



# Pen City Current

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## Family member confirms ID of body found at Skunk River

**CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

WEVER – The body that was discovered at Indian Path Park off Highway 61 Saturday morning around 11 a.m. has been

identified by a family member as James Merlin Nelson, 42, formerly of Fairfield.

According to Nelson's sister, Gina Ollom of Fairfield, Nelson had been working construc-

tion at the Iowa Fertilizer Company in Wever, but she was unaware of his current occupation. According to Ollom, Nelson had a girlfriend in the Burlington area and was staying with her.

Ollom said she has not been told the cause of death. Ollom was notified of her brother's death at 6 p.m. Saturday by the State Department of Criminal Investigations. "We still haven't been told what the

cause of death is and that's very frustrating," said Ollom.

The state DCI is leading the investigation with help from the Lee County Sheriff's Department and Iowa State Patrol.

## Emotions run high at Saturday forum

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

DONNELLSON - About 100 people assembled into the Central Lee High School cafeteria on Saturday afternoon to hear local legislators address a bill on proposed changes to Chapter 20 of the Iowa code addressing current state public employees' collective bargaining laws.

State Reps. Jerry Kearns (D-Keokuk) and Dave Heaton (R-Mt. Pleasant) and State Sen. Rich Taylor (D-Mt. Pleasant) met with teachers, residents, and supporters of local correctional officers to question the merits of the pending bills House Bill 84 and Senate File 213 which has far-reaching implications for state employees.

Critics of the bill are comparing it to the 2011 move in Wisconsin which resulted in the abolition of public employee collective bargaining.

The bill impacts negotiating by only allowing contract negotiations on wages and not benefits. The proposed bills would require union re-certification every two to three years and require a majority of union members to ratify, not just a majority of union members voting.

Union dues and political contributions would no longer be allowed to be taken as a payroll deduction.

The proposal also limits arbitration to an independent arbitrator who can come in to help solve negotiation issues, but only to the lesser of either a 3% wage increase or a cost of living increase linked to the most recent Consumer Price Index. Currently the arbitrator picks which side's offer is the most reasonable and equitable

*“Both sides of this issue have tried to make changes and throw the balance on one side or another.”*

-Dave Heaton  
State Representative

to both parties.

Public safety workers including state troopers, police officers, firefighters and park rangers — are exempted from the bill's furthest-reaching changes.

“Both sides of this issue



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

### Teachers fear new bill

Fort Madison school teacher Rachella Dravis tries to persuade Rep. Dave Heaton (R-Mt. Pleasant) to vote against the collective bargaining bill currently in front of the State House saying it will endanger students and teachers.

have tried to make changes and throw the balance on one side or another,” said Heaton, who told the crowd he still hasn't decided how he will vote



KEARNS

on the bill when it comes in front of the state House.

“I can remember

when Democrats had control of the houses and governorship and tried to make some sweeping changes to arbitration and the governor vetoed it.”

“There's been some

push and pull. I didn't hear anything during the election or conversation at all about a proposal in the mail. However, I think there's been some people



TAYLOR

working under the radar for a while. I don't think you just pop up a bill like

this, so I can't say this is like a bolt of lightning. But I didn't see it coming two weeks ago.

Taylor was a bit more matter-of-fact in his approach to the forum.

“The governor, in my opinion, hates everyone of you in this room,” Taylor said to applause from the crowd.

“In all my years working as state employee, for 12 years I felt somewhat valued. But every year Branstad

has been in there I felt I was a liability to the state and not an asset. It's a money-saving deal, it's union busting and anyone

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There is no charge for this. All we ask is that submissions have no profanity or sexual content because we do have young readers, which is a great thing, but one that we must be mindful of as we

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### Local News

## Teachers plead case against bill

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who thinks otherwise has their head...well somewhere a little smelly."

Rachella Dravis, a teacher in the Fort Madison School system said she has physically put herself in harm's way for her students and she's worried about the future of the students if this bill becomes a law.

