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FMCSO, union reach deal

CONTRACT: Union to get 4% in base salary, insurance benefit bumps

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – For the second year in a row, the Fort Madison Education Association and Fort Madison school district reached a contract agreement on the first day of negotiations.

According to Cory Byrne, the president of the Fort Madison teacher's union, the district and staff settled on a 3.37% increase in base pay, plus an increase in health care benefits to cover an individual \$1,000 deductible policy and dental insurance.

With the insurance benefits, the total package results in a

4.07% increase for the union.

The district started their proposal with a 2.01% increase in base pay on Monday when the two sides both offered their initial proposals in open session. That percentage would have resulted in a \$325 increase on the starting base pay to \$35,010, with incremental increases along the teacher seniority step scale.

The teacher's union initially proposed a 5.7% increase in the base and asked for a \$700 increase in monthly insurance allocations, which was sufficient to cover the cost of the \$1,000 deductible medical plan.

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ART EXHIBIT

FMAAA

goin' fishin' in May exhibit

BY LORI ILLNER GREENE
FMAAA Director

FORT MADISON – The FMAAA welcomes Michael Ericson and Steve Larimer, both of Macomb, IL for the May 2022 exhibition at the Art Center of Two Fishermen and Their Art.

Please join us on Friday, May 6th, 2022 from 5 pm to 7 pm as we celebrate with an Opening Reception in the Main Gallery of the Art Center located at 825 Avenue G in Fort Madison.

Their exhibit will feature pieces made individually along with some mixed media collaborative work. Ericson utilizes wood to create finely crafted panels with geometric designs, juxtaposing blocks of color and texture as he designs out the surfaces.

Larimer works in a variety of media but will be focusing on painted surfaces with this exhibit. He paints in acrylics/air-brush, watercolors, and ceramics among other media. Larimer creates porcelain tiles reflective of the beautiful patterning found on the sides of trout.

Their collaborative works feature these tiles incorporated with wood designs to form interesting and unique displays.

Both men were involved in the arts and became educators in Macomb, Illinois. Ericson as the Professor of Oboe, at Western Illinois University from 1986-2016. During that time, Ericson also served as the Principal Oboe of the Peoria and Knox-Galesburg symphonies and had the distinguished opportunity to be a performing member of the Camerata Woodwind Quintet.

While he was a "spectacular disaster in high school woodshop" during his youth, after retiring from Western Ericson pursued crafting furniture building much of the current furnishings of the Ericson household. Left with a great deal of fine wood odds and ends, his present art practice MBE Woodworking, literally emerged from the stacks of scrap in his garage focusing on the asymmetric design that

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison Fire Dept. Capt. Mike Schneider looks into a basement window of a home in the 2700 block of Avenue J Monday night. A fire broke out in the basement and was contained to the lower floor.

FM LIBRARY

“Beanstack” reading tracker unveiled in April

BY SARAH CLENDINENG
Fort Madison Public Library Director

FORT MADISON – We have a new way to find out what's going on at the library. Our calendar of events has gotten a face-lift and now includes the ability to see programs for specific age groups and types.

You can also add events to your Google or iCalendar with the click of a button. Find the calendar at FortMadison.LibraryCalendar.com or click on the link in the upper right hand corner of the library's webpage, FortMadisonLibrary.org.

While these features are nice, the part

of this new calendar we are really excited about is the ability for everyone to view room availability and reserve resources for themselves. When visiting the library calendar you can click on "Reserve a Room" and then pick either the day you want to

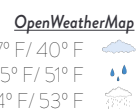
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WEATHER

WED 27 Apr.....Overcast, 67° F/ 40° F
THU 28 Apr.....Rain, 55° F/ 51° F
FRI 29 Apr.....Light Rain, 64° F/ 53° F



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POWERBALL 04/25.....12 18 20 39 61, Powerball: 10 Power Play: 2

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For the Record

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Fort Madison Police Report

04/22/22 - 10:26 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1900 block of Avenue E.

04/23/22 - 12:00 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Justin Dwaine Britton, 38, of Fort Madison, was arrested in the 1900 block of Avenue M, on a charge of OWI. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/23/22 - 2:31 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of burglary in the 1500 block of Avenue M.

04/24/22 - 12:00 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited Uriah Shawn Orr, 39, of Fort Madison, in the 2200 block of Avenue L, on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance, and unlawful possession of prescription drugs.

04/24/22 - 6:45 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to

a report of vandalism in the 2500 block of Hwy. 61.

04/24/22 - 7:40 p.m. - Fort Madison police cited Bryan Keith Morehouse, Jr., 36, of Fort Madison, no location given, on a charge of 3rd degree harassment.

04/25/22 - 12:00 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested William Francis Rankin, 43, of Donnellson, in the 2800 block of Avenue L, on a charge of driving while barred. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

Lee County Sheriff Report

04/22/22 - 8:01 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy. 218 and 255th Street. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Gabriel James William Clark, 15, of West Point, failed to stop at a stop sign at the intersection, entering the roadway

when it was struck broadside by a vehicle driven by Roger Duane McVey, 73, of Montrose, who was traveling northbound on Hwy. 218. McVey sustained minor injuries. No other injuries were reported. Clark was cited for failure to obey stop sign and yield right of way. No other citations were reported.

