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OFP sets cast, resets date

ODD COUPLE FEMALE VERSION: Old Fort Players sets new date for summer production

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The Old Fort Players are geared up for the summer production of the Odd Couple Female Version which takes the stage the first weekend in June.

BY DOROTHY SCHULTE
OFP Director

FORT MADISON - Old Fort Players is thrilled to bring the classic comedy "The Odd Couple, Female Version" to the stage June 2-4 & 9-11. This is the comic genius of the late Neil Simon at his best. One liners zing between the actors amid a heart-breakingly honest story of friendship and love. If you don't recognize at least a few of these characters among your friends, you need to get more friends!

Olive Madison, the successful television producer, is played by Tierra Griffith. This is Tierra's first Play with OFP and she is enjoying her time onstage as the wisecracking Olive who is also a total slob when it comes to housekeeping.

OFP Board Member, Jennifer Pranger has been cast as Florence Unger, the fastidious and soon-to-be divorced friend of Olive. This is her second time performing onstage. Her character who has just left her husband, needs a place to stay. Where better place to crash than in the apartment of her best friend - who is also her complete opposite in almost every way. I mean, what could go wrong?

Rounding out the cast is an assortment of characters of various and hilarious types. Sylvie, played by OFP veteran, Richar Abel, is trying to quit smoking and not succeeding.

Cathleen James, most recently in "Four Old Broads" has taken on the role of Mickey, who is a total control freak.

The role of Renee, their blunt and outspoken friend, is portrayed by RaCayla Adams. This is RaCayla's first production with Old Fort Players. The ditzy Vera, played by Alicia Rodriguez, is responsible for much of the play's humor. Alicia has a strong passion for acting and singing. She's been wanting to be an actor since she was 10 years old!

Brothers Manolo (OFP Vice President and Set Designer, Ty Clute) and Jesus Costazuela (played by another OFP veteran,

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TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DOT to hold informational meeting in Burlington

AMES, Iowa – May 10, 2023 – The Iowa Transportation Commission will hold a public input meeting in Burlington at the Auditorium-Burlington Riverfront Entertainment, 200 N Front Street on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, to hear about transportation matters from representatives of local government, interest groups, and individuals. Items that may be discussed at the meeting

include the Iowa Transportation Improvement Program; transportation policies; and highway, aviation, rail, river, bicycle, pedestrian, and public transit issues.

A brief business meeting will begin at 8 a.m. immediately followed by the public input meeting. A detailed agenda will be posted on <https://www.news.iowadot.gov/> prior to the meeting.

For more information concerning the meeting or to obtain a scheduled time on the agenda, contact the Iowa Department of Transportation's Program Management Bureau, 800 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010, telephone 515-239-1409 or email matthew.chambers@iowadot.us. Please include the general topic you wish to discuss.

EDUCATION NEWS

Applications for new ESAs open May 31

DES MOINES – Governor Reynolds has announced that applications for Students First Educations Savings Accounts (ESAs) will be accepted starting May 31, 2023. The Students First Act was signed into law earlier this year and will provide state funding for eligible students who attend accredited nonpublic schools starting in the 2023-2024 school year.

Additionally, the State Board of Education today adopted administrative rules that specify definitions for the program, eligibility requirements for participation, parameters for the application process, and program administration and accountability.

"As we prepare to accept applications later this month for Iowa's landmark Students First ESA program, the rules approved today will provide families with the details they need to consider their options and prepare to apply," stated Governor Reynolds. "We are one step closer to providing choice in education for Iowa families regardless of income or zip code."

All incoming kindergarteners and all K-12 students currently enrolled in a public school district are eligible for the ESA program. Families whose children currently attend an accredited nonpublic school are also eligible for ESAs based on their annual income during the first two years of the program. For the 2023-2024 school year, income eligibility is 300 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL); and 400 percent FPL for the 2024-2025 school year. Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, all K-12 students in Iowa will be eligible for an ESA regardless of income.

The following rules specify some eligibility requirements for students currently attending an accredited nonpublic school:

Parents or guardians of students currently enrolled in an accredited nonpublic school will verify their income eligibility using "net income" from their 2022 state tax form.

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WEATHER

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Lee County Speedway

Horn gets first feature win of the season at Speedway

PCC Staff

DONNELSON - Another Friday night meant another exciting night of racing action at the Lee County Speedway in Donnellson, Iowa. This week's action was presented by Keokuk Auto Credit and Xpert Automotive & Sales. At the end of the night, two driver's earned multiple wins of the season, two driver's won their first of the season, while another driver claimed his first career feature win.