"I would have been out if this had been in place 10 years ago because I was one of the strongest advocates in the schools. When I get fired for being the strong advocate, there's no way (other teachers) are going to stand up for me because they would fear retaliation. This is where we're headed and if you don't see it just look to Wisconsin," Dravis said.

"Our poor kids, I'm not saying I'm like a policeman or firefighter running to the danger. But I was in the danger. You probably remember the attack on the bus driver in Fort Madison...I was in there over the bus driver. They are laying on this man.. they are punching him, I'm not saying I'm on the level of the policeman or firefighter, but I got between that. They assaulted others who came to help, they assaulted me and all I was trying to do was protect those little kids in front who were seeing all this.

"We have come so far in our education system. We have come so far, why would you consider gutting it? Our education system, we have always been proud of it. Iowa Strong and we are going to start failing. If Chapter 20 gets gutted I'm not going to be able to go out and do what I do."

Several other teacher and parents in the room echoed the sentiment even saying some were considering other employment options and one parent said her student was reevaluating plans to become a teacher.

"This is extremely sweeping legislation," said Chuck Betts, a former Keokuk teacher. "Why, at this time, does it feel like this is going to pass so quickly. Does it have anything to do with current activity at the federal level?"

"It has more to do with what's going on at the state level," Kearns said. "We have a Republican majority in both houses and a Republican governor. When we first passed Chapter 20 40 years ago (Branstad) voted against it back then. He wanted to see some amendments to it. Well this does more than amends it. A lot more."

Jacqueline Lumsden, approached Heaton about his vote to cut funding to the Department of

Corrections, the deapropriation bill which has already been signed Governor Terry Branstad, and cautioned him about the move. Lumsden said her family was victimized by domestic violence.

Heaton said the bill in front of them has nothing to do with what happened to DOC staff cuts.

"When we sat down to find out where we're going to find \$114 million, the DOC took some cuts. The governor wanted us to cut it by \$15 million so we did the best we could and those cuts ended up at \$5.5 million."

Heaton said he contacted people within the department who said the nine employees laid off in Mount Pleasant were probationary employees who hadn't worked for the state for more than six months.

"There's nothing I can do about that. There's nothing anyone can do about that. I verified that with a counselor at the ISP yesterday and they said, 'Dave, that's the rules

and that's the way it goes.' I don't know to do about it."

"The reason we needed that \$114 million was not because we overspent, it's because revenues didn't come in as projected, Taylor said. "Instead of going into our rainy day funds, which we have well over \$700 million in those funds, instead of using that money to buy us a little time, we could have said let's see now, do these companies need \$52.6 million in research and another \$6 million for supplemental research whatever the hell that is."

Brett Buttz, a member of the maintenance team at the Iowa State Penitentiary, said he doesn't know if he wants to work for a state that devalues their employees.

"I've worked for the state for many, many years and this makes me question whether or not I want to continue to work for a state that treats its own employees this way," Buttz said.

### OBITUARIES

## LOIS D. HILL

Lois D. Hill, 74, of Nauvoo, IL passed away on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 9:58 AM at her home.



HILL

She was born on September 25, 1942 on her grandparents farm in Rural Arabela, MO, her parents were Robert W. and M. Philena Busby Calvert. Lois attended grade school in Granger, Mo and then her parents moved and she graduated from Ft. Madison High School in 1960.

On October 23, 1964 she married Daril Hill at the First Methodist Church in Ft. Madison and was very proud she and Daril were married 52 years. Lois was a homemaker. In her younger years she worked at Sheaffer Pen as a commercial artist and also worked at IAAP and then was an elderly care taker in Morris, IL.. Lois enjoyed collectibles and going to the casino. She loved her dogs and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Daril Hill of Nauvoo, IL; her son, Wade (Betsy) Hill of Ft. Madison; three sisters, Betty (Ron) Hunold of Warsaw, IL, Audrey Dietsch of Warrensburg, MO and Janice (Rodger) Butler of Port Byron, IL; a brother, H.B. (Jan) Calvert of Montrose and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and her daughter, Angela.

