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## Park Board does deep dive

**CREWS OUT:** City crews still out cleaning up debris from high-wind event

BY CHUCK **VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR** 

FORT MADISON - As a result of direction from the Mayor's office, the city's Parks, Recreation and Docks Board spent this weekend visiting all city parks as part of a process to create a fiveyear plan.

Sunday the board toured Ivanhoe, Shopton, Victory and Old Settlers parks. On Saturday, they toured Riverview, Rodeo and Central parks.

The tours were spurred from a conversation the board had with Mayor Matt Mohrfeld at a meeting last month where Mohrfeld challenged the board to come up with a five-year plan that would outline a long-term vision for city parks.

Board member Hugh Vandegriff said he sees a the board's role as a go-between for the community and city leaders.

"I think the key thing is our role to liaison with the community to get that feedback on what needs to happen," he said, "This is a good first step in getting that feedback. Then we have to ask for more public review."

Going through the parks most needed improvement in handicap parking and restrooms or portapotties. Several parks had trees laying in the park and stump issues.

The group said Central Park was in pretty good

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Fort Madison Park board members from left Jim Decker, Sue Pieper, and Hugh Vandegriff, tour the playground equipment in Ivanhoe Park Sunday morning looking for areas of improvement that could be included in the board's five-year plan.

### **CORONAVIRUS**

### FMCSD offices closed Friday due to COVID

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Community School District administration office was closed Friday due to COVID-19.

According to Superintendent Dr. Erin Slater, no other staff were considered exposed due to social distancing and mask requirements. She said the Lee County Health Department was notified of the closure.

"LCHD was consulted, notified of mitigation efforts, and central office staff were notified to work remotely today," Slater wrote in an email to Pen City Current.

She said school district guidelines for exposure are defined as being in the presence of a positive person for 15 consecutive minutes where masks were not worn by both parties. Current district protocols also require any visitors to the Central office to wear masks so no additional exposure was identified.

The office, located at 1930 Avenue M, holds offices for the Superintendent, Business Manager



**SLATER** 

Sandy Elmore, Tiffany Fullhart, Food Service Director; Kim Harmon, Director of Curriculum and Student Service, transportation staff, and other administrators and assistants.

Slater said the rising number of cases in Lee County is of concern.

The district returned to in-person learning on Monday and as of Thursday, the 14-day positivity rate for Lee County was 15.5. The other three surrounding counties and rates are, Des Moines (19.8), Van Buren (19.8) and Henry County 18.1.

Fort Madison has students from three of the four counties.

"We monitor the county positivity rates for Lee, Henry, and Des Moines counties since we have students from all three counties in our district," she wrote.

"The rising numbers are of concern, so we continue to review daily to make sure we continue to provide a safe environment for students and

She said the office will reopen on Monday.

# By Curt Swarm



## Vietnam vet carries heavy memories

Soft music plays constantly in Rich and Pat Pendroy's home in Monroe, and in his man cave, which is in the rear of their garage that they converted to a workshop. Rich doesn't say it, but the soft music helps calm his nerves that are frazzled from the explosions and gunfire he went through in Vietnam.

His man cave is every man's dream (and every wife's point of contention). Lining one wall and parts of two others are 20 beautiful deer head mounts (all his own), plus furs and different mounts of fish, fox, mink, badgers, birds, etc. He did the taxidermy himself. He used to be a taxidermist but just does it for himself now, and his kids. He got tired of having to meet other peoples' wishes. He has display cabinets (that he made himself) full of Indian artifacts, and old hand tools. Artifacts are harder to find now, he points out, because farmers don't plow anymore. One of the pictures on his wall is of a yellow Plymouth Roadrunner he purchased when he came home from Vietnam. He wishes he still had that car, but Pat couldn't drive it.

He ran his own construction business building houses, cabinets and doing finish work. He's retired now, and turned the business over to his sons. His man cave and shop are one of the neatest and best organized man dwellings I've ever seen. Once again, he doesn't say it, but I have the feeling that Rich's neatness has to do with the lack of control he had while in Vietnam. There was chaos everywhere in a world gone crazy.

