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Yet another vacant home burns in FM

FMFD INVESTIGATES: Vacant home in 2800 block of Avenue O catches fire Sunday morning

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Another abandoned home has burned in Fort Madison.

As city officials are asking residents to be on the look out for suspicious activity over the past several weeks due to abandoned structure fires, a home in the 2800 block of Avenue O caught fire Sunday morning.

Fort Madison fire officials responded to 2818 Avenue O just after 10 a.m. to find the structure fully engulfed in flames.

Fort Madison Fire Chief Joey Herren said the fire was likely caused by someone in the abandoned home that probable wasn't supposed to be there.

According to Beacon property searches, the structure is owned by Integrity Investment Reo Holdings, a financial group out of Chicago. The group purchased the structure in 2022 for \$1,602 and was looking to sell the property.

Herren said the property had been sitting empty for a couple years and there were no utilities or gas hooked up at the address.

The structure suffered fire damage in 2000 when flames broke out in the bedroom. Herren said people had been in and out of the building over the past few years.

Herren didn't have a cause of the fire but said it got up into the attic and burnt the back half of the home.

"We had heard that there had been people in there at different times from neighbors so we did a quick search of where we could get to and then backed out of it," he said.



Unveiling the banner

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Teague Smith and Ike Thacher pulled down the new banner Friday that was installed at the Hound Dome honoring the 2022 State playoff-qualifying Bloodhound football team.



Our anxiety requires a light source

We saw Patrick McCaffery step away from the Hawkeye basketball team to get some emotional grounding in his personal life.

We saw the same thing from Naomi Osaka several years ago in the world of women's tennis.

McCaffery came right out and said his anxiety was at the forefront of his problems. He told his fans in a social media post that he needed to step away to regain control.

Admirable, if not heroic.

I grew up in a world where you didn't talk about issues like this. You went to work. You didn't show weakness, even though your family knew it existed, and there were issues. You just didn't show it.

Not only has McCaffery, who also battled cancer at the young age of 13, showed it to his family, he's showed it to us all.

Facing death at any age is horrible. I was six inches away from my daughter's face when she died. Talking about anxiety is part of the cure.

Steve Worster is a referee in southeast Iowa and we worked together for a year or so in the newspaper business. He expressed his condolences to me last night, two years later, and apologized for not being at Kelsey's funeral.

The words meant just as much now as they would have then. Not only has the network of people who deal with anxiety on a daily basis become more visible, but so has the acceptance and support of those people.

Iowans are the friendliest people in the world. My wife left for Texas and said she won't come back to Iowa. But I know it's not about the people, it's the rural atmo-

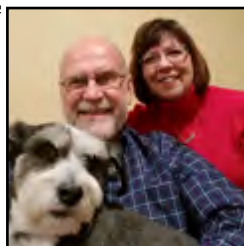
EDITORIAL

Stormy celebrates second anniversary at the Empty Nest

Stormy our cat has been with us exactly two years as of New Year's Day, '23. He celebrated his birthday by tearing down the Christmas tree. Stormy came to us in a snow storm (hence, "Stormy") on New Year's Day, '21. I was installing a wireless door bell that Ginnie gave me for Christmas. (It's noteworthy that I was at the front porch. We seldom use the front porch.) It was snowing and blowing. I heard a meowing, and there was a small kitten huddled in the corner. I hollered for

EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



Ginnie because I knew she wanted a cat.

I coaxed the kitten toward me. When he got within a couple feet, I snatched him up. He rewarded me by clawing and biting my hand to shreds. But I

had him. His eyes were matted and he was gaunt. Probably a roadside drop-off, Stormy spent the rest of the day hiding behind a couch. He thawed, ate some tuna, and slowly warmed up to us. He now owns the house.

Stormy is my cat—probably because I rescued him. This upsets Ginnie to no end because she's the one who buys him special treats, which he accepts like it's owed him, and then curls up on my lap.

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

WENDY L. CHASE

Wendy Lee (Kite) Chase, 44, of Sperry, Iowa, formerly of Bonaparte, Iowa, passed away at 12:34 p.m. Thursday, January 5, 2023, at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, Iowa.

She was born on December 22, 1978, in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, the daughter of Otis James "Jim" and Sandra (Stecker) Kite. On October 9, 2010, she married James Chase at Harrisburg Church.



