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## What's up...docks?

A lone john boat sits in the new docks that are in the midst of being installed in Fort Madison's new marina Monday afternoon. Docks are being installed on the north and east side of the freshly dredged marina. The jetty wall can be seen to the left, and the rip rap by where the new hospitality center will sit is just right of center.

**CLUTCH:** Kruse gets game-winning hit twice, earns win on the mound in nightcap

# Lady Hounds sweep BHS

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison's Erika Kruse is glad she changed her mind and stuck with softball. The Lady Hounds are glad she did, too.

Kruse had some heroics in a couple of one-run wins over Southeast Conference front runner Burlington at Hoskins Field Monday night.

The junior had a walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the 7th of the opener as Fort Madison downed the Grayhounds 4-3. Then in the bottom of the sixth inning of the nightcap, Kruse slapped another single to right center that proved to be the game-winner in the 9-8 affair.

Kruse also got the win in the second game coming on in relief of Lauryn Helmick in the sixth inning. A win that was capped when junior Emily Steffensmeier got hor-

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Erika Kruse gets mobbed by the Lady Hounds after belting a 2-run homer in the second inning of Game 2 Monday night against BHS

## Festival set to showcase PRIDE group

**LGBTQ+:** Event spurred by city's new Riverside PRIDE non-profit organization

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – With national Pride month underway across the nation, a group in Fort Madison is putting its best decorated foot forward.

Riverside PRIDE, a burgeoning Fort Madison non-profit, will be holding a block party festival on Thursday beginning at about 4 p.m. on 7th Street from Avenue G to Avenue F.

Danielle Neaves and Dan Dalstra came up with the idea about a year ago and started formulating plans for not just the event, but creating an environment where people associated with the LGBTQ+ movement can form a local community.

"There's a lot of pockets of community members in the area who associate with LGBTQ+ movement, but they're disconnected. This festival is to bring them all together in one area for one reason – to create a broader community," Neaves said.

Dalstra said he approached Neaves and Fort Madison High School instructor Teri Holterhaus about creating something locally to allow individuals to associate with those who have the same passion.

"I've always been a big supporter of LBGTQ+. Burlington and Iowa City have events and I talked with Danielle and Teri, who's leads the GSA (Gay-Straight Alliance) at the High School, and we agreed Fort Madison needs a PRIDE thing. I mentioned that to Danielle about a year ago and she said she had been thinking the same thing," Dalstra said.

Dalstra said Fort Madison and Lee County needed some kind of representation to let people of those communi-

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**PRIDE Festival** – Beginning at 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 16, 7th Street from Avenue F to Avenue G will be closed off to celebrate a Fort Madison PRIDE festival. The event is free to the public and vendors and events are planned through 9 p.m.

**Youth Fishing Clinic** – The Lee County Conservation District is hosting a youth fishing clinic at Chatfield Park sponsored by LCCD and Lake Cooper Anglers Association. The event will be held Saturday, June 25th from 9 a.m. to noon and is free to Lee County children and will include games and prizes.

**Fort Madison Farmer's Market** – The summer farmer's market will once again be held in Central Park on the northeast corner from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The market is open Mondays beginning June 6th and runs through Sept. 26. New vendors are welcome and should call 319-372-5471 for details.

**Downtown Summer Market** – Classic cars, food vendors, service clubs and more take over downtown Fort Madison on July 7th 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. starting at 7th Street and Avenue G. The final downtown market will be held Thursday, Aug. 18th.

**United Way of the Great River Region Golf Outing** – This year's event has been rescheduled for Friday, Oct. 7 with a noon shotgun start. Contact the UWGRR at 319-524-5404 or [director@unitedwaygrr.org](mailto:director@unitedwaygrr.org) for more information.

**Fort Madison Downtown Clean-up** – Volunteers are needed to help spruce up the city's downtown area before cruise ships start docking in FM for the summer. The clean up will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 23rd and is sponsored by the Fort Madison Beautification Foundation.

**Show Choir Camp** – A four-day camp from June 21-24 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The camp is for students grades 7-12 and costs \$75 per student. Instructors include Anne Chapman, Taylor Stoddard and Jason Woodley with special guest clinician Allen Chapman. The camp is held at Union Presbyterian with a final performance June 24th at 6:30 p.m. in Central Park.

**Adult Show Choir Camp** – An Adult Showchoir camp will be held for the "advanced performer" from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 21-23. Cost is \$40 and payable to Tri-State

Show Choir, A performance will be held June 24th in Central Park. Click here to register <https://files.constant-contact.com/5eb5be5c001/16a486e7-0fd8-4ce6-a451-b9d-9dc90809c.pdf>.

