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# PAW looks to raise \$125K



Beside the poin

## Parents are the gears that turn booster programs

**I** sat about a month ago with FMHS Athletic Booster president Mark Cartwright in the MPR room at Fort Madison High School.

I saw a man tired... a retired veteran who spends most of his time at the high school athletic facilities representing the Fort Madison Athletic Boosters. What he should be doing is enjoying the downhill ride of life on that threewheeled motorcycle his famous for zoom, zooming around town on.

Mark is the father of current FMHS assistant football coach Andrew Cartwright and has been a part of the booster program since his son was a youngster.

Mark spoke with me at length about the booster program and how the program, like many volunteer-based programs in the area, is struggling to find volunteers.

Athletic boosters throughout time have excelled because there's always a new crop of students coming into the programs and typically those students' parents were engaged with their children's success and wanted to offer support where it was needed.

Many parents are still engaged and want to help the programs grow as a supplement to their child's participation. But as most have experienced, volunteers are tough to find in today's world. Even social groups are having trouble keeping numbers viable to be productive in their communities. Something has changed, but it needs to change back. Athletic programs are a commitment - not just of funds or the occasional stack of PowerAde or water, but of time. Cartwright told me he just didn't have

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Kris Rotunda "officiates" a trivia contest where contestants take a pie to the face for wrong answers at last year's Jordan's Way event at Fort Madison's PAW Animal Shelter.

country."

## **JORDAN'S WAY:** Livestream returns to Fort Madison after successful 2021 event

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG** PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Kris Rotunda helped raise close to \$40,000 in March of 2021 for the Fort Madison PAW Animal Shelter. This year he wants blow the roof off the place.

Rotunda's Jordan's Way program is a 4-hour live video blog in a zany format that has no agenda but to raise funds for animal shelters across the country.

In 2021 the PAW Shelter, under the direction of Sandy Brown and at the direction of Rotunda, raised \$38,000 in four

### **LCEDG/Career Center**

## Benjamin added to Lee County Economic group team

#### **BY CHUCK VANDENBERG** PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY - The picture of Lee County Economic Development Group and it's Career Advancement Center gets clearer by the week.

Last week, LCEDG announced the addition of Emily Benjamin as Vice President of



Benjamin joined the LCEDG team Aug. 15 after being courted by the LCEDG board and CEO Dennis Fraise. She comes

from a community relations position with Freeport McMoRan's Clymax Molybdenum in Fort

Madison.

hours which was the third highest amount raised in the coun-

"I'm not happy about that. Not a bit," she quipped. "This year

The funds will go toward a monster project. The PAW orga-

nization is in the middle of planning the construction of a \$6.8

million new shelter just north of the current facility on 48th

That third place didn't sit well with Brown. Not at all.

we're gonna raise \$100,000 and be the top fundraiser in the

try in the Jordan's Way program.

Benjamin said she's hoping to build on that role with LCEDG.

"What I love about economic development is the opportunity to do what is in the best interest of our communities as a whole," Benjamin said. "I learned so much

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## Sports Hounds win 22-13 Bloodhounds hold onto County Seat with win at Keokuk

Boyer accounts for 300 plus in win over county rival Chiefs.

#### BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP PCC Sports

KEOKUK — Opening games are never works of art, which is why you just want to win and keep moving ahead.

It's what Fort Madison football coach Derek Doherty said his team is going to do after Friday's 22-13 win over Keokuk at Calvert Stadium.

The Bloodhounds kept the County Seat trophy by striking for big plays to answer the Chiefs.

"It was a rock 'em-sock 'em game with the momentum," Doherty said. "I'm sure they felt like they were sloppy. And I know we felt like we were sloppy. The momentum game, that was big for us."

The Bloodhounds always seemed to have an answer for the Chiefs. They took a 13-7 lead into halftime, putting together a 10-play, 66yard touchdown drive after Keokuk had tied the game with an 11-play touchdown drive on the

previous possession. Aidan Boyer's 68-yard touchdown pass to Henry Wiseman in the third quarter came just two plays after Keokuk had tied the game at 13.

"Our offense clicked," said Boyer, who threw for 188 yards and ran for 113 while accounting for all three of the Bloodhounds' touchdowns. "It was not as good as we want it to be. But we made the right plays when we needed them. And that's a good thing."

Boyer's 20-yard touchdown run on third-andgoal in the first quarter capped an 11-play drive that put Fort Madison up 7-0.

Keokuk tied the game in the second quarter on Malachai Douglas' 1-yard touchdown run, but the Bloodhounds came back with 23-yard touchdown pass from Boyer to Leif Boeding for a 13-7 lead.