CHASE

Survivors include her husband: Jim; children: Kale, Lily and Tessa; mother: Sandra (Bob) Batten of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; father: Jim (Teresa) Kite of Bonaparte, Iowa; brothers: Trae (Kyli) Kite, Cory (Jill) Kite and Tyler (Tiana) Kite; step-brothers: Trevis (Tembi) Batten and Eric (Annie) Batten. Also surviving are several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents.

Wendy was a graduate of Harmony High School. She attended Kirkwood Community College to become a surgical technician. She later received her RN license from Southeastern Community College. She worked as a registered nurse at Morning Sun Care Center. Wendy enjoyed camping and canoeing at Current River each year. Most of all, she enjoyed being with her family.

Family will receive friends from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, January 8, 2023, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Farmington.

A funeral service will held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, January 9, 2023, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Farmington.

Burial will be at Vale Cemetery in Bonaparte.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

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

OBITUARIES

JAMES C. BROCK

James Carlsen Brock, 59, of Houghton, Iowa, passed away at 10:34 a.m. Friday, December 30, 2022.

He was born on February 7, 1963, in Fairfield, Illinois, the son of Carlsen and Marjorie (Wilson) Brock. On December 7, 2002, he married Cheryl Vernice Fulton at Saint Augustine Catholic Church in Des Moines, Iowa.



BROCK

He is survived by his wife: Cheryl; daughter: Claire Brock; brother: Jerry Brock; brothers-in-law: Mark (Karen) Fulton, Scott Fulton, Brett (Martha) Fulton and Todd Fulton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; father and mother-in-law: Alva and Shirley Fulton.

Jim was a 1981 graduate of Fairfield High School. He attended McKendree University and graduated with a bachelors degree in psychology and theology. Jim was a member of Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church in Houghton, Iowa and the Houghton Knights of Columbus Council #3905. Jim lived in Fairfield, Illinois, until moving to Iowa in 2006. He spent several years providing counseling in mental health. When moving to Iowa he worked at MHI in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, until shortly before it closed. He worked at the American Ordnance Ammunition Plant for the past ten years. Jim enjoyed traveling with his family, watching Star Wars with his daughter, spending time with the family dog "Eddie", tending to his garden and canning the produce he grew (mainly jams, salsa and limerd pickles).

Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 6, 2023, at Saint John's Catholic Church in Houghton, where the family will receive friend from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. A Knights of Columbus rosary will be recited at 4:00 p.m. and a Christian Wake service will be held at 6:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 7, 2023, at Saint John's Catholic Church in Houghton, with Father Joseph Phung as celebrant.

Burial will be at Saint John's Cemetery in Houghton.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to his daughter Claire's college fund.

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

DARLENE F. SCHROEDER

Darlene F. Schroeder, 96, of Joshua, TX and formerly of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 4:56 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 in Joshua, TX. She was born on July 22, 1926 in Burlington, IA to Whitmer D. & Laura A. Bence Schroeder. She worked at IRC in Burlington, IA, worked on her family farm and retired from Jack's Department Store in Fort Madison. She loved all animals and enjoyed fishing and vegetable gardening. She was member of the Madison Baptist Church.

Darlene is survived by several nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A burial will be held at Oakland Cemetery in Fort Madison. Online condolences to Darlene's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

LUNCH SPECIALS
JANUARY 9-13
11AM - 1PM

<p>Monday, January 9 Tenderloin, Tater Tot, Blueberry Fluff</p>
<p>Tuesday, January 10 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Corn</p>
<p><i>Wednesday, January 11</i> <i>Chicken Bacon Ranch Pasta, Breadstick</i></p>
<p>Thursday, January 13 Fried Chicken Dinners</p>
<p>Friday, January 13 Fish Sandwich, Steak Fries, Slaw</p>

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SUSAN R. BOWEN

Susan Renae (Schatz) Bowen, age 50, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, December 30, 2022 in Sioux Falls, SD. She was born July 9, 1972 in Flandreau, SD to Jerry and Lucille Schatz. She married Tyler Bowen on August 2, 1997 in Winona, MN.

Born and raised in Flandreau, Susie, as she was affectionately called, graduated in 1991 from Flandreau High School. In addition to her Business Administration degree from Southwest Minnesota State University, she holds a Master of Science degree in School Counseling from Winona State University. She worked in Minnesota schools including Houston, Marshall, and Minnesota as a school counselor. Recently, she served in the Harrisburg and Sioux Falls school districts before finishing her career at Sioux Falls Roosevelt High School.



