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School levy to drop again

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison school district residents will see a lower tax rate for the fifth straight year.



HOPE

At a budget presentation on Monday night during a special Fort Madison Community School District Board of Directors, District Business Manager Sandy Elmore told the board that preliminary numbers have this year's levy set at \$11.61/\$1,000 of assessed valuations for the next fiscal year beginning July 1.

That number's down about 58

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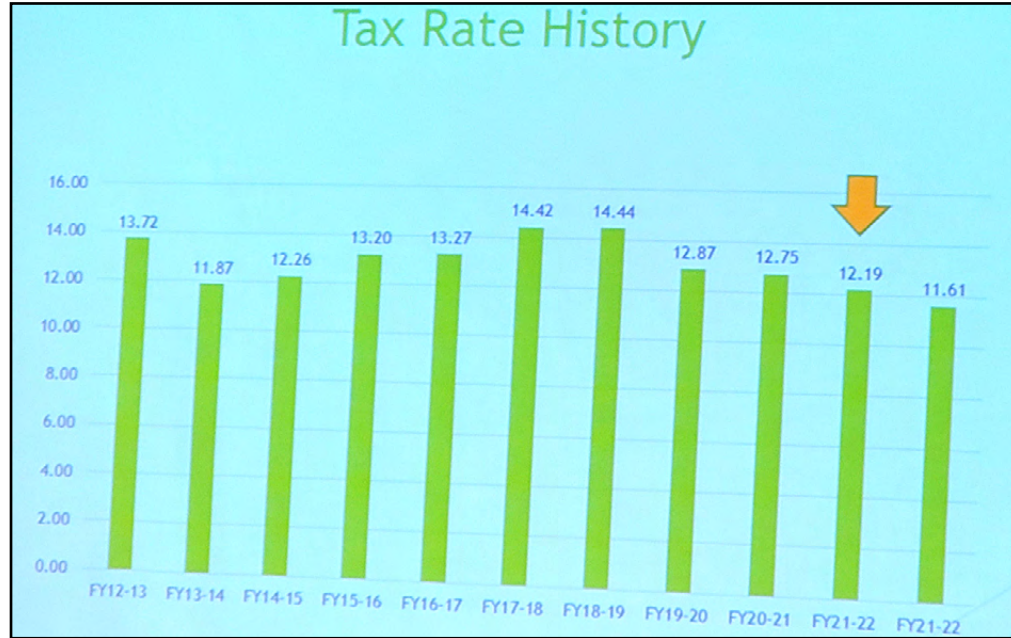


Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The FMCSO property tax levy is projected to drop again for the fourth year in a row. The rate dropped to 11.61/\$1,000 assessed valuation from \$12.19 charged during the current fiscal year.

EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



Author becomes reader for MP library youth

I was asked to be a reader at the Mt. Pleasant Public Library—me, an ex-drunk and former class clown reading to little kids. Really? It was in honor of National Read Across America Day. So, okay. The kids were really cute, and paid attention. I enjoyed the experience immensely.

In attendance for the reading was a bigger-than-life dinosaur and Dr. Seuss' *The Cat in the Hat*. The children's (and adult's) book I chose to read was Mt. Pleasant Author and Educator, Denise McCormick's, "Never Mind the Monkey Mind." It's a Number One International Best Seller on Amazon in the categories of Self-Esteem and Self Respect, Schools and Education, Philosophy, and Zoo. I'll take-and-tell-you, I had the monkey-mind chatter going on in my head before the reading—"I will blow this," "My voice will crack and pop like an old man," "The library will be sorry they asked me to be a reader." However, while practicing reading at home, I took the advice of the book and started telling myself, "I can do this," "I'm a good reader," "If the library asked me, they must think I can do this." By repeating these, what Denise McCormick calls, "positive affirmations," I convinced my sub-conscious mind that I was a good reader, and then my subconscious mind convinced me. It worked! Of course, the dinosaur and *The Cat in the Hat* were a big help. And there were three other readers to share the load. The kids and parents were terrific.

