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Price for 2x4s going up



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Lester Kistner, an organizer with 2x4s for Hope-Lee County, looks out over the lot at 2833 Avenue J where two new Veterans' Tiny Homes will be built when funds are raised.

FUNDRAISING: Effort to build "tiny" homes for vets in fundraising stage

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The lots are secured, plans are in place, and now the 2x4s for Hope-Lee County effort is in full-on fundraising mode.

The group met Tuesday night at the Fort Madison Eagles Club to update stakeholders and advocates on the progress being made when construction might begin.

Lester Kistner, a U.S. Army veteran and his sister Stephanie Warner are both veterans with active duty service and brought the program from Illinois to Iowa. Kistner's cousin started the program in Quincy.

He said the group is focusing on fundraising efforts right now to secure the needed funds for the first home. Right now the group has raised about \$20,000

and need an additional \$40,000 to get started on the first home.

"We're still in the active fundraising mode here," he said. "Due to the high prices of lumber and that, it takes about \$60,000 to do a home right now."

He said that cost creates a turnkey home for an at-risk veteran.

"When they get the home it's a complete home. The wood, the concrete, utilities, furniture, appliances - it's everything," he said. "It's a complete turnkey operation. When the veteran gets the home it's completely furnished with everything they need, notebook paper, food in the cabinets, towels - everything."

The group established the first Iowa effort less than a year ago

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A fundraiser with a Zombie twist on escaping Rodeo Park is set for the 2x4s for Hope-Lee County Sept. 24.

Kingsley Inn honored by Tripadvisor

BUSINESS NEWS: Hotel gets 2022 Traveler's Choice award for lodging

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - The Kingsley Inn today announced it has been recognized by Tripadvisor as a 2022 Travelers' Choice Best of the Best award winner for lodging. The Best of the Best Award recipients are among the top 1% of listings on Tripadvisor.

In a year of heavy competition and changing traveler priorities, the Kingsley Inn exceeded expectations and has been lauded as one of their favorites. Based on a full year of Tripadvisor reviews, the Travelers' Choice Awards honor the best in travel, recognizing the places that delivered the most exceptional experiences.

"We are so honored to have been given this award!" said Chi Eastin, the General Manager of the Kingsley Inn. "We are fortunate enough to be located along the Mississippi riverfront and in a historical area that gives our guests so much to see and do. Our hospitality, pride and knowledge of our region is what makes us stand out. We truly want to give our guests a great experience while they are with us and love to see them return again and again."

"Congratulations to the 2022 Tripadvisor Travelers' Choice Best of the Best Winners," said Kanika Soni, Chief Commercial Officer at Tripadvisor. "The Travelers' Choice Awards recognize the best in tourism and hospitality, according to those who matter most: your guests. Ranking among the Best of the Best is always tough — but never more so than this year as we emerge from the pandemic. Whether it's using new technology, implementing safety measures, or hiring outstanding staff, I'm impressed by the steps you've taken to meet travelers' new demands. You've adapted brilliantly in the face of adversity."

To see traveler reviews and popular features of the Kingsley Inn, visit the hotel's Tripadvisor page.

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WEATHER

THU 28 Jul.....Partly Cloudy with Chance of Showers, 81° F/ 58° F
FRI 29 Jul.....Mostly Sunny and Warm, 81° F/ 60° F
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IOWA LOTTERY

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Lee County News/Opinion

Dems bring in speakers for ice cream

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MONTROSE - The Lee County Democratic Party will be holding their annual Ice Cream Social at the Ivor Fowler Community Center, 710 Main St., Montrose, this Sunday, 2:30 - 4:30 pm. Deidre DeJear, candidate for Governor; Christina Bohannon, candidate for U.S. House of Representatives; Joel Miller, candidate for Secretary of State; Rebecca Bowker, candidate for State House District 100;

Dennis Cohoon, current representative for State House District 99; and Donna Amandus, candidate for Supervisor District Two will be guests and speaking to those attending. There will be ice cream and desserts available and free will donations will be accepted. An auction will be held for a pie as part of the event.

All are welcome to attend and anyone with questions should call Mary Jo Riesberg at 319-526-3160.

Letters to the Editor

Volunteerism is part of candidate's platform

To the Editor:

Working for southeast Iowa in the Legislature is something to which I am wholly committed. I want Lee County to have a representative voice that reflects working families, education and no special interests. I do not have an agenda, I am not running for self interest.