BOWEN

Susie can be described as an "old soul". She loved Bon Jovi, Friends, Seinfeld and Solitaire. She loved spending time in the summer on her deck, taking care of her flowers and shuttling and watching Brent and Brooke's activities. Christmas was her favorite time of the year. She enjoyed decorating, listening to Christmas music, baking treats and watching her favorite movies. The family was so fortunate to spend Christmas together at home this year.

Grateful for sharing her life are her husband, Tyler Bowen; children, Brent and Brooke; parents, Jerry and Lucille Schatz; sisters, Jackie (Jerry) Pommer, Gina (Steve) Chamberlain and Julie (Steve) Ruprecht; parents-in-law, Joe and Alice Bowen; sister-in-law, Nichelle (Scott) Kaul; brother-in-law, Ryan (Wendy) Bowen; nieces and nephews, Lauren (Frank) and their children Everly and Oliver; Allie, Jarred (Bree), Cydney (Reagan), Kayla, Kylie, Erin, Isabel, Ben, Zach, Jared (Kelli), Jason (Lizzy) and AJ; many family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Casper and Catherine Kraft and special friend, Julie Burns.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions will go towards Brent and Brooke's education and the creation of the Susan Bowen Student Success Fund. Susie was passionate about helping students succeed in and out of the classroom. Annually, funds will support student programs and be administered through the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation. Contributions may be sent directly to the family or through www.givesendgo.com/bowenmemorial.

Visitation will be held Thursday, January 5, 2023 from 3-6 pm, with the memorial service starting at 6:00 pm at Peace Lutheran Church, 5509 W. 41st St, Sioux Falls, SD 57106. Cake fellowship will follow the service. Susie loved cake.

The service will be live streamed at <https://peacelutheran.online.church/>.

MARY E. PIESCHL

Mary E. Pieschl, 98, of Keokuk, Iowa, passed away on Saturday, December 24, 2022, at River Hills Village in Keokuk.

Mary was born on May 4, 1924, in Keokuk, Iowa, the daughter of Emil and Anna (Heine) Pieschl. She was a lifelong resident of Keokuk and was employed at the Iowa



PIESCHL

Department of Human Services for thirty-five years. Mary was a member of the Church of All Saints in Keokuk and was very proud to be an Associate of the Notre Dame School Sisters in the St. Louis Province. She had a way of making people feel special, and loved walking and visiting with others. She was also an avid traveler, with her trips taking her throughout the world.

Mary is survived by her cousins and preceded in death by her parents.

A Memorial Mass will be held at All Saints Catholic Church at 11 am on Friday, January 27, 2023. Burial at a later date will be held at Oakland Catholic Cemetery in Keokuk.

Memorials may be directed to All Saints Catholic Church in Keokuk or the Notre Dame School Sisters, St. Louis Province.

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

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

OBITUARIES

BERTHA C. PANTHER

Bertha Carola Panther, 94, of West Point, Iowa, passed away at 1:15 p.m. Thursday, January 5, 2023, at the West Point Care Center in West Point.

She was born on January 24, 1928, in Traill County, North Dakota, the daughter of Jacob and Bertha (Mueller) Pulskamp. She was the eighth of ten children and worked on the family farm until after graduation from Notre Dame Academy in Willow City, North Dakota, where she was valedictorian. She worked at a Red Owl Grocery for a time after graduation. It was in North Dakota where she met Urban Panther at a church card party. The two were married the following year on June 21, 1949, in Hillsboro, North Dakota. They bought their first house in Mayville, North Dakota, where she started her career as a mother. Bertha and Urban had two children in Mayville prior to moving to rural Donnellson, Iowa, where she continued her, approximately forty year, career of raising ten children.



PANTHER

When the children were old enough to be on their own, Bertha embarked on a career in health care as an aide, later joining the dietary staff at the West Point Care Center, then the Donnellson Care Center. On "retirement" she continued to volunteer at her two care centers of previous employment. Bertha was a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point, Iowa, the Altar and Rosary Society of the church and the former St. Anne's Circle Daughters of Isabella and numerous community volunteer organizations, as well as engaging in seasonal work at local seed companies.

Bertha enjoyed traveling, revisiting her home state of North Dakota annually as well as exploring the continental United States and Hawaii. The highlight of her travels included a trip to Europe, where she was able to visit the Vatican.

