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**City of Chadron Expands Aquatic Facility with Fabric Structure**

*New Facility Will Be Used for Community Wellness and Gatherings*

South Haven, Minn. – The city of Chadron (Neb.), in partnership with the Chadron Community Foundation and Chadron State College, recently opened a new aquatics and wellness facility. The new facility is housed in a fabric structure designed and installed by Legacy Building Solutions.

“There was a need in our community for more wellness facilities,” said Janet Johnson, city planning, building and zoning official. “And with the changes in swimming, we wanted to also add a splash pad and slides. It doesn’t pay to have them standing unused for nine months of the year, so we knew we needed to put up a building.”

The new building provides a way for the formerly outdoor pool to be used year-round, and it allowed the city of Chadron to offer expanded services – including multiple water slides, a splash pad and a therapy pool with separate changing room. The aquatic and wellness center also includes a 1/8-mile walking track, and a community room for parties and meetings.

After evaluating multiple building options and soliciting bids, the city chose a fabric structure from Legacy Building Solutions. The Legacy team offered a fabric structure on a rigid steel frame, 162 feet wide by 170 feet long. The outside of the building is 15 oz. flame-retardant polyethylene fabric and features a blue wave design on the upper half of the building. The Legacy team created the wave pattern in partnership with the city of Chadron. “I am extremely pleased with the look of the building,” said Johnson. “It’s just excellent in all respects.”

The fabric building has a number of customization features to create the best environment for community fitness and gatherings. Structural fabric will not corrode in the humid indoor pool environment. The interior fabric liner separates the humid air from the steel frame, which is hot dip galvanized to further reduce the risk of corrosion.

All roof and walls have a layer of insulation, which along with a climate control system keeps the building comfortable for year-round use. The city partnered with Burbach Aquatics, Inc., an architecture firm specializing in pools. Burbach recommended a mechanical ventilation system designed for marine environment, which was incorporated into the building design.

The aquatic center will be funded by admission fees, a city subsidy, a contribution from Chadron State College and fundraising efforts. Johnson noted that the city’s annual subsidy is expected to be lower than the subsidy provided for the old outdoor facility.

**About Legacy Building Solutions**

Legacy Building Solutions designs, manufactures, engineers, and installs large-scale custom fabric structures for a wide range of industries, including the aviation, recreational, military and agricultural sectors. The company was founded in 2010 after creating a now-patented fabric attachment system. Headquartered in South Haven, Minnesota, Legacy Building Solutions provides services worldwide. Committed to sustainability and best management practices, the firm has achieved ISO 9001:2008 and CSA A660-10 certifications. Learn more at [www.legacybuildingsolutions.com](http://www.legacybuildingsolutions.com).

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