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FM misses battle with derecho

DAMAGE: Despite missing the brunt of the storm, some trees came tumbling down



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

City crews pull up to a tree that fell onto 24th Street in the yard of Brian and Brenda Graham at the start of Monday's storm system that blew through the area.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – The major storm that blew across the state on Monday leaving as many as a half a million homes without power, left just a small mark on Lee County.

According to Lee County Emergency Management Agency Coordinator Jason Dinwiddie, the county escaped with very little damage.

"We did get the tail end of it, but we didn't even get much wind down in Keokuk," Dinwiddie said Tuesday morning.

"I don't know of any power outages, but we did hear of some downed power lines. Obviously there is the ongoing cell phone and Internet interruptions, but other than that, that was about it."

During her biweekly press conference updating the state's COVID-19 situation, Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds said preliminary numbers are indicating that 10 million acres of state crops were impacted by the storm.

The system was labeled a derecho storm, which is a straight line storm system that can result in sustained winds in excess of 100 mph, that can also spawn hail

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LEE COUNTY BOARD

South Lee boiler cost overruns frustrate supervisors

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – Lee County Supervisors bristled Tuesday at a \$116,679 increase to the cost of the boiler replacements at the South Lee County Courthouse.

The increased costs were approved at Tuesday's regular meeting by a 4-1 vote. Supervisor Chair Ron Fedler voted against the change order and voiced his concern again over maintaining two courthouses

"This is what I've feared all along,"

Fedler said. "You've got really old buildings, 150 to 170 years old and you don't know what to expect when you start a project like this."

Fedler said the boiler replacements alone have gone from \$249,000 to

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HOLY TRINITY

Huebner to take reins at HTC High

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Michael Sheerin, Chief Administrative Officer of Holy Trinity Catholic Schools, and its Board of Directors are pleased to announce the appointment of Craig Huebner as the new Principal of Holy Trinity Catholic High School.



HUEBNER

Craig Huebner has dedicated himself over the past 22 years as an educator in southeast Iowa. He earned a Master of Arts Education degree from Viterbo University(2019) and a Bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University (1998). Mr. Huebner is a proud graduate of Aquinas High School and looks forward to his return.

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TRI STATE RODEO

Nelly to replace Hardy in Rodeo concert lineup

FORT MADISON – Unfortunately Hardy will not be at the Tri-State Rodeo in Fort Madison on Thursday September 10, as previously announced. The planning committee is excited to announce that a replacement has already been secured. On Thursday September 10, the Tri-State Rodeo in Fort Madison will be welcoming NELLY! Ranked as the fourth best-selling rap artist of all time by the Recording Industry of America, Nelly has become a symbol of rap's crossover success in mainstream pop music. With over 21 million albums sold in the US alone, his pop-infused hip hop and unique vocal delivery have

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WEATHER

WED 12 Aug.....Light Rain, 80° F/ 63° F ☁
THU 13 Aug.....Light Rain, 82° F/ 66° F ☁
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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

MARY M. McDOWELL

Mary M. "Betty" McDowell, 98, of Keokuk, IA died Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at her home.

She was born October 11, 1921, in Mt. Pleasant, IA the daughter of Oran and Cornia Miller Kerr. Betty graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School with the Class of 1940.

Betty was a member of First Christian Church in Keokuk.



McDOWELL

She had been employed by Sheller Globe in Keokuk until her retirement. She later worked for the Chamber of Commerce until she was eighty years old. Betty loved being involved with the community.

Betty touched the lives of many people with her warm smile and kind heart. She loved spending time with her family and cherished the time she spent with them.

She is survived by her daughter, Susan Geltz (Bruce) of Argyle, IA, one daughter-in-law, Evelyn McDowell of Quincy, IL grandchildren, Louis Clark (Teresa), Terri Kaye Helm-Vahle, Julie Johnson (Phillip), Crystallee Payton (Joe), Matthew McDowell, great-grandchildren, JoeyLyn Helenthal, Jacey Helenthal, Cole Geltz, Timothy McCarty, Tyler McCarty, Whitney Morgan, Andy Clark (Kayla), Brian Clark (Sara) and Cameron McDowell, great-great-grandchildren, Isabella Morgan, Michael Morgan, Jaxin Morgan, Taiytum McCarty, Drew Clark and baby girl Clark due in September, along with several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sons, Steve McDowell, Michael McDowell and Terry McDowell, one great-grandson, Tony McCarty, great-great-grandson, Ethan Morgan, two brothers, Earl Kerr and Dean Kerr and two sisters, Maxine Foster and Thelma Wilson.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, at the First Christian Church in Keokuk with Reverend David Turner officiating. Burial will be a later date in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk.

