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# Goetz ends A.D. run

## GOING AWAY PRESENT:

HTC girls deliver 4-2 upset of Mediapolis on John Goetz' last game as Holy Trinity's Athletic Director

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - a;ldkjf;lakjdWEST POINT – Holy Trinity got their sixth win of the year Tuesday night at South Park as a gift of sorts to outgoing HTC Athletic Director John Goetz.

The 18-year Holy Trinity director oversaw his last game decked out in Crusader blue and the HTC girls delivered with a 4-2 win over Mediapolis (10-6) in a SEI Superconference north matchup in West Point.

Freshman Sydney Jarvis went all seven innings surrendering just five hits and allowing two runs, both earned, while striking out six and walking just one – one of her best outings of the year.

Back on June 4, the Bulldogs rolled Holy Trinity 11-1 in five innings.

“Getting mercy-ruled last time and now being to be able to get the win was

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Original HTC Athletic Board member Joe Panther presents outgoing HTC AD John Goetz with a plaque fabricated from the schools original bleachers in honor of his 18 years with the school system. Goetz was honored before the HTC softball game his final game as AD.

## FRAISE TO RETIRE

# Emily Benjamin tapped to take over as CEO at LCEDG

BY PCC STAFF

LEE COUNTY – The Lee County Economic Development Group (LCEDG) announced Monday that Dennis Fraise, President and CEO, will retire on November 21, 2024, after 11 years of dedicated service. During Fraise's tenure, LCEDG has made significant strides in enhancing the economic landscape of Lee County.

In response to Fraise's announcement, the LCEDG Board implemented their succession plan, and is proud to announce that Emily Benjamin has been named the next president and CEO, effective immediately upon Fraise's retirement.



BENJAMIN

“We are very confident in the team we have in place and look forward to continuing the quality work and momentum of LCEDG to benefit Lee County,” said Board Chair Bob Huffman.

Benjamin joined LCEDG in August 2022 as the Vice President of Economic Development. A native of Lee County, Benjamin brings a diverse background to the organization, including experience in agricultural sales and marketing, non-profit leadership, and community development.

“Emily's appointment is a testament to her leadership and vision for the future of Lee County,” said Fraise. “Her passion for our community and her innovative approach to economic development make her the ideal leader to drive LCEDG forward.”

Benjamin expressed her excitement for the new role.

“I am incredibly excited for the opportunity to build upon the exceptional work already accomplished at LCEDG and grateful for the Board's confidence in my ability to achieve the goals set forth in the strategic plan. My passion for Lee County communities drives me every day to create meaningful impacts for the business community and to offer young people, including my three children, compelling reasons to stay in or return to Lee County for prosperous and fulfilling lives,” said Benjamin.

## CITY NEWS

# FM Housing Authority lands \$250K HUD grant

Grant will help increase safety and security at FMHA properties

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison Housing Authority has secured a \$250,000 grant from a federal agency to bring added security to housing locations in Fort Madison.



DEAR

According to FMHA Director Mike Dear, the group was notified on Tuesday that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has awarded them the funding to improve safety and security at the authority's properties around Fort Madison.

In addition to Hillview Village, the Ivanhoe properties near Hillview on the city's west side, and Ivanhoe properties on 34th Street, and those on 24th Street and Avenue M, will also see security

upgrades.

“We applied in February and we were on the clock right away. This thing had a March deadline. They were supposed to make announcements in September, but I got an email today letting us know that we had qualified for the grant funding,” Dear said.

“You think about the sheer number of housing authorities across the country and we were able to secure this much-needed funding. I'm very, very happy with it.”

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WED 26 Jun.....Chance of thunderstorms, 87° F/ 62° F  
THU 27 Jun.....Warm, mostly sunny, 83° F/ 66° F  
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## IOWA LOTTERY

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# Obituaries

## OBITUARIES

### CAROLE E. SANDROCK

Carole Elizabeth Wallis Sandrock, 89, of Fountain Hills, Arizona entered into Eternal rest Saturday, June 22, 2024. She was born in Fort Madison, Iowa on December 2, 1934, the daughter of Frank and Martha Marie (Purdy) Wallis. On February 8, 1975, she married Austin R. Sandrock, and they moved to Phoenix, Arizona in May 1975. She was the beloved wife to Austin, and a terrific friend to many. She is survived by her niece, Vicki Wallis (Sean) Kelley (and her son Edward), her nephew, Bradley Wallis (and his sons, Zachary and Jordan), her step-son Todd (Sandy) Sandrock, and the Sandrock family. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and one brother Frank B. Wallis.