The Roberts Tire Center 18 lap IMCA Northern SportMod feature took to the track first, with Cody Agee and Brandon Lambert leading the field to green. Agee took advantage of his starting spot to jump out into the lead on lap 1 over Nicholas Profeta and Lambert. On lap 3, Profeta slipped under Agee to take over the top spot. Then two laps later the first caution of the race slowed the action, as Brandt Ames spun in turn 2 to bring out the yellow. On the restart Glen Saville spun in turn 2 to bring the yellow light back on. The following restart saw Profeta jump back out front, with Matt Tucker and Agee glued to his back bumper. Saville would spin in turn 2 on the completion of lap 6 to bring out his second caution of the race, to end his night. Profeta once again grabbed the lead on the restart, with Tucker and Agee close behind. The three car battle for the lead was slowed on lap 10, when Lambert spun in turn 2 to bring out the yellow. On the restart Profeta moved back out front, with Tucker and eighth place starter Brayton Carter challenging him. Carter would use the momentum off the top of turn 4 to grab the top spot away from Profeta on lap 13. The final caution of the race appeared on lap 14, as Tucker, who was battling for the lead, clipped a tire in turn 4 and spun. On the restart Carter jumped back out front, with Adam Birck, who started 9th, pulling up beside him to challenge him for the top spot. Carter was able to hold off Birck to claim his second win in a row at the track. John Oliver Jr. came from 7th to finish 3rd, Sean Wyatt finished 4th after starting in 10th, with Brandon Dale completing the top 5.

Up next was the 15 lap Sonny's Super Market Sport Compact feature, with Josh Barnes and Barry Taft making up the front row. Taft would edge out Josh Barnes at the line to lead

lap 1. The two raced side-by-side around the 3/8th's mile track over the next several laps, with Taft being credited with leading each lap. Disaster would strike both Josh Barnes and Taft on lap 11, as both pulled into the infield with mechanical troubles to end their night. This handed the lead over to Chevy Barnes, who started 10th. Chevy Barnes then held off a last lap challenge from Chandler Fullenkamp, who started 7th, to claim his first career feature win. Brandon Reu came from 9th to finish 3rd, Justin Stevenson was 4th, with Luke Fraise finishing 5th.

Jerry Jansen and Kevin Koontz led the field to green in the 18 lap Donnellson Tire & Service IMCA Stock Car feature. But it was third place starter Beau Taylor who grabbed the lead on lap 1 over Jeremy Pundt and Josh Foster. Just after the lap was scored complete, Eric Glass spun down the frontstretch to bring out the yellow. On the restart Pundt slipped past Taylor to take over the top spot. While Pundt worked the top of the track, Jason Cook, who started 7th, worked the bottom to move into the runner up spot on lap 3. Cook then used the bottom to edge out Pundt at the line on lap 5 to take the lead. Derrick Agee, who started 9th, and John Oliver Jr., who started 8th, joined the battle up front on lap 7. The two and three wide action was slowed for the final time on lap 15, as debris in turn 4 brought out the yellow. On the restart Cook jumped back out front, with Agee and Taylor challenging. Agee tried to use the momentum off the top of the track to take the lead away from Cook. But Cook was able to hold him off to claim his first win of the season at the track. Taylor was 3rd, Chad Krogmeier edged out Pundt for 4th.

Up next was the 18 lap J&J AG Auto and Truck IMCA Modified feature, with Matt Diaz and Levi Smith scheduled to lead the field to green. But when Smith scratched, this moved Bill Roberts Jr. to the outside of the front row. Roberts Jr. took advantage of his move to the front row to grab the lead on lap 1 over Jadin Fuller and Dennis LaVeine. The action up front was slowed on lap 3, as Diaz spun in turn 2 to bring out the yellow. On the restart LaVeine got sideways in turn 4 to bring the yellow light back on. The following restart saw Reid Sammons spin in turn 2 to bring out caution. Once back to

green Roberts Jr., Mark Burgtorf and Austen Becerra put on the early candidate for race of the year. The three raced two and even three wide at times for the top spot, with Roberts Jr. holding them off at the line to be scored the leader. Coming to the white flag Becerra went to the bottom coming off turn 4 to show Roberts Jr. his nose. So going into turn 3 to get the checkered, Roberts Jr. came off the top to block Becerra, only to have Becerra use the momentum off the top of turn 4 to grab the checkered flag. Burgtorf edged Roberts Jr. at the line for 2nd, Fuller was 4th, with Dustin Smith coming from 10th to finish 5th.

The final feature to take to the track was the 25 lap Iowa Corn Growers Association IMCA Late Models, with Dalton Simonsen and Jeff Guengerich drawing the front row. Simonsen used his draw to his advantage by moving out front on lap 1 over CJ Horn and Denny Woodworth. The lead for Simonsen lasted for 1 lap, as Horn used the top of the track to take over the top spot on lap 2. Horn then started to pull away from the battles going on behind him. Just when it looked like Horn would cruise to an easy win in a caution free race, James Dickerson spun in turn 4 on lap 20 to bring out the yellow. On the restart Jeremy Pundt tried to challenge Horn for the top spot. But Horn was too fast on this night, as he went on to claim his first win of the season at the track. Woodworth was 3rd, Jason Oenning had his career best finish at the Lee County Speedway in 4th, with Simonsen holding on for 5th.