The memorial service will be held on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 11 AM at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Pastor Jan Garza officiating. The family will meet with friends from 10 AM until the service at 11 AM. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery. Per her wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

A memorial has been established for Lee Co. Hospice or PAW Animal Shelter and online condolences may be left at [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).



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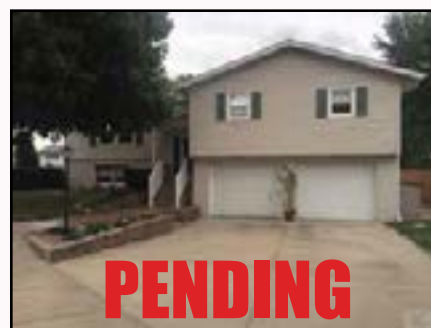


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**Listing #20163404 • \$167,500**

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From the inviting entrance to the serene back yard, you will enjoy it ALL and everything in between!!!! This very well maintained 4 bedroom, 3 bath home has everything your family will need to call this Home. There is a beautiful screened porch and a deck off the back of the house, all overlooking a meticulously landscaped large yard. Call today on this amazing home situated on a quiet, safe cul de sac!!!

**Listing #20163339 • \$164,900**

**3 BR • 2 BA • 2 car garage • 1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres**

Lovely family home comfortably situated at the end of a cul de sac, where you can enjoy the woods and the privacy! There is an inviting deck off the back of the home overlooking the woods and beautiful vinyl fencing. There are newer mechanicals and a newer roof, 2 fireplaces and lots of storage!! Don't miss out on this beauty.

**Listing #20163951 • \$139,000**

**4 BR • 1.75 BA • 3 car garage • 2,052 sq. ft. • 8,700 sq. ft. lot**

Beautiful 4 bedroom home with large rooms, recently redecorated and ready to move into. This home features stainless steel appliances, main floor laundry, eat in kitchen and formal dining room, main floor office or bedroom, open staircase, large living room and big bedrooms. Newer roof, siding and gutters on house. 24' X 36' insulated garage and workshop, plus carport. Large wrap porch great location near Old Settlers Park.

**Listing #20163776 • \$129,500**

**3 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage • 1,248 sq. ft. • 0.37 acres**

Well-kept ranch on a beautiful, large corner lot in West Point, IA. New wooden privacy fence surrounding the entire back yard. There is also an attached garage and storage shed. A large wooden deck leads to the front door where you can sit and enjoy those beautiful Iowa summer sunsets! PLUS a covered deck in the back for those rainy days. This house is a rare find.

**Listing #20164234 • \$119,900**

## BEAUTIFUL PERIOD HOME



**5 BR, 3 BA**

**3,119 sq. ft. • 14,500 sq. ft. lot**

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**Listing #20162159 • \$164,000**



**5BR • 2.50BA**  
**2 car garage**  
**2,834 sq. ft.**

**14,868 sq. ft. lot**

Amazing family home on a large corner lot in Farmington, IA. 2 fireplaces, beautiful woodwork, a beautiful open front porch, a large yard and an oversized garage!!

**Listing #20164117 \$127,500**



**3BR • 3BA**  
**2,754 sq. ft.**

**3,550 sq. ft. lot**

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**Listing #23006122 \$99,999**



**2 car garage • 2,527 sq. ft.**

UNIQUELY beautiful 9.38 river bluff acreage. This home boasts many updates including complete master suite, heat and A/C, Septic system, deck, roof & gutters, flooring, and the list goes on. This private property includes fenced in barn area for animal lovers, mature fruit trees plus trees have been dropped for a beautiful panoramic river view that will last for years! Owner also plans to leave a John Deere mower and new snow blower!!

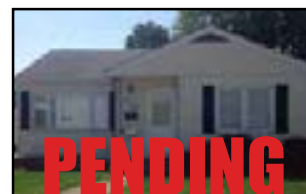
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868 sq. ft.

7,000 sq. ft. lot  
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**2BR • 1.50BA**  
2 car garage  
1,366 sq. ft.