Social distancing requirements will be in place at the service and attendees may be limited according to those requirements. Masks are strongly encouraged.

Memorials may be made to the American Legion Post #41 or the Shriners Hospital.

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

Pen City Current obituary policy

The 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.

OBITUARIES

RONALD C. HINES, SR.

Ronald C. Hines, Sr., 74, of Donnellson, IA, passed away on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 9:23 AM at his home.

He was born on September 24, 1945 in Keokuk to Cary and Thelma Tollman Hines. He was raised on the farm near Kahoka until his family moved to Indianola where he finished his education and graduated from high school in 1963. Ron worked in Des Moines after graduation and served in the US Reserves for several years. On February 20, 1966 he married Sharon Burich in Indianola, IA. Ron and Sharon moved to Memphis, MO and he worked at Electro Metals and then IAAP as a guard. They then moved to Franklin and he worked at DuPont and then was a guard at ISP. Ron also drove semi for N.A. Van Lines and also hauled grain. Ron then worked at JI Case and retired after thirty years of service. He was a lifetime member of UAW Local 807 and served on the board of directors at Casebine Credit Union. He was very proud of his twenty nine years of sobriety.



HINES

Ron enjoyed camping, traveling and reading. He loved working in the yard and especially enjoyed decorating it at Christmas time. He enjoyed collecting duck statues, antiques, being out outdoors and loved his dogs.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon Hines of Donnellson; one son, Ronald (Sarah) Hines Jr. of Ft. Madison; granddaughter, Melody Hines of Coralville; three step grand daughters and their children. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at King-Lynk Funeral Home where the family will meet with friends from 5-6 PM. A private burial will take place in Menonite Cemetery in Primrose.

A memorial has been established for PAW Animal Shelter and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

County sees 13 new cases in past four days

LEE COUNTY - Since last reported on Friday, August 7, 2020, 13 new cases have been reported to LCHD. No new cases were reported on Tuesday and the county now has 118 positive cases with a 14-day rolling total of 34.

Due to recent increases in confirmed positive COVID-19 cases, LCHD recommends everyone to continue social distancing, wearing of face masks when in public, and increasing hygiene practices. Avoid large crowds or gatherings of people where social distancing is not occurring and stay home when ill or have a known exposure to someone with infectious COVID-19. We must work together to decrease the spread of this virus in our communities.

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For the Record

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Fort Madison Police Report

08/07/20 – 9:44 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Wayne Davis, 58, of Burlington, in the 3200 block of Avenue I, on a charge of driving while suspended.
 08/07/20 – 10:04 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1000 block of Avenue D.
 08/07/20 – 10:26 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Lawrence Jackson, 49, of Fort Madison, in the 1500 block of Avenue G, on a warrants for 5th-degree theft and trespassing.
 08/07/20 – 11:05 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Dustin Ilmberger, 31, of Fort Madison, in Riverview Park, on a warrant for assault.
 08/08/20 – 12:01 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1500 block of Avenue H.
 08/08/20 – 9:00 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2000 block of 303rd Avenue.
 08/08/20 – 11:00 a.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Sherri Lynn Donaldson, 26, of Fort Madison, in the 200 block of Avenue F, on a charge of no city dog license.

08/08/20 – 3:47 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Thomas Wayne Davis, Jr., 20, of Fort Madison, at the police department, on a charge of disorderly conduct. He was released on a promise to appear.
 08/08/20 – 3:51 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2800 block of Avenue L.
 08/08/20 – 6:28 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue M.
 08/08/20 – 7:19 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1700 block of Avenue L.
 08/08/20 – 8:42 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a personal injury accident in the 2000 block of Avenue H.
 08/10/20 – 7:43 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 600-700 block of Avenue H.
 08/09/20 – 12:15 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Michael J. Goldensohn, 52, of Fort Madison, at the police station, on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

08/07/20 – 1:11 p.m.

– Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Justin James Skibbe, 34, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office on a judgment hold. He was released for time served.
 08/08/20 – 6:37 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested James Wendell Snyder, 41, of Keokuk, in the 3500 block of Iowa Road in Keokuk, on a charge of public intoxication. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear.
 08/08/20 – 11:05 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Marc Alan Meierotto, 32, of Donnellson, in the 200 block of Pershing Road in Donnellson, on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of a drug paraphernalia..
 He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on his own recognizance.
 Those listed above

are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Hancock County Sheriff's Report

08/04/20 – Rebecca S Pittman, age 51, of West Point, IL was arrested on an Adams County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear on original charges of Retail Theft. Pittman was released after given a Notice to Appear at a future court date.
 08/06/20 – Jeffrey J Schofield, age 50, of Carthage, IL was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended and Possession of Methamphetamine. Schofield remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his next court appearance.
 08/06/20 – Ethan C Cooper, age 28, of Keokuk, IA was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure

to Appear/ Failure to Pay on original charges of Aggravated Driving Under the Influence and Driving While License Suspended. Cooper remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his next court appearance.
 08/08/20 – Ricky D Glasgow, age 38, of Keokuk, IA was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure Violation of Bail Bond on original charges of Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine. Glasgow remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his next court appearance.
 08/08/20 – Jeremy L Harris, age 34, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Driving While License

Suspended and Improper Display of Registration. Harris was released after given a Notice to Appear at a future court date.
 08/08/20 – Stephen M Crowder, age 38, of West Point, IL was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery. Crowder remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his next court appearance.
 08/09/20 -Stacey M Rasmussen, age 52, of Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended. Rasmussen was released after given a Notice to Appear at a future court date.
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Education News/Lee County News

SCC rolls out early childhood degree

WEST BURLINGTON — This fall, SCC will offer an Early Childhood Education Associate of Applied Science Degree. Students who successfully complete the program will be prepared to work in licensed child care centers or pre-school settings. It will be offered at the West Burlington and Keokuk campuses.

SCC Dean of Career and Technical Education, Dr. Ashlee Spannagel, says this program is unique to the state of Iowa. SCC faculty and administration worked with dozens of stakeholders including local public school officials, Great Prairie AEA, the Iowa Department of Education, child care providers, and economic developers.

“Many Iowans lack access to quality childcare, and three out of four kids under the age of nine have parents who work full-time,” explains Spannagel. “It’s not just a child development or education issue. It has economic impacts for working families and local businesses.”

The program is designed to provide a pipeline of skilled professionals to find employment in child care centers and related service providers. It also prepares students for careers in education to replace the increasing number of teachers who retiring out of area schools.

Students will be able to choose one of two pathways: Child Care Management or Educator Licensure/Transfer.

The Child Care Management Pathway will be two years in length; this involves multiple, stackable credentials including three certificates, one diploma, a two-year degree, and a national- and industry-rec-

ognized credential. Students who complete this pathway will have the skills necessary to serve in an entry-level or management capacity at a child care facility or own a child care facility.

The stackable credentials provide added flexibility. “Since students earn credentials along the way, they become qualified for more jobs at each step and increase their employability,” continues Spannagel.

The Educator Licensure/Transfer Pathway will provide students with the fundamental knowledge and skills to work with students within an early childhood setting, but students will also be prepared to transfer to complete a bachelor’s degree in education and ultimately obtain a license through the Iowa Board of Educational Examiners.

Through a special articulation agreement, graduates will be admitted into Iowa Wesleyan’s Elementary Education Teacher Education Program enabling students to complete a licensure program locally in two years.

“We worked hard to make sure this program would be versatile because it’s so critical our region,” Spannagel says. “Students can prepare for careers in child care and possibly even open their own businesses. Or they can get a good start of becoming a teacher before having to transfer to complete their degree.”

For more information about the program, visit scciowa.edu or call (319) 208-5000.

