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Councilor wants chat on nuisances

SCHULZ: June 9th meeting planned to discuss city nuisance policies

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison City Councilman Tom Schulz is taking steps to gather public input on city nuisance issues and he's opening the doors of City Hall to get it done.

"There has been a lot of comment and some disinformation on social media and other forums with regard to the City of Fort Madison's nuisance ordinance and the app used to track this and other things," Schulz wrote in an announcement email to Pen City Current.

"I am giving residents an opportunity to meet with me and voice their support or opposition to these programs

and offer any suggestions they may have."

Schulz said the meeting is to be informal and he will conduct the meeting. There will not be a quorum of council at the meeting and no agenda is being provided as the format will be an open dialogue focusing solely on the nuisance policies and the application that can be used to report nuisance issues in the city.

Schulz also said he will accept written comments as well. Comments can be emailed to Schulz at FMWard2@fort-madison-ia.com

The meeting is set for June 9th at 5:30 p.m. in Fort Madison City Council Chambers at 811 Avenue E.

The meeting is not sanctioned by the City Council.

APPOINTMENT

Holmes gets Supervisor 3 position

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – A familiar name, and former Fort Madison dentist, has been tapped to fill the open Lee County Board position.

Lee County Auditor Denise Fraise released today that Charles Holmes has been appointed to fill the District 3 seat vacated by Rich Harlow when he announced his resignation in May.

The position was filled by appointment with the county auditor, Lee County Recorder Nancy Booten, and Lee County Treasurer Chris Spann selecting the replacement.

Iowa code allows for the three

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Light Up the Sky efforts underway

FORT MADISON – The weather is getting warmer and planning is underway for the 2022 Fourth of July fireworks display in Fort Madison. This year marks the 14th year that Fort Madison Partners, the combined efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development, Beautification Foundation and FM SIRRC, will coordinate the event.

"To say the least, we are excited to continue to offer the area's finest fireworks show as it reflects off the mighty Mississippi! And, yes, the fireworks will once again be shot off from Riverview Park, allowing the community to enjoy a wonderful display right on the mighty Mississippi," said Tim Gobble, Executive Director for the Fort Madison Partners.

Approximately \$20,000 is needed each year just for the fireworks alone, not counting any additional event expenses.

It takes the work of many to create this spectacular celebration, and we are hopeful that you will be able to help by making a financial contribution. The fireworks display depends on this type of support, and we are asking you to make your contribution, no matter how big or small. We encourage each individual or business to please consider contributing to help make 2022's fireworks display the best

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Courtesy photos

Above, Fort Madison City Councilwoman Rebecca Bowker talks with Barker Financial President Dave Barker at Thursday's Fort Madison Marina update at Riverview Pavillion.



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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

ROBERT R. WAGNER, JR.

Mr. Robert R. Wagner, Jr., age 80, of Colusa, Illinois passed away at 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at the Aspire of Donnellson in Donnellson, Iowa, following a battle with cancer.



WAGNER

He was born May 9, 1941, in La Harpe, the son of Robert R. Wagner, Sr. and Catherine E. (Owings) Wagner.

He was a 1959 graduate of Colusa High School. He later graduated from Western Illinois University with Bachelor of Science Degree. Early in life he farmed with his father in the Colusa area. Later, Robert served as pastor of the Bethel Church in Hamilton, Illinois, retiring in 2021. He enjoyed traveling and spending time with family, especially his grandchildren.

Robert was very active in his community and organizations, which included Kiwanis, Moose Lodge, Masons, Lions Club, Habitat for Humanity, Food Pantry, and many others. Robert did many good deeds for people, oftentimes with no knowledge or recognition by anyone other than the people he helped, and God. He cared deeply about this community and the people he served, and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include one son, Tom (Lisa) Wagner of Santa Barbara, California, two daughters, Brenda Wagner of Colusa and Jennifer (Greg) Harl, also of Colusa, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Judy Hribar and a daughter, Catherine Lynn Wagner.

A celebration of Robert's life will be held on Wednesday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel Church in Hamilton. A memorial fund has been established in his memory. Contributions may be sent to; Robert Wagner Memorial Fund, c/o Banks & Beals Funeral Home, PO Box 70, Dallas City, IL 62330. To leave a condolence, please visit his obituary at www.banksandbeals.com.

OBITUARIES

GEORGE A. AUSTIN

George A. Austin, 84, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 12:13 p.m. Sunday, May 29, 2022, at Aspire of Donnellson.

Born on October 5, 1937, in Nora Springs, Iowa, the son of George and Alyce (Leaf) Austin.



AUSTIN

On July 15, 1961, he married Gayle Fisher.