He was a year out of high school when he was drafted into the Army. He found out that if he volunteered for the Marines it would delay his departure by 120 days. He liked the idea of the Marines: pride, valor and honor. He'd seen the movies:

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### **Obituaries/Iowa News**

#### **OBITUARIES**

### ELIZABETH KAISER

Elizabeth "Betty" Kaiser, 99, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 7:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at The Kensington. She was born April 9, 1921 in Nauvoo, Illinois, the daughter of Fred K. Baxter and Dorothy Kelly Baxter, who



owned the multi-generational family winery business, The Gem City Vineyards, now known as the Baxter Winery. On September 27, 1946 she married Dr. Wayne F. Kaiser in Evanston, Ill. He died April 15, 2015. Betty graduated from St. Peter and Paul school in Nauvoo and the College of St. Teresa in Winona, Minnesota. She was a member of Holy Family Church. Betty taught high school in Hamilton, Ill. During WWII she worked in Chicago at Walgreen's main administrative office and was a hostess at Stouffers Restaurant. In

the 1950's, Betty was a founding member of St. Mary's Parish Council as well as a founding School Board member of Aquinas High School. She was Past President and member of Potowonok Circle of Kings' Daughters. She was a Founding member of Searchlight Study Club and of Chapter CA, T.T.T. She was also a member of D.A.R. (chapter Jean Espy). For many years she participated in an annual, free eye screening program for Ft. Madison school children and teens, organized by the Kings' Daughters. Beyond her community service, her family will always remember her unconditional love, easy-going and flexible nature, and her sparkling and embracing personality. Some of her favorite activities and interests were dancing, piano, crochet and knitting, reading, and her exercise group.

She is survived by two daughters, Susan Campbell (husband, Tony) of Kansas City, MO, and Dr. Pamela Kaiser of Menlo Park, CA; one son, Dr. Greg Kaiser of Los Osos, CA.; four grandchildren, Ashley Campbell Murray (Millersville, MD), Lisa Kaiser Fleisher (Washington, D.C.), Amber Campbell Carver (Kansas City, MO) and Benjamin Kaiser Fleisher (Denver, CO) and five great-grandchildren: Camden and Braden Murray, and Carson, Ayla, and Owen Carver. Betty is also survived by her sister, Mary Eleanor Logan of Nauvoo, IL and brother, Fred J. Baxter of Quincy, IL. and nieces and nephews and other relatives. Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Mrs. Carl (Annette Baxter) Schmidt.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A celebration of Betty's life will be held at a later date. Online condolences to Betty's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

### **OBITUARIES**

### MICHAEL T. SMITH

Michael T. "Mickey" Smith, 79, of Denmark, IA passed away on Friday, November 6, 2020 at 12:34 PM at the University of Iowa Hospitals.

He was born on February 1, 1941 in Loveland, CO to Raymond and Nellie Smalley Smith and was raised by his grandparents, Stewart and Helen Smalley. On July 11, 1960 he married Carol June Rashid in Lincoln, NE and she passed away on April 20, 2016. Mickey worked at IAAP and then ISP where he retired after twenty years of service. He served in the US Air Force and was an Iowa Hawkeye fan.

Survivors include one daughter, Barby (David) Ball of Donnellson; three sons, Tony (Katrina) Smith of Denmark, Paul Smith of Denmark and Tom (Cindy) Smith of Denmark; ten grandchildren; twelve

great grandchildren and one sister, Kaye Smith of Denmark. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and two brothers, Raymond and Bobby.

Per his wishes, there will be a private graveside service in Denmark Cemetery. King-Lynk Funeral Home is assisting the family.

A memorial has been established for Denmark Fire and Rescue and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

### State jobless rate drop slows

DES MOINES - The number of initial claims in Iowa, filed between Sunday, Oct. 25, and Saturday, Oct. 31, was 4,964. There were 4,478 initial claims by individuals who work and live in Iowa, and 486 claims by individuals who work in Iowa and live in another state. The number of continuing weekly unemployment claims was 37,290, a decrease of 2,535 from the previous week.

The U.S. Department of Labor adjusted last week's initial claim number to 4,351 (a decrease of 440) and continuing claims to 39,825 (an increase of 210 for a total decrease of 230 overall). Iowa Workforce Development relies upon the weekly data released by the U.S. Department of Labor to report its numbers and as such, adopts the revisions to the previously published data.

