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Nauvoo man charged with 54 sex crimes

11 counts eminate from Fort Madison investigation

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

NAUVOO - A joint investigation has resulted in the arrest of a Nauvoo man on 54 charges including sexual assault of a child, child pornography, sexual abuse, and incest.

Nauvoo Police Chief Mike Boley released a statement Friday afternoon, saying Daniel Scott Lafferty, 33, of Nauvoo, was arrested Tuesday in Nauvoo after an investigation by the department, in conjunction with the Fort Madison Police Department and other Illinois, Iowa



and Nevada law enforcement agencies. Daniel Scott Lafferty, 33, of Nauvoo charged with 45 counts of criminal sexual activity in Fort Madison and Nauvoo.

Lafferty's arrest comes as a result of an investigation into allegations of sexual assault of a child having occurred in Nauvoo. He is currently being held in the

Hancock County Jail on a \$400,000 bond out of Hancock County, as well as a no-bond warrant through Lee

Nauvoo police have charged Lafferty with one count of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child, a Class X Felony; ten counts of Child Pornography, each a Class X Felony; 21 counts of Child Pornography, each a Class 2 Felony; two counts of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse, each a Class 2 Felony; nine counts of Child Pornography, each a Class 3 Felony.

Also, as a result of the investigation by the Nauvoo Police Department, additional evidence was discovered in regard to additional crimes alleged to have occurred in Ft. Madison, Iowa. A subsequent investigation by Ft. Madison Police Department investigations resulted in a nationwide, no-bond warrant, through Lee County Iowa, that Lafferty is also being held on. Those charges include five counts of 2nd Degree Sexual Abuse, each a Class B Felony; five counts of Incest, each a Class D Felony; and one count of misdemeanor Indecent Exposure

The investigation is on-going and additional charges are expected.

Police Chief Mike Boley was unavailable for comment Friday as of this posting.

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At top, Your Heat & Air Guy(s) Tom Schulz and grandson work a U.S. Navy camouflaged entry down Avenue G in Fort Madison Saturday as part of the 107th Annual Charlie Korschgen Kiddie Parade. At right, a vintage rod decked out in the red, white and blue entertains parade go-ers.



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City gives final nod to sewer rate bump

Cruise line deal, Avenue L work also get thumbs up

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

FORT MADISON - A Fort Madison City Councilman said he's disappointed in a new increase in sewer rates, not because of the increase, but because the city didn't keep pace with expenditures over the past three

At Tuesday's regular City Council meeting, the city council approved a final reading of a sewer rate increase that will bump city rates 13% over the next two years with recurring rate reviews built into the new rate

The increase will effect all residential, business and industrial users within the city.

Councilman Matt Mohrfeld said the \$150,000 the rate increase will generate isn't enough to cover the expenses in the city's waste water budget.

"As I look at this, and I've voted against this every time, I'm not happy how this has been pushed up so we're behind the eight ball," he said. "Three years ago we stuffed a \$1 million extra expense into this budget and this increase doesn't have a prayer in covering what's going to happen in the next three years.

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Obituaries/Weather

DALE THOMAS FINCHER

Dale Thomas Fincher, 72, of Ft. Madison passed away on Thursday, July 04, 2019 at 5:25 AM at the Great River Hospice House.

He was born on August 30, 1946 in Burlington, IA to Glenn and Mildred Brown



Fincher. On May 10, 1969 he married Marilyn Conlee in Montrose. Dale was an Industrial Mechanic and worked at Dial where he retired after thirty five years of service. He was a loyal Chicago Cubs fan. Dale enjoyed golfing, fishing, hunting and watching local and NASCAR racing. In his retirement years he created custom design writing instruments. Most of all Dale loved spending time with his family, especially his grand-

FINCHER Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Fincher of Ft. Madison; one son, Michael (Christi) Fincher of Ft. Madison; two daughters, Diana (Scott Burch) Fincher-Smith of Ft. Madison and Peggy (Brad) Phillips of West Burlington; seven grandchildren, Alyssa, Kyla, Chayton, Raegan, Dylan, Lanie and MaKayla. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, David; two sisters in infancy; a niece and his mother and father in law.