**Knee-high Naturalist camp** - Thursdays on June 9, 23, July 14, 28. Free series for campers 3 to 5 years old and accompanying adult from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. June camps will be held at Lee County Conservation Center at Heron Bend in Montrose. July camps will be held at Wilson Lake Park Shelter. Pre-registration is required at [www.mycountyparks.com/County/Lee.aspx](http://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Lee.aspx).

**LCCD Summer camps** - Camps are for K-1st, 2nd-5th, and 6th- 8th grades. Visit [www.leecountyorg/conservation](http://www.leecountyorg/conservation) for more information on times and dates for corresponding camps. Pre-registration is required at [www.mycountyparks.com/County/Lee.aspx](http://www.mycountyparks.com/County/Lee.aspx).

**FMAAA Garden Tour** – The annual Fort Madison Area Arts Association's annual Garden Tour is back sponsored by Scotts Miracle Gro. Six locations in and around Fort Madison are featured this year. Tickets are \$8 in advance of \$10 day of and can be purchased at FMAAA's art center at 825 Avenue G or the day of at the pocket park at 812 Avenue G.

**Kids Art Camps** – The Fort Madison Area Arts Association is hosting Kid's Art Camps this year. Ages 5-7 and 8-12. Age 5-7 camps are being held July 11 and 12th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.. and cost \$70 per student. Ages 8-12 will meet July 13-15 from 9 a.m. to noon and the cost is \$100/student. Call 319-372-3996 for more information or email [fortmadisonart@gmail.com](mailto:fortmadisonart@gmail.com).

**Baxter Sports Complex Big Cups Golf Tourney** – This year's event is scheduled for Friday, July 22 and is a 4-person best shot tourney at Sheaffer Golf Course. Contact the Sports Complex at 319-372-2932 or by email at [baxtersportsdirector@gmail.com](mailto:baxtersportsdirector@gmail.com).

**Old Settler's "Music in the Park"** – Three events are planned again this year for the summer music festival in Old Settler's Park. Switchback will play Friday, June 24th from 5 to 8 p.m. Richie Lee/50s will play Friday July 22 and River City 6 will perform Sunday, Aug. 21. The events are free, with food and cold drinks available for purchase. Rain location is FM United Methodist Church at 9th and Avenue E.

**Vendors & Crafters** – The Union Presbyterian Church's annual Vendor & Craft Show is set for Saturday Oct. 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church at 719 Avenue F. Call 319-372-1424 or email [unionchurchfm@gmail.com](mailto:unionchurchfm@gmail.com) for more information.

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# Obituaries

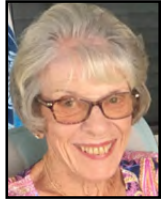
## OBITUARIES

### BARBARA D. RHODE

Barbara D. Rhode, 92, of Cape Coral, FL and formerly of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 9:53 p.m. on Sunday, June 12, 2022 at Hope Hospice Care Center in Cape Coral, FL. She was born on September 2, 1929 in Fort Madison, IA to Harry & Irene Clancy Decker. She married Robert F. Rhode on April 10, 1950 in Fort Madison, IA. He preceded her in death on August 14, 2021. She was a homemaker and worked for the City of Fort Madison for several years. She was a longtime member of Sacred Heart Church in Fort Madison and also a member of Ss. Mary & Patrick Church in West Burlington, IA. She enjoyed music, golfing, the Iowa Hawkeyes and being with her family.

Barb is survived by: 1-daughter: Gale (Clair) Swinton of Oceanport, NJ; 2-sons: Scott (Louise) Rhode of Cape Coral, FL & Bruce (Renee) Rhode of Cape Coral, FL; 3-grandchildren: Rachel Rhode, Andy (Cassandra) Swinton & Erik (Brianna) Swinton; 3-great grandchildren: Cole Swinton, C.J. Swinton & Cooper Swinton. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Per her wishes, her body has been cremated. King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family. A graveside service will be held at a later date at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Fort Madison, IA. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Hope Hospice Care Center, Cape Coral, FL. Online condolences may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).



RHODE

### LARRY W. HEMMIE

Larry Wayne Hemmie, 78, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 6:32 a.m. on Sunday, June 12, 2022 at Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice House in West Burlington, IA. He was born on November 7, 1943 in Mt. Pleasant, IA to Delbert & Daisy Dietsch Hemmie. He married Julie Ellen Brown on December 31, 1966 in Fort Madison, IA. He worked at Armour Dial, Fort Madison Daily Democrat and lastly at Woodroffe Sawmill in Denmark. He served in the U.S. Army for 7 years during the Vietnam War. He enjoyed watching westerns on T.V., gardening, hunting and spending time with his grandchildren.