November and December are traditionally a time where we see an increase in unemployment claims due to cooler weather and the end of harvest. Employers in construction, agriculture and landscaping often start to lay off their workforces. It is unclear if we will see manufacturing layoffs given slower

production schedules this year. Thus, we may see an increase in unemployment benefit claims. December through the end of February are historically the time we see the highest levels of unemployment.

For the week ending October 31, 2020, unemployment insurance benefit payments totaled \$10,416,685.95. The following industries had the most claims:

Manufacturing (1,227) Construction (693)

Industry Not Available -Self-employed, Independent Contractors, etc (593)

Health Care & Social Assistance (441)

Administrative, Support, Waste Management, and Remediation Services (294)

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### Local News/Scene Around the Area

## Police chief says no evidence in posted burglary attempt

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – An early morning social media post that has the attention of the city has turned out to be without merit.

A social media post from a juvenile in town indicating there was at least one armed robbery on the city's east side has been taken down after a conversation with local police.

According to Fort Madison Police Chief Mark Rohloff, the post has been investigated and taken down by the individual who posted it. The investigation has turned up no evidence to substantiate the claims.

"These unconfirmed reports had no



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basis and police cannot substantiate the claims made in the post," Rohloff said.

"Our bigger concern is that these types of rumors instill undue public fear."

The post claimed that a subject had been robbed at gun point by two teenagers while walking home from a convenience store. It also read when the alleged victim notified authorities, Fort Madison police said it was the third report that day.

Rohloff said there are no reports of armed burglaries that day, only one case of someone swiping a skateboard.



Courtesy Photo

### Lake Cooper project

Above, Lee County Supervisor Gary Folluo presents LCCB Project Liaison J.R. Noll with a 'Resolution of Support' approved at a recent Lee County Board of Supervisors meeting. The proposed Pool 19-Lake Cooper Wildlife Habitat Restoration Project is an island restoration project. In addition, other river environmental improvements such as refurbishing and restoring emergent and submergent vegetation would improve the food stocks for ducks, fish, and other critters, and as such provide additional recreational opportunities for the area. Below, Fort Madison Rotary President Ryan Wilson presents a 'Resolution of Support' to Lee County Conservation President Tom Pollpeter and Noll.



### Alliant donates 1 million meals

MADISON, Wis. (November 6, 2020) – Seven food banks are receiving a total of \$385,000 from the annual Drive Out Hunger golf event, held by Alliant Energy's Foundation. These funds will purchase 1.15 million meals to fight hunger and provide food for local families.

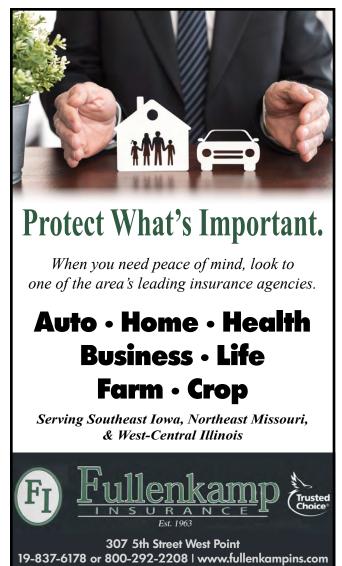
The golf event, traditionally held in-person, was re-envisioned as a virtual event in 2020 to prioritize safety during the COVID-19 pandemic. Sponsors were encouraged to follow social distancing guidelines and play golf on their own time during September and October.

"The need for food in communities is greater than ever as food banks are seeing an increase in first-time customers due to the pandemic. We're thinking of innovative ways to continue supporting communities while keeping safety top of mind," said Julie Bauer, Executive Director of the Alliant Energy Foundation. "Thank you to our sponsors for continuing to participate in our Drive Out Hunger event in support of food banks. Even though we were unable to be together in-person, we're extremely pleased with the amount raised and are proud to partner with others who understand how critically important it is to support communities and families."

InterCon Construction has been a major sponsor

for all 14 years of Drive Out Hunger. In 2020, nearly 40 business partners teamed up with Alliant Energy to generate the funds. Other top sponsors this year included: Border States, Michels, Perkins Coie, PwC, and White Construction.

"InterCon is proud to be a sponsor of the Drive Out Hunger event over the years. This year, more than ever, it is important to support our communities in their fight against hunger," said Anna Hillebrandt, President of InterCon Construction, Inc. "Our donation is just a small part; the real credit goes to the dedicated staff and volunteers of the partner food banks who are doing critical work."