Carole was the lead commercial artist of the W.A. Sheaffer Pen Company for eleven years. She also had her own art studio and drew all her birthday and holiday cards for her friends and family. She loved gardening, skiing, swimming, biking, and golf with her husband, Austin. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, P.E.O., American Legion Auxiliary, and Women's Club.

Visitation will be held 10:00 - 11:00 am, Friday June 28, 2024 at the Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison, Iowa. Her funeral service will follow and begin at 11:00 am Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Oakland Cemetery, Fort Madison. Barr Memorial Chapel is honored to serve the Sandrock family and an online guest book may be found at [www.barrmemorialchapel.com](http://www.barrmemorialchapel.com).



SANDROCK

### ROBERT H. YOUNG

Robert Harrison Young, 74 of Keokuk, IA passed away Sunday, June 23, 2024 at his home.

He was born March 2, 1950 in Keokuk, IA the son of Roger and Virginia Rose Reichalt Young.

Robert had been self employed as a carpenter, tree trimmer and handyman.

He was carefree and fun loving and enjoyed having a good time with his friends. He loved listening to old country music.

Robert is survived by two sons, Robert Harrison Young, Jr. of Keokuk and Andrew Thomas Young of Columbia, MO, two daughters, Sarah Elizabeth Marshall of Farmington, IA and Amy Howard of Wayland, MO, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by three step-brothers, Dale Wixom (Donna) of Keokuk, Carl Wixom and Mike Wixom both of Wayland, MO and two nieces and two nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Gary Young and Ronald Young and his ex-wife Carolee Marshall.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com).



YOUNG

## OBITUARIES

### RYAN M. BOE

Ryan M. Boe, 56, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at his home. He was born on January 28, 1968 in Fort Madison, IA to Richard & Rebecca Gerdes Boe. He worked at Catfish Bend Casino on the river in Fort Madison and lastly at Matt's Greenhouse. He loved his family hog roasts and fishing trips to Canada. He enjoyed scary movies and spending time with family and friends.



BOE

Ryan is survived by: his companion of five years: Roberta Hol of Fort Madison, IA; 1-daughter: Christina; 1-granddaughter; 2-brothers: Ron Boe of Fort Madison, IA & Randy (Lori Farmer) Boe of Fort Madison, IA; numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces & great nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A celebration of life will be held at a later date for all friends and family. Online condolences to Ryan's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

### JOSEPH A. ROSE

Joseph Anthony Rose, 91 of Keokuk, IA passed away Sunday, June 23, 2024 at Lewis County Nursing Home in Canton, MO.

He was born on November 23, 1932 in Keokuk, IA the son of Wesley and Evelyn Long Rose.



ROSE

On April 13, 1952 Joe was united in marriage to Ruth Ann Tiemann of Warsaw, IL in Hardy, AR. She survives.

In 1960, despite only having an 8th grade education, Joe along with his brothers, Philip and Robert Rose started Rose Brothers Construction Company which later became Keokuk Contractors, Inc.

Joe loved nothing more than spending time with his grandkids and great-grandkids. He was always there to love, support, encourage and teach them everything from fishing and driving to reading maps. He was a kid at heart and was always full of jokes and smiles. You could see him most every day riding his scooter, often with his brothers.

Joe is survived by his wife of 72 years, Ruth of Keokuk, two sons, James (Danelle "Danny") Rose, Daniel (Debbie) Rose, three grandchildren, Jacy (Corey) Martin and Jamie (Tim) Bernhardt and Amanda Rose of North Liberty, IA, seven great-grandchildren, Dyrien Bolen, Connor and Madelyn Bernhardt, Maggie and Jaycie Martin all of Keokuk and Hayden and Madden Meek of North Liberty, IA and one great-great-grandchild. He is also survived by two brothers, Robert Rose of Keokuk and John (Carol) Rose of Keokuk, brothers-in-law, Bill (Sue) Tiemann of Kerrville, TX, Tom (Mary Jane) Tiemann of Lufkin, TX and Duane Cloud of Jacksonville, FL, sisters-in-law, Theresa (Buck) Cameron of Hamilton, IL, Virginia Rose of Keokuk, Viola Rose and Rosie Rose of California and countless nieces and nephews.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, Paul, Philip, Albert and Dave Rose and one sister, Ester "Toby" Glasgow, brothers-in-law, Bud and Dick Tiemann and sisters-in-law, Charlotte Betts, Shirley Glover Carrie Cloud, Dorcas "Duke" Rose and Beverly "Tootie" Rose.

No services will be held at this time. A private family celebration of life will be held at a later date.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com).

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## For the Record/Local News

### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Report

06/20/24 - 10:15 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft reported at the police station.

06/20/24 - 3:26 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a vandalism in the 2700 block of Avenue O.