A stroke in early 2000 slowed Bertha down considerably, but even through an ever challenging health status, her determination and sense of humor did not diminish.

She is survived by five sons: Jim (Norma) Panther of Iowa City, Iowa, Bob (Joanne) Panther of Bemidji, Minnesota, Mark (Teresa) Panther of West Point, Iowa, Joe (Chris) Panther of Fort Madison, Iowa and Greg (Tammy) Panther of Keokuk, Iowa; four daughters: Becky Aldrich of Davenport, Iowa, Mary (Kevin) Overton of West Point, Iowa, Janet (Keith Adams) Panther of Cumming, Georgia and Mindy (Chris Roxberg) Robey of West Point, Iowa; twenty-one grandchildren; twenty-six great grandchildren and three siblings: Joe Pulskamp, Sr. Mary Jane Pulskamp and Leo (Roberta) Pulskamp all of North Dakota. Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband: Urban; two sons: John and one in infancy; one brother and five sisters.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, January 8, 2023, at Schmitz Funeral Home in West Point where a parish rosary will be recited at 2:00 p.m. and a Christian wake service will be held at 4:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 9, 2023, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in West Point with Father Joseph Phung as celebrant.

Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, West Point.

A memorial has been established in her memory.

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

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From the Front

No clear path to dealing with mental health

ANXIETY - Continued from Page 1

sphere that she doesn't like. She's a worldly woman and is drawn toward robust things.

I didn't fit that mold, and I can accept that. But if it weren't for the people of this community and my family's acceptance of who I am in a post-Kelsey world, I'm sure I would be dead right now. I was moments away. Moments.

Patrick McCaffrey is telling people about his moments before it gets so dark he can't see out of it. It's brave... not weakness. Basketball is a game. Life is no game, I don't care what your Nikes or Adidas say, this isn't a game.

But handling it right, talking with the right people, sharing stories, and opening up about what's happening in your life is the right path. Burying it deep down creates a festering of life. It tends to snuff out the very light we need in those moments.

McCaffrey opened the window instead of drawing the curtains - not only allowing us in to see his demons, but more importantly for him to see out.

A bold stroke. It should be a lesson to anyone who's dealt with it but say they're strong enough on their own to deal with it. Maybe.

But is it worth the price you pay in the fight? To some, yes.

Not to me.

Some people are private people and are strong. That doesn't mean they don't struggle. Hearing, and talking, ...and writing about the struggles are empowering to everyone.

The Steve Worsters of the world are around you and real. It's a medication that you don't have to swallow every night just to sleep six hours.

I personally have told several people that their texts checking in on me are the very reason I still see the sun every day. Many of their texts, even recent ones, I keep and re-read. They bring a smile to my face.

Doctors can prescribe, but a support system will subscribe - and that makes doing life doable.

Mental health is workable. You have to exercise it and unfortunately it's not always a private workout, like you can do with bands, weights and a medicine ball. This is serious work and you can't really procrastinate on it.

McCaffrey is starting a journey with a social media post that assuredly followed a family and team conversation. He put out one message. There's great healing power in that.

I should know. You should know. I do it all the time - one message at a time - But that's Beside the Point.

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

Let it be for 2023

SWARM - Continued from Page 1

I'm a firm believer in what you do on New Year's Day sets the tone for how your year will go. This New Year's Day, which was a Sunday, I made sure I got in my hour of exercise on the elliptical machine and then went to church. Alone. Ginnie stayed home getting the house ready for her family's holiday visit. She actually hurt her back baking cookies. No fool'n. I told her that if she'd come to church with me like she was supposed to, she would be feeling fine.

And then Ginnie's car had a rattle toward the front-end dashboard area. It was driving her nuts. Click, click, click. She looked and looked, and had me ride with her to try and determine the source of the clicking. I rode with her and, atypically, heard it. We looked all around, in the glove box, in the cup holders—nothing. I thought it was something in the air ducts. Maybe a mouse had gotten in there and chewed things up. I told her she'd better have our mechanic look at it before it got worse. I used to be a volunteer fireman and knew that car fires can start from mouse damage, which can then take down a house.

We were actually on our way to the mechanic. I figured he would have to tear the dashboard out to find the noise. I leaned

forward in the front seat and noticed a small Lego decoration Ginnie had hung on the opposite side of her windshield rear-view mirror. She couldn't see the Lego. It was clicking against the backside of the mirror.