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### From the Front

## Parks Board to look to community for direction

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shape with the exception of some stumps. Board member Sue Pieper said Fort Madison Rotary is doing an excellent job maintaining the park.

In Riverview Park the board said the Marina needs some work but a separate group is steering those discussions.

Pieper said the group thought a soft launch for kayaks and canoes somewhere along the riverfront would be a good addition as well as more regular cleanup of the embankment.

They also suggested additional historical and wildlife signage along the drive and getting the fountain functional in all seasons. A discussion was rekindled about a possible camper area at the west end of the park in the western most parking lot, and possible

camping space in the timber to the west of the parking lot.

In Rodeo Park the group said full hookups would be a great addition in as well as a few more pads for more campers on both sides of electrical hookups. The horseshoe pits could use renovation as well as some improvements to the kids playground area focusing on younger children.

Pieper said another bridge is needed at the end of Scenic Drive.

"We are so fortunate that a few years ago all of our shelter houses were repainted and are in pretty good shape," Pieper said.

At Ivanhoe, there were several trees that had been uprooted and cut down and there were no benches near the playground for parents to sit on. Board member Jacqueline Lumsden said a shelter house had been taken down where a cement pad sits in the center of the park. The group said it would be nice to have that shelter rebuilt.

Additional items in Ivanhoe included removing some of the bleachers at the ball field and taking down the concession stand.

There were several maintenance items on the restroom including replacing the doors. The group also said putting new updated basketball hoops on the court on the northwest side, and then having someone touch up graffiti in the skate park would be nice additions.

Shopton recommendations included putting

some black screens along the east side fencing to hide some of the rundown structures on the other side. Some small repair to fences around the Featheringill ballfield and possibly adding a few additional playground features for very young children.

At Victory Park, heavy focus was put on the former tennis courts that have wrinkled surfaces. Pieper said the city could look at converting or adding pickleball courts to the surface.

Lumsden, who lives in the neighborhood of the park, said she'd like to see at least one tennis court kept on the property. Pieper said there are 10 courts in town and pickleball is gaining in popularity. The subsurface is cracked and patched and the group thought the whole surface and concrete underneath needed to be replaced.

Other concerns were the surface of the ball field being very hard, bleachers needing replaced, either taking the concession stand down or repairing it and adding handicap parking. Lumsden said she'd like to see fencing replaced on the southside to keep balls and children from running into the street. She also said the northwest entry needed to be handicap ramped for disabled residents and bicycle riders.

Old Settlers Park has ongoing advocacy from the Old Settler's Association but had a few minor issues that could use attention, Decker said.

Pieper said the board has a new sense of direction and short of that she was thinking of resigning from the board.

"T've been on this park board for a long time and almost got off it because I thought it was kind of a waste of time," said board member Sue Pieper. "But now we have direction and this is getting to be fun."

Decker said some in community have questioned the need for the board

"Everyone was bringing up the fact that what use is the park board if we don't have a say so or know what's going on. And people would go to the council with stuff when they should be going to board first," he said.

Pieper said recent news that the board is

taking a hard look at parks is generating ideas from the community.

"That's what's so much fun," she said "I got so many ideas when I started asking people what they thought we needed."

Decker said parks are key to keeping people in town with options to get outside, but also are critical in recruiting new people to town.

"When people move two things they look at first – schools and jobs – and then they look at parks."

Vandegriff said the whole board has a renewed sense of responsibility and direction.

"I think our goal is really to help establish that vision for five years and then we can really say, 'Here's the plan." And then as a board we drive against the plan. And I think that's what the mayor is asking for," Vandegriff said.

Pieper agreed.

"If you don't have a vision, you're not going to go anywhere."

Editor's Note: Watch for a poll in the Pen City Current in the coming days asking for input about Fort Madison City Parks.

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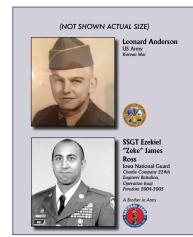
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### From the Front

### Lost friend a tough memory as Veteran's Day approaches

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John Wayne, Audie Murphy and Gary Cooper as Sergeant York. He talked his buddy David McMath, who had just graduated, into going in the Marines with him, on the Buddy System. They would be together through boot camp and post boot camp training.