HEMMIE



Larry is survived by: his wife: Julie Hemmie of Fort Madison, IA; 1-daughter: Brenda (Mark) Bernhardt of Fort Madison, IA; 1-son: Stephen (Denise) Hemmie of Denmark, IA; 6-grandchildren: Kayla, Kaci, Karlee, Wesley, Jacob & Sarah; 5-great grandchildren: Ryder, Ivy, Hunter, Remington & Devyn; 1-brother: Jerry (Pat) Hemmie of Fort Madison, IA & 1-sister: Wanda (James) McGehee of Montrose, IA. He was preceded in death by his parents, 5-brothers, 2-half-brothers & 1-half-sister.

A visitation will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 with a funeral service to immediately follow at 10:30 a.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Rev. Les Featheringill officiating. A private family burial will be held at Soldiers' Circle in Oakland Cemetery. A memorial has been established for Great River Hospice House. Online condolences to the Hemmie family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

## OBITUARIES

### MONICA K. AMBERGER

Monica Kay Amberger, 49, of West Point, Iowa, passed away at 5:40 a.m. Thursday, June 9, 2022, at her home in West Point.



AMBERGER

She was born on June 14, 1972, in Long Beach, California, the daughter of Charles William Wellington and Judy Ann Hill. She attended Loara High School in Anaheim, California. On September 25, 2019, she married Kristopher Amberger in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Monica was a vibrant, funny, caring, and giving person who enjoyed life. She loved music, movies, arrowhead and mushroom hunting, the beach, animals including her 140 lb. dog Oreo, coffee, flowers, and the color pink. Most of all, Monica loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband: Kristopher Amberger of West Point, Iowa; daughter: Carissa (Dustin) Burke of New London, Iowa; sons: Tanner (Randi) Woodsmall of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, Jack O'Keefe of Grand Rapids, Michigan; father: Charles Wellington of Las Vegas, Nevada; mother: Judy Hill of Burlington, Iowa; step-father: Tom Martin of New London, Iowa; three granddaughters: Laila, Leanne, and Liliana; two sisters: Michelle Wellington of Anaheim, California, Tammy Wellington of Burlington, Iowa and her brother: Charles (Shanon) Wellington of New London, Iowa. Also, surviving are uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents and her father-in-law and mother-in-law. A memorial has been established in her memory to PAW Animal Shelter.

Her body has been entrusted to the crematory of Schmitz Funeral Home for cremation. Monica was proud to be an organ donor.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 17, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home of West Point, Iowa.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 17, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home of West Point, Iowa with Father Dennis Hoffman officiating.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com). Schmitz Funeral Home of West Point is assisting the family with arrangements.

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# Lee County News/Classifieds

## Drag show to be part of PRIDE event

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ties know they are accepted and loved here.

“That was the impetus as to why we wanted to have an event. I have never been to any kind of PRIDE event in my life or a drag show. But it sounded like fun so we started asking around and we found people who would say they have a friend that does this kind of thing in the area,” he said.

“So we got some numbers and started contacting local performers and they seemed excited to be a part of it.”

Nieves said the effort is part of a bigger agenda.

“Riverside Pride has been a passion project to provide a non-profit for the community where a central location can be found. We’re not looking at formal meetings, but get-togethers where people can just come and talk or play games throughout the year,” she said. “We want to do the annual festival for PRIDE, but also look at the bigger picture.”

She is in the process of complet-

ing a 501c3 status with the IRS.

The evening will include an open stage with at least four drag queens performing. Nieves said the stage will also be open for anyone who wants to share poetry, short stories, or personal experiences.

Vendors including Zen Soul Society, Blue Umbrella Bakery, a new cotton candy vendor called WTFuff, students in the FMHS GSA club, Velvet Monarch, and others will be on hand during the festival.

There has annually been a Pride March in Fort Madison, but this event will take the place of that this year.

“Burlington has a PRIDE in the Park event and we kind of modeled this after that and then we added the drag show,” Nieves said.

“We thought a controlled environment and closing the street off would be the best option. We’re kind of starting from scratch here. We were originally looking at the PRIDE parade, but we worried

about how many people would participate and how many would be there to just observe.”

Dalstra said the community has been very supportive of the new venture.

“Ninety-nine percent of the people we talked to have been enthusiastic about it. We talked to several business owners and just about everyone has been behind it and asking how they could be a part of it,” Dalstra said.

“I was sort of worried that we would get hateful comments and that hasn’t happened. There was some, but I don’t want negativity in this event. Almost everyone was overjoyed with us having it.”

The festival opens at 4 p.m. with vendors setting up from 3 to 4 p.m. Entertainment will run until 9 p.m. with Eastern Iowa Queer Quire performing at 7 p.m. Electric Entertainment will then play music until 9 p.m.