I took the Lego down. The clicking stopped.

Ginnie was speechless (unusual) and slapped herself in the head.

I told her she was lucky I found the source of the noise instead of the mechanic and suffered the embarrassment, plus a \$200 charge. She agreed.

But Ginnie is making her third batch of crock-pot chocolate peanut clusters, so I'm a lucky guy. Chocolate peanut clusters are my favorite holiday candy—year-round, really.

Back in my day, if Christmas and New Year's fell on a Sunday, the next day, Monday, was a workday, by golly. No ifs, ands, or buts. There's something not right about the Rose Bowl Parade and the Rose Bowl being held the day after New Year's. (We were watching for the Pella High School Marching Band, but never did see them.)

Because of all that, I forgot to eat pork and cabbage on New Year's Day for good luck. However, I have been making four-leaf clovers out of rusty horseshoes. That and God should be all the good fortune Ginnie and I

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Lee County, Iowa
Board of Supervisors
Agenda
DATE: Monday,
January 9, 2023
MEETING
CONVENING TIME:
10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
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Lee County provides equal opportunity in employment to all persons regardless of age, race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion or disability.

For a job description and to apply, download an application from our county website, www.leecounty.org or you can pick an application up at the Engineer's office and return your completed application along with a resume to Lee County Engineer, P.O. Box 158, Fort Madison, Iowa 52627, or email it to bhull@leecounty.org and copy it to shartson@leecounty.org Applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

If you have any questions please contact Lee County Engineer, Ben Hull at (319) 372-2541 or email him at bhull@leecounty.org.



feature and wait for the Chairman to address you. If you are participating by phone, please wait until everyone is done speaking before addressing the Board. Please keep your microphone muted to cut down on background noise. If you are participating by phone, press #6, this will mute your phone.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approve Agenda
- Public Input
- Consider Approval of Tax Abatement Resolution
- Consider Approval of Tuesday, January 3 and Wednesday, January 5, 2023 Board Minutes
- Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
- Personnel Actions:
 - A. Payroll Status Change-Secondary Roads
 - B. Step Increase-Sheriff Office
 - Reports:
 - A. Recorder's Report of Fees Collected
 - B. Treasurer's Report of Fees Collected
 - C. Auditor's Report of Fees Collected
 - Commission or Committee Reports
 - Adjourn

Possible workshop to follow

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The following is a brief summary of Ordinance Number D-95:

- Removes Tourism Commission;
- Changes term "Parking" for "Right of Way (ROW);
- Defines "right-of-way" and replaces references to "parking" with "right-of-way";
- Set sizes for Babyland grave markers;
- Sets monument location/foundation inspection fees by resolution;

Removes Marina Road/ Shelter Lane in Riverview Park;

Removes the prohibited parking on Riverview Park Road (South);

Removes an unused drop off/pick up area; Amends 10-minute parking;

Remove stop, yield signs no longer in service; Adds traffic lights; Adds stop and yield signs currently in service.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision, or part thereof not judged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council this 20th day of December, 2022.

/s/Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor
 City of Fort Madison, Iowa

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

PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 12/20/2022

The Fort Madison City Council met in special session at 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday, 12/20/2022, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Gray, Amandus, Rink, Andrews, Schulz, Bowker and Cangas present.

Council members interviewed candidates for the 2nd Ward Council vacancy. Council discussed the applicants and then, on motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-111, appointing Angela Roller as 2nd Ward Council Member, effective 1/1/2023.

A recess was called from 5:15 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. At 5:30 p.m., Council reconvened with Council Members Amandus, Rink, Andrews, Schulz and Bowker present. Council Members Gray and Can-

gas were absent.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 12/6/2022; Liquor License Renewal: Garner Foods, effective 12/15/2022;

Claims dated 12/15/2022, December Library Claims, November Financial Report; and Payroll of 12/16/2022.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-112, terminating the Urban Renewal Area #7 Plan for the Urban Renewal Area #7 Plan Area and ending the Urban Renewal Area #7 Plan Area. On motion, Council approved the first reading of an ordinance repealing Ordinance C-127, providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the Urban Renewal Area #7

Plan Area, in the City of Fort Madison, Iowa, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. On motion, Council approved Ordinance D-093, 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. On motion, Council approved Ordinance D-094, 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. On motion, Council approved Ordinance D-095, an

