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Bridge off abutment



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The historic bridge over the Skunk River has slipped off its abutment overnight Tuesday. County officials are concerned about further collapse as predicted by County Engineer Ben Hull Monday.

WINDS: Overnight high winds could have contributed to bridge dropping

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – The prediction of Lee County Engineer Ben Hull turned very prophetic as a portion of the Skunk River bridge near Bridgeport in the northwest part of the county collapsed Tuesday evening.

Hull had informed the Lee County Board of Supervisors Monday that he was engaging in emergency communications with Des Moines County as well as state and federal officials about the “imminent” danger of the bridge collapsing into the river.

On Wednesday Hull was informed by a neighbor in the area that a large noise was heard Tuesday night at about 10:30 p.m. Wednesday morning it was discovered that the south abutment had collapsed.

“We did measure it and it has fallen about 12 feet,” Hull said Wednesday. “There are stresses now on the trusses and definitely we know the issue of getting it out before a flood is much bigger now that it’s below the bank and blocking off part of the channel.”

He said if one of the I-bars gives, the entire bridge will

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ZONING DISTRICTS

City zoning panel doing overhaul

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – A move has been underway for a while now to redistrict business sections in Fort Madison.

Healthy discussions have been taking place in the city’s Planning and Zoning Commission under the direction of Building Director Doug Krogmeier and are extremely preliminary.

Krogmeier said public hearings will be held to discuss the changes when a recommendation is finalized.

According to the discussion at Tuesday’s monthly meeting of the commission, the business districts will be divided into four areas with B1 being the area specific to downtown Fort Madison from 6th to 10th Streets along Avenues G and H, north to the alley between Avenues E and F.

B2 would be the corridors adjacent to the B1 district. District B3 would be the corridors throughout the rest of Fort Madison along the highway and then B4 would be the district from 48th Street west along Highway 61.

“We’ve been working on zoning code updates and we’ve got a list of uses,” Krogmeier said.

He said the list of the uses and definitions that were included in information for the commission helped clear up what businesses would be examples in each district.

New chairwoman Barb Asay requested that even if districts have a historic name such as Santa Fe District or the downtown district, she preferred to use the B1 – B4. – not sure this is a question?

Krogmeier said B1 was downtown and B2 was the central area surrounding the downtown.

“B3 is the community corridor, which is the rest of the highway

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STATE NEWS

AG Bird warns against rising scams during the 2024 tax season

DES MOINES—Today, Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird announced tips for avoiding tax or IRS scams during the 2024 tax filing season.

Common tax scams include:
Email Phishing Scams: Email messages claiming to be someone from

the IRS, Treasury Department, or a tax preparer requesting personal or financial information.

Phone/Imposter Scams: Calls or text messages threatening arrest, tax penalties, and even license cancellation or deportation if someone does not pay

money or provide personal information.

Identity Theft: Fraudulent filing of a tax return using someone else’s information to steal refunds.

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Obituaries/For the Record

OBITUARIES

NOAH E. GOULD

Noah Edward "Thinking Bear" Gould, 24, of Keokuk, IA went home to be with Jesus on Sunday, February 25, 2024 at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, IA.

He was born August 8, 1999 in Keokuk, IA the son of Clifford and Heather Young Gould.



GOULD

Noah graduated from Keokuk High School with the class of 2018 and had consistently been on the honor roll for seven years.

[Noah had been employed by several local businesses including First Community Bank, Hoerner YMCA and the Keokuk Public Library.

He was a faithful member of New Beginnings Church in Keokuk.

Noah enjoyed watching movies and television, especially Sponge Bob and Animal Planet, reading comic books and collecting Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. He was proud of his Native American Heritage and was a direct descendant of Chief Keokuk. He loved all animals and he was the light of the world. Noah had an endless love of Jesus. He had a strong faith that was an active and vital part of his life. He prayed for his brother Dakota into existence. Noah really enjoyed comedians and had a special relationship with his friend, Bruce Baum, who is a national known comedian.