3,300 sq. ft. lot  
Immaculate, well-kept ranch has family room with fireplace on the main floor, finished Rec Room, 2nd laundry room, 1/2 bath, and storage room with shelving all in the basement. All windows are vinyl replacement.  
**Listing #20162507 \$109,900**



**PENDING**  
**2BR • 1BA**  
2 car garage  
1,330 sq. ft.

7,250 sq. ft. lot  
REDUCED BY \$13,100!  
Affordable with lots of potential!!! Nice size kitchen with breakfast bar plus dining area, spacious living room w/fireplace. Sits on a corner lot.  
**Listing #20160368 \$59,900**



**3BR • 1BA**  
1 car garage  
928 sq. ft.

1,087 sq. ft. lot  
Very nice maintenance-free home by Lincoln School with a 75 X 145 fenced yard, nice patio, fire pit and child's play set! Some very nice built-ins, some original hardwood flooring, full basement including laundry area. Also find extra parking, garage and carport area on the paved alley.  
**Listing #20164148 \$72,500**



**5BR • 1.75BA**  
1 car garage  
1,904 sq. ft.

1,903 sq. ft. lot  
Great family home on large corner lot in the middle of Ft. Madison. Large living / dining area with original craftsman woodwork and built-ins, 14 x 22 garage on the alley with 2 additional storage sheds. Nice front porch, rear deck, and a great sunroom on the East.  
**Listing #20162346 \$86,950**



**3BR • 1.50BA**  
1,460 sq. ft.  
3,625 sq. ft. lot

Reasonably priced home has had new doors installed, new bathroom fixtures, and freshly painted. With its vinyl siding and fenced rear yard, its ready for your family!!  
**Listing #20162025 \$25,500**



**2BR • 1.25BA**  
1,119 sq. ft.  
0.17 acres

Brick rancher on Ave E close to Old Settlers Park, has full basement mostly finished, picket fence, newer windows, roof, etc.  
**Listing #20162502 \$88,900**



**2BR • 1.75BA**  
2 car garage  
679 sq. ft.

6,500 sq. ft. lot  
Nice, small home. Seller has purchased and remodeled. Excellent condition.  
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**2BR • 1BA**  
2 car garage  
930 sq. ft.

7,280 sq. ft. lot  
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**Listing #20162779 \$559,020**



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1 car garage  
888 sq. ft.

9,450 sq. ft. lot  
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**Land**  
14.65 acres  
638,514 sq. ft.

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**2BR • 1BA**  
1,144 sq. ft.  
3,625 sq. ft. lot

Move-in ready with many updates including kitchen WITH appliances, fresh paint, newer electrical (100 AMP breaker), new water lines at street and more! The home is clean as a whistle and ready to move in!  
**Listing #20161431 \$42,500**



**2BR • 1BA**  
1 car garage  
1,224 sq. ft.

7,250 sq. ft. lot  
A house with character! Wrap-around porch, original hardwood in formal dining room/living room combo, main floor laundry, nice size eat-in kitchen including appliances, dining room has original fireplace, basement and 1 car garage.  
**Listing #20162543 \$53,000**



**3BR • 1.75BA**  
1 car garage  
888 sq. ft.

9,450 sq. ft. lot  
RARE RANCH with large fenced back yard and attached garage! Updated windows and kitchen, newer HVAC and water heater. Family Room in the basement. Just waiting for your own personal touch!  
**Listing #20163423 \$74,900**



## Public Notices

### Lee County, Iowa Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Agenda

**DATE: TUESDAY, February 14, 2017 MEETING CONVENING TIME: 9:00 A.M. LOCATION: Correctional Center, 2530 25th St., Montrose, IA 52639 AGENDA**

Pledge of Allegiance  
Approve Agenda  
Approve Tuesday, February 7, 2017 Board Minutes  
Consider Approval of Claims  
Public Input  
Discussion of County Budget  
Consider Approval of Purchase of Airfare for Health Department Employee to Attend National I-Smile Conference in New Mexico Paid for with I-Smile Silver Grant  
Consider Approval of Resolution Setting Date for Election for Health Department Building

Consider Approval to Allow Chair to Sign Renewal Premiums with Wellmark  
Consider Approval of Raise for Non-Union Employees for FY18  
Consider Approval of Tentative Agreements with Administrative, Sheriff and Secondary Roads Unions for FY18