Coming up next Friday, May 12th will be the second of seven qualifying rounds of the Iowa Corn Growers Association IMCA Late Model "Drive For 5", presented by Floyd's Waste Systems, JJ Nichting Company Case IH Company, Ideal Ready Mix, Triple 777 Trucking, Woodworth Attorney at Law, Triple R Performance Engines, B&B Propane, Budweiser, Conrad Trucking, Donnellson Tire & Service, KQ92, and Big Country 103.1. In action will be the Iowa Corn Growers Association IMCA Late Models, J&J AG Auto and Truck IMCA Modifieds, Donnellson Tire & Service IMCA Stock Cars, Roberts Tire Center IMCA Northern SportMods, Sonny's Super Market Sport Compacts, and Mini Hauler Trucks.


Gates open at 5:30 PM, Hot Laps at 7 PM, and Racing to follow. Grandstand admission will be Adults \$10, Seniors \$9, Veterans & Students (11-17) \$5, with Kids (10 & under) FREE! Pit passes will be \$30, ages (7-13) \$20, ages (4-6) \$10, and ages (3 & under) \$5.

On Saturday, May 13th the AMA District 17 Flat Track Motorcycles will take to the track for the first time ever. There will be plenty of action to see in adult, youth and vintage classes. Pit gates will open at 11 AM, Grandstands will open at noon, Practice will take place at 1 PM, with Racing to follow. Grandstand admission will be \$10, with Kids 10 & under FREE! Pit passes are \$15, with a \$35 entry fee per driver in all classes.

For more information about the Lee County Speedway you can visit their website at www.leecountyspeedway.com, like them on Facebook, or call Brian Gaylord at 319-371-6744.


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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

PATRICIA A. MARSHALL

Patricia Ann Marshall, 79 of Argyle, IA passed away peacefully at her home on Saturday, May 6, 2023 surrounded by her family and loved ones.

Patricia Ann (Corson) Marshall was born May 12, 1943 to Evelyn and Raymond Corson in Garber, Iowa. Pat's childhood was meager and often tumultuous, but in 1961 Pat graduated high school from Donnellson High School.

After high school, Pat went to work at Schaeffer Pen in Fort Madison where a friend introduced her to Milan Marshall at a softball game. Milan and Pat were married on December 01, 1962 in Delta, Iowa. Milan and Pat had a daughter, Teri, in December of 1963 and a son, Tim, in April of 1966. However, they gained their favorite child in June of 1983 when Teri married Wade Hamm of Franklin, Iowa. Teri and Wade gave the family two grandchildren, Lindsey in 1986 and Derek in 1988. Derek and Lindsey each have two children for a total of four great grandkids Chase, Sage, Nolan, and Riggin. Milan did proceed Pat in death in 2021 after 58.5 years of marriage. All children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren survive.

Pat was determined that her family would have a stable home with opportunities in life that were not available for her, and she worked tirelessly to ensure that happened. In 1972, Pat started as a Clerk Typist at the Iowa State Penitentiary. She retired from ISP in 2005 as the Personnel Director. She was proud of the work that she did and the opportunities that she helped create for members of the community to build a career at ISP. Many family and friends worked at ISP, in part thanks to Pat's efforts.

But ISP was not her only career. As a young woman she learned the skill of tax preparation by working part time at Lamb's Insurance in Montrose. Following Mr. Lamb's retirement, Pat began a business of her own, Marshall's Tax Service, and she prepared taxes for family, friends, and clients within the community of Southeast Iowa and beyond for 50 years. That business still exists today with Teri as the principal owner since 2018. For four plus decades, Pat used Marshall's Tax Service to pay for the education and hobbies of her family and that continues with contributions still set aside to help with the education of her great grandchildren. But Pat also used her business to help within the community by sponsoring ball teams and community events and activities that help develop the sense of community and pride in small town living.

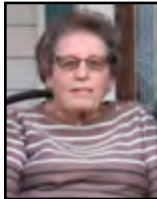
In addition to Milan, Pat was also preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Greg Corson of LeClaire, Iowa and Larry Corson of Austin, Texas. In addition to her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, she is survived by her sister, Frances Bogert of Bowling Green, Missouri and six brothers, Ronnie of Winfield, Iowa, Frank of Dewitt, Iowa, Gary of Gardner, Kansas, Alan (Debbie) of Le Claire Iowa, Kenny (Kathy) of Princeton, Iowa, and Stephen of Princeton, Iowa. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews that she loved and enjoyed.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, at the Vigen Memorial Home in Montrose, IA with Elaine Foley officiating. Burial will be in the Montrose Cemetery.