He is survived by his mother, Heather Martinez, dad, Claude Martinez, biological father, Clifford Gould, two brothers, Austin Brockett and Dakota Martinez, his grandfather, Alvin "Soaring Eagle" Young, one uncle, Josh "Eagle Claw" Young and many great aunts, great uncles and cousins. He is also survived by special friends, Mark Slater and Penny Johnson, many "adoptive" family members and his personal Elvis, Junior Talley.

He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Marilyn Young and Barbara Martinez, great-grandparents and a sister in infancy, Masia Marie Martinez.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, at New Beginnings Church in Keokuk with Pastor Donnie Skinner officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Keokuk Animal Services, 249 Carbide Lane, Keokuk, IA.

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

ELIZABETH L. MAYER

Elizabeth L. "Libby" Mayer, 89, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 6:52 p.m. on Friday, February 23, 2024 at the Montrose Health Center. She was born on August 21, 1934 in Keokuk, IA to Arthur C. & Daisy D. Wood Morrett. She was a medical assistant for 35 years and later worked for King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory for 20+ years. She was a member of First Christian Church and enjoyed reading and bird watching.



MAYER

Libby is survived by: 1-daughter: Allison (Mark) Box of Fort Madison, IA; 1-grandson: Axel (Jack Silliman) Box of Canberra, Australia; 2-sisters: Nancy Wagner of Fort Madison, IA & Janet Blint of Oskaloosa, IA. She was preceded in death by her parents and 1-sister: Lois Pohlper.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. on Friday, March 1, 2024 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial service will immediately follow at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Leslie Dalstra officiating. Burial will be at Oakland Cemetery. A memorial has been established for First Christian Church in Fort Madison. Online condolences to Libby's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

OBITUARIES

CRAIG BULLIS

Craig Bullis, 79, of Keokuk, IA passed away Monday, February 26, 2024.

He was born on July 7, 1944 in Keokuk, IA the son of Kenneth and Marjorie Kingman Bullis.



BULLIS

Craig was a veteran of the United States Army and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. During his service time he served in the 5th Army Band in Fort Sheridan, IL and the 8th Army Headquarters Band in Seoul, Korea.

He was a member of the First Christian Church of Disciples of Christ in Keokuk and was the church choir director for over forty-years. He was also a member and past president of the Keokuk Kiwanis Club and a member and past president of the IA Retired Public Employees.

Craig began his teaching career in Dumont, IA, continuing on from 1974-84 as the Keokuk High School band director. Craig left teaching to run a print shop for several years. Later, he also taught band in the Keokuk Catholic schools, Warsaw, IL schools, and taught from 2001-2010 in the Keokuk elementary schools and middle school, retiring in 2010. Craig taught private lessons for many students on clarinet and saxophone throughout all of those years and performed throughout the area. He was co-founder of the Bullis-Rutter Big Band, a former member of the SE Iowa Wind Ensemble, Keokuk's Mc-Namara's Band for nearly 60 years. Some of his memorable moments were to play for every president from Eisenhower through Obama and touring England and Scotland with the Coe College Band and playing in the Carl Anderson Dixieland Band.



He will be missed by so many of us as well as his wife of over fifty years, Chong Cha, "Lee" Bullis and their daughter, Winona Bullis and her husband Daniel O'Koniewski.

Craig left a lasting impact on our community, countless musicians and his loss is felt deeply.

A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at First Christian Church in Keokuk with Pastor David Turner officiating. Following the service a Celebration of Life will be held at The Hawkeye Restaurant in Keokuk from 5- 8 p.m.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 2-3:30 on Tuesday, at the church with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to Keokuk School Band Program.

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

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

02/27/24 - 12:00 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited Wyatt Dustin Ward, 41, of Bonaparte, at 15th Street and Ridgewood Drive, on a charge of driving under suspension.

02/27/24 - 2:27 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 700 block of Avenue G.