They went to Vietnam together and were split into different units—Rich with Hotel Co., 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines; and Dave with Kilo Co., 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines as 0331's, M60 Machine Gunners. The year was 1967.

Like most combat veterans, Rich doesn't talk about the fighting. He doesn't have to. His sergeant stripes in a display case full of medals speak for themselves.

He didn't see Dave for a while. Then one night he heard Dave's company was close by. They were both supposed to go out on patrol the next day, but accommodations were made for them to spend the day together. Their buddies chipped in and supplied Rich and Dave with all the beer they could drink.

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That was the last Rich saw of Dave. Rich got a letter from his sister saying, "So sorry to hear about Dave getting killed."

Rich was stunned. He had no idea what, how or when Dave was killed. Rich was to find out later that Dave drowned—how, Rich never knew. But a lot of Vietnam soldiers died by drowning. Crossing those swollen streams and rivers with full packs and weapon was very dangerous.

Vietnam shaped the rest of Richard Pendroy's life. But he's a survivor. Rich's oldest son is named after Dave, which is a pact they made. If either one of them didn't make it home, they would name their first son after the other. Rich has visited the Vietnam Memorial Wall a couple of times and found Dave's name.

On a recent fishing trip to Decorah in NE Iowa, Rich was observing a young Hispanic couple trying to fish for trout. Using a bobber, weight and worm, they had no idea what they were doing. Rich patiently showed them the proper tackle to use. A few minutes later the young

man came running, all excited with a 16" trout. Rich told him some people fish all their lives and never catch a 16" trout.

It was raining. Rich also showed the young couple how to start a fire, and clean the trout.

The next morning there was a note for Rich thanking him for showing them how to fish, start a fire, and clean the fish. The man, who was an artist, had drawn a picture of the trout on the card.

Rich gets a little misty eyed when he tells this story, but not for long. It's getting late, and there's still time to get out into his tree stand for some deer hunting. He uses a crossbow now, because of surgery on his shoulders.

This Veteran's Day, November 11, which is also Rich's wife's birthday, give a veteran a hug. God bless you, Richard Pendroy.

Have a good story? Call or text Curt Swarm in Mt. Pleasant at 319-217-0526, email him at <u>curtswarm@yahoo.com</u> or visit his website at <u>www.empty-nest-words-photos-and-frames.com</u>.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL** 11/2/2020

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Monday, November 2, 2020, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Bowker, Rink. Andrews, Lair, and Cangas present.

This meeting was held with Council, staff and some members of the public present but also electronically (pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8) due to social distancing issues because of COVID-19.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 10/20/2020; Claims dated 10/29/2020; October 23 Payroll and Liquor License Renewal: Pizza Hut, 1123 - 24th Street, effective 12/20/2020;

Resolution No. 2020-62, approving the Fiscal Year Ending 2020 Annual Urban Renewal Report and the 2020 Financial Report for Fiscal Year ending 6/30/2020.

On motion, Council approved the first reading of an amendment to Title 9, Traffic, Chapter 7, Stopping, Standing, Parking, Section 6, Parking Prohibited, so as to restrict parking on the south side of Avenue E from 2nd to 24th Street.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-63, setting public hearing on a proposed ordinance repealing the current electric franchise, granting a new franchise to Interstate Power and Light Company, and imposing a franchise fee.

On Motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-64, setting public hearing on a proposed ordinance repealing

the current natural gas franchise, granting a new franchise to MidAmerican Energy, and imposing a franchise fee

On motion, Council approved a letter to the Lee County Board of Supervisors concerning Lee County's proposed new ambulance service. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on

construction and Stormwater Improvements.

At 6:30 P.M., the meeting adjourned until November 17, 2020, at 5:30 P.M.

Change Order #3 for PIP

2020-01. Parking Lot Re-

/s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

General	\$ 47,385.66	General	\$47,066.70
Special Revenue	5,994.56	Special Rev.	131,492.08
Road Use	15,662.68	Road Use	95,992.92
Capital	34,521.13	Debt	815.02
Water	146,514.25	Capital	118,848.22
Sewer	86,380.62	Water	321,226.53
Solid Waste/ IWC	1,014.01	Sewer	307,057.69
SW Utility	80.14	Solid Waste/ IWC	67,754.33
	\$337,553.05	SW Utility	18,220.17
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PAYROLL	10/23/2020
General	\$190,556.42
Old Fort	3,335.26
Emp. Benefit	6,332.36
Road Use	25,986.36
Tourism	951.41
Water	29,875.96
Wastewater	40,037.97
Solid Waste	11,467.23
Airport	312.77
Storm Water	3,810.56
	\$312,666.30

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Agenda
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4:00 p.m.