Survivors include his wife Gayle; daughter: Lori (Jim Vermazen) Mehl of West Point, Iowa; son: Robert Austin of Salt Lake City, Utah; grandchildren Ashley (Eric) Hocker, Daniel (Katelyn) Mehl, Brian (Mersade) Austin-Weischedel; great grandchildren: Brinley Hocker, Brody Hocker, Brycen Mehl, Kinze Mehl, Emily Austin-Weischedel, Rylan Austin-Weischedel and Emmett Austin-Weischedel. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death are his parents, brothers: Richard, Cortland, Conway and Gerald. His mother and father-in-law Burr and Aola Fisher. Plus sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and son-in-law David Mehl.

George was a member of the Donnellson United Methodist Church. He was a United States Army Veteran, he worked at Armour-Dial for thirty-three years, retiring in 2000. George enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and going to the casino to play slots. He especially enjoyed time with his family.



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

Family will meet friends from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, with Pastor Nancy St. Clair officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Donnellson United Methodist Church.

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

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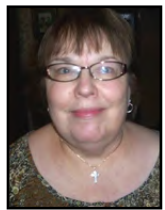
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PEGGY A. STUTENBERG

Peggy Ann Stutenberg, 75, of Keokuk, IA died Sunday, May 22, 2022 at the Donnellson Health Center in Donnellson, IA.

She was born on February 17, 1947 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Murlen Horace and Louise Benlehr Schlotter Stutenberg. Peggy graduated from Keokuk High School and Southeastern Community College.



STUTENBERG

Peggy had been employed at Foil Graphic in Keokuk for thirteen years.

She was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Keokuk. She was also a member of Keosippi Kickers, T.T.T. (Tri-T) and PEO.

Peggy is survived by many cousins including Julia Schlotter Fanney of Fleming Island, FL, Mark (Barb) Schlotter and Doug (Linda) Foulkes all of Missouri, Jamie (Michelle) Poindexter of Westport, WI and Mark (Mary Jo) Stutenberg of Le Claire, IA. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A graveside service will be held on June 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk with Reverend Milo Van Veldhuizen officiating.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

CORY D. PETERSEN

Cory Douglas Petersen, 32, of Waverly, IA, and formerly of Fort Madison, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at his home. He was born on December 17, 1989 in Fort Madison, IA to Douglas & Kay Auge Petersen. He was a park manager in Waverly, IA and enjoyed old cars, being outside, working in the yard, animals and biking.



PETERSEN

Cory is survived by: his parents: Doug & Kay Petersen of Fort Madison, IA; 1-brother: Grant Petersen of Fort Madison, IA and his dog: Roxanne. He was preceded in death by: his maternal grandparents: Richard & Shirley Auge and his paternal grandparents: Pete & Marlene Petersen.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial service will immediately follow at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Dean Graber officiating. A memorial has been established for P.A.W. Animal Shelter. Online condolences to Cory's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

OBITUARIES

JERRY L. SEAGER

Jerry Leon Seager, 58, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away on Monday, May 30, 2022 at his home. He was born on March 24, 1964 in Fort Madison, IA to Adonis & Opal Magers Seager. He married Lorie A. Heidbreder on November 21, 1986 in Fort



SEAGER

Madison, IA. He worked at Siemens in Fort Madison, IA and was a member of the 34th Place Neighborhood Watch Group. He enjoyed hunting, going on cruises and drinking his Busch Light.

Jerry is survived by: his wife: Lorie Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 2-sons: Brad Heidbreder & Bryon Heidbreder of Fort Madison, IA; 3-daughters: Brandi (JC) Luke, Amy (Josh) Myers & Natasha Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 19-grandchildren; 6-great grandchildren; his father: Adonis Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 1-brother: Tim Seager of St. Louis, MO; 3-sisters: Lydia Seager of Los Gatos, CA, Juanita (David) Hornbaker of Quenemo, KS, Wanda (Rodney) Billings of Charleston, IA and several nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by: his mother, 1-grandson: Jaydon Heidbreder, 1-brother: Carl Seager and 1-brother-in-law: James Rainey.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial fund has been established in Jerry's memory. Online condolences to Jerry's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

HADLEY M. HAGMEIER

Hadley May Hagmeier, infant daughter of Skylar Stinson and Tyson Hagmeier, was born into Heaven on May 22, 2022 at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, IA.

She is survived and forever loved by her parents, Skylar and Tyson of Keokuk, her maternal grandparents, Jim and Angela Stinson, maternal great-grandparents, Jane and Steve Riter, paternal grandparents, Hanna Hagmeier and Travis Scott, paternal great-grandparents, Joe and Jackie Scott and many aunts and uncles. Hadley will remain in her family's hearts forever.



