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## Four Old Breads take stage



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The culmination of some novice sleuthing comes to a head in Act 5 of the Old Fort Players' fall production "Four Old Breads" which takes the stage this week in Fort Madison.

### PLAYHOUSE: OFP veterans take stage in witty piece about senior antics

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - You get all you asked for... and then some with the Old Fort Players' fall production of "Four Old Breads"

These ladies let loose with the frustrations of growing old, including the nagging influence of their children, and a sneaking suspicion of just about everything going on in their lives - justified or not.

The Breads take stage at the OFP Playhouse at 725 Avenue G this weekend Oct. 7-9, and next week Oct. 14-16, with Friday and Saturday shows starting at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday

matinees at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available at [www.purplepass.com/ofpfall2022](http://www.purplepass.com/ofpfall2022).

This fall's production is sponsored by Pen City Current.

Four retired women in the Magnolia Senior Center in Georgia; two of whom are a couple raunchy excitement seekers, one aloof local Magnolia queen wannabe and a God Fearing anchor plan a 9-day cruise to get out of senior living center where everyone seems to be headed to "the dark side".

With the help of a retired Elvis Presley impersonator Sam Smith, played by OFP stalwart Michael Randolph, and some clandestine other support, the girls work to unravel some

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### FORT MADISON NEWS

## City gives Barker group 2-year exclusive deal on building

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The real estate company that stepped in to help the city rehab a couple historic buildings now has exclusive rights to another historic building.

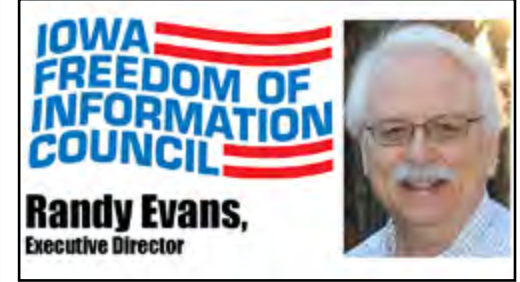
At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Fort Madison City Council, the council voted 7-0 to give Barker Financial of Iowa City a two-year exclusive option on the former Humphrey building, now called the Block building at 732 Avenue G in downtown Fort Madison.

Barker Financial is giving the city a non-refundable \$1,000 cash payment for the two year option, but Barker's will be the only entity working with the city on the purchase of the building.

The city has owned the property

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### OPINION



## "Reasonable" takes a turn that is not

"Reasonable" is a word that is used often in Iowa's laws. Reasonable fees. Reasonable rules. Reasonable efforts. Reasonable force.

But events in recent weeks show government officials are not always following what many Iowans would think the term means. And when government officials deviate from "reasonable," they should not be surprised if their standing or the stature of their agency suffers in the public's eyes.

Consider the Linn-Mar Community School District.

The district was sued last week by a Marion woman who was prohibited from attending Linn-Mar school board meetings for the next 12 months. She also was informed Marion police have been notified of her ban — a not-so-subtle caution that she could be arrested if she ignores the ban.

What was Amanda Pierce Snyder's infraction? Her "disruptive and disrespectful behavior," Superintendent Shannon Bisgard and school board president Brittanica Morey said in a letter notifying her of the punishment.

Snyder spoke up at the board's public meeting on Aug. 29 when members began talking about a contract with a consulting company, TILL360 LLC. The company was being hired to provide students with programming focused on social and emotional learning.

What got Snyder in hot water was asking an uncomfortable question of the board: How are parents to know if they want their children to sit in on the presentations by the company's speaker if parents would not learn about the specific content until after the presentations occurred?

Morey then ordered Snyder to stop talking. Snyder persisted, saying, "You are not listening to me." Morey banged her gavel and responded, "You have to leave now, ma'am. You have

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### WEATHER

WED 05 Oct.....Partly sunny with chance of showers, 74° F/ 53° F  
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FRI 07 Oct.....Sunny and cool, 54° F/ 33° F

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## For the Record/From the Front

### For the Record

**Fort Madison Police Report**  
10/03/22 - 12:01 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 3400 block of Avenue L.