Visitation will be held after 1 p.m., Sunday at the funeral home with family meeting with friends from 6-8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Montrose Riverfront Inc., or Lee County Hospice or to the Montrose Fire Department.

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



MARSHALL

OBITUARIES

DONALD D. GLASGOW

Donald "Don" Dean Glasgow, 77 of Ft. Madison, IA began his journey on October 12, 1945 and it ended on May 10, 2023. This is his story...

Don was a great story teller, accomplished lumber grader and camp host. He never met a stranger and had a weakness for holding babies. Don met the love of his life, Kae Burr fifty-eight years ago. His pickup line was calling her "George" and the rest is history. They were blessed with Kayla (Randy) Schleidt, Wesley (Val) Glasgow, Trulie (Charlie) Mayes and Brandon (Jenifer) Glasgow. The family continued to grow with twelve grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Some of his life's advice that will forever be remembered is "Life is too short for cheap beer" and "Hurry up and eat it before it crawls away and hides". He was tough enough to wear pink and wasn't ashamed to admit it.

Don's memory lives on with his family and friends, whom he looks forward to being reunited with again in paradise.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Montrose, IA.

Memorials may be made to PAW Animal Shelter in Ft. Madison, IA.

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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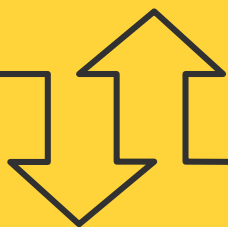
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Sports/From the Front

ESA applications accepted through June 30 for next school year

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Household size will be determined by the number of people who reside together and are related by birth, marriage, adoption, legal guardianship, or by placement in the home through a state agency. "Household" includes parents, student applicants, and other children who share at least one parent by birth, adoption, a parent's current marriage, or placement in the home through a state agency.

Students must be enrolled full time at an accredited nonpublic school.

The administrative rules are posted in their entirety on the Iowa Department of Education's ESA webpage, along with answers to frequently asked questions

about the program. Parents interested in applying for an ESA are encouraged to sign up for notifications when information is updated on the website.

Parents will complete and submit applications through an online system which the Department of Education, Office of the Chief Information Officer, and other state agencies are now implementing with Odyssey, the vendor selected to administer the ESA program. Webinars will be offered to assist parents with the application process when the system launches on May 31.

Applications will be accepted from May 31 through June 30, 2023, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Central Lee boys falter at BND

SECOND HALF: Hawks give up 1-0 lead in first half in 2-1 loss to Nikes

PCC Staff

BURLINGTON – The Central Lee Hawks boys' soccer team gave up a 1-0 halftime lead and fell to Burlington Notre Dame 2-1 Monday night at Notre Dame.

Landan Lowenberg got things going for Central Lee not quite 10 minutes into the game when he scored off an assist from Beau Boyd.

The Hawks defense would hold the Nikes in check the entire first half with Hunter Gregory in the net.

However, the Nikes would find their

way in the second half scoring two goals in the first five minutes to take a 2-1 lead from which the Hawks couldn't recover.

Notre Dame scored at 38:35 and again just four minutes later at 34:59.

Gregory had 12 saves in the match.

Central Lee (5-7, 4-4) will get a chance at revenge on Friday night when the two teams clash again at Notre Dame in the semifinals of the SEI Superconference tournament. For 2023 only, the SEISC tournament is just a four-team affair with no consolation game due to the close proximity to substate action, which kicks off Monday. Next year SEISC officials said the dates for the tournament will change and the event will go back to an 8-team event with consolation matches.

Mediapolis takes on Columbus in the other SEISC pairing. The winners will face each other Saturday at Wapello.

FM girls lose SEC finale to MP

MT. PLEASANT – The Fort Madison girls' soccer team has dropped back to back matches as the regular season winds down.

The girls fell 3-2 to Mt. Pleasant Monday night to fall to 7-3 in the Southeast Conference and 9-4 overall. The Lady Hounds will finish second in loop play with Burlington the conference champions at 10-0.

The Bloodhounds downed the Panthers 5-2 on April 20th.

Fort Madison has lost two in a row after winning six straight and 9 of the previous ten. The girls wrap up the regular season Thursday with a home match against Davenport North.

Freshman Hadley Wolfe scored her 14th and 15th goals of the year, one in each half for all the scoring for the Lady Hounds. She had five shots on goal in the contest.

Teagan Snaadt had three shots on goal but couldn't find the back of the net. She had both assists on Wolfe's scoring attacks.

Taylor Johnson had five saves. Mt. Pleasant scored all three of its goals in the first half.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BURLINGTON,

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ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Lee County Attorney is accepting applications for a full-time Assistant County Attorney. Primary duties involve all aspects of trial work including daily court appearances, assistance with investigations; charging of criminal cases; interaction and training with law enforcement, victim and witness contact, representing the State at hearings, trials, and in other legal proceedings; and other duties as assigned. The duties of this position may change as determined by the County Attorney.