The family will meet with friends on Sunday, July 7, 2019 from 1 PM until 3 PM at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The graveside service will be held on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 11 AM at Montrose Cemetery with Reverend Dean Graber officiating.

A memorial has been established in his memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

RUBY LOUISE KORSCHGEN

Ruby Louise Korschgen, 94, of Keokuk, IA died Friday, June 28, 2019 at Lexington Square in Keokuk.

She was born February 19, 1925 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Herman August and Edith Link Boehm. On December 8, 1966 she was united in marriage to Darrell Edward Korschgen in Kahoka, MO. He preceded her in death on June 2,

Ruby graduated for Keokuk High School with the Class of 1943.

She had been employed by Benner Tea for many years until her retirement in 1975.

Ruby enjoyed working crossword puzzles and jigsaw puzzles.

She is survived by two nieces, Jill Diveley of Keokuk and Polly Troyer (Rick) of Colorado Springs, CO, one nephew, Kevin Boehm (Laura) of Holly Springs, N.C., four great-nephews, Josh Troyer, Matt Troyer, Dorian Boehm and Troy Bode, one great-niece, Roxy Boehm and three great-great-nephews, Ryan Kite, Gauge Kite and Seth Bode and numerous Korschgen family members.

Besides her husband, she was also preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Rex Boehm and Dale Boehm and one sister-in-law, Betty Boehm.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

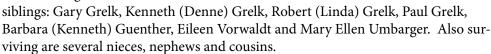
Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.

DUANE A. **GRELK**

Duane A. Grelk, 81, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 6:15 a.m., Friday, July 5, 2019, in Donnellson, Iowa.

Duane was born on February 22, 1938, in Saint Paul, the son of Lloyd and Catherine (Walljasper) Grelk. On June 20, 1959, he married Mary L. Specketer in Saint Paul, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife: Mary; three children: Mike Grelk, Dan (Robin) Grelk and Dennis (Christina) Grelk; four grandchildren: Dee Jay, Mitch, Scott and Erinn; five great-grandchildren: Ruger, Isabella, Samuel, Emi and Charlotte; seven



He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers: Norbert Grelk and Anthony Grelk.

Duane served in the United States Army during the Berlin Crisis. He was a member of the Embury United Methodist Church, Donnellson American Legion Post #474 and the Farm Bureau. Duane owned Grelk Construction and was also a farmer. He enjoyed farm related activities and watching bicycle racing events.

The family will receive friends from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 8, 2019 at Embury United Methodist Church in rural Donnellson, Iowa.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Embury United Methodist Church with Pastor Lanette Van officiating.

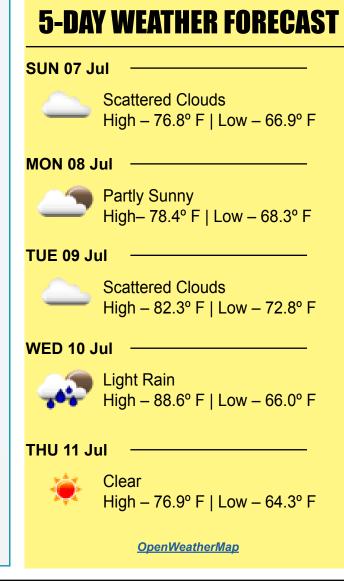
Burial will be at Embury Cemetery with Full Military Rites presented by the Donnellson American Legion.

A memorial has been established for the Embury Cemetery in his name.

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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OBITUARIES

ROBERT L. YOUNG

Robert L. Young, 87, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 9:26 a.m., Tuesday, July 2, 2019, at the West Point Care Center in West Point, Iowa.

Robert was born on April 22, 1932, the son of Jake and Mamie (Norton) Young. His father, Jake, passed away when he was young and his mother later married his step-father, Edward Wolf. On July 1, 1956, he married Patricia



Worrell in Franklin, Iowa. Survivors include his wife: Pat; children: Richard (Dixie) Young, Scott (Connie) Young, Kent Young and Bill (Tina) Young; grandchildren: Jared, Jake, Micah, Jordan, Tyler, Kinley, Dustin, Taylor, Chandler, Sky-

lar, Whitney, Dylan, Chad, Josh, Matt and Elicia; great grandchildren: Marie, Bianca, Jackson, Felix, Keelyn, Alton, Zane, Orie, Lokie, Ayden, Emma, Miley, Michael, Samuel, Emmett, Athena and Alekos; siblings: Helen Wall, Fred (Judy) Young, Vi (Carroll) Wilson and Linus (Jeanett) Young. Also surviving are

several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son: Kevin; one brother: Jerome and father and mother-in-law: William and Lula Belle Worrell.