10/03/22 - 2:34 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 2300 block of Avenue L.

10/03/22 - 6:28 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1900 block of Avenue D.

10/03/22 - 7:54 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1700 block of 35th Street.

10/04/22 - 8:24 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1100 block of Avenue H.

**Lee County Sheriff Report**  
09/30/22 - 5:23 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested

a 17-year-old male juvenile from Montrose. No other information was provided.

10/03/22 - 9:09 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Autumn Michel Davis, 32, of Argyle, at the intersection of South 7th and Johnson Streets, Keokuk, on a warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

10/03/22 - 9:19 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Daniel Allen Matous, 39, of Keokuk, at the intersection of South 7th and Johnson Streets, on charges of being a fugitive from justice and possession of a controlled substance. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

*Those listed above are arrested on suspicion of a charge and are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

# Broads find identities in OFP fall play

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seedy antics in play at the senior center.

Smith has a reputation of a player at the center, but suddenly becomes infatuated with one new resident in particular.

Beatrice Shelton is played by Richar Abel, a nod to "Blanche" in the hit 80's series "The Golden Girls" who's looking for love in all the right and wrong places.

Kayla Schleidt comes out from the behind the stage once again to play Imogene Fletcher, the bumbling side-kick who's hip deep in the wicked ways of head nurse-turned administrator Pat Jones, while turning the head of Mr. Smith.

Jones is played by first-timer Alicia McDuffie, who worked in high school drama productions and wanted to give a shot in the community theater. McDuffie is the take charge nurse, who aspires to be the center administrator with all the perks and potential it entails.

Carmen Grant makes her first appearance in the community theater as Jones' assistant Ruby Sue - or Betty Lou - and takes the girls to heart as an outside observer. Sherry Stice plays the soap opera addicted resident who's preoccupation with her own funeral becomes an obsession until the center's Miss Magnolia Senior Center pageant and finds maybe a new lease on life.

And OFP veteran Kelly Shields plays Eaddy, the mild-mannered God fearing cohort who at the end realized that God probably allows for some joy and the setting aside of certain reluctances, on the path to righteousness.

This one carries a lively storyline in a 6-act play with



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Sam Smith (Michael Randolph), an Elvis impersonator, woos the heart of Imogene (Kayla Schleidt) in the early going of "Four Old Broads".

an 15-minute intermission. The girls work hard to uncover whatever is afoot at the senior center, while Richar Abel's Beatrice Shelton keeps moving the action toward - more action - for the girls.

In the end persistence might prevail, but the girls certainly find their own identity and maybe find some new personalities as well, while drawing laughs and a few shocks in the process.

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# Obituaries/From the Front

## OBITUARIES

### MARTIN D. JACOBS

Martin Dale Jacobs, 61, of Nauvoo, Illinois, passed away at 1:57 p.m. Sunday, October 2, 2022, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, after a long battle with cancer.

Services will be Friday, October 7, 2022, with visitation from 10:00-11:00 a.m. and the funeral at 11:00 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 380 Durphy Street, Nauvoo, Illinois.



JACOBS

Dale was born October 8, 1960, in Chicago, to Martin and Dorothy Jacobs. The family moved to New London, Iowa, when he was a toddler. In 1979, he graduated from New London High School. After briefly attending Brigham Young University, he served a two-year service mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, teaching the people of France about our Savior, Jesus Christ.

After returning from France, Dale married Kathryn Anne DiPrima on August 17, 1982, in the Washington D.C. Temple. They lived in Fort Madison, Iowa, and Nauvoo, Illinois, while he worked for the Iowa Department of Corrections at Iowa State Penitentiary and Newton Correctional Facility. In 1995, Dale and Kathy became the parents of Joseph Jacobs. In the early 2000s, Dale retired/resigned from corrections and became the director of security at the Nauvoo Illinois Temple, where he worked until 2021. A lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, his involvement included serving in many positions, including high council, bishop and counselor.