Working for Lee County also means volunteering for our communities. I have spent the last 25 years serving various boards, committees and organizations. This service has not stopped, nor should it. I feel strongly that volunteerism is what binds communities together, makes it work and improves the lives of those who live here.

This message is twofold, first it is to encourage all of you to reach out to local organizations to see how you can help. Your assistance might be in the form of hours, donations or participation, but it will make a difference. It is not up to a handful but rather a community to make our region a better place for our children.

I also want you to know that I am available to you. My family, volunteerism and work all have a presence in my life, but my passion is to do all that I can to ensure the path of Iowa gets re-centered. We need to make education a priority. We need to ensure voting rights are not further stripped. We need to ensure labor is supported. We need to ensure that minority rights do not continue to get damaged. We have to ensure reproductive rights are not taken. We cannot take for granted that someone else will fix the direction of the state. It's down to you and me.

Rebecca Bowker, Candidate HD 100

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Thank you President Joe Biden **and the Democrats in the United States Congress** **for passing the American Rescue Plan.**

**Thank you for investing \$100 million to protect Iowa schools
in the wake of the recent gun violence.**

Thank you for investing \$330 million in housing for Iowa.

Thank you for investing \$18 million in Iowa's airports.

Thank you for investing in our small businesses across Iowa.

Thank you for investing \$300 million in Iowa's broadband.

**Thank you for investing \$100 million in
Iowa's water infrastructure.**

**Thank you for investing \$200 million in grants
to registered and licensed Iowa daycare providers.**

Thank you for the expanded direct payments to Iowa families.

**Thank you for investing in our counties across Iowa,
including \$6.5 million in Lee County.**

**Kim Reynolds called the American Rescue Plan Act
a "Blue State Bailout", but is happy to give ARPA money
to our communities without giving credit where credit is due.
Chuck Grassley and Marianne Miller Meeks both voted against
Iowa and Lee County receiving these funds. Biden money is helping
fight Iowa's childcare shortage; fund broadband and housing;
protect our students; and give assistance to our counties, families,
and businesses. Democrats care about Iowans.**

**Elect Democrats Mike Franken to the U.S. Senate and
Christina Bohannon to the U.S. House of Representatives.
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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

DALTON R. ROSE

Dalton Robert Rose, 21 years old, of Keokuk Iowa, tragically passed away Sunday morning, July 24th, 2022. He was born on April 28th, 2001, the son of Donnie Rose of Keokuk and Andrea Chezum of Colorado. He attended the Keokuk school system. Dalton was an avid athlete, who started young with wrestling and later moved on to MMA fighting. Dalton had a passion for life, loved food and his dogs, and brought happiness to all of those he met, with a contagious smile and a big heart.



ROSE

Dalton recently had the joy of becoming a father to his precious daughter, Wrenley Grace Rose on February 14th, 2022, she survives along with her mother and his girlfriend, Hailey Finch.

Dalton is also survived by his parents Donnie and Andrea, his paternal grandfather, Robert Rose, of Keokuk, and (7) siblings; Josh (Heather) Rose of Keokuk, Michelle (Aaron) McCane of Keokuk, Sara (Rose) Smith of Mississippi, Ariel Rose of Florida, Donnie (Macey) Rose of Keokuk, Oscar Mejia of Montana, and Mercedes Mejia of Cambridge, Illinois. Other survivors include many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles.

Dalton was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Beverly Ann Rose, who raised him.

Special mention to be made to the Ryan Walrath, Randy Riddle, and Jason James families, all of Keokuk, who each played a key role in Dalton's life, and as a family, we are forever grateful.

A celebration of life will be held at Crossview Church in Keokuk on Friday, July 29th at 1 pm officiated by Kevin Hardcastle, with family meeting friends for visitation from 10 am to 1 pm directly before the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations or memorials can be made to Hailey Finch on behalf of Wrenley Rose.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.dejongsfuneralhome.com.

DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home of Keokuk is in charge of arrangements.

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OBITUARIES

DORIS I. ROBERTSON

Doris Irene (Reid) Robertson, 85, of Keokuk, died Monday, July 25, 2022 at Southeast Iowa Regional Hospital in Ft. Madison, after a brief illness.

Doris was born on July 12, 1937 in Keokuk Iowa, to Oaklyn James and Etta (Teller) Reid. She was united in marriage to Donald Robertson on September 4, 1955. He preceded her in death on October 21, 2018.