The Chiefs tied the game in the third quarter on Douglas' 2-yard touchdown run. But two plays into the next possession Boyer connected with Wiseman on a deep pass down the middle, with Wiseman breaking away for the touchdown.

Fort Madison sealed the win in the closing minutes on Boeding's 24yard field goal.

The Bloodhounds have won five of the last six games in the Lee County rivalry.

"They had some explosive plays, we had some explosive plays," Doherty said. "We're just glad to get out of town with this one."

Teague Smith had 72 rushing yards on 13 carries for the Bloodhounds. Boyer was 12-of-19 passing. Wiseman had four catches for 129 yards,



Photo by John Lovretta Special to Pen City Current

Fort Madison High School's Henry Wiseman (3) pulls in the reception before scoring a touchdown during the second half of their game against Keokuk High School, Friday, August 26, 2022 at Keokuk's Calvert Stadium.

while Kane Williams had five receptions for 27 yards.

Fort Madison plays host to West Burlington-Notre Dame next Friday.

"We know who we want to be," Boyer said. "We're going to look at this game all week and learn from it. I'm disappointed right now. But it's a victory and I'll take a victory over anything."

"A big game like this, getting the first one out of the way, that's big," Doherty said. "We're still trying to figure out who we are. We're really green, if you will, for experience. But we've got some things we need to work out if we want to win some more ball games."

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## **Obituaries/From the Front**

## FM boosters need parents to get back "in the game"

#### **BOOSTERS** - Continued from Page 1

much left in the tank and that it was critical that people with students in the program step up so that the important work of raising funds for scholarships and equipment continues. Those funds come from manning concession stands and working fundraisers.

Sure there are great volunteers in our community, Mark's one of them. But typically, and I get around more than most, it's the same people.

We have great coaches...GREAT COACHES and we have some great parents that pull the cart, but what really makes the gears turn is a great database of people to call on.

The more you have, the more you can do.

We have businesses that give very generously financially and in-kind to keep Bloodhound sports programs moving forward.

But think about this. What if not enough people step forward to make that board viable for years to come.

Think about what goes away if that goes away - and think about what comes next. Pay to play?

When I get my hamburger at the softball game or a bottle of water at Youel Field, I see the same people working the stand year in and year out.

If you're child is playing step up and say "What can I do. Where can I help". Call Mark he'll hook you up with the right people.

I can't remember the last time I went to a basketball game or wrestling match at the Hound Dome and Mark didn't have to sneak a peak at the door as the popcorn was popping because he couldn't get away from manning the station. He should be leading with his experience and knowledge, leading the charges of a vast group ofvolunteers who want to see Bloodhound programs exceed expectations, not just meet them.

If there's a message that needs sent, let this serve as that message. Without people, there is no program. Any good leader will tell you that.

And along those lines, let's hope that a bevy of people show up Monday for the Jordan's Way fundraiser at PAW Animal Shelter. Last year Kris Rotunda led a four-hour circus that raised close to \$40,000 for the no-kill animal shelter. This year they're going for \$100,000, and if the thing goes crazy, director Sandy Brown won't shy away from shooting for \$200,000. She wants to be the top event in the country. She just might get there , but she too will need us - But that's Beside the Poin.

Chuck Vandenberg is editor and co-owner of Pen City Current and can be reached at charles.v@pencitycurrent.com.



#### **OBITUARIES**

#### GANSEY RONALD S.

Ronald Steve Gansy, 85, Donnellson, Iowa died August 18, 2022 at the Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice House, West Burlington, Iowa. He was born April 6, 1937 at Fort Madison, Iowa, a son of Steve and Maxine Hazel (Finley) Gansy. On June 22,



1958, he married Marilyn Kay Sulzberger, they had four children: Deb, Karen, Brian, and Brent. She preceded him in death August 14, 2013. On November 14, 2015 he married Carol Kephart. She preceded him in death on March 16, 2017.

GANSEY

He was a lifelong resident of the Fort Madison area. In 1955, he graduated from Fort Madison High School, and later attended the University of Iowa. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force

serving from 1956 to 1960. He retired as a shift supervisor for Chevron in 1988 after 35 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, spending time with his

family and traveling with his wife, Marilyn.