Dale is survived by his wife, Kathy; son, Joseph of Utah; kama 'oko 'a daughter, Kari Lynn Floyd of Carthage, Illinois, and two grandsons, Jordan and Connor Johnson; parents Martin and Dorothy Jacobs of New London, Iowa; four sisters, Myra (Greg) Thomas of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Martha Bell of New London, Iowa, Melissa (Bob) Bence of Burlington, Iowa, and Maureen Jacobs of Bettendorf, Iowa; one brother, Maurice (Marlyn) Jacobs of Ocoee, Florida; mother-in-law, Kay DiPrima; one sister-in-law, Lani DiPrima of Utah; one brother-in-law, Doug DiPrima, of Nauvoo, Illinois; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by maternal grandparents Cyrus and Mildred Walter, paternal grandparents Everett and Mabel Jacobs; one infant sister, Susan; three uncles, Calvin Jacobs, Roger Jacobs, and Jerry Walter; and two aunts, Carolyn Crouch and Nancy Bucher.

A memorial fund has been established for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Humanitarian Services. Schmitz-Banks & Beals Funeral Home of Nauvoo is assisting the family. To leave a tribute for the family, please visit Mr. Jacob's obituary at [sbbfuneralhome.com](http://sbbfuneralhome.com).

## City will still own building

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since April 1, 2022.

"I have gone through this and I have put an option on the table and this is what's in front of us," Mayor Matt Mohrfeld said.

Rebecca Bowker asked that City Council be kept apprised of all developments over the two years of the option.

Mohrfeld said Barker will keep the city up to date until the moment of sale and immediately provide the city a timeframe of their plans and they are required to meet with the city monthly.

The city is required to work with the Barker group on any grants, abatements, and other revenue opportunities as part of the agreement.

Other realtors in attendance pushed the city on why the property was never officially listed for sale.

Councilman Rusty Andrews said the building has been written about and talked about for several years and

the city has owned it for six months.

In that time, he said anyone could have approached the city about the status.

"I would think that's a good as buying an ad in the Bonny Buyer," Andrews said. "Did you want us to list the building nationally? We have people who are charged with marketing this town and they still have vacant buildings."

Mohrfeld said Barker's have a solid reputation and a plan for developing the building. He said without those resources, its a difficult project for most.

The city will retain ownership of the building during the two-year term unless a purchase agreement is executed, however the city will still be responsible for all repairs and maintenance on the building during the duration of the agreement.

If a purchase agreement is reached, Barker will reimburse the city for the cost of the temporary wall shoring and securing the roof to prevent leaking.

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Please email completed applications to: Dennis Cosby, EMS Director [dcosby@leecounty.org](mailto:dcosby@leecounty.org) Jason Dinwiddie, Director of Operations [jasondinwiddie@leecounty.org](mailto:jasondinwiddie@leecounty.org)



## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES August 22, 2022

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administration Building in Fort Madison on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Matt Pflug, Ron Fedler, Rick Larkin, Charles Holmes.

Absent: Garry Seyb  
All votes are unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Holmes, to approve an agreement with DocuSign for Electronic Signature Services for the period September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to approve an Iowa 2022 Diesel Reduction Act Grant Application. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to approve Resolution #2022-81.

Roll Call: Holmes-aye, Fedler-aye, Larkin-aye, Pflug-aye.

#### Resolution # 2022 – 81

WHEREAS, Chapters 321.255 and 321.236 of the Code of Iowa provides the Board of Supervisors authority to cause to be erected regulatory signs in accordance with standards established by the Iowa Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, a restricted view exists at the intersection of 120th Avenue and 150th Street, that requires road users to stop in order to adequately observe conflicting traffic on the through street; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the Lee County Secondary Road Department to control traffic at the following intersection;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lee County Secondary Road Department is directed to install stop signs to control traffic at the following location:

120th Avenue & 150th Street, Cedar Township  
Install sign at southeast corner of intersection stopping northbound traffic on 120th Avenue.

Install sign at northwest corner of intersection stopping southbound traffic on 120th Avenue.

This resolution shall be in effect upon erection of the appropriate traffic control devices per Iowa Code 321.237 giving notice of this regulation upon traffic.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member /s/ Rick Larkin, Member and Chuck Holmes, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Fedler, to approve a Notice to Bidders and set the Letting Date for bids for August 30, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Engineer's Office, 933 Avenue H Fort Madison, for Corrugated Metal Culverts.