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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. On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance repealing Ordinance 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. On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 7, Police, Chapter 2, Misdemeanors, Chapter 47 to Loitering on or Near Roadways.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-113, appointing David Varley to serve on the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission Board of Directors, term expiring 1/1/2024. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-114, accepting PIP 2020-02, Airfield Lighting Improvements as complete, and

approving the Mayor's signature on Partial Payment Application No. 4 and the Statement of Completion. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-115, authorizing the submittal of the FY 2023 Airport Capital Improvement Program and associated data sheets for possible FY2024-2028 Federal Aviation Administration Grants and certifies the local match of 10% is available. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-116, accepting the submitted Plat of Survey and waiving subdivision requirement Title 11 (Subdivision Regulations) for Jennifer Menke for property located at 2994 County Road 103, within two miles of City Limits. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-117, approving the Mayor's signature on an Iowa Department of Transportation - Federal-aid Agreement for the City Highway Bridge Program Project for the replacement of the 3rd Street Bridge Over Fork Creek (Happy Hollow). On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-118, outlining a Housing

Grant Strategy for the City of Fort Madison.

On motion, Council approved 2023 Council Meeting Dates. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's reappointments of Doug Kenel and Al Schulte to the Construction Board of Appeals,

EXPENDITURES	
General	\$ 43,055.71
Special Revenue	7,361.81
Road Use	14,796.26
Debt	150.00
Capital	871,768.71
Water	17,977.29
Sewer	59,288.36
Solid Waste/IWC	23,004.44
SW Utility	1,945.00
	<u>\$1,039,347.58</u>

REVENUES	
General	\$169,675.18
Special Rv	303,743.28
Road Use	820.00
Debt	36,623.21
Water	505.41
Sewer	9,135.18
Sld Waste, IWC	810.42
SW Utility	115.29
	<u>\$521,427.97</u>

Claims 12/20/2022

ABC FIRE EXTINGUISHER, RECHARGE EXTINGUISHER	86.80
ABRA, REPAIR VEHICLE	5,274.94
ACCESS SYSTEMS, MONITOR	214.17
ANSER IOWA, WATER ANSWERING SERVICE	222.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM	

terms expiring 9/30/2025. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's appointment of Justin Pieper to the Fort Madison SIRRC Commission, term expiring 12/31/2025.

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 P.M.

PAYROLL		12/16/2022
General		\$202,458.98
Old Fort		2,921.34
Employee Bnfts		8,032.79
Road Use		28,910.68
Water		30,512.73
Sewer		30,191.50
Solid Waste		16,619.81
Airport		312.77
Storm Water		2,945.90
		<u>\$322,906.50</u>

SERVICES, UNIFORM	776.18
B&B PROPANE, HEAT	1,517.68
BATES SANITATION & ASPHALT, PORTA-POTTIE RENTAL	85.00
BRIAN S GREEN, WINTER WEAR	101.63
BROZENES HYDRAULIC SERVICE, PUMP/ SOCKET	775.40
BUILDING MATERIALS INC, WOOD/PAINT/INSULATION	462.21
CESSFORD CONSTRUCTION CO., COLD MIX	1,702.36
CITY OF FORT MADISON, LEACHATE DISCHARGE (E&W)	2,226.96
COMPANY NURSE LLC, NURSE TRIAGE	86.00
CULLEN PEST CONTROL, QUARTERLY PEST CONTROL	499.00
DAILY DEMOCRAT, PUBLICATIONS/HELP WANTED	1,266.60
DAVE VRADENBURG, PD OFFICE UPGRADE	1,920.00
DODD PRINTING & STATIONERY, DESK	