04/22/22 - 8:12 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Maria Antonette Stanbary, 40, of Burlington, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to Lee County Jail and later released after paying a fine.

04/22/22 - 11:35 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Chad Alan Riddle, 39, of Keokuk, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of disorderly conduct - fight/violence. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/22/22 - 11:38 a.m. -

Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Dennis Lee Hitsman, Jr., 33, of Davenport, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of disorderly conduct - fight/violence. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/22/22 - 11:38 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Gregory Wayne Myers, 63, of Cascade, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for being a fugitive from justice. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/22/22 - 3:22 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Timothy Allen Regan, 25, of Fort Madison, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear - citation. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on bond.

04/23/22 - 12:22 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Jonathan David Isaac Horn, 22, of Burlington, at the intersection of 23rd Street and Avenue L, Fort Madison, on a warrant for driving under suspension, and charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and driving under suspension. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on his own recognizance.

04/23/22 - 5:59 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Journey Isaiah Rude, 22, of Mediapolis, in the 1800 block of Hwy. 61, on a charge of OWI - 1st offense. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on his own recognizance.

04/23/22 - 10:59 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Hunter John West, 18, of Argyle, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of 3rd

degree harassment. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/24/22 - 7:54 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident in the 1000 block of Croton Road. According to the report, deputies found a vehicle in a field off Croton Road that had appeared to have been wrecked. The owner of the vehicle was identified as Martin Olivarres-Cortes who confirmed he had been driving the truck when deer entered the roadway causing him to lose control of the vehicle. He reported he was not injured. No citations were reported.

04/24/22 - 3:52 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Kolton Alan Enke, 25, of Denmark, in the 200 block of Academy Avenue, on a warrant for domestic abuse assault - 1st. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/24/22 - 10:13 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Hunter John West, 18, of Argyle, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of tampering w/witness or juror. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/25/22 - 12:09 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Zahmere Devon Virgil, 18, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for hold - court order.

04/25/22 - 4:05 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Travis William Peterson, Sr., 42, of Burlington, on Hwy. 99 Green Acres, Burlington, on a warrant for eluding - speed 25 over limit. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

Hancock County Sheriff Report

04/18/2022 - SILVA PENA CHAVELY,CHRISTINA (29 of Carthage, IL) Speeding

04/18/2022 - FREY,RACHEL A (18 of Fort Madison, IA) Speeding

04/19/2022 - GOLAY,ALEX J (23 of West Point, IL) Operate ATV on Roadway

04/19/2022 - DADANT,GABRIEL C (42 of Quincy, IL) Possession of Methamphetamine, Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer, Aggravated Fleeing And Eluding a Peace Officer - HELD

04/20/2022 - SMITH,JERRY L JR (33 of West Point, IL) Unattended Motor Vehicle

04/21/2022 - BEMIS,DALTON R (24 of Warsaw, IL) Driving While License Suspended, Operate Uninsured Vehicle - NTA

04/21/2022 - TODD,JORDAN D (25 of Dallas City, IL) Speeding

04/22/2022 - MERRITT,MITCHELL J (22 of Carthage, IL) Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol - Posted Bond

04/22/2022 - ESKRIDGE,CHARLES L (20 of Chicago, IL) Speeding

04/23/2022 - WATSON,ANTAVIS M (41 of Coralville, IA) Driving While License Suspended, Obstructing Identification, Failure to Appear Warrant - Driving While License Revoked, Failure to Appear Warrant - Parole Violation - HELD

04/23/2022 - EXBOM,KALLIE O (18 of Moline, IL) Speeding

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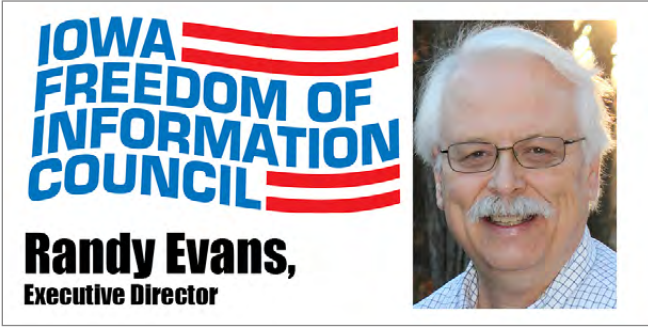
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Opinion

Football coach's praying goes to Supreme Court

I'm confused. Some of our political leaders seemed to be talking out of both sides of their mouths about why it is wrong for public school employees to engage in what the leaders think is pushing a point of view onto students.



These leaders need to figure out whether it is good — or is it bad? — when school employees are involved in what critics call indoctrination.

On one hand, some K-12 school districts around the nation have been up to their chalk boards in controversy over allegations teachers are trying to pass on to students the teachers' opinions on LGBTQ issues, transgender rights, or disparities involving the races.

But this week, the United States Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in a case out of Bremerton, Wash., where a football coach's post-game prayers on the 50-yard line have divided residents and split politicians nationwide more than any football rivalry.

This disagreement over what is acceptable, and what is not, pits conservatives and progressives against each other. In the middle is past Supreme Court guidance on what is allowed under the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Don't look for common ground to emerge anytime soon, regardless of how the court rules in June. And don't be surprised if the court's conservative majority upends those past precedents dealing with public school prayers.