For more news or to learn about Southeastern Community College, visit <http://www.scciowa.edu/rss/news/index.html>

FM man charged with heroin, meth felonies

LEE COUNTY - The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of a Fort Madison man on Felony charges.

Paul Londrie, 46, of Fort Madison, Iowa was arrested on August 7th, 2020 in the 1300 Block of Ave. I in Fort Madison, Iowa. Londrie is charged with Felony Possession of Heroin a Class D Felony; Felony Possession of Methamphetamine a Class D Felony; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia a Simple Misdemeanor and Interference with



LONDRIE

Official Acts a Simple Misdemeanor.

The arrest of Londrie stems from a suspicious person call in the 1200 Block of Ave. H in Fort Madison. Fort Madison Officers responded and located a man identified as Londrie carrying a metal pipe.

After a brief foot pursuit Officers apprehended Londrie and located narcotics on his person and contacted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force to assist in furthering the investigation.

The Fort Madison Police Department, and Lee County Attorney’s Office, assisted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force in this investigation.

The defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The Lee County Narcotics Task Force is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Justice and the funds administered by the Iowa Governor’s Office of Drug Control Policy.

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Local News/From the Front



Photo courtesy FMCH

Pictured: Matt Mullins, VP of Physician Services, Katie Sciumbato, Clinic Nursing Supervisor, FMCH June Employee of the Month Kent Schmitz, Katie Booten, Clinic Nursing Supervisor and Shelby Burchett, CEO.

Schmitz named FMCH top employee for June

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison Community Hospital recognized Kent Schmitz as their June Employee of the Month. Kent is a nurse in the FMCH Clinics. He has been with FMCH for twelve years. He was recognized with this nomination:

This employee is long overdue for recognition as an incredible asset to our department! He exhibits a respectful demeanor with all of his patients and fellow staff each day. I've witnessed on many occasions him taking time to provide more than the required attention to our patients. For example, he took it upon himself to join a fellow veteran in the cafeteria routinely for breakfast, offering companionship and setting the standard for commitment to impacting our community is a positive

way. This employee takes his role at FMCH very seriously and demonstrates high standards of practice.

He has taken ownership in the success of his provider and patient population and takes challenges with stride. His calm demeanor is appreciated and well respected by those around him. It is members of our team here at FMCH like him that make us valuable to and respected by our small community.

"I love working at FMCH because of the family atmosphere," expressed Schmitz. "Katie Sciumbato has been instrumental in my career at FMCH."

When not at work, Kent enjoys spending time with his wife, their seven children and watching the Chicago Cubs.

Grammy-award winner grabbed to fill out lineup

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earned him six Top 10 albums and made him a live concert favorite. His seventh studio album, 2012's M.O., features hit singles "Hey Porsche" and "Get Like Me," a collaboration with Nicki Minaj and Pharrell. Born Cornell Iral Haynes, Jr. in 1974, Nelly got his first taste of musical success with the St. Louis hip hop collective St. Lunatics. In 2000, he launched his solo career with No. 1 debut album Country Grammar, which showcased his signature Southern drawl mixed with a Midwestern twang. 2002 follow-up Nellyville also peaked at No. 1 and included the international smash "Hot in Herre," which earned him a Grammy in 2003 for Best Male Rap Solo Performance. All tickets previously purchased for Thursday Night will still be honored, there is no action needed from purchasers. Tickets remain on sale at www.tristaterodeo.org.

Huebner has rich background

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Mr. Huebner has served as a classroom teacher, PBIS facilitator, teacher mentor and cooperating teacher for future educators. He was recognized as an outstanding educator in Iowa for his implementation of Positive Behavior Supports in Danville Community School District where he served as k-12 instructional coach. Mr. Huebner is committed to serving as a life-long educator and learner and strives to instill a similar desire in the students with whom he works. He resides in New London with his wife Bobbi, who is also an educator. Together they have three sons, daughters-in-law and a precious granddaughter.

Mr. Huebner will be dedicated to the high standards of education and Catholic Christian values at Holy Trinity Catholic.