Hold Discussion on Applicants and Possible Approval of Appointing County Attorney  
Possible Closed Session Pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5 (i)

Personnel Actions:  
A. Step Increase-Health Department Reports:  
A. Commission of Veteran Affairs Minutes of Meeting  
Commission or Committee Reports  
Adjourn  
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### PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL February 7, 2017

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Randolph presided. Council Members Greenwood, Wright, Rink, Andrews and Lair were present. Council Members Cangas and Seidel were absent. Brian Boyd, Samantha Boyd and Jeraine Hofer spoke regarding the can redemption center.

On motion, Council approved the agenda as written. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 1/17/2017, as written; Mayor's reappointment of Phyllis Brummit to the Historic Preservation Commission, term expiring 12/31/2019; Liquor License Renewal: Parthenon Pizza and Steakhouse, 715 - 8th Street, effective 2/16/2017 - Class B Beer with Sunday Sales; Resolution No. 2017-08, URTEd to Rev Fitness, LLC, for property located at 815 Avenue G (remodel); Resolution No. 2017-09, URTEd to Ryan A/Lealie A Peters, for property located at 813 Avenue G (remodel); Resolution No. 2017-10, URTEd to Mark Pauly, for property located at 1117 Ave H (remodel); Resolution No. 2017-11, URTEd to Bernard L/Brenda S Derr, for property located at 820 Ave G (rehabilitation); January Financial Report and Payment of Claims.

At 7:19 P.M., Mayor Randolph opened the public hearing concerning an Amendment to Title 10, Zoning, Chapter 19, 3(A), Additional Parking Regulations. Chris Sorrentino, 412 Avenue D, and Jim Herdrich, 2026 Avenue M, spoke regarding this matter. Following a Call for the Question, Council closed the public hearing. On motion, Council approved the first reading of an ordinance amending Title 10, Zoning, Chapter 19 3(A), Additional Parking Regulations and certain sections of Title 9, Traffic, Chapters 1, 7 and 11, to update definitions of commercial vehicles, provide an exception for recreational vehicles to be driven on residential streets and amend parking regulations for commercial vehicles, trailers and food trucks.

On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 1, Administration, Chapter 6, Council, Section 3, Meetings, by changing the meeting time of the City Council from 7:00 P.M. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month to 5:30 P.M. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month and updating the method by which notice of Council meetings is given to Council members. On motion Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-12, accepting Public Improvement Project 2015-04, Phase 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Raw Pump Station.

On motion, Council approved the Mayor and Clerk's signatures on a permanent easement with Fort Madison Community School District for Phase 2 of the Port Trail to be located South of the Fort Madison Middle School. At 7:48 P.M., on motion, Council adjourned until Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. /s/ Bradley A. Randolph,

Mayor ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

**EXPENDITURES**  
General.....\$60,279.40  
Sp. Rev. Funds .....165,673.16  
Road Use.....29,999.06  
Capital.....26,187.94  
Water.....56,529.01  
Sewer.....54,783.10  
Solid Waste .....11,796.05  
Storm Water Util. ....247.50  
.....\$405,495.22

**REVENUES 1/16-1/31/2017**  
General.....\$60,987.52  
Special Rev.....355,661.99  
Road Use.....123,779.89  
Debt.....412.35  
Capital.....21,082.44  
Water.....240,953.96  
Sewer.....1,488,956.79  
Solid Waste .....64,116.17  
Storm Water Util. ....17,711.61  
.....\$2,373,662.72

**PAYROLL 1/20/2017**  
General.....\$170,298.52  
Special Revenues .....9,033.36  
Road Use.....20,559.59  
Water.....27,103.89  
Sewer.....35,443.61  
Solid Waste .....15,072.90  
Storm Water .....2,693.04  
.....\$280,204.91

