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City Manager resigns

VARLEY DONE MAY 2: City to look at different path with city leadership

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison City Manager David Varley has announced his resignation effective May 2, 2023. Varley has been with the city since 2014 and word started to spread over the weekend that his time at the city could be coming to an end.

He said on Saturday that he “was thinking about it” but wouldn’t confirm any decisions.

City officials wouldn’t comment or confirm the decision over the weekend, but Varley submitted his letter of resignation to Mayor Matt Mohrfeld on Tuesday.



VARLEY

“Let’s just say it was the right time,” Varley said on what prompted the decision to step down.

“My wife and I talked about it and maybe it’s time to retire or maybe look at doing something else.”

The 69-year-old who’s native to California and spent time in Colorado said he has no plans to return to that area.

“We spent three years in Colorado, but we might just stay here. We’ve enjoyed our time here and we like it here. We’re

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Hoopla gives patrons new digital access

BY SARAH CLENDINENG
FM Library Director

Hoopla

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Increase your exposure to poetry by signing up to get a poem-a-day in your

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Roxy's Pantry provides quality food for pet owners experiencing financial difficulties, in North Lee County. We are committed to keeping pets with their families out of PAWS or other animal shelters.

Roxy's Pantry supports our community without judgment. We are a donation based pantry that rely on local support and donations to keep food on our shelves and in the homes of those in need.

Dan Dalstra, a local photographer, is the executive director of a new effort to stand up a pet food pantry called Roxie’s Pantry at the First Christian Church in Fort Madison.

FOOD INSECURE PETS

Pet Food Pantry being organized at First Christian Church

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – While volunteers work to feed the food insecure at the Fort Madison Food pantry, an enterprise is forming to also help the pets that have food insecurity.

Dan Dalstra and his wife Leslie, the

pastor at the First Christian Church in Fort Madison, are standing up Roxie’s Pantry.

The name comes from Roxie the Bloodhound mascot at Fort Madison High School.

“It’s for those low income folks who have to sometimes make that tough choice between deciding do

I feed myself, do I feed my pet, do I buy medication,” Dalstra said.

“Pets are such a crucial part of our lives, basically like our children. The last thing we want to have happen to anyone is for them not to be able to take care of the animal closest to

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Obituaries/From the Front

OBITUARIES

DOUGLAS K. PETERSEN

Douglas Keith Petersen, 63, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center in Fort Madison. He was born on June 26, 1959 in Elk Grove Village, IL to Merlyn & Marlene Johnson Petersen.



PETERSEN

He married Kay Lynn Auge on April 23, 1983 in Fort Madison, IA. He was a mechanic most of his life and enjoyed working on muscle cars. He collected baseball cards and coins and for many years coached soccer for Aquinas and later Holy Trinity Catholic School.

Doug is survived by: his wife: Kay Petersen of Fort Madison, IA; 1-son: Grant Petersen of Fort Madison, IA; 1-brother: Joe (Kathy) Petersen of Georgia & 1-sister: Kathy Petersen of Chicago, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 1-son, Cory.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2023 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

A memorial service will follow at 2:30 p.m. with Pastor John Heyland officiating. A memorial has been established for P.A.W. Animal Shelter. Online condolences to Doug's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

Council to weigh options in replacing Varley

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in no hurry to look elsewhere.”

Varley had been vocal about the difficulties generating revenue in Iowa and the stranglehold the state has on local government.

“The biggest frustration is the state does not give local government enough leeway in how to raise revenue,” he said. “It’s very difficult to have a good mix of revenue sources, especially in the general fund. My biggest frustration is the state doesn’t have a strong belief in local control.”

Mohrfeld said he appreciated the outgoing city manager’s nine years of service to the city.

“We appreciate David’s service to the city, and I wish him the very best in his future plans,” Mohrfeld said Wednesday.

Varley echoed the sentiment.

“I appreciate the opportunity I have had to work for the city. I wish the city the best in all its future endeavors,” Varley wrote in his short resignation letter Tuesday.

Councilman Rusty Andrews, who serves as Mayor Pro Tem, and is a voting councilman, said the decision to leave was Varley’s, but now the council may look at different options as far as city leadership.

