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## County takes jobs hit



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Independent Can is planning to close its doors at the end of April after announcing in October the operations will be moved to Maryland.

#### **STEEL WOES:** Plant manager says economics of domestic steel forced consolidation

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – After announcing to staff in October that the plant would be closing after 44 years in Fort Madison, the company is about six weeks from closing its doors.

Plant Manager Jeff Hardy said governmental influence in the steel industry is forcing manufacturers like Independent Can overseas.

The facility, located on Crabtree Lane just off 303rd Avenue in northeast Fort Madison, is closing and moving its product lines back to Maryland, where the company is headquar-

Hardy will stay on with the company along with two other employees. He will serve as a remote manager.

The company now makes decorative tin products for popcorn companies and other food products as well as some tin signage. They came to Fort Madison in 1979 on a 10-year contract with Climax Molybdenum. After the 10 years was up, Climax moved to a plastic coated box for shipping and no longer needed the cans Independent Can was manufacturing.

From that point on, the company transitioned to other

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#### **ARCTIC GLACIER**

#### West Point ice-maker sells facility to Home City Ice and then closes doors

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

**PCC EDITOR** 

WEST POINT - A six-month rumor has become a reality in West Point. Home City Ice, a Cincinnati, Ohio-based ice company, has purchased the Arctic Glacier Premium

Ice facility in West Point and informed employees the facility would be shuttered.

According to John Jones, a loader with Arctic Glacier for the past three years, said employees were informed of the closure Tuesday morning and

some were offered positions with the Home City Ice facility in Ottumwa.

Others were simply told the property was closed and to please leave the property.

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#### **LEE COUNTY NEWS**

## Mailings will outline data for city, school, and county taxes

LEE COUNTY - A recent law change requires county auditors to mail a statement to county taxpayers by March 20 with state-specified information related to proposed local government budgets and proposed property tax rates. (Iowa Code 24.2A)

The information is for taxes payable in September 2024 and March 2025. You should receive a statement if you expect to receive a property tax bill in September.

The statement is not a property tax bill. It includes data for proposed city, school district and county budgets but does not include proposed budgets for smaller taxing authorities, such as the community college, assessor's office, townships and agricultural extension service.

The purpose of the statement is to provide taxpayers with information about the proposed city, school district and county budgets in time for the taxpayers to address the proposals at public hearings held before the budgets are approved. The date, time and location of the hearings are included in the statements. The budgets may be lowered after the hearings but not raised.

Included on the statement is the impact of the proposed city, school and county property tax rates on both a \$100,000 residential property and \$100,000 commercial property. The actual impact of the tax rates on your property could be quite different than the examples in the statement, which do not factor any possible change in the assessed value. If your property value was recently reassessed to a higher amount, the example on the statement will not accurately reflect the effect of your valuation increase on your property taxes.

Taxpayers owning more than one property may receive multiple letters if those properties are in different tax districts.

For further information, contact the Lee County Auditor's Office at 319-372-3705.

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#### **Obituaries/Iowa News**

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### H. EVERETT MUNGAN

H. Everettt Mungan, 83 of Ft. Madison passed away on Tuesday, March 12, 2024

at his home. He was born on February 27, 1941 in Lynn, MA to Harold Everett and Lucy Alley



MUNGAN

Mungan. On July 24, 1965 he married Mildred Kissler in Weatherford OK. Everett worked for AT & T and retired after several years of service. Following retirement he work for J & S Electronics and then Hy-Vee. Everett was a member of Madison Baptist Church where he was very involved in Bible Study and also

taught Sunday School. He served in the US Navy from 1959-1963 and also enjoyed doing vardwork.

Survivors include his wife, Millie Mungan of Ft. Madison and one sister, Deborah (David) Wybenga of Rock Hills, SC he was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter,

Michelle; his son, Jim and two brothers, James Henry and John David.

The funeral service will be held on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 11 AM at Madison Baptist Church with Pastor Jesse Gnann officiating. The family will meet with friends from 10 AM until the time of the service at 11 AM. Burial will be in Oakland Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for Madison Baptist Church and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

### Iowa Dept. of Corrections names new Communication specialist

DES MOINES - The Iowa Department of Corrections and Director Beth Skinner have announced Zach Carlyle as Communications Specialist, effective March 1, 2024.

Carlyle comes to the department with a strong background in media relations, broadcasting, and digital content. Carlyle is coming to the IDOC from his most recent role at Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas, where he served as the media relations coordinator and broadcaster for the department of athletics. During his five-year stint at Abilene Christian, he served as the main media contact for multiple sports and was the lead broadcast voice of the Wildcats. He generated all digital content for the department, including

social media, website stories, features, videos, graphics, and all website maintenance.

Carlyle will serve as the media liaison for the department, and will handle all internal and external communication.

Prior to his time in Texas, Carlyle was a graduate assistant at Upper Iowa University, serving in the sports information department as the main media contact for several athletics teams. A native of Grimes, Iowa, Carlyle earned his bachelor of science degree in sports communication from Upper Iowa and his master of sports administration from UIU as well.