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IOWA CITY COUNCIL Meeting No. 31 April 3, 2023

The Burlington City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Thomas J. Smith Council Chambers, City Hall, 400 Washington Street, with Mayor Billups, Council Members Critser, Graham-Murray and Maupin present. Council Member Wilson was absent.

BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: None

CONSENT AGENDA: To the Public:

All matters listed under Item I., Consent Agenda, having been discussed were considered to be routine by the City Council and were enacted by one motion. There was no separate discussion of these items. If discussion was desired, that item was removed from the Consent Agenda and was considered separately.

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Graham-Murray

MOTION: To approve all items listed under Item I., Consent Agenda.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Billups reviewed the items listed on the consent agenda to the viewing audience. He announced those individuals appointed to various City commissions and boards. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

CARRIED

HEARINGS:

1. Statement: Consideration of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

COMMENTS: Stephanie Stuecker, Director of Administrative Services, reviewed the following items of the proposed fiscal year 2023-2024 budget; comparison of revenue by fund (\$80,317,147.00); revenues 2023-2024 proposed budget; comparison of expenditures by program; operating expenditures by type (\$84,869,886); proposed property tax rate (\$15.43637) (no change); proposed property tax rate; residential tax rate calculated; commercial tax rate calculated; where do my tax dollars go; how Burlington compares to other cities in Iowa with populations over 20,000; factors impact-

ing the budget; health insurance premiums projected to increase 4.99%, budgeted at 5%; health insurance cap and contributions; general fund revenues by source; general fund expenditures by department; sewer fund (3.0% increase in non-metered sewer user fees and storm water fees as of July 1st; 10% increase for metered sewer user); solid waste fund (increase of \$.10 per household for recycling); no increase in landfill tipping fees and \$.45 per month increase in solid waste fees proposed for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; Capital Improvement Projects (CIP); hotel/motel tax fund \$925,000.00 budgeted in hotel/motel tax revenue (70/30 split between City and Convention and Visitors Bureau up to \$700,000.00 then 60% City and 40% Convention and Visitors Bureau); hotel/motel tax total budgeted expenditures (\$904,810.00); sales tax fund (local option sales tax revenue (\$5,000,000.00) and legal debt margin. Chad Bird, City Manager, thanked the Director of Administrative Services and the departments for their work on the budget. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Maupin
Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Maupin
Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")
ADOPTED

2. Statement: Consideration of Proposal to Enter into an Essential Purpose Loan Agreement

COMMENTS: Chad Bird, City Manager, stated that the Consideration of Proposal to Enter into an Essential Purpose Loan Agreement (\$5,500,000) consists primarily of street, sanitary storm, sidewalk improvements and amenities that go with the projects, street lighting, signage, signalization, a truck for the forestry division and an ambulance for the fire department. He stated that when local option sales tax and other revenues are down, it makes sense to put the items into GO Bonds because they will

have a life expectancy longer than the City would service the debt on the General Obligation Bond. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Maupin
Motion to Close CARRIED

3. Statement: Consideration of Proposal to Enter into a General Purpose Loan Agreement #1

COMMENTS: Chad Bird, City Manager, stated that the Consideration of Proposal to Enter into a General Purpose Loan Agreement #1 (\$215,000) consists primarily of construction and equipment for municipal parking lot improvements (Valley Street parking lot). All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Maupin
Motion to Close CARRIED

4. Statement: Consideration of Proposal to Enter into a General Purpose Loan Agreement #2

COMMENTS: Chad Bird, City Manager, stated that the Consideration of Proposal to Enter into a General Purpose Loan Agreement #2 (\$475,000) consists primarily of improvements at the Burlington Regional RecPlex

and lighting change to LED. He stated that the resolution will approve all three general obligation corporate purpose bonds. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Critser
Seconded By: Maupin
Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Seconded By: Critser
Resolution Taking Addi-

tional Action on Proposals to Enter into General Obligation Loan Agreements, Combining Loan Agreements, Approving a Preliminary Official Statement for the Sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2023A in Connection Therewith and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same
DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")
ADOPTED
5. Statement: Consid-



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PUBLIC NOTICES

eration of Sale of Property Locally Known as 914 Linden Street, City of Burlington, Iowa with Conditions