He is survived by four children: Deb (Joe) Kokjohn of Fort Madison, Iowa; Karen Malcom of New London, Iowa; Brian (Melissa) Gansy of Ottawa, Kansas and Brent (Stacey) Gansy of Fort Madison; eight grandchildren: Chad (Courtney) Kokjohn, Curt (Morgan) Kokjohn, Chris (Calean)



Kokjohn, Kala Holtkamp, Dakotah Malcom, Steven Gansy, Nicole Gansy, and Kanyon (Katie) Gansy; and eight great grandchildren: Kaiden, Cael, Colton, Cooper, Finley, Colin, Cohen, and Bennett. He is also survived by Carol's family: Robert (Carol) Kephart of Donnellson, Iowa; Angela (Randy) Kruse of Salem, Iowa; John Smithburg of New London, Iowa; and Katrina (Kevin) Gipple of Mount Pleasant, Iowa; eleven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, both wives, Marilyn and Carol, and one granddaughter, Brianna.

A private graveside service and burial will be at the Claypoole Cemetery, rural Wever, Iowa, with Reverend Dean Graber officiating. A memorial has been established for Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice and PAWS, contributions may be mailed to the Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison. Online condolences to the Gansy Family may be made from the Barr Memorial Chapel, <u>www.barrmemorial-</u> chapel.com.



## **Lunch Specials** Aug 29 - Sept 2 11am - 1pm

Monday, August 29 Smoked Ham, Cheese Potatoes, Baked Beans

Tuesday, August 30

Tater Tot Casserole, Green Beans

Wednesday, August 31 Sloppy Joes, Potato Salad, Blueberry Fluff

Thursday, September 1 Fried Chicken Dinners



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## Sports

## Hawks ground game intact, but fall in final minutes to VB

DONNELLSON - Central Lee's ground game was on full display Friday night in the season opener, but a failed-two point conversion left the Hawks just short of their first win since 2019.

Junior quarterback Cory Jones threw for just one yard on one completion on the night, but the Hawks weren't counting on his arm.

Jones opened the scoring with a 45-yard keeper for a touchdown on the Hawks first possession for a 6-0 lead. Jones would finish with 78 yards on nine carries.

Sophomore Chase Johnson carried the bulk of the workload for Central Lee amassing 130 yards on 20 carries for a 6.5 per carry average.

The Hawks would hold the 6-0 advantage through the first quarter before the Warriors got on the board on a one-yard plunge. Van Buren was able to put the 2 pt. conversion over the line for an 8-6 lead and that would be all the scoring in the first half.

The Warriors would score again on the first possession of the second half on 20-year run, but this time the Hawks defense held on the conversion keeping the game within a score at 14-6.

Junior Hunter Gregory would scamper in from 3-yards out with 4:46 left in the third and Johnson would cap it with the two-pointer to tie things up going into the fourth quarter at 14-all.

Van Buren would again grind out a score to take the lead at 20-14 with just over six minutes left in the game.

But the Hawks had their sights on the programs first win since Oct. 25, 2019 and marched back down the field mixing up the run game. Johnson would get into the endzone with 2:17 left to tie the game, but Van Buren's defense put up a stop on the conversion try and was able to run out the clock.

Head Coach Chuck Banks used seven different players out of the backfield, led by Johnson and Jones. Gregory finished with 38 yards and senior Corbin Pohren chipped in with 30 on five carries. Blake Bergman had the only catch of the night for Central Lee for one yard.

Pohren led the Hawks on defense with 9.5 tackles including seven solo. Johnson had seven total tackles from his inside linebacker spot. Brody Fuller had a sack for Central Lee (0-1).

The Hawks travel to Cardinal of Eldon Friday night to take on the Comets who fell 20-0 to Pekin on the road.



Extractions

## HTC girls have lofty expectations

FORT MADISON - It sounds strange to say it, given the fact that Holy Trinity has made so many state tournament trips in its volleyball history.

But the Crusaders' journey to the Class 1A state semifinals was important for so many players who hadn't been to the tournament before.

The Crusaders missed going in 2020, and last season most of the players in the rotation hadn't had a chance to play in the tournament.

'Those kids hadn't been there," said Holy Trinity coach Melissa Freesmeier. "We had a couple of players who had played there (in 2019). The rest of them were pretty green. So it was kind of nice to get their feet wet. It was good for them to see the court was the same size, they just had to breathe a little bit."

The Crusaders are favored to make it back to the tournament, which moves to Coralville this season after a lengthy run in Cedar Rapids. They're ranked No. 1 in Class 1A as they prepare for this weekend's season opener at the Bondurant-Farrar



HTC junior Natalie Randolph was lost indefinitely with a preseason knee injury for the topranked Lady Crusaders.

Tournament.

Holy Trinity brings most of last season's team that went 33-11 back.

The Crusaders, though, will be without junior Natalie Randolph, who is out with a knee injury suffered in practice. Randolph had 266 kills and 428 assists last season in Holy Trinity's 6-2 offense, production that will have to be made up somewhere.