02/27/24 - 5:09 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 3400 block of Avenue L.

Keokuk Police Report
02/27/24 - no report received

Lee County Sheriff Report
02/27/24 - 8:29 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Brenda Jo Schmidt, 39, of Argyle, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. She was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on bond.

02/27/24 - 12:25 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Spencer Reeves Shaffer, 22, of Burlington, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on bond.

02/28/24 - 2:02 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Brian Kruse Lichirie, 31, of Farmington, in the 1300 block of Primrose Road, Donnellson, on a charge of 1st offense OWI.

Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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JANETTE L. VARNER

Jeanette Louise Varner, 67 of Argyle, IA passed away Sunday, February 25, 2024 at Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice House in West Burlington, IA.

She was born February 9, 1957 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Carl and Nancy Mary Catherine McDermott Washburn. She graduated from Keokuk High School with the class of 1975 and from Southeastern Community College, where she received her Associates Degree.



VARNER

Jeanette had been employed by Community Action for twenty-eight years as a family development specialist. Most recently, she worked at Hy-Vee.

Jeanette enjoyed doing needlework, including crocheting and quilting. She loved farm life, all types of animals and watching her favorite television shows, Father Brown, Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman and The Red and Green Show. Jeanette's grandchildren were the sunshine of her life and she spent every chance she could with them.

She is survived by two daughters, Catherine Varner (Cody Farr) of Keokuk and Julia Varner (Lane Metcalf) of Blandinsville, IL, three sons, Richard Varner (Sharon) of Keokuk, Joseph Varner of Keokuk and John Varner (Carrie Wilson) of Keokuk and eleven grandchildren. She is also survived by three brothers, Martin Eugene Washburn (Maria) of Virginia, Tom Washburn of Keokuk and William Washburn (Nancy) of Reed City, MI and three sisters, Catherine Washburn, Rose Washburn and Julia Sell (Ronald) all of Keokuk and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Carl Washburn and John Washburn and one sister-in-law, Tommi Washburn.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with Pastor Donnie Skinner officiating. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk.

Visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, at the funeral home with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the family.

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

Pen City Current obituary policy

Pen City Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes. Reposting of obituaries due to changes can only be requested by the submitting funeral home and will be assessed a \$15 reposting fee.

OBITUARIES

MARY I. BARNETT

Mary Irene Barnett, 83 years, of Fort Madison, Iowa died Tuesday February 27, 2024 surrounded by her family. She was born May 3, 1940 at Unionville, Missouri, a daughter of Raymond and Mary Lavonne (Anders) Jones. She retired from Burrows



BARNETT

Packaging. She made flower arrangements, always loved a bargain and enjoyed camping. She was a member of the Red Hat Society and the First Baptist Church, Fort Madison.

She is survived by one daughter, Barbara Janssen of Atlanta, Georgia; one brother, Raymond Junior (Shirley) Jones of Oakland, Tennessee; three sisters: Emeline (Paul) Allen of Kahoka, Missouri; Angeline Lindsey of Jacksonville, Illinois and Betty (Ken) McWhorter of Fort Madison; four grandchildren: Heather, Todd, Dustin, and Rose; nieces and nephews; and her adopted daughter, Tracy Krebill. She was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Mary Jones; a daughter and son-in-law, Cindy (Hop) Funk; and her special friend, Jim Brockman.

Visitation will be held 9:00 - 10:00 Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison. Her funeral service will follow and begin at 10:00 am Saturday at Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison, with Pastor Dean Graber and Pastor Steve Scott officiating.

Burial will be at the Oakland Cemetery, Fort Madison, Iowa. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established for the First Baptist Church, Youth Church Camp, contributions may be made at the Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison. Barr Memorial Chapel is honored to serve the Barnett family, and an online guest book may be found at www.barrmemorialchapel.com.

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Iowa News/From the Front

Army Corp on board to get bridge removed

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crash into the Skunk River. However he didn't know if the bridge would settle further, or collapse.