06/20/24 - 3:59 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 4800 block of Avenue O.

06/21/24 - 11:46 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Jenna Lynn Whiston, 37, of Fort Madison, in the 2500 block of Avenue A, on an active warrant for resisting arrest and illegal detention. She was held at Lee County Jail.

06/21/24 - 12:27 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Jeremy Matthew Carter, 23, of Fort Madison in the 2000 block of Avenue J, on an active warrant for contempt, illegal resistance and domestic assault. He was held at Lee County Jail.

06/21/24 - 1:20 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1900 block of Avenue F.

06/21/24 - 2:29 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 4800 block of Avenue O.

06/21/24 - 2:47 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of Avenue G.

06/21/24 - 3:48 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of Avenue I.

06/21/24 - 4:17 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary on Airport Road.

06/21/24 - 4:40 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2200 block of Bluff Road.

06/21/24 - 6:29 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 2700 block of Avenue G.

06/22/24 - 8:57 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1200 block of Avenue E.

06/22/24 - 9:49 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a gas odor in the 1600 block of Avenue B.

06/22/24 - 7:30 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Stanley Malcolm Dumas, 74, of Fort Madison, at the police department, on a charge of leaving the scene of an accident with serious injury.

06/23/24 - 11:28 a.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Randy Allen Davis, 60, of Fort Madison in the 2700 block of Avenue J, on a charge of disorderly conduct.

06/23/24 - 11:10 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Andrew Garnett Davis, 35, of Fort Madison, in the 2900 block of Avenue K on charges of domestic assault and interference with official acts. He was held at Lee County Jail.

#### Lee County Sheriff's Report

06/20/24 - No activity reported.

06/21/24 - 10:15 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Andrew Garnett Davis, 35, of Fort Madison in the 2200 block of 48th Street in Fort Madison, on a charge of disorderly conduct. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released on his recognizance.

06/22/24 - 2:45 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies cited Michael William Blint, 49, of West Point in the 2200 block of 48th Street in Fort Madison, on a charge of disorderly conduct.

06/22/24 - 9:02 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies ar-

rested Joel Allen Gonzalez, 39, of Fort Madison, in the 2000 block of 303rd Avenue in Fort Madison, on charges of domestic abuse assault, possession of marijuana and drug stamp violations. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released on bond.

06/22/24 - 11:45 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Grant James Shallcross, 34, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office on a judgement hold. He was held at Lee County Jail.

06/23/24 - 2:49 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Adam Farnett, 65, of Burlington on a warrant for providing false identification.

06/23/24 - 11:19 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Samuel John Benjamin, 58, of Donnellson, in the 1600 block of 180th Street on a charge of 3rd-degree harassment. He was held at Lee County Jail.

06/23/24 - 7:29 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Katelynn Christina Skinner, 32, of Keokuk, at the S. Lee County Courthouse on a warrant for a judgment hold. She was held at Lee County Jail.

06/24/24 - 12:42 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Gabriel Chad Steele, 44, of West Point on Hwy. 103 on charges of OWI and speeding. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

#### Keokuk Police Department

06/20/24 - 8:23 a.m. - Keokuk Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 3300 block of Main Street.

06/20/24 - 10:22 a.m. - Keokuk Police responded to a four-vehicle accident in the 3500 block of Main Street. Ac-

ording to the report, a vehicle driven by Austin Paul Londrie, 24, of Keokuk, failed to stop at a red light and struck the front passenger side of a vehicle driven by Jonathan Lee Dilley, 30, of Keokuk. Dilley then left the roadway and struck a utility pole snapping it in half and dropping power lines. Dilley went through a parking lot and struck a third unattended vehicle shoving it into the front wall of a building in the 3500 block of Main Street. Dilley's vehicle also struck several lawn ornaments that were shoved into another vehicle in the parking lot. Londrie was cited for failure to obey traffic control device. Dilley was taken to an area hospital with suspected minor injuries. Vehicles one, two and three were towed from the scene.

06/20/24 - 1:04 p.m. - Keokuk Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of N. Park Drive.

06/20/24 - 3:45 p.m. - Keokuk Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 400 block of Main Street.

06/20/24 - 10:48 p.m. - Keokuk Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 100 block of S. 2nd Street.

06/22/24 - 2:22 p.m. - Keokuk Police arrested Eric John Reid, 48, of Keokuk in the 300 block of N. Park Drive, on charges of eluding, 5th-degree theft and driving under suspension. He was held at Lee County Jail.