He said there was a separation agreement reached but couldn’t disclose the details.

Andrews said he hopes the council takes time to research the best way to move forward searching for a replacement.

“Council is looking to go a different direction with new leadership,” he said. “We are reaching out to Southeast Iowa Regional Planning and Mike Norris for some insight on how best to move forward.”

“The last time we hired a consulting firm, and we’ll reach out to them again to get the ball rolling.”

He said there will be pressure to using a hiring firm, but he would like to weigh all the options before moving ahead with a plan.

“We need to take a minute to breathe, look at our budget and do some research on what others are paying. We don’t want to strap the budget any more than it already is.”

Last year Varley’s salary was set at \$126,251.

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OBITUARIES

BONITA M. MOSLEY

Bonita Marie Mosley, 80, of Montrose, IA died Sunday, March 26, 2023 at Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center in Ft. Madison, IA.

She was born May 14, 1942 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Louis and Edith Alberts Frakes. Bonita had been employed as a caregiver at several different nursing homes through the years.

She is survived by her companion of thirty years, Craig Junkins of Montrose, IA, one son, Bill Lambert and one daughter, Jill Frakes and three grandchildren. She is also survived by three sisters, Shirley Fredrickson (Dennis) of Revere, MO, Sandy Clark of Hamilton, IL and Judith Loter of Hamilton, IL and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Chris Lambert, three brothers and one sister.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF WEST BURLINGTON BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023
5:30 PM
WEST BURLINGTON CITY HALL
122 BROADWAY STREET

TENTATIVE AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER
 ROLL CALL
 PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 1. Consider Minutes

from Board of Adjustment meeting on Nov 17, 2022
PUBLIC HEARING
 1. The Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing on a request from JNB West Burlington, LP for a Special Use Permit in accordance with City Code, Section 165.07(4) to allow the construction of a multi-family senior housing complex in a B-2 General Business District.
NEW BUSINESS
 1. Consider authorizing a Special Use Permit to allow the construction of a multi-family senior housing complex.
OLD BUSINESS
ADJOURN

PUBLIC NOTICE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DONNELSON CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH, 2023
7:30PM
CITY HALL

The regular meeting of the Donnellson City Council was called to order by Mayor Dave Ellingboe, with Council Members Moeller, Marshall, Newton, Estrada & Weber present.
 Motion by Newton, second by Marshall to approve the agenda: all ayes.
 Citizen comments –

None.
 Motion by Marshall, second by Estrada to approve the minutes of the January '23 meetings: all ayes.
 Motion by Estrada, second by Weber to approve the January '23 financial reports: all ayes.
 Motion by Moeller, second by Weber to approve the January '23 disbursements and February '23 bills to be allowed: all ayes.
 Motion by Marshall, second by Estrada to approve Class C Retail Alcohol License for Green Acres, all ayes.
 Motion by Estrada, second by Newton to

approve Class B Retail Alcohol License for Dollar General, all ayes.
 Motion by Weber, second by Estrada to approve Special Class C Retail Alcohol License for Lee County Fair, all ayes.
 Motion by Estrada, second by Weber to approve Building Permit @ 305 N Oak St to construct garage, all ayes.
 Motion by Moeller, second by Newton to request the Lee County Board of Supervisors to allow the City of Donnellson 5 years to repay approx. 130,000 for street repairs on 180th Ave with the option to pay off early if funds allow, all ayes.

Council reviewed email from city attorney regarding requirements for new car wash to be installed. A work session has been scheduled for Monday February 27th @ 6pm to discuss further.
 Motion by Moeller, second by Estrada to set public hearing and bid opening date for Westview Trail Project for March 13th 2023 7:30pm at Donnellson City Office Building, all ayes.
 Motion by Newton, second by Weber to accept the bid on the 2000 Chevy Dump Truck in the amount of \$8,200 from Bob Schinstock with Sugar Creek Construc-

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tion, all ayes. Bids were as follows: Schinstock \$8,200, Speer \$7,500, Greik \$6,257.27, Hellige \$6,000, Wellman \$5,500, Freeman \$5,255, Dobson \$5,016, Hoyer \$3,760, Kemper \$2,698.97, Smith \$2,008.

