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## LADY HAWKS RALLY



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Central Lee's Josie Newton, center, celebrates with Taylor Jones, (18), Halle Lampe (6), and Makayla Howard (2) after the Lady Hawks rallied in a marathon Pool 4 bracket of the SEI Superconference volleyball tournament Thursday night at Central Lee.

### JONES REVS UP: Junior racks up 70 kills as Central Lee comes back to win Pool

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

DONNELLSON – The Central Lee Lady Hawks got the win they've been looking for all year.

And then they got another one, and another one, and ended up winning the top seed out of the Central Lee Pool of the Southeast Iowa Superconference volleyball tournament.

The Lady Hawks were seeded 12th overall in the tournament and No. 3 at the Hawks' gym.

Fourth-seeded Wapello was the favorite in Central Lee and wound up with the No. 2 seed going into Saturday's finals at Southeastern Community College after falling to the Lady Hawks 21-18 in the No. 1 seed tiebreaker.

The unorthodox tiebreaker had Wapello, New London,

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### 911 OPS

## Tony Keefe named new director at LeeComm

MONTROSE - Tony Keefe has been named Director of LeeComm, effective September 21, 2023. He replaces Travis Solem who took the Director position at Warren County 911 at the end of August.

Keefe is a detail-oriented public safety communications leader with 10 years of experience in emergency

communications, all at LeeComm. He most recently served as the Communications Center Supervisor.

He is a graduate of Central Lee High School and the University of Dubuque. He has a B.A. in Communications and has recently completed the Registered Public Leader

course through the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers (APCO).

"I am humbled by the PSAP Board's decision to trust me in this position. Travis left a strong organization for me to lead, and I look forward to working with the great staff that we have in place."

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## High school rodeo next up at arena

**THIS WEEKEND:** Iowa High School Rodeo Association brings hundreds into town for national qualifier

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The rodeo'n just ain't quite over yet in Fort Madison.

The National High School Rodeo Association is once again bringing its qualifier to C.E. "Eddie" Richards Arena this weekend. It will be the 25th year the Iowa High School Rodeo Association has brought either a qualifier or state finals event to the Tri-State Rodeo arena.

National Director James Young said this year should be another two full days of competition on Saturday and Sunday.

"It's a qualifier for kids in grades 5th – 12th grade and I think you're gonna see close to 200 participants this year," he said. "It's a great event and free to the public, so people can just come and enjoy the weekend watching kids compete."

Lisa Wood, who's a member of the Tri-State Rodeo Operating Committee, has been a big part of the High School competition since her children competed.

She said not only are there Iowa high school rodeo kids competing, but some families close to the border in Illinois, Missouri, and even Nebraska will make the trip because it's closer than other parts of their state.

The kids can compete in any state for the qualifiers for the National High School Rodeo, which this year is being held in Rock Springs, Wyoming.

"Our daughters did it in high school about 14 years ago and we've been part of it ever since. We have a support group called the Southeast Iowa High School Rodeo Association that brings the event in each year."

Woods said competition starts on Saturday at 10:30 and runs most of the

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# Obituaries/From the Front

## OBITUARIES

### PERCY M. MORTIMER

Percy "Marty" Martin Alfred Leroy Mortimer, 74, of Montrose, Iowa, passed away on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at Select Specialty Hospital in Davenport, Iowa.

Percy was born on May 12, 1949, in Keokuk, Iowa, the son of Louis W. and Juanita (Mercer) Mortimer. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1968 to 1971, serving in the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged. Percy was employed with the City of Keokuk as a city worker for 27 years, retiring in 1999. He was an outdoorsman, and enjoyed boating, fishing and camping. His favorite places were the riverside and bonfires.

Percy is survived by two sons: Steve (Missie) Mortimer of Alexandria, Missouri, and Johnathan (Jessie) Mortimer of Keokuk; his sister Mona Hager of Florida; seven grandchildren: Alisha May, Alex May, Ashley May, Seith Boudreau, Johnathan Mortimer, Rally Mortimer and Rowdy Mortimer; and sixteen great-grandchildren: Drayton, Lincoln, Izadora, Rowdy Jo, Maryn, Emmitt, Khayos, Rollie, Jr., Joann, Jacob, Ryan, Ethan, Oliver, Kylie, Emma and Colt; long-time companion Mary Koch; and sister-in-law Josie McNabb.