Motion carried.  
Moved by Larkin, seconded by Holmes, to approve Resolution #2022-82.

Roll call: Larkin-aye, Holmes-aye, Fedler-aye, Pflug-aye.

#### Resolution # 2022 – 82

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF THE ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEE COUNTY TREASURER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH IOWA CODE CHAPTER 445.63

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lee County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. Iowa Code Section 445.63 states that when taxes are owing against a parcel owned or claimed by the state or a political subdivision of this state and the taxes are owing before the parcel was acquired by the state or a political subdivision of this state, the County Treasurer shall give notice to the appropriate governing body which shall pay the amount of taxes due. If the governing body fails to immediately pay the taxes due, the Board of Supervisors shall abate all of the taxes.

Section 2. The City of Fort Madison has requested abatement and forgiveness for the follow-

ing parcels:

Parcel	Site Address	Amount
024715042550080	1410 Avenue E	\$364.00
024715043260140	1713 Avenue H	\$650.00
024715044060030	1328 Avenue H	\$56.00
024715044060040	1324 Avenue H	\$380.00
024715044060050	1320 Avenue H	\$100.00
024715053350090	2833 Avenue J	\$116.00
024715033260010	732 Avenue G	\$4160.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5826.00</b>

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Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2022

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member /s/ Rick Larkin, Member and

Parcel	Site Address	Amount
013313041040120	315 S Main St. Donnellson	\$3646.00
044521251320040	1520 Blondeau St. Keokuk	\$1714.00
024715043800040	1316 18 <sup>th</sup> St. Fort Madison	\$2280.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$7640.00</b>

Chuck Holmes, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve Resolution #2022-83. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Larkin-aye, Holmes-aye, Pflug-aye.

#### Resolution # 2022 – 83

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF THE ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEE COUNTY TREASURER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH IOWA CODE CHAPTER 445.63

BE IT RESOLVED by the Lee County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1. Iowa Code Section 445.63 states that when taxes are owing against a parcel owned or claimed by the state or a political subdivision of this state and the taxes are owing before the parcel was acquired by the state or a political subdivision of this state, the County Treasurer shall give notice to the appropriate governing body which shall pay the amount of taxes due. If the governing body fails to immediately pay the taxes due, the Board of Supervisors shall abate all of the taxes.

Section 2. Lee County EMS has requested abatement and forgiveness for the following parcels:



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Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member /s/ Rick Larkin, Member and Chuck Holmes, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Larkin, to approve renewal of a Service Agreement for the ISAC HIPAA Program for the period July 1, 2022

through June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve a Software Services Agreement with InTech for Election Management. Motion carries.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Fedler, to approve the First Reading of the Amended Election Ordinance. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to approve the Monday, August 15, 2022 Board Minutes. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Holmes, to approve the payment of claims. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Fedler had a phone call regarding the stop sign issue that was approved today. Holmes reported on a Mississippi Valley Workforce meeting and a Conservation Board Meeting. Larkin attended the Social Event at the Lee County Economic Development Building. Pflug updated the Board on the current fund balances.

At 10:43 a.m. a motion was made by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administration Building in Fort Madison. Matt Pflug, Chairman  
Attest: Denise Fraise, Lee County Auditor

