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Nashua explores EMS option

AMR will provide ambulance service to city if it can 'work it out with Charles City and Floyd'

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

On paper, the deal looks pretty good. It's some of the best news the Nashua City Council has heard in quite some time. In what could potentially be a significant development concerning the town of Nashua's quest to obtain reliable ambulance service, city officials have been in contact with Charles City and AMR (American

Medical Response) about possibly filling a void in service once the town of 1,500 sees its current EMS contract run out at the end of the year. That new information was gleaned from a regular Nashua City Council meeting that was held on Monday. While talks and negotiations are essentially in the preliminary stages, Nashua Mayor Alex Anthofer said he has asked Charles City and AMR for a six month-contract for approx-

imately \$15,000 to \$20,000 that would start ambulance service on Jan. 1, 2023 and run through June 30 of that year. "We had asked for six months to follow along with Charles City," said Anthofer. "AMR said yes, as long as we can talk with and work it out with Charles City and Floyd. AMR said it would work. We just have to have it approved by them." Nashua backed out of the 28E Agreement with seven other towns that could potentially start up an

EMS through Chickasaw County and its Board of Supervisors. The publicly-owned ambulance service is hoping to run off a tentative million-dollar budget that could increase or decrease depending on which towns commit to the undertaking. Now Nashua is exploring other options and going in a completely

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City Council gives OK for new radios

Fire chief says new county-wide system will provide 'great benefit'

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

First responders, emergency personnel, along with members of the Nashua Fire Department, now have a new mobile radio system. "We're actually getting a radio service in Nashua," said Jeremy McGrath, owner of Chickasaw Ambulance Service. This announcement was made at the most recent Nashua City Council meeting this past Monday after council members passed the Chickasaw County Land Mobile Radio Equipment Transfer Agreement. "All emergency personnel that have signed up for this particular platform are on it," said Nashua City Clerk John Ott. "We just are

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N-P instructor is Iowa's History Teacher of the Year

The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History earlier this week announced that it has selected Nashua-Plainfield instructor Suzy Turner as its Iowa History Teacher of the Year. Turner is entering her 19th year at Nashua-Plainfield, where she has served as the advisor for the school's powerhouse National History Day program. Since 2004, 960 exemplary American history teachers from elementary, middle, and high schools in all fifty states, Department of Defense schools, Washington D.C., and US territories have been named State History Teacher of the Year by the institute. The national winner—drawn from this pool of state winners and honored in a ceremony in New York City—will be announced this fall.



Turner

Little Brown Church to hold 69th Marriage Reunion this Sunday

The Little Brown Church in the Vale will hold its 69th annual Marriage Reunion and Vow Renewal on Sunday, Aug. 7 at the church located just to the east of Nashua. The event will begin with registration at 9 a.m., the "Sing-A-Long" at 10 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. worship service that will include the vow renewal. Lunch and entertainment on the church grounds will follow. The event is not only open to those who were married at the historic church, where more than 75,000 marriages have been performed, but to all married couples. To let church officials know you are coming and/or to make a lunch reservation, please email info@littlebrownchurch.org or call 641-435-2027.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

The Culpepper and Merriweather Circus includes acts ranging from juggling (above) to the aerial acrobatic Kelly Leeth (below) who performed under the big top at the Big 4 Fairgrounds last week.

FUN UNDER THE 'BIG TOP'

CIRCUS OFFERS PLENTY OF ENTERTAINMENT DURING STOP AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The circus is alive and well – at least in Nashua, Iowa. Last week Friday morning, the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus rolled its trucks and trailers on to a vacant spot on the Big 4 Fairgrounds in Nashua. In what was a fascinating transformation, the empty area of grass was quickly built into a big top with quick precision and teamwork.

Soon, underneath the raised tent, seats were constructed that would soon be filled after a long line of children with their families gathered later that afternoon waiting to see a tradition that is centuries old. There was cotton candy, lions, juggling, aerial artistry and "The Wheel of Death." Of course the jammed-pack crowd was entertained by the

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Supervisor wants to keep Heritage property

Hackman makes a pitch to turn the old county home into a government office building

By BOB FENSKE
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A Chickasaw County Board of Supervisor member once again on Monday reiterated his opposition to selling the Heritage property, but other supervisors said they want to see what the bids are before they make a final decision. Bids for the Heritage building and adjacent property – excluding the farmland that the county currently rents out – are due by Friday,

Aug. 19, and board members are set to discuss the possible sale at their meeting on Monday, Aug. 22. Jake Hackman, who joined Tim Zoll last month in voting against a resolution to sell the property, said there are a number of reasons he believes the county should keep the building that for the previous nine years has been occupied by Inspiring Lives. "I don't know why we're selling it," he said and then referred to the ambulance issue. "If you

guys are going with EMS/EMA, why don't we just move those guys to the Community Services Building. It has bathrooms, it has showers, it has garage, it has the EOC. You can make living quarters in that building easy." Hackman's suggested that the county would be better off moving the current Community Services Building occupants – Public Health and Environmental Health – to the Heritage. He also

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County moves ahead with ambulance service without Nashua and Alta Vista

Board of Supervisors vote 3-1 to sign 28E agreements with six cities, discuss hiring consultant to help get service up and running

By BOB FENSKE
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After months of what seemed like countless discussions and meetings, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors Wednesday made a publicity by signing 28E agreements with six

of the county's cities. The board approved the 28E agreements with Fredericksburg, Lawler, Ionia, New Hampton, North Washington and Bassett, all on 3-1 votes. Board Chairman Matt Kuhn, Jason Byrne and Steve Bretibach voted in favor of the agreements while Jake Hackman was the lone dissenting vote

on all six of the agreements. Supervisor Tim Zoll did not attend the meeting. Before the board voted separately on each of the agreements, County Attorney David Laudner reminded the board what it was committing to by signing the agreements. "Just so you're aware," he said, "once you sign all these, you're on the