COMMENTS: Eric Tysland, Development and Parks Director, stated that the property at 914 Linden Street is a one story, one bedroom, one full bath home with a full basement. He stated that it would be sold "as is" and shall be rehabbed to minimum housing standards prior to any occupancy. He reviewed the conditions of the sale of property: purchaser must ensure the property receives permits and meets codes for renovation as required and makes necessary repairs prior to deed and occupancy; a licensed electrician and plumber shall be required to inspect and sign off that such items in the property meet or are brought up to adopted codes as required; purchaser shall pay a minimum of \$500 or 10% down (whichever is greater) upon approval of sale. He stated that the entire amount shall be paid within 30 days of approval of sale by the City Council; a letter from a bank or financial institution shall be provided to the City within 30 days verifying the purchaser has a minimum of \$10,000

available through a loan or personal finances for the required rehab work on the purchased property; improvements shall be initiated within 60 days and completed within 180 days of approval of sale by City Council; an extension of 180 days may be granted if progress is being made; forfeiture of purchase and payment may occur if time frames are not met; property transfer shall be by Quit Claim Deed. He stated that six (6) bids have been received for the property with a high bid of \$2,000.00 by Mercedes Rivas-Dear. Mayor Billups led an auction for the Sale of Property Locally Known as 914 Linden Street, City of Burlington, Iowa. Patrick Smith of 822 Linden Street, Burlington, Iowa was the high bidder at \$2,100.00. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Maupin
Seconded By: Critser

Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Maupin
Seconded By: Billups

Motion to Amend Exhibit "C" of the Resolution Approving Sale of Property Locally Known as 914 Linden Street, City of Burlington, Iowa with Conditions that the Property be

Sold to Patrick Smith in the amount of \$2,100.00

Introduced By: Maupin
Seconded By: Billups

Resolution Approving Sale of Property Locally Known as 914 Linden Street, City of Burlington, Iowa with Conditions

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

6. Statement: Consideration of an Ordinance Vacating an Ingress Egress Easement Located within the Great River Subdivision

COMMENTS: Eric Tysland, Development and Parks Director, stated that the ingress egress easement is located within the Great River Subdivision. He stated that the City Planning Commission held a public hearing on March 1, 2023 and voted (4-0) to recommend approval vacating the described easement based on petition of the property owner and based on the lack of need and use of the easement by the City for access. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Billups
Seconded By: Critser

Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Seconded By: Maupin

Motion for Preliminary Adoption of the First Reading of an Ordinance Vacating an Ingress Egress Easement Located within the Great River Subdivision

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

CARRIED

7. Statement: Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Various

Sections of Chapter 170 Zoning Code of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

COMMENTS: Eric Tysland, Development and Parks Director, stated that the City Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 31, 2023 and voted (4-0) to recommend approval of the amendments to the City's Zoning Code. He stated that the amendments will better allow understanding and enforcement of the zoning code and the amendments will allow continued orderly development within the City in accordance with the City's Comprehensive Plan. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Seconded By: Maupin

Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Seconded By: Maupin

Motion for Preliminary Adoption of the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 170 Zoning Code of the City of Burlington Municipal Code

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

CARRIED

8. Statement: Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2023 Madison Avenue and 9th Street Paving Project - STBG-SWAP-0977(656)-SG-29

COMMENTS: Nick MacGregor, Assistant City Manager for Public Works, stated that the project consists of paving Angular Street to Sunset

Avenue. He stated that the Iowa Department of Transportation bid letting will be held on April 18, 2023 and the estimated cost was \$2,165,503.00. He stated that the City will receive \$424,469.00 in STBG Funding. He stated that the design guidelines include lane widths and no parking from South Street to Sunset Avenue. He stated that the lane widths and a parking lane do not meet federal guidelines, so in the place of parking, bike lanes would be installed. The following individuals that spoke against the project were Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue, Paul Carl and Becky Carl of 1304 Madison Avenue, Don Henry of 1711 Madison Avenue and Terry Schnack of 2617 Sunrise Lane. Reasons that the individuals spoke against the project included that bike lanes are unsafe due to the speed of traffic on Madison Avenue, installing bike lanes decrease property values and no parking is a burden on residents. MacGregor stated that this project was a 2018 grant application and that bike lanes were a part of the discussion. He stated that the bike lanes were a requirement that were needed to be met for the other federal guidelines.

Council Member Maupin asked how many accidents occur on Madison Avenue. Chief Marc Denney stated that several accidents are caused by driver errors (speed, OWI, distracted driving). Council Member Critser stated that he didn't feel that bike lanes are safe on Madison Avenue do to the speed of vehicles

traveling on Madison Avenue and that widening Madison Avenue and adding parking should be considered. Council Member Maupin stated that bike lanes are not a safe alternative and stated his concern for residents that do not have off street parking available. Council Member Graham-Murray stated that she has sympathy for residents that would lose parking but that bike lanes are safe and actually increase property value. Mayor Billups stated that he felt that the road is too narrow for parking and bike lanes and this is a good opportunity to get the project completed. He stated that there has not been residents in the masses that have come forward against the project. He stated that Sunnyside Avenue is a much wider road, but parking is not allowed. City Manager Bird stated his concern with costs associated with engineering and staff work on this project since 2018. He stated that if the council decides to reject the grant funding, his recommendation is that the project should be reduced in scope rather than expanded. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Maupin
Seconded By: Billups