The case before the justices is Kennedy v. Bremerton School District. The legal dispute grew out of a practice by Joseph Kennedy, a football coach at Bremerton High School, who kneeled alone after every game to offer a silent prayer of gratitude.

Over time, players were invited to join him, and his prayers went from being silent to being said aloud. The parent of one player, an atheist, complained the boy felt obligated to take part or risk being ostracized and losing playing time.

School officials ordered Kennedy to stop the public prayers. They offered him other options, including private space at the school for him to pray alone or allowing him to pray alone on the field after fans departed.

He declined and announced he would continue holding on-field prayers. At one, dozens of supporters climbed over fences and rushed onto the field to join him, knocking some band members to the ground.

Kennedy was suspended with pay. He did not apply to coach the team the following season. But he did sue, alleging officials violated his First Amendment rights.

Rachel Laser, president of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, which is representing the school district, told the New York Times, "What we're focused on is the religious freedom of students. Going to the 50-yard line directly after the game when you're the coach, with the students assuming they're supposed

to gather with the coach, and praying at that time, puts pressure on the kids to join."

Kennedy said his prayers were never mandatory. But some parents said there was implicit coercion.

Kennedy's lawyers contend the Supreme Court's past decisions on school prayer involved a formal government role in the prayers — such as at the beginning of the school day. But Kennedy's case centers on the question of whether government employees give up their own rights to free speech and free exercise of religion when they are on the job.

Laser told the Times a ruling in Kennedy's favor "would give a license to coaches and teachers across the nation to engage in coercive prayer."

A group of eight Bremerton parents, athletes, community leaders and taxpayers filed a brief with the Supreme Court in which they defended the school district position.

"... A community is an ensemble troupe, not a one-man show," their brief said. "It is a troupe of folks from all walks of life, brought together by their own unique faiths and beliefs. When [Kennedy] chose to center his own rights at mid-field of this once-celebrated community gathering, a community united quickly became a community divided."

One of the signers of the brief, Jane McLemore, a Methodist minister's wife and former teacher, said any reasonable observer would perceive the football field prayer was "stamped with the school's seal of approval."

The residents' court brief said, "Petitioner, shrouded in blue and white with a 'Knights' emblem on his chest, standing on the school's logo for all to see, carelessly infringed on the impressionable minds of Bremerton youth for his own gain. In doing so, he stole from their parents the right to raise their children in a way that comports with their own belief systems."

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Sports

Fort Madison girls extend win streak at Central Lee

SOCCER:: Kruse, Randolph give Hounds second-half lift in win

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

DONNELSON – This one was much closer. Central Lee’s girls soccer team gave up 10 goals, and didn’t score, in a loss to Fort Madison last season. It was a different story when the two teams met on Tuesday night, but the Bloodhounds got enough offense for the victory. Fort Madison rallied in the second half for a 2-1 victory, the Bloodhounds’ second win in two nights.



Camille Kruse’s goal off a corner kick with 26:24 to play in the match proved to be the game winner. “We made them earn it,” Central Lee coach Antonio Estrada said. “It’s nice not getting 10-0ed like we did last year. But it shows how far we’ve come as a team.”

Fort Madison (6-2) extended its winning streak to three matches by figuring out a way to get some offense in the second half.

The Bloodhounds trailed 1-0 after Central Lee’s Addy Brumble scored off a corner kick with 8:18 left in the first half. But Fort Madison’s offense was more aggressive in the second half.

“I think we did a better job of connecting passes, a better job of having an idea of where we wanted to go with the ball, and that’s something we talked about at halftime,” Fort Madison coach Carrie Burken said. “Plus our communication was better. So it looked like we had more of an idea of what we wanted to do in the second half.

“Them talking, them deciding, ‘This is what we have to do,’ that really helped a lot.”

Fort Madison tied the match with 29:40 to play when Natalie Randolph scored on a penalty kick. Kruse then delivered the game-winner three minutes later.

“I don’t know if the girls got tired, or Fort Madison made some adjustments,” Estrada said. “I think we just got tired and we panicked a little bit more. Maybe we thought we had the game when we went up 1-0. We didn’t massage the ball down the field like we should have. We got caught playing kickball more.”

The Bloodhounds were coming off a 6-2 win over Fairfield on Monday night.

“It’s always tough playing two games in a row, because physically, you’re tired,” Burken said. “And when you’re physically tired, you’re mentally tired. I think we faced two totally different teams, and playing two different teams takes a lot of adjusting.

“Happy with two wins. We’ll take ‘em. They might not have been the prettiest, but we’ll take them.”

“Our program is going the right way,” Estrada said. “These kids want to win, just like I want to win. We’re getting better. We’ll learn from this and keep going.”