Robert served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the Donnellson American Legion and the former Donnellson Presbyterian Church. He was a Boy Scout Leader and Cub Master. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinal fan and enjoyed traveling and being outdoors. Most of all, Robert loved his family.

The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 6, 2019, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson.

A Funeral Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 6, 2019, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson with Reverend Bob Molsberry officiating.

Burial will be at Evangelical Cemetery in Donnellson with full military rites presented by the Donnellson American Legion.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials be made in his name to the Donnellson American Legion. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com. Schmitz Funeral Home of Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements.

Pen City Current obituary policy

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.

Watercolor friends take over **FMAAA** July exhibit

BY BRIAN RIGGS

FORT MADISON – July celebrates with a reception for dueling artists Jamie Green and Larry Siwek, watercolor painters from Quincy, Illinois. The DoubleVision feature blasts away on July 5th with a rockets red glare from 5:00-7:00pm at FMAAA gallery 825 Avenue G. Always free and open to the public. Axalta Coating Systems is the sponsor for the exhibition.

Larry and Jamie became friends in 2013 when attending a life drawing session in Quincy, IL. Painting together bonded their friendship while the two began attending Plein Air Paint Outs. These outdoor paint competitions gave them opportunities to meet and paint alongside some very talented, professional artists.

At top, Larry Siwek's interpretation of the same home as the watercolor below by Jamie Green. The two artists will be featured in a "Double Vision" exhibit in July at the Fort Madison Area Arts Association. The exhibit kicks off Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the art center. Courtesy images from FMAAA. The idea for DoubleVision came to being a few years ago at FMAAA when Jamie was having a feature exhibition at the gallery. When hearing how these guys were traveling to differing states in an RV to compete for cash prizes, it dawned on this writer that there was a unique opportunity for a thematic show to be had.

As Jamie and Larry selected their dates and places for plein air events, they could begin collecting a show that had the same subject matter, yet with their individual style and personality ebbed into each painting. Larry and Jamie made that idea into a reality quicker than expected. On top of that figured maybe 15 DoubleVision determined selected scenes. But no they come in with a monster show with 30 differing paintings with the Double Vision standard. Consider it your patriotic duty to take in this feature!

Jamie points out, "The show not only gives the viewer two different interpretations of each subject, you can witness the growth of two artists. If you look at the paintings, you may also get a glimpse of friends becoming brothers. As iron sharpens iron, so one many sharpens another. Proverbs 27:17." Jamie studied art at Culver-Stockton College and is a founding member of Sandpiper Plein Air Resistance Painters.

Larry received his BA from Western Illinois University in art education. He also owned Gem City Sign Shop in Quincy for many years. These painters are talented and devoted documenters of image wherever they may roam. View their travels at FMAAA gallery 825 Avenue G. With new hours of Tuesday & Thursday 12-7 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Visit us anytime at our ever expanding website at www.fmaaa.com.

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Sports

Hounds peaking as regular season winds down

BY ETHAN LILLARD

FORT MADISON- Twenty-four games into the season and Fort Madison baseball is now at the .500 mark, sitting at 12-12 after coming away with both games of a doubleheader Monday night against Keokuk at Fort Madison High School.

The Bloodhounds had previously defeated Keokuk for both games of a doubleheader earlier in the season, making Monday's twin bill a clean season sweep of the Chiefs for the Bloodhounds.

Different from the first time around was the scoring. After Fort Madison scored a combined 42 runs in the first two games against Keokuk, the Hounds scored 10 in the two combined Monday.

"It was good to get back on our home field after being on the road for a few weeks," Fort Madison Head Coach Ron Walker said. "We had a nice crowd out here and came out and played a couple of nice clean ball games and picked up a couple Ws."