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

## FM Library gets gift from Mexican Fiesta, LCYS grant



Sarah Clendineng, Jordan Prado, Kristy Shaw, and Angela Salazar show off some of the new books added to the Fort Madison Public Library thanks to a grant from Lee County Youth Services, Inc. that was awarded to the Mexican Fiesta Committee of Fort Madison, Inc for the Cultural Intentions: Books and Art with a Hispanic Theme Project. These books are by Hispanic authors or explore Hispanic culture and are identified by a red, white, and green label on the spine.

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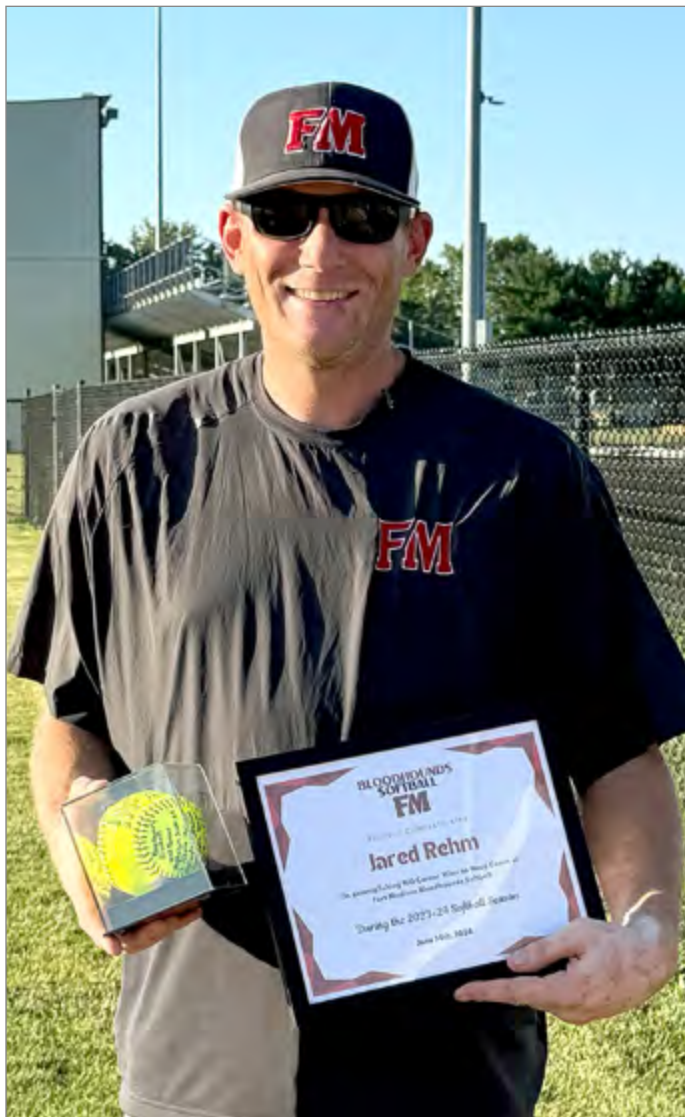
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# Sports

## 100 wins

Fort Madison Head Coach Jared Rehm got his 100th win as the Fort Madison High School Lady Hounds softball coach. Rehm got the win as the Bloodhounds swept Mt. Pleasant 8-1, 13-3 Monday night on the road in Mt. Pleasant.



# Lady Hounds give Rehm 100th win at Mt. Pleasant

PCC Staff

MT. PLEASANT – Fort Madison’s Jared Rehm reached his 100th win with a sweep of Mt. Pleasant at the Mapleleaf Athletic Complex Monday night.

The Lady Hounds won 8-1 in the first game and took the second game 13-3.

In the opener, Fort Madison didn’t give up a run until the bottom of the 7th inning with an 8-0 lead. Senior Lauryn Helmick allowed just one earned run over seven innings while striking out seven, walking two, and allowing just five hits.

Elizabeth Tanner led Fort Madison at the plate going 3-4 with a single, double, and triple, scoring twice, and bringing in a run. Elle Ruble and Alivia Holmes both had two-hit games.

The Bloodhounds opened the game loading the bases with no outs on walks to Helmick and Holmes. Elle Ruble singled to load things up and then Brylie Lorence drew a walk for a 1-0 lead.

Taylor Johnson walked behind Lorence for another Hound run. An infield fly gave Mt. Pleasant the first out before Tanner singled to right scoring Ruble for a 3-0 lead. A strikeout and ground out ended the inning.

Fort Madison added a run in the third and two in the fourth highlighted by Ruble’s double and run scored. They added two insurance runs one each in the sixth and seventh as Helmick rolled.

Mt. Pleasant’s run came on a Keagyn Coleman RBI double with two outs in

the bottom of the seventh.

In the nightcap, a nine-run third inning pushed the Bloodhounds to the 10-run mercy rule after five innings. An Elle Ruble two-run homer highlighted the offensive juggernaut. Olivia Buckner, Helmick, and Holmes had consecutive singles. Holmes’ drive to left scored two runs. Ruble would double again in the top of the fifth to score Holmes.

