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Honoring Sargent



Courtesy photo

Fort Madison senior Irelynd Sargent, daughter of former FMHS Head Coach Tony Sargent, who died earlier this year, places flowers along with Molly Knipe and Aija Jenkins, on a chair reserved for Sargent at Friday night's first home game since his death. The Hounds won 41-35 to move to 3-0 on the year.

EMOTIONAL WIN: Sargent daughters help secure win for father in first home game

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Flowers were laid on the empty chair that should have held former Fort Madison Coach Tony Sargent Friday night in the Hound Dome.

Then the Fort Madison Lady Hounds went out and got a big 41-36 win over Mt. Pleasant to move to 3-0 on the year.

Head Coach Toni Sargent was emotional before, during, and after the game taking over where her father left off and ushering in the big Southeast Conference win.

"He was on my shoulder," she said after the game. "We came out to Glory Days. He played that every day before a game. We played it as he took his last breath.

"I was prepared. It was our first home game and I knew it would be an emotional night, for not only me, but for the girls."

Senior Irelynd Sargent, Tony Sargent's other daughter on the floor, said she was emotional at the start, but then racked up Fort Madison's first seven points.

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HOUSING

Keokuk Habitat part of Governor's housing allocation

DES MOINES - Keokuk was one of several Habitat for Iowa communities that received funding as part of a \$20 million state investment announced Friday.

Governor Reynolds on Friday allocated the investments to advance

homeownership opportunities for more than 90 families through the development and rehabilitation of single-family homes and down payment assistance initiatives in dozens of Iowa communities. The grants were awarded to 16 organizations, including 12 Hab-

itat for Humanity affiliates throughout the state to assist in meeting local housing needs.

"We know that homeownership is the leading driver of wealth creation,"

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BESIDE THE POINT



This fruit fell far from the proverbial tree

I've been thinking about fruits a lot lately. I don't know why. I guess its something 54-year-olds do when they're not doing sprints with their rehabbed sciatic.

But I was at Aldi's the other day and was looking through the fruit. I grabbed some nanners, but I thought they were just a bit green so I put 'em back. Then went around the corner and there were some yellow ones. Nanners in two aisles? What is this nonsense.

I grabbed some grapes because I love grapes. My wife got me hooked on them so there's always a bowl of rinsed green grapes in the fridge. Maybe Vandenberg's were royalty at one point and had rinsed grapes devined in golden bowls.

If that's the case, the fruit did fall far from the tree.

Fruit is juicy and sweet and makes me feel better than the chocolate cookies with Reeses Pieces that I also grabbed. They put those damn things right at the check-out so you impulse buy. I think that's crap... but the cookies were really good.

But I get a bit bored with my grapes and nanners and when I had a moment, I looked up some weird fruit.

Ever heard of a caremule? That's not me trying gummies for the first time and trying to spell caramel. It's a caremule. It's a blue strawberry. Actually it's not a blue strawberry. It's a scam to get you to buy crazy seeds. So don't buy blue strawberries.

But a meyer lemon is real. Somebody mated a lemon and a mandarin orange. I bet it was the Chinese. It WAS the Chinese. A U.S. Ag employee named Frank

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WEATHER

MON 05 Dec.....Windy and cool, 45° F/ 26° F
TUE 06 Dec.....Mostly cloudy and cool, 40° F/ 30° F
WED 07 Dec.....Partly sunny and cool, 45° F/ 34° F

IOWA LOTTERY

LOTTO AMERICA 12/03.....30 32 36 42 43, Star Ball: 10 All Star Bonus: 2
LUCKY FOR LIFE 12/03.....1 713 30 40, Lucky Ball: 3
MEGA MILLIONS 12/02.....1 21 36 46 52, Mega Ball: 16 Megaplier: 3
PICK 3 12/01, 12/02, 12/03 MIDDAY.....5 5 6, 7 8 8, 1 8 9
PICK 3 12/01, 12/02, 12/03 EVENING.....7 3 3, 3 3 4, 5 2 8
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Obituaries/From the Front

OBITUARIES

SHIRLEY BUNKER

Shirley Bunker, 86, of Wayland, MO, passed away Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL.