CALANDERS	121.50
DOUDS STONE, LLC, ROADSTONE	666.42
DUNKIN GARAGE & TOWING, TIRE PATCH	20.00
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING, PD CAR SETUP	11,263.13
EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING, SLUDGE TEST	462.24
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FLOORCRAFTERS, FLOORING	473.00
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FRANK MILLARD & CO. INC, REPLACE BOILER COUPLING	317.90
GRAY QUARRIES, INC, STABILIZED BASE	823.44
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL WASTE, GARBAGE	20,919.89
HACH COMPANY, FILTERS	1,166.44
HOENIG TREE SERVICE INC, TREE REMOVAL @ 1502 E	5,975.00
HUFFMAN WELDING & MACHINE, DECK PLATE	1,579.72
HUMBURD AUTO SERVICE, SENSOR	68.25
HY-VEE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, PAPER PRODUCTS/SUPPLIES	117.83
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TERMINAL FEES	300.00
IA PUBLIC AIRPORTS ASSOC, 2023 MEMBERSHIP	100.00
ICONNECTYOU, INTERNET FOR FINGERPRINT MACH	5.00
INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC MOTORS, FUEL RATCHET	300.00
IOWA BRIDGE & CULVERT, PAY EST #7-BRIDGE 27 I/AVE F	372,695.35
IOWA POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIA, 2023 MEMBERSHIP	125.00
JIM BAIER INC., SWITCH	71.74
JONES CONTRACTING CORP, PAY EST #9 - AVE H 10-18	499,038.36
KELTEK INCORPORATED, COMPUTER W/ SUPPLIES	4,633.52
KERR FABRICATORS, SNOW BLADES	489.38
LEE COUNTY RECORDER, RECORDING FEES	44.00
LISCO, TELEPHONE	1,943.72
LJ INSURANCE, INSURANCE	4,795.00
LUKE GRUENING, MILEAGE FOR TRAINING	131.25
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, PORTABLE COMM ASSISTANT	1,945.00
MCCROMETER INC., SENSORS	4,057.80
MIDWEST SAFETY COUNSELORS, CALIBRATION	350.00
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REPLACE RECEPTABLE	83.61
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NAPA AUTO PARTS, DEICER/WIPES/FOAM	65.58
PARKVIEW VETERINARY CLINIC, RENTAL FEE	1,350.00
PEN CITY CURRENT, JOB POSTING	119.98
PITNEY BOWES BANK INC., POSTAGE	3,000.00
R&J QUALITY DECALING INC., DECALING SUV	100.00
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TRUCK REPAIR INC., REPAIR TIRE	2,061.69
UMB BANK, N.A., BOND INITIATION FEES	500.00
UPS, SHIPPING	23.61
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED, CHEMICALS	8,835.20
WINDSTREAM, PHONE/INTERNET	263.21
TOTAL	1,032,143.22
GENERAL	37,260.71
SPECIAL REVENUES	337.46
ROAD USE	14,796.26
CAPITAL PROJECTS	871,768.71
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WASTEWATER	59,288.36
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Sports

Rashid ties FMHS 3-point mark in win

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Carson Rashid joined a small group of Bloodhound sharp shooters Saturday.

The junior hit eight 3-pointers, four in a span of about two minutes in the third period, as the Hounds rolled Central Lee 82-57 at the Hound Dome.

Rashid attempted three other 3-balls in the fourth quarter, but none would fall as he led the Hounds with 29 points in the win.

"He tied the record. I was telling people to be ready and we tried to set up a few things to help him get another one, and unfortunately, he didn't really get another good shot," Wilson said.

"But Carson is capable of doing that. He's a nice player, a nice shooter. Thinking about after his eighth one he then shot faked and went around into the lane looking for other players. That's just who he is."

Rashid said he knew he was close to the mark.

"I knew I was close, but I didn't think I had it," Rashid said.

"I was pushing for it, but I didn't want to force anything. I was looking for an open shot."

Wilson said the Hawks played a very athletic game and are doing good things, a sentiment appreciated and echoed by Central Lee head coach Kritter Hayes.

"They're very young starting sophomores and freshmen. (Brayden) Wyrick is tough to guard and the Swan kid is a nice player, nice shooter. They're coming along," Wilson said.

Hayes said the Hawks are starting to put together basketball games, but couldn't keep up with Rashid.

"We were right there but then they just went off on a 3-point barrage," Hayes said. "We kind of struggled playing man stopping Cresswell, so we switched to a zone and we knew they would get some looks, but tip your hat to them for hitting shots at crucial times."

Hayes said the last four games have been regular basketball games for the Hawks.

"Prior to that, it'd get out of hand and we'd lose by 50-60 points.. We're starting to be able to do some things offensively and defensively that we want to do."

Wyrick, who finished with 14 to lead Central Lee, opened the game with a 3-ball from the right baseline, but that would be the one and only lead Central Lee would have on the night.