"I just don't know. That's uncertain and I had no idea how it would go if that south abutment failed. It could stay that way for a while, but it's certainly a bigger issue now."

The Army Corp of Engineers said the county could have a permit from their agency very shortly, Hull said, but he doesn't have the same level of confidence in the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

"I touched base with the Army Corp

and they led me to believe we will have a permit in hand from them very shortly. They know about the situation and are working on it and told me to make all the preparations we need to make. I do not, however, have that level of understanding from the DNR and we've very much beholden to them on this."

The DNR would have concerns about the structure and the river as a sovereign river in the state. Hull told the board there are also endangered species of mussels, snakes and other animals to consider in the area.

Iowans should know about IRS protocols to avoid scams

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"Most of us think we could never fall for a scam until we do," said Attorney General Bird. "Tax season is already an anxious enough time for many Americans. The last thing we need is to fear getting ripped off by manipulative scammers. If the IRS appears to contact you online through emails, texts, or calls demanding payment or personal information, it's a scam. And if you ever question if something is real, always double check and contact our office. We're here to help."

The Iowa Attorney General's office investigates fraud, seeks reimbursement and relief for fraud victims, ensures fair competition in the marketplace, and aims to protect Iowans from falling victim to scams or fraud.

Iowans should know that the IRS will never:

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- Leave pre-recorded, urgent, or threatening messages, particularly on voicemail or answering machine.
- To safeguard against tax/IRS scams and fraud, Iowans should:
 - Know the IRS operates by mail: If you owe taxes, the IRS will typically send a paper bill as first form of contact.
 - Question and appeal your tax bill: The IRS gives taxpayers the opportunity to question or appeal any amount owed before demanding payment.
 - Avoid suspicious links and attachments: These can contain dangerous software and malware designed to steal your information.
 - Hang up on suspicious calls: If you don't owe taxes and receive a call claiming to be from the IRS, do not provide any information. Hang up.
 - If you believe you have been targeted or victimized by a tax season scam, contact the Iowa Attorney General's office at 888-777-4590 or file a complaint online: <https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/for-consumers/file-a-consumer-complaint>.

March is Iowa History Month

DES MOINES - March is Iowa History Month and the State Historical Society of Iowa is encouraging Iowans of all ages to learn more about Iowa's past through programs, tours and other activities.

Every year, this statewide tradition offers new opportunities for Iowans to learn more about the people, places and points of pride that have influenced their communities, state, country and, in many cases, the entire world.

"Iowa's history is more unique and compelling than many lifelong Iowans realize," State Curator Leo Landis said. "There's always more to discover and there's no better time than Iowa History Month to do it. We encourage Iowans of all ages to explore and share some of the stories that have shaped who we are today."

Starting with a proclamation from Gov. Kim Reynolds, the month features a full schedule of in-person and online programs. Iowans and others can take guided tours at the State Historical Museum of Iowa, enjoy presentations at the Iowa History Research Centers in Des Moines and Iowa City, take

part in activities designed for families with children, discover materials in the Iowa History Collection Catalog, and much more. See the full schedule at history.iowa.gov.

Online Presentations

Tune in online to learn more about Iowa's history from pre-statehood to current day, including past program recordings with our Iowa History 101 series. On March 7, retired State Curator Jerome Thompson will discuss Robert T. Smith's search for World War II servicemen lost in the South Pacific. On March 21, Janelle Molony will talk about Victorian Women and Pella, Iowan Sara Rousseau. Advanced registration is free but required for each session. A full list of future programs can be found online.

In addition, join Annals of Iowa Editor Andrew Klumpp online at 7 p.m. March 7 for the next Iowa History Book Club meeting. Klumpp and author Jeff Bremer will discuss "A New History of Iowa," which tells the story of ordinary and extraordinary people of all backgrounds and greatly improves our knowledge of a state whose history has been neglected. Register in advance.