Denise McCormick will be doing book signings at the following places in Mt. Pleasant from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm on Fridays: April 1, Brown's Shoe Fit, 108 S. Main St.; April 8, Lillian Grace Boutique, 120 S. Main St.; and April 15, Jane Anne Boutique, 520 S. Grand Ave. Books will be available there.

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Photo courtesy of Brianna Wright

Sunday fire

Fort Madison firefighters responded to a garage fire in the 2000 block of Avenue L early Sunday evening. The fire destroyed the garage. No one was injured in the fire.

ELECTION 2022

Redistricting boots candidate from supervisor race

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Redistricting of county supervisor districts by state legislators has pushed a candidate for the Lee County Board of Supervisors out of this year's election.

According to Lee County Auditor



SEYB

Republican ticket.

Denise Fraise, some minor shifts in the district maps received Thursday had major consequences for Peter Seyb who was looking to run for the county supervisor in the 3rd district on the

Current supervisor Rich Harlow has already given notice that he will not be seeking re-election to another term on the board beginning in 2023. Monday was the first day candidates could file petitions to be placed on the ballot. Fraise said no one has turned in papers

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WEATHER

TUE 08 Mar.....Chilly with Clear Skies, 35° F/16° F
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Iowa News/From the Front

District finalizes \$10M in bonds

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cents from the current fiscal year.

The levy rate is a compilation of the general fund levy of \$8.52, an instructional support levy of .78; a management levy of .63; a 10-year voted Physical Plant Equipment Levy (PPEL) at \$1.34; and a regular Physical Plant Equipment of .33. The levy is projected to generate \$9,289,779 in property tax dollars off a district valuation of \$806,017,224.

Elmore said the some additional changes from the legislature have resulted in a steeper drop in the levy.

"If things were identical and the only that happened was the valuations changed, our rate would have went from \$12.19 to \$11.96, so there's 22 cents is coming about due to property tax valuation, but we're not levying as much due to the formula and some other changes the legislation passed," Elmore said.

The valuation increased \$16.9 million from 2021-22, which includes \$124,314 from Henry County property within the school district, \$1,431,424 from Des Moines County and \$779,377,01 on property in Lee County.

The voted PPEL was a voted in in 2020 and is good for 10 years and will fall off in the 2030-31 fiscal year.

Property taxes are just one portion of the district's annual revenues, which also included State Supplemental aid which this year is set at \$7,408 per pupil. The district has a certified enrollment of 2,046.4 students.

That formula then generates \$15,159,731 in state aid. The state also has a guaranteed budget formula which is equal to 101% of the previous year's state aid calculation per district. That number totaled \$15,178,832 based on current fiscal year numbers, so the district is allowed to levy for the difference - or \$19,101.

Board president Dianne Hope said the district residents should advocate for state formula support for public education to keep property tax dollars down.

"This is another reason for taxpayers to advocate to our legislators to take education funds out of budget surplus vs. having it passed on to property taxes," she said. "I don't think people recognize that. I don't think our legislators recognize that from my conversations with one of them."

In other action, the board of directors also approved several resolutions to trigger the issuance of \$10 million in bonds against future SAVE fund revenues (Secure an Advanced Vision for Education), or the state's 1 cent SAVE taxes.

The bonds will be used to pay for renovations at the Fort Madison Middle School and High School to accommodate all students being moved into the two buildings and retiring the district's elementary schools.

NWS hosting weather spotter class in Burlington

BURLINGTON - After a hiatus due to the pandemic, the in-person Severe Weather Spotter training program will be held once again. With storm season on the horizon the National Weather Service in the Quad Cities, in conjunction with the Des Moines County Emergency Management Agency, will present this free training class. The session is for people who are interested in learning about, identifying, and reporting severe weather.

The two and a half hour long training program will take place on Monday, March 21, 2022, at the Capitol Theater located at 211 North 3rd Street in Burlington Iowa. The class will start promptly at 6:00 PM. No registration is required for the session.

Storm spotters provide the National Weather Service with critical information such as hail size, wind speed, tornado development and local damage reports in the event of severe weather.

Spotters serve an important function in the community to help warn the public before disaster strikes. Des Moines County Communications (DESCOM) will also present information regarding their role during weather emergencies.