The Panthers got things going in the bottom half with a Kynlee White single and Emma Starr reaching on an error. A fielder’s choice would score one and a sacrifice fly would plate another to make it 13-3. But a strikeout and a nice relay from Holmes in right to Tanner at first to Lorence at home caught Mt. Pleasant’s Chaley Cook trying to score from second to end the game.

Fort Madison had 16 hits in the game led by Helmick, Holmes, and Ruble with three each. Ruble had four RBIs and scored twice. Helmick and Holmes each had three RBIs. Lorence and Buckner each had two hits, while Johnson, Tanner, and Jaci Fullenkamp also had hits.

Jenna Marshall got the win going five innings allowing eight hits and three runs, one earned on four Ks and no walks.

The Hounds (6-6 SEC, 6-19 overall) travel to Davis County tonight, and host Danville on Wednesday and then play host to Mt. Pleasant again on Thursday.

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## Iowa News/From the Front

# Grant will be for cameras, lights

**GRANT** - Continued from Page 1

He said the authority has been working closely with the Fort Madison Police Department to enhance security around authority properties, and calls to the police department have been on a steady decline.

The announcement came from the Public and Indian Housing Office of Capital Improvement. The grant will provide draw down funds for specific line items FMHA included in their application, including additional security cameras and enhanced lighting. Dear said \$150,000 of the funds must be spent at Hillview Village, with the other \$100,000 to be spent at other Ivanhoe properties.

"This is a huge quality of life improvement for the people who live out here," Dear said. "The board members are elated. Hopefully our costs for cameras won't be that much. With what's left, I want to put in additional lighting. It's hard to get good photos with dark lighting around the housing units."

The board approved a \$5,000 investment in the grant through a Washington D.C. grant writing firm.

"That's a pretty good return on the investment," Dear said.

"This is for all things security. We all know the west end of town has had its fair share of black eyes and not having cameras in our housing area has been a problem. Now we have something in the sky that will help us."

Dear said he still must

learn the parameters of the grant and what exactly can be purchased with the funding and from what companies. Federal regulations prohibit any purchases from companies tied to China. They also require the authority to spend 90% of the awarded funding within 12 months of having access to the funds. The remainder has to be spent within the following 24 months.

# Diamond Shruumz being recalled

DES MOINES - Iowa joins a list of several other states with individuals who have become sick, some in critical condition, after consuming Diamond Shruumz-brand products purchased through a retail store in eastern Iowa.

Earlier this month, the FDA issued a warning to consumers about these products:

Consumers should not eat, sell, or serve any flavor of Diamond Shruumz-brand Chocolate Bars, Cones, or Gummies, and should discard them.

Consumers should check their homes and discard these products if found.

These products may appeal to children and teenagers. Parents and caregivers should consider discussing the information in this advisory with their children and take extra care to avoid these products being consumed by younger people.

Retailers should not sell or distribute any flavor of Diamond Shruumz-brand Chocolate Bars, Cones, or Gummies, and should hold the product in a secure location until additional instructions can be provided

on how to return or safely dispose of the product.

If you become ill after consuming these products, please contact your healthcare provider and/or call the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222. Let them know you have recently consumed the Diamond Shruumz-brand Chocolate Bars, Cones, and/or Gummies.

Healthcare providers should report these illnesses to their local health department and/or the Poison Help line at 1-800-222-1222.

The individuals in Iowa each reported consuming one of the following Diamond Shruumz-brand products: cookies, cream chocolate bars, and fruit cereal-flavored bars.

Iowa HHS officials recommend individuals do not purchase or consume these products and if they have any of these products, that they dispose of them.

These products are considered dietary supplements and are not regulated by the State of Iowa and cannot be recalled by the state. These products are commonly available for purchase at consumable hemp retailers as well as tobacco and vape shops.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE

**The Mount Pleasant City Council will meet in Regular Session on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at City Hall, 307 E. Monroe Street, second-floor meeting room at 5:30 p.m.**

#### AGENDA

1. Roll Call.
2. Consent Agenda: To the Public -All items with an asterisk(\*) are routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion and a roll call of the Councilmembers. There will be no separate discussion of items unless the Mayor, a Councilmember or citizen so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.
3. Receive & file communications.
4. Approve agenda.
- \*5. Approve minutes of previous meetings.
- \*6. Approve payment of bills.
- \*7. Receive report of Officers.
8. Old Business
  - \*a) Request from Henry County Fair to sell alcohol at McMillan Park in the Wright Pavilion July 19- July 21.
  - \*b) Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit for Henry County Fair on Saturday July 20th.
  - \*c) Renewal of a Class E Retail Alcohol License for Mount Pleasant BP located at 2120 East Washington Street.
  - \*d) Renewal of a Special Class C Retail Alcohol License with

Outdoor Service for Tap This Concessions at 405 E Thresher Road.