She was born October 6, 1936 Alexandria, MO the daughter of Jacob and Luella Phillips Tucker.



BUNKER

On February 23, 1957 she was united in marriage to Carl Bunker in Kahoka, MO. He survives.

Other survivors include two sons, David (Sherry) Bunker of Wayland, MO and Dwayne Bunker of Kahoka, MO, two grandsons, Jake (Rachel) Bunker of Montrose, IA and Josh Bunker of Belton, MO, one step-granddaughter, Shana (Damon) Bollin of Kahoka, MO, two sisters-in-law, Martha Kinkeade of Wayland, MO and Karen Tucker of Burlington, IA, one brother-in-law, Ivan Bunker (Lois) of Weaver, IA, one great-granddaughter, Everly Bunker of Montrose, IA, three step-great-grandchildren, Dylan McGhghy, Shelby McCall and Drake Bollin, one step-great-granddaughter, Elinor Dawson and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her in-laws, Isaac and Martha Bunker, one brother, Jack Tucker, brother and sister-in-law, James (Dorothy) Bunker, Wanda (Lawrence) Kinkeade, infant great-grandson, Baby Bunker, step-grandson, Devin Strickler, five nephews and three step-nephews.

Shirley had been employed by Drydens in Keokuk, IA, as a cook at the Argyle School in Argyle, IA and at the Clark County Nursing Home in Kahoka, MO for almost twenty years.

She became a Christian at the age of thirteen and was baptized soon after. She was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Wayland. At her death she was the oldest living member. She had faith in her God that he would guide her through all things.

Shirley loved gardening, cooking, baking, watching Family Feud and sitting outside with Carl. In her younger years, she enjoyed camping, but most of all, Shirley treasured the time she spent with her family. She also loved her elected position as a Wayland City Council member, which she served on for many years.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday at the First Baptist Church in Wayland with Pastor Dan Deatrack officiating. Burial will be held in the Frazee Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 2 - 4 p.m., Sunday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Kahoka with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the Frazee Cemetery.

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

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OBITUARIES

SHERRY L. HERTZLER

Sherry L. Hertzler, 72, of Fort Madison, passed away on Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at 12:43 PM at the Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center in West Burlington.

She was born on May 12, 1950 in Ft. Madison to Walter and Dorothy Drew McKeehan. On June 29, 1974 she married Richard Hertzler. Sherry was a hairdresser and worked as a secretary in a real estate office for six years and at Sheaffer Pen in the traffic department for fifteen years.



HERTZLER

Survivors include her husband, Rich Hertzler of Ft. Madison; one daughter, Richar (Matt) Abel of Ft. Madison; a step-son, Brian (Joan) Hertzler of Indianola, also Denise (Dave) Garza and Tara (Scott) Stalesky; six grandchildren; two brothers, Dennis McKeehan of Ft. Madison and Steve McKeehan of Bonaparte; three sisters, Becky Brown, Gina McKeehan and Shelley Dowling all of Ft. Madison; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, one grandson Zephan Abel and one brother, Dale Fullhart.

Per her wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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

OTTO M. PINTO

Otto M. Pinto, 65, of Fort Madison, passed away on Thursday, December 01, 2022 at 5:40 AM at the Southeast Iowa Regional Center Hospice House in West Burlington.

He was born on May 30, 1957 in Lima, Peru. Otto was a Pharmacist. He is survived by his mother and step father, Toni and Glenn Copeland of Fort Madison and was preceded in death by his grandparents, aunt Olga and uncle, Jack.

Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory and burial will be in Oakland Cemetery.

Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

Pen City Current obituary policy

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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said Gov. Reynolds. "The investments announced today will not only assist many Iowan families in opening the door to homeownership, upward economic mobility and the ability to live in the communities where they work."

"The awards made to Habitat for Humanity affiliates across the state will fuel a historic and transformational investment into sustainable homeownership opportunities for Iowans," said Lisa Houser, Executive Director at Habitat for Humanity of Iowa. "Habitat for Humanity of Iowa commends Gov. Reynolds' commitment and leadership in advancing housing opportunities for Iowans."