Carlyle moved back up to his home state of Iowa with his wife, Emily, and their son, Tyler.

## Memorial's Housewright named to top 4 under 40

CARTHAGE —The Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network (ICAHN) announced its "4 Under 40" Hospital Leadership Winners, including Ashlyn Housewright, Executive Director of Community Health and Wellness, during its 20th Anniversary Annual Conference held at the I-Hotel and Conference Center in Champaign, Illinois.

In this honor, she is joined by Lindsay Culver, Director of Radiology at Lawrence County Memorial Hospital, Lawrenceville; Jessica Diane Carter, Director of Nursing Services at Ferrell Hospital; and Colton Anderson, Director of Clinic Services at Hammond-Henry Hospital,

Housewright has been a full-time employee with Memorial Hospital in Carthage, Illinois, for five years. She has a strong passion for educating people in her community on improving their health and pursuing healthy lifestyles.

In response to the escalating diabetes rates, Housewright launched the KEY (Keep Encouraging Yourself) To Good Health program with the support of other community leaders whose focus is to improve and support diabetic education and screenings. The mission of KEY is "Encourage healthy lifestyles to prevent and reduce chronic disease through community engagement and support. Embrace physical, social, and mental wellness through screenings, education, and experiences to improve health outcomes together."

Housewright played an instrumental part in implementing a teaching kitchen for the community located at Memorial Hospital. This involved the construction of four kitchen stations equipped with the proper technology to teach viewers from home or in person. As a result of this implementation, many events have been opened to the community. One of the events included teaching cooking basics to third grade 4H students, and another focused on teaching individuals how to make ten meals ready to be frozen and reheated when needed. Utilizing this resource has been a large demand from the local community to engage with and learn. The teaching kitchen at Memorial Hospital has educated over 200 people in 2023 in conjunction with the Health & Wellness

"Ashlyn portrays extraordinary personal leadership by engaging with her team positively and is willing to work side-by-side to complete projects. She empowers her team to pursue innovative solutions and is seen by her peers as a go-to person for collaboration," said Ada Bair, CEO of Memorial



Hospital, Carthage. "She knows how to lead teams by engaging all around the table, asking questions, and recognizing others."

Housewright's initiative and mission to improve lifestyles have improved turnover rates and led to the staffing of a highly qualified team of individuals in Memorial's Health and Wellness Department. The Food and Nutrition Team cooks from scratch and focuses on healthier yet tasty options.

"The increase in cafe use and carry-out meals comes from Ashlyn's desire to innovate and lead a team to grow and develop services that better meet the needs of staff and community," said Bair.

Housewright also played a large role in acquiring and launching FOCUS Fitness, the local fitness center. FOCUS Fitness has seen an uptick in memberships and offerings within the community. Housewright leads Organizational Improvement Teams and has served as a Super Coach to individuals serving on Memorial Hospital's Service Excellence Council.

ICAHN's "4 Under 40" Hospital Leadership Award is open to new and emerging leaders aged 40 and under who have been employed by an ICAHN member hospital or have served on its board for at least two years and have a strong record of innovation and outstanding performance.

Located in Princeton, IL, ICAHN is a network of 59 small, rural hospitals dedicated to strengthening the operations of its member hospitals through collaboration. The organization is composed of Illinois hospitals that have earned critical access hospital designation by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services. It is recognized nationally for its work with rural healthcare, administering several state, federal, and private healthcare programs.

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#### **Lee County Health Department Hospice**

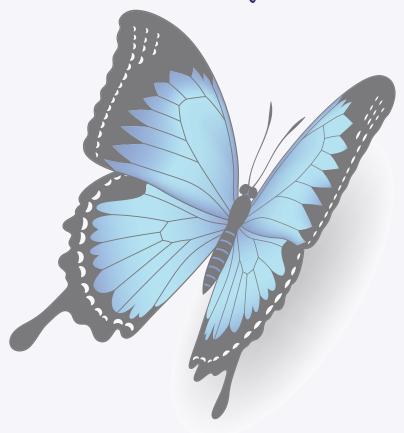
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#### Iowa News/From the Front

## Can company employees finding work

**CLOSING** - Continued from Page 1

products to keep the workforce in Fort Madison viable. Hardy has been with the company for 14 years.

He said in that time, he took the local facility from eight employees to 40 full-time and 12 temporary employees at its peak.

"When we made the announcement, it affected 35 employees and we've done everything we can to help them transition," Hardy said.

"We have three staying with the company and we've helped 13 people move to different jobs. I've personally written letters of recommendation and gone to job fairs to help those employees with potential employers"

Hardy said the Fort Madison facility is the farthest outpost from Maryland and due to the economy, steel inflation, steel tariffs, and the influx of foreign steel, Independent Can needed to consolidate its overhead and unfortunately, its factories. With all those factors, the company made the decision to close the Fort Madison facility and move production to Maryland.

Hardy said the corporation had been considering closing the plant for years. But he said the workforce in Fort Madison was so efficient, he was able to stave that off until 2023. He said the official closing date is fluid, but right now it's scheduled for the end of April.

"That's been fluid and keeps moving. Our anticipated done date with everybody out is the end of April," he said.