Percy is preceded in death by his parents, his infant brother Wilber "Buddy" Mortimer, his sister Sandra Ellis, and his grandparents.

Percy's life will be celebrated with a visitation from 12 pm (Noon) to 2 pm on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk. Visitation will end with military honors rendered at the funeral home by the American Legion Post #41 and the United States Navy.

Memorials may be directed to the American Legion Post #41.

Tributes and condolences may be left at [www.dejongsfuneralhome.com](http://www.dejongsfuneralhome.com).

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



MORTIMER



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# FM has 25 years in as high school rodeo's host

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day using the main rodeo arena as well as the saddle club due to the high number of participants.

Then competition starts again at 8:30 a.m. Sunday to get things done a little earlier for the people who have a long drive home.

She said there used to be more local families that participated in the high school rodeo back when her children competed, but that has changed and most competitors come from around the state.

"I know there's one family from West Point, but the rest aren't that close anymore. We do see some from Ottumwa and Bloomfield, but those are the closest I can think of. I haven't seen the full roster yet.

"But this is just a great place for a rodeo, so we've stayed involved. Even our kids help with the event. Whether they want to or not, we're just gluttons for punishment.

Kelli Metcalf and her husband Jeff of Fort Madison raised their children around the high school rodeo.

"It's very near and dear to my heart," Kelli Metcalf said.

All three of our daughters grew up in those ranks and now I have a grandson from Dike, Iowa that's competing.

The Metcalfs were also part of the local rodeo boosters. She said she pushed Fort Madison High School to give an athletic letter to kids that participated in rodeo because it was a sport like anything else.

"It was a fight, but we got it done. I think Mic Loebach was AD back then and they set it up so the kids could letter. They had to keep their grades up and everything just like any other sport," she said.

Unfortunately, she thinks the financial aspect has pushed some families out of the rodeo.

"It keeps a lot of families away. There is a lot of equipment and training required and the rodeos are spread out across the state. If mom and dad don't want to travel, that can be an issue," Metcalf said.

But she said there aren't better families than those participating in rodeo.

"I don't think you'll find a better group of families than your rodeo families. These families camp together. They come in on a Friday and spend Friday and Saturday at the campground. It's a family thing with your family and young ones. You sit around camps and it's family time."

Metcalf said the biggest change has been the vehicles that families are towing now, then back in her day.

"Nowadays you see a lot of fancy motor homes and rigs compared to what we saw in the early 90s. That surprises us more than anything."

She also said allowing junior high kids to compete is also a good change. Her children only were allowed to compete at the high school level.

Young said top performers in Fort Madison will advance to the Iowa High School Rodeo Championships in Des Moines, and the top four there in each category get to go to the National High School Rodeo event in Wyoming in June of 2024.

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## From the Front

# Lady Hawks battle through two tie-breakers

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and Central, all of whom finished 3-1 on the night, play a round robin of sorts with New London and Central Lee playing a 21-point tiebreaker after the regular pool play was completed.

The Hawks rolled past the Tigers 21-17, leaving the Tigers out of Saturday's final. The Tigers were the only team to beat Central Lee in regular play 21-18, 14-21, 8-15. New London's only loss was to Wapello, and then Central Lee tagged Wapello with a three-set loss in the final regular pool game of the night.

Central Lee Head Coach Amy Cook said the girls needed to get that big win over Wapello.

"Yesterday at practice focused on listening to each other. It was hard for some of them. But we needed a win. We just needed a win to prove to ourselves that we could do it," Cook said.

"We were just like 'what do you have to lose, it's just a game'. They're having fun now and hopefully that will give us some momentum going into Saturday."

Halle Lampe and Taylor Jones rose to the occasion in the final game against Wapello, knowing if they could beat the Arrows, they could force a tiebreaker.