GAME ONE

The first contest was a pitcher's duel between Fort Madison's Jace Burgher and Keokuk's Ryan Johnson. The two both took shutouts into the third inning before the Bloodhounds opened up the scoring.

Reed Fehseke was hit by a pitch with one out in the home-half of the third inning, before a Jason Thurman walk put two on. Brandon Reichelt came through with a two-out walk to load the bases, before Vasin Thurman walked to bring in Fehseke for the first run.

Tate Johnson then came through with an infield single, hustling down the line and just making it on a bang-bang play for the 2-0 Fort Madison lead.

"We talk about hard 90s and (Johnson) took a hard 90 on that infield hit and drove in the second run of the game," Walker said.

The Chiefs went three-up, three-down to end the top of the fourth inning before scoring their first runs in the fifth. Back-to-back fielding errors allowed two runners to reach safely with one out. Josh Wills then produced a sacrifice fly ball for what would be Keokuk's lone run of the game.

An error and a walk put two runners on for Fort Madison in the bottom of the sixth inning. Fort Madison starting pitcher Burgher attempted a sacrifice bunt, but Johnson was ruled out advancing to home. In the process, Burgher stumbled at first base and injured his leg forcing him from the rest of the contest.

Diego Lozano came in to run for Burgher and helped secure the final security run for Cordray. With two outs and Fehseke at the dish, Lozano started to steal second before the pitch. The pitcher, Colton Atterberg, then tossed the ball to second base and got Lozano in a pickle.

With Lozano between first and second and all of Keokuk's attention on him, Dayne Cordray went from third to home. The Chiefs tried to make a plat at the plate, but Cordray scored for the 3-1 lead and Lozano made his way safely to second in the process.

A single and an error by Fort Madison in the top of the seventh inning brought the winning run to the



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PC

Fort Madison's Jason Thurman puts a tag on Keokuk's Colton Atterburg who slid wide of 2nd base trying to avoid a tag in the third inning. The Hounds swept Keokuk Monday night in a doubleheader for a sweep of the season.

plate for Keokuk with no outs. Fortunately for the Bloodhounds, relief pitcher Jason Thurman recorded the next three outs in order, as Fort Madison went on to win 3-1.

Vasin Thurman and Tate Johnson had an RBI each for Fort Madison. Burgher picked up the win, going six innings on 72 pitches, allowing two hits and no earned runs while striking out three batters. Jason Thurman picked up the save allowing just one hit and striking out two.

GAME TWO

After Cordray held Keokuk to two-straight innings of three-up, three-down, Fort Madison collected the lead in the bottom of the second inning.

Vasin Thurman started things off with a single, before advancing to second on an error and then moving to third. Thurman was then able to come in and score on a wild pitch during Cordray's at bat, giving the Bloodhounds the 1-0 lead.

A Three-up, three-down top of the third led to more Hound runs. The Bloodhounds started the bottom of the third with back-to-back walks. Kane Williams then stole third and Fehseke stole second, before Williams came in to score on a Jason Thurman groundout to make it 2-0.

Jordryn Gerdes delivered with a double to plate Fehseke to make it a 3-0 advantage. A groundout ensued, before Vasin Thurman came through with a line drive up the middle to plate Gerdes and give the Hounds a 4-0 cushion.

An error and a Brandon Reichelt single scored Jason Thurman for run No. 5, before the Cheifs plated their first run of the second game.

Levi Boudweyn, Dalton Boeker and Keegan Burke each singled to begin the sixth. A Fort Madison error

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Bloodhound Tate
Johnson beats out a
bouncer to short that
scored the Hounds'
second run of the
bottom half of the
third. The Hounds
would go on to sweep
the Keokuk Chiefs
3-1 and 7-1 to move
to .500 on the year.



Hounds knock off Van Buren for 4th straight

BY ETHAN LILLARD

PCC SPORTS

FORT MADISON – It happened.

With most of the season now in the rearview mirror, Fort Madison's baseball team pushed one game over the .500 mark on the season, coming out with a 9-4 win against Van Buren at home Tuesday night. With the win, the Bloodhounds move to 13-12 on the year and have now won four-straight games.