The construction of 69 single-family homes by Habitat for Humanity affiliates to be sold to income eligible families in communities throughout the state.

The development of six 3-D printed homes for first-time homebuyers in Muscatine with a specific focus on qualified first-time homebuyer teachers.

The program had \$20 million available for awards and received 24 applications requesting more than \$30 million in funding.

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SHIRLEY J. CORMAN

Shirley Jean Corman, 87, of Sperry, died Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in Iowa City.



CORMAN

Born May 20, 1935, in Burlington, she was the daughter of Glen L. and Mary E. Dowell Chesnut. On August 12, 1956, she married Warren Corman in West Hill Methodist Church.

She graduated from Burlington High School.

Shirley worked as a nurse for over 40 years. She worked for Burlington Medical Center, Mediapolis High School and for Dr. William Anderson at Old Mercy Hospital.

She was a member of First Congregation Church. Shirley enjoyed cross stitching and loved to play cards, games and crosswords. She loved reading, learning about history as well as cooking and baking. Every fall Shirley and her husband would travel to Branson, Missouri to watch the shows. They also attended SCC Blackhawk Basketball games. Most of all, Shirley loved her family; spending time with her grandchildren to shopping for her great grandchildren.

Survivors include her sweet old codger of 66 years, Warren; daughter, Lynette (Larry) Peterson of NC; daughter-in-law, Donita Corman; four grandchildren, Andrea, Eric, Christopher, and Kayla; three great-grandchildren; and brother, Gary (Mary) Chesnut.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her son, Keith Corman.

Visitation will be from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM Monday, December 5, 2022 at Prugh Funeral Service, 3940 Division St.

The funeral service for Mrs. Corman will be 11:00 AM Monday, December 5, 2022, at Prugh Funeral Service, 3940 Division St., with Pastor Jim Francisco officiating. Burial will be in Aspen Grove Cemetery. A time of food and fellowship will be held in the community room at Prugh Funeral Service following the burial.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials have been established for First Congregational Church, Aspen Grove Cemetery and Southeast Iowa Hospice.

Prugh Funeral Service is in care of the arrangements.

A photo tribute can be viewed and condolences can be sent to the family by visiting Shirley's obituary at www.prughfuneral.com.

OBITUARIES

BLANCHE E. HOLMES

Blanche Elizabeth Holmes, 96 of Keokuk, IA died Thursday, December 1, 2022 at the Montrose Health Center in Montrose, IA.

She was born August 25, 1926 in Swan Township in Warren County, IL the daughter of Virgil and Maude Kissick Parsons.



HOLMES

On December 12, 1942 Blanche was united in marriage to Leroy Holmes in Kahoka, MO. He preceded her in death.

Blanche had been employed by the Keokuk Convalescent Center as a CNA and then at Keokuk Area Hospital for over twenty years.

Blanche had a green thumb and grew beautiful flowers in her garden. She enjoyed bluegrass, polka and old country music. Blanche loved to cook and bake. She had a special rolling pin she loved to use and was famous for her meatloaf. Blanche was an avid reader, bowled on several leagues through the years and will be remembered for her feisty and sassy but classy personality. Blanche also enjoyed shopping and had amazing taste and always seemed to pick out the most expensive items. Most of all, Blanche loved her grandchildren and treasured the time she spent with them.

She is survived by two daughters, Marsha Holmes of Muscatine, IA and Janice Appleget (Lynn) of Sigourney, IA, two sons, Robert Holmes of Keokuk and Ronnie Holmes of Burlington, IA, nineteen grandchildren, forty-one great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by one brother, Harold Parsons of Holliday, TX and two sisters, Linda Walker of Monmouth, IL and Francis McCormick of Collinsville, IL.