A Riverside PRIDE booth will also be available for any looking for more information.

## Keokuk to hold Racers Reunion

KEOKUK - The Keokuk Racers Reunion committee will be presenting the 2022 “Keokuk Racers Reunion” on Saturday June 18th, 2022 in Keokuk. The fifth event of it’s kind, the committee formed and held their first even back in 2003 with thousands in attendance to meet local and regional drivers from Keokuk and the tri-state area including Ernie Derr, Don White, Ramo Stott, Dick Hutcherson, Ron Hutcherson, Lem Blankenship, Gordy Blankenship, and more.

Long known as the “Home of Champions” or the “Racing Capital of the World” Keokuk driver the late Ernie Derr is the most winning driver of all Keokuk residents, who raced from 1950- 1974 and has 12 national championships to his credit. The late Don White raced USAC, ARCA, and IMCA circuits from 1950-1972 and is the standing all-time USAC stock car champion with 53 wins. Ramo Stott, racing from 1967 to 1984 was a former ARCA and USAC stock car champion, winning the pole for the 1976 Daytona 500. Dick Hutcherson raced IMCA and ARCA from 1963- 67, winning the IMCA title twice in 1963 and 1964, before heading south to NASCAR in 1965 and finishing 2nd overall to Ned Jarret.

This year’s event will be held back in the same location as the original 2003 event, the current new NAPA Auto Parts at 3971 Main Street in Keokuk. Vintage stock and drag cars along with drivers, memorabilia, and photos will be at the event which will include a tribute to the late drivers, Don White, Ramo Stott, and Jerry Saar. Food and drink options will be available courtesy of Hy’Vee Keokuk. Any donations to this years event are greatly appreciated.

For questions please reach out to Dave Jones at 319-670-1476 or [davej@radiokeokuk.com](mailto:davej@radiokeokuk.com), Joe Shuman at 319-795-6797, or Kirk Brandenberger of the Keokuk Area Convention & Tourism Bureau at 319-524-5599.

# PEN CITY CURRENT CLASSIFIEDS

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOTICE  
CENTRAL LEE  
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**COMMONS)  
JUNE 14, 2022  
6:00 P.M.  
TENTATIVE AGENDA**

1. Roll Call
2. Approve agenda
3. Receive Visitors:

- a) Visitors to speak about items not on the agenda
- b) Recognize Retirees: Pam Ball, Wendy Buford, Deb Calfee, Miriam Freesmeier, Chris Gray, Jerry Ireland, Diane Kruse, Brenda Mohrfeld, Rhonda Taube
- c) 7-12 Athletics Presentation
4. Superintendent’s Report:
  - a) Teacher of the Year - Yvette Howell
  - b) Employee of the Year - Wendy Buford, Lauren Steffensmeier, Pam Ball
  - c) Newcomer of the Year - Wes McGraw
  - d) July Board Meeting Date - 7/12/2022 - 6:00 p.m.
  - e) School Registration - 8/1/2022
  - f) Finance Update
  - g) Final Legislative Update
  - h) Vacancies
6. CONSENT AGENDA: Motion (Exhibit I)
  - a) Approve minutes
  - b) Financial Reports: General and Schoolhouse Funds, Clearing account, Hot Lunch account
  - c) Approve prepaid bills
  - d) Approve monthly bills
  - e) Overnight Trips: June 8th-12th, 2022 - Central Lee Future Problem Solvers to Amhurst, MA.
  - f) Approve/Deny Open Enrollment Application

7. Approve bills: Give Superintendent and Board Secretary authority to pay bills as allowed by balance of 2021-2022 budget with prepaid listing at July board meeting. (Motion)
- NEW BUSINESS:
  1. Approve K8 Purchases: Steamer, Steam Table and Back Prep Counter (Motion) (Exhibit II)
  2. Review and Approve Nutrition Bids for 2022-2023: (Motion) (Exhibit III)
    - a) Milk Bids
    - b) Bread Bids
  3. Set School Fees for 2022-2023: (Motion)
 

2021-2022 Fees listed below:

    - Book Rent: Elementary - \$50.00, Middle School - \$55.00, HS - \$60.00
    - High School Band: \$15.00/maximum, \$25.00 per family
    - Senior Graduation Fee: \$10.00
    - Middle School Band: \$10.00
    - Preschool: \$45.00

2022-2023 Proposed Fees listed below:

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    - Middle School Band: \$10.00
    - Preschool: \$50.00

