuance of debentures, pursuant to Section 258 of the *Municipal Government Act* RSA 2000 Chapter M-26

Bylaw #	Purpose of Borrowing	Estimated Total Cost	Amount to Be Borrowed
4226	River Ridge Sanitary Lift Station Replacement - 2014 (the "Project")	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000

The Municipality shall repay the indebtedness of Bylaw #4226 according to the repayment structure in effect, namely semi-annual or annual equal payments of combined principal and interest installments for a period not to exceed twenty (20) years calculated at a rate not exceeding the interest rate fixed by the Alberta Capital Finance Authority or another authorized financial institution on the date of the borrowing and not to exceed ten (10%) percent.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that, unless a sufficient petition demanding a poll of the electors is received within 15 days following the date of the last publication of this Notice, the Council may pass the said borrowing bylaws as described in the Municipal Government Act, Sections 219 to 226.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that copies of the aforesaid proposed Bylaw may be accessed via the "Proposed Bylaws" section on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca or inspected during normal office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) at the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall, Medicine Hat, Alberta.

DATED at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 12th day of April, 2014.

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WANT TO SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY?

*Do you have an interest in land use planning & development?
You can make a difference in our City...*

The City of Medicine Hat invites you to apply to serve on the **Municipal Planning Commission**. The Core Function of this Commission is to act as the principal advisory body to Council in matters relating to land use planning. Your participation will provide valuable community involvement in the decision-making process.

More information about this Commission and the required application form may be obtained from the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall, 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, or on our website at www.medicinehat.ca.

Please submit your application to the City Clerk Department by 4:30 pm, Tuesday, May 13, 2014.

For further information please contact the City Clerk at 403-529-8234.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED APRIL 3 TO APRIL 9, 2014 PLANNING, BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

- 1255 Eagle View Court SW (Lot 30, Block 2, Plan 0911363) Permit No. DP11589. With Conditions. Detached Residence.
- 28 Chartwell Place SE (Lot 5, Block 1, Plan 0612238) Permit No. DP11593. With Conditions. Covering Existing Deck.
- 335 Somerside Crescent SE (Lot 6, Block 11, Plan 1012845) Permit No. DP11594. With Conditions. Detached Residence.
- 1101 Division Ave NE (Lot 20, Block 17, Plan 4440AH) Permit No. DP11595. With Conditions. Detached Garage.
- 228 12 Street NW (Lot 38, Block 2, Plan 7989HD) Permit No. DP11599. With Conditions. Detached Garage.
- 53 Somerset Bay SE (Lot 12, Block 7, Plan 0715106) Permit No. DP11604. With Conditions. Detached Garage.

COMMERCIAL

- 81 Brier Estates Way NW (Lot 2, Block C, Plan 8210402) Permit No. DP11592. With Conditions. Two Fascia Signs.

HOME OCCUPATION

- 22 Craig Road SE (Lot 8, Block 7, Plan 731504) Permit No. DP11591. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor.
- 413 5 Street SE (Lot 4, Block 49, Plan 36556) Permit No. DP11596. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Administrative Consultant.
- 207 - 3090 15 Avenue SE (Lot -, Block CDE.8811764, Plan 8811764) Permit No. DP11597. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Consultant/Transportation - 3 Year Renewal.
- 947 Cottonwood Street SW (Lot 5, Block 6, Plan 0212840) Permit No. DP11600. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Physiotherapy Administration - 3 Year Renewal.
- 153 Burns Crescent NW (Lot 5, Block 5, Plan 703HE) Permit No. DP11603. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Computer Repair - 3 Year Renewal.
- 17 Ross Heights Court SE (Lot 53, Block 23, Plan 7910729) Permit No. DP11605. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Fire Alarm Inspection And Maintenance.
- 42 East Glen Street SE (Lot 25, Block 12, Plan 7910917) Permit No. DP11606. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Online Sales of Children's Products.
- 270 8 Street SW (Lot 23,24, Block 8, Plan 2177M) Permit No. DP11607. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Ice Cream Truck - Address Change.

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within fourteen (14) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning, Building & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 529-8374).