HAGMEIER

A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m., Saturday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Pastor Debra Letcher officiating.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 6 pm - 7 pm with the family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.



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Agenda

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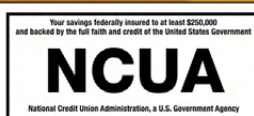
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PATRICK G. ANDERSON

Patrick Glen Anderson, 34, of Maquoketa, IA, passed away on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 in Maquoketa.

He was born on May 10, 1988 in Ft. Madison to Dennis and Katy Alton Anderson. Patrick attended Denmark Elementary School, middle school and high school in Clinton and was a 2006 graduate of Maquoketa High School. After high school he attended MCRD in San Diego, CA. He loved playing disc golf, floating on the river, shooting pool and gathering around the fire pit. Patrick had the biggest heart and loved giving hugs to anyone who needed it.

Survivors include his parents, Dennis and Katy Anderson of Hillsboro; two brothers, Daniel Anderson of Maquoketa and Michael (Melissa) Anderson of Cedar Rapids; two sisters, Sarah (Neal) Park of Mt. Pleasant and Emma Anderson of Hopkins, MN; his precious nephews and nieces, George & Sam Anderson and Lily, Nicole & Alistair Park; his special friend, Sally Edwards of Maquoketa and several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents and a brother Christopher in infancy. Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A private celebration of life will be held. Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.



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OBITUARIES

RAMONA G. PROPER

Ramona G. Proper, 65, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 11:01 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center in West Burlington.

Born on August 16, 1956, in Des Moines, Iowa, the daughter of Carl Richard Proper and Barbara Jean Stevens.

She is survived by her father Carl Richard Proper of Donnellson, Iowa; sister Cheryl (Donald) Folker of Farmington, Iowa and brother Steve Proper of Bonaparte, Iowa. Also surviving are two nephews: Steve Junior (Cara) Proper, Derek (Miranda) Proper; two nieces: Amy Folker and Heather Folker.

She was preceded in death by her mother. Ramona graduated from Harmony High School. She enjoyed animals, writing poetry, she was a good athlete and everyone enjoyed being around

her. Most of all she loved being with family and friends.

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

The family will receive friends from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 4, 2022, Schmitz Funeral Home in Farmington.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday June 4, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Farmington with Pastor Mark Caston officiating.

Burial will be held in Bonaparte Cemetery.

A memorial has been established in her memory for PAW Animal Shelter.

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

SHIRLEY A. AMMER

Shirley A. Ammer, 90, of Nauvoo, Illinois, passed away at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at River Hills Village in Keokuk, Iowa.

She was born on March 16, 1932 in Keokuk, Iowa, the daughter of Everett and Sarah (Wadden) Sale. On May 24, 1953, she married Glen Edward Ammer. He preceded her in death on July 10, 1987.



AMMER

She is survived by her son: Doug Ammer of Lake of the Oaks, Missouri; daughter: Cheryl Barnhart of Sunnyland, Illinois; grandchildren: Kirt (Mindy) Ammer, Tiffany (Chad) Taylor and Jessica Andrews; great grandchildren: Jordan Branden Andrews, Lilly Ann Marie Brogan, Molly Kate Brogan, Ethan Edward Ammer, Evan Michael Ammer, Ean Richard Ammer, Easton David Ammer, Dominic David Aguilera, Jackson Bentley James Taylor, Noah Nicolas Aguilera and Alaina Ann Taylor.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; daughter-in-law: Tawnya Ammer; Brothers:

Roy Sale, Bud Sale and sisters: Martha Campbell and Delores McNeil.

Shirley was a 1950 graduate of Keokuk High School. She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Nauvoo. She worked at the telephone office in Keokuk before returning home to raise her family. Later in life, she cleaned and painted homes. She enjoyed cooking, taking care of and helping her family.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, June 18, 2022, at Schmitz - Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Nauvoo.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, June 18, 2022, at Schmitz - Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Nauvoo with Pastor Mark Anderson officiating.

Burial will be held at the Nauvoo City Cemetery.

A memorial has been established in her memory for River Hills Village.

Schmitz-Banks & Beals Funeral Home of Nauvoo is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences to the family may be left at www.sbbfuneralhome.com.

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From the Front

“Wizard of Oz, The Rehearsal on tap for youth shows

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form a short version of “The Wizard of Oz’ based on the book by Frank Baum, published by Classic Acts,” director Richar Abel said. “And our older kids (15-18) will star in their own production of ‘The Rehearsal.’” Both shows will perform the same weekend with a short intermission in between. ‘The Rehearsal’ written by Don Zolidis, is Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. (www.playscripts.com).