4. Second Reading of Board Policy 700 Series (Motion)
5. Second Reading of Board Policy 414.1 Classified Employee Vacations - Holidays - Personal Leave (Motion) (Exhibit IV)
6. Discussion on Classroom Associates Proposal for iReady Extension (Exhibit V)
7. Approve Purchase of Automated Track Timing System for Athletic Department (Motion) (Exhibit VI)
8. Transfer: (Motion)
  - a) Lee Lee Ellingboe - Middle School Volleyball Coach to Freshman/ Sophomore Volleyball Coach
  9. Resignations/Retirements: (Motion)
    - a) Tony Keefe - Bus Driver - Effective 6/30/22
    - b) Rhonda Taube - Bus Driver/Teacher Associate - Effective 5/26/2022
    - c) Tiffany Woodruff - Eighth Grade Girls’ Basketball Coach
  10. Contract Approvals: (Motion)
    - a) Chase Johnson, Landon Rudd, Drake Weber - Student Summer Workers
    - b) Jay Baldwin - Assistant Girls’ Basketball Coach
    - c) Cadey Nichting - High School Assistant Volleyball Coach

- d) Jessica Heavin - PE Instructor, 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, JV Girls’ Basketball Coach
- e) Kevin Griffin - Bus Driver
- f) Grace Glasscock - Football Cheerleading Sponsor
- g) Sarah Kruse - Eighth Grade Volleyball Coach
11. Approve Payout of Remaining 2021-2022 Contract Salary prior to June 30, 2022: (Motion)
  - a) Jerry Ireland
  12. Board Reports
  13. Adjourn

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Lee County  
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Agenda  
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1. Call To Order  
 2. Approval of Agenda  
 3. Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2022  
 4. Public Input  
 This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Board on any matters pertaining to the Lee County Conservation Board. The Board cannot take formal action at the meeting on matters not included on the regular agenda, but may ask the staff to research the matter or have the matter placed on a subsequent agenda.  
 5. Approval of Bills  
 6. Approval of Financial Report  
 7. Take Possible Action to Approve Purchase of the Following  
 a. Used Mower – Up To \$9,000  
 b. Trailer - Up To \$9,000  
 8. Take Possible Action on French-Reneker agreement for New Wilson Lake Pond  
 9. Pollmiller Trail – Resolution  
 10. Discuss and Take Possible Action on 263rd Avenue Easement  
 11. Staff and Director Reports  
 12. Board Member Comments  
 13. Adjournment  
 Workshop may follow. Hearing and vision assistance available upon request. Citizens are welcome to all LCCB meetings.  
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**Meeting  
 Wednesday,  
 June 15, 2022 - 6:00 PM  
 West Burlington  
 City Hall  
 122 Broadway Street  
 TENTATIVE AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL  
 PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA  
 1. Approve minutes from the Regular City Council meeting on June 1, 2022  
 2. Approve Liquor License for Broadway Bar and Grill, Inc. Outdoor Service Area on July 4, 2022  
 3. Approve Cigarette Permit renewals for Westland Fast Break, Hwy 34 Truck Stop, Casey's, Murphy USA, Walmart, MK Minimart  
 4. Approve Clerk's Monthly Financial Report for April 2022  
 5. Approve additional swimming pool staff for the 2022 pool season  
 6. Approve Payment to Land & Water Vegetation Control, LLC - \$6,300  
 7. Approve payment to Hydro-View - \$6,235  
 8. Approve payment to Snyder & Associates for engineering services related to the Water Tower & Booster Station Project - \$13,090.40  
 9. Approve payment of

Claims as listed on the June 15, 2022, Expense Approval Report - \$158,588.17

COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS  
 • ADMINISTRATOR:  
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 • CLERK/FINANCE/IT:  
 • OTHER STAFF REPORTS:  
 • COUNCIL REPORTS:  
 • COMMUNITY REPORTS:

CITIZEN INQUIRIES

NEW BUSINESS  
 1. Consider a Resolution setting the Stipend for West Burlington Firefighters for Fiscal Year 2022 -2023  
 2. Consider a Resolution authorizing the filing of an application for State Recreational Trail Funding for the Construction of a Trail along Gear Ave. from the south side of Highway 34 interchange to Huston Street  
 3. Consider the renewal of a contract with LaVeine Sanitation for solid waste collection services from July 2022 - June of 2025  
 4. Discuss amending Chapter 53 of the City Code related to grass and weed

OLD BUSINESS

CITIZEN INQUIRIES

ADJOURN

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
 West Burlington  
 Regular City Council  
 Meeting Minutes  
 Wednesday,  
 June 1, 2022**

The West Burlington City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at West Burlington City Hall, 122 Broadway Street, West Burlington, Iowa, with Mayor Ron Teater presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Teater, Kathy Newberry, Andy Crowner, John Johnson, Therese Lees, and Melanie Young  
 MEMBERS ABSENT: olice Chief Jesse Logan, Fire Chief/Building Inspector Shaun Ryan, Public Works Director Mike Brissey, City Clerk Kelly Fry, IT Administrator Brad Newberry, Finance Manager Angela Moore, and City Administrator Gregg Mandsager

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Lees, seconded by Johnson, to approve the agenda as amended to remove item #4 - Pay Request for the South Lift Station Project and item #5 - Resolution accepting the South Lift Station Project.