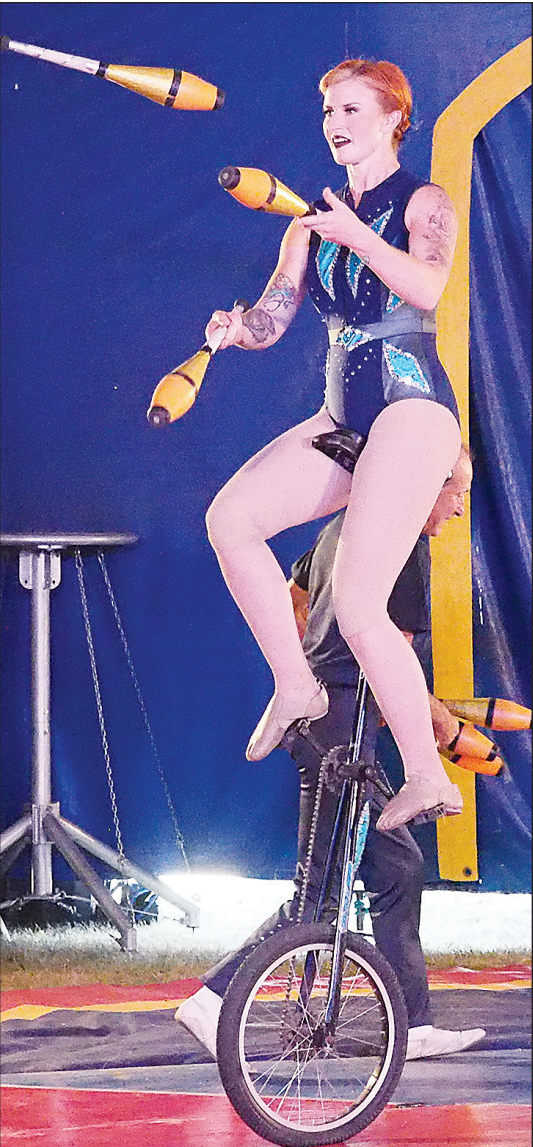
hook for an ambulance service. So the work begins." The idea of starting a county-owned ambulance service began late last summer, when the late Rick Holthaus, the Board of Supervisors chairman who passed away in January, began discussing the idea. He made the proposal publicly for the first time in

November and discussions have been held not only in the county board room but at city council meetings all around the county since then. Two cities – Nashua and Alta Vista – decided not to sign their agreements. Nashua's demand to have an

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Circus owners Trey (left) and Simone (right) Key perform during one of two shows the Culpepper and Merriweather Circus put on last week at the Big 4 Fairgrounds in Nashua.



Brandon Ayala (above) performs a balancing act for the circus, which also provided kids (below) the opportunity to enjoy pony rides before the shows.



Circus owners wear many hats

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requisite funny man, comedian/jester – “Leo the Clown.”

This was small-town Americana at its finest.

Simone Key, the tall and attractive red-head that is owner of C&M Circus along with her husband Trey, said people are clamoring to come to the circus – especially after COVID-19 forced so many people to remain inside and outside attractions were limited.

“Obviously COVID hit a lot of us pretty hard – you can’t necessarily do the Disney vacation. But you can take your family to the circus and our prices are all very reasonable. We keep our prices as low as we can – that’s super important to us,” said Simone.

Simone is a third-generation circus performer and an integral part of the traveling troupe that puts on shows 32 weeks out of the year (March until October).

C&M’s 90-minute show was performed twice in Nashua, then it was off to Oelwein the following day for two Saturday matinees.

This particular circus travels to over 200 towns in 17 different states and puts on about 500 shows a year.

“We went out for a partial season last year and then a full season last year and the response has just been insane. People are so ready to do something. The cool thing about what we do is – we go to the smaller towns,” said Simone.

C&M moved its operations from Arizona to Hugo, Oklahoma in 2001 – the same year Trey bought the company.

Simone was raised around the circus.

“I’ve been on the road every year of my life except the COVID year,” said Simone.

Simone – along with Kelly Leeth – rose high above the fascinated onlookers sitting in their seats to put on a display of aerial tricks, called cradle.

Simone wears many hats, so to speak, in C&M’s circus act. She plays the part of ringleader as well as performing juggling acts. She started riding unicycles and perfecting the art of trapeze when most kids start going to school – at around five or six years of age.

“The show is almost a small part of what we do,” said Simone. “It’s kind of the easier part of our day.”

There’s also the logistics and getting everything from Point A to Point B – setting everything up and getting all the per-



Many in the crowd are amazed during a tightrope act that was part of the circus.

mits, she said.

While circuses across the nation have seen an overall decline – some of them are making a comeback.

The most famous circus – Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus ceased operations in 2017. But “The Greatest Show on Earth” announced just this past May that after a five-year hiatus, the gigantic circus operation would resume touring in 2023, albeit without animals.

“It definitely is kind of evolving,” said Simone about the circus industry. “There’s just a lot more circus influences that I think are in all sorts of entertainment now. Like in Vegas, I went for my sister’s bachelorette party. They were doing like a circus theme and had aerialists and stuff. They’re getting to do Water for Elephants on Broadway.”

Areas along the west coast have seen an uptick and resurgence in circus shows traveling to those towns that might have never had a circus come to their communities or at least in a long time, Simone said.

“One of our best markets is Oregon and Washington – because not many shows get up there,” said Simone. “It’s hard to take a bunch of RVs and trucks and trailers all the way up to the northwest like that.”

Simone said C&M’s crew consists of about 30 people and 13 vehicles. There’s 10 performers and many of them entertain folks in several different high-wire acts or funny bits that keep the crowd laughing

and on the edge of their seat.

Simone said the experience is for the fans – who pay a reasonable price to attend an event like the circus that may only come to their town every three or four years. The last time the circus performed in Nashua was 2016.

“I don’t want people to come here and just be able to afford the ticket. I want them to be able to ride a pony, take home a souvenir. That’s super important to us, that we keep it very affordable,” said Simone.

C&M’s main sponsor was the Big 4 Chamber of Commerce, headed by Val Johnson.

“They get a portion of ticket sales, so part of the money goes back into the community,” said Simone.

Simone said she loves what she does and wants to continue working in the long-standing family business and an industry that has thrilled onlookers since the late 1700s. She talked about what she loves best about the circus.

“It’s because it’s more of lifestyle than a job,” said Simone. “I’ve waitressed in 2020 and got to experience a 9 to 5 situation. Like here, I’m working with my dad. I’m working with my husband. I’m working with my family. We just kind of hang out all day. You are working and it is obviously a lot of work. There’s some days when it’s really hard and other days when it’s so easy.”

County will accept bids on Heritage through Aug. 19 but can ‘reject all bids’

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suggested that the county sell its building on East Main Street and move those offices to the Heritage.

He referred to an offer made by current Chickasaw Ambulance Service owner Jeremy McGrath to sell a building located just off the downtown area in New Hampton to the county for \$400,000.

“We won’t know this until

the 22nd, I get that,” Hackman said, “[but] are we even going to get \$400,000 for the Heritage property? ...