The Lady Hawks fell in the opening set 16-21 and looked to be out of the finals on Saturday. A loss to Wapello would have left the Arrows at 4-0 on the night and New London at 3-1. They would have taken the two spots in the final, leaving the Hawks at home.

But in the second set, Central Lee looked to have found the energy they've been missing all year, racing to a 21-6 win.

Jones had four kills and a huge block in the win, while Lampe had

three kills, including a nice little push to the corner on an attack for the win.

Jones said communication and confidence were the keys in the Lady Hawks' comeback.

"When we can communicate ourselves out of a rut, that helps us. We can't get the game back unless we communicate. We were good about that tonight. Everyone played with their heart in the end," Jones said.

"We really wanted this tournament. Nobody wanted to lose that last game when we had come that far.

Jones finished the night with 70 kills in six matches. She was also 45/50 serving with eight aces, had seven blocks, and 45 digs. Lampe had 45 kills, seven blocks, and 42 digs.

Josie Newton was 39-40 serving with seven aces. Brooklyn Jones was a perfect 32/32 serving, while Jalyn Hawk was 38/38 serving.

Cook said getting the No. 1 seed is huge for the Lady Hawks going into the tournament finals.

"We have been struggling with our team chemistry and we just needed a win, let alone being first seed. They see it now. As long as we're communicating and having fun, then everything else will fall into place," she said.

The Hawks got wins over WACO 21-15, 21-21, 15-9 to win the first round before falling to New London. They then downed L-M 21-10, 21-10 before going on the run with the wins over New London and Wapello.

Saturday's action at Loren Walker Arena starts at 5 p.m. Central Lee will take on Van Buren County, who finished as runner-ups in Pool 3 action. That match will take place following the first matches of the evening.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Junior's Ellie Lake and Taylor Jones put up a block on an attack against New London late Thursday night at Central Lee.

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## Sports

# HTC girls garner No. 1 seed for SEISC volleyball tourney

**TOURNEY:** Bendlage racks up 14 aces as Lady Crusaders roll through Pool play Thursday night

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP  
PCC Sports

DANVILLE — Anna Bendlage wants accuracy on her serves.

The Holy Trinity junior hit her spots in Thursday's opening round of the SEI Superconference tournament.

Bendlage was 31-of-32 serving with 14 aces as the Crusaders swept their three matches to advance to Saturday's eight-team final night.

Holy Trinity, which moved up to No. 2 in the Class 1A state rankings earlier in the day, defeated Lone Tree (21-5, 21-8), Winfield-Mount Union (21-5, 21-11) and Danville (21-10, 21-10). Other than falling behind in the second set to Danville, the Crusaders were efficient in their approach.

"I think we knew we could take care of business, it was just a matter of doing it tonight," Bendlage said. "I think we did really well."



"We looked good," Holy Trinity coach Melissa Freesmeier said. "Didn't give up a lot of big runs. Maybe we had a few mistakes, but you're not going to get perfection. But I was happy with the way they just kept working, point by point."

Bendlage — who added six kills, 17 assists and 11 digs — led the way on a night when the Crusaders had just five service errors.

"I think I really just focused on hitting my spots," she said. "I serve really aggressively in practice, but not always in games, just because my goal is to just get it over. Tonight I wanted to serve more aggressively."

"She's got that left hand," Freesmeier said. "And that left hand has a different spin on it. She's got a lot of

movement on the ball."

Bendlage said serving is a top priority during the Crusaders' practices.

"Over time, in practice, I've learned how to serve more aggressively and get the ball when I need it to go," Bendlage said.

That's usually directed by Freesmeier, signaling behind her omnipresent folder.

"I think I'm pretty accurate," Bendlage said, smiling. "Tonight I was really good at it. She knows exactly where to put the ball, and I was able to hit those spots."

It was a night when every Crusader who played was successful with the serves. Taegan Denning (13-13, 1 ace), Adalyn Kruse (11-11, 2 aces), and Jenna Hellman (5-5, 1 ace) were perfect. Mary Kate Bendlage was 9-of-10 with three aces. Presley Myers was 23-of-25 with 3 aces. Natalie Randolph was 20-of-21 with one ace.