"Since we announced Oct. 9, that's given people plenty of time to help them find other employment in the area. We've got 19 people that have yet to be released to go on to new jobs," he said.

Hardy said several other companies have an interest in buying the facility and he said they will be jobs-producing entities.

"We have several companies looking at buying the building and I can't divulge, but those would put jobs back in the building," he said.

"Over time it would similar in terms of numbers and wages. Initially it would be a half to a third of where we were at, but these are companies that are growing. They were looking for very well-maintained food-safe

buildings with the ability to expand."

The facility sits on 15 acres total and has engineered drawings to add on 90,000 square feet.

"It's ready to expand," he said.

Hardy, who's close to early retirement with the company, said the transition has been difficult and he feels responsible for the employees.

"It's always difficult because of the people involved. I even know the names of some of these people's pets. My focus has been to help my team. We developed a solid, high-performance team that is very close knit. My focus has been to make sure they land on their feet as much as possible.

"Til the end this has run like a well-oiled machine. You can't say enough about this team."

Hardy said the county has the tools in place to attract workers and employers with the movement of the Lee County Economic Development Group.

"They are very proactive and are setting up the right things. You have SCC with training facilities for people who want technical skills. You've got the training center for kids in high school and beyond," Hardy said.

"Trades...learning a trade now is a much better investment than a four-year degree. And Lee County is in a great position to grow what you need as employees. That infrastructure is there and very sound. But you have to keep working on quality of life in Fort Madison."

He said one of the key factors that contributed to closing the plant was transportation limitations from St. Louis and Chicago.

He said the air service in Burlington and Quincy is too unreliable and VIPs can't get into the area very efficiently. He said limo service from those areas is a strong idea, and even said a helicopter service would help people see this area as a better investment.

"The improvement of infrastructure in Fort Madison needs to keep going. I think Fort Madison, and this is just me, in the past has had a chokehold on other entities coming in and growing it. People need to understand competition increases business for everyone. In the past 40-30-20 years what have you, Fort Madison has been afraid to grow - to allow big box competitors to come into town - and that needs to change."

## No word on transition help for employees

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"I went in at 5:30 to load like I normally do. They told me to sit tight and wait because we had a meeting at 10," Jones said.

"At 10 o'clock they called everybody and we all went into a room. We had two representatives from Arctic, one was an HR representative and the other was a Vice President from California, and three people from Home City Ice.

Home City has a cold storage facility in Cedar Rapids, and manufacturing facilities in Des Moines and Ottumwa.

"When they came in, there was 12 of us, they offered four people jobs including a production manager, a distribution manager, and two loaders. All the drivers and stackers got jobs if they wanted to work at the Ottumwa facility."

Jones said he was not offered any transition benefits with the closure but heard that some employees received up to five weeks severance pay.

"They told the rest of us, 'We're closed. Please go ahead and leave the property. We're closed for good.' I've been there years and I started hearing rumors of this closing about six months ago."

Home City was founded in Home City, Ohio in the 1890s, now Saylor Park, Ohio. The company is now headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio with sales exceeding \$150 million in 2015. Arctic Glacer Premium Ice was started in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada in 1882. West Point's Dennis Menke started Crystal Ice in the facility in 1978 and eventually sold to Arctic Ice.

Phone numbers to the West Point Arctic Glacer facility in West Point were non-functional and a call to the corporate offices were answered by a customer service representative who disconnected the call after Pen City Current identified as a news agency.

Attempts to reach Home City Ice have gone unanswered as of this posting.

## Bird sends brief in support of nation's law enforcement

DES MOINES—Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird today led a 19-state coalition in urging the United States Supreme Court to support law enforcement in Chiaverini v. City of Napoleon, Ohio.

In 2016, Jascha Chiaverini bought stolen jewelry from a thief to sell in his store. When law enforcement asked him to return the jewelry, Chiaverini refused. The officers executed a search warrant to retrieve the stolen jewelry and arrested Chiaverini on three charges. All charges were eventually dropped.

Chiaverini then sued the police officers and the city of

Napoleon for 3 million taxpayer dollars in damages. The district court found that the police had probable cause to arrest him for two of the three crimes. It then ruled against Chiaverini because the arrest for the third crime did not harm him—even if he had been arrested only for the first two crimes, he would have spent the same amount of time in jail. Now, the Supreme Court will decide whether to uphold the ruling that protects police or give damages to Chiaverini for his arrest for that third crime.

"Our law enforcement heroes work a challenging job to keep us safe," said Attorney General Bird. "The last thing they need is to fear being sued for doing their job. This case is just one example of officers who used the information available to them to act in good faith to enforce the law. But they are not alone. My office is urging the Supreme Court to protect our brave law enforcement officers"

The states make the case to protect law enforcement from lawsuits when a would-be criminal defendant is arrested for multiple crimes, one of the crimes is not supported by probable cause, and the arrest for that crime caused no difference in the nature or length of the detention.