ROBERTSON

She graduated from Keokuk Senior High School in 1955 and worked for several years as a telephone operator for Northwestern Bell in Keokuk. She was a bookkeeper for the Keokuk City Employees Credit Union from 1970-1974 and then the City Clerk's office for 26 years, becoming the Finance Manager for the City of Keokuk until retiring in January 1999.

Doris was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ and served as Treasurer of the Consistory, a Trustee for three years and various other committees for the church. She was a member of P.E.O. chapter U. Doris enjoyed bowling in her younger years and golf with the ladies of the Elk's on Thursday mornings. Other interests over the years included needlework, sewing, birds, and her flower garden. Her greatest joy was family time and holiday gatherings, especially catching up with her grandsons and keeping up with her great-grandkids activities.

Doris and Don enjoyed traveling after their retirement, including trips to Europe and Hawaii. They hosted a High School Exchange Teacher in 1979 that was from Uruguay and maintained a lifetime relationship, which they cherished.

Doris is survived by her son, Daniel Robertson (Amy) of Keokuk, daughter, Diana Robertson (Susan Butterfield) of Lawrence, KS, and son-in-law, Steve Johnson of Hamilton IL. She is also survived by two grandsons, Jeremy Robertson (Darlene) of Jacksonville, FL. and Nathan Robertson (Jamie) of Cedar Rapids IA and three great-grandchildren, Kayla, Brady, and Blake of Cedar Rapids IA.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and stepfather, Ernest Fickle, her daughter, Deborah Johnson, her brother, Thomas Reid, and sister, Mary Anne Roberts.

A funeral service will be held 2:00 pm, Thursday, July 28 at Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Reverend Milo Van Veldhuizen officiating. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. with the family meeting with friends at that time.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Paul United Church of Christ in Keokuk, or the Arthritis Foundation, PO Box 96280, Washington, DC. 20077.

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

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PATRICIA R. STEFFENSMEIER

Patricia "Pat" Rose Steffensmeier, 81, of St. Paul, Iowa, passed away on July 22, 2022, after a courageous battle with cancer surrounded by her loved ones who will continue to honor her legacy by living their lives to the fullest. Born on December 19, 1940, Pat was the daughter of Albert and Viola (Schwartz) Lampe and was the second of eleven children. She married Daniel Steffensmeier on September 7, 1963, at Saint John's Catholic Church in Houghton, Iowa.



As a devout Catholic, Pat attended Saint John's Catholic School in Houghton, Iowa. She was a member of Saint James Catholic Church in Saint Paul, Iowa. She served on the parish council, was an officer of the Altar and Rosary Society, and sang beautifully in the parish choir for nearly 40 years. Pat was also a member of the Saint James quilters.

Pat worked at Northwestern Bell in Fort Madison, Iowa, and continued to serve others as a volunteer teacher's aid at Marquette Elementary School in Houghton, Iowa, for more than twenty years. Pat had an amazing love of nature and could identify nearly every bird, plant, flower, or insect. Her grandkids were fascinated by this knowledge as well as her insect and rock collections which helped them receive wonderful accolades on many school science projects. She also loved following her grandkids' activities, cooking wonderful meals for her family, going down to the ponds, watching the hummingbirds, tending to her flowers, and wintering in Arizona.

She is survived by her husband, Dan; children: Mike (Jan) of Columbus, Ohio, Marty (Amy) of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Scott (Raelynn) of Roanoke, Indiana, and Julie (Jamie) of Waverly, Iowa; fifteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren; siblings: Larry (Ruth) Lampe of Houghton, Iowa, Dave (Linda) of Lockridge, Iowa, Joyce (Darrell) Moeller of Salem, Iowa, Vicki Arnold of Keosauqua, Iowa, Kathy (Carl) Elston of Quincy, Illinois, Joe (Lora) Lampe of Houghton, Iowa, Jerry Lampe of Houghton, Iowa, Alan (Beth) of Des Moines, Iowa, and Tom (Lois) of Metamora, Illinois; many nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Dennis who died in infancy.

Visitation will begin after 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 28, 2022, at Saint James the Less Catholic Church in Saint Paul. The family will receive friends from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. A parish rosary will be recited at 4:00 p.m. and a Christian wake service will be at 6:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022, at Saint James the Less Catholic Church in Saint Paul with Father Dan Dorau as celebrant.

Burial will be held in Saint James Cemetery in Saint Paul, Iowa.

A memorial has been established in her memory for Saint James the Less Catholic Church.