Both casts call for multiple actors of various types of boys and girls. The play for the older group has music but is not a musical. Singing is not required for the cast but may be helpful in some of the roles.

Old Fort Players Youth Summer Theater Program is a great opportunity to harness your child’s creative energy. They’ll experience the satisfaction of working together as a team and learn valuable skills. “We’ve seen shy kids blossom as they become more comfortable speaking in public and energetic kids gain focus and concentration as they memorize lines and blocking,” Abel said as she reflected on her prior years directing the youth program.

All young actors are encouraged to drop by the OFP downtown location Sunday, June 12 between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Auditions will consist of cold

readings from a script. No experience or preparation is necessary. All children under 18 will need parental consent.

Also needed are youth and/or their parents to volunteer as Stage Manager and Sound and Lights Technician, Costume and Prop Managers, etc. Experience is preferred but not required and training will be provided.

Performances run July 29, 30, & 31, 2022. Evening shows begin at 7:30 and the Sunday matinee begins at 2:00 pm. Tickets will be available online and the link to purchase will be posted on www.oldfortplayers.com and the theater’s Facebook page.

For those wanting to pay cash or credit for tickets at the door, you can and should reserve your seat by phone or Facebook Messenger. Adult price is \$8 and students pay \$5.

The theater is located in downtown Fort Madison at 725 Avenue G. Send a Facebook message, send an email to oldfortplayersfm@gmail.com or call 319-372-9559 for more information. Like them on Facebook (Fb@oldfortplayers) or visit www.oldfortplayers.com to keep up with everything that’s going on at the theater.

Former FM dentist takes Supervisor seat

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ected officials to make the selection if supervisors don’t vote to have a special election.

“We are excited to have him on board,” Fraise said in the release.

“His father was the Jefferson County Engineer so he has a background with county government.”

Holmes is a former dentist in Fort Madison. He retired after 40 years in 2017 when he sold his practice to Dr. Mark Pothitakis. That practice still exists as Family Dentistry with two locations in Fort Madison.

A petition can be filed within 14 days of Holmes’ appointment to request a special election. That petition would require 335 signatures based on a formula established by code based on the last general election.

Repeated attempts to reach Holmes for comment were unsuccessful.

Donations sought for fireworks display

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This year’s firework display is scheduled to take place on Monday, July 4th in Riverview Park. There will be a rain date, should we need it, for July 5th.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
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KEOKUK CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
May 19, 2022
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on May 19, 2022 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, two absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Linda Altheide, Roslyn Garcia, Dan Winn, Linda Marsden, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. John Helenthal and Steve Andrews were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Robert Helenthal, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Sewer Department Manager Michael Clark, Police Chief Dave Hinton, and Water Treatment Plant Manager Tom Wills.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of upcoming events in Keokuk and the retirement of Jerry Lawson from airport commission after 50 years.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Altheide to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Council Workshop & Regular City Council meeting of May 5, 2022;

- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for April 2022;

- Third Quarter Financials;

- RESOLUTION NO. 74-2022: Approving Ownership Updates for Casey's Marketing Company Liquor Licenses;

- RESOLUTION NO. 75-2022: Approving a Liquor License for Lucky's Irish Pub & Grub (Back Alley Band-off premise), 528 Blondeau Street, ef-

fective May 27- 28, 2022 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales;

- RESOLUTION NO. 76-2022: Approving a Liquor License for Keokuk Yacht Club, Inc., 2029 River Road, effective June 8, 2022 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales;

- Special Events Permit for Lucky's Irish Pub & Grub, 528 Blondeau Street, Back Alley Band Finale, Friday, May 27, 2022 9:00 p.m. – 2 a.m.;

- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5271-5273; Motion made by Marsden, second by Bryant to approve the second reading of an Ordinance amending Section 9.28.040 dealing with parking regulations.

Roll Call Vote: (7) AYES – Crenshaw, Altheide, Garcia, Winn, Marsden, Bryant, and Greenwald. (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion by Bryant, second by Winn to waive the 3rd reading of the Ordinance. (5) AYES (2) NAYS. (2) ABSENT – Motion failed.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Winn to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 77-2022: "A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING

HOTEL/MOTEL FUNDS FOR THE BIG DAM STREET FESTIVAL." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 78-2022: "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING UMB BANK, N.A. OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA TO SERVE AS PAYING AGENT, NOTE REGISTRAR, AND TRANSFER AGENT, APPROVING THE PAYING AGENT AND NOTE REGISTRAR & TRANSFER AGENT AGREEMENT & AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT (GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PRESS PROJECT).