**Claims paid  
August 22, 2022**

ABC Fire Extngr, svcs

..... 205.85  
Access Enrgy, svcs ..... 1582.52  
Access Systms, svcs ..... 160.20  
Ace Hardware, splys ..... 191.97  
Agriland FS, fuel ..... 13005.66  
Agrineed, fuel ..... 204.00  
Airgas USA, splys ..... 166.44  
Alan Enviro, splys ..... 470.07  
Alliant Enrgy, svcs ..... 2058.02  
Animal House, mtrls ..... 16.75  
A Barnes, rfnd ..... 500.00  
Blessing Hlth, rx. 2408.08  
J Boeding, svcs ..... 234.00  
Bnd Tree Med, splys ..... 2777.76  
Building Mtrl, svcs .... 13.98  
Carroll Cnstrct, svcs ..... 2193.66  
Catholic Mssgr, publ ..... 100.00  
CenturyLink, svcs ..... 47794.06  
Commerce Bank  
1password, fees ..... 19.95  
4imprint, splys.... 4,510.17  
A Rifkin Co, seals ... 42.91  
Adobe, fees ..... 30.88  
Amococ, fuel ..... 23.07  
Aldi, splys ..... 26.00  
[Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com), splys ..... 4,736.58  
[Apple.com](http://Apple.com), rfnd .... 103.49  
Armstrong Tractor, parts ..... -4.41  
Availity, svcs ..... 35.00  
Axon, svcs ..... 750.00  
Bickel's, parts ..... 52.98  
BP, Fuel ..... 51.14  
Brazelton, reg ..... 90.00  
Casey's, gas ..... 158.32  
Centurylink, svcs ..... 1,506.61  
[Chewy.com](http://Chewy.com), splys... 72.80  
Claim MD, sftwr .... 100.00  
Desi, splys ..... 37.00  
Dish, svcs ..... 69.38  
Dollar Tree, splys.. 105.00

Dollar General, splys ..... 149.70  
Drury Inn, Idg ..... 89.60  
Experts Exchange, sbscp ..... 9.99  
Facebook, advts ..... 6.16  
Fareway, splys..... 114.14  
Firehouse Subs, meal ..... 13.04  
Fort Madison Farm & Home, splys..... 12.50  
Full Source, unif..... 55.21  
Galls, unif..... 883.53  
Goodyear Auto, svcs ..... 716.42  
Hancock Journal, publ ..... 658.71  
Harbor Freight, parts ..... 129.99  
Hulu, svcs..... 13.90  
Huffman's, equip ..... 1,495.32  
HyVee, food ..... 18.41  
IA Dept Public Safety, svcs ..... 30.00  
IA EMS Assoc, reg ..... 250.00  
IA Sec of State, notary ..... 60.00  
Intab, splys ..... 562.15  
Internal Service Fee, fees ..... 0.20  
Java River, food..... 37.86  
Jet Stop, fuel..... 15.00  
Jim's Lock and Safe, keys ..... 10.00  
Kempker's, equip ..... 1,212.72  
Kum & Go, Fuel ..... 75.00  
Kwik Star, Fuel..... 87.80  
Landfill, rml ..... 10.10  
Liberty Utilities, svcs ..... 243.68  
McFarland's, splys ..... 2,095.20  
Mediacom, svcs... 4,800.00  
Medpro Waste, svcs ..... 87.15  
Menard's, splys..... 919.40  
Motion Industries, splys ..... 134.08  
[Netflix.com](http://Netflix.com), svcs ..... 21.39  
Office Max, splys .. 597.75  
Office Max, parts .. 190.56  
O'Reilly Auto, svcs.. 466.83

Phillips 66, fuel ..... 115.14  
Plastic Recycling, splys ..... 398.08  
Prime Video, rfnd ..... -4.27  
Quadiant, pstg ..... 216.65  
Quill Corp, splys ... 283.09  
Rathbun Water, water ..... 326.20  
[Roteck.com](http://Roteck.com), labels ..... 68.40  
Shell Oil, Fuel ..... 64.10  
Sherwin Williams, rfnd ..... -59.37  
Shottenkirk's, svcs.... 79.95  
Sinclair Tractor, parts ..... 286.19  
SKD Tactical, splys ..... 47.00  
Survey Monkey, sbscrp ..... 791.04  
SP Reptilinks, splys ..... 202.55  
SQ Auquatop, filters ..... 100.94  
Tim's Repair, tools ..... 384.44  
Tmobile, svcs ..... 48.44  
UNI Events, reg .... 285.00  
US Cellular, svcs .... 196.67  
USPS, pstg..... 6,744.29  
Verizon, htspt..... 2,528.54  
Wal Mart, splys .. 1,827.70  
Winsupply, splys ....670.11  
[Workboots.com](http://Workboots.com), boots ..... 218.15  
Ziprecruiter, advtsg ..... 5,638.69  
Cullen Pest, svcs..... 68.00  
CCS, svcs..... 6985.00  
Daniels Jntrl, svcs ..... 4328.41  
Dell Mrktg, equip ..... 25739.82  
LDettmers, exps ..... 92.00  
Diamond Drugs, rx ..... 755.46  
RK Dixon, equip .... 335.70  
DLT Solutions, svcs ..... 4048.16  
Donnellson Tire, svcs ..... 80.95  
Drake Hdwr, equip ..... 9623.97  
Farm/Home, splys ..... 572.21