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

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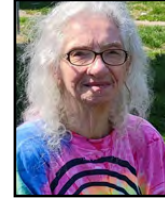
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ELIZABETH S. HOUSTON

Elizabeth "Betty" Steele Houston, 80, of Quincy, IL formerly of Keokuk, died Sunday, July 24, 2022 at the Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL.

She was born November 19, 1941 in Canton, MO the daughter of Thomas Fredrick and Kathryn Ruth Morton Price.



HOUSTON

She graduated from the Keokuk High School with the Class of 1960. On November 19, 1961, Elizabeth was united in marriage to Russell "Blackie" Steele, Jr. in Canton, MO. He preceded her in death on January 6, 1988. She then married Lloyd Houston. He preceded her in death.

Elizabeth was employed at Ayerco in Alexandria, MO for over four years and then Lee County Home in Keokuk for over 13 years.

When living in Keokuk she attended the Calvary Foursquare Church. She enjoyed attending Bible studies and the fellowship.

Elizabeth enjoyed listening to Christian music, working in her flower garden, and watching the sun rise, sun set and star gazing. She enjoyed the beauty of rainbows and appreciating anything that God created. The glistening of the sun on the water was like seeing diamonds on the water.

She is survived by four daughters, Corrina Steele of Quincy, Rose Taylor (Timothy) of Alexander, ND, Marla Earnst of Quincy, and Tanya Steele-Bennett (Chris) of Quincy, eleven grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. She is also survived by one sister, Edith Filz of Bowen, IL, two brothers, John Price of Eden Prairie, MN and Tom Price, Jr. of Hamilton, IL, along with many nieces and nephews.

Besides her husbands, she was also preceded in death by one grandchild and one sister, Margaret Newberry.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with Pastor Dan Davis officiating. Burial will be in the Keokuk National Cemetery.

Visitation will be after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with family meeting with friends from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to the family.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

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

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AIRPORT COMMISSION**
Date: **MONDAY,
AUGUST 1, 2022**
Time: **6:00 P.M.**
Place: **Municipal Airport
50 Airport Road,
Fort Madison, IA 52627**
AGENDA

ROLL CALL
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
BUSINESS:
1.Runway Lighting Project Review
2.Painting Grant and Work Review
3.Projects associated with \$22,000 in Delphi
4.Other Business
AIRPORT MANAGERS REPORT
ADJOURNMENT

**PUBLIC NOTICE
MEETING MINUTES
Donnellson City Council
Special Meeting
Monday June 28th, 2022
6:00PM, City Hall**

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

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

Motion by Newton, second by Weber to approve FYE 2022 bills: all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to approve the White Tiger Exhibit to be at the Lee County Fair July 5th through the 10th: all ayes.

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

Dave Ellingboe, Mayor
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INGRAM, Books ... 275.44
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CENTRAL TANK COATINGS, Exterior and Interior Work 64,000.00
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CLAIMS TOTAL 120,752.69

**PUBLIC NOTICE
MEETING MINUTES
Donnellson City Council
Regular Meeting
Tuesday July 5th, 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.

Motion by Newton, second by Marshall to approve the agenda: all ayes.

Citizen comments – None.

Motion by Estrada, second by Weber to approve the minutes of the June '22 meetings: all ayes.

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

Motion by Moeller, second by Weber to approve the June '22 disbursements and July '22 bills to be allowed: all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Weber to approve new water connection at 716 University: all ayes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Moeller to approve new water and sewer connection at 303 Chestnut: all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Estrada to approve new Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Outdoor Service for R&T Stumble Inn Inc 516 N Main: all ayes.

Amanda Rogers w/ The Best You Coalition gave an update on their happenings and opportunities for the community.

Citizen Concern, metal sticking up out of street at University & Chestnut. City to dig down and cut metal below the surface and repair street.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to approve the first reading of Ordinance 191 An Ordinance Amending The Code of Ordinances of the City of Donnellson, Iowa, By Amending Date & Time of monthly council meetings: RCV all ayes.

ORDINANCE NO. 191

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DONNELLSON, IOWA, BY AMENDING DATE AND TIME OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

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

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 17.04(1) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Donnellson, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

17.04 COUNCIL MEETINGS. Procedures for giving notice of meetings of the Council and other provisions regarding the conduct of Council meetings are contained in Section 5.06 of this Code of Ordinances. Additional particulars relating to Council meetings are the following:

1. Regular Meetings. The regular meetings of the Council are on the second Monday of each month at 7:30pm., at Council Chambers at City Hall. If such day falls on a legal holiday, the meeting is held the following day at the same time unless a different day or time is determined by the Council.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY 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 be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Motion by Newton, second by Moeller to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 191: RCV all ayes. Passed and approved by council July 5th 2022.