Still, Holy Trinity's roster is deep with talent.

Junior Mary Kate Bendlage and senior Brooke Mueller anchor the outside hitting attack. Bendlage had 244 kills and Mueller had 199 last season.

"They feed off each other," Freesmeier said. "They're a different type of player, which is nice to see. Brooke's got the finesse, and MK's got the shot. That will be fun to see how they develop as the year progresses."

Senior Kayla Box, who anchored the middle last season and led the team with 63 blocks, returns. She'll be joined in the middle by junior Reagan Holvoet and freshman Presley Meyers, a 6-foot freshman transfer from New London. Taegan Denning will be on the right side, and Teagan Snaadt, Laura Mehmert, Jenna Hellman and Alexa Dingman are candidates for the back-row defensive specialist spots.

"We have a lot of options there, which is good," Freesmeier said.

Sophomore Anna Bendlage will take one of the setter spots, with Randolph's spot to be determined.

"We want to run fast," Freesmeier said. "But to run fast, we have to serve-receive well. We've got great servers, we've got great setters. We've got great passers, but can we get the setters the ball so we can run quick?"

The Crusaders will face a deep SEI Superconference South Division that includes No. 8 (Class 1A) Notre Dame, the defending state champion, and No. 4 (Class 2A) West Burlington. It's a schedule that will

once again challenge the Crusaders.

"Our conference is going to be tough," Freesmeier said. "There's nobody in there you can take for granted. It's great. "I think it gives our kids confidence that we can play with the big guns. That's only going to make us better."



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## **Classifieds/Public Notices**

# PEN CITY CURRENT CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE Lee County Conservation Board Agenda August 30, 2022 Lee County Conservation Center\* 2652 Hwy 61 Montrose, IA 52639 8:00 a.m.

1. Workshop – Board & staff to tour all of LCCB's properties in preparation for strategic planning \*This will be a mobile meeting with the Lee

County Conservation Center as the starting point.

Hearing and vision assistance available upon request. Citizens are welcome to all LCCB meetings.

Next regular meeting – September 21st

#### PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 8/16/2022

The Fort Madison City Council met in adjourned session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, 8/16/2022, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Rink, Gray, Amandus, Schulz, Bowker and Andrews present. Council Member Cangas was absent.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 8/2/2022; Liquor License Renewal: Liquor License Renewal: Vel's Amigos, effective 9/22/2022 and Fort Madison Sports Complex, effective 8/10/2022; New 5-Day License: Fort Madison Mexican Fiesta, effective 9/14/2022; Claims dated 8/18/2022, July Manual Claims, July Financial Report; and Payroll of August 12, 2022. On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance rezoning 1629, 1633, and 1641 - 33rd Street from R-4, Single Family Dwelling District to I-1, Limited Industrial District. On motion, Council approved Ordinance No. D-89, amending Title 1 Administration, Chapter 4, General Penalty, Section 2, Procedures and Penalties for Municipal Infractions to add a civil penalty for each day of an ongoing violation.

2022-75, approving the Mayor's signature on Change Order #1, for PIP 2020-02, Airfield Lighting Improvements. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-76, approving the Mayor's signature on a Garbage Pickup Agreement with Iowa Midwest Properties, Inc., for garbage collection at Sycamore Court

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EXPENDITURES	
General	\$125,121.84
Special Revenue	209,864.2
Road Use	50,698.88
Capital	920,558.7 <i>°</i>
Water	36,877.73
Sewer	24,468.4
Solid Waste/IWC	36,925.58
SW Utility	1,014.17
	\$1,405,529.53
REVENUES	
General	\$ 105,174.66
Special Rev.	5,925.46

General	\$ 105,174.66
Special Rev.	5,925.46
Road Use	45.00
Water	58,188.11
	\$169,333.23
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#### CLAIMS 8/16/2022

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## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

South, 5836 Avenue O. Andrews left the message at 5:45 P.M. A discussion was then held regarding sewer rates.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 P.M. until 5:30 P.M., September 6, 2022.