“I still think we are jumping the gun here by selling that building.”

But Supervisor Jason Byrne countered, saying the board still has the right to keep the building.

“That’s why we have the right to reject all bids,” Byrne said.

Zoll, meanwhile, even sug-

gested putting a county-owned ambulance service at the Heritage.

“It’s 30 seconds to get on the interstate [Highway 63] to go down to 346 and go to Nashua or Fredericksburg,” he said. “Their chute time would be less than a minute.”

Board of Supervisors Chairman Matt Kuhn expressed his frustration with Hackman.

“Why did you bring up sell-

ing this then,” Kuhn said, “if you’re saying we should keep the building?”

Hackman responded quickly and said, “I might have said it once – back in November or December – but from then on out, it was no sale.”

He said he was the only supervisor who attended an open house of sorts last Friday, when the county opened the building so prospective buyers could tour the facility.

And Hackman said he heard an oft-heard refrain.

“I heard from 10 of those people who toured it,” he said, “why are we selling it? ... It might take an extra two-stall garage [at the Community Services Building], you know, to house the Rescue Squad, if need be.”

He also suggested that the Heritage could be the “911 dispatch center, that could be the new jail.”

Kuhn said he understood that Hackman had every right to change his mind about the property but admitted that “it’s just frustrating.”

“Do we listen to our taxpayers, Hackman said, “or do we listen to you, Jason, Steve or Tim?”

In the end, board members didn’t take any action and will continue to accept bids on the building until 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 19.

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Nashua Mayor Alex Anthofer looks over documents during Monday night's City Council meeting, when city leaders discussed ways to deal with the issue of ambulance service in the city.

Nashua explores longterm EMS options

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different direction. Nashua City Council member Rhonda Dean, along with various members of the Nashua Fire Department, attended an ad-hoc committee on Tuesday of this week to come up with potential solutions for an EMS in Nashua.

That could include Nashua's own start-up EMS or creating a partnership with Waverly. That EMS is run by the Waverly Health Center and services Butler and Bremer counties.

"People that I've talked to or that have talked to me about this in the community – nothing's changed my mind yet," said Dean.

EMS support for each of those eight towns – New Hampton, Nashua, Alta Vista, Bassett, Ionia, North Washington, Fredericksburg and Lawler – runs out Dec. 31 of this year and is currently being provided by Chickasaw Ambulance Service, a private entity run by Jeremy McGrath. He has stated he has no interest in providing ambulance service for the county after that date.

Nashua's main stumbling block in accepting the 28E Agreement is money. Nashua's portion of a per-capita pie that

each town would have to pay into is over \$158,000. Per the rough draft, the contract is for five years and there are numerous clauses in the contract that are enacted should cities opt out of the deal after signing on the dotted line.

Dean said there were 92 calls for service last year that had a Nashua address through the current service – although it wasn't determined how many of those were in the city limits or in rural areas.

That breakdown on cost per call on a monthly basis is \$13,200 according to Dean. The cost per call would be \$1,700.

John Ott, Nashua's City Clerk, has been in contact with Charles City Administrator Steve Diers about having AMR potentially cover the Nashua City limits and providing EMS support.

"He seemed very on board with being able to help the city of Nashua out," said Ott about his talks with Diers. "Again, that's all very preliminary."

Ott said Charles City and Floyd County work with AMR on a contract where the price is already fixed.

"From the discussions that I've had, what AMR is saying is they have enough staffing and stuff that they can cover us," said Ott. "We would basically be subsidiz-

ing Charles City and Floyd County – so whatever they would want to charge us to offset that cost."

Of course any contract signed would require pen and paper and a thorough review, not to mention approval from Council members.

Nashua City Attorney David Skilton made sure everyone in attendance in the Council Chambers understood that point.

"They seemed receptive. It's a matter of cost. Before anything is really talked about – it has to be in writing for Council to review," said Skilton. "As the Council knows, we have to be concerned with cost and saving money when we can. We're that tight."

At prior meetings, Nashua City Council members have stated that along with that \$158,000 and the current contract for law enforcement service with Chickasaw County – that total is two-thirds of the city of Nashua's general fund.

"We're basically trying to get us something to cover the area for six more months until we can have something in line and help offset our budget that we already have set for this fiscal year," said Anthofer about the potential union with Charles City and AMR.

County to start EMS service without Nashua, Alta Vista

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ambulance stationed in the city was not met, and Alta Vista has decided to use an ambulance service that will be based in Elma, which is just 4.3 miles away.

Currently, the county and its cities receive their EMS service through the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council, which has a contract with the privately-owned Chickasaw Ambulance Service that runs through this Dec. 31.

Hackman said he voted no because not all of the cities had decided to join forces.

"I don't know how the county can start an ambulance service when not all county government agencies are included," he said. "There are going to be a lot of issues in here ... The county service should be for all the county residents ... They're either all in or all out because it's going to come down to a finance issue – representation without taxation."

Byrne, though, said that he felt comfortable with the board's decision and Kuhn added that the absence of Nashua and Alta Vista from the county-owned service wasn't because of a lack of effort.

"Eighty percent of the county wants to stay together," Byrne said. "Hopefully the other 20 percent joins in at some point."

"I think I did my part to try and work things out," Kuhn said and added after the meeting that "we did everything we could to get this going with the entire county but if it's having the whole county together and not having an ambulance

or having most of the county together with an ambulance, that's an easy choice for me."

Earlier in the meeting, the supervisors discussed a proposal from Iowa Falls EMS Director Corey Larson to provide consulting services to help get the county-owned service up and running.

Kuhn said Larson would not charge the county for the work, including coming up with several different budgets for the service he has done in recent weeks. But he would charge \$22,500 to perform 17 "scope of work" duties that included development of job descriptions, salary and wage recommendations, and assisting the county in obtaining the proper licenses and accreditations.

Chickasaw Ambulance Service owner Jeremy McGrath reminded the board that part of his offer to sell the county ambulances, equipment and a building he owns in New Hampton for a little more than \$1.7 million also included providing many of those same consulting services Larson is offering.

Supervisors, though, said they were worried about using American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds without going through a bid process to hire a consultant.

"These are audit questions," Laudner said. "Sorry, I'm not trying to beg off, but this is not my area of expertise."

Laudner said he would contact the State Auditor's Office for guidance while supervisors voted 3-1 to ask Larson to put together a potential contract that they will consider at their meeting this coming Monday.