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Winn

to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 79-2022: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING & AUTHORIZING A FORM OF LOAN AGREEMENT & AUTHORIZING & PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,765,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 2022, & LEVYING A TAX TO PAY SAID NOTES; APPROVAL OF THE TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE & CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Marsden, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 80-2022: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING CSO LONG TERM CONTROL PLAN." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mars-

den, second by Garcia to set May 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for a goal making session in the City Council Chambers. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Garcia to appoint Council Person Dan Winn to the Architectural Review Committee and Linda Marsden as the liaison between the organization and the Council. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: Motion by Garcia, second by Winn to approve the final notification appointing LeeAnn Shaffer-Smith to Civil Service Commission, 6-year term

to expire 4/1/2028. Resignation of Jerry Lawson from the Airport Commission, 6-year term to expire 10/20/2023. Resignation of John Moander from the Airport Zoning Commission, 5-year term to expire 5/20/2022. Resignation of Richard West from the Rand Park Pavilion Commission, 5-year term to expire 10/22/2023. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Second notification for Ed Kiedaisch to the Architectural Design Review Commission, 2-year term to expire 6/19/2024. First notification for Thomas Dreasler to the Airport Commission, fulfilling

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a 6-year term to expire 10/22/2023. First notification for Jean Toole to the Building & Housing Advisory Board, 3-year term to expire 9/19/2025. First notification for Sue Dickson to be reappointed to the City Planning Commission, 5-year term to expire 5/14/2027. First notification of Dustin Wade, Tom Seabold, and Carla Celandia to be reappointed to the Depot Commission, 4-year term to expire 6/1/2026.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: Marsden reported on Main Street Keokuk and upcoming events.

STAFF REPORTS: Helenthal reported swimming pool is full of water and ITC pole project is wrapping up. Broomhall updated on code revision and nuisance reporting. Wills updated on status of belt press project. O'Donnell informed of goal making session and updated on ADM consent order and the issue of non-compliance with Iowa

Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

Motion made by Garcia, second by Winn to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m

**PUBLIC NOTICE
DONNELSON CITY
COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
Minutes
Monday May 2nd, 2022
7:00PM, City Hall**

The regular meeting of the Donnellson City Council was called to order by Mayor D. Ellingboe, with Council Members Weber, Moeller, Newton, Marshall & Estrada present.

Building Permit for Robert Conlon 303 University St was added to agenda for approval of utility shed.

Motion by Moeller, second by Weber to approve the agenda: all ayes.

Citizen comments – None.

Motion by Newton,

second by Estrada to approve the minutes of the April '22 meeting: all ayes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Estrada to approve the April '22 financial reports: all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Weber to approve the April '22 disbursements and May '22 bills to be allowed: all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Estrada to approve the building permit for Rod Languell 519 Chestnut St for storage shed: all ayes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Weber to approve the building permit for Robert Conlon 303 University St for utility shed: all ayes.

Motion by Estrada, second by Marshall to approve 5 day Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Outdoor Service for Lee County Fair: all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Estrada to deny Class C Liquor License Renewal with Sunday

Sales and Outdoor Service for Stumble Inn Inc due to denial from IABD: all ayes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Weber to approve Class B Beer Permit with Sunday Sales and Outdoor Service for Donnellson Ball Association: all ayes.

City of Donnellson received a grant from Wellmark in the amount of \$85,000 for trail extension at Westview Park.

Upcoming Events – Spring Cleanup May 4th, City Wide Yard Sales June 18th & Tunnels to Towers 5K Run / Walk and Parade July 4th.

Motion by Moeller, second by Newton to approve the second reading of Ordinance No 190 An Ordinance amending provisions pertaining to collection fee for solid waste, RCV all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Estrada to waive the Third Reading of Ordinance No 190: RCV all ayes. Ordinance passed and approved May 2nd,

2022.

**ORDINANCE NO 190
AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING THE CODE
OF ORDINANCES OF
THE CITY OF DONNELSON,
IOWA, BY AMENDING
PROVISIONS
PERTAINING TO
COLLECTION FEE OF
SOLID WASTE.**

Be it Enacted by the City Council of the City of Donnellson, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION 106.08 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Donnellson, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

106.08 COLLECTION FEES. The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this chapter are declared to be beneficial to the property served or eligible to be served and there shall be levied and collected fees for the same, in accordance with the following:

(Goreham vs Des Moines, 1970, 179 NW 2nd, 449)


1. Fee for Collection.

The fee for solid waste collection and disposal service, used or available, is \$17.00 per month, plus a \$2.00 charge for recycling. Customers are allowed two garbage units per week. A garbage unit may be either a plastic bag or commercial manufactured garbage can with a lid. Tags for additional units can be purchased at City Hall.