Iowa led the amicus brief and was joined by Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, and Utah





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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING MINUTES LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 2, 2024** 

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administrative Building in Fort Madison on Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

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

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

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

At 10:01 a.m. Seyb opened a Public Hearing for comments on amending the Fiscal Year 2024 County Budget. There were no comments received prior to the hearing and none submitted at the hearing. At 10:02 a.m. it was moved by Fedler, seconded by Pflug, to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve Resolution #2024-19. Roll call: Pflug-aye, Holmes-aye, Schulz-aye, Fedler-aye and Seyb-aye. RESOLUTION # 2024 - 19

Resolution - Adoption of Budget Amendment FY2024 - 19

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing has been completed concerning the Proposed Lee County **Budget Amendment for** Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 -June 30, 2024 in accordance with the Iowa Department of Management guidelines and, per Iowa Code Section 331.434, Subsection 5;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Lee County, Iowa, the Public Hearing is acknowledged and the Budget Amendment as presented is hereby adopted.

Dated at Ft Madison, lowa on the 2nd day of January 2024.

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 Pflug, to approve Resolution #2024-20. Roll call: Schulz-aye, Pflug-aye, Fedler-aye, Holmes-aye and Seybaye.

#### RESOLUTION #2024 - 20

Resolution for Amended Appropriations FY2024

Whereas, Resolution #2023-78, dated June 26, 2023 must be updated to correctly reflect the adjustments to appropriations for each of the different county officers and departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, in accordance with Section 331.434, Subsection 6, Code of Iowa.

Now, Therefore, be it resolved, by the Lee County Board of Supervisors to amend Resolution #2023-78 as stated below:

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Board of Supervisors	3,860,995	2,694,152	3,860,995
Auditor	895,189	895,189	895,189
Treasurer	826,528	826,528	826,528
County Attorney	1,103,729	1,103,729	1,103,729
Sheriff	5,213,469	5,213,469	5,213,469
Recorder	549,879	549,879	549,879
Pioneer Cemetery	40,662	40,662	40,662
GIS	168,331	168,331	168,331
Safety/Risk Management	110,294	110,294	110,294
Information Technology	1,017,224	1,017,224	1,017,224
Secondary Roads	9,572,223	9,572,223	9,572,223
Veteran Affairs	149,258	149,258	149,258
Conservation	1,644,481	1,644,481	1,644,481
Board of Health	5,019,654	5,019,654	5,019,654
GR/CPC/Court/Comm. Housing	882,225	882,225	882,225
Human Services	47,500	47,500	47,500
Medical Examiner	268,380	268,380	268,380
Ambulance Service	4,742,774	4,742,774	4,742,774
Maintenance	695,834	695,834	695,834
Building Repair & Maintenance	450,287	450,287	450,287
Non-Departmental (Includes	5,973,635	5,673,635	5,973,635
Transfers) TOTAL	43,232,551	41,765,708	43,232,551
TOTAL	40,232,331	41,/00,/00	43,232,331

Dated at Ft Madison, lowa on the 2nd day of January 2024.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Garry Seyb, Chairman; /s/ Ron Fedler, Vice-Chair; /s/

Chuck Holmes, Member; /s/ Matt Pflug, Member ber. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried. Moved by Fedler,

and /s/ Tom Schulz, Mem-

seconded by Pflug, to approve the Monday, December 18, 2023 minutes. Motion carried.

Moved by Schulz, seconded by Holmes, to name Garry Seyb as Chairman for the calendar year 2024. Roll call: Schulz-aye, Holmes-aye, Fedler-nay, Pflug-nay and Seyb-aye. Motion carried.

#### Resolution #2024-1

RESOLVED this 2nd day of January 2024 that Garry Seyb be and is hereby appointed Chairman of the Lee County Board of Supervisors for the year 2024.

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

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Seyb, to name Tom Schulz as Vice-Chairman for the calendar year 2024. Roll call: Holmes-aye, Seyb-aye, Fedler-nay, Pflug-nay and Schulz-aye. Motion carried.

#### Resolution #2024-2

RESOLVED this 2nd day of January 2024 that Tom Schulz be and is hereby appointed Vice-Chairman of the Lee County Board of Supervisors for the year 2024.

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

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Holmes-aye, Pflug-aye, Schulz-aye and Seyb-aye. Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-3**

RESOLVED to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, to execute and acknowledge for and on behalf of Lee County, Iowa with Board approval, leases and deeds of conveyance of real estate and said authority shall exist for the year 2024, or until

revoked or rescinded by action of the Board. DATED: January 2,

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-4**

RESOLVED this 2nd day of January 2024 that the Lee County Auditor be and is hereby authorized to draw checks to pay all court certificates, freight bills, express bills and postage as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other claims against Lee County, Iowa shall and must be passed upon by the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting before being paid.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-5**

RESOLVED this 2nd day of January 2024 that the following holidays will be observed for the calendar year 2024 on the dates indicated: President's Day, Monday, February 19; Good Friday, Friday, March 29; Memorial Day, Monday, May 27; Independence Day, Thursday, July 4; Labor Day, Monday, September 2; Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11; Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29; Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24 and Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25; also, New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2025.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-6**