'Music Man' to be celebrated in butter at Iowa State Fair

There will be at least one of the 76 trombones in the butter cooler this year as butter sculptor Sarah Pratt works to celebrate the Iowa connections to The Music Man in 2022.

With its roots in fictional River City, Iowa, "The Music Man" centers around a traveling salesman selling instruments to more than Iowa Nice Midwesterners. The Broadway musical, written by Mason City-native Meredith Willson in 1957, celebrates its 60th year in film history in 2022 by rebooting on Broadway.

The Music Man scene will be joined by a relief celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Ye Old Mill along with the iconic 600-pound butter cow.

The butter cow has been sculpted at the Iowa State Fair since 1911. Various companion sculptures and scenes have joined the butter cow since 1996.



Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors member Steve Breitbach looks through the 28E agreements that six Chickasaw County cities signed to be a part of a county-owned ambulance service during Wednesday's special meeting.

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3. Hydration, hydration, hydration!
4. Get enough rest. Our body recovers from the traumas of the day when we sleep, this includes tissue break down that occurs with exercise.
5. Talk to a professional before beginning a new exercise routine. Talk to your physician to be sure you are healthy enough to begin a new routine. A therapist can evaluate movement patterns to ensure you have proper joint mobility and stability to initiate the routine you are considering.
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Lester L La Lone, 86

Lester L La Lone died Friday, July 29, 2022, in Palmer Hospital, West Union.

He was born during the winter of 1936 on Feb. 9 at the home of Lloyd and Ruth (Parker) La Lone. He worked for various farmers while young and as he grew older worked with his parents at Triple "L" Garage.

It turned out to be his life's work as well-retiring after 50 years. He also called square dances for 52 years-during which he was inducted into the Iowa Square Dance Club Hall of Fame.

During high school, he was active in football, basketball, baseball music and church. He graduated from Hawkeye High in 1954.

He married Delores Bindert in 1954. They had two daughters JoEllen (Gene) Fritz and Rhonda (Kent) Felder. There are five grandchildren – Mark, Ryan, Angela, Brooke and Garret.

In 1978 he married Janice Darlene Dietz in Nashua.

During his adult life he influenced and gave of time and ability through big and little ball teams (of which Triple L sponsored some) Luther League, scouts, conservation club, firemen and church. Janice and Les also enjoyed fishing and hunting many years.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janice of Hawkeye, his daughters, Jo Ellen (Gene) Fritz and Rhonda (Kent) Felder; sister, Vicki (Jim) Eick of Hawkeye; brother, Craig (Kathy) LaLone of Firecrest, Washington; brother-in-law, Burton and Billy Dietz; sister-in-law, Genevieve; and grandchildren, nieces and nephews, Faron, Rowdy, Carla Bindert, Teresa, Justin, Debbie Ferjak, Linda Drewlow, Allan, Dan and Steve Dietz, Kendra Leisinger David Coffman, Kelly Coffman-Lee, Adrienne Graaf, Ashely McCarty, Marty, Mike and Mitch Fonley and Mindy Foelske.

Steven Eugene Wiggins, 58

Steven Eugene Wiggins, age 58 of Nashua, died Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at Linn Haven Rehab & Healthcare in New Hampton.

Private family services will take place at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua have been entrusted with Steven's arrangements.

Nashua City Council learns the Greeley Street project has stalled

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switching over to the new system."

The radio equipment, previously owned by Chickasaw County, will come out to a cost of over \$280,000.

"If they do that, then we're responsible for all the repairs, maintaining them, keeping track of them and all that good stuff," said Ott.

That means all county workers within Chickasaw County are now on the same page when it comes to radio transmission and communication if each city council within the county passes the agreement and utilizes the same system.

"Everything's working fine. We just gotta couple little bugs we got to work out yet," said Nashua Fire Department Chief Tom Johnson.

"This is something we haven't had ever," Johnson said. "It's a great system. It's a benefit. It's a learning curve."

Ott said there are still a few things that need to be worked out.

"We're probably going to have to work with the fire department to find out out how they want to maintain this equipment between rural and city fire," said Ott.

The Council also passed Phase 1 of a review of the city's wastewater treatment facility by Fox Strand Engineering. That cost is estimated anywhere from \$6,000 up to \$10,000, based on time and materials.

Phase 2 is estimated to cost around \$20,000 to \$40,000 depending on what the findings in Phase 1 are. The Council decided to hold off on approving that phase until getting back

the results from the initial finding.

"They're coming for Phase 1 already because we had gotten pre-approval," said Ott.

The \$2.3 million Greeley St. Project has been stalled and startup of that water/wastewater/storm water/road undertaking has been delayed.

Nashua was declined for a \$600,000 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) that it had applied for.

"We were kind of on the low end of the project spectrum, even though there's a lot of funding out there," said Ott. "Our project didn't score very high, mainly because it didn't service a lot of people."

Origin Design is doing the engineering on the street project and Ott stated there is approximately \$68,000 left out of a \$100,000 work scope budget left that the city can spend.

"We can continue with the final design so that the project is shovel ready and that way if any money comes along and they open up any funding or anything else happens – we would probably be higher up on the list if you're shovel ready," said Ott about possible additional funding or financing that could come through.

The Council agreed to table moving forward with the Greeley St. Project engineering phase for the time being.

Nashua also passed an ordinance to vacate Madison St. on the easterly side of blocks 6 and 7. The second and third readings were foregone and moved to final passage.

The next meeting of the Nashua City Council is slated to take place on Monday, Aug. 15.

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The Nashua Public Library recently received state accreditation that will run through June 30, 2025.

Library gets coveted accreditation

The State Library of Iowa has announced that the Nashua Public Library has met the conditions for state accreditation as outlined in "In Service to Iowa: Public Library Standards Sixth Edition."

Achieving accreditation requires a significant, ongoing local commitment to high quality library services.

The Nashua Public Library has been recognized for its efforts in all areas of library operations including governance and funding, staffing, library collection, services, public relations, access, and facilities. The accreditation status began on July 1 and is valid through June 30, 2025.

"The director and board of trustees of the Nashua Public Library and the city

of Nashua are to be commended for this achievement and their commitment to excellence in public library services for their community," said State Librarian Michael Scott.

Of Iowa's 543 public libraries, 403 – including the Nashua Public Library – are accredited. Iowa's accredited public libraries are recognized for being responsive to their communities and for exhibiting excellence in their provision of library services.

More than two-thirds of all Iowans have active public library cards. Iowa libraries play key roles

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Accredited libraries receive a higher rate of compensation through the State Library's Enrich Iowa program.