Motion carried by the following votes:  
 Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

CONSENT AGENDA  
 • Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting on May 18, 2022  
 • Liquor License Renewal for Wal-Mart  
 • Hiring additional swimming pool staff for the 2022 pool season  
 • Payment to Burlington Public Library - \$24,263.40  
 • Promotion of Jason Shackelford to Battalion Chief and Ethan Allen to Captain within the Fire

Department  
 • Claims as listed on the June 1, 2022, Expense Approval Report for \$1,036,751.27  
 Moved by Crowner, seconded by Newberry, to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.  
 Motion carried by the following votes:  
 Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS

PROCLAMATIONS

Alzheimer and Brain Awareness Month - Mayor Trousil read a Proclamation naming June Alzheimer and Brain Awareness Month in the City of West Burlington.

CITIZEN INQUIRIES  
 No inquiries.

NEW BUSINESS  
 Consider a Resolution Setting a Date for Public Hearing on the Proposed July 2022 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment  
 Approved a Resolution

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

setting a Public Hearing date of July 6, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. on the question of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for the West Burlington Urban Renewal Area. The amendment includes (1) updating the description of the Greater Burlington Partnership Support Program previously approved in the October, 2019 Amendment to the Plan; and (2) authorizing the undertaking of new urban renewal projects in the Urban Renewal Area consisting of (a) using tax increment financing to pay the costs of the City's Urban Renewal Administration and Professional Support Program; (b) using tax increment financing to pay the costs of initiating and conducting a housing demand study; (c) using tax increment financing to

pay the costs of the City's acquisition of property for future recreational and commercial development; and (d) providing tax increment financing support to Midwest Realty Group, Inc. in connection with the development of a residential housing subdivision and the corresponding construction of public infrastructure.

Moved by Crowner, seconded by Young, to approve a Resolution setting a Public Hearing date of July 6, 2022 to consider the July 2022 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Discuss changes to the external power on the North side of City Hall  
Crowner asked Council

to consider adding additional external power on the north side of City Hall to provide additional capacity for the 4th of July Celebration. Josh Schuff with 3E Electrical was at the meeting to discuss what would be involved to add the additional power. The entire project including materials and labor is estimated at \$19,548. 3E informed Council that they would be donating \$10,159.94 toward the project leaving the City a remaining balance of approximately \$9,344.54. City Administrator Mandrager recommended funding the remaining balance with funding from the Hotel/Motel Tax fund, which can be used for a public purpose such as supporting the City's 4th of July event. Council thanked 3E for the generous donation and

Young challenged Council to think of other ways to utilize the power for other events.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Newberry, to move forward with the installation of additional external power to the outside of City Hall as presented by 3E Electrical.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider the purchase of a vehicle for the Police Department

Chief Logan asked Council for permission to order a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Police 4WD Pursuit Rated squad car. Chief Logan received a quote of \$41,282.00 from Karl Chevrolet in Ankeny, Iowa. Karl Chevrolet is the current State Bid deal-

ership in Iowa. Due to delays in delivery and manufacturing, the earliest Ford police vehicles would be available is in November of 2022. Dodge has canceled about 9,000 orders nationwide a few months back and maybe not be making police units in the future. The City budgeted \$40,000 for a new squad car plus equipment but at this time we cannot keep it under that price and equipment costs would be an additional cost on top of the \$41,282. Johnson asked that local dealerships be given the opportunity to find a vehicle before going out of town. Chief Logan explained that the State Bid is the lowest price, which is why he went with Karl Chevrolet. Logan said he would reach out to the local dealerships again before moving forward with the

bid from Karl Chevrolet. Moved by Young, seconded by Lees, to approve the purchase of a 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe Police 4WD vehicle in an amount not to exceed \$41,282 from Karl Chevrolet unless the same vehicle can be purchased locally and delivered within the same time period.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a Resolution temporarily closing certain streets for the annual 4th of July Celebration

Council considered a Resolution restricting vehicle traffic in the downtown area and temporarily closing the following streets to vehicle traffic from 7:00 a.m. July 1, 2022 to 8:00 a.m. July 5, 2021.

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- Swan Street from Mt. Pleasant to Wheeler Street

- Glasgow Street from Leffler Street to Broadway Street

- Wheeler Street from Leffler Street to Swan Street

- Leffler Street from Wheeler Street to Mt Pleasant Street

- The 100 and 200 blocks of the North/South alleys between Swan Street and Leffler Street.