**CLAIMS 2/7/2017**  
AHLERS & COONEY, PC LEGAL FEES.....18,636.16  
ALLIANT ENERGY ELECTRIC .....42.44  
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES UNIFORMS .....1,027.28  
AUTOZONE SAND PAPER .....7.79  
B&B PROPANE PROPANE.....415.16  
BAIER FORD ELEMENT KIT & OIL .....640.23  
BATES SANITATION & ASPHALT SEWER CLEANING .....200.00  
BRADLEY BRYANT WINTER WEAR REIMB .....66.24  
BUILDING MATERIALS INC BUILDING SUPPLIES.....1,063.07  
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER BACTERIA SAMPLE .....85.00  
CABELA'S FLOOR LINERS.....196.15  
CALHOUN-BURNS AND ASSOCIATES BRIDGE INSPECTIONS .....732.90  
CENTURY LINK PHONE SERVICE.....109.68  
CESSFORD CONSTRUCTION CO. COLDPATCH.....1,363.00  
CINTAS CORP IST AID .....50.36  
CTK GROUP TRAINING .....1,300.00  
CULLEN PEST CONTROL MONTHLY SERVICE .....164.00  
DAILY DEMOCRAT HELP WANTED.....131.64  
DIGITAL ALLY BATTERY KIT.....310.00  
DITCH WITCH - IOWA INC. PA KIT.....213.84  
DODD PRINTING & STATIONERY METER TAGS .....1,190.30  
EAGLE ENGRAVING ID

.....8.20  
EASTERN IOWA TOURISM AD.....495.00  
EBERT SUPPLY HAND CLEANER.....179.15  
ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS KNOB .....8.90  
FASTANEL COMPANY SWEEP COMPOUND .....122.39  
FORT MADISON ART ASSN 4TH QTR 2016 - 9% 7,123.66  
FORT MADISON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP 174.00  
FORT MADISON KIWANIS CLUB DUES.....35.00  
FORT MADISON LIONS CLUB DUES .....51.92  
GALL'S, AN ARAMARK COMPANY HOLSTER & GUN LIGHT.....303.40  
GATHERS, NEAL REIMB SHOES.....32.10  
GEM ELECTRONICS MONTHLY SERVICE .....358.85  
GLOBAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY WALL MOUNT FAN .....279.99  
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL WASTE LANDFILL FEES .....4,623.67  
GREENWOOD CLEANING SYSTEM LINERS & TOWELS .....189.68  
HACH CHEMICAL CO. LAB SUPPLIES.....1,732.67  
HENDERSON PRODUCTS, INC HYDROLIC MOTOR OIL.....317.79  
HOENIG TREE SERVICE INC REMOVE SIX TREES 1,700.00  
HOLT SUPPLY COMPANY PVC .....1,055.25  
HOWARD R GREEN COMPANY RATE STUDY LEGAL.....10,072.22  
HUEBNER, CASEY STEEL TOE SHOE REIMB 107.98  
HUFFMAN WELDING & MACHINE HR ROUND .....1,034.54  
HUMBURD'S AUTO SERVICE TIRES .....4,089.15  
HY-VEE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE JANITORIAL SUPPLIES & MISC .....27.67  
IDEAL READY MIX FILL SAND.....578.17  
INDUSTRIAL TOOL BOX PAINT.....237.60  
INTOXIMETERS INTOXIMETERS .....1,223.00  
IOWA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TERMINAL BILLING.....300.00  
IOWA MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFF DUES .....50.00  
J&S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS COPIER USAGE .....234.04  
JEAN PEITON MILAGE & DUES .....379.64  
JL TIME & ATTENDANCE CO MONTHLY FEE .....91.00  
KEMPKERS TRUE VALVE HARDWARE ITEMS; RENTAL & MISC .....1,343.40  
LEAF COPIER LEASE .....235.75  
LEE COUNTY RECORDER RECORDING FEES .....27.00  
LIBERTY UTILITIES

HEATING.....1,435.18  
LUNA, JOHN MILEAGE REIMB.....58.83  
LYNCH DALLAS P.C. PROF FEES .....16.50  
MAINSTREET FORT MADISON REIMB FOR EXP FOR MISTLETOE .....642.55  
MCFARLAND JANITORIAL SUPPLIES.....34.26  
ASSN 4TH QTR 2016 - 9% 7,123.66  
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LEAF COPIER LEASE .....235.75  
LEE COUNTY RECORDER RECORDING FEES .....27.00  
LIBERTY UTILITIES