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Classifieds/Public Notices

PEN CITY CURRENT CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE Fort Madison Community School District 1930 Avenue M Minutes of the Public Hearing August 3, 2020

I. The Public Hearing was called to order by President Wondra at 6:01 p.m. Directors Ross, Wykert, Steffensmeier and Menke were present. Directors Hope and DiPrima participated via teleconference. Also present were Superintendent Slater, Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon and Secretary Elmore.

II. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Wykert and seconded by Stef-

fensmeier to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

III. PORT Trail Easement Agreement with the City of Fort Madison. President Wondra explained the purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive written and oral comment regarding the PORT Trail Easement Agreement with the City of Fort Madison.

IV. Receive written comments. President Wondra asked for written comments. There were none.

V. Receive oral comments. President Wondra asked for oral comments. There were none.

VI. Adjourn. The public hearing was adjourned at

6:02 p.m.
Tim Wondra, Board President
August 3, 2020
Sandra Elmore, Board Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE Fort Madison Community School District 1930 Avenue M Minutes of the Special Meeting/ Work Session August 3, 2020

I. The Special Meeting/Work Session was called to order by President Wondra at 6:05 p.m. Directors Ross, Wykert, Steffensmeier and Menke were present. Directors DiPrima and Hope partic-

ipated via teleconference. Also present were Superintendent Slater, Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon and Secretary Elmore.

II. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Steffensmeier and seconded by Wykert to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

III. Approve PORT Trail Easement Agreement with the City of Fort Madison. It was moved by Ross and seconded by Wykert to approve the Resolution for a Conveyance of Real Property with the City of Fort Madison as presented. A roll call vote was administered and Directors Menke, Wykert, Wondra, Hope, Ross, DiPrima and Steffensmeier all responded Aye. The motion was declared passed on a 7-0 roll call vote.

IV. Approve the 2020-2021 revised school calendar. The Board

reviewed the revised 2020-2021 school calendar. Discussion followed. It was moved by Ross and seconded by Steffensmeier to approve the revised 2020-2021 school calendar as presented. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

V. Return to Learn discussion. The Board received a Return to Learn update. Discussion followed.

VI. Announcements August 17, 2020 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting, Board Room, Central Office

August 31, 2020 6:00 p.m. Work Session, Board Room, Central Office

September 21, 2020 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting, Board Room, Central Office

VII. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Tim Wondra, Board President
August 3, 2020
Sandra Elmore, Board

Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. D-062

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9, TRAFFIC, CHAPTER 3, SPEED, AND REPEALING AND REPLACING TITLE 9, CHAPTERS 4, TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, AND CHAPTER 5, RIGHT OF WAY, OF CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE FORT MADISON

Purpose. The Purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Title 1, Chapters 6 and 13; Title 4, Chapter 8; Title 7, Chapters 2 and 7; Title 8, Chapters 6 and 10, Title 9, Chapter 7, 8, 9 10 and 13 of the City Code of the City of Fort Madison.

The following is a brief summary of Ordinance Number D-062:

Removing the requirement the City Attorney be a practicing attorney in the City.

Removing references to



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the old "City water works", Wabash International, Dial Corporation or Dial, Inc., Santa Fe, Burlington North, Burlington Northern and CB&Q tracks and Crandons and replacing with a more accurate description or address.

Replacing the words "handicap" and "handicapped" and replacing with "disabled persons" or "persons with disabilities".

Replacing references to U.S. Highway 61, Highway #61 and replacing with Business Highway 61.

Replacing references to Highways 103 and 944 and adding Avenue and Street descriptions.

Replacing references to "Park, Recreation and Dock Board" and replacing with "Parks Board".

Removing a fifty cent (\$.50) per person charge for each person embarking on the excursion gambling boat in River-

view Park.

Removing school bus unloading zones at the former Jefferson School site

Replacing a reference to South Riverview Road with Marina Road.

A complete copy of Ordinance D-062 is available for review at City Hall, 811 Avenue E, Monday through Friday (with the exception of scheduled holidays) from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is also available at the City of Fort Madison website at www.fortmadison-ia.com.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance, shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this

ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE City Council this 4th day of August, 2020.