Each year tornadoes and damaging wind events result in thousands of dollars in damage in Iowa. The training session will have videos and digital images to assist volunteers in learning to identify important thunderstorm characteristics, cloud formations, types of severe weather, weather safety and understanding radar images as well as reporting procedures.

If you are a concerned citizen with a passion for weather and you would like to be more involved, go to The National Weather Service website at <https://www.weather.gov/dvn/spotters> and learn more about how you can become an official Storm Spotter.

Des Moines County also has their own SKYWARN team for those from the county who are interested in helping a localized team. People who are currently weather spotters are encouraged to attend this session as a refresher.

The class is hosted by the Des Moines County Emergency Management Agency, for any questions you can contact them at 319-753-8206 or by email at harding@dmcounty.com or find them on Facebook.

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Obituaries/From the Front

OBITUARIES

KEVIN L. MARTINDALE

Kevin Lee Martindale, 55, of West Burlington, formerly of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 1:50 p.m. Friday, March 4, 2022, at the Klein Center in West Burlington, Iowa.



MARTINDALE

He was born on January 22, 1967, in Canton, Illinois, the son of Charles and Donna (Spangler) Martindale. He married Lori Smith, they later divorced.

Kevin is survived by his three children: Adrienne Martindale, William Colter Martindale and Emily Martindale; four grandchildren; mother: Donna Hollingsworth of Donnellson; father: Charles (Cathy) Martindale of Lewiston, Illinois; three brothers: James Martindale of Donnellson, Richard Martindale of Donnellson and Jay Prichard of West Point; three sisters: Charlene Martindale - Markley of Smithfield, Illinois; Caitlin Martindale of Lewiston, Illinois and Celsey Martindale - Young of Peoria, Illinois; step-brother: Gerad Crotts. Also surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and step-father: John Hollingsworth.

Kevin was a graduate of Central Lee High School. He then received his AA in gunsmithing at Southeastern Community College. He worked as a machinist at CHMI and was a gunsmith. Kevin enjoyed fishing, coon hunting, trapping, deer hunting and sports. He was an avid Green Bay Packer fan. Kevin recently found God, which helped him through his illness.

His body has been entrusted to the crematory of Schmitz Funeral Home for cremation.

A celebration of life will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his memory.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com. Schmitz Funeral Home of Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements.

Pen City Current obituary policy

Pen City Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes. Reposting of obituaries due to changes can only be requested by the submitting funeral home and will be assessed a \$15 reposting fee.

First robins of the year spotted at Empty Nest

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On another note, I have an Android cell phone, and recently purchased an Android watch to go with it. It makes me feel techie. I only had the watch a month and it quit taking a charge. Grrr. I stomped back into the Android store and they said the Android's were famous for battery failure and what I really needed was an i-Phone with an Apple Watch. My heart stopped. I don't do change well. However, when they tried to input the transaction into their computer, it wouldn't process. A sign? They sent me home to apply for a replacement watch on my insurance plan. The insurance plan wouldn't work either. What's going on? Frustrated and wore out, I decided to power the watch down and try again the next day.

The following day, I was about to try the insurance plan again, when I decided to power the watch back up and see if by some strange microchip quirk, it would accept a charge. It did! The ole shut-off-and-turn-back-on fix works every time!

Has spring sprung? Robins are a sure sign of spring. I finally saw my first robin out by the barn. However, there's a surer sign of spring—a bank of trumpeter swans in the cornfield near our house. What a sight! (Swans on the ground are a “bank.”) And to think trumpeter swans were nearly extinct a few years ago.

When I spotted the swans, I was standing in our wind break of Colorado Blue Spruce. The sun was shining and the temperature was topping out at a beautiful 70 degrees. I heard a strange popping noise, like popcorn. It was the pine cones expanding in the sun. I've heard of corn growing so fast you can hear it popping, but I didn't know pine cones did also. A quick Google check confirmed that, indeed, the pine cones were expanding so fast the seeds were popping.

I wouldn't get too excited just yet and think spring is here to stay. We still have boys' state basketball tournaments to go through—which can bring heavy blizzards, with our kids stranded in Des Moines. And I remember a few years back when we got hit hard with snow and ice in early April. We are way under our normal snowfall amount for Iowa.