Motion to Close CARRIED

Introduced By: Maupin
Seconded By: Billups

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
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KEOKUK CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
April 20, 2023
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on April 20, 2023 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were six council members present, three absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Linda Altheide, Shelley Oltmans, Dan Tillman, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Roslyn Garcia, John Helenthal, and Steve Andrews were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, and Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of events in Keokuk and surrounding area.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Maggie Simon, representative of South Lee

County Relay For Life Committee, extended an invite to members of Council to participate in contest during Relay for Life event on June 16th, 2023. Lawrence Barrett questioned Rand Park Fund. William Banas commented on several positive things he has seen as a new resident, however, has concerns regarding stop signs and park shed located in Rand Park. Mike Greenslaugh inquired about park improvement fund and liaison for park board.

O'Donnell request Item #7 A public hearing on the FY2023-2024 Annual Budget be removed. Motion made by Oltmans, second by Tillman to approve the amended agenda and consent agenda. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting & Council Workshop of April 6, 2023;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for March 2023;
- RESOLUTION NO. 221-2023: Approving a Liquor License for Black Sails LLC, 1324 Main Street, effective May 1,

2023- Class C Retail Alcohol License;

- RESOLUTION NO. 222-2023: Approving a Liquor License for Walgreens #05886, 1215 Main Street, effective May 22, 2023 - Class E Retail Alcohol License;
- Approving Sidewalk Display Permits for 2023-2024: Dan's Pawn and Gun, LLC;
- Approving a Special Event Permit for J&M Display 4th of July Fireworks Display, Rand Park & River Road, 8 a.m. to Midnight;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5334-5335;

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Altheide to approve initial reading of an Ordinance amending Chapters 13.04, 13.08, 13.10, and 13.14 Sewer Regulations of the Keokuk Municipal Code.

Roll Call Vote: AYES - Crenshaw, Altheide, Oltmans, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 223-2023: "A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE

ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Tillman to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 224-2023: "A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 ANNUAL BUDGET." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 225-2023: "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADJUSTMENTS IN SEWER CHARGES RELATED TO FILLING SWIMMING POOLS." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 226-2023: "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE POLICY FOR THE CITY OF KEOKUK." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. During staff reports a motion to reconsider making maternity/paterni-

ty leave policy retroactive by Tillman, second by Greenwald. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Motion to amend original motion approving maternity/paternity leave policy making it retroactive 10 weeks by Tillman, second by Greenwald. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tillman second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 227-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING OFFICER TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE KEOKUK POLICE DEPARTMENT." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 228-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING OFFICER TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE KEOKUK POLICE DEPARTMENT." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: Final notification for Robert Cannon to the Building & Housing Advisory Board, 3-year term to expire 9/19/2025. Resignation of Kevin Helmick,

5-year term to expire 10/22/26 from the Rand Park Pavilion Commission Motion made by Oltmans, second by Crenshaw to approve all the above. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

First notification for Heather Sisk to the Civil Service Commission, fulfilling a 6-year term to expire 4/1/2028. Second notification to re-appoint Tom Bryant and Jean Brilon to the City Planning Commission, 5-year term to expire 5/14/2028.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: Bryant reported on safety meeting and O'Donnell informed of prospective software for SDS sheets.

STAFF REPORTS: Wills updated on pretreatment permits; Broomhall updated on property plans and zoning; Carroll updated on public works and pond work; Baum reported on hiring; O'Donnell had a request to make the maternity/paternity leave policy retroactive.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Tillman to adjourn meeting at 6:17 p.m.

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Eschman, Fuller lead Hawks at SEISC meet

COX LEADS LADIES: Kamryn Cox takes second with personal best in 400 hurdles in WACO

WAYLAND - The Central Lee boys captured 3rd place in the Southeast Iowa Superconference's South division at the conference meet Friday at WACO.

The Hawk's Brody Fuller heaved a personal best 39-8.25" in the shot put to get his first first-place finish of the year. Tom Eschman leaped 21-3.5" to capture the crown in the long jump at the meet. Fuller also took second with a personal best discus throw of 120-6.5" to wrap up 18 points for the Hawks.

The boys finished with 92 points just five behind runner-up Van Buren. Mediapolis won the south division with 169 points.

The girls were led by Kamryn Cox' 2nd place finish in the 400-hurdles, a personal best, and the 4x200-meter relay team of Kodi Moeller, Cox, MaKayla Howard, and Karlie Pohren at 1:58.13. The girls compiled 35 points to take 5th place overall.

Complete results are below with top 5 finishes in parenthesis and first place finishes in bold.

100-meters: CL girls - Kylie Fortune 14.88, Sydnie Larson 15.34. CL boys - Tom Eschman 11.34 (3rd), Corbin Pohren 11.95 (5th).