Mary Kate Bendlage led the Crusaders with 19 kills and added 10 digs and two blocks. Kruse had 10 kills and a team-high eight blocks. Myers had 14 kills, four digs and a block. Randolph had eight kills, 27 assists and 13 digs. Denning had two kills and 11 digs. Teagan Snaadt had 27 digs and five assists.

Now it's on to Saturday, when the Crusaders will be the top seed.

"We're just hoping we can do the little things and take care of our side of the net," Freesmeier said. "We're going to be challenged all night — there's great defense in all of those teams. We've seen them game in and game out, so we know what our challenge will be."



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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### PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE

THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LEE COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WILL BE ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 AT THE KEOKUK AMERICAN LEGION HALL LOCATED AT 727 MAIN STREET, KEOKUK AT NOON.

The agenda includes: 2 requests for Veterans financial assistance, August 2023 monthly financial report, minutes,

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monthly client report, and Outreach Event Follow-Up.

### PUBLIC NOTICE Fort Madison CSD Special Meeting/ Work Session

09/11/2023 - 06:00 PM  
 Central Office,  
 Board Room  
 1930 Avenue M  
 Fort Madison, Iowa  
 52627

#### MEETING MINUTES

Attendees  
 Voting Members Dianne Hope, Director Josh Wykert, Board President Lois DiPrima, Director Brad Menke, Director Carol Ross, Director Mio Santiago, Vice President Paul Wilkerson, Director Non-Voting Members Dr. Erin Slater, Superintendent Kim Harmon, Dir. of Curriculum, Sp. Ed & Student Services

I. Call meeting to order and determination of a quorum The meeting was called to order by President Wykert at 6:00 p.m.

II. Consider approval of agenda Motion made by: Lois DiPrima Motion seconded by: Dianne Hope

Voting: Dianne Hope - Yes Josh Wykert - Yes Lois DiPrima - Yes Brad Menke - Not Present Carol

### HELP WANTED

#### WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FULL-TIME OPERATOR/LAB TECHNICIAN

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ol Ross - Yes Mio Santiago - Yes Paul Wilkerson - Yes

III. Consider approval of Revised 2023-2024 FMCSO Calendar Motion made by: Dianne Hope Motion seconded by: Mio Santiago Voting: Dianne Hope - Yes Josh Wykert - Yes Lois DiPrima - Yes Brad Menke - Not Present Carol Ross - Yes Mio Santiago - Yes Paul Wilkerson - Yes

IV. Set Public Hearing for October 16, 2023 6:00 p.m. for HS Restroom Renovation Motion made by: Lois DiPrima Motion seconded by: Paul Wilkerson Voting: Dianne Hope - Yes Josh Wykert - Yes Lois DiPrima - Yes Brad Menke - Not Present Carol Ross - Yes Mio Santiago - Yes Paul Wilkerson - Yes

V. Board Self-Assessment - IASB Tammi Drawbaugh The Board participated in a Self Assessment workshop with Tammi Drawbaugh of the Iowa Association of School Boards.

VI. Announcements  
 i. Regular Board Meeting - September 25, 2023, 6:00 pm - Central Office Board Room

ii. Board Work Session - October 2, 2023, 6:00 pm - Central Office Board Room

VII. Adjourn The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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#### MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BURLINGTON, IOWA CITY COUNCIL Special Meeting No. 6 August 28, 2023

The Burlington City Council met in special session at 4:30 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.

#### SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE ACKNOWLEDGED

RESOLUTION:  
 Introduced By: Graham-Murray Seconded By: Critser

1. Resolution Calling an Election on the Proposition of Entering into a Loan Agreement and Issuing General Obligation Bonds Thereunder in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$7,000,000