Just saying.

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



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Lee County News/Scene Around the Area



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The Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce joined with officials from Cape Air at Southeast Iowa Regional Airport Friday afternoon for a ribbon-cutting. The new air charter service now handles flights out of the Burlington airport and offers rates as low as \$39 each way to St. Louis and \$49 to Chicago with direct flight booking to many destinations.

Plans underway for 2022 United Way golf outing

KEOKUK - The United Way of the Great River Region is pleased to announce their annual 18-hole golf outing on Friday, May 6, 2022, at Sheaffer Memorial Golf Course in Fort Madison.

Karen Siefken, United Way Executive Director said, "The golf outing is a great opportunity to show your support for the United Way and have a great time doing it."

Net proceeds will go directly to help fund 21 local nonprofit organizations that show a measurable impact in the areas of health, education, and financial stability. Some of these nonprofit organizations will even be at the golf outing to show what their funding goes towards. United Way also supports key initiatives such as the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program and the Back-to-School Festival.

"One of the best things about the United Way is the money stays in the tri-county area," said Leah Jones, United Way Board member, "Local money supporting local programs!"

The United Way is accepting sponsorships for the May 6th golf outing. There are corporate, hole, and hospitality sponsor opportunities available. Each corporate sponsorship includes a team entry.

Corporate Sponsorship - \$1,000

Includes name and/or logo on all advertising, an opportunity to market to the players, may also have 4-person team but not required.

Team Sponsorship - \$400

Includes 4-person team, carts, lunch, mulligans and 5 drink tickets per player.

Hole Sponsorship - \$100

Includes hole sign and a chance to be present at the course to promote your business.

Hospitality Sponsorship - \$300

Included name and/or logo on beverage cart, at the buffet line and throughout the golf course.

To register a team or sign up to be a sponsor contact Karen Siefken at 319-524-4504, or director@united-waygrr.org.

United Way of the Great River Region serves all of Lee, Hancock, and Clark Counties. All donations are tax-deductible.

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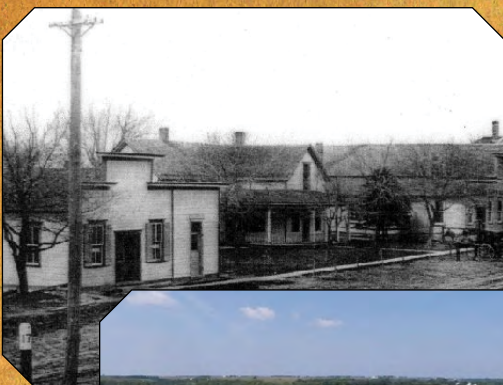


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Local News/From the Front

New district has no impact on incumbents

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on the first day.

The 2nd and 3rd District seats are both up for election. Fort Madison City Councilman Tom Schulz and City Councilwoman Donna Amandus have both indicated they will be running for the 2nd District seat being vacated by Rick Larkin, who will have served a total of six terms as supervisor at the end of 2022. Larkin also served four terms in the Iowa House from 1994 to 2002.

But Seyb, who's brother Garry is already on the board, lives in Des Moines Township, which got bumped in the redistricting into District 4. That district isn't in play in this election cycle and is currently held by Garry Seyb.

Peter Seyb said he thinks the state legislature should have gotten the changes out sooner.

"I don't think that's right that they put those changes out two days before you can turn in signatures. I had 80. I don't think there's much I can do about it, though," Seyb said Monday night.

"I don't want to push the issue either, but from what I've been told, (the legislature) dropped the ball on this."

Fraise said voters in Des Moines Township, who would have voted for the District 3 seat, get absorbed into District 4 and won't vote in the county supervisor election this year.

The other substantial change that took place was moving Cedar Township from the 2nd District into District 3.

Fraise said if Rich Harlow were running again for District 3, because of the changes in the other districts, it would have put all of them in play because each would have had two incumbents in place, which would have had to go in front of voters.

"The rule is if there is just one incumbent, you don't have to put the seat back up, but if you were running it would be like you're sharing the district and all three would be on the ballot," Fraise said.