Hunter Cresswell and Leif Boeding would each score inside to give the Hounds a 4-3 lead they would relinquish just one time.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Teagan Snaadt works the ball through the midfield in Thursday's 4-0 win over Keokuk.

Fort Madison would open up a 22-12 first quarter lead, but the Hawks would claw their way back into it. Cory Jones heated up in the second quarter and scored eight points on two 3-balls and a nifty scoop layup under the arms of Fort Madison's Dayton LaMar with about 5:30 left in the first half.

Jones' second 3-pointer tied the game at 25 after the Hawks trailed by 10 earlier in the quarter.

Fort Madison would push the lead back to 10 at 37-27, but Will Hayes' bucket inside cut it to nine at the half. Central Lee's Chase Johnson hit a bucket to start the third quarter, but then Fort Madison went to work from beyond the arch.

Julian Dear started things with a 3-ball that gave the Hounds a 40-31 lead then Rashid hit four in a row, three unanswered, whipping the student section to his left into a frenzy.

Rashid's last 3 gave the Hounds an 18-point lead and Central Lee couldn't recover.

Boeding finished with 14 for the Hounds (3-6, 1-4).

Creswell had 11. For the Hawks (2-9, 0-7), Jones finished in double figures with 10. Aden Ross had seven on the night.

Lady Hawks fall in OT to Hounds

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Camille Kruse was held to just five points on Friday night at Mt. Pleasant, but she more than made up for it Saturday, putting 27 on Central Lee.

The Hounds needed overtime to knock off the visiting Hawks 50-41, and Kruse scored five of Fort Madison's final 11 in getting the win.

The Hounds' eighth win of the year didn't come without a cost. The Hounds may have lost junior Irelynd Sargent for some time with a knee injury. The guard went down chasing a missed free throw in the second quarter and didn't return.

She stayed on the sideline with an iced knee until the game was over and then was carried out of the gym.

"I hope she can make it back," Kruse said after the game. "I need her. The whole team needs her."

Central Lee opened up a 6-0 lead early but the Hounds rallied to trail 9-7 at the end of the first period. Kruse hit a 3-ball 28 seconds into the second quarter to give Fort Madison its first lead of the night.

Through the third period the lead changed or was tied 11 times as Central Lee senior Makayla Morrison traded jabs with Kruse throughout the game.

Morrison finished with 18, 13 in the second half, to keep the Lady Hawks in the game.

"We tried to keep her off Kruse as much as possible. I didn't want her to suffer fatigue," said Central Lee coach Taylor Hickey.

Morrison played the full 32 minutes after doing the same thing Friday night in a loss to Holy Trinity Catholic.

"That just goes to speak to the athleticism of a four-year multi-sport athlete," Hickey said. "She's my rock on this team and she played her butt off and I said that to her and the team at halftime."

Hickey said Pohren played strong through an injury to her nose.

"She played through it and never asked to come out. I just need these younger girls to know that at the varsity level a big part is energy and mental toughness."

A bucket by freshman Kenna Sandoval inside gave the Hawks a 30-28 lead with 4:33 left in the game. Morrison would hit a three pointer in the Hawks' next offensive set to extend the lead to five 33-28.

After the 3-ball, Fort Madison coach TJ Sargent called a time out and Kruse scored out of the timeout to make it 30-33. Two free throws by Karlie Pohren and a couple from Morrison gave Central Lee a 37-33 lead after a 3-ball from Kruse.

She would hit another from the left wing at 1:35 to cut the lead to one at 36-37. Morrison would score on a put back to give the Hawks a three-point advantage, but Aija Jenkins, who struggled going 0-10 from the field, laced a 3-pointer from the right baseline in front of the Hounds' bench to tie things at 39 with 35 seconds left.

Central Lee took a full time out to set up the next possession but turned it over in the half-court. Fort Madison would get the ball almost to half court and call a timeout with 9 seconds left.

Kruse was able to drive and force up a shot in the lane but missed. Molly Knipe coralled the rebound but her shot went high over the basket as the buzzer sounded.

Central Lee would miss its first five shots from the field in overtime as Fort Madison opened up a 46-39 lead. Morrison would convert a bucket and get fouled, but missed the free throw and that would be all the scoring for the Hawks as Fort Madison secured the win.

Hickey said the Hawks went into the overtime session a little hesitant with two of the starters carrying four fouls.

"I haven't played yet in an OT situation, but we wanted to play solid defense and then come down and score," she said.

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