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE

The Mount Pleasant City Council will meet in Regular Session Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at City Hall, 307 E. Monroe Street, second floor meeting room at 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Roll Call.
2. Consent Agenda: To the Public – All items with an asterisk (*) are routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion and a roll call of the Councilmembers. There will be no separate discussion of items unless the Mayor, a Councilmember or citizen so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.
3. Receive & file communications - Joy Lapp, Historical Preservation Committee.
4. Approve agenda.
- *5. Approve minutes of previous meetings.
- *6. Approve payment of bills.
- *7. Receive reports of Officers.
8. Old Business
 - a) 2nd reading of proposed ordinance to Trap, Neuter, Release.
 - b) 2nd reading of proposed ordinance for driveway widening.
 - c) Public hearing for proposed city ward/precinct voting map.
 - d) Resolution approving ward/precinct agreement with the County.
 - e) 3rd reading to approve ward/precinct ordinance amendment, waiving 1st and 2nd reading.
 - * f) Renewal of a Class E Liquor, Class C Beer, Class B Wine and Sunday Sales Permit For Hy-Vee Food-Store, Inc. at 1700 E Washington Street.
 - * g) Renewal of a Class C Beer Permit for Mt. Pleasant Redemption at 1001 N. Broadway Ste 102.
 - * h) Renewal of a Class E Liquor, Class C Beer & Sunday Sales Permit for Hy-Vee C Store at 1702 E. Washington Street.
 - * i) Renewal of a Class E Liquor, Class C Beer and Sunday Sales Permit for Reif Oil Company, Mt. Pleasant Fast Break, at 201 E. Washington Street.
9. New Business-

a) Approve mayoral appointment to Board of Adjustment.
 10. Public Forum.
 11. Adjourn to meet in regular session on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MARCH 28, 2022

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administration Building in Fort Madison on Monday, March 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
 Present: Matt Pflug, Garry Seyb, Ron Fedler, and Rich Harlow.
 Absent: Rick Larkin
 The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
 There was no public input.
 Arin Jones, Coordinator with Community Partnerships for Protecting Children, presented a proclamation naming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
 Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve the purchase of two(2) Chevrolet 1500 4 x 4's for Secondary Roads for \$75,600. Motion Carried.
 Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve Resolution #2022-60. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye, Fedler-aye, Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION #2022-60

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 WHEREAS, the Lee County Engineer has requested to participate in this program, increasing the County's revenue share,
 WHEREAS, the County's Credit Card Policy states that an amount over \$1,000 has to have the Board of Supervisor's approval,
 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lee County Board of Supervisors approve the following credit limit: Sean Malcolm \$3,000
 Dated at Fort Madison, Iowa this the 28th day of March, 2022.
 Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member and /s/ Rich Harlow, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.
 Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to approve Resolution #2022-61. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Fedler-aye, Harlow-aye, Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION #2022-61

INTERFUND TRANS-

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 Whereas, said transfers must be in accordance with Chapter 331.432 of the Code of Iowa.
 Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Lee County Board of Supervisors as follows:
 Section 1. The total amount to be transferred for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 is \$2,611,758.
 Section 2. Within seven working days of being notified of the current amount in said Fund, the County Auditor shall order a transfer from said funds.
 Section 3. Notwithstanding the provision of Section 2, of this Resolution,

total transfers shall not exceed the amount in Section 1.
 Section 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2, the amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balances in the transferring of funds.
 Section 5. At the discretion of the County Auditor, fund transfers can be allocated periodically during the fiscal year depending on fund balances.
 The County Auditor has determined the amount to transfer on March 28, 2022 is as follows:
 Rural Basic Fund to Secondary Roads Fund \$652,939.50.
 Section 6. The County Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and to notify the Treasurer of the amounts transferred.
 Dated at Fort Madison, Iowa on the 28th day of March 2022.
 Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member and /s/ Rich Harlow, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.
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EVENTS

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 Dated at Fort Madison, Iowa on the 28th day of March 2022.
 Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member and /s/ Rich Harlow, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.
 Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve a Class E Liquor License, Class B Wine Permit and Class C Beer Permit for Denmark Jet Stop, for the period

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PUBLIC NOTICES

January 3, 2022 through January 3, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve Monday, March 21, 2022 Board Minutes. Motioned carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve the payment of claims. Motion carried.

Moved by Harlow, seconded by Seyb, to approve a step increase for Barbara Altgilbers, Records Clerk, from \$15.89/hr. to \$16.36/hr. effective 4/5/2022 and a new hire for the Sheriff's Office, Seth Mayes, Correctional Officer, \$18.11/hr. effective 3/28/2022. Motion carried.

Received and filed the Lee County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the month ending February 28, 2022.

Committee Reports:

Fedler reported on a Southeast Iowa Juvenile Detention meeting. Harlow reported on the Lee County Economic Development open house. Seyb reported on the Lee County Economic Development open house, ARPA webinar, Southeast Iowa Regional Planning meeting and the legislative luncheon. Pflug reported on the Lee County Economic Development open house.

At 10:25 a.m. a motion was made by Harlow, seconded by Fedler, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administration Building in Fort Madison.

Matt Pflug, Chairman
Attest: Denise Fraise,
Lee County Auditor

Claims paid

March 28, 2022

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P Spiekermr, exp 17.10
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Verizon, svcs 559.90
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C Wells, exps..... 11.86
Windstream, svcs... 236.47
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PUBLIC NOTICES

East Monroe Street, City Hall Conference Room. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and the roll being called there were present Steven K. Brimhall in the Chair and the following named Councilmembers- Present: Engberg, McWilliams, White, Griffith, Crull, Batty
Absent: None

It was moved by Councilmember Griffith and was seconded by Councilmember White that the Council approve the agenda as printed.

Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Batty and seconded by Councilmember Engberg that the Council adopt the following entitled Resolution No. 2022-27:

RESOLUTION ORDERING BIDS; APPROVING PRELIMINARY DRAWINGS, SPECIFICATIONS, PLANS, CONTRACT

AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS; FIXING AMOUNT OF BID SECURITY AND ORDERING THE CLERK TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF FIXING THE DATE FOR RECEIVING BID; AND FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED COSTS FOR PCC PAVEMENT & DRAINAGE REPLACEMENT MADISON ST. FROM JACKSON ST. TO JEFFERSON ST., MADISON ST. TO MAIN ST. AND MADISON ST. MAIN ST. TO ADAMS ST. MOUNT PLEASANT, IOWA

Roll call vote 6-0. Resolution adopted, signed by the Mayor, and hereby made a portion of these minutes.

It was moved by Councilmember Crull and was seconded by Councilmember White that the Council adjourn, to meet in regular session Wednesday, April

13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.
Steven K. Brimhall, Mayor
ATTEST: Lori Davis, City Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE
MOUNT PLEASANT
ORDINANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
March 24, 2022
9:00a.m.**

Present: Bob Griffith, Kent White, Terry McWilliams, Brent Schleisman, Lyle Murray, Jared Walker, Mayor Steven K. Brimhall, Jack Swarm, Sam Reipe
Absent: None.

Sam Reipe from the local Iowa Human Alliance requested the Council consider amending the proposed Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) to not require them to hold the

captured animal for 2 days before spay /neuter services are done. The committee approved their request.

Jack discussed the potential of amending the off-street parking locations allowed in residential districts. The committee recommended expanding the off-street parking in the front of the dwelling as presented.

Ongoing Nuisances:
• 102 S Van Buren St: April 30th is still the deadline for demolition

• 801 E Jones: Still in the legal process of 657 A
• 905 S Briarwood: Jared reported that the property owners have until April 15 for the outside nuisances. Jack reported that the dwelling will be secured and demolished when the estate is settled.

• 304 S Jefferson: No further information. The committee is recommending proceeding with any

legal action necessary.
• 203 N Porter: Ongoing in court.
• 301 N Jefferson: No report
• 101 W Mill: No report
• 600 E Henry: Attorneys are in the process of going to court
Adjourned.

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Wednesday, April 27,
2022 - 5:30 PM
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WORK SESSION**

City Council will hold a Goal Setting Session at West Burlington City Hall, 122 Broadway Street, West Burlington, Iowa. Work Sessions are open to the public.

COUNCIL & STAFF PRESENT
DISCUSSION ITEM
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From the Front

May offers new programs at FM Public Library

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meet at the library or the room you would like to use. Reserving a room only requires a few bits of information, including your name and phone number. When you make a reservation, only the title that you give the reservation will show on the public calendar. All other personal information will be hidden and only be visible to library employees. If you want to use the Sheaffer meeting room, you can make a temporary reservation for events during the week. Once the temporary reservation is made, you will still need to come into the library within one week to fill out the room use form and leave a deposit. Saturday and Sunday reservations will still need to be made through library employees.

New Reading Challenges Coming to the Library

The Fort Madison Public Library is adding Beanstack, a new tool for readers. Beanstack, which has been called a “Fitbit for Reading”, allows readers to record the number of minutes, pages or books they read to earn digital badges and, in some cases, prizes. This product will help the library cultivate a community of reading and move forward with new reading programs.

Beanstack will be available for registration beginning April 26 and will have an initial challenge, Growing Readers that will begin on April 29. Participants who read 600 minutes by May 31 will receive a packet of zinnia seeds. If you want to take part in this community reading challenge, you can pick up a paper reading log at the library, register online or use the Beanstack app. Tracking reading and other activities this summer will also be done using Beanstack. However, participants will still be able to use paper logs to track their reading and claim prizes.

A library card is not required to use Beanstack, though cards are free to residents of Iowa and can be purchased by those living in nearby states for \$35. The Beanstack Reading Tracker app is a free download through the App Store or Google Play. Beanstack can also be accessed online at <https://fortmadison.beanstack.org>. Registration is easy and only requires a few bits of information. A tutorial and handout can be found at the library's webpage by following the link for Beanstack.

Contact Sarah Clendineng, 372-5721 or sarahclen@fortmadison.lib.ia.us for more information.

Top 10 Most Checked Out Books at the Library

- Trolls 5-minute stories (EF TRO)
- The silent patient by Alex Michaelides (F MIC)
- What happens in paradise: a novel by Elin Hilderbrand (F HIL)
- Met her match by Jude Deveraux (F DEV)
- Twisted twenty-six by Janet Evanovich (MYS EVA)
- Criss Cross by James Patterson (MYS PAT)
- Where's the unicorn now: a magical search-and-find book by Sophie Schrey (E F MOR)
- A time for mercy by John Grisham (F GRI)
- The Oysterville Sewing Circle: a novel by Susan Wiggs (F WIG)
- How to catch a unicorn by Adam Wallace (E F WAL)

Upcoming Events at the Fort Madison Public Library -

For the safety of library employees and other patrons, please do not come to library programs if you feel ill, have a fever or are waiting on the results of a coronavirus test. The library is still offering curbside book pick-up if you need something to read, watch or listen to but want to keep your community healthy by temporarily quarantining.