Motion by Marshall, second by Moeller to approve the first reading of Ordinance No 192 An Ordinance Amending The Code of Ordinances of the City of Donnellson, Iowa, By Amending Abatement of Nuisance by written notice: RCV all ayes.

ORDINANCE NO. 192

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DONNELLSON, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE BY WRITTEN NOTICE.

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

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 50.06(1) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Donnellson, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

50.06 ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE BY WRITTEN NOTICE. Any nuisance, public or private, may be abated in the manner provided for in this section: (Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])

1. Contents of Notice to Property Owner. The notice to abate shall contain: †

A. Description of Nuisance. A description of what constitutes the nuisance.

B. Location of Nuisance. The location of the nuisance.

C. Acts Necessary to Abate. A statement of the

act or acts necessary to abate the nuisance.

D. Reasonable Time. A reasonable time within which to complete the abatement.

E. Assessment of City Costs. A statement that if the nuisance or condition is not abated as directed and no request for hearing is made within the time prescribed, the City may abate it and assess the cost against the property owner or proceed with a municipal infraction or proceed with abatement as allowed by the Code of Iowa.

F. Subsequent Notice. If the same nuisance continues or is created or maintained within six months of the notice, the city may abate such nuisance without additional notice.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY 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 be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Motion by Estrada, second by Weber to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 192: RCV all ayes. Passed and approved by council July 5th 2022.

Council reviewed the 2021-22 Insurance Premium Audit.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Report – water tower painting is complete. Street work will be starting this month.

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.

There being no other business to come before the Council, motion by Moeller, second by Weber, Mayor Ellingboe declared the meeting adjourned: all ayes.

Dave Ellingboe, Mayor
Attest: Rebecca Schau, City Clerk

Summary of All Receipts: General \$43,174.40 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$15,519.17 Employee Benefit \$1,309.95 Local Option Sales Tax \$9,623.02 Debit Service \$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$22,877.90 Water Sinking USDA \$1,816.00

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Sewer \$28,023.82 Sewer Sinking \$0. Summary of All Disbursements: General \$28,780.92 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$9,888.31 Employee Benefit \$11,219.23 Local Option Sales Tax \$17,108.00 Debit Service \$0 Capital Project Fund \$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$21,000.00 Water \$70,852.90 Water Sinking \$1,816.00 Sewer \$9,006.57 Sewer Sinking \$0.	Bentonite 10.99 ECONO SIGNS, Signs 1,473.86 HUFFMAN'S FARM AND HOME, Misc supplies 15.97 IOWA LEAGUE OF CIT-IES, Dues 835.00 CESSFORD CON-STRUCTION CO, Rock 534.65 IOWA DNR, Annual Water Supply Fee 97.48 DONNELLSON FIRE ASSN, Fire Dept Levy 6,354.24 DISPLAY SALES, Xmas Lights 2,496.00 CITY OF WEST POINT, Chief Wages 3,188.00 WEX BANK, Fuel 1,514.71 RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER, Bulk Water 6,462.00 KOHLMORGAN HAUL-ING, Trash Pickup 4,335.00 VERTICAL COMMUNI-CATIONS, Phone ... 59.41 CLAIMS TOTAL 30,773.97
AFLAC, Aflac 80.76 ALLIANT ENERGY, Street Lights 1,472.00 TODD HERDRICH, Reim-burse Cellphone 50.00 TODD HERDRICH, Cloth-ing Allowance..... 250.00 REBECCA SCHAU, Eye-wear Allowance..... 250.00 GREEN ACRES CLUB, Pool Support..... 1,000.00 DONNELLSON LUMBER CO, Misc supplies... 33.24 DAILY DEMOCRAT, PROCEEDINGS... 260.66 MT. HAMILL ELEVATOR,	

Group needs \$60K per veteran home

HOMES - Continued from Page 1

when they approached Fort Madison City Council for support. The city went a step further and found a lot for the first two homes at the northeast corner of 29th Street and Avenue J.

Kistner said the group will build two homes on the lot with driveways in the back off the alley. He said they try to limit construction to two to three homes for each lot, so there is no stigma to the neighborhoods. He said plans are in place for additional lots in the future, including a private donation that is currently in the works.