Motion by Marshall, second by Newton to accept bid for Garbage/Recycling Contract FY24-26 in the amount of \$5,440 a month from Kohlmorgan Hauling, all ayes. Kohlmorgan was the only bid received.

Motion by Moeller, second by Newton to approve Resolution No 2023-03 Resolution authorizing the mayor and clerk to sign loan agreement at Pilot Grove Savings Bank for the purchase of 2023 Chevy Tahoe for police department, RCV all ayes.

Public Hearing for Proposed Property Tax Levy – No written or oral comments.

Motion by Moeller, second by Weber to approve Resolution No 2023-04 Resolution approving FY2024 Maximum Property Tax Dollars: RCV all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Estrada scheduling the public hearing to approve FY24 Budget for March 13th 2023 7:30pm at Donnellson City Office Building, all ayes.

Motion by Estrada, second by Weber scheduling the public hearing to approve FY23 Budget Amendment for March 13th 2023 7:30pm at Donnellson City Office Building, all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to

approve Resolution No 2023-05 Resolution amending Resolution No 2022-06 the transfer of funds for FY23, RCV all ayes.

Motion by Newton, second by Estrada scheduling the opening of bids for sealcoating of streets for March 13th 2023 7:30pm at Donnellson City Office Building, all ayes.

Insurance review discussion.

Motion by Moeller, second by Newton to approve setting a work session for February 27th 2023 6pm at the Donnellson City Office Building, all ayes.

Police Report – There were 34 calls for service, 5 traffic stops & 1 citation. 22 building checks were done during the day & night time hours.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Report – The DNR now requires sewer superintendent to obtain a grade 2 license for the waste water treatment facility. Submitted registration for upcoming class to obtain the upgraded license.

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

Dave Ellingboe, Mayor Attest: Rebecca Schau, City Clerk

Summary of All Receipts: General \$20,580.06 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$8,765.12 Employee Benefit \$155.64 Local Option Sales Tax \$7,717.97 Debit Service

\$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$23,494.39 Water Sinking USDA \$1,816.00 Sewer \$28,576.36 Sewer Sinking \$28,924.55. Summary of All Disbursements: General \$40,522.52 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$4,322.22 Employee Benefit \$1,414.06 Local Option Sales Tax \$1,018.20 Debit Service \$0 Capital Project Fund \$0 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$23,522.64 Water Sinking \$1,816.00 Sewer \$43,398.75 Sewer Sinking \$0

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For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

03/27/23 - 1:45 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Jason Theodore Kokjohn, 42, of Fort Madison, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear - animal at large. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/27/23 - 2:44 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Avenue L.

03/27/23 - 3:47 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to two reports of larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Avenue L.

03/28/23 - Fort Madison police had no activity to report.

03/29/23 - 12:33 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited Cheston Daniel Monroe, 44, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 23rd Street and Avenue L, on a charge of driving under suspension.

Lee County Sheriff Report

03/27/23 - 7:20 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Hwy. 61 N. According to the report, a

vehicle driven by Ashley Jean McClain, 32, of Fort Madison, was traveling northbound on Hwy. 61 and slowing to make a turn onto 165th Street east when it was sideswiped by a vehicle driven by Dakota Cheyanne Mercer, 29, of Fort Madison. No injuries or citations were reported. McClain's vehicle sustained functional damage and was driven from the scene; Mercer's vehicle sustained disabling damages and was towed from the scene.

03/28/23 - 10:51 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Justin Allen Hahn, 38, no hometown listed, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of disorderly conduct - fight/violence. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/28/23 - 3:03 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Benjamin Isaiah Mitchell, 39, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of disorderly conduct - fight/violence. 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.

Church to house new pet food pantry

PETS - Continued from Page 1

them."

The pantry will be a disbursement pantry and not the type where you can come in and choose food for your animal.

Dalstra said people will be able to fill out an application online for assistance and then the pantry volunteers will determine the amount of food needed for the animal on a monthly basis and have it ready to be picked up.

He said people who can't afford food would take them to the shelter or even release them into the wild.