Besides her husband, she was also preceded in death by her parents, one daughter, Sharon Brooks, one grandson, Brian Holmes, two great-great-grandchildren, Jay-Lynn Francis and Annabelle Sackman and eight siblings, Norman Parsons, Charles Parsons, Evelyn Rogers, Carol Mahoney, Raymond Parsons, Lila Taylor, Alice Hollingsworth and Susie McGann.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA. Burial will be in the Hickory Grove Cemetery in Keokuk.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 10-11 a.m., Thursday at the funeral home with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to Wreaths Across America.

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Board of Supervisors
Agenda

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 4. Certified Laboratory Assistant preferred
 5. Ability to perform complex laboratory analyses

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DATE: Monday, December 5, 2022
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Pledge of Allegiance
 Approve Agenda
 Public Input

Consider Approval of Joint Development Agreement with Alliant Energy for Solar Project

Consider Approval to Re-Appoint Heather McCormick to Board of Health

Consider Approval of Resolution Certifying Utilities for 2022

Consider Approval of Contract with Cott Systems for Digitization of Recorder's Books

Consider Lease Agreement with Quadiant Leasing for Postage Meter

Consider Approval of Tax Abatement Resolutions (3)

Consider Approval of Monday, November 28, 2022 Board Minutes

Consider Approval of Claims for Payment Personnel Actions:

A. Step Increase-Sheriffs Office

B. Step Increase-Steven Steffensmeier

C. Position Change from Part Time to Full Time-EMS

D. Step Increase-Attorney

E. Change of Position-Treasurer

Commission or Committee Reports
 Adjourn

Possible workshop to follow

PUBLIC MEETING

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PUBLIC NOTICE TENTATIVE AGENDA FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, December 6, 2022
Time: 5:30 P.M.
Place: City Council Chambers, City Hall

INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
VISITORS AND APPEARANCE REQUESTS:
 At this time persons may address Council on any matters not on the Council agenda. After identifying yourself by name and address, please briefly state your issue.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not an opportunity to discuss issues with Council or to get information. In accordance with Open Meetings law, Council may not deliberate upon, nor take action on any complaint or suggestion or respond to any allegations which are not part of the published agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA
 1. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the consent agenda:

- Minutes of November 15 and 17, 2022;
- Liquor License Renewal: Garner Foods, 2236 Avenue L, effective December 15, 2022 – Class C Beer Permit;
- Claims dated December 1, November Manual Claims, November Library Claims; and
- Payroll of November 18 and December 2, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
 Concerning Public Improvement Project 2022-01, Marina Improvements – Floating Docks

Close Public Hearing
 2. A. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving plans, specifications and form of contract for the project.

B. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution awarding construction contract for the project in the amount of \$1,101,506.17 to Mari Corp U.S., of

Shell Knob, Missouri, and approving contract and bonds of Mari Corp U.S., pending receipt of the documents.

Concerning Public Improvement Project 2022-02, Marina Improvements – Fuel System

Close Public Hearing
 3. A. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving plans, specifications and form of contract for the project.

B. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution awarding construction contract for the project in the amount of \$113,108 to Central Petroleum Equip. Co., of Blue Grass, Iowa, and approving contract and bonds of Central Petroleum Equip. Co., pending receipt of the documents.

Concerning the Sale of City-Owned Property at 2715 Avenue O

Open Public Hearing
 Auction Property
 Close Public Hearing
 4. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving the sale of City-owned property at 2715 Avenue O to (BLANK) for a cost of \$(BLANK)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
 Urban Renewal Area #12 (a/k/a River Bend Subdivision TIF District) Plan

5. A. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution terminating the Urban Renewal Area #12 (a/k/a River Bend Subdivision TIF District) Plan for the Urban Renewal Area #12 (a/k/a River Bend Subdivision TIF District) Plan Area and ending the Urban Renewal Area #12 (a/k/a River Bend Subdivision TIF District) Plan Area.

B. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the first reading of an ordinance repealing Ordinance No. C-452 providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the Urban Renewal Area #12 (a/k/a River Bend Subdivision TIF District) Plan Area, in the City of Fort Madison, Iowa, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa.

6. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending Title 7, Police, Chapter 2, Misdemeanors, Chapter

47 to Loitering on Streets.

7. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the second reading of an ordinance repealing Ordinance C-427, providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the Burlington Hill Urban Renewal Area, in the City of Fort Madison, Iowa, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa.

8. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the second reading of an ordinance repealing Ordinance C-310, providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the City of Fort Madison Urban Renewal Plan #9 Project Area, in the City of Fort Madison, Iowa, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa.

9. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to approve the second reading of an ordinance amending the Code of the City of Fort Madison by amending Title 2, Chapter 8; Title 7, Chapters 2 and 4; Title 8, Chapters 10 and 13; Title 9, Chapters 7, 9 and 10; and Title 11, Chapter 3.

10. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving the Mayor and Clerk's signatures on 28E Agreements with: South Iowa Area Detention Service Agency, Lee County and the Iowa Department of Corrections. (SEE COUNCIL REPORT NO. 2022-65)

11. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving the Mayor's signature on a Master Agreement with McClure of Clive, Iowa, for professional engineering services for projects or duties specific to the Fort Madison Municipal Airport.

12. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to adopt a resolution approving the Mayor's signature on Task Order No. 1 with McClure for professional design and bidding services for Public Improvement Project 2022-03, AWOS (Automated Weather Observing System) Replacement (AIP19-0036-013) at the Fort Madison Municipal Airport.

OTHER
 13. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to enter into Closed Session to discuss the purchase of particular real

estate, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(j).

B. (Blank) MOVED AND (BLANK) SECONDED to come out of Closed Session.

C. Possible motion: Council may make a motion to direct City Staff to take action based upon closed session discussion and as recommended by legal counsel.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND CITY MANAGER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS
 ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting will be meet at 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, for a special session. The regular City Council meeting will begin at 5:30 P.M. or following the end of the special session, whichever is later

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF WEST BURLINGTON
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 7, 2022
6:00 PM
West Burlington City Hall
122 Broadway Street

TENTATIVE AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER
 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL
 PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the Consent Agenda are Action items that will be considered by a single vote. Council members may request that an item be pulled for discussion and held for a separate vote. Items on the Consent Agenda may include claims over the City Administrator's authorized spending limit, payments related to previously approved contracts, and non-controversial or routine expenses as defined by the City's Purchasing Policy.

1. Approve minutes from the Regular City Council meeting on November 16, 2022

2. Approve Clerk's Monthly Financial Report for October 2022

3. Approve payment to Dorsey & Whitney LLP for legal services - \$10,205

Classifieds/Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICES

4. Approve Payment to French-Reneker-Associates for engineering services related to the Mt. Pleasant St. Resurfacing Project - Phase II - \$2,762.50

5. Approve Payment to Bohnsack & Frommelt, LLP for auditing services - \$20,000

6. Approve Payment to Snyder & Associates for Engineering Services related to the Mt. Pleasant Water Tower & Booster Station Project - \$

7. Approve payment to Burlington Public Library for library services - \$24,748.67

8. Approve payment to Burlington for 2023 Bus Services - \$3,514.97

9. Approve payment of Claims as listed on the 12/7/2022 Expense Approval Report - \$305,041.00

COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS

- ADMINISTRATOR:
- PUBLIC WORKS:
- POLICE DEPARTMENT:
- FIRE/BUILDING DEPARTMENT:
- CLERK/FINANCE/IT:
- OTHER STAFF REPORTS:
- COUNCIL REPORTS:
- COMMUNITY REPORTS:

CITIZEN INQUIRIES NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider the Board of Adjustment's decision to grant a Special Use Permit for Menards, Inc.