- Autumn Ln. from Huston St. to Van Weiss St. from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for the Kids Bicycle Races (on July 4th only)

- Huston Street from West Burlington Ave. to

Autumn Ln. from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for the 4th of July Parade (on July 4th only)

Moved by Lees, seconded by Johnson, to approve a Resolution temporarily closing certain streets for the annual 4th of July Celebration as listed above.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a Resolution amending Wages for Swimming Pool Employees for the 2022 Pool Season

Council discussed amending wages for Swimming Pool Employees for the 2022 Pool Season to include hiring Bethany Nannen as the Pool Manager wage of \$30/hour. Council also reduced the number of hours an employee needed to work to be eligible for the "End of Season Bonus" from 300 hours to

150 hours, which is more in line with the way the staff is scheduled and the potential hours the pool will be open during the summer.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve a Resolution amending swimming pool wages for the 2022 pool season and hiring Bethany Nannen as the pool manager.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a Resolution setting Non-Union Wages for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Council considered a Resolution setting wages for non-union personnel for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

The wages reflect a four (4%) increase.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Crowner, to approve a Resolution setting non-union wages for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider the final reading of an Ordinance setting Water Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Council considered the final reading of an Ordinance setting water rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to reflect a decrease of \$3.00 in the base charge of the water rate structure. The current base rate is \$33.16 for 3,000 gallons of water. The new base charge will be \$30.16.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve the final reading of an Ordinance setting Water Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Crowner, Lees, Newberry, Johnson, and Young

OLD BUSINESS

CITIZEN INQUIRIES CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Teater asked for a motion to go into Closed Session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5.1(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent eedless and irreparable injury to that individuals' reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

Moved by Crowner, seconded by Lees, to go into Closed Session at 7:04 p.m. in accordance with Iowa

Code Section 21.5.1(i). Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Newberry, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Council came out of Closed Session at 7:26 p.m. No official action was taken during the Closed Session.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Approved  
Ron Teater, Mayor  
Kelly D. Fry, City Clerk

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## From the Front

# Bloodhound girls take over top spot in Southeast Conference

**SWEEP** - Continued from Page 1

horizontal in center field to snag a dying line drive off the bat of Hannah Heuvelman to end the game.

Kruse said it's hard to pinpoint why she's seeing the ball so much better in the last week.

"Really I have no clue. I've been practicing more and I just have more confidence at the plate," Kruse said.

"A couple years ago, I quit. But then I came back, and now I just wanna make sure I'm getting more work in and doing what I need to do to make myself better for the team."

In the second game, Kruse went 2 for 4 with 4 RBIs and a run scored. One of the hits was a monster shot to right center that would have cleared the scoreboard had it been

a little more to the right. The 2-run bomb put Fort Madison up 6-1 in the second inning after a four-run bottom half of the first.

Lexi Whaley, Neeley Rehm, and McKenna Cashman all had RBI singles in the bottom of the first to give Fort Madison some breathing room early.

After Kruse's homer, the Grayhounds put together a rally scoring three in the top half of the third on two singles and a Bloodhound error to cut the lead to 6-4. BHS would tie things up in the top of the fourth when Morgan Schroeder slapped a 2-run single to center.

Fort Madison would go down in order in the fourth and Burlington picked up where it left off with a lead-off single followed by a double from Aubrey Hesler

down the left field line, scoring Maddie Taeger and giving the Grayhounds a 7-6 lead. Burlington would add a run in the top of the fifth.

Both teams would go down in order in the fifth and top of the sixth, then Taylor Johnson beat out a bobbled grounder to short to start the bottom of the 6th. Emily Steffensmeier singled, moving Johnson up a bag. Logan Johnson followed with a single to left plating Johnson. Steffensmeier and Logan Johnson both moved up a base when the ball got away in left.

Then Kruse drove the first pitch she saw to the left-center fence on one bounce, scoring Steffensmeier and Logan Johnson. Kruse was thrown out trying to stretch the hit into a double, but the 2



KRUSE

RBIs proved to be the game-winner as Kruse got the top half of the seventh in order.

Logan Johnson went 3-for-4 with an RBI, Kruse, Whaley, Elle Ruble and Rehm all had two-hit games and each scored a run. Steffensmeier, Elizabeth Tanner, and Cashman also had hits for Fort Madison.

Helmick went five innings giving up eight runs, four earned on seven hits, while fanning three and walking four. Kruse came on and didn't allow a hit or run while fanning three without a walk.

In the opener, the Hounds mustered just five hits, one each from Logan Johnson, Kruse, Whaley, Ruble, and Cashman, but managed a little small ball and scored four runs. Cashman accounted for 2 RBIs in the win.