"Our primary goal is to make sure pets are fed and healthy and kept out of the shelters. People can keep their pets with them when they need them."

Leslie Dalstra's stepsister started one in the St. Louis area that grew beyond her means and she had to step away. Dan said that opened his eyes to the need for that kind of service locally.

"Looking for things to do and ways to help our community, that's always been in the back of my mind. I'm a huge animal lover, pets, dogs especially are my jam. This is something our church can be involved in and this kept surfacing in my brain."

He said there are other pet pantries in Iowa, but nothing locally, and said PAW Director Sandy Brown was supportive of the venture and said it would complement what she is doing because it could help keep more animals out of the shelter and in homes.

The program does cater to low-income families and those looking for assistance can apply online at <https://www.fccfmdisciples.org/about-5>.

"We'd like you to show something that you are in financial need. Nothing government specific, but something to show you are in need of food."

The program would allocate six months of food with dispersions monthly the last Wednesday of the month at the church at 608 10th Street in Fort Madison.

Applicants can pull up to the church and get the month's supply of food and return the next month for up to six months. Disbursement times will be set later. Dalstra said if owners are in need beyond the six months, they can talk to the pantry about op-

tions.

He said they would prefer animals to be spayed or neutered, but they will allow time for that to take place to keep the number of pets controlled. Also food will only be allocated for the number of pets that were originally signed up.

"If you can't afford food for two dogs, why would you add two more?" he said.

Food prepared for the animals will not be brand specific, but special documented dietary needs will be considered.

"If your dog loves Purina One, we cannot differentiate food with Iams or whatever. We will take all our donations and mix them into one big thing and then bag them up from there. If your dog can only eat gluten free or handle XYZ, we will do what we can and get those specialty foods when we can," he said.

All the food will be from donations and Dalstra is asking for people to either donate food or financially to the pantry. The pantry operates under the church's 501c3, so donations are tax deductible.

"We can use funds to buy dog food, cat food, as we need."

Space is being rented from the church so 10% of all donations will go to the church.

He said he's hoping that partnerships can be formed with groups at the schools like National Honor Society to help beef up the volunteer efforts. Those interested in learning more about the program can do so by emailing Dalstra at Dan@dandalstra.com or calling 915-342-3574.

"Other than children, there's nothing like pets. And the last thing we want is someone who loves their animal and it's their partner and best friend to have to let it go because you can't afford to feed it," he said.

"There's a lot of need in our community. There's a lot of hungry people, and in my mind, that means there are a lot of hungry pets."

Dalstra has also planned a Pet Parade of Parks for Roxie's Pantries with a registration at the church at 8:30 on April 15 with a parade walk with pets from Central Park to Old Settlers Park and back starting at 9 a.m. Entry fee is \$10 that will go toward the pantry.

"If you want to bring a bag of cat food or dog food, that would be great, too," he said.

All the details are laid out in the application which can be found at the link at the bottom of the Roxie's Pantry page.

The site also outlines more details of the program. Interested pet owners can also stop in at the church for more information.

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email inbox at this website: <https://poets.org/poem-a-day>. Poem-a-Day is the original and only daily digital poetry series featuring previously unpublished poems by today's talented poets. Each year, the Academy of American poets asks twelve poets, designated as Guest Editors, to curate one month of poems each,

Participate in Poem in Your Pocket day on April 27. It's easy to participate. Pick a poem and share it on social media using the hashtag #PocketPoem, either in writing or you could record yourself reading a poem out loud. Email or text a poem to friends and family. You could even add a poem to your email signature.

You could also try writing your own poem. It can be easier than you might think. You can find a quick start guide to writing poetry here: <https://www.grammarly.com/blog/how-to-write-a-poem/> or you can use an automatic poem generator like the one found here: <https://www.poem-generator.org.uk/>.