RESOLVED, this 2nd

day of January, 2024, that Sheriff Stacy Weber and his Deputies are hereby appointed as agents of Lee County, Iowa, to make service of notices of expirations of rights to redeem from tax sale and to make affidavit of completed service of such action.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-7**

RESOLVED, this 2nd day of January, 2024, that the newspapers hereby designated as official newspapers in and for Lee County, Iowa are the Daily Democrat in Fort Madison and the Daily Gate City in Keokuk and that Bill and Steve Helenthal are hereby appointed as agents of Lee County, lowa, to make publications of all notices required to be published in the Daily Democrat, Fort Madison and the Daily Gate City, Keokuk, which Bill and Steve Helenthal are publishers, and to make affidavits of such publications in all cases where Lee County, Iowa has purchased real estate at Scavenger Sale and holds certification of such

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Pilot Grove Savings Bank	Fort Madi
AUDITOR	
Pilot Grove Savings Bank	Fort Madi
SHERIFF	
Connections Bank	Fort Madi
Two Rivers Bank	Fort Madi
RECORDER	
Connections Bank	Fort Madi
CONSERVATION	
Two Rivers Bank	Keokuk

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-10**

BE IT RESOLVED that this 2nd day of January, 2024, by the Lee County Board of Supervisors, that the Lee County Engineer or his Assistant are hereby authorized and empowered to execute underground construction permits without further action by the Board of Supervisors.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Garry

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-8**

RESOLVED, this 2nd day of January, 2024, that Ryanne Wood is hereby appointed as Lee County General Relief Director for the period of January 2, 2024 to January 1, 2025.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-9**

BE IT RESOLVED this 2nd day of January 2024, to designate the following banks to be Depositories of Lee County, Iowa funds in amounts not to exceed the amounts listed opposite of each said Depository. The Lee County Officers and their Deputies are hereby authorized to deposit the Lee County funds in amounts for said banks as follows:

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

\$15,000.00

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-11**

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Section 321E.1 of the Code of lowa to issue permits for the movement of machines, vehicles or loads, or combinations thereof which exceed the maximum dimensions and/or weights specified in Sections 321.452 to 321.466, but within the limitations of Chapter 321E upon Secondary Roads under

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their jurisdiction, and WHEREAS, it is important that such permits be issued by persons familiar with the statutes and req-

issued by persons familiar with the statutes and regulations relating to such permits and also with the limitations of the county's roadways, road surfaces and structures along the selected or designated routes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lee County Board of Supervisors that the Lee County Engineer or his Assistant are authorized to issue and sign special permits for the movement of vehicles of excessive size and weight upon Lee County Secondary Roads in accordance with said Chapter 321E.

Passed this 2nd day of January 2024.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Garry Seyb, Chairman; /s/ Tom

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> com by March 22, 2024.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-12**

WHEREAS, Section 306.41 of the Code of Iowa provides that "The agency having jurisdiction and control over any highway in the state, or the chief engineer of said agency when delegated by such agency, may temporarily close sections of a highway by a formal resolution entered upon the minutes of such agency when reasonable necessary because of construction, reconstruction, maintenance or natural disaster and shall cause to be erected road closed signs and partial or total barricades in the roadway at each end of the closed highway section and on the closed highway where that highway is intersected by other highways if such intersection remains open."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lee County Board of Supervisors that the Lee County Engineer or his Assistant are authorized to close Lee County Secondary Roads as necessary with the actual dates of closure to be determined by the County Engineer or his Assistant, as follows:

For Construction – Any project described in the approved Secondary Road Construction Program and any approved supplements thereto.

For Emergency – Closure of any road for maintenance purposes: Any route deemed necessary by the County Engineer or his Assistant.

The Engineer will also notify the local news media when a road has been closed for construction.

Passed and approved this 2nd day of January, 2024.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-13**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, Lee County, Iowa, that Benjamin J. Hull, P.E., the County Engineer of Lee County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of Board of Supervisors of said County, to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance thereof in accordance with plans and specifications in connection with all Farmto-Market and Federal or State aid construction projects in this county.

Passed and approved this 2nd day of January,

2024.
Lee County Board of
Supervisors /s/ Garry
Seyb, Chairman; /s/ Tom
Schulz, Vice-Chair; /s/
Chuck Holmes, Member;
/s/ Matt Pflug, Member
and /s/ Ron Fedler, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise
Fraise, Auditor. Motion
carried

#### Resolution #2024-14

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is empowered under authority of Iowa Code Section 321.236 Sub. (8), 321.255, and 321.471 to 321.473 to prohibit the operation of vehicles or impose limitations as to the weight thereof on designated highways or highway structures under their jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, The Board desires that the County Engineer be empowered to establish and lift, at his discretion, load limits, on specific designated roads. Travel on these roads will be load limited allowing only trucks and other

commercial vehicles with a gross weight of less than the limit designated by the posted signs to travel upon them.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Lee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Engineer to exercise his discretion in posting load limits of ten (10) tons on selected roads and as necessary to enhance safe travel and/or reduce base failure. These load limits shall become effective whenever the signs are erected and shall remain in effect at all times they remain erected. School busses, emergency vehicles, vehicles hauling home heating fuel to residences, vehicles hauling animal feed to a feeding yard, and commercial garbage haulers are exempt from these limitations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, may authorize permits of exception for loads not already exempt under the previous paragraph of this resolution. Any such permit must be specific to the excepted vehicle and its load, and must bear the signature of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors or County Engineer. Exception requests will be considered and approved or denied by the County Engineer.