200-meters: CL girls - Gracie Howard 33.74, Shalida Mortimer 36.70. CL boys - Eschman 23.61 (4th)

400-meters: CL girls - no entry. CL boys - Grant Myhre 53.50 (3rd), Aden Ross 54.99 (4th).

800-meters: CL girls - no entry. CL boys - Will Hayes 2:34.39, Noah Gerber 2:50.07 .

1500-meters: CL girls - Audrey Hand 6:36.47

1600-meters: CL boys - Grant Anderson

5:16.39, Ward Fraise 5:18.02.

3000-meters: CL girls - no entry

3200-meters: CL boys - Anderson 11:39.10.

100-hurdles: CL girls - Allison Kerr 19.32, Abby Simmons 20.54

110-hurdles: CL boys - no entry.

400-hurdles: CL girls - Kamryn Cox 1:15.15 (2nd). CL boys - Kegan Damico 1:00.17 (3rd), Ethan Bergman 1:03.30.

High Jump: CL girls - Fortune 4-8" (4th). CL boys - Damico 6-0" (3rd).

Long jump: CL girls - Sidney Gruntmeir 9-11". CL boys - Eschman 21-3.5" (1st), Pohren 19-0" (4th).

Shot put: CL girls - Aubrey Weber 24-2.25", Larson 62-6". CL boys - Brody Fuller 39-8.25" (1st), Ostyn Moore 37-1.75" (3rd).

Discus: CL girls - Weber 77-2" (5th), Larson 62-6". CL boys - Fuller 120-6.5" (2nd), Owen Krogmeier 87-5".

4x100: CL girls - Fortune, Simmons, Larson, Allison Kerr 59.49 (5th). CL boys - Eschman, Myhre, Pohren, Brayden Wyrick 45.32 (2nd).

4x200: CL girls - Kodi Moeller, Cox, MaKayla Howard, Karlie Pohren 1:58.13 (2nd). CL boys - Damico, Bergman, Ferris, Wyrick 1:38.41 (3rd).

4x400: CL girls - Cox, M.Howard, Moeller, Pohren 4:29.90 (4th). CL boys - Ross, Fraise, Brendan Mulligan, Riley Salter 4:04.81 (5th).

4x800: CL girls - no entry. CL boys - no entry .

Sprint Medley: CL girls - Sapphire Cummings, Kayleigh Larkin, Gruntmeir, Gabby Maynes 2:20.69. CL boys - Kain Arrowood, Bergman, Mulligan, Salter 1:55.53 (5th).

Distance Medley: CL girls - Larkin, Gruntmeir, Lillyan Azbill, Maynes 5:41.11. CL boys - Barnhardt, Albert Kruse, Cody Kitzman, Hayes 4:41.44.

Shuttle Hurdle: CL girls - M.Howard, Simmons, Kerr, Moeller 1:20.63 (3rd). CL boys - no entry.

Knipe wins SEC conference tennis tourney

HOUNDS WIN: Fort Madison almost sweeps Mt. Pleasant dropping just one match in 6-1 win

PCC Staff

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Lady Hounds almost completed the sweep of Muscatine Saturday in home tennis action.

The Hounds won 5-of-6 singles matches and swept the doubles courts to walk away with an 8-1 win to move to 5-5 overall. They are 4-4 in Southeast Conference standings.

Molly Knipe topped Zara Stoltsfus 6-1 at No. 1 singles.

Brianna Wright and Lauren Otte won at Nos. 2 and 3 singles 6-4, 6-0 respectively.

Knipe is coming off winning the Southeast Conference championship at No. 1 singles. Knipe went undefeated Thursday at Danwardt Park knocking off Annalise Buxton 6-1, 6-2 in the title match. Knipe didn't drop a set in the singles division. Brianna Wright and Naudia Ruston captured third-place in doubles play.

On Saturday, Naudia Ruston won at No. 4 singles 6-3 and Juniper Strickland knocked off Rose Hartvigsen in a tiebreaker 7-5 at No. 6 singles. Makenna Pixler fell to Maya Simpson 1-6 at No. 5 singles for the Hounds' only loss.

Knipe and Otte downed Stoltsfus and Simpson 6-2, while Wright and Ruston won 6-2 at No. 2 doubles. Pixler and Madelynn Gobble downed Hartvigsen and Jenna Lovstad 6-3 at No. 3.



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Town Wide Yard Sales 8 a.m.
Live Music in shelter house 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

by Jefferson Connection

SATURDAY

Breakfast at Fire Station by Fire auxillary 7:30 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.
Town Wide Yard Sales 8 a.m.
Flag Raising by Boy Scouts 9 a.m.
Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Contest 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Custom Cars & Pickups 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Tractor Parade 1 p.m.
Silver Steppers 2:30 p.m.
Pedal Tractor Pulls 3 p.m.
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SUNDAY

Breakfast at Church 7:30 a.m.
Church in the Park 10 a.m.
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