They also receive a Certificate of Accreditation signed by Governor Kim Reynolds, Lieutenant Governor Adam Gregg, State Librarian Michael Scot, and Iowa Commission of Libraries Chairperson Carrie Falk.

For more information on the State Library's accreditation program, and to view the Public Library Standards, go to <https://www.statelibraryofiaowa.gov/index.php/libraries/search/accred-stand>.

Briefs

Lincoln Savings Bank welcomes two new employees

Lincoln Savings Bank recently announced the hirings of two employees at local branches.

Dustin Gaede has been hired as an ag commercial lender at the Lincoln Savings Bank Nashua branch.

Gaede, who is from Tripoli, graduated from Iowa State University in 2017 with a BA in agricultural business and is also a seventh-generation farmer in Bremer County.

Through his role he will originate and process loans, negotiate loan terms, meet with customers, and develop new business opportunities.

Brittany Paulus has been hired as a loan portfolio manager at the Lincoln Savings Bank Greene branch.

From Marble Rock, Paulus graduated from NIACC where she earned an associate of arts degree and has over 14 years of experience with ag financials.

She will be working with lenders in the northern rural region to structure loans, communicate with customers, prepare cash flows and collaterals, and monitor loans.



Gaede



Paulus

Plainfield woman one of three to receive volunteer award

Three northern Iowa women, including one from Plainfield, received the Iowa Governor's Volunteer Award during an awards ceremony held recently in Cedar Falls.

Erin McCord of Northwood, Linda Siems of Nora Springs and Jennifer Schilling of Plainfield were honored by Gov. Kim Reynolds and Lt. Governor Adam Gregg with the award that is presented annually to individuals and organizations who go above and beyond in serving others. More than 500 awards were presented this year during five ceremonies across Iowa. It is estimated that more than 150 communities in Iowa were served by this year's honorees.

McCord, Siems, and Schilling were honored for their service as Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers. As CASAs, they advocate for children who have been abused and neglected. They provide a consistent presence for the children during an uncertain time, promote healthy family connections, and report to the juvenile judge about what is in the children's best interests.

North Iowa CASA Program Coordinator Crystal Engstrom stated that the program depends on caring, dedicated volunteers like McCord, Siems, and Schilling.

"These ladies are amazing advocates for the children they serve, and our program is so blessed to have them. I'm thrilled that they could be honored with this award, as they are very deserving."

According to Engstrom, the North Iowa CASA program is in need of more advocates. Volunteers must be at least 21 years old, have some flexibility in their schedules, pass background checks, and complete the advocate training program, which is available in person or virtually.

Ionia has plenty of entertainment on tap for Fun Days this weekend

Ionia Fun Days will kick off its two-day run on Friday, and the committee putting together the event have packed a lot into the schedule for what they're billing as "Aloha from Ionia: Where Life is a Little Cooler."

Friday night's slate includes Big Foot's BBQ food truck, the crowning of Little Mister and Little Miss Ionia at 7:30 p.m. and the music of Country Line Drive as the band will play on Main Street from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Saturday's events will be highlighted by the Fun Days 2-Way Parade that begins at 11 a.m. and will be led by Grand Marshals Louie and Linda Hugh.

There will be a number of kid's activities, including a tractor pull, inflatables and water games after the parade.

The event will come to a close Saturday night when a hypnotist will put on a show for kids at 6:30 p.m. before the band Redline rocks Main Street from 8:30 p.m. to midnight.

News from the Nashua Public Library

The Nashua Public Library is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We can be reached by phone at 641-435-4635, and you can reserve books online as well through our online catalog, call the library if you need help by going online to <https://nashua.bibliionix.com/catalog/>.

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Upcoming events at the Nashua Public Library include:

- Monday, Aug. 8: Author Betty Passick will be at the library between 5 and 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 10: Library Board meeting at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 13: Kids Program with Carl and Melissa's Creepy Critters from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- Saturday, Aug. 27: Babysitter class for teens from 10 a.m. to noon (must sign up ahead of time to be included).
- Wednesday Sept. 14: Library Board meeting at 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 21: Adult program – "Our Neighbors the Amish" with Amish food samples – from 6 to 8 p.m.

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Some of the new books we have at the library:

- Riverbend Reunion by CaFrolyn Brown
- Suspects by Danielle Steel
- Escape by James Patterson
- An Island Wedding by Jenny Colgan
- Somebody like Santa by Janet Dailey
- Cold, Cold Bones by Kathy Reichs
- The Falling by Anna Todd
- The 6:20 Man by David Baldacci

- The Best is Yet to Come by Debbie Macomber
- Taste of Home Copycat Restaurant Favorites
- Southern Living 2022 Christmas
- Chrysalis by Lincoln Child
- Extenuating Circumstances by Joyce Carol Oates
- Bourne Sacrifice by Brian Freeman
- Shattered by James Patterson
- Switchboard Soldiers by Jennifer Chiaverini
- The Big Dark Sky by Dean Koontz
- Portrait of an Unknown Woman by David Silva
- Grace under Fire by Julie Garwood
- Educated by Tara Westover
- Verity by Colleen Hoover
- Elvis by Gillian Gaar
- Nightwork by Nora Roberts **Large Print**

- The Boardwalk Bookshop by Susan Mallery **Large Print**
- The Hotel Nantucket by Elin Hilderbrand **Large Print**
- Escape by James Patterson **Large Print**

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New DVDs & Blu-Rays at the library include:

- Shang-Chi – DVD
- Shang-Chi – Blu-Ray
- Daddy Day Camp– DVD
- Scooby Doo Camp Scare – DVD

- Days of Thunder – DVD
- Pure Country 3 – DVD
- Doctor Strange – DVD
- Doctor Strange- Blu-Ray
- Doctor Strange: Multiverse of Madness- DVD
- Doctor Strange: Multiverse of Madness- Blu-Ray

– Nashua Public Library Director Heather Hackman



2022

Nashua-Plainfield Calendar of Events

AUGUST

Monday, August 1, 2022

8:00am- 11:30am Band Camp

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

8:00am- 11:30am Band Camp

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

8:00am- 11:30am Band Camp

Thursday, August 4, 2022

8:00am- 11:30am Band Camp
4pm-6pm Farmer's Market at the Bradford Museum

Friday, August 5, 2022

Ionia Fun Days

Saturday, August 6, 2022

Ionia Fun Days - Parade at 11am

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Little Brown Church Marriage Reunion, Nashua