Pre-School/Toddler Story Hour - Wednesday morning at 10:30.

Hang Teen - Tuesday, 3:30-5:00 (except for May 17) for ages 12-19.

Minecraft - 3:30-5:00, ages 9-18 on Mondays.

Once Upon a Wednesday - Join us from 1:30-2:30 for a variety of adventures. May 4 will be movie day. On May 11, you can make your own snack. May 18 is craft day. May 25 is Family Fun day with a variety of activities, including board games.

All Booked Up! - The library's book discussion group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m. On Thursday, May 5, we will be discussing “The Museum of Extraordinary Things” by Alice Hoffman. On Thursday, June 2, we will be discussing “The Personal Librarian” by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

Union spending authority increase doesn't make sense

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On Monday, Sonya Sirois addressed the board regarding the teachers' union proposal.

“If there ever was a time to show educators respect and professional courtesy, the time is now,” Sirois said.

“Teachers have gone to extraordinary lengths to keep our students engaged academically, socially and emotionally.”

She said teachers are dealing with larger classrooms, new curriculum implementations, and unfilled support positions.

FMEA Chief Negotiator Kerry Cooper said the district's financial management strategy has been to save money as seen through the district's increasing spending authority.

“The district is in a financial position to offer and sustain more competitive wages for their employees,” she said.

Cooper said the growing unspent balance of 23.2% compared to 19.2% is difficult for the district to explain.

“Our tax dollars are being funneled into district savings. FMEA contends that public schools should be spending public money on what it was intended for, not continuing to save from year to year.”

Sirois said according to Basic Educational Data Survey (BEDS) data the district submits to the state, Fort Madison ranks 322 out of 327 state districts in health coverage benefits, including the increased allocation that went to newer teachers last year.

Teachers carrying family insurance pay more than \$1,000 out of pocket and Sirois said those insurance rates are projected to increase again in 2022.

After each side presents their initial offers, the meeting is closed to the public as negotiations are allowed to be held in private under state closed meeting laws.

Coach's prayer left little grounds for non-participation

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One member of the football team joined the brief anonymously. He did not want to be treated as an outcast for speaking against Kennedy.

The player said Bremerton coaches did not leave the field immediately after games ended, and players were not free to leave then, either. Instead, Kennedy would hold up a helmet to rally players at mid-field and players were directed to gather around him for “the coach's prayer thing.”

The players were expected to be there — whether they were Christian, as Kennedy is, or Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, Baha'i, or non-religious, as others in Bremerton are.

One can only imagine the reaction of Kennedy's defenders if the coach were a member of one of those other faiths and was pressuring players to gather around for a post-game Muslim prayer or Jewish prayer.

And if it is OK for a coach or a teacher to organize such “optional” student prayers on school grounds, tell me how that differs from teachers engaging in “optional” discussions inside the same classrooms about LGBTQ issues, transgender rights or the treatment of black people since the United States was founded.

As I said earlier, I'm confused.

Randy Evans is executive director of Iowa Freedom of Information Council and can be reached at DMRevs2810@gmail.com.



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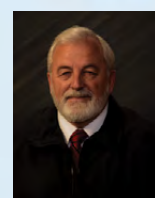
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From the Front

Expressions Art Auction coming up in May

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emerges as he positions the pieces in relationship with others. His Etsy shop online keeps him busy.

Larimer, with a degree in Art Education along with eleven years of experience in the printing industry, taught Graphic Arts at Macomb High School. Later he began teaching Fine Art and Technology at Macomb Junior High retiring in 2019 leaving him more time to further develop his own studio practice.

Larimer, while he has been an active member volunteer in local arts organizations for more than 45 years, has recently taken on more roles in the Two Rivers Arts Council for which he continues to serve as a Board member, and the Macomb Art Center where he now schedules the art events.

After Larimer introduced Ericson to the art of fly-fishing, the two have become avid fishing buddies, taking time out of their busy fishing season that already commenced with a fishing trip here at the end of April to exhibit with us here at the Art Center in May.

As always, we are grateful to our many sponsors who help defray the costs of bringing exhibitions to the Art Center for the community to engage with. This month's exhibition is brought to us through the generous sponsorship of Climax Molybdenum.

If you haven't stopped in to visit the Art Center lately (or ever,) please consider taking in this exhibit. It is an interesting take on an artisan to fine arts process through the lens of these two men. It will be on display in its entirety until the evening of May 28th when the Art Center hosts our end of the month performance series, FINALE, and comes down on May 31st as we make way for Grace Bell's RETROSPECTIVE photography exhibition for the month of June.

The Fort Madison Area Arts Association is open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 am – 5 pm.