Dated January 2, 2024. Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Garry Seyb, Chairman; /s/ Tom Schulz, Vice-Chair; /s/ Chuck Holmes, Member; /s/ Matt Pflug, Member and /s/ Ron Fedler, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION # 2024-15**

RESOLVED, this 2nd day of January, 2024, that Alicia Schiller-Haynes is hereby appointed as Lee County Weed Commissioner for the period of January 2, 2024 to January 1, 2025.

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

Claims for payment were approved.

A Class C Retail Alcohol License for Mt Hamill Tap was approved for the period January 16, 2024 through January 15, 2025.

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-21**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEE
COUNTY, IOWA, that
they hereby approve the
application of: Rafael
and Nikki Cardenas 2735
355th Street Keokuk IA

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of lowa Code Section 404.3, §3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of lowa.

PASSED AND AP-PROVED this 2nd day of January, 2024.

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

**RESOLUTION #2024-22** 

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SU-PERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: Robert and Lea Phillips 1598 353rd Avenue Wever IA 52658

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of lowa Code Section 404.3, §3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of lowa.

PASSED AND AP-PROVED this 2nd day of January, 2024.

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

#### RESOLUTION #2024-23

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SU-PERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the

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application of: McCann Properties LLC 560 Summer Street Dubuque IA 52002

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, §3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa.

PASSED AND AP-PROVED this 2nd day of January, 2024.

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

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-24**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SU-PERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: David and Davette Jurgenson 1531 330th Avenue Wever IA 52658

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, §3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa

PASSED AND AP-PROVED this 2nd day of January, 2024.

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

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Holmes, to hold Board meetings on Mondays

at 10:00 a.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building in Fort Madison.

Motion carried.

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Pflug, to approve the following appointments

to various committees for 2024. Motion carried. Supervisor Committees for 2024

Ron Fedler

- \* South Iowa Crime Commission (Alternate – Tom Schulz)
- \* 8th Judicial (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- \* SE Iowa Juvenile Detention (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- \* RUSS (Alternate Chuck Holmes)

Tom Schulz

- \* Southeast Iowa Community Action (Alternate – Matt Pflug))
- \* GRRWA (Alternate Ron Fedler)
- \* Emergency Management Commission (Alternate – Garry Seyb)
- \* Courthouse Security Committee (Alternate-Matt Pflug)
- \* Fort Madison Economic Development (Alternate-Garry Seyb)
- \* County Building Committee (Alternate-Matt Pflug)
- \* Opioid Funds Committee (Alternate-Matt Pflug) Chuck Holmes
- \* Children First (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- d. \* Lee County Conser-

vation Board (Alternate – Matt Pflug)

- \* 401K Committee (Alternate Garry Sevb)
- ternate Garry Seyb)
  \* Employee Insurance
- Committee
  \* Iowa Workforce
  Development (Alternate –
- Matt Pflug)

  \* Pioneer Cemetery
  Commission (Alternate
  Garry Seyb)

Matt Pflug

- \* Quad City Decategorization (Alternate Chuck Holmes)
- \* 911 Service Board (Alternate – Ron Fedler)
- \* Board of Health (Alternate Ron Fedler)
- \* Employee Insurance Committee (Alternate Chuck Holmes)
- \* Employee Safety Committee (Alternate-Ron Fedler)
- \* SE IA Housing Authority (Alternate Garry Seyb)
- \* Hwy 61 Coalition (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- \* Best You Coalition (Alternate-Garry Seyb) Garry Seyb
- \* SEIRPC (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- \* Lee County Economic Development (Alternate – Tom Schulz)
- \* Lee County Port Authority (Alternate – Tom Schulz)
  - \* Keokuk Economic

Development (Alternate – Tom Schulz)

- \* Lee County EMS (Alternate Tom Schulz)
- \* ARPA (Alternate Ron Fedler)
- \* Empowering Families (Alternate Chuck Holmes) Department Liaisons:

Secondary Roads – Garry Seyb/Tom Schulz Information Technology

Garry Seyb/Tom Schulz
 CPC – Tom Schulz/Ron
 Fedler

EMS-Garry Seyb/Tom Schulz

Safety-Matt Pflug/Ron Fedler

Grant Writer-Garry Seyb/Chuck Holmes GIS-Garry Seyb/Tom Schulz

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Schulz, to approve Resolution #2024-16. Roll call: Holmes-aye, Schulz-aye, Fedler-aye, Pflug-aye, Seyb-aye.

#### **RESOLUTION # 2024-16**

A RESOLUTION NAMING CANDIDATE TO SEIRPC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, Lee County is a member County of the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the SEIRPC Board of Direc-

tors has reviewed the Lee County membership status and it is in good standing.