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From the Front/Classifieds

City wants to refine business districts along highway

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through town, and then the Highway district is what I'm calling the west end and that's B4 for now," Krogmeier said.

There will still be residential zones although there won't be as many, but the preliminary talks focused on the uses of the Business districts.

Matt Emmett, one of the commission members, said not everything that would be appropriate in B1 (downtown) would be appropriate in B2. Krogmeier said historically the boundary for the proposed B1 and B2 would be the alley between Avenues E and F.

"In my view, B2 is the blending between business and residential. There could be things that are special-use in B2."

Krogmeier said he allows single family detached properties in B2 but doesn't think that should be allowed in B1.

The group started going through the different types of businesses that would be permitted in the B1-B4 districts, and also what businesses could be allowed if they applied for a special permit.

Collier said in her position as the Fort Madison

Chamber Coordinator and in her work with Main Street, the downtown always has included Avenue H as well as Avenue G.

"For me in my position, downtown includes H. It just always has. Main Street was that circle from 10th to 6th. So to me, anything you would allow on G, can be on H just right there, though," Collier said.

Krogmeier asked if businesses on H would not be allowed on G.

Asay said the businesses fit together, but if there are facade or aesthetic requirements, would they be the same on both streets even with Avenue H not having the same parking or entrance issues.

A debate surfaced over the size of grocery store that would be allowed in the first two districts. With Aldi in what would be B1, the group debated on whether they would want another grocery that size in the immediate downtown. A lot of the debated uses were tagged with special use permit designations, but the recommendation of the panel was to grandfather those businesses, but not allow additional businesses that size in the downtown.

They also debated drive thru restaurants in the

B1 and B2, but again the conversation was to push any development in that model to the community through special use requests and there the conversation could be had about parking and drive thru lanes, etc, that would be required with drive thru and drive in food service.

"I'll give you an example. 513 Avenue G is about to come down and if someone wanted to put a restaurant in the building next to it, and there's a nice flat wall, you could do drive thru in, that's in this district," Krogmeier said.

Asay said there were several places in the downtown that could work. Krogmeier said those are historically a special use permit.

"I don't see anything wrong with a special use permit, if someone can figure out the logistics," she said.

The zoning revisions will require multiple meetings and additional conversations before public meetings will be held and recommendations are sent to the City Council.

The commission will continue the discussions on a broad range of zoning issues at further meetings.

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PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING MINUTES DONNELSON CITY COUNCIL

New Council Member Erin Wagner was sworn in prior to the meeting.

Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, January 8th, 2024 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 & Wagner present. Weber & Newton were absent.

Motion by Moeller, second by Wagner to approve the agenda: all ayes.

Citizen comments – None

Motion by Marshall, second by Moeller to approve the minutes of the December '23 meeting: all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to approve the December '23 financial reports: all ayes.

Motion by Marshall, second by Moeller to approve the December '23 disbursements and January '24 bills to be allowed: all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, seconded by Wagner to approve Resolution No 2024-01 Naming Pilot Grove Savings Bank as the bank depository for the City of Donnellson, RCV all ayes.

Appointments by Mayor – Mayor Pro Tem – Moeller, Parks & Buildings – Wagner & Weber, Streets & Sidewalks – Newton & Wagner, Water & Sewer – Moeller & Weber, Insurance & Salaries – Marshall & Weber, Public Safety – Newton & Wagner, Library – Moeller & Marshall, Nuisance – Newton & Marshall.

Motion by Moeller, Second by Marshall to appoint Rebecca Schau – City Clerk, Amber Roberts – Deputy Clerk & Public Works Director – Todd Herdrich, all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to set public hearing date regarding FY2025 Property Tax for February 12th 2024 @ 7:30pm, all ayes.

Public Hearing to amend FY24 budget – no

written or oral comments.

Motion by Moeller, second by Wagner to approve Resolution No 2024-02 approval of FY24 budget amendment, RCV all ayes.