Ron Fedler and Garry Seyb's seats would both be put up for election because of the changes in their districts, but since Harlow isn't seeking re-election there's not more than one incumbent in the newly created districts.

The new district also had some minor changes within the cities of Keokuk and Fort Madison and Montrose, but nothing that affected this election cycle.

Fundraiser set for 2x4s for Hope

FORT MADISON - The committee for Fort Madison's own 2x4's for Hope are hosting a fun-packed Trivia Night on Friday, March 11, 2022 at the Moose Lodge #671 beginning at 7:00 pm.

Along with Trivia there will be raffles and silent auctions. The cost is \$10 per person, bring along some friends and fill a table with 8! All proceeds go to 2x4's For Hope's Fort Madison's house.

The 2x4s for Hope is a charity that builds tiny homes for local veterans. The group starts the homes and builds them from foundation to a completely furnished home in just eight days. The framing takes 84 2x4s and creates homes that are 16x36, which is just under 600 square feet.

The homes used to have budgets of about \$25,000 before the pandemic, but with the impact of the pandemic on supply chains, the costs have more than doubled to about \$55,000 per home. All funds needed are brought in through fundraising and donations with every penny going directly into building and furnishing the finished house.

The Fort Madison location has been selected pending final approval from the City. For complete details on 2x4's For Hope's mission or how to get involved, please contact Stephanie Warner at (757) 717-1838 or Lester Kistner at (319) 316-2576.

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- Wednesday, March 16, 2022, **LCHD from 12:00-4:00pm, Moderna, Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson
- Thursday, March 24, 2022, LCHD from 1:00-4:30pm, Pfizer & Pfizer for 5-11 year olds

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE
LEE COUNTY BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
February 22, 2022**

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administrative Building in Fort Madison on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Matt Pflug, Garry Seyb, Ron Fedler and Rich Harlow.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Harlow, seconded by Fedler, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The Board was introduced to the new IT Director, Kevin Harter.

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve the Argyle Sanitary

Sewer District Budget for FY23. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve a revised quote for a Mack Chassis for the Secondary Road's Sign Truck, at a cost of \$76,656.00, down from the original proposal of \$83,088.00. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve the purchase of a motor grader from Caterpillar, in the amount of \$350,934.00. Motion carried. One other bid was submitted by John Deere in the amount of \$337,500.00.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to approve the purchase of a wheel loader from Caterpillar, in the amount of \$138,317.00. Motion carried. One other bid was submitted by John Deere in the amount of \$149,400.00

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve the purchase of an excavator from Caterpillar, in the amount of \$237,144.00. Motion carried. One other bid was submitted by John Deere in the amount of \$266,800.00.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to

approve an update to the Pandemic Policy, effective February 22, 2022. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve a modified Administrative Union Contract, with a 10% raise. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Pflug, to approve a one-year Sheriff's Union Contract, with a 15% raise. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Pflug-aye, Fedler-aye and Harlow-aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to approve the EMS Premium Pay Policy, effective February 22, 2022. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve Resolution #2022-54. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye.

Resolution #2022-54

Lee County Board of Supervisors Resolution Lifting Waivers on Leave Time

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, the Lee County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution #2020-71, waiving leave time requirements in the Personnel Policy that vacation, personal or holiday time (as applicable) be taken within a particular period of time and limits on carryover pursuant to Personnel Policy, and commits that no employ-

ee will lose his or her vacation, personal and/or holiday time, because they were not permitted to use it for pandemic related reasons;

WHEREAS, Resolution #2020-71 states that the waiver period will no longer be in effect when the Governor declares an end to the State's Public Health Disaster Emergency;

WHEREAS, Governor Reynolds made such declaration on Tuesday, February 15, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE MAY IT BE RESOLVED that the waiver of leave time requirements is no longer in effect.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 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 Harlow, to approve Resolution #2022-55. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION # 2022-55

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Supervisors have contracted with Commerce Bank to establish a county-wide credit card program,

WHEREAS, Lee County's IT Department 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:

Kevin Harter \$10,000
Dated at Fort Madison, Iowa this the 22nd day of February, 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 a Class B Beer Permit for Izaak Walton League, effective March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve a Class C Liquor License for Green Bay Bar & Grill, effective April 20, 2022 through April 19, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Harlow, seconded by Seyb, to approve the Monday, February 14, 2022 Board minutes. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve a step increase for Caroline Veihl, Admin/ Outreach Coordinator in the Conservation Department, from \$22.85/hr. to \$23.54/hr., effective 1/26/22 and a new hire for EMS, Erica Heston, EMT, \$15.82/hr., effective 2/28/22. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Seyb reported on a Pioneer Cemetery Commission meeting and a meeting with the Lee County Farm Bureau.

At 11:05 a.m. a motion was made by Fedler, seconded by Harlow, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be

held on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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

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February 28, 2022**

Nxt Deg Comm, svcs	181.08
ABC Fire, svcs.....	686.80
A Abueg, svcs.....	150.00
AgriLand FS, fuel...	805.07
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Barr Mem Chpl, svcs	1200.00
N Booten, exps.....	15.79
Brozene Hydrlic, svcs	975.63
CenturyLink, svcs.....	92.00
City Tractor, svcs.....	117.05
CJ Cooper, svcs.....	35.00
H Curtis, svcs.....	22.60
Democrat Co, publ..	32.33
Dly Gate City, publ..	32.33
DjngGrvsPrnty, svcs	1200.00
Dodd Prtg, splys.....	23.70
Drake Hdwr, svcs ...	709.00
FM Hsng Auth, svcs	1547.35
FM Water, svcs.....	3884.33
L Gatton, rent.....	300.00
N Granaman, svcs	1356.52
Grt Prairie AEA, svcs	347.00
Hrtrcks Lmbr, svcs.....	3.98
M Hellige, exps.....	669.93
Huffman Wldng, svcs	857.76
J Huling, exps.....	160.45
HyVee, splys.....	1599.39
ICAP, ins.....	271.00
Ideal Rdy Mix, mtrl	1505.76
Ilmberger Entrp, rent	300.00
Interiors/Philip, splys	28.00
IA Off/St ME, svcs	6246.67
ISAC, reg.....	190.00
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Mohrfeld Elect, sv	4200.00
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OMG MW, sv	9316.20
Optum Rx, splys	1020.68
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West Grp, splys	821.00
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trustees Rick Kuntz, Ron Meller and clerk, Kimberly Spear. Trustee Mike Walker was present via telephone. Also present were other members of the community.

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Walker read the minutes from the January 23, 2022 special meeting to fill in members of the community about the current election status. Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Walker to rescind the action from the January 13 meeting. Meller opposed.

Moved by Walker, seconded by Kuntz to negate the results of the election.

Moved by Meller, seconded by Walker to accept the resignation of Kuntz from area 3 and appoint Brandon Bonar. Motion carried.

Moved by Bonar, seconded by Meller to accept the resignation of Walker from area 1 and appoint Rick Kuntz. Motion carried.

Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Bonar to appoint Walker to area 2. Motion carried.

Kuntz nominated Walker as chair, seconded by Bonar. Kuntz nominated Walker as Corps spokesperson, seconded by Bonar. Walker nominated

Kuntz as FSA spokesperson, seconded by Bonar. Kuntz nominated Bonar as contact person for Pump Master, seconded by Walker. Motion made by Walker to approve the slate of appointments, seconded by Kuntz. Motion carried.

Transition to the regular meeting took place at 7:39 p.m.

Spear read the minutes from the regular meeting held on December 30, 2021. Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Walker, to approve minutes. Motion carried.

Pat Kaltefleiter gave the December Pump Master report. Current river stage is 8.55. Discussed fuel levels and that Kaltefleiter was able to restart the pump without having to call Richards Electric. Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Bonar, to accept the Pump Master Report as presented. Motion carried.

Walker led a discussion regarding the proposed pipeline easement. Nustar contacted and they have changed routes. They will no longer need access to do test borings.

Walker gave an update on the sand movement project. The district is

waiting for a letter to approve mixing sand. Discussion was had on how to move forward. No action was taken.