Monday, August 8, 2022

Art Safari, Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton

Monday, August 9, 2022

Art Safari, Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton

Monday, August 10, 2022

Art Safari, Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Art Safari, Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton
1:00pm - 4:00pm Farmland Leasing and Management Workshop (Chickasaw County)
4pm-6pm Farmer's Market at the Bradford Museum

Monday, August 12, 2022

Art Safari, Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton

Tuesday, August 13, 2022

Northeast Iowa Antique Engine and Power Show, Fredericksburg

Sunday, August 14, 2022

Farewell to Summer Concert Carnegie Cultural Center, New Hampton

Thursday, August 18, 2022

5:30pm - 6:30pm Extension Council Meeting (Chickasaw County)
4pm-6pm Farmer's Market at the Bradford Museum

Friday, August 19, 2022

Rendezvous Day's, Old Bradford, Nashua
4pm-6pm Farmer's Market at the Bradford Museum
7:00pm Football: V Scrimmage vs Osage

Saturday, August 20, 2022

Rendezvous Day's, Old Bradford, Nashua

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Rendezvous Day's, Old Bradford, Nashua

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

5:00pm Volleyball: V Match @ New Hampton

Thursday, August 25, 2022

4pm-6pm Farmer's Market at the Bradford Museum
5:30pm Volleyball: JJV Match vs Rockford
5:30pm Volleyball: JV Match vs Rockford
7:00pm Volleyball: V Match vs Rockford

Friday, August 26, 2022

7:00pm Football: V Game vs North Butler

Sunday, August 28, 2022

11:00am New Hampton Area Charity Farm Tractor Pull at Kenwood Park

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

5:30pm Volleyball: JJV/JV Game @ Northwood-Kensett Jr./Sr. HS
7:00pm Volleyball: V Game @ Northwood-Kensett Jr./Sr. HS

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Historical group marks 30-year anniversary

Thirty years ago, the National 19th Amendment Society (NNAS) was formed through the vision of Rhoda McCartney of Charles City.

That vision? To purchase the childhood home of Carrie Lane Chapman Catt and over four acres of the land.

The plan? Restore Carrie's childhood home and preserve the legacy of her leadership in passing the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote in 1920.

Rhoda knew her vision to restore the home, needed the leadership of a strong group.

Legally formed as a 501(c)3 organization, the original board members were Ron Schlick, Marilu Wohlers, Dave Ruble, Toni Noah, Jo Herbrechtsmeyer, MaryAnn Zanotti, Cathy Rottinghaus, Margaret Carroll and Candy Pelz.

On Aug. 20, 2022, the NNAS will continue to celebrate the vision of Rhoda McCartney, founder of the National 19th Amendment Society, the board who worked tirelessly to share the vision, raise money to complete the restoration and to promote the legacy of Carrie. Countless individuals continue today to devote their time and talent to make this museum an outstanding place in the community and nation.

Leaders and volunteers continue to be a forward moving force of commitment to educate and preserve the history of Carrie.

An Open House is held in August annually.

During the past 30 years, the two-story Victorian-style farmhouse has been successfully restored, opening to the

public in 2005. It is complete with beautiful wall-mounted informational panels designed by design students from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

In 2010, the Interpretive Center was completed. It houses additional facts about Carrie and the Lane family, plus an interactive touch table.

Today the Carrie Chapman Catt Girlhood Home, Museum & Interpretive Center is recognized as an important museum featuring Carrie's life, her renowned contribution to the passing of the 19th Amendment in 1920 and her work internationally.

Projects and programs have been developed through the years that engage visitors. Some of those include a natural prairie re-established, Prairie Day Camp Day for youth, Family Apple Picking & Cidermaking Days.

"Carrie's Lane", a brick memory path with the engraved names of donors.

The Brick Dedication is held annually.

The original vision 30 years ago has gone beyond expectations and today is recognized as a must-see historical museum.

NNAS continues to focus on educating visitors on the history of Carrie Lane Chapman Catt, a strong leader who worked tirelessly to secure the vote for women and worldwide achievements.

The society remains strong on the continued improvement of site facilities, partnering and promoting community and national events including the Centennial of Women's right to vote in 2020.

Those who want to discover

the history can do so at Carrie's Girlhood Home, which remains the only museum west of the Mississippi River that is dedicated to telling the story of suffrage.

Docent-guided tours are available from Memorial Day through Labor Day, Mondays through Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Sundays noon to 4 p.m. and by appointment throughout the year.

For questions about the museum, please call 641-228-3336.

Legal Notice

ORDINANCE No. 342

AN ORDINANCE VACATING The easterly side of Lots 6 AND 7, West Heights Addition to Nashua, Iowa as shown on the subdivision plat as recorded on August 18, 1981, Book 124, Page 417-418, Adjoining Madison Street

Be It Enacted by the City Council of the City of Nashua, Iowa: SECTION 1. The portion of Madison Street adjoining the Easterly Side of Lots 6 AND 7 To the Easterly side of Lots 6 AND 7, West Heights Addition to Nashua, Iowa as shown on the subdivision plat as recorded on August 18, 1981, Book 124, Page 417-418, is hereby vacated.

SECTION 2. The Council may by resolution convey that portion of the street described above to the abutting property owners in a manner directed by the City Council.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed SECITON 4. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or apart thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. The ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the 1st day of August, 2022, and approved this 1st day of August, 2022.

No. 22231
08/05/2022

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City of Nashua CITY COUNCIL MINUTES City Council Chambers, City Hall

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on August 1, 2022 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Mayor Anthofer presiding. Council members present were Rhonda Dean, Hal Kelleher, Tim Malven, and Ernie Willsher. Samantha Johnson was absent. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott was present along with City Attorney David Skilton and 10 guests.

Mayor Anthofer asked for consideration approving the regular agenda after removing the Public Hearing for opening bids for city properties, because there were no bids. Dean motioned to approve the amended agenda. Malven/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes and Johnson absent.

Mayor Anthofer called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Minutes from the Work Group July 13, 2022 and Special Meeting July 25, 2022. Consent Calendar Payment of Claims - None and the following permit. Building: 143 Lakeshore Dr. Dean/M, Willsher/S, M/C. RC 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Mayor Anthofer asked for public comments. Jeff Bernatz Chickasaw County EMS Director wanted to remind the public that the sirens are to help alert people who are outside to potentially dangerous weather conditions and they are not designed to be heard inside homes or buildings.