BE IT RESOLVED that Garry Seyb is hereby appointed to a one-year term to the SEIRPC Board of Directors, which term will expire on January 1, 2025.

AND BE IT RESOLVED that Tom Schulz is hereby appointed as alternate to a one-year term to the SEIRPC Board of Directors, which term will expire on January 1, 2025.

Dated this 2nd day of January 2024.

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

Moved by Holmes, seconded by Pflug, to approve Resolution #2024-17. Roll call: Holmes-aye, Pflug-aye, Fedler-aye, Schulz-aye and Seybaye.

#### Resolution #2024-17

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT REPRESEN-TATIVE

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WHEREAS, the County of Lee, Iowa, by resolution duly passed heretofore, has resolved that it shall participate in the planning and programming of the South Iowa Area Crime Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SU-PERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LEE, that Ron Fedler is hereby designated as said County's official representative to the South Iowa Area Crime Commission.

FURTHER, BE IT RE-SOLVED that Tom Schulz is hereby designated as said County's official alternate representative to the Commission in instances where the official representative is unavailable.

Passed this 2nd day of January 2024.

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

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Fedler, to approve Resolution #2024-18. Roll call: Pflug-aye, Fedler-aye, Schulz-aye, Holmes-aye and Seybaye.

#### **RESOLUTION #2024-18**

WHEREAS, Lee County, Iowa (hereafter County) is a member of the Southeast Iowa Regional

Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide its citizens with tools to create and grow business, and

WHEREAS, The County is provided the opportunity to appoint a representative to the SEIRPC loan review committee in an effort to be informed about economic development activities and funds available for those activities, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The County appoints Barb Smidt to the SEIRPC loan review committee for a three-year term ending December 31, 2026, as the County's representative.

APPROVED and AD-OPTED this 2nd day of January, 2024

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

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Schulz, to approve a Maintenance Contract with Stryker for cots, cot loaders and automatic CPR devices, at a cost of \$33,737.35 per year for 5 years. Motion carried.

Moved by Schulz, seconded by Pflug, to approve a quote from Ace Hardware in Keokuk, for supplies for 5 benches to be constructed by the Keokuk-Hamilton Dam Museum personnel and placed in Estes Park, at a cost of \$496.34. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Holmes, to approve the first reading of the Care of Animals by Breeders Ordinance. Motion carried.

Moved by Pflug, seconded by Schulz, to approve the first reading of the Loose Livestock Ordinance. Motion carried.

Received and filed the Commission of Veteran Affairs Minutes of Meeting for November 28, 2023 and the County Recorder's Report of Fees Collected for the month of November 2023.

Committee Reports: Holmes met with a tax payer that had questions on his tax statement. Schulz and Fedler received calls from constituents about taxes and budget matters.

At 11:05 a.m. a motion was made by Pflug, seconded by Fedler, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

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

#### Claims paid January 2, 2024

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D Fraise, exps ...... 40.00

French-Reneker, svs ..... 675.00 Garratt-Callahan, maint ......750.00 N Granaman, svs ......1481.48 S Hansen, svs ..... 150.00 Henderson Prod, splys ...... 137.64 T Hurley, svs...... 132.87 Idemia, svs ...... 3290.00 Industrial Mtrs, splys ...... 338.00 INOVALON, svs.. 2987.52 IA Co Rec Assc, dues ......250.00 IA DOT, splys ...... 572.43 IA GEMT, fees..... 5086.62 IA Office/ St ME, svs ......10235.00 IA State Pen, meals ...... 12593.75 Jet Gas, fuel ...... 7948.16 Jireh Inc, fuel ..... 6373.88 Karl Emerg Veh, equip ..... 17287.83 Keltek, Inc., equip ...... 442.50 Keo Water, svs ..... 279.55 King-Lynk Fnrl, svs ..... 2200.00 G Knisley, exps..... 376.00 Kohlmorgan Hlg, svs ..... 500.00 LeeCo Auditor, Ctrl Pur .....228.39 Lee Co HIth, exps ..... 10284.08 LeeCo Treas, costs ..... 9705.56 Mail Svs, pstg ..... 1268.43 Martin Equip, svs ...... 2804.94 McFarlands, splys ...... 212.13 Metal Culverts, mtrl ..... 8180.70 MidAmer Enrgy, gas Midway FrtInr, svs ......23178.10 Frank Millard, svs ......684.28

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#### Fort Madison Police Report

03/08/24 - 1:04 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1700 block of Avenue H.

03/09/24 – 12:27 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1200 block of Avenue H.

03/10/24 – 3:31 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Ashley Nicole Shannon, 32, of Fort Madison, in the 3000 block of Avenue L, on a charge of 1st offense domestic abuse assault. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

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03/10/24 – 11:20 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 1400 block of Avenue D.

03/11/24 – 11:23 a.m. – Fort Madison police cited Kelly Marie Calvin, 37, of Fort Madison, in the 1200 block of 18th Street, on a charge of driving while barred.

03/11/24 – 11:44 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 900 block of 2nd Street.