DISCUSSION: Chad Bird, City Manager, stated that the Resolution Calling an Election on the Proposition of Entering into a Loan Agreement and Issuing General Obligation Bonds Thereunder in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$7,000,000. He stated that the purpose of the special meeting and the loan agreement would be to construct a third fire station. He stated that a third fire station is on the City Council's list of goals and priority list. He stated there is an ad hoc committee of interested residents, staff members and elected officials that have discussed the option of a third fire station. He stated that a consulting engineer and an architectural firm are working on the process of a preliminary design. He stated that the resolution includes language to be placed on the November 7, 2023 election ballot. He stated that the ballot language needs to be filed with the County Auditor by Noon on September 1, 2023. He stated that it is recommended that council ask for authority for the full project and then later find the best way to finance the project. Matt Trexel, Fire Chief, presented a history and background of the current fire stations. He stated that the current location of station 3 was meant to be a temporary situation. He stated that the need for a training facility is important.

ant. He stated that 2100 North Roosevelt Avenue is the potential location of a third fire station and that this would improve response times in underserved areas. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

#### ADOPTED

ADJOURNMENT: 5:04 p.m. APPROVED: September 5, 2023

Katie Music, CMC, City Clerk

Jon D. Billups, Mayor (See recording on file in the office of the City Clerk for complete discussion and documentation.)

#### PUBLIC NOTICE MINUTES OF THE BURLINGTON, IOWA CITY COUNCIL INFORMAL WORK SESSION August 28, 2023

The Burlington City Council met in an informal work session at 5:06 p.m. in the Thomas J. Smith Council Chambers, City Hall with Mayor Billups, Council Members Critser, Graham-Murray and Maupin present. Council Member Wilson was absent.

Items discussed at the informal work session are listed on the work session agenda on file in the office of the City Clerk. No action was taken.

Adjournment: 6:45 p.m. Approved: September 5,

2023  
 Chad Bird, City Manager  
 Jon D. Billups, Mayor

#### PUBLIC NOTICE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 7, 2023

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administration Building in Fort Madison on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Garry Seyb, Ron Fedler, Chuck Holmes, Matt Pflug and Tom Schulz.

All votes are unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

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

Seyb amended the agenda, omitting approval of a Class C Beer Permit for Izaak Walton League. Moved by Schulz, seconded by Holmes, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

At 10:01 a.m. Seyb opened a Public Hearing on incurring non-current debt to lease ventilators and cardiac monitors. There were no comments received prior to the hearing and no comments at the hearing. At 10:02 a.m. it was moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to close the hearing. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Pflug, to ap-

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

prove Resolution #2023-87. Roll call: Holmes-aye, Pflug-aye, Schulz-aye, Fedler-aye and Seyb-aye.

**Resolution #2023-87**

FINAL RESOLUTION ON A PROPOSAL FOR NONCURRENT DEBT WHEREAS, Section 331.479, Code of Iowa provides:

Before the board may institute proceedings for the incurrence of debt for the purposes listed in section 331.478(2), a notice of the proposed action, including a statement of the amount, a purpose and form of the debt, the proposed time of liquidation and the time and place of the meeting in which the board proposes to take action to authorize the debt shall be published as provided in section 331.305. At the meeting, the board shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the county. After all objections have been received, the board, at that meeting or at the date which it adjourned, may take additional action to authorize the debt or abandon the proposal; and

WHEREAS, Section 331.477 defines current debt as a debt payable from a resource which will have accrued in a fund by the end of the physical year in which the debt is incurred. A noncurrent debt is any other debt; and

WHEREAS, Lee County EMS wishes to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with Zoll Medical Corporation for the purpose of leasing ventilators and cardiac monitors at a cost of \$420,009.29 made in yearly installments; and

WHEREAS Lee County has held the public hearing as required by §331.478 and published notice thereof in accordance with §331.305.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the proposed noncurrent debt as set forth in the purchase agreement.

Dated and signed at Fort Madison, Iowa on this the 7th day of August, 2023.

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

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Schulz, seconded by Fedler, to approve a modified Broadband Project with Southeast Iowa Regional Port Authority. Motion carried.

The Board held a discussion with the Pioneer Cemetery Commission regarding roads leading to Tierney and Lost Creek Cemeteries.

County Attorney Ross Braden gave his Department Head Report.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to approve Resolution #2023-88. Roll call: Holmes-aye, Fedler-aye, Pflug-aye, Schulz-aye and Seyb-aye.