Walker noted that there are no updates regarding the main ditch project. Everything is turned into FEMA and have heard nothing back. Still waiting for check.

Walker updated on the relief wells. All has been done according to the Corp, but they may need to inspect after everything is complete.

Walker gave an update on the USACE 408 Permit. The district will need numbers before deciding if the project should be financed, paid all at once, or other.

Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Walker to pay an additional bill from Brotcke Well and Pump in the amount of \$25,000.00. Motion carried.

Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Bonar, to approve the Clerk's Report. Motion carried. Current balances are \$429,203.13 in the Operating Fund and \$1,889.28 in the Bond Fund.

At 8:08 p.m. Kuntz made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Bonar. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Drainage District will be Thursday,

February 24, 2022.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Spear, Lee County Auditor's Office.

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Lee County News/Education News

Central Lee program focuses on job shadowing

DONNELSON - The Central Lee Community School District has made a concerted effort to prepare students with the skills and knowledge they need to pursue a wide variety of careers and opportunities after they graduate. This takes place through purposefully planned academic experiences, hands-on career development activities, and specialized career preparedness opportunities.

A key component of the district's Career and College Readiness Framework is providing students with ample job shadowing opportunities.

In their junior year, students can take part in one-day job shadows, through which they see firsthand what a typical day in the life of a professional looks like. They then write a one-page reflection. Juniors can earn a college credit through Southeastern Community College for this experience.

"I've always wanted to be a nurse, and this made me even more excited to be in the field," said Addy Brumble, a junior who job shadowed a nurse practitioner at Blessed Health Clinic.

When they are seniors, Central Lee students can earn a half-credit toward graduation for participating in an extended job shadow for 40 to 60 hours. This gives them a more intense look at a specific career path by

spending at least a week with a business or organization in the community.

Through extended job shadowing, seniors can explore a field of interest to see if it's right for them. They can also expose themselves to potential careers and gain an understanding of the academic, technical, and career readiness skills they will need to qualify for specific jobs.

Job shadowing is one way Central Lee is working with its partners to expand student learning far beyond the walls of the classroom and into our local community. This school year, students have been shadowing an HVAC and plumbing specialist, a guidance counselor, law enforcement officers, and an arborist, among many others.

"I'm going to college next year and plan to major in psychology, but I'm not sure what path I'll take after that, so this was a great opportunity for me to explore occupations," said Adrienne Britt, a senior who is shadowing a guidance counselor. "The job shadowing experience cemented the fact that I want to be somewhere in psychology."

Students also learn the importance of thinking about their career development through conversations with the job shadowing mentor, while giving them realistic

perspectives on expectations on the workplace requirements of various careers.

"I have so much more respect for law enforcement," said Maddox Doty, who is learning from the Lee County Sheriff's Department. "I didn't realize they had so much to respond to. For instance, I didn't know that when a driver hits a deer, they have to respond."

While these experiences solidify some students' pursuit of their desired careers, they just as importantly can show students they should pick a different path.

"I learned that the field I job shadowed was not the right fit for me," said Bailey Schwartz, a Central Lee junior. "My parents were happy that I went through this experience and learned all of that."

As students engage in extended job shadowing, they make daily journal entries about each day's activities. At the end of their experience, they write a report about a specific career and give a presentation to their peers.

With job shadowing and a variety of other opportunities, Central Lee looks to ensure every graduate has a planned transition to life beyond high school. Whether that means career or college, students will be prepared to make informed decisions based on personal interest and strengths through intentional planning and advisory during their four years of high school.

Local prep artists on display in Keokuk

KEOKUK - Artists from seven area schools currently have their creations on display in the annual Keokuk Community Fine Arts Council's High School Art Exhibit. The art can be seen in the Round Room of the Keokuk Public Library now through March 19th during the library's open hours. Participating schools are Keokuk High School, Fort Madison High School, Central Lee High School, Winfield-Mt.

Union High School, Illini West High School, Hamilton High School and Clark County High School.

Students from these school have submitted work in the categories of painting, drawing, 3-dimensional, watercolor and mixed media.