But he said the group needs to generate funds for the construction. Kistner said donations can be made one-time or on a monthly basis. Donations can also be made through the group's signing events. They will have events at the Sweet Corn festival, at the Watermelon Festival, Mexican Fiesta, and at the Tri-State Rodeo.

Fort Madison Mayor Matt Mohrfeld said the hearts are in the right place on this project. He said the untapped resource, ironically, has been veterans.

"They put some veterans in the room to get some input and they were so excited about it," Mohrfeld said. "There were people from veterans' boards at the meeting and they started kicking around some really good ideas. It was a great bunch and it's pretty cool what's going on."

City Councilmen Jack Gray and Tom Schulz, both military veterans, were also in on the discussions Tuesday night.

"This is really an amazing thing to get in our little town," Schulz said. "I'm glad someone took an interest in Fort Madison as a location. I don't think people realize the number of combat veterans in Fort Madison that were in the desert. There's a lot."

The signing events include people being able to sign the 2x4s that are used in the foundation of the homes. The veterans who are getting the homes get to walk through during the first two days of construction to see the signatures and support of the community in their home.

Kistner said the efforts aren't just to get at-risk veterans in homes, but to get them all the support they need.

"When a veteran takes a home, they will get some paperwork that has numbers for veterans' support and resources. Some of them may not know where to go and some are too proud to ask for help. They need to know these services are here for them," Kistner said.

Construction takes eight days per home. Volunteer workers start on Saturday and by the following, Sunday organizers hand the keys over to the veterans. Kistner said typically there are about 100 volunteers working to build the homes over the eight days.

"We don't turn anyone away. It may look like chaos on the first weekend, but it's an organized chaos," she said. "We put skilled people in place and then put three or four volunteers with them so we have a bunch of little groups working together. It's pretty amazing within the first two hours the four exterior walls are built and up and by the end of Sunday night the whole exterior is done, shingled and sided and the electric is roughed in, it's insulated and drywalled."

The group is holding monthly meetings at the Eagles Club and the community is invited. Kistner said if the community isn't involved in the project, it won't work.

"Our hope is to get enough monthly partners donating - say 1,000 people donating \$10 a month, then there won't be any issue and we can build one or two houses per year," he said.

A fundraiser has been set for September at Rodeo Park. The group is hosting an Escape Rodeo Park Zombie Run on Sept. 24 beginning at 5 p.m. for kids 5-12 and a main event for older people starting at 6:30. The event is framed around the game of tag with 10 safe zones sponsored by area businesses. As people get tagged by "zombies" they become infected and then are part of the zombie squad. Each participant has to try and get to all 10 safe zones. The last one remaining is the winner.

An after party starts at 9 p.m. with the band Non Grata performing in the pavillion at Rodeo Arena. The band is donating their services to the event.

For more information visit the group's Facebook Page at 2x4s for Hope-Lee County at the following link: <https://www.facebook.com/2x4s-forhopeleecounty>.

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11:00-11:30

- **ECC**
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- **YMCA**
220 – 26th St
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11:50-12:10

- **Victory Park**
23rd St & Ave F
(playground)

12:30-12:50

- **Richardson Elem.**
33rd St & Ave L
(playground)

1:00-1:20

- **Salvation Army**
1415 Ave M
(south side)

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PREMIER SPONSOR (\$1,500):

This is the headline sponsor with naming rights for the golf outing. The premier sponsor has the opportunity to display their banner at the venue, have their business as a hole sponsor, and have their logo and name displayed on all marketing materials and social media posts for the event.

HOSPITALITY SPONSOR (\$750):

The golf outing includes lunch, dinner, and beverages for event participants. Our hospitality sponsors will be recognized during lunch and dinner, and also be included near the areas beverages are served. Hospitality sponsors are allowed signage at the lunch, dinner, and beverage locations.

HOLE SPONSOR (\$150):

Each hole will have display signs showcasing businesses and organizations serving as a hole sponsor. Multiple businesses/organizations may be displayed on each tee box throughout the course.

ON-COURSE GAMES (\$250):

Part of what makes a golf event like this a memorable experience are the on-course games/contests. These sponsors will be recognized on the course, in the program, and during the awards ceremony. On-course games include, but are not limited to, long drive, longest putt, and closest to the pin. We can even customize an on-course game to highlight your business!

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If you have any questions, please contact:

Eric Van Ausdall - eric@myconnectionbank.com | **Scott Fogarty** - scottjfoarty@gmail.com



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