2. Payment of Bills. All fees are due and payable under the same terms and conditions provided for payment of a combined service account as contained in Section 92.04 of this Code of Ordinances. Solid waste collection service may be discontinued in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 92.05 if the combined service account becomes delinquent, and the provisions contained in Section 92.08 relating to lien notices shall also apply in the event of a delinquent account.

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ERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall take effect July 1st 2022 and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Motion by Moeller, second by Estrada Approving Resolution No 2022-09 Providing for the approval of the Lee County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for the City of Donnellson, Lee County, Iowa, under the provisions of the Robert T Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000: RCV all eyes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Newton to approve Resolution No

2022-08 A Resolution providing for reduction of interest rate for Sewer Revenue Bond: RCV all eyes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Weber to set date of June 6th 2022 for Public Hearing to Amend FY2022 Budget: all eyes.

Police Report - There were 55 calls for service in April, 5 traffic stops and 34 building checks.

Clerk Report - The City of Donnellson has created a new website which allows residents to sign up for notifications, go to donnellsoniowa.org and click on subscribe to receive the latest news. City wide yard sales we be held June 18th. July 4th Donnellson will host the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run/Walk followed by the parade at 11am.

There being no other business to come before the Council, motion by Newton, second by Marshall, Mayor Ellingboe declared the meeting adjourned: all eyes.

Dave Ellingboe, Mayor

Attest: Rebecca Schau, City Clerk

Summary of All Receipts: General \$82,710.37 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$13,237.27 Employee Benefit \$8,768.26 Local Option Sales Tax \$8,171.40 Debit Service \$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$22,380.69 Water Sinking USDA \$1,816.00 Sewer \$27,440.32 Sewer Sinking \$0. Summary of All Disbursements: General \$80,897.22 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$3938.26 Employee Benefit \$2,806.71 Local Option Sales Tax \$0 Debit Service \$0 Capital Project Fund \$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$19,291.79 Water Sinking \$1,816.00 Sewer \$8,572.30 Sewer Sinking \$0

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Reynolds opens disaster funding from storms in Des Moines County

DES MOINES – The Iowa Individual Assistance Grant Program (IIAAGP) has been made available by Governor Kim Reynolds for those impacted in Des Moines County by the May 26, 2022, severe weather and households who meet the grant qualifications.

According to Gina Hardin, Des Moines County Emergency Management Agency Coordinator, the city of Danville and the surrounding area was impacted by torrential rains and flash flooding that caused damage to homes and infrastructure in the Danville area. Due to the damages sustained by individuals, a request for assistance was sent to the Governor.

The IIAAGP provides grants of up to \$5,000 for households with incomes up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. Grants are available for home or car repairs, replacement of clothing or food, and temporary housing expenses. Applicants should note that original receipts are required for those seeking reimbursement for actual expenses related to storm recovery.

The grant application and instructions are available on the Iowa Department of Human Services website at <https://dhs.iowa.gov/disaster-assistance-programs> or by contacting Lisa Nafziger at Community Action of Southeast Iowa at 319-209-2831. Potential applicants have until June 21, 2022, to submit a claim.

The Disaster Case Management Program is also available for those who have serious needs related to disaster-related hardship, injury, or adverse conditions. Disaster case managers work with clients to create a disaster recovery plan and provide guidance, advice, and referral to obtain a service or resource. There are no income eligibility requirements for this program; it closes 180 days from the date of the governor's proclamation which was signed on May 31, 2022.

For information on the IIAAGP, the Disaster Case Management Program, or to see if you meet the eligibility requirements, contact Lisa Nafziger, Community Action of Southeast Iowa at 319-209-2831.

Thursday crash sends one to hospital

LEE COUNTY – On Thursday, at approximately 12:57 p.m. the Lee Comm Communications Center received reports of a two-vehicle vehicle crash at the intersection of Pilot Grove Road and 130th Street. Lee County deputies, along with Iowa Department of Transportation officers, Lee County EMS, and St. Paul Volunteer Fire Personnel responded to the scene.

The driver of a 2013 Volvo tractor and trailer failed to yield the right of way from the stop sign at the intersection of Pilot Grove Road and 130th Street.

A 2018 Chevrolet Silverado K3500 was approaching the intersection eastbound on 130th street and collided with the tractor-trailer. One occupant was air lifted from the scene with serious injuries.

This accident is still under investigation with the Lee County Sheriff's Office Traffic Investigator.