Mayor Anthofer asked the council to approve a proposal to review the city's wastewater treatment facility. There are two phases to the project. The first phase has an estimated cost of between \$6-10K (based on time and materials). It will take about 1-2 weeks after review to compile the information. They will report their findings to the council at a council meeting after they have compiled the information. Malven/M, Kelleher/S, M/C to approve Phase I. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The council decided to hold off on approving Phase II until we get the results from Phase I. The estimated cost of Phase II is \$20-40K, but is hard to give a more accurate estimate until Phase I is complete.

Mayor Anthofer called for a motion to open the public hearing to discuss the passage of Ordinance 342 Vacating Madison St. on Easterly Side of Blocks 6 and 7. Willsher/M to open the public hearing.

ing. Dean/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The public hearing was opened at 7:04PM. After brief discussion, Malven/M to close the public hearing. Kelleher/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The public hearing was closed at 7:06PM.

Mayor Anthofer asked for a motion to approve Resolution 22-43 Approving Vacating Madison St. Easterly Side of Blocks 6 & 7, West Heights Addition, Nashua, IA. Dean/M, Malven/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Malven/M, to adopt Ordinance 342 Vacating Madison St. on Easterly Side of Blocks 6 and 7. Willsher/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes. Johnson absent. Dean/M, Malven/S, M/C to forego the 2nd reading and move to 3rd and final reading. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. Dean/M, Kelleher/S, M/C to forego the 3rd and final reading and move to final passage. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Mayor Anthofer asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 342 Vacating Madison St. on Easterly Side of Blocks 6 and 7, West Heights Addition to Nashua, Iowa as shown on the subdivision plat as recorded on August 18, 1981, Book 124, Page 417-418, Adjoining Madison St. Malven/M, Dean/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Mayor Anthofer called for a motion to pass Resolution 22-44 Setting Wages for FY'23. Willsher/M, Dean/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Business of the Mayor: The Mayor had no business to discuss.

Department Reports: City Clerk Ott thanked Attorney Skilton for working on the Ordinance for the vacating of Madison St. while he was out of the office and getting everything completed for the meeting.

City Council: Dean requested that the issue involving a new water line dig be placed on the next city council meeting agenda. Malven thanked the city workers for their work on potholes. Kelleher thanked the guys from the city on their quick response to the tree that fell on Lexington. Chickasaw County Sheriff Martin Hemann provided a monthly report for the council.

There were no Park Board or Welcome Center Reports as the representatives were not at the meeting.

Discussion/Action

The City Council discussed numerous actionable topics.

Dean/M, Malven/S, M/C to approve the Chickasaw County Land Mobile Radio Equipment Transfer Agreement. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Willsher/M, Dean/S, to table Final Design continuation for Greeley St. that is in progress from Origin Design due to other higher priority items and the CDBG funding application being denied.

Dean/M, Kelleher/S, M/C to table further discussion on ambulance service until the ad-hoc committee meets. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent.

Malven/M to end open session and go into closed session. Willsher/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson, absent. The meeting went into closed session at 7:34PM. The reason the council went into closed session 21.5(1)(c) of the Iowa Code to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. After Attorney Skilton provided an update to the council and answered council questions, Dean/M to end the closed session and go back into open session. Malven/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The meeting resumed open session at 7:46PM. After brief discussion, Dean/M to end the regular session and go back into closed session. Malven/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The regular session went back into closed session at 7:46PM. The reason the council went into closed session 21.5(1)(c) of the Iowa Code to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. Dean/M to end the closed session and resume open session. Kelleher/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The meeting resumed open session at 7:55PM.

There was no other business. Dean/M to adjourn. Malven/S, M/C. Roll Call: 4 ayes, Johnson absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:56PM.

Pending Approval by Council
John Ott City Clerk

No. 22230

08/05/2022

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES JULY 25TH, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, July 25TH, 2022, at 9:00 AM with all members Breitbach, Byrne, Zoll, Hackman, and Kuhn in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also, present were Auditor Stephanie Mashek, Attorney David Laudner, and Emergency Management Jeff Bernatz.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Zoll to approve the agenda for July 25th, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried. Terry Johnson present at 9:01 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the minutes from July 18th, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to approve the minutes from July 21st, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Zoll, abstained. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to rescind the motion made on June 6th, 2022 for the special election for the City of Alta Vista. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Sheriff Martin Hemann present at 9:04 AM.

9:05 AM No Public Comment

Discussed the Planning & Zoning Commission member for the Board of Supervisors. Frank Wickham was re-appointed for a five-year term with the City of New Hampton.

Bob Fenske, member of media, present at 9:10 AM.

9:10 AM Hemann discussed the resignation of part-time/on-call dispatcher.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to acknowledge the resignation of part-time/on-call jailer/dispatcher Tami Pries effective July 13th, 2022. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Hemann left at 9:13 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to acknowledge the quote from Rapid Printers in the amount of \$9,975.00 to purchase office furniture for the Auditor's office. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

9:15 AM Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to open the public hearing for the Budget Amendment for FY2022-2023. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Byrne, Breitbach, and Kuhn. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve Resolution No. 07-22-22-55. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Byrne, Zoll, Breitbach, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION TO AMEND DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-25-22-55 WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors approved a Departmental Appropriations

on June 20th, 2022, for all departments of the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 2022, in accordance with Section 331.434, Sub-section 6, Code of Iowa, and WHEREAS the appropriations approved on June 20th, 2022, are hereby amended in accordance with the attached sheet for the following reasons and with no increase in current fiscal year taxes:

K-9 MEDICAL EXPENSES, 0028-95-1000-000-59000..... \$4,000.00
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, 0011-20-7140-999-46400.....

COVER AGGR-SAND-ROCK-SNOW CONTROL, 0020-20-7110-461-21200..... \$184,495.00
BOX CULVERT MATERIALS, 0020-20-0200-332-21010..... \$38,400.00
RURAL ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE, 0035-20-7110-461-21200.....

CONSERVATION-SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS, 0001-22-6110-000-27800..... \$7,500.00
FUELS-GASOLINE, 0011-24-6010-000-25000..... \$100.00
OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS, 0011-24-6010-000-40000..... \$200.00
SUSTENANCE-MEALS, 0011-24-6010-000-41900..... \$30.00
EDUCATIONAL-TRAINING, 0011-24-6010-000-42200..... \$100.00
LODGING, 0011-24-6010-000-41500.....