The last time Fort Madison recorded more than 10 wins in a season and went on a four-game win streak was in 2012-2013 when the Hounds posted a final record of 18-23. With five games left on the schedule, Fort Madison has an opportunity to finish with a winning record for the first time in over a decade.

Small ball approach helps run production

Jordryn Gerdes and Van Buren's Ryan Wolf both did well in their starts from the mound, as each team was held scoreless through the first two innings Tuesday night.

The Warriors were the first to break the scoreless drought in the top of the third. Jonah Heckenberg was hit by a pitch with one out, before Jacob Plecker came through with a double to plate Heckenberg for the 1-0 lead.

The Bloodhounds responded with some small ball strategy in the home-half of the second. Landes Williams laid down a bunt to begin the inning, legging out a single. Wolf then threw two wild pitches, allowing Williams to get all the way to third. Kane Williams bunted in Landes Williams, tying the game at one.

"The plan was to go bunt, bunt for a base hit or a base hit and then a sacrifice and let the top of the order go to work with Landes on second," Fort Madison Head Coach Ron Walker said.

"Kane did a great job of staying in the middle of the field and driving him in for the first out of the inning and first run of the game for us."

Fort Madison took over the game in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Starting the home-half of the fifth with the No. 7, 8, and 9 batters coming to the plate, the Bloodhounds had no trouble, starting with a Dayne Cordray infield single. Landes Williams then drew a walk and Kane Williams singled after to load the bases for Fort Madison with no outs.

Leadoff hitter Reed Fehseke came through with a sacrifice pop-out to right field to plate Cordray for the 2-1 lead. With runners on the corners after the sac fly, Walker used even more strategy.

Walker had Kane Williams take off at first as soon

Sports/Local News

Bottom of lineup comes through in FM win

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as he saw the pitcher's leg leave the ground. Plecker saw Williams get the jump and switched to a pickoff attempt and tossed the ball over to first. Landes Williams was waiting in anticipation of the throw and took off from third base towards home as soon as the ball left Plecker's hand, crossing the plate just before the tag to give the Hounds a 3-1 lead.

Williams was safe at first as well, and advanced to third base the following at bat thanks to a Van Buren fielding error during Jasin Thurman's at bat. Brandon Reichelt plated Thurman on a single, before courtesy runner Diego Lozano came in to score on another Warrior's error. Vasin Thurman then doubled in the fifth run of the inning, as the Hounds went ahead 6-1.

Again it was the No. 7, 8 and 9 batters that came through for Fort Madison in the bottom of the sixth. Leading off the inning after the Hounds batted around in the fifth, Cordray started the frame with a triple. Landes Williams walked, before Fehseke loaded the bases with a one-out walk of his own.

Jason Thurman had a sacrifice groundout to score Cordray and Gerdes singled to plate both Williams and Fehseke for the 9-1 advantage.

With an eight-run lead and only three outs remaining, Fort Madison survived a three-run top of the seventh from Van Buren to go on and win by the final of 9-4.

"We have a lot of confidence no matter where we are in our lineup," Walker said. "We have guys that take great at bats and they have a plan.

"The thing we're starting to see now that we didn't see early in the year was coming through with two outs and not leaving baserunners on. We're starting to see those two-out hits. Tonight we had two two-out hits in a row. Guys are getting in the box and competing a little bit more with two outs and bringing in some runs. That's good to see."

Gerdes led the Hounds with two RBIs on a 1-for-4 day at the plate. Landes Williams paced Fort Madison with three runs scored, while Cordray collected two runs. Gerdes also picked up the win, going 6 1/3 innings on 103 pitches. He allowed nine hits, three earned runs and struck out six.

Fort Madison's next contest is scheduled for Monday July 8 back at home against New London.

Cordray goes distance scattering five hits in 7-1 nightcap win

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then allowed the first run to score for Keokuk, before Cordray put an end to the threat with a strikeout.

The Hounds added two more insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth. With two outs, Kane Williams singled, before Fehseke reached safely on a dropped strike three. Williams advanced to third on the same pitch. Jason Thurman then singled in Williams and Gerdes singled in Fehseke to put the game away, coming out with the 7-1 win.

"The past couple of years we have struggled with any conference games," Gerdes said. "It feels good to beat some conference teams for once."