Fort Madison man had two...or three great loves

He's had two great pleasures in his life. Most people only have one, but Paul Mohrfeld of Ft. Madison, has had two. The first one was his wife, Rita. Her name was La Rita, but everyone called her Rita. Like Paul, she was from the farm, and was the daughter of State Senator Gene Fraise. She was a great mother to her and Paul's six children. Paul farmed, milked as many as 70 cows, and worked from sunup to sundown and then some.

Former President of Notre Dame University, Father Theodore (Ted) Hesburgh, said, "The best thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother." And Paul did. Rita had kidney disease that was the result of a

EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



kidney infection as a child. Her kidneys were failing and Rita went on dialysis. Paul took classes and learned how to help Rita with home dialysis.

When a kidney became available, Rita had a kidney transplant. After a period of time, that kidney failed also from the kidney disease, something that wasn't supposed to happen.

A very close friend of Rita's offered her kidney, and another transplant was performed. Eventually, that kidney also failed, and Paul's great love died after 10 years of suffering.

Paul mourned, of course, for a period of time. He had his kids, and farm, and a brother who farmed with him. A friend of Paul's who worked with Betty, said, "Here, call this number and ask this woman out. You need to get back in circulation. You're still young, smart and have a lot to offer."

Paul looked at the telephone number and stuffed it in his shirt pocket. One night when he didn't have anything to do, he worked up his nerve and dialed the number. The phone rang three times, was picked up, and then hung back up. What in tarnation?

He waited another week and tried the number again. This time it was answered by Betty, and, yes, she would go out to dinner with him. Boom! Paul's second greatest pleasure fell into his lap. Betty had been an RN at the Ft. Madison Hospital for 42 years. They were married a respectable time later.



How did the phone get hung up? Betty said it was one of her grandchildren. Paul tells people that the first time he called Betty, she hung up on him. Betty tries to hush him.

Paul was number seven out of 10 children, and the first one to be born in the hospital. His mother spent a week in the hospital and it was sort of a vacation. She kept the receipt for the hospital stay and showed it to Paul years later. \$75. He still has that receipt.

Paul's third love? Corn! He loves corn. It is such a hardy, green plant. He loves watching corn grow and develop ears that poke straight up, then turn down to dry out. He loves watching the corn sway in the wind. In storms, he has watched from the farm-house window the corn bent over to the ground, and prayed, "Dear, God. Save our corn!" The next morning, to Paul's delight, the corn was standing back up. What a wonderful sight! "Thank you, God!" And yes, the corn does make a noise when it's growing. It creaks, not pops.

Paul grew up and lived on the same farm his whole life—62 years. It was his father's farm that he grew up on. Now Paul's son is living on the farm. During the farm crisis of the '80's, when interest was 18% and farmers were putting their money in CD's, Paul told his banker, "My name is Mohr-Feld, ain't it?" He bought the farm and he's glad he did.

Paul now lives in Ft. Madison with his second greatest pleasure, Betty. He goes out to the farm almost daily and helps out (gets in the way). He tells young people, "You have to have faith, and a dream. Even if you don't achieve your dream, you have to work toward it and not give up. Look at the corn. Does it give up?"