/s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor

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

PAYROLL	8/12/2022
General	\$209,265.10
Old Fort	6,932.55
Road Use	29,469.37
Water	28,047.69
Sewer	37,775.49
Solid Waste	16,044.52
Airport	486.54
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	\$330,967.16

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VEHICLES...... 1,420.00 **RELIANT FIRE APPA-**RATUS, INC, AIR BAG SEAT ..... 196.46 SAFELITE AUTO GLASS, **REPLACED WINDOW** SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY, L.L.C., CAR ESCAPE TOOLS ..... 159.50 SHOTTENKIRK SUPER-STORE, PAN ...... 159.98 SOLUMLANG, BUILDING PLANS...... 4,500.00 SOUTHEAST IA RE-GIONAL MED, PRE-EM-PLOYMENT SCREEN STATE HYGIENIC LABO-RATORY, WATER SAM-PLES ..... 170.50 STERLING CODIFIERS, CODIFICATION OF OR-DINANCES ...... 2,400.00 TRI-STATE LAWN SER-VICE LLC, NUISANCE TRITECH FORENSICS, COLLECTION KITS TRUCK REPAIR INC., WINDSHIELD ...... 461.58 USA BLUE BOOK, RE-PAIR CLAMP/ADAPTER WESTRUM LEAK DE-

ING INC., DECALED 2

TECTION INC, WATER
LEAK SURVEY 4,200.00
WINDSTREAM, PHONE/
INTERNET 266.37
TOTAL 1,180,868.13
GENERAL 85,599.23
SPECIAL REVENUES
ROAD USE 12,526.16
CAPITAL PROJECTS
WATER 14,589.05
WASTEWATER
SOLID WASTE
AIRPORT 94,884.65
STORM WATER UTILITY
TOTAL 1,180,868.13

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On motion, Council adopted Resolution No.

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## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

WORKERS 25% OF 2022/23 PREMIUM MASTERCARD ZOOM, SUPPLIES; TRAINING MERCHANT SERVICES CREDIT CARD FEES FOR JUNE 2022 MIDWEST GROUP **BENEFITS SELF INS** CLAIMS/FLEX CLAIMS POSTMASTER, FORT MADISON WATER **BILLS/PAST DUES** POSTAGE ...... 2,059.01 **PRO MOTORSPORTS GRAVELY MOWER** PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT HYDRAULIC PUMP ...... 3,770.00 SQUARE APP CREDIT CARD FEES ...... 129.38 THACHER TREE CARE TREE REMOVAL (x7) WELLMARK BC/BS HEALTH INS PREMIUMS 2022......94,711.38 WEX BANK FUEL USAGE ...... 26,631.71 YMCA, FORT MADISON SECOND HALF OF MAN-AGEMENT FEE TOTAL ...... 224,661.40 GENERAL ...... 39,522.61 SPECIAL REVENUES ROAD USE..... 38,172.72 WATER ...... 22,288.68 WASTEWATER .....11,370.39 SOLID WASTE .. 5,633.20 AIRPORT..... 171.40

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**IOWA MUNICIPAL** 

**PUBLIC NOTICE** MINUTES **KEOKUK CITY COUNCIL MEETING** August 4, 2022 501 Main Street 5:30 P.M.

STORM WATER ... 225.00

TOTAL ..... 224,631.40

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 4,

..... 151.20 ing Enforcement Casey Barnes.

MAYOR'S CORRE-SPONDENCE: Informed of upcoming events in Keokuk.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Chris Klusak and Stacy Claus voiced concerns regarding rental inspection/registration program being discussed by the city. Scott Gibson expressed concerns regarding ADM pollution issue, informed of dumping on his property.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Winn to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

• Minutes of the Council Workshop & Regular City Council meeting of July 21, 2022;

• RESOLUTION NO. 107-2022 Approving a Liquor License for Kayvan's, 18 South 5th Street, effective August 22, 2022 – Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales;

• RESOLUTION NO. 108-2022 Approving a Liquor License for Meyer's Courtyard, 629 Blondeau Street, effective August 27, 2022 – Class C Liquor License with Living Quarters;

 Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5286-5288;

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Bryant to approve the third/final reading of an Ordinance amendment to zoning ordinance adding homeless shelter to special uses.

Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES - Crenshaw, Garcia, Winn, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald, (2) ABSENT - Helenthal and Altheide, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Andrews to adopt & give final approval of ORDINANCE NO. 2031: AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDI-NANCE ADDING HOME LESS SHELTER TO SPE-CIAL USES. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Citizens Diana Dunlap and Jennifer Sellers questioned zoning- R3/R4 in the ordinance.

AND 623 MAIN STREET." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Winn to approve the following proposed

**RESOLUTION NO.** 110-2022: "A RESO-LUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH IOWA ECONOMIC DE-**VELOPMENT AUTHOR-**ITY FOR THE UPPER STORY GRANT AGREE-MENT FOR 619, 621 AND 623 MAIN STREET." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Citizen Dorothy Cackley inquired of the structural stability of the buildings being updated.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Winn to approve the following proposed

**RESOLUTION NO. 111-**2022: "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVENUE PURPOSE STATEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF **IMPOSITION ON UTILI-**TY FRANCHISE FEES." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Citizens Dorothy Cackley and Chris Klusak voiced concerns; they are not in favor of implementing the franchise fee.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Winn to approve the following proposed

**RESOLUTION NO.** 112-2022: "A RESOLU-TION SETTING A PUB-LIC HEARING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FRANCHISE FEE ON ELECTRIC UTILITY SER-VICES." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Motion made by Andrews, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed

**RESOLUTION NO.** 113-2022: "A RESO-LUTION AUTHORIZ-ING DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES AND APPROVAL OF CON-TRACTS FOR PROP-ERTIES LOCATED AT 2127 S. 7TH. 1403 DES 6-year term to expire 7/1/2024.