2. Consider the second reading of an Ordinance establishing water utility rates effective January 1, 2023

3. Consider a Resolution hiring a Police Officer

4. Consider a Resolution authorizing the disposal of property

5. Consider a request from Police Department to spend up to \$15,000 on vehicle for the Task Force

6. Consider a quote from Karl Chevrolet to install the necessary equipment in the new Tahoe police vehicle

7. Consider Trail Right-of-Way agreement with Westland Mall Realty Holding, LLC.

8. Consider a Professional Services Agreement with Snyder & Associates to provide engineering services for the Gear Ave. Trail Extension - Phase III

9. Consider an amendment to the City Administrator's Employment Contract

10. Discuss amending the City Code regulations related to removing snow from sidewalks

11. Discuss contribution to the Capital Theatre's "Dream Behind the Curtain" Campaign

OLD BUSINESS CITIZEN INQUIRIES ADJOURN

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING MINUTES OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES October 5, 2022

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met in special session at the Lee County Administration Building in Fort Madison on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Present: Ron Fedler, Rick Larkin, Chuck Holmes.

Present by phone: Matt Pflug

All votes are unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

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

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

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve hiring a building inspector to inspect a possible site for an ambulance base in Keokuk.

At 11:15 a.m. a motion was made by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to adjourn. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 10, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administration Building in Fort Madison.

Matt Pflug, Chairman
Attest: Denise Fraise, Lee County Auditor

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING MINUTES OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING October 10, 2022

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

Present: Matt Pflug, Garry Seyb, Ron Fedler, Rick Larkin, Chuck Holmes.

All votes are unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

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

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

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Holmes, to approve Resolution #2022-93. Roll call: Seyb-aye, Holmes-aye, Larkin-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye.

Resolution #2022-93

WHEREAS, Lee County, Iowa intends to build a new Health Department facility; and

WHEREAS, funding for this new facility will come from a combination of ARPA funds and grants; and

WHEREAS, Lee County proposes to apply for a Community Development Block Grant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing be held on the 24th day of October, 2022, at 10:01 a.m. at the Administrative Building, 933 Avenue H, Fort Madison to gather input about the application.

Following the public hearing the Board will determine whether to approve the application.

The notice of public hearing should be published in accordance with section 331.305.

Dated this the 10th day of October, 2022.

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

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Holmes, to approve purchasing property located at 1514 Blondeau Street and 25 North 16th Street in Keokuk for an ambulance base, at a cost of \$70,000. Seyb-aye, Holmes-aye, Larkin-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Holmes, to approve hiring an engineer for a new ambulance base in Keokuk. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Larkin, to approve a Training Reimbursement Agreement with EMT Candidates. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Seyb, to approve an agreement with Credit Bureau Services of Iowa for Collection Services for Delinquent Accounts at the Jail. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve the Homestead, Military and Disabled Vet Tax Credit Applications for Assessment Year 2022. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Holmes, to approve a Class C Native

Distilled Spirits Liquor License for Green Frog Distillery, Keokuk, for the period September 21, 2022 through September 20, 2023. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve the Monday, October 3 and the Wednesday, October 5, 2022 Board Minutes. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Holmes, to approve a new hire for the Auditor's Office, Dustin Cackley, temporary Election Clerk, \$17.14/hr., effective 10/17/22; a new hire for the Sheriff's Office, Bryce Wilson, Correctional Officer, \$20.83/hr., effective 10/24/22 and a new hire for EMS, Katherine Printy, Paramedic, \$22.18/hr., effective 10/10/22. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: All Board members spent some time looking at potential sites for an ambulance base in Keokuk.

At 10:40 a.m. a motion was made by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 17, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administration Building in Fort Madison.

Matt Pflug, Chairman
Attest: Denise Fraise, Lee County Auditor

Claims paid October 10, 2022

Airgas USA, splys	192.31
All Seasons Music, svcs	157.50
Alliant Enrgy, svcs	4325.86
Amazon, splys	54.41
Axiom Systems, svcs	248.40
Ball Volvo, splys	140.09
Bates Sntatn, svcs	240.00
Blades/Green, svcs	1738.00