Poems are everywhere. Look at some of these books at the library and add some poetry to your life:

1. Pizza, Pigs, and Poetry: How to Write a Poem by Jack Prelutsky (J 811.54 PRE)
2. American Wildflowers: A Literary Field Guide (808 BAR)
3. The Hill We Climb: An Inaugural Poem for the Country by Amanda Gorman (811.6 GOR)
4. America's Favorite Poems (808.81 AME)
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7. African American Poetry: 250 Years of Struggle & Song edited by Kevin Young (811.08 YOU)
8. The Day the Universe Exploded My Head: Poems to Take you Into Space and Back Again by Allan Wolf (E 811.54 WOL)
9. Is, Is Not: Poems by Tess Gallagher (811.65 GAL)
10. Homesick, Then by Jules Nyquist (808.81 NYQ)

Upcoming Events at the Fort Madison Public Library
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Pre-School/Toddler Story Hour –Wednesday morning at 10:30.

Hang Teen – Tuesday, 3:30-5:00 for ages 12-19, except for April 25.

Minecraft –3:30-5:00, all ages on Mondays.

Once Upon a Wednesday –Join us from 1:30-2:30 for a variety of adventures. April 5 and April 26 will both be craft days. We will have game day on April 12. On April 19, we will have a food craft and be making Jell-O sundaes.

Thursday Crafternoon –Thursday, 3:30-5:00, for ages 14-adult. This program is an opportunity to spend some time working on an in-depth project for the whole month.

All Booked Up! - The library's book discussion group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m. On Thursday, April 6, we will be discussing "The Last Days of Café Leila" by Donia Bijan. May's book will be "Bridge to Terabithia" by Katherine Paterson.

Cook the Book –April 11, at 6:00 pm, we will be sharing recipes selected from "The World in a Skillet" by Christopher Kimball.

Lady Hounds suffer jitters in season-opening loss to Nikes

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

BURLINGTON — Fort Madison's girls soccer team was playing its first game of the season.

Notre Dame-West Burlington already had played once.

And that made a difference.

The Bloodhounds' 3-1 loss to the Nikes wasn't the beginning coach Carrie Burken wanted to start the season, but it was a lesson to build on in the opening week.

"Especially at the beginning of the first half, we were playing way below our standard — really, way below what I'd seen in practice," Burken said. "You could see first-game nerves. People who played all last year, played together, just weren't doing what they did last year. I think it's just first game, new season, some new people in there, it wasn't going to be great.

"This is Notre Dame's second game. They got all of those nerves out, and they were ready to go."

The Nikes (2-0) got all of their goals from Julianna Hill in the first half, including two in the first 26 minutes. That left the Bloodhounds scrambling.

"Just mentality wise, it felt draining, especially for our defense, which didn't give up a lot of goals last year," Burken said. "To give up two quick goals in the first game, that feels a little unnerving, a little unsettling, like 'What are we doing wrong?'"

Fort Madison got its lone goal with 9:40 left on the first half when Hadley Wolfe scored off a rebound after Halle Menke's shot hit the crossbar and came down just in front of the net.

But whatever momentum the Bloodhounds was gone when Hill scored again. Her shot hit the crossbar and the rebound was ruled to have hit behind the goal line before Fort Madison goalkeeper Taylor Johnson grabbed it.

"It was huge for momentum," Burken said. "Being down 3-1 is a lot different from being down 2-1, because with 2-1, you're thinking you get that next goal (in the second half) then maybe you get it to overtime or get another goal to win. So, it was a completely different mindset for us. A huge momentum changer, because they didn't score in the second half. I felt like it changed the game, but you can't do anything about it. You've got to move on."

The Bloodhounds held the Nikes scoreless in the second half, but couldn't get a

shot on offense.

"I thought we settled in a lot more (in the second half)," Burken said. "The tough part about soccer is you don't have timeouts. You can pull players off to talk to them, but it's hard to do that when you need them out there. So you can talk to individual players, but you can't get a group of them together and set something up, work on some things."

Burken thought her team's communication was better in the second half.

"Communication comes from being comfortable in what you're doing," she said. "If you're too focused on where you need to be and what you're doing, you can't communicate with your teammates because you're too focused on that."

Johnson had 14 saves for the Bloodhounds, who play Friday at Iowa City Liberty.

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Bloodhound goalie Taylor Johnson blocks a shot on goal Tuesday night in the Hounds' loss to the Nikes in Burlington.

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