Motion to approve all above By Winn, second by Garcia. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion approved.

Second notification of Risa Langedal to the Keokuk Housing Authority, 2-year term to expire 9/5/2024. First notification for Brian Carroll (Eng. Tech) term to exp 9/19/2023, Vacancy (Electrician) term to exp 9/19/2023, Susan Hanan (General) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dave Dye (Plumbing Bldg.) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dev Kiedaisch (Human Rights) term to exp 9/19/2024, Terry Twitchell (Bldg. Cont.) term to exp 9/19/2025 to Building & Housing Advisory Board, 3-year terms.

COUNCIL LIAISON RE-PORTS: Greenwald updated on Keokuk Cultural and Entertainment District events; historic property recognition and Kilbourne Band Fest on Labor Day.

STAFF REPORTS: Helenthal updated on splash pad progress and signage. O'Donnell and Wills informed ADM has likely violated consent order and permit levels. O'Donnell reported on Allied Blending expansion project, 5th ward vacancy, and 18th Street Road of Honor funding.

Motion made by Winn, second by Greenwald to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** MINUTES **KEOKUK CITY COUNCIL MEETING** August 18, 2022 501 Main Street 5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on August 18, 2022 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, one vacant & one absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Linda Altheide, Roslyn Garcia, John Helenthal (entered at 5:32), Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Dan Winn was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Water **Treatment Plant Manager** Tom Wills, Police Chief Dave Hinton, Sewer Dept. Manager Michael Clark, Housing Enforcement Casey Barnes as well as other city employees. MAYOR'S CORRE-SPONDENCE: Updated on events going on in Keokuk and surrounding area.

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

 Minutes of the Council Workshop & Regular City Council meeting of August 4, 2022;

 Cash Receipts & Treasurer's report for July 2022;

• RESOLUTION NO. 114-2022 Approving off premise 5-day Liquor License for Lucky's Irish Pub & Grub, effective September 2-6, 2022 -Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales (Special Movie Night Event);

 Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5289-5291;

Mayor Mahoney opened the public hearing at 5:33 p.m. on the implementation of Franchise Fees on Electric Utility Services. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on Friday, August 12, 2022.

COMMENTS: O'Donnell gave overview and read memo from Alliant Energy regarding billing rates/classes.

No further comments were received , Mayor Mahoney closed the public hearing at 5:45 p.m.

Motion made by Crenshaw, second by Helenthal to table the initial reading of a Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018, granting to Interstate Power & Light Company, its successors, and assigns, a non-exclusive twenty-five-year franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain and operate an electric system in the City of Keokuk, Iowa and to furnish and sell electric energy to the city and its inhabitants and requiring said company to pay a franchise fee to the city. Tabled Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the initial reading

2022: "A RESOLUTION **APPROVING HIRING** BONUS FOR CERTIFIED OFFICERS." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 117-2022: "A RES-**OLUTION APPROVING RESIDENCY INCENTIVE** FOR SWORN POLICE OFFICERS." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Helenthal to approve fourth quarter financials. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Greenwald to approve adjustment to a sewer bill for the filling of a swimming pool. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

**BOARDS & COMMIS-**SIONS: Final notification of Risa Langedal to Keokuk Housing Authority, 2-year term to expire 9/5/2024. Motion made by Garcia, second by Andrews. (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Second notification for Brian Carroll (Eng. Tech) term to exp 9/19/2023, Vacancy (Electrician) term to exp 9/19/2023, Susan Hanan (General) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dave Dye (Plumbing Bldg.) term to exp 9/19/2024, Dev Kiedaisch (Human Rights) term to exp 9/19/2024, Terry Twitchell (Bldg. Cont.) term to exp 9/19/2025 to Building & Housing Advisory Board, 3-year terms.

First notification of Sylvia Mills-Echols to the Rand Park Pavilion Commission, 5-year term to expire 10/22/2025.

Kyle Myers spoke on behalf of Historic Preservation Commission regarding reconstruction/ preservation of the historic Bawden house located at 21 N. 3rd Street. Commission requesting funds from the city to assist with preservation.