Federal Enginrng, svcs ..... 5470.00  
5th Dist Offcrs, edu ..... 25.00  
FM Water, svcs..... 4208.22  
Foundation 2, svcs ..... 1446.15  
D Fraise, exps ..... 40.00  
Frnch-Rnkr-Assc, svcs ..... 540.00  
GateHs Media, publ ..... 179.69  
N Granaman, svcs ..... 1403.61  
GRRWA, svcs..... 13472.00  
GrtAmer Fncl, rntl ..... 174.42  
Hellige Lawn, svcs.. 810.00  
Hmtwn Mchncl, svcs ..... 2000.00  
Hope Haven, svcs ..... 2241.00  
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HyVee, Rx..... 48.00  
ICONNECTYOU, svcs ..... 160.00  
Ideal Ry Mix, mtrl ..... 5239.65  
IMWCA, ins..... 13018.00  
Ins Strategies, svcs ..... 500.00  
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IA Dept comm, svcs ..... 101.59  
IA Dept Rev, tax.... 139.06  
IA Law Enfc, ed..... 40.00  
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ISCTA, reg ..... 250.00  
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Jet Gas, fuel ..... 13979.57  
JW Medical, equip ..... 300.00  
Keo Med Equip, splys ..... 167.97  
Keokuk Wtr, svcs...1146.77  
Khlmrng Hlg, svcs ..... 1095.15  
LeeCo Auditor, dpsts ..... 1265.79  
LeeCo Auditor, cntl pur ..... 3098.74  
LeeCo EMS Cncl, cntrb ..... 3831.00  
Liberty Util, gas..... 227.43  
McFarlands, splys... 81.98  
Mediacom, svcs..... 224.92  
O Miller, exps..... 450.00  
JJ Nichting, parts ..... 2208.91  
O'Reilly Auto, svcs.. 106.76  
OMG Midwest, svcs ..... 10602.64  
J Ourth, svcs ..... 18.55  
P Patrick, svcs..... 775.00  
R Rahn, exps..... 66.93  
Prairie Farms, splys ..... 243.20  
Proforma, splys..... 260.43  
Purchs Pwr, splys ..... 219.83  
Rainbo Oil, oil ..... 1217.10  
Red Lion Rnwbl, svcs ..... 3821.97  
M Reed, exps ..... 33.80  
Relay For Life, ctrb ..... 500.00  
RSM US, svcs ..... 6313.50  
Sanofi Pasteur, splys ..... 310.98  
K Schleidt, svcs ..... 775.00  
J Schneider, svcs ... 330.00  
M Sents, svcs ..... 6.50  
G Seyb, exps ..... 101.00  
J Shoup, svcs ..... 775.00  
SIACC, svcs ..... 492.98

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## Sports/From the Front

# Johnson goes for 5 TDs in Hawks win over Davis County

PCC STAFF

BLOOMFIELD - Central Lee's Chase Johnson rushed for five touchdowns as the Hawks rolled to their second win of the season Friday at Davis County 33-12.

Central Lee used a punishing ground attack throwing just six passes on the night as Johnson found holes behind the beefy Hawks line all night rushing for 182 yards on 22 carries.

The sophomore averaged 8.3 yards per attempt and scored all five of the Hawks touchdowns, the longest coming on a 29-yard run in the 3rd quarter to give Central Lee the lead for good at 21-12.

Ten different Hawks carried the ball on the night totaling 322 yards on the ground.

Central Lee found themselves down a couple times in the first half.

The Mustangs got on the board first with a touchdown run at the 4:02 mark of the first quarter. A 2-point conversion attempt failed, but Davis County would hold that 6-0 lead through the first quarter.