**Resolution #2023-88**

RESOLUTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF FORT MADISON

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2023 the City of Fort Madison received an application from Circle M Inc., requesting voluntary annexation of property, located in the County, into the City of Fort Madison;

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2023 the Lee County Board of Supervisors received certified notice from the City of Fort Madison of the application pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 368.7; and

WHEREAS, the representatives of the County have no objection to the property to be annexed into the City of Fort Madison.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 368.7(1)(b)(2), the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the Application for Annexation of said Property to the City of Fort Madison.

Dated and signed at Fort Madison, Iowa on this the 7th day of August, 2023.

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

Moved by Schulz, seconded by Holmes, to approve Resolution #2023-89. Roll call: Schulz-aye, Holmes-aye, Fedler-aye, Pflug-aye and Seyb-aye.

**Resolution #2023-89**

RESOLUTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF FORT MADISON

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2023 the City of Fort Madison received an application from Protectors of Animal Welfare, Inc., requesting voluntary annexation of property, located in the County, into the City of Fort Madison;

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2023 the Lee County Board of Supervisors received certified notice from the City of Fort Madison of the application pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 368.7; and

WHEREAS, the representatives of the County have no objection to the property to be annexed into the City of Fort Madison.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 368.7(1)(b)(2), the Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the Application for Annexation of said Property to the City of Fort Madison.

Dated and signed at Fort Madison, Iowa on this the 7th day of August, 2023.

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

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Fedler, to approve Resolution #2023-90. Roll call: Pflug-aye, Fedler-aye, Schulz-aye, Holmes-aye and Seyb-aye.

**Resolution #2023-90**

RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TO CITY OF KEOKUK

WHEREAS, Lee County currently is the holder of a tax sale certificate for the following described parcels in Lee County:

1. Certificate

#2021-747 - Parcel #044521252860170

WHEREAS, the City of Keokuk has requested the Lee County Board of Supervisors for the acquisition of the County Held Tax Sale Certificate Described above for purposes of going through the redemption process with the porpoerty owner for purposes of acquiring a treasurer's deed for the property and improving the property, which will increase the value of the property and properties in the area and in turn generate tax revenue for Lee County;

WHEREAS, Section 446.31 provides in pertinent part:

When the County acquires a certificate of purchase, the county may assign the certificate for the total amount due as of the date of assignment or compromise the total amount due and assign the certificate. An assignment or a compromise and assignment shall be by written agreement. A copy of the agreement shall be filed with the treasurer ...

Accordingly, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, based on the authority of Lee County pursuant to section 446.31 the Board of Supervisors hereby, through this resolution, signed by the Mayor of the City of Keokuk, duly authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the City of Keokuk, enters into the following agreement for the compromise and assignment of the following tax sale certificate, pursuant to the terms contained herein:

Lee County hereby compromises with the City of Keokuk regarding the total amount due for tax sale certificate #2021-747 and waives the collection of the total amount due for the assignment of the tax sale certificate and hereby assigns the following tax sale certificate on the described parcel to the City of Keokuk:

1. Certificate #2021-747 - Parcel #044521252860170

In exchange the City of Keokuk hereby agrees, A copy of this Resolution and Agreement shall be recorded with the Treasurer of Lee County pursuant to Iowa Code Section 446.31, a transaction fee of ten dollars shall be collected from the assignee to be deposited in the county general fund.

Dated and signed at Fort Madison, Iowa on this the 7th day of August, 2023.