COUNCIL LIAISON RE-PORTS: Garcia reported she is involved in a small group that is applying for a historic signage grant for Oakland Cemetery. STAFF REPORTS: Wills updated on operations/issues at WPC. Informed digesters are not functioning and presented 2 bids to council for repair; C. Barnes informed of demolition project at 116 N. 7th Street; O'Donnell reported on ADM violations/noncompliance, Shelly Oltman's resignation as Director of Keokuk Chamber of Commerce, and rail bridge assistance. Motion made by Helenthal, second by Bryant to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

2022 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were six council members present, one vacant & two absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Roslyn Garcia, Dan Winn, Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Linda Altheide and John Helenthal were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Robert Helenthal, Community **Development Director** Pam Broomhall, Water **Treatment Plant Manager** Tom Wills, Police Chief Dave Hinton, Fire Chief Gabe Rose, and Hous-

Citizen Chris Klusak inquired where the funding for the shelter is coming from.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Winn to approve the following proposed

**RESOLUTION NO.** 109-2022: "A RESO-LUTION APPROVING CONTRACT WITH IOWA ECONOMIC DEVEL-**OPMENT AUTHORITY IOWA RESOURCE** CENTER FOR THE CATALYST GRANT CON-TRACT FOR 619, 621

MOINES STREET & 620 S. 14TH STREET." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve new camera systems for the Keokuk Police Department. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

**BOARDS & COMMIS-**SIONS: Final notification for Tom Odegaard to the Veterans Memorial Commission, fulfilling Scott Marlin's 5-year term to expire 6/1/2027.

Mike Greenwald to Arts and Cultural District Liaison

**Mayoral Appointments** Steve Pribyl to the Keokuk Public Library Board to fulfill Mike Marsden's

of an ordinance amending the employee residency requirements.

Roll Call Vote: (6) AYES - Crenshaw, Altheide, Garcia, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald, (1) NAY - Helenthal. (1) ABSENT - Winn, (1) VACANT.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 115-2022: "A RES-**OLUTION APPROVING REVISED PURCHASING** POLICY FOR THE CITY OF KEOKUK, IOWA." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Helenthal to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 116-**

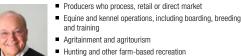
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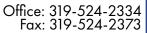
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## From the Front

## Donations taken up til 2 p.m Monday

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#### Street in Fort Madison.

Rotunda will be back on site with his livestream from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29th and Brown is inviting everyone to come out and be part of the madness.

"He's challenged us to raise \$100,000 in 30 days and we can raise that money through 2 p.m. Monday," Brown said. "That's pretty exciting. It's just a circus. Everyone come out between 10 and 2 ,bring donations and take a pie in the face. It's just fun. We're going to raise as much money as we can possibly raise. Other spontaneous events and challenges take place throughout the four-hour session.

"I'm being greedy and we're going to raise \$100,000, but I would like to raise \$125,000 and it's all going to the new shelter. If we get to \$200,000 we're gonna just keep going because we are a very good cause. It's going to be fun, and it's going to be crazier than it was last year."

Rotunda picks shelters in all 50 states for the Jordan's Way program and those that do well have the option of having him come back. Fort Madison was the top fundraiser in Iowa and now Brown has her sites set on being the best in the country.

"I want this community to be the top dog," Brown said. "And we're gonna do it. But we need everyone to come out and be a part of it. The people of this community and in the counties surrounding us, Clark, Hancock, Des Moines, Henry, Henderson, and people in New Jersey, New York, Texas, anywhere where our pets have gone, they've supported us."

Brown pointed out that the shelter receives no tax dollars for operations and all revenues that come into the shelter are from private donations and a few grants.

Anyone making a donation of more than \$50 will get a blue Jordan's Way T-shirt and Brown said everyone is asked to wear their shirt on Monday.

She said Fort Madison Mayor Matt Mohrfeld has proclaimed Monday as Jordan's Way Day in Fort Madison.

The Fort Madison Fire Department, Police Department and Lee County Sheriff's Department will be onsite and having a contest to see who can raise the most money in the four-hour period with the winner getting a trophy that

a disadvantage by being one of the first shelters that Rotunda is visiting this year, but she said that's why she's setting the lofty goals so that no one, even though they know what the bar is, will be able to outraise the PAW Shelter.

"We have to raise enough that no other shelter can beat us. If we are the 49th state in the program, I know how much we have to raise. But we do not know how much we have to raise because we're at the beginning of the tour," Brown said.