The Grayhounds opened the scoring with a run in the first and both teams were held scoreless until the fourth, when BHS put up two more.

Fort Madison would get on the board in the bottom half of the fourth with Wha-

ley leading off, taking an 0-1 pitch to left for two bases. Ruble would follow with a bunt single, moving courtesy runner Macey McLees to third. Neeley Rehm would get an RBI on a fielder's choice to second, scoring McLees to make it 3-1.

After a strikeout for the first out, Cashman tripled on a line drive to center, scoring Ruble and courtesy runner Jaycee Fullenkamp to tie things up. BHS' Saydee Plummer would coerce two pop fly outs to retire the side.

Rehm would lock things down for the Lady Hounds the rest of the way, setting up the seventh inning heroics.

Steffensmeier would work a walk to lead things off and Logan Johnson would follow with a grounder to third, but Steffensmeier was off to the races and beat the throw to second. Kruse would step in and take a 1-1 offering to center to score Steffensmeier from second with the game-winner.

Head Coach Jared Rehm said he wasn't surprised.

With the sweep, that moves the Bloodhounds into first place in the Southeast Conference at 9-1. Burlington drops to second at 7-2 on the year in conference play.

"The way we've been playing I'm not surprised at this," he said. "This week-end up at Davenport we went 0-3 but it was against some really good teams and they were all close games," Rehm said.

"Up there in Davenport, that was a long day, and when the games were over, I said they played well. The scoreboard didn't indicate that, but I told them to take the same energy and bring that tonight and they did."

Kruse said the squad feels better about how they're playing after the last five games.

"I think it makes all of us feel better about how we were playing. This year we have really stepped up and worked together and are not playing separately."

Kruse certainly has been part of the resurgence, hitting seven home runs in the last eight days and now leads the conference, one ahead of Fairfield's Hannah Simpson.

"She's seeing the ball really well. Clutch - that's for sure. She's always asking what she can do and I've been working with her for a long time," Rehm said.

The Hounds (10-10, 9-1) are off until Thursday when Mt. Pleasant comes to Fort Madison.

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**THE SURVEY WILL TAKE 10-15 MINUTES TO COMPLETE. AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15TH.**

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BY POPULAR DEMAND



# BETTER WITH AGE

## ADULT SHOWCHOIR CAMP

JUNE 21-23, 2022

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

FOR THE "ADVANCED" PERFORMER

**REHEARSALS**  
UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
FORT MADISON  
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**PERFORMANCE**  
FORT MADISON CENTRAL PARK  
JUNE 24TH @ 6:30 PM

**COST: \$40.00**  
PAYABLE TO  
TRI-STATE SHOW CHOIR

- CAMPERS WILL LEARN A CHOREOGRAPHED SONG AND BALLAD
- EVERY CAMPER WILL GET A T-SHIRT
- SNACKS PROVIDED DAILY

Tri-State

Grades  
7-12

# SHOW CHOIR CAMP

JUNE 21-24, 2022  
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

\$75.00  
PER  
STUDENT

REGISTER  
TODAY



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## INSTRUCTORS

- TAYLOR STODDARD
- ANNE CHAPMAN
- JASON WOODLEY

## GUEST CLINICIAN

- ALLEN CHAPMAN

- STUDENTS WILL LEARN 2 CHOREOGRAPHED SONGS & A BALLAD
- EVERY STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS WITH PROFESSIONAL PERFORMERS
- PERFORMANCE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CAMP
- SNACKS PROVIDED DAILY

DAILY REHEARSALS AT  
UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
719 AVENUE F  
FORT MADISON, IOWA 52627

FINAL PERFORMANCE AT  
FORT MADISON CENTRAL PARK  
JUNE 24TH @ 6:30 PM

This will be 4 days of singing and dancing with local music teachers, professional choreography, and a concert showcase. This camp is intended to sharpen the skills of those currently involved in show choir, and provide an opportunity to participate for those that may not have show choir at their school!



**RUN WALK HONOR** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

# TUNNEL TO TOWERS

## 5K RUN & WALK DONNELLSON

FOLLOW THE FOOTSTEPS OF 9/11 HERO, NEW YORK CITY FIREFIGHTER  
STEPHEN SILLER, TO ENSURE THAT WE NEVER FORGET AND HONOR THE  
SACRIFICES OF OUR NATION'S FIRST RESPONDERS AND MILITARY HEROES.



**STAY INFORMED!**

   #T2TRUN

**MONDAY**  
**JULY 4, 2022 7:30AM**

**DONNELLSON FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
616 N MAIN STREET  
DONNELLSON, IA 52625

**FOR MORE INFO & REGISTRATION,**  
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