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- Call to order
- 2. Approval of minutes from October 13, 2020
- 3. Public Input

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- 4. Approval of Bills
- 5. Approval of Financial Report
- 6. Review and Approve LCCB Bylaws
- 7. Review and Approve Truck Bed Bid For New Pickup
- 8. Staff Reports
- 9. Board Member/Director Comments
- 10. Adjournment Next regular meeting will be December 8, 2020

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Pledge of Allegiance Approve Agenda Public Input

Canvass the November 3, 2020 General Election Open Proposals for

Remounting Ambulance Discussion of Letters from Fort Madison and Keokuk Mayors Regard-

ing Ambulance Service

Consider Awarding and Authorizing County Engineer to Execute Contract for Project L-21-L-1-73-56 for Bridge Rehabilitation/ Repair on 280th Street Over Jack Creek

Discuss and Possible Action on Moving Forward on Agreement with Brad and Anne Mills for Loan Repayment

Consider Approval of Tax Abatement Resolutions (2)

Consider Approval of Tuesday, November 3, 2020 Board Minutes Consider Approval of Claims Reports:

A. Treasurer's Report of Fees Collected Commission or Committee Reports Adjourn

Workshop to Follow

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF MEETING
OF THE City Council OF
THE City of FORT MADISON, STATE OF IOWA,
ON THE MATTER OF
THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ADOPTING
REVENUE PURPOSE

STATEMENT REGARD-ING USE OF REVENUES FROM PROPOSED ELECTRIC FRANCHISE FEES PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE SECTION 364.2(4)(f)

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Fort Madison, State of Iowa, will meet on the 17th day of November, 2020, at 5:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison, lowa, at which meeting the City Council proposes to consider the adoption of the attached Resolution Adopting Revenue Purpose Statement Regarding Revenues from Proposed Electric Franchise Fees Pursuant to Iowa Code § 364.2(4)(f).

As a result of concerns for the health and safety of the Council members, staff and public presented by COVID-19, pursuant to lowa Code Section 21.8,

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prompted.
This Notice is given
by order of the Council
of Fort Madison, Iowa,
as provided by Sections
364.2(4)(f) and 362.3
of the Code of Iowa, as
amended.

Dated this 2nd day November, 2020 /s/Melinda L. Blind City Clerk, City of Fort Madison, State of Iowa

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_ RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVENUE PURPOSE STATEMENT REGARDING USE OF REVENUES FROM PROPOSED ELECTRIC FRANCHISE FEE PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE § 364.2(4)(f)

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Madison, Iowa is considering amending its electric franchise with Interstate Power and Light Company (under which a franchise fee will be increased); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Madison will hold a public hearing regarding the amendment of the franchise with Interstate Power and Light Company prior to adoption of any amended franchise; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code § 364.2(4)(f) requires adoption of a "Revenue Purpose Statement" by a city council prior to the amendment of any fran-

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chise which will increase the percentage rate at which franchise fees are assessed; and

WHEREAS, the "Revenue Purpose Statement" must specify the purpose or purposes for which any revenue generated by a franchise fee will be used;

WHEREAS, as required by Iowa Code § 364.2(4) (f) a copy of the proposed "Revenue Purpose Statement" has been published in the manner provided by Iowa Code § 362.3.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fort Madison:

Section 1: The following

"Revenue Purpose Statement" is hereby adopted by the City Council of the City of Fort Madison, to

**REVENUE PURPOSE** STATEMENT REGARD-ING USE OF REVENUE FROM INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FRANCHISE **FEES** 

Pursuant to Iowa Code § 364.2(4)(f) the City of Fort Madison states that all revenue generated from franchise fees assessed on the sales of electricity within the city shall be deposited in the franchise fee account in the general fund and shall be used to reimburse the

City for all costs associated with inspecting, supervising or otherwise regulating its franchises. Moneys in the franchise fee account in the general fund in excess of the amounts necessary for costs associated with inspecting, supervising or otherwise regulating its franchises shall be expended for any of the following:

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b) Projects designed to

prevent or mitigate future disasters as defined in Iowa Code Section 29C.2.

c) Public safety, including the equipping of fire, police, emergency services, sanitation, street, and civil defense depart-

d) The establishment, construction, reconstruction, repair, equipping, remodeling, and extension of public works, public utilities, and public transportation systems.

e) The construction, reconstruction, or repair of streets, highways, bridges, sidewalks, pedestrian underpasses and overpasses, street lighting fixtures, and public grounds, and the acquisition of real estate needed for such purposes.

f) Economic development activities and projects.