9. New Business
  - a) Approve payment to Midwest Old Threshers to assist in purchase of property at 612 S Locust Street.
  - b) Authorize the Mayor to sign an updated contract with The Optimist Club of Henry County for encroachment of American Flags located in City right of way.
  - c) Resolution setting Public Hearing on the proposed drawings, specifications, form of contract and estimated costs for the "H" reconstruction project.
  - d) Resolution approving 2024 tax abatement applications and authorizing the filing with the Henry County Assessor.
  - e) Approve demolition bid for 304 S Jefferson.
  - f) Approve Mayoral appointment to the Library Board.
10. Public Forum.
11. Adjourn to meet in regular session on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

#### PUBLIC NOTICE West Burlington Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 15, 2024

The West Burlington City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at West Burlington City Hall, 122 Broadway Street, West Burlington, Iowa, with Mayor Ron Teater presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Teater, Ringo Covert, Andy Crouner, John Johnson, Therese Lees,

and Melanie Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Director Mike Brissey, City Clerk Kelly Fry, Finance Manager Angela Moore, City Administrator Gregg Mandsager, and Police Sergeant Nathan Dunham

CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL PERFECTING & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Lees, seconded by Crouner, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes from the Regular City Council meeting on May 1, 2024
- Payment to CISCO for Firepower Subscription Renewal (3-years) - \$9,912.60
- Payment to Snyder & Associates for engineering services related to Phase 2 of the Gear Ave. Trail Project - \$21,701.11
- Pay Request #6 to Jones Contracting for work completed on Phase 2 of the Gear Ave. Trail Extension Project - \$335,689.48
- Clerk's Monthly Financial Report for March 2024
- Payment of Claims as listed on the Expense Approval Report - \$455,716.05

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS

- ADMINISTRATOR:
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- FIRE/BUILDING DEPARTMENT:
- CLERK/FINANCE/IT:
- OTHER STAFF REPORTS:
- COUNCIL REPORTS:
- COMMUNITY REPORTS:
- CITIZEN INQUIRIES No inquiries.

OLD BUSINESS Renewal of Urban Chicken Permit for 410 Ramsey

The renewal of an Urban Chicken permit at 410 Ramsey was tabled at the last meeting in order to determine if there had been any reported

issues with the chickens over the last year. City Administrator Mandsager informed Council that he had one report of the chickens running loose. The permit holder corrected the issue and there have been no further issues that he is aware of. Council members Johnson and Covert visited the property and did not see an issue with the chickens. Crouner disagreed with allowing chickens in main residential part of town and felt Council should consider adopting an Ordinance to regulate Urban Chickens rather than Council regulating them with a special permit. Staff will look for sample ordinances for Council to look at.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve the renewal of an Urban Chicken permit at 410 Ramsey for one-year. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Johnson, Lees, and Young Nays: Crouner

NEW BUSINESS Consider the final reading of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance 541 and granting Interstate Power and Light Company a non-exclusive twenty-five year franchise to supply Electric Energy to West Burlington and require Interstate Power and Light Company to pay a franchise fee to the City.

No public comments were received concerning the proposed Ordinance.

Moved by Young, seconded by Johnson, approve the final reading of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance 541 and granting Interstate Power and Light Company a non-exclusive twenty-five-year franchise to supply Electric Energy to West Burlington and require Interstate Power and Light Company to pay a 3% franchise fee to the City. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Johnson, Lees, and Young Nays: Crouner

Consider the final reading of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance 542 and granting Interstate Power and Light Company a non-exclusive twenty-five year franchise to supply Natural Gas to West Burlington and require Interstate Power and Light Company to pay a franchise fee to the City.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Johnson, approve the final reading of an Ordinance repealing Ordinance 542 and granting Interstate Power and Light Company a non-exclusive twenty-five year franchise to supply Natural Gas to West Burlington and require Interstate Power and Light Company to pay a franchise fee to the City. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider Valve Repair at South Water Tower Public Works Director Brissey explained to Council that a 16 inch water valve that shuts all the water from the south tower is broken and needs to be repaired. The valve needs to be repaired in order to allow the new Caseys store to connect their water service to our main. Four Seasons will already be there and have it exposed to move a hydrant for the Caseys project. The estimated cost of repair is \$16,000.