Cordray pitched the complete game, scattering five hits over seven innings on 108 pitches and allowed no earned runs. Cordray recorded five punch outs and improved his ERA to 2.314 on the year.

"He's done a really good job of making adjustments throughout the season," Walker said of Cordray. "He came out and was around the zone all night long, which is what we ask for."

Jason Thurman and Gerdes led the way for Fort Madison in game two with two RBIs each. Fehseke and Kane Williams each came around to score twice.

The Bloodhounds are now 12-12 on the year and will take on Van Buren back at home tomorrow for a single contest.



Councilman says city didn't plan well enough for sewer improvements

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Mohrfeld said his statement was more of commentary on why the city didn't react three years ago when the extra expenses were added to the budget. Public Works Director Larry Driscoll said the city did a rate survey and took a hard look at what residents would be able to afford.

"We did a rate study revenue-wise and we took into consideration what people could afford and tried to base our budget off that. I don't think it's the wrong approach," Driscoll said.

"It's slim pickings in that department and it's an efficient department. So there's no savings there for personnel. Our hope and prayer is to continue with these (sewer separation) in-house projects, otherwise financially we'll be wiped out. I think we're rolling the dice that my department will be able to perform these projects and not taking on anymore."

Mohrfeld said he felt the city is going to eventually have to trim expenses or find additional revenues on top of the new increases to save the department.

"This is kind of a commentary of why we didn't react three years ago. I'm sorry but that's remiss and I find it frustrating at a lot of levels," he said.

"Be forewarned this \$150,000 is not going to cover that million additional expense. We're going to have trim the expenses in the budget or have another revenue source. How did we think this was going to get paid off?"

One glaring expense is debt reduction for the city's waste water treatment plant upgrades. Additionally the city is currently under Environmental Protection Agency mandates on additional sanitary and storm sewer drain separations.

The increase was approved 6-1 with Mohrfeld voting against the rate change. In an unrelated issue, the council approved a 20-year agreement with American Cruise Lines to allow docking space on the city's current pier on the west side of Riverview Park

The lease is only exclusive to American according to their schedule of stops. The pier's east side would be available to other boats at any time as American would dock on the west side. But American will have rights to the west side per their cruising schedule. American has also indicated there could be times when two ships would be in town at the same time.

The cruise line is expecting 10 stops this year and up to 30 annually in a six-month cruising season. The stop will be part of the company's St. Louis to St. Paul excursions.

"They turn the schedule into us and when they are scheduled it is exclusive to them and when they are not there anyone is open to use the dock. So it's only exclusive when they are here," City Manager David Varley said.

Councilman Chris Greenwald, serving as Mayor Pro-Tem in Mayor Brad Randolph's absence asked Varley if the docking agreement would still allow for Viking Cruise lines to dock on the riverfront, if \$1.7 million in improvement funding can be located.

Varley said that would still be a viable option.

The cruise lines will bring 160-200 per ship running from St. Louis to St. Paul and, with the tour, passengers will get a local tour of Fort Madison, Varley said.

The cruise line will pay the city \$1 per passenger as rent for the pier and that rate will increase by 25 cents every two years. The city will invest about \$15,000 in pier improvement and American is contributing an additional \$15,000 for the work.

The council approved the measure 7-0.

The council also approved a Jones Contracting bid of \$470,000 for the reconstruction of Avenue L between 35th and 36th Street to take some of the curve out of the road. The engineering estimate for the project was \$550,000.



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Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber said the investigation is a result of interdepartmental teamwork and the ability of detectives to focus on serious crimes.

"This is just another example of teamwork from area detectives who are left alone to concentrate on serious crimes that should take priority in today's world," said Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber.

Assisting the Nauvoo Police Department in the investigation were the Hancock County State's Attorney Rachel B. Mast; Macomb Police Department; Illinois Attorney General's Office; Ft. Madison Police Department; Hamilton Police Department; Hancock County Sheriff's Office; Lee County, Iowa Attorney's Office; Lee County, Iowa Sheriff's Office; Des Moines County, Iowa Attorney's Office; Des Moines County, Iowa Sheriff's Office; Reno, Nevada Police Department; Washoe County, Nevada Child Advocacy Center; Children's Advocacy Center of Hancock County; and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

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