Motion by Moeller, second by Marshall to approve Resolution No 2024-03 amending Resolution No 2023-07 the transfer of funds for FY24, RCV all ayes

Motion by Moeller, second by Wagner denying the removal of trash charge/service @ 422 S Main St, all ayes.

Police Report – There were 41 calls for service, 15 traffic stops. 21 building checks were done during the day & night time hours.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Report – update on pump work @ lift station.

Clerk Report – rcvcd quote from Verkada to replace cameras in interview room as well as conference room. Council asked clerk to get quote to replace all twelve cameras together.

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 \$26,787.84 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$10,659.23 Employee Benefit \$1,470.09 Local Option Sales Tax \$10,637.02 Debit Service \$2,837.28 Rathbun \$0 ARPA \$0 Water \$21,044.75 Water Sinking USDA \$1,816.00 Sewer

\$27,821.95 Sewer Sinking \$27,692.45. Summary of All Disbursements: General \$36,105.92 Capital Equipment Reserve \$0 Road Use Tax \$2,848.65 Employee Benefit \$1,776.49 Local Option Sales Tax \$3,870.00 Debit Service \$6,667.50 Capital Project Fund \$0 Rathbun -\$1816.00 ARPA \$0 Water \$16,739.14 Water Sinking \$1,816.00 Sewer \$39,264.15 Sewer Sinking \$0.

DONNELSON TIRE & SERVICE, Service on Dodge Ram 111.00 AFLAC, Insurance .. 80.76 MASTERCARD, Misc Supplies..... 488.06 WINDSTREAM, Phone/Internet 394.16 ALLIANT ENERGY, Electric..... 5,346.38 GRRWA, Sanitation 953.00

FRENCH- RENEKER-ASSOCIATES, Engineering Fees..... 491.00 MID AMERICAN ENERGY, 802 Pershing Ave 231.92

EFTPS, FED/FICA TAXES 4,973.85 IPERS, IPERS-REGULAR..... 2,800.85 TODD HERDRICH, Todd Cell Phone 50.00

DONNELSON LUMBER CO, Cable Ties 13.98 DAILY DEMOCRAT, PROCEEDINGS ... 247.56 TREASURER, STATE OF IOWA, STATE TAXES 1,789.60

IOWA DNR, WWT Certification 80.00 DONNELSON FIRE ASSN, Levy to Fire Dept 6,100.81

IOWA PUMP WORKS, INC., Sewer 5,661.00 CITY OF WEST POINT, Chiefs Fuel/Wages 3,315.73

KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE, Postage/Repairs 106.78 WEX BANK, Fuel.. 382.89 VERIZON, Data.... 120.03

USPS, waterbill postage, stamps..... 391.80 MICROBAC LABORATORIES, testing..... 15.00 IOWA ONE CALL, Emails 25.20 IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENE, Sales & Use Tax 261.08 IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENE, Water Excise Tax 1,075.21 RATHBUN REGIONAL WATER, Bulk Water 5,404.80

KOHLMORGAN HAULING, City Pickup 5,440.00 LYNCH DALLAS, P.C., Legal..... 7,062.50 BAKER & TAYLOR, Books..... 33.06

FRANK MILLARD & CO, Waste Water 959.44 RSM US LLP, Subscription..... 44.00 ACCESS, Copies.. 127.44

VERTICAL COMMUNICATIONS, Fax Services 56.74 GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO, towels 74.85

ION ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUT, Testing..... 409.00 COUNTRY LIVING, Magazine 37.42 SILVERSMITH DATA, Data Plan/Support 1,600.00

EXCEL IT SERVICES, Cloud Service 47.46 T-MOBILE, Chief Cell 120.10

BIBLIONIX, Apollo 3,050.00 MIDWEST LIVING, Magazine 30.00 OUR IOWA, Magazine 39.98

HYDRO-VIEW MIDWEST, Sewer Repair 4,060.00 PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS 16,077.83

CLAIMS TOTAL 80,182.27

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