 $03/11/24 - 12:36 \ p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 3300 block of Avenue L.$ 

03/11/24 - 5:01 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1600 block of 20th Street.

03/12/24 – 12:00 a.m. – Fort Madison police cited Anna Mae Elizabeth Sadler, 33, of Fort Madison, in the 1100 block of Avenue G, on a charge of driving under suspension.

03/12/24 – 1:11 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1100 block of Avenue D.

03/12/24 – 4:10 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a personal injury accident at 11th Street and Avenue G.

03/12/24 – 5:24 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1000 block of Avenue F.

#### **Keokuk Police Report**

03/08/24 — 9:22 a.m. — Keokuk police arrested a 14-year-old male juvenile, no hometown reported, at South 25th and Main Streets, on a charge of eluding — injury, OWI, drug. He was released to a guardian.

03/08/24 – 1:30 p.m. – Keokuk police cited and released Gabriel Marley McAllister, 21, of Keokuk, at North 1st and Main Streets, on a charge of driving under suspension.

03/08/24 - 10:51 p.m. - Keokuk police responded to a two-vehicle accident at 1st and Main Streets. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Gabriel Marley McAllister, 21, of Keokuk, was attempting to make a right turn onto North 1st Street when it was struck by a vehicle driven by Denise Vayda Nichols, 16, of Warsaw, that was attempting to make left turn onto Main Street, turned too sharply, and struck McAllister's car. No injuries were reported. Nichols was cited for turning from improper lane and failure to provide security against liability; McAllister was cited for driving while license suspended. Both vehicles sustained minor damages and were driven from the scene.

03/09/24 - 7:24 p.m. - Keokuk police arrested Melinda Jo Saunders, 49, of Keokuk, in the 300 block of North 11th Street, on a charge of 1st offense domestic assault - bodily injury. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/09/24 – 10:09 p.m. – Keokuk police cited and released Brenda Lee Kitavarada, 28, of Keokuk, in the 200 block of South 10th Street, on a charge of driving under suspension

03/09/24 - 10:16 p.m. - Keokuk police cited and released Jaime Lynn Hall, 39, of Keokuk, in the 400 block of Main Street, on a charge of driving under suspension.

03/10/24 – 6:00 a.m. – Keokuk police cited and released Larry Lee Benge, 49, of Keokuk, in the 100 block of North 10th Street, on a charge of driving under suspension.

03/11/24 - 1:13 a.m. - Keokuk police arrested Douglas Edward Steele, 59, of Ke-

okuk, at North 7th and Concert Streets, on 2 warrants for violation of probation, and charges of drug tax stamp violations and possession of a controlled substance – 1,2,3rd. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/11/24 – 4:36 p.m. – Keokuk Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1100 block of Fulton Street.

03/11/24 – 5:32 p.m. – Keokuk Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 200 block of N.15th Street.

03/11/24 – 5:55 p.m. – Keokuk Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of N. Park Drive.

03/11/24 – 6:15 p.m. – Keokuk Police cited Bryan Wayne Vanskike, 32, of Oquawka, III., in the 300 block of N. Park Drive on a charge of 5th-degree theft.

03/11/24 – 8:35 p.m. – Keokuk Police arrested Vito Martinez Winters, 35, of Keokuk in the 800 block of S. 14th Street on a charge of violating a no-contact order. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

03/11/24 – 8:46 p.m. – Keokuk Police arrested Heather Leigh Ewart, 34, of Keokuk, in the 800 block of S 14th Street, on charges of violation of a no-contract order and assault on a law enforcement officer/no injury. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

03/12/24 – 11:39 p.m. – Keokuk Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1200 block of Exchange Street.

#### Lee County Sheriff Report

03/08/24 – 6:13 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Craig Stephen Brown, 60, of Plano, IA, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on his own recognizance.

03/09/24 – Lee County sheriff deputies had no activity to report.

03/10/24 – 6:37 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Eric Troy Beckman, 48, of Fort Madison, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/11/24 - 12:55 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Douglas Edward Steele, 59, of Keokuk, at the South Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/11/24 – 3:05 a.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Ryan Thomas Lilly, 24, of Keokuk, at the South Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/11/24 – 7:48 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Gregory Lane King, 62, of Denmark, at the sheriff's office, on a judgment entry/mittimus warrant. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/12/24 - 11:52 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Courtney Allen Kellum, 40, of Keokuk, in the 1300 block of Leighton Street, Keokuk, on a warrant for pretrial release violation and a charge of possession of a controlled substance - 1,2,3rd. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/12/24 – 12:18 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Tracy Renee Hartis, 54, of Keokuk, at the sheriff's office, on a judgment entry/mittimus warrant. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/12/24 – 6:02 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Linda Marie Noll, 76, of Wever, in the 2000 block of 343rd Avenue, Wever, on a charge of simple assault. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/12/24 – 6:43 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Derrick Rodney Lynn Howe, 38, of Warsaw, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of eluding – injury, OWI, drug. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

03/12/24 – 7:15 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Michael Dean Marsh, 52, of Fort Madison, in the 1600 block of 330th Avenue, Fort Madison, on charges of 1st offense trespassing and 3rd degree harassment. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

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



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