April Lunch ala Art and FINALE. May Art Happenings:

The FMAAA Art Center will host its monthly artist talk luncheon Lunch ala Art on Friday, April 29th at noon. Our featured exhibition this month is the High School Art Show, and we had some excellent submissions by students from throughout the region. We expect to have a few of them on hand to discuss their work and the ideas that went into it as we enjoy lunch catered in from Major Oak. Get your reservations in by calling 319-372-3996 by Wednesday the 27th to be included in the headcount for lunch. You do not need to join in the luncheon to attend this gallery talk event. This month's exhibit was sponsored by Lee County Bank.

FINALE the Art Center's monthly performance series is Saturday, April 30th from 6pm to 9pm. 6pm is open mic for youth performances with Brad Kurtz and Company taking over at 7pm with a lively evening planned for us. Attendance is free, with snacks and soft drinks available for purchase. BYOB.

May Art Happenings:

Friday, May 6th | 5pm – 7pm in the Main Gallery | Art Opening Reception for Two Men and Their Art, works by Michael Ericson and Stephen Larrimer of Macomb, Illinois. On display until May 31st. Sponsored by Climax Molybdenum.

Friday, May 13th | 6:30 pm McAleer Hall | Expressions Art Auction

FMAAA's Expression's Art Auction is our premier annual event – join us for an evening of wine tasting, delicious hors d'oeuvres from The Grange of Mt Pleasant, and beautiful Art! Live and silent auction of artwork, excellent adventures, and memorable experiences. Cash bar. Tickets \$40 / VIP Tables \$400

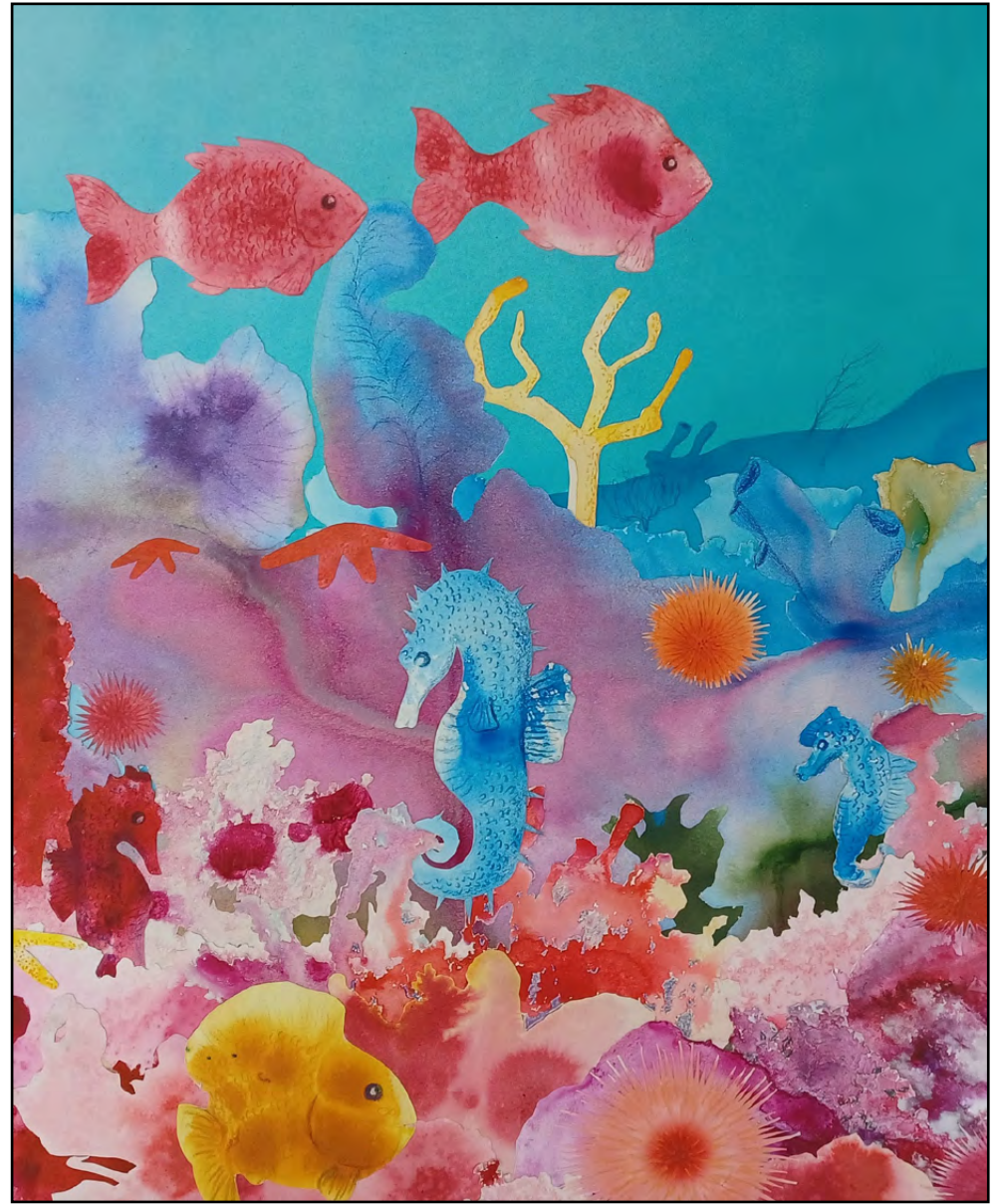
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Friday, May 27th, 2022 | 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm | Lunch ala Art artist talk and luncheon

Cost is \$9 per person and reservations are recommended. You do not need to eat lunch to attend the gallery talk.