Lee County Board of

Supervisors. /s/ Garry Seyb, Chairman; /s/ Ron Fedler, Vice-Chair; /s/ Chuck Holmes, Member; /s/Matt Pflug, Member and /s/ Tom Schulz, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve final plans for HMA Resurfacing on X38 (Perkins Road), Project #FM-CO56(110)- -55-56. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve final plans for PCC Overlay on 180th Avenue, Project #FM-CO56(115)- -55-56. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Pflug, to approve a 28E Agreement with the City of Donnellson for a Joint Paving Project on 180th Avenue. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Pflug, to approve final plans for HMA Resurfacing on J40, Project #STP-S-CO56(114)- -5E-56. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve a 28E Agreement with the City of West Point for a Joint Paving Project on J40. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve a contract with Cessford Construction at Beach Quarry for gravel at a cost of \$12.30/ton. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve a contract with Cessford Construction at Donnellson and Geode Quarries for gravel at a cost of \$13.00/ton. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve final payment to Taylor Construction for replacement of Bridge 126, Project #BROS-SWAP-CO56 (111)- -FE-56 in the amount of \$428,353.50. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Schulz, to approve a Haul Road Agreement with Interstate Power and Light Company for the period August 7, 2023 through July 31, 2024. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Pflug, to authorize the County Engineer to spend up to \$165,000 to purchase two semis. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve hiring an IT Technician. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Holmes-aye, Schulz-abstained, Pflug-aye and Seyb-aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Schulz, to approve hiring a Maintenance

Worker for Secondary Roads. Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to approve hiring an Engineering Technician for Secondary Roads. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Pflug, to reappoint George Morgan and Linda Sammeli to the Veteran Affairs Board. Motion carried.

Moved by Schulz, seconded by Holmes, to approve replacing a Clerk in the Treasurer's Office. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Pflug, to approve the Consent Agenda that included the July 24, 2023 Board minutes, the claims for payment for the week and a Class C Retail Alcohol License for Charleston Board of Trade, for the period August 23, 2023 through August 22, 2024. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve a transfer for Sherri Yasenchock, from Tax Supervisor \$54,855.00/annually to Deputy Auditor, \$63,524.13/annually, effective 7/31/23; a step increase for Kathy Burkhammer, Records Clerk, from \$18.63/hr. to \$19.15/hr., effective 7/27/23; a step increase for Jamie Fullenkamp, Records Clerk, from \$17.62/hr. to \$18.09/hr., effective 8/6/23; a promotion for Shana Sanders, from Records Clerk \$17.62/hr. to Tax Department/Accounting Supervisor \$54,855.00/annually, effective 8/1/23; a promotion for Kierra Huddleston, from EMT \$18.01/hr. to Paramedic \$22.97/hr., effective 7/22/23; a promotion for Bryor McMillen, from EMT \$20.22/hr. to Paramedic \$24.37/hr., effective 7/20/23; a reclassification for Eric Bengel, from EMT \$20.64/hr. to A-EMT \$22.59/hr., effective 7/24/23 and a reclassification for Allison Herr, from EMT \$18.01/hr. to A-EMT \$20.01/hr., effective 7/24/23 Motion carried.

Received and filed a Manure Management Annual Update for JWC Swine in Des Moines Township, a Manure Management Annual Update for Granat, LLC in Washington Township, the Commission of Veteran Affairs Quarterly Report for April through June 2023, the Commission of Veteran Affairs Minutes of Meeting for June 28, 2023, the Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the month of July 2023, Secondary Roads

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

Annual Report to the Iowa Department of Transportation for FY2023 and the Secondary Roads Accomplishment Report for the RISE Project #RC-CO56(87)-9A-56 and Determination of Compliance from the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Committee Reports: Holmes reported on a Pioneer Cemetery Commission workday and a Ground Breaking Ceremony for Allied Blending. Fedler reported he had received calls on the CO2 Pipeline. Seyb reported on an Economic Development Board meeting and Southeast Iowa Regional Port Authority meeting.

At 12:00 p.m. it was moved by Holmes, seconded by Fedler, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administration Building in Fort Madison.