Brown shaved her head last year when the shelter went over it's fundraising goal, and she said this year when they get to \$125K others will determine what she will be required to do. She said she is open to just about anything civil...except a tatoo.

She said fundraising started on Aug. 1 and the shelter is doing really well and she has no doubt they will reach \$100K by 2 p.m., but said energy will stay high all the way through 2 p.m.

"We have a \$6.8 million shelter to build," she said. "The shelter will be wonderful for this community and the community has worked very hard to make this happen. We've done it with their help and those around us and the help of God. He has been a big part of this and you can quote me on that."

The name for the program came from Rotunda's dog Jordan who he lost after 11 years to cancer. Jordan was a 3-year shelter dog before united with Kris. Jordan was a Bull Mastiff, German Shepherd, and Samoyed mix.

Jordan's Way can be found on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/jordanswaytour.

The four-hour livestreams are watched by people all over the United States. Brown said businesses can bring a check out and their name will be mentioned in a "shout out" on the livestream. Business owners can also stick around for a pie in the face that will be captured in the livestream.

Donations can also be made at anytime up to the 2 p.m. deadline on Monday. Donations can be made now online at https://www.facebook.com/Pawfortmad-<u>ison</u>.

Look for the Jordan's Way page feed and click the donate button. Or drop a check may have to be defended in 2023. or donation by in person at 2031 48th Brown said she knows the shelter is at Street before or during the event.

## Smith, Weiss to lead career center

#### STAFF - Continued from Page 1

in that job and the idea of having a wider group of stakeholders was very interesting to me.

"It was an offer I couldn't pass up."

LCEDG also helped position the career center for a dynamic start by adding career educators Greg Smith and Dr. Don Weiss.

Smith is the former Fort Madison High School principal who retired at the end of last year. Smith also had stints as a teacher and curriculum director in





the Fort Madison system and other school systems in Iowa. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Army. He is the CAC's Chief Engagement Strategist. Weiss previously served

as the Executive Director for the Center for Business and the Dean of Career and Technical Education at Southeastern Community College. He takes over as Chief Education Strategist.

He has over 15 years of

experience as an adjunct professor teaching a variety of graduate and undergraduate courses on information technology, small business management, entrepreneurship, and start-up business plan development.

Smith has been involved in discussions around setting up the career center for the past seven years.

"We didn't discuss leadership for the center until just a couple of years ago. At the time I really was loving what we were doing at the high school and I didn't see myself leaving my kids," Smith said.

"Now that I'm retired - kinda -, I thought it was a great fit for me. I am very passionate about this work."

Smith said he made a commitment to get the center open and running, but his plan is to work a few months until things get going and then move into full retirement and spend time with his wife.

"We have worked so hard to get where we are, and as much as I love the work I'm doing, my dream is to spend a lot of time with my best friend," he said.

Smith started with the career center July 1. Weiss has been on staff at the career center for several months and is working to create a curriculum with area educators that will allow students a clearer picture of career paths.

"My focus is working with SCC and the three Lee County school districts on cur-

working with the businesses in Lee County," he said.

Weiss retired from SCC about three years ago, but said the transition from what he was doing into the new position has been pretty seamless.

"Dennis, Greg, and I have been working together on this project for well over six years already. The focus is a bit different than it was six years ago, and how we envision the Center working is a bit different than our original plan, but the goal is still the same," he said.

"We want to provide hands-on training to the high school students of Lee County that will allow them to move directly from high school graduation into good-paying jobs in Lee County in a manner that also gives them a head start in completing their associates degree at SCC, so they are best prepared to advance in their career."

He said the county high schools are important to the economic future locally.

"The high school students of Lee County are the lifeblood of the county, and we would no longer have viable communities if they continue to leave in droves," he said.

"The opportunities for careers in Lee County for our high school graduates are fantastic - just not well enough known."

Benjamin said the career center is at the forefront of the LCEDG priority list right now. She said eighth and ninth graders are currently in programming at the center, and people are already asking when 10th-12th graders will be incorporated.

She said there is also no secret that there are some infrastructure hurdles in Lee County for economic expansion, specifically natural gas.

"We're running up to capacity as far as what we can pull off the line. All companies have some long-term goals to reduce carbon emissions and that means using more gas," she said.

"So where do we find that extra infrastructure that helps us sustain existing idustry and recruit new industries to the area."

Benjamin said there's also a lot of communication around housing, unemployment, and generational poverty.

But out of the gate she's trying to get acclimated with the priorities of the board.

"Right now I'm working on better understanding what LCEDG board priorities are and their goals, but it lessens the learning curve a bit because I was already engaged in the big picture things for Lee County,"



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riculum matters, whereas Greg focuses on Benjamin said.

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