Saturday, May 28th, 2022 | 6pm to 9pm | FINALE an open mic performance series in the Main Gallery.



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Steven Larimore's Seahorse Grotto is one of the art pieces that will be on display during May's Fort Madison Area Arts Association's exhibit. May is also the group's Expressions Art Auction fundraiser.

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- Hospitality Sponsor—\$300** Deadline **Friday, April 29, 2022**. Includes name & logo on beverage carts, at the buffet line and throughout the golf course. Please provide a jpeg file of your logo to the United Way.
- Hole Sponsor—\$100** Deadline **Monday, April 25, 2022**. Includes sign by green and opportunity to be at your green to market to players. Please provide a jpeg file of you logo to the United Way.
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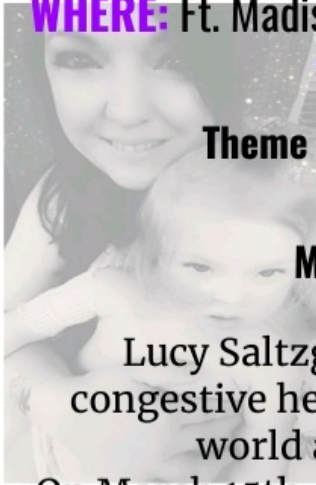
WHEN: Saturday, May 21, 2022 Beginning at 7PM

WHERE: Ft. Madison Eagle's Club

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Monetary donations are welcome and most appreciated!



Lucy Saltzgaver fought bravely against pulmonary hypertension and congestive heart failure. Lucy also had Down Syndrome, was a light in this world and the center of her Mommy's and Daddy's universe. On March 15th, Lucy, our little angel, went to heaven to live beyond this realm to be eternally happy, made whole, and perfect in every way as she waits for the great reunion with her loved ones.

All proceeds will be used to help bring Lucy home to her final resting place close to family, friends, and loved ones.

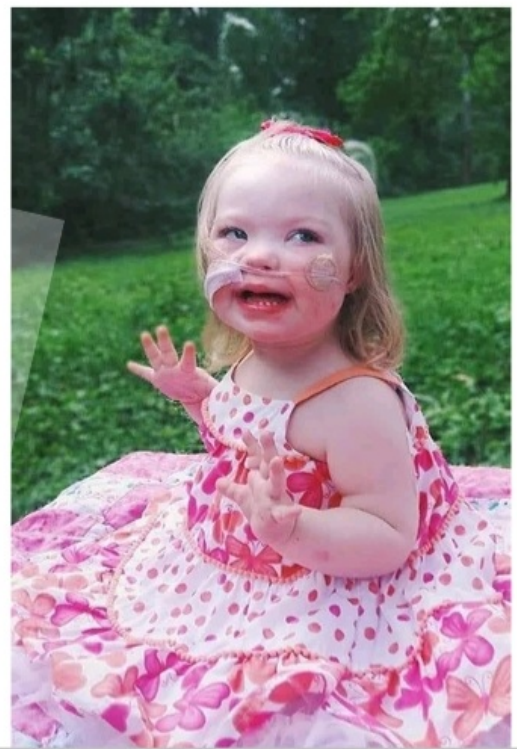
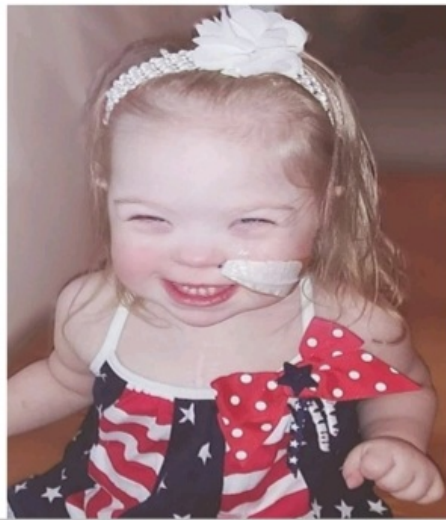
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DAILY ACTIVITIES
Homemade Ice Cream
Book Sale
Antiques/Primitives
Flea Market/Crafts
Horse Drawn Wagon Rides
Kids' Train Rides
Kettle Corn

FRIDAY

Tractor/Gas Engine Registration 7 a.m.
Town Wide Yard Sales 8 a.m.
Live Music in Shelter House 7 p.m.
by Stump Town.

SATURDAY

Breakfast at Fire Station 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
Town Wide Yard Sales 8 a.m.
Custom Cars & Pickups 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Wiffle Ball Game 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Sidewalk Chalk Contest 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
Tractor Parade 1 p.m.
Silver Steppers 2:30 p.m.
Pedal Tractor Pulls 2:30 p.m.
Live Auction 4 p.m.
Pork Meal in Shelter House 5 p.m.
Live Music in Shelter House 5:30 p.m.
by Lonesome Fugitive

SUNDAY

Breakfast at Church 7:30 a.m.
Church in Shelter House 10 a.m.
Ham Ball Dinner at Church 11 a.m.
Tractor Parade 1 p.m.

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