J Boeding, svcs	234.00
Bound Tree, splys	1865.22
Brozene Hydrlic, svcs	158.99
Commercial Rec, svcs	64484.98
Contech Enginrd, svcs	30438.00
Crescent Parts, equip	673.20
Culligan, water	31.49
DM Stamp Mfg, splys	25.70
Dodd Prtg/Stat, splys	296.00
Donnellson Lmbr, equip	168.07
Donnellson Tire, splys	1259.17
EMSLRC, equip	8.50
5th dist Co Adtrs, edu	50.00
Floyds EZ Way, svcs	120.00
FM Hsng Auth, svcs	3158.67
Gateway Stl Pipe, splys	13000.00
Fred Gida, exps	175.00
Gray Quarries, cntrb	1008.74
S Gray Reporting, svcs	213.75
GRRWA, svcs	165.00
H&L truck sales, svcs	911.87
Hall Excvtng, svcs	5440.00
Hatricks Lmbr, parts	13.99
Health Sol, svcs	9968.22
Henderson Prod, parts	716.88
Historic Hotel IA, rent	300.00
A Huber, svcs	600.00
Huffman Wldng, svcs	99.07
ICONNECTYOU, svcs	160.00
Ilmberger Entrps, rent	185.00
IA DOT, svcs	120.00
IA Emerg Phys, svcs	252.79
IA St Pen, meals	16887.00
IA Total Care, rfnd	116.91
ISAC, reg	300.00
InTech Sftwr Sol, svcs	8340.00
T Jacobsmeier, svcs	300.00
Jays Auto, svcs	1235.48
Jet Gas, fuel	3329.82

C Johnson, exps	352.00
Kempkers, splys	9.98
Keo Hsng Auth, svcs	8021.79
Kohlmorgan Hlg, svcs	490.00
LeeCo Atty, splys	437.88
LeeCo Econ Dvlpt, contr	50000.00
LeeCo HAZMAT, svcs	10000.00
Lee Co Treas, costs	32406.27
Liberty Mutual, ins	79.80
Liberty Util, gas	166.96
Lick Creek Entrps, mtrl	1372.32
McFarlands, splys	329.54
Mediacom, svcs	224.92
Meyers Dwy, svcs	350.00
MW Grp Bnfts, svcs	262.50
Montrose Hlth Ctr, svcs	4672.20
Motorola Sol, svcs	782.68
MtHamill Elvtr, splys	20.70
Mutual Whl, parts	1581.42
NAPA Auto, parts	1010.55
Pen City Current, publ	59.99
M Pflug, exps	75.00
R&J Qlty Decal, splys	112.00
Red Bud Inst, rent	100.00
RicohUSA, splys	427.61
RSM US, svcs	8890.83
SEIRPC, svcs	56077.00
ServiceMaster, svcs	3557.35
G Seyb, exps	41.00
Shield Tech, svcs	2310.00
Sidwell, svcs	1390.00
SE IA Reg Med, svcs	162.48
K Spear, exps	38.50
S Sproul, exps	44.00
Stryker Sales, equip	1255.74
Treas St of IA, svcs	14987.00
Vertical Comm, svcs	137.61
West Grp, splys	1177.34
West Pt Care Ctr, svcs	5570.10
West Pt Utility, svcs	107.26
Wex Bank, Fuels	7600.44
M Wooster, svcs	1200.00

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From the Front

Sargent girls take Hounds win in honor of father

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“It was hard at the beginning and we all wanted to win it for him. My adrenaline was pumping and I was like we cannot lose this game. It’s our first home game and first conference game and we just wanted to do it for him,” Sargent said.

Sargent scored in transition to open the game and then converted a 3-pointer in the next trip down to give Fort Madison a quick 5-1 lead.

She would score again following a bucket by the Panthers’ Alex Scott for a 7-3 lead. Senior Molly Knipe would get in on the action next with a 3-ball from the right wing for a 10-3 lead.

The Panthers would close out the first quarter with a 7-3 run of their own keyed by an Andi Scott three-pointer.

Fort Madison’s Camille Kruse would work a bucket inside at the buzzer for a 13-10 lead.

Mt. Pleasant tied things up at 16 with 5:12 left in the second quarter when Andrea Lapreato hit a 12-footer and then went up 19-16 on Lapreato’s 3-ball on the Panthers’ next possession.

Fort Madison would respond in the see-saw affair going on a 7-2 run of their own to take a 23-21 lead into the lockerroom.