Moved by Crouner, seconded by Johnson, to approve a quote from Four Season's to repair the water valve at the south water tower for \$16,000. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Authorize the use of Payroc as the credit card processing system for iWorQ's Building & Licensing Software

Council considered a request to approve Payroc as a payment processing service to accept online credit/debit card payments in the iWorQ Building Permit/Licensing Software. Any payments processed through Payroc will automatically update to the customer's iWorQ account. There is no cost to the city to use Payroc as the fees are charged to the customer. All monies will be transferred from Payroc to the Two Rivers bank account daily. Finance Manager Moore informed Council that Payroc LLC meets all State code guidelines, including those outlined in Chapter 12 of the Code of Iowa, and is FDIC-insured. It aligns with our need for a reliable and compliant payment processor. Katie has created the attached Policy for how Payroc payments are

processed.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve Payroc as a credit card processing service. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a Resolution setting a Public Hearing date of June 5, 2024 to consider a Budget Amendment for FY 23-24

Moved by Lees, seconded by Crouner, to approve a Resolution setting a Public Hearing date of June 5, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to consider Budget Amendment #2 for FY 23-24. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a quote from Shottenkirk to repair the transmission on the Police Department's 2015 Ford Explorer (Unit #1)

Chief Logan informed Council that the transmission needs to be repaired on the Police Department's 2015 Ford Explorer. Shottenkirk submitted a quote to replace the transmission for \$8,500. This would be a remanufactured transmission with a three-year unlimited miles warranty. Johnson felt the quote was high and asked Chief Logan to get another quote before proceeding.

Moved by Crouner, seconded by Young, to authorize the transmission repair for the Police Department's 2015 Ford Explorer (Unit #1) in an amount not to exceed \$8,500. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes: Covert, Crouner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider accepting the donation of a 2000 Freightliner Alexis Pumper Truck from the City of Burlington

The City of Burlington would like to donate a 2000 Freightliner Alexis Pumper Tanker to the Fire Department. The tanker holds 1,250 Gallons of water and has approximately 48,000 on it. Chief Logan feels the tanker would be very beneficial to our department and could support areas within the City limits with little to no hydrant access. The tanker could also be used on the county Auto-Aid and mutual-aid fire calls. City Mandsager explained that there are some minor repairs that

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need to be made, but at this time, there would be no major costs to the City. Burlington provided a list of repairs and the maintenance records they have on file. Council was concerned with the potential cost of future repairs and would like to have a little more information regarding the repairs that would need to be initially made to put the tanker into service.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Crowner, to table the issue of accepting the donation until more information and costs could be provided. Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Covert, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider the first reading of an Ordinance amending the City Code to include a new zoning district titled "R-6 Recreational Vehicle Park District" and establishing regulations for said district

The Planning and Zoning Commission received a request from Cliff Reif regarding the construction of a Recreational Vehicle Park on the property directly west of the Hwy 34 Truck Stop. The current City Code

does not have regulations for this type of use, and the Commission does not feel it falls into the same use as a mobile home park. For that reason, the Commission is proposing that the City Council establish a new zoning district to regulate this kind of temporary Recreational Vehicle use. The Commission also feels the location proposed by Mr. Reif is a good use for the property and suitable for the proposed use. The Commission has held a Public Hearing and recommends Council adopt the proposed Ordinances to establish a new Zoning District titled "R-6 Recreational Vehicle Park District" and regulations for the new district. Council agreed they would like to see one off-street parking spot for each RV space. Staff will add that requirement to the Ordinance before the next reading.

Moved by Crowner, seconded by Lees, to approve the first reading of an Ordinance amending the City Code to include a new zoning district titled "R-6 Recreational Vehicle Park District" and establishing regulations for said district. Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Covert, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider the first reading of an Ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map to establish the boundary lines for a new R-6 Residential Vehicle (RV) Park District

The proposed Ordinance establishes boundary lines for the proposed R-6 Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park District on the west edge of the city limits. The Planning and Zoning Commission feels this location would be suitable for the proposed Recreational Vehicle Park District and recommends Council consider adopting the proposed Ordinances to establish the boundaries of the new Zoning District titled "R-6 Recreational Vehicle Park District" and rezoning the boundaries from I-3 (Heavy Industrial) to R-6 (Recreational Vehicle Park District).

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve the first reading of an Ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map to establish the boundary lines for a new R-6 Residential Vehicle (RV) Park District and change the zoning within

the boundaries from I-3 to R-6. Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Covert, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Consider a Resolution Waiving the Preliminary Plat and approving the Final Plat for Cousin Eddy's Subdivision

Council considered a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to approve a Resolution Waiving the Preliminary Plat and approving the Final Plat for Cousin Eddy's Subdivision. The proposed one-lot subdivision is located on the west edge of the city limits on the vacant ground between the Hwy 34 Truck Stop and the IAAP property. This is a simple re-alignment of lot lines to create a single lot. The intended use of the lot is to build a Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park. The Commission found the Final Plat to be in compliance with City Code and recommended approval by City Council. The construction of an RV Park on the lot would depend on City Council approving an Ordinance establishing a RV Park District and regulations for the district. The proj-

ect would also require approval of a site plan by the Building Department.