Garry Seyb, Chairman  
Attest: Denise Fraise,  
Lee County Auditor

### Claims Paid August 7, 2023

Access Systems, splys	43.07
Advcd Radiator, parts	1595.78
Airgas USA, splys	87.50
Alliant Enrgy, svcs	10411.76
Amazon, splys	188.27
AMI Pipe/Sply, splys	15.00
AP FBO Wrksrc, svcs	799.10
Asplmr/Fisch/Pwr, svcs	42.00
Ball Volvo, splys	584.91
Barr Mem Chpl, svcs	2400.00
B Bonar, svcs	200.00
Bnd Tree Med, splys	29128.22
R Braden, svcs	120.00
Brozene Hydrcl, svcs	334.30
Brngtn Multi, publ	315.00
CenturyLink, svcs	91.30
City/Donnellson, svcs	126.52
Electrical Engrg, svcs	140.00
Continental Fire, svcs	1110.00
CJ Cooper/Assc, svcs	45.00
D Coovrt, svcs	131.65
Crescent Parts, parts	98.87
Cullen Pest Cntrl, svcs	100.00
Culligan, wtr	62.98
Democrat Co, publ	16.64
Dly Gate City, publ	77.02
Darkside Tint, splys	2526.25
Dvnprt Printing, splys	153.91
Dejongs, fnrl	1200.00
DM Co Auditor, svcs	75.00
Dmnd mowers, parts	768.46

Donnellson Tire, svcs	724.00
Drake Hdwr, svcs	709.00
Electronic Engrg, parts	53.10
EMSLRC, edu	92.00
Enderle Htg&A/C, parts	127.50
D Enger, svcs	650.00
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FM Water, svcs	89.08
F Dunn, svcs	949.00
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B Gaylord, exps	40.00
N Granaman, svcs	1462.32
S Gray Rprting, svcs	85.00
GRRWA, svcs	177.52
Griffin Mflr, parts	1237.31
J Hambleton, exps	30.39
S Hanan, svcs	56.00
E Harvey Attrny, svcs	844.80
Huffman Wldng, equip	753.63
HyVee, splys	164.19
IMWCA, ins	17518.00
IA Co Attys Assc, edu	740.00
IA Dpt Pblc Hlth, edu	60.00
IA DOT, splys	14812.20
IA Land Cnsltg, svcs	451.00
IA Lead/Asbestos, edu	600.00
IA Office/St Med, svcs	6038.00
ISACA, reg	30.00
T Jacobsmeier, svcs	400.00
Jays Auto, svcs	208.69
Jet Gas, fuel	11812.34
Jireh Inc, fuel	2326.14
J Deere Financial, equip	1393.75
JW Medical, equip	2584.00
P Kaltefleiter, exps	87.31
Kempkers, splys	135.58
Keo Homestore, svcs	8.40
Keokuk Water, svcs	384.82
King-Lynk Fnrl, svcs	1090.00
L Krehbiel, svcs	150.00
Kuntz Excvtg, svcs	2181.00
R Kuntz, svcs	200.00
L.N. Curtis, unif	466.03
Lee County Fair, splys	10000.00
Lee Co Treas, fees	314875.61
Lee Co Treas, costs	36429.82
Liberty Util, gas	162.28
MLong, svcs	300.00
Lynch Dallas, svcs	6509.50
Mail Svcs, postg	1275.66
Martin Equip, equip	574.24
McFarlands, splys	530.59
B McMillen, edu	10356.78
MidAmer Enrgy, gas	70.99
MMIC Ins, equip	2120.00
L Mott, wages	90.43
Mutual Whl, parts	369.87
NAPA Auto, parts	2784.74

JJ Nchting Co, parts	97335.00
OMG Midwest, svcs	1144.78
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Peters Hting/AC, svcs	100.00
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SEIRPC, svcs	9359.00
M Sents, svcs	59.00
Shottenkirk Inc, svcs	2614.30
SIACC, svcs	1019.65
SIADSA, svcs	2280.00
SE IA Reg Med, svcs	150.00
SE IA Reg Econ, ntrb	2000.00
K Spear, exps	59.10
P Spkrmr, exps	19.00
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Stewart Auto, veh	223.45
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D Sugars, exps	187.25
Nikki Sugars, exps	84.00
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Tims Repair Shp, splys	109.20
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Truck Repair, parts	456.84
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Uretek USA, svcs	40324.80
VB Co Sheriff, svcs	43.60
Verizon, svcs	975.76
Vertical Comm, svcs	749.85
WahlTek Inc, svcs	2813.63
M Walker, svcs	200.00
L Wallingford, svcs	

	220.56
Wshngtn Co Pblc, svcs	6262.59
West Grp, splys	1236.21
West Pt Utility, svcs	105.52
Wex Bank, Fuels	8576.33
R Wilkens, svcs	356.40
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