Kate Schimmelpennig scored on the Panthers’ first possession of the second half to tie things up again. Fort Madison shot a cool 1-9 from the field in the third quarter, but was able to hang around with 4-of-9 shooting from the line.

Fortunately for Fort Madison, the Panthers also shot poorly from the field going just 3 for 9. Mt. Pleasant got to the line just four times, converting one, to hold a slim 31-30 lead going into the final period.

Kruse shifted from a perimeter game to driving the lane and was able to get to the line often with the Hounds in the double bonus for most of the period.

The cool shooting from the floor continued for both teams down the stretch as Fort Madison went just 2 of 12 from the field and the Panthers were 2 of 11.

Alex Scott converted the front end of a one-and-one to cut the lead to one at 35-34, but Kruse would finally



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The Lady Hounds’ Irelynd Sargent splits a couple Panther defenders in the first quarter of Friday’s win.

get one to drop off a drive in the lane to give Fort Madison a 3-point lead. The Panthers’ Alexa Fuller converted inside on a fast break to again cut it to 1 at 37-36 with 2:19 left.

Fort Madison would not allow the Panthers to score another point, pulling away for the win in the final two minutes.

Toni Sargent said the Hounds need to shoot better, but with the emotion of the night, she took the win.

“We came out really good and were on fire and hitting on all cylinders, then a couple key girls got some early fouls. Irelynd picked up her second one quick and had to sit most of the second quarter,” Sargent said.

“I know we missed a whole lot of bunnies tonight and we had a lot of shots go in and out, but it was a physical game and I wasn’t even sure how the girls would do. It was very emotional and a win’s a win.”

Kruse led Fort Madison with 12 points and six boards. Sargent had 10 points and seven steals, while Aija Jenkins added nine points and Knipe had 5.

The Hounds host Danville Monday night.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison’s Halle Menke goes up for a shot in the first half of the Hounds’ 41-36 win over Mt. Pleasant Friday night.



Lunch Specials
Dec 5 - 9
11am - 1pm

Monday, December 5
Tenderloin, Fries, Baked Beans

Tuesday, December 6
Beef Enchiladas, Spanish Rice

Wednesday, December 7
Goulash, Breadstick, Blueberry Fluff

Thursday, December 8
Fried Chicken Dinners

Friday, December 9
Chili Dog, French Fries, Cottage Cheese

Miracle fruit makes things that are sour taste sweet

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Meyer saw the plant on a visit to Shanghai and got to name the fruit. What?

Well I want a melon. The ChuckMelon. I would ask for a berry but there’s already a Chuck Berry. So the ChuckMelon would be purple, fleshy, and sweet... - few seeds and really good if you poke a hole in it and pour a bottle of Jameson Black Barrel in it.

Ever cook with a dragonfruit? You can’t. It’s just too beautiful. You slice it open and fall in love. Awwww...!

I love strawberries and blueberries, but aronia berries are so tart they make every hole pucker. Supposed to be good for you. Yeah - because your mouth inverts in your face after you eat it. So nothing else goes in for several hours.

Ever heard of a durian? Google it. And don’t get within 50 feet of them. Buddha’s Hand....looks like an pumpkin octopus. Bet it tastes like it, too.

One of the most intriguing is the miracle fruit. It looks like a radish and a cherry tomato had a baby. And if that’s not worth the effort, this fruit makes sour things taste sweet. So...eat the miracle fruit and then the aronia goes down a bit better.

The Noni Fruit. Its common name is mengkudu. The common name is mengkudu?!...somebody got that backwards.

Breadfruit. Haaaa-haaaa... Aaahaahaaaa.

Physalis. It resembles a tomato and is cute and orange. And if you cut it open a butterfly emerges.

You know what... just give me some strawberries and rhubarb and put it all in a pie crust with sugar, some zest from the damnable Frank Meyer lemons, a little orange liqueur, cover with more crust, baste it with an eggwash, and sprinkle it with Sugar In The Raw.

That’s a brand, don’t ever bake naked - but that’s Beside The Point.

Mir