/s/Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor

City of Fort Madison, Iowa

ATTEST:

/s/Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

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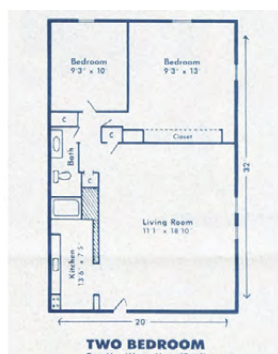
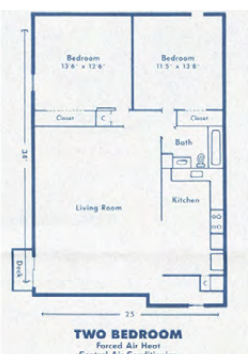
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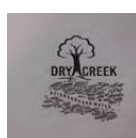
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From the Front

Extent of storm damage may not be known for weeks

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and tornadoes.

No tornadoes have been identified by weather experts, but there were widespread reports of crop damage, building damage, vehicles being flipped over and heavy power line damage.

Iowa Utility Board chairman Geri Huser said utility companies are working around the clock to restore power across the state, but have no estimated time for the restoration of services.

"IUB is asking customers to be patient as services will be restored as soon as they can safely do so," Huser said Tuesday.

Reynolds said it would take days or even weeks to know the full scope of the storms damage to the



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state.

Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director Joyce Flinn said the state's Emergency Operations Center was already active dealing with the COVID crisis, but on Monday was turned into a natural disaster recovery operation.

She said Iowans are reaching out for help with generators, diesel, debris removal and other assistance.

Reynolds said 450,000 homes are still without power today and one of the hardest hit counties, Linn County in Cedar Rapids, experienced 97% outage.

"The seriousness of this storm could result in several days of power outage," she said.

With the full extent of the damage from the storm still unknown, Reynolds said the state will be applying for federal assistance.

"I would be shocked if we don't meet thresholds for federal assistance," she said.

Reynolds also said the state is currently running numbers to look at the executive order signed by President Donald Trump on Saturday extending additional unemployment benefits among other things like eviction protection.

"We are running numbers right now and working with Department of Workforce Development," Reynolds said. "I'm hoping Congress can put partisanship aside and get something done."

Fedler says he feared escalating costs at courthouses

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\$384,000 and the county has already spent \$1.4 million on the south Lee County Courthouse, but has done nothing with the North Lee County Courthouse.

Fedler said the proposal to consolidate the courthouses, which failed in a referendum of county voters by a 69% to 31% margin in the fall of 2016, would have saved taxpayers \$8.5 million over 20 years.

"It's horrible we have to spend so much money on buildings that are so old... This is now starting to cost us a tremendous amount of money and that's all I have to say about that."

Supervisor Gary Folluo moved to approve the change order up to the estimated cost.

"I'm not real happy that we're having to pay for that. That's part of the reason why we hired an engineering firm to make sure these things didn't happen," he said.

But Folluo said Fedler wasn't considering the interest that would have been owed on a 20-year bond, and said the county wasn't close to its 10-year planned spending on courthouse rehabilitation.

"It's not a fair comparison and it's over and done with and we've rode that horse to the ground. We've got maintain the buildings and if it takes a million dollars every 25 years that's not bad," he said.

Fedler said there was a huge campaign of misinformation that lead to referendum to build a consolidated Lee County Courthouse/Office building.

"Voters were told the buildings were basically sound. And we've already spent \$1.4 million on Keokuk and haven't done nothing on the Fort Madison building," he said.

"People didn't believe what I had to say, but believed all the other information that was put out and that sadly has come down to a north vs south, Keokuk vs. Fort Madison thing."

Supervisor Rich Harlow said this will continue to be the case with two courthouses in the county.

"We know that when people of Lee County want two courthouses we have to pay for it. Things come along like this that we have to pay that we weren't expecting to pay it's not a very good feeling," Harlow said. "But that's what happens when you maintain two courthouses, right?"

Supervisor Matt Pflug said the board cannot forget what the voters wanted.

The change orders include a \$56,331 for additional cold and hot water piping including fire prevention connections. The second was for a new chimney stack liner for the new installation at a cost of \$60,349.

"I thought we had a company that looked into the boiler and was supposed to be able to tell what needed to be done," Larkin said. "I'm just curious why we were getting these change orders. It seems like quite a bit."



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