Johnson would find the endzone after the Hawks offense found second gear in the second quarter with 5:29 left when he went off tackle for a 5-yard score to tie it at 6 with a failed PAT.

Neither team would find the endzone again in the first half, but Davis County would score quick in the third period when they picked off a Cory Jones pass and ran it back 28 yards for the pick six.

Again the 2-point conversion failed and

the Mustangs led 12-6.

That would be the last time the Hawks would give up a score as the offensive and defensive lines dominated play the rest of the night.

At 5:18 left in the third, Johnson would get his second TD on a 11-yard run, but this time Ayden Krehbiel nailed the PAT for a 13-12 Central Lee lead.

Just ;47 later Johnson would get into the secondary and blaze through the defense for the 29-yard score. Kayden Calfee would convert the 2-point extra try to give Central Lee at 21-12 lead.

Johnson would put up two more touchdowns in the fourth quarter to set the final.

Jones completed just one pass for 20 yards to Corbin Pohren and ran for 32 more on five carries.

Calfee had 32 yards on nine carries and Hunter Gregory had 29 yards on five attempts.

Gregory had eight tackles on the night, while Pohren had 6.5. Brody Fuller had the Hawks sole sack.

Central Lee (2-4) hosts 0-6 Ed-dyville-Blakesburg-Fremont on Friday, before traveling to Centerville the following week.

Johnson is closing in on 500 yards on the year rushing on 102 carries for just under five yards per attempt. Senior Fuller has five tackles for loss on the year and leads the Hawks with two sacks.

# Lawsuit will test ban from meeting

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disrupted the meeting, per Iowa law.”

Yes, Iowa's public meetings law gives a government board the authority to enforce “reasonable rules for the conduct of its meetings.” Yes, while the public has a right to attend those meetings, people do not have a right to speak there. But is a year-long ban on attending future meetings reasonable?

Nothing in the law requires a board president to direct a police officer to remove a spectator for speaking without first being recognized. Nothing in that law prevents the board president from hearing an audience member's question and answering it — especially in a school district that has been wrought up over a policy on supporting students who identify as gay, lesbian or transsexual.

In the past couple of years, some of Iowa's K-12 school districts have become boiling cauldrons of controversy over Covid policies, mask-wearing, LGBTQ issues, school library books, and how race and equity issues are addressed in classes.

With that backdrop of issues, it is not surprising officials like those serving on the Linn-Mar school board have frayed nerves when they are faced with another parent upset over another topic. But it also should not surprise school officials these controversies have energized parents and grandparents who are demanding to be heard.

Given the highly emotional topics school boards have been dealing with, prohibiting a parent from attending meetings for a year seems extreme. Is a ban likely to help heal the divisions within a school district? When a school board takes such harsh action, it merely

serves to heighten the feelings of some parents that their school officials are not listening.

That was what Amanda Snyder told the Linn-Mar board. In her lawsuit, her attorney provided context about her concerns: “Despite its benign sounding name, social and emotional learning is terminology for embedding divisive race and gender ideology into all aspects of a school's curriculum.”

Snyder's lawsuit brings up the matter of her freedom-of-speech rights and her right to petition her government under the U.S. and Iowa constitutions. Her attorney, Alan Ostergren of Des Moines, wrote, “Government officials cannot discriminate against those who speak or petition the government because of the particular viewpoint of the speaker or petitioner.”

Translated, that means: The Linn-Mar school board cannot gavel a parent into silence or have her escorted from the room by a police officer when she speaks without permission to criticize a planned school program — unless the school board is prepared to take similar action against a parent who rises without permission to praise school leaders for their foresight and skill in crafting the district's controversial LGBTQ policy.

Ostergren wrote in Snyder's lawsuit, “A ban on attending future board meetings for a single comment at a board meeting could not, under any circumstances, and no matter the form it was issued, be a ‘reasonable rule’ for the conduct of an open meeting.”

The attorney's logic does not seem unreasonable.

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Noon (Main Street) Bags Tournament

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## Food Trucks

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4 pm (Stumble Inn)

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