.....1,429.00  
SERVICE MASTER JANITORIAL SERVICE .....1,311.50  
SHOTTENKIRK SUPERSTORE OIL .....782.20  
SOLAR TRAFFIC SYSTEMS BATTERY .....69.99  
SPRINGSTED INCORP PRO FORMA - WWTP PHASE II .....3,500.00  
STANLEY CONSULTANTS INC SILGAN PUMP STATION - PROF FEE .....2,605.50  
STAPLES OFFICE SUPPLIES .....266.73  
THACHER TREE CARE REMOVE TREE.....175.00  
TIM'S REPAIR SHOP CARB KIT .....227.04  
TRANS-IOWA EQUIPMENT ACTUAOR - LIN-EAR.....744.72  
TRUCK REPAIR INC. REPAIR CYLINDER .....741.22  
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES ANNUAL LICENSE & MAINTENANCE .....23,939.64  
UNITED LABORATORIES BIO-ACCEL & MAINT ITEMS.....2,670.66  
UNITY POINT CLINIC - OCCUP MEMBERSHIP DUES .....50.00  
UPS SHIPPING .....62.76  
USA BLUE BOOK LAB SUPPLIES.....1,745.15  
UTILITY EQUIPMENT COMPANY PVC/ FLEX COUPLING .....4,002.29  
VAPOR VIPER JETTED SEWER LINE AT PAVILION .....200.00  
VISION INDUSTRIAL SALES SEWER DYE .....480.80  
VRADENBURG CARPENTRY REPLACE ENTRY DOOR ON BLDG .....2,425.00  
WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION DUES .....160.00  
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED CHEMICALS .....3,946.63  
WINTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY PLOWGUARD GAUGE.....876.51  
TOTAL.....170,725.83  
GENERAL.....41,803.06  
SPECIAL REVENUE .....17,735.62  
ROAD USE.....13,876.92  
CAPITAL PROJECTS .....15,868.09  
WATER .....34,328.57  
WASTEWATER .....38,729.33  
SOLID WASTE .....8,136.74  
STORM WATER .....247.50  
.....170,725.83

**LIBRARY CLAIMS - JAN 2017**  
BAKER & TAYLOR LIBRARY MATERIALS .....1,435.07  
CLENDINENG, SARAH MINECRAFT EDUC EDITION .....65.00  
DAILY DEMOCRAT ADS .....195.00  
DODD PRINTING & STATIONER MISC. PRINTING 39.50  
FARONICS MAINT RE-NEWAL.....197.20  
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GALE GROUP LIBRARY MATERIALS.....	4,230.24
IOWA LIBRARY ASSOC. DUES.....	50.03
MEDIACOM PHONE & INTERNET.....	180.00
MID AMERICAN ENERGY CO. HEATING.....	212.42
PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE LIBRARY MATERIALS.....	984.15
PETTY CASH - SARAH CLENDIN BIRD SUPPLIES.....	380.20
QUILL CORPORATION OFFICE SUPPLIES.....	117.69
RECORDED BOOKS LLC LIBRARY MATERIALS.....	150.00
SERVICE MASTER OF FORT MA JANITORIAL SERVICE.....	296.31
GENERAL.....	150.00
SPECIAL REVENUE.....	1,064.09
TOTAL.....	5,150.30

<b>MANUALS - JAN 2017</b>	
ALLIANT ENERGY ELECTRIC.....	1,434.00
ANSWER PLUS ANSWERING PLUS 172.40	
B&B PROPANE PROPANE 1,556.30	
BARTHOLOMEW, ED RIMB CLOTHING.....	26,433.00
D&B POWER ASSOC. INC. FOR LIGHTNING PROTECTION.....	1,117.38
EASYPERMIT POSTAGE WATER BILLING; RE-CYCLE SCHEDULE.....	920.00
	97,320.90



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