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to approve a Resolution Waiving the Preliminary Plat and approving the Final Plat for Cousin Eddy's Subdivision. Motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: Covert, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Discuss options for working with the School District to fund a School Resource Officer position

City Administrator asked for Council's direction regarding the possibility of working with the school to create a position for an officer to teach a public safety class and serve as a School Resource Officer. Council expressed an interest in exploring the possibility further. City Administrator Mandsager will gather additional information for Council to consider at the next meeting. No decisions were made at this time.

CITIZEN INQUIRIES ADJOURN

Moved by Lees, seconded by Young, to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried by the following

votes:

Ayes: Covert, Crowner, Johnson, Lees, and Young

Approved  
Ron Teater, Mayor  
Kelly D. Fry, City Clerk

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## From the Front

# Holy Trinity girls get upset win over Mepo 4-2

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huge. It felt great being able to strike some of these girls out when last time I wasn't able to very much. I'm getting more confident in being able to pitch to batters and not being scared of them standing up there," Jarvis said after the win.

She said with the season winding down, six wins is really good for the very young HTC girls.

"We knew we had some big competition, but we also knew we could play with some of these teams. Six wins is huge for us," she said.

Jarvis also walked two times and came around to score two crucial runs. Ellie Hellman led the Crusaders at the plate going 2-for-3 with 2 RBIs.

Kat DiPrima made a basket catch running in from right field to save a hit and wrap up a 1-2-3 top of the fourth inning. She also drove in the Crusaders' first run of the game on a line out RBI with one out in the bottom of the fourth.

"Those are two huge plays in a game like this and, if either one of those plays goes the other way, it might be a loss," said head coach Loren Menke.

Holy Trinity would put up another run when Hellman followed Jarvis' sacrifice with a sharp single to center that scored Brooklyn Todd from third to tie the game at 2.

HTC would break the tie in the bottom of the sixth inning. Jarvis would work a walk and Krogmeier would single to right to put runners at 1st and third. She would steal second to put both runners in scoring position. Todd would ground out to first on a slow roller that allowed Jarvis to score. After a strikeout, Hellman would



Holy Trinity's Kara Lake gets into second base ahead of a throw in the fourth inning in the Crusaders' 4-2 win over Mediapolis Tuesday night at South Park in West Point.

single on a line drive that Mediapolis third baseman Payton Harris almost snared, but the ball slipped out into foul territory, allowing Krogmeier to score the game's final run.

Mediapolis opened with a single in the top of the seventh, bringing the tying run to the plate three different times. But Jarvis got two strikeouts and a line out that Krogmeier caught at about her ankles to end the game setting off a celebration on the third base line.

Goetz came into the dugout to congratulate the girls after the game.

Menke said Jarvis was strong to the end and is learning to go the full seven innings.

"I think she's just learning how to pitch a seven-inning game," he said.

"She's never had to do that before. She's played a lot of travel ball, jayvee, timed games, five inning games, four inning games, and getting used to seven innings is a big change.

"She's a really good player. She's got a lot of confidence and believes in herself."

Menke said he's very happy with how the Crusaders have found ways to win being so young.

"We're so inexperienced. They have blown away my expectations. I don't know what the right number is, but six wins, yeah, we're ecstatic and we can still win some more," he said.

"We still don't hit the ball hard and we don't make a team like Hillcrest last night play defense. That's not our strength, that's why we're bunting more and stealing more. Just trying to get people in scoring position. It's strategy, but they're learning a lot and making good plays."

He said Emily Ross has been amazing at first, getting to almost every ball, and Krogmeier at second has played very, clean suffering her first error of the year in the win Tuesday.

Holy Trinity came up short Monday in a 5-2 loss to Hillcrest in West Point. The Crusaders got out to an early 2-0 lead after two, but then gave up three runs in the top of the third, and one each in the top of the sixth and seventh. Hillcrest kept HTC scoreless the rest of the way.

Elizabeth Griffin had the only hit for Holy Trinity, a two RBI triple to left that plated Krogmeier and Kara Lake.

The Crusader are off until Friday when they travel to Mt. Pleasant. They wrap up the regular season at West Burlington/Notre Dame on Monday July 1. Then post season starts on July 8.

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- Move more - commit to 30 minutes of physical activity every day.
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