"This exhibit gives students the opportunity to display their work and compete for several cash awards," said Kimi Buerk-

lin, KCFAC Board Member. "We encourage the community to visit the Round Room and to admire the talent of our area high school students. Because one of the awards is a people's choice award, each visitor to the exhibit should vote for their favorite".

The art will be judged during March with awards to be presented during a reception for students, parents and art instructors on March 27th.

"Little Frog" is a drawing by Central Lee student Kirsten Hayes. Kirsten's work is on display in the Keokuk Community Fine Art Council's annual high school art exhibit.

Courtesy photo



Avian flu found on northwest Iowa farm

DES MOINES - Today Gov. Kim Reynolds announced the signing of a disaster proclamation for Buena Vista County in northwest Iowa effective immediately through April 5, 2022.

This proclamation allows state resources from Iowa Homeland Security, the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, and other agencies to assist with tracking and monitoring, rapid detection, containment, disposal, and disinfection. The proclamation also waives regulatory provisions related to commercial vehicles responding to affected sites.

The recent highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) detections in birds do not present an immediate public health concern, and it remains safe to eat poultry products. If producers suspect signs of HPAI in their flocks, they should contact their veterinarian immediately.

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* There will be 6 rounds of general 90's trivia and 2 bonus rounds of 90's
BLOODHOUND trivia.

Bring Snacks and get ready for a night of fun!

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Please return this bottom portion and payment to:

Fort Madison High School

% Kelly Knustrom

2001 Ave. B

Fort Madison, IA 52627

Team Name: _____

Team Contact Person: _____ Phone Number: _____

Number of total team players* _____ (\$150 for 8 members max, if you cannot fill a team of 8 - the cost is \$20 per person. If you would like, we could assign walk ins to your team on the night of the event)

- Yes! Give us some more teammates if we still need them!
 No thank you, we've got the winning team right here!

Checks can be made out to FM Bloodhound Booster Club

*Must be 21 years or older

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Friday, May 6, 2022 • Sheaffer Memorial Golf Park • Fort Madison, Iowa

Team Registration—\$400 Deadline for Team Registration is **Monday, April 25, 2022**
Includes carts, lunch, free soda & water, snacks, 2 mulligans per golfer &
5 drink tickets per golfer (drink tickets not good for mixed drinks)

Packet pick-up will begin at 10:00 am.

Waiver & release must be signed before play begins.

Lunch at 11:00 am.

Shotgun start at 12:00 Noon.

Sponsor Name: _____

Team Name (if different from above): _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Golfers (if known): _____

****Please note, all golfers will sign a waiver and release before play begins.****

**FUN extras available on site include: BIG Raffle \$10/ea. • Hole Games •
Silent Auction Items • 50/50 Tickets (cash only) \$2/ea, 6/\$10 or yd/\$20**

**Have a great time while supporting 21 community agencies and other
United Way priorities!**

Your donation is tax deductible for the portion above actual expense.

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Golf Outing Sponsorship Opportunities

There are many sponsorship opportunities available. Feel free to mix and match. Have questions? Contact Karen at United Way of the Great River Region at 319-524-4504.

- Corporate Sponsor—\$1000** Maximize your sponsorship with the first deadline of **Monday, March 21, 2022**. Some advertising will already be done before the second deadline of **Monday, April 11, 2022**
Includes name & logo on advertising, banner hung at the golf course, hole sponsor sign, opportunity to be at the golf course to market to players, can have a four person golf team but not required. Please provide a jpeg file of your logo to the United Way. Use team registration page if entering a team in.
- 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.
- Team Sponsor—\$400** **See team registration page.** Deadline **Monday, April 25, 2022**
Includes: cart, lunch, free soda & water, snacks, 2 mulligans/golfer & 5 drink tickets/golfer (drink tickets not good for mixed drinks)

If you wish to be invoiced, please contact Karen Siefken at the United Way office at 319-524-4504.

Be sure to check the box by the sponsorship you are interested in.
If you are sponsoring a team, please use the team registration page.

For Corporate, Hospitality or Hole Sponsorship please email a jpeg file of your logo to director@unitedwaygrr.org on or before the appropriate deadline.

Sponsor Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____