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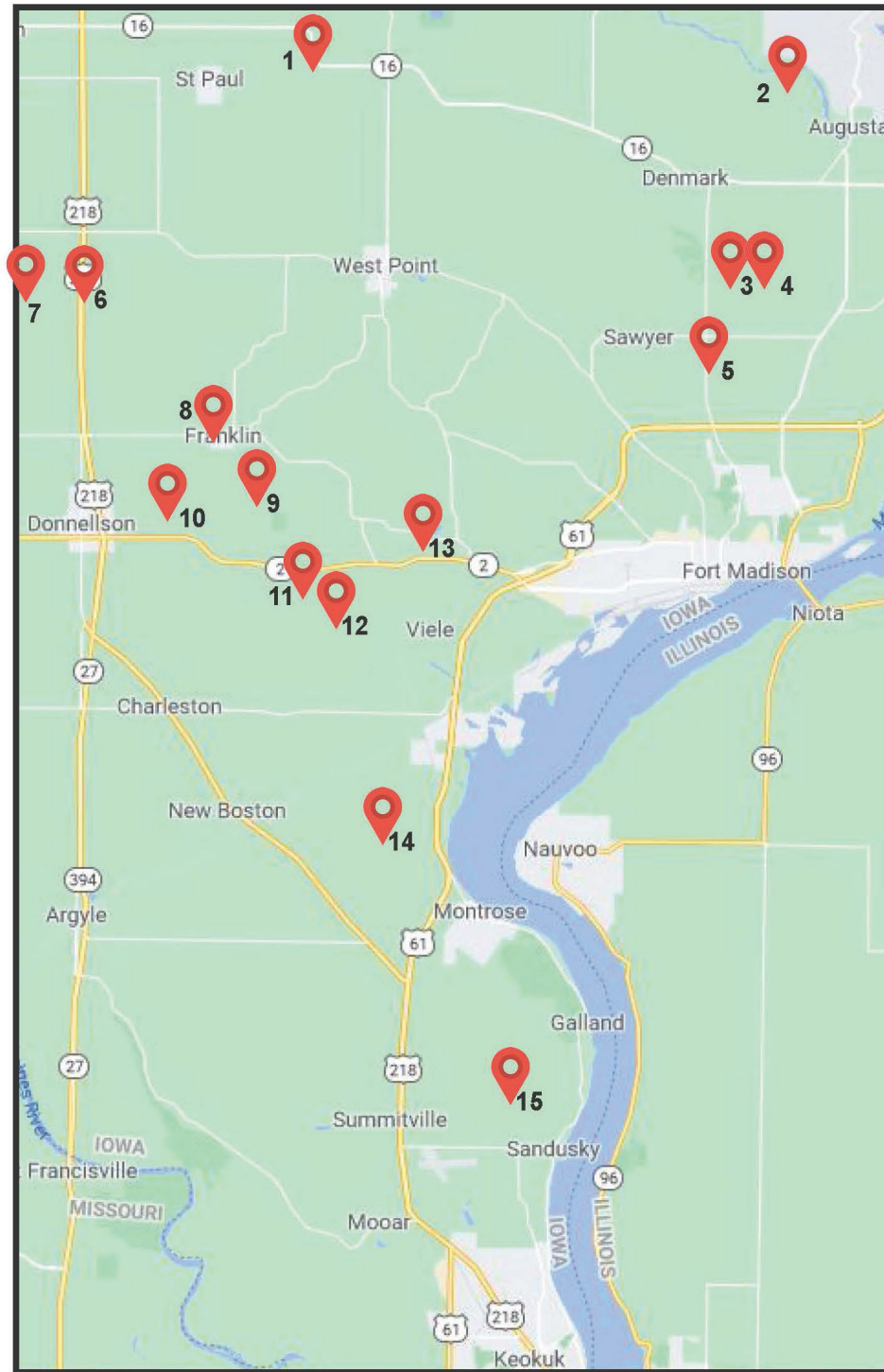
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7. LEE COUNTY FLORAL LLC - 1738 180TH ST, DONNELLSON

Fresh cut flowers for everyday and special occasions. Pop-up at the flower farm!

8. CHRISTIAN HERSCHLER WINERY & STAGECOACH STOP

503 FRANKLIN 6TH ST., DONNELLSON

Step back in time & enjoy 100+ year old wine recipes along with a little history.

9. HINTERLAND DAIRY - 2149 FRANKLIN RD., DONNELLSON

Farmstead cheeses. Serving up handmade ice cream by the scoop, cones & sundaes!

Grilled cheese Friday 4-6.

10. HARVESTVILLE FARMS - 1977 HWY. 2, DONNELLSON

Agritainment business providing plants, veggies, home & garden décor, flower festivals and family activities!

11. HILLCREST HOSTAS & MORE - 2292 HILLCREST RD., DONNELLSON

A small plant nursery specializing in hostas, daylilies, grasses & perennials.

12. M.B. WEBER MERCANTILE - 2237 234TH ST., DONNELLSON

Small business that specializes in primitives, refurbished and one of a kind pieces.

13. APPLEBERRY ORCHARD - 2469 HWY 2., DONNELLSON

Farm-market store offering gifts, gourmet foods and fresh-baked goods from bakery.

Fresh Strawberry Pies, Apple Cider Donuts & Turkey Legs (Sat&Sun).

14. JIM'S GREENHOUSE - 2407 280TH ST., MONTROSE

Largest selection of annuals, perennials, herbs & veggies in the area!

15. GREEN FROG DISTILLERY - 3345 270TH AVE., KEOKUK

Family owned corn whiskey distillery. Free tours and tastings! \$2.00 off all apparel.

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YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED ON CHILD CARE

Child care has been identified as an urgent need in Lee County. We need your feedback to understand the challenges families have around child care.

For Business Owners, Upper Management, or HR
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LeeCoEmployer>

For Parents & Caregivers
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LeeCoParent>

For Child Care Providers
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LeeCoChildCare>

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

Questions? Contact: bkramer-riesberg@leecountyhd.org
or call Breanna at (319) 372-5225



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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!



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JULY 4, 2022 7:30AM

DONNELLSON FIRE DEPARTMENT
616 N MAIN STREET
DONNELLSON, IA 52625

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