Section 2: The City Clerk shall cause this "Revenue Purpose Statement Regarding Use of Revenue from Interstate Power and Light Company Franchise Fees" as adopted to be published in the manner required by Iowa Code § 362.3.

Adopted the (blank) day of (blank), 2020.

(Blank) Mayor ATTEST: (Blank) City Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE** NOTICE OF HEARING -**ELECTRIC FRANCHISE** 

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Fort Madison, Iowa will conduct a public hearing on the 17th day of November, 2020, at 5:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison, Iowa, to receive comments on the following item:

An Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. C-512 and granting to Interstate Power and Light Company, its successors and assigns, a non-exclusive franchise to erect, construct, reconstruct, maintain, and operate in the City of Fort Madison, Iowa, an electric system and to furnish and sell electric energy to the City and its inhabitants and authorizing the City to collect franchise fees for a period of 15 years.

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 364.2(4)(f), the proposed ordinance imposes a franchise fee. The franchise fee provision of the ordinance provides, "There is hereby imposed a franchise fee of one and one-half percent (1.5%) upon the gross revenue generated from sales of electricity by the Company within the corporate limits of the City of Fort Madison, Lee County,

lowa. The percentage of franchise fee will not be increased during the first ten (10) years, starting from the effective date of the franchise Ordinance. The Company shall begin collecting the franchise fee upon receipt of written approval of the required tax rider tariff from the Iowa Utilities Board."

The City shall be solely responsible for the proper use of any amounts collected as a franchise fee, and shall only use such fees as collected for purposes as allowed by applicable law.

This is a summary of the proposed ordinance. The proposed ordinance is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk. You may contact the City Clerk by calling (319) 372-7700 ext. 206 to request a copy of the proposed ordinance.

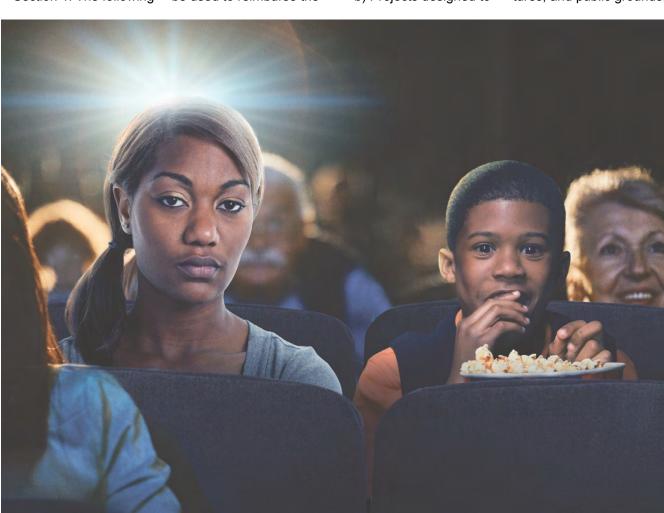
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Any and all residents and interested property owners are invited and encouraged to attend this hearing at the time and place mentioned above and to submit comments either orally, in writing, or both. For further information, please contact City Hall.

This Notice is given by order of the Council of Fort Madison, Iowa, as provided by Sections 380.7(3) and 362.3 of the Code of Iowa, as amend-

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2020. /s/ Melinda L. Blind

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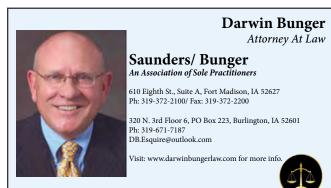
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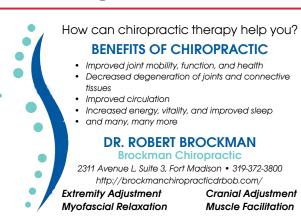


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