SALARIES-OTHER, 0001-26-9100-000-10009..... \$5,000.00
HORTICULTURAL, 0001-26-9100-000-20300..... \$300.00
PLUMBING SUPPLIES, 0001-26-9100-000-21700..... \$1,000.00
BUILDING CONSUMABLES, 0001-26-9100-000-21900..... \$2,000.00
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES, 0001-26-9100-000-23200..... \$500.00
FUELS-GASOLINE, 0001-26-9100-000-25000..... \$500.00
MINOR EQUIPMENT-HANDTOOLS, 0001-26-9100-000-29000..... \$100.00
OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS, 0001-26-9100-000-40000..... \$200.00
TELEPHONE/INTERNET, 0001-26-9100-000-41400..... \$1,000.00
NATURAL GAS/LP, 0001-26-9100-000-43000..... \$5,000.00
ELECTRICITY, 0001-26-9100-000-43100..... \$12,000.00
GARBAGE PICKUP, 0001-26-9100-000-43400..... \$1,000.00
SEWAGE SERVICES, 0001-26-9100-000-43600..... \$2,500.00
BLDG REPAIRS - MAINTENANCE, 0001-26-9100-000-44100..... \$10,000.00
ALL EQUIPMENT RPRS - MAINTENANCE, 0001-26-9100-000-44400..... \$200.00
PLUMBING EQUIP-RPRS-MAINTENANCE, 0001-26-9100-000-44500..... \$5,000.00
ELECTRICAL REPAIRS, 0001-26-9100-000-44900..... \$2,500.00
EXTERMINATION SERVICES, 0001-26-9100-000-47460..... \$1,000.00
SPRINKLER & ALARM SYSTEM,

0001-26-9100-000-47700..... \$2,500.00
BOILER INSPECTION, 0001-26-9100-000-50500..... \$300.00
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, 0001-26-9100-000-50800..... \$200.00
SALARIES-DAVE GORMAN, 0001-51-9100-000-10001..... \$1,840.00
FICA, 0002-26-9100-000-11000..... \$383.00
IPERS, 0002-26-9100-000-11100..... \$472.00
FICA, 0002-51-9100-000-11000..... \$166.00
IPERS, 0002-51-9100-000-11100..... \$175.00
PROPERTY INSURANCE, 0002-51-9210-000-46200..... \$75,000.00
DISTRIBUTION-MHDS REGIONAL, 0010-60-4413-000-95100..... \$10,000.00
COUNTY BETTERMENT TO REPLACE CULVERT, 0025-99-6320-000-21300..... \$12,000.00
CO. BETTERMENT-AIRPORT, 0025-99-6320-000-48100..... \$60,000.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE, 0031-36-1200-000-35200..... \$80,000.00
CAPITAL PROJECT-TOWER, 1500-99-0220-000-63857..... \$329,262.00
PURCHASE ELEVATOR, 1500-99-9100-000-61000..... \$325,000.00
PASSED, APPROVED, AND AD- OPTED THIS 25th day of July 2022. /ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson to the Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Stephanie Mashek, Secretary to the Board of Supervisors.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to approve RESOLUTION NO. 07-25-22-57. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION NO. 07-25-22-57 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL FUND FOR USE OF MONEY RECEIVED FROM SUMMIT CARBON SOLUTIONS, LLC WHEREAS, Chickasaw County entered into an easement agreement with Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC, wherein Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC, was granted access to and permanent use of a portion of real property owned by Chickasaw County and managed by the Chickasaw County Conservation Board to construct a pipeline; and WHEREAS, the easement agreement provided that Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC, pay Chickasaw County the sum of \$86,000.00 for anticipated damages to the real property caused by construction of the pipeline; and WHEREAS, Chickasaw County and the Chickasaw County Conservation Board jointly agree that said money shall be utilized for conservation purposes to maintain and improve the real property affected by the easement and construction of the pipeline, namely Bypass Basin Refuge. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Auditor is directed to establish a special fund and deposit all money received per the terms of the easement agreement with Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC, into said special fund; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that money in the

special fund shall only be utilized for conservation purposes to maintain and improve Bypass Basin Refuge. HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 25th day of July, 2022. /ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson to the Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Stephanie Mashek, Secretary to the Board of Supervisors.

Discussed the crack filling at the Courthouse campus sidewalks and driveway.

Discussed the Jendro Sanitation Recycling Signs.

Assessor Ray Armel and Scott Cervinske present at 9:28 AM.

Treasurer Sue Breitbach, Laura Wickham, and Recorder Shirley Troyna present at 9:29 AM.

Molly Widen, Secretary of State's Office Legal Counsel and Ann Smisek, Ahlers & Cooney Attorney present via phone at 9:30 AM.

9:30 AM Molly Widen, Secretary of State's Office Legal Counsel discussed the vacancy and possible appointment of the Auditor.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to publish the Intent to Appoint on August 8th, 2022, to fill the vacancy of the position Chickasaw County Auditor. Interested individuals may submit their name for consideration to the Auditor's Office by August 5th, 2022, by 4:00 PM. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Nays- Zoll. Motion Carried.

Wickham left at 9:58 AM.

Motion by Zoll to amend the motion by Hackman to publish the Intent to Appoint on August 15th, 2022, to fill the vacancy of the position of the Chickasaw County Auditor. Motion died due to a lack of a second.

Widen, Smisek, Sue Breitbach, Troyna, and Armel left at 10:05 AM.

10:05 AM Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the Motorola invoice for \$54,266.83 for change order #3. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Discussed the Lawler property for the Tower Project.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve the invoice from Bar Come for \$89,230.03. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to approve the Annual Financial Cash Report for FY2022-2023 and publish in the County's official newspapers. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Sue Breitbach discussed the 2022 Investment policy.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to approve the 2022 Investment policy. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Engineer Roman Lensing present at 10:27 AM.

Committee Assignment Update: Byrne attended Juvenile Detention Services meeting on July 22nd, 2022.

Hackman and Byrne attended an Advisory Council Health Insurance meeting on July 20th, 2022.

Kuhn attended an INRCOG meeting on July 21st, 2022.

Kuhn attended a Regional Transportation meeting on July 21st, 2022.

Fenske, Cervinske, Bernatz, and Johnson left at 10:32 AM.

10:32 AM Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Motion by Breitbach, Second by Byrne to end closed session at 10:54 AM. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Motion Carried.

No action taken.

Kelly Terpstra, member of media, Scott Cervinske, Emergency Management Jeff Bernatz, and Terry Johnson present at 10:54 AM.

Committee Assignment Update: Kuhn attended a Chickasaw County Ambulance Council meeting on July 19th, 2022.

Discussed the Jendro Rural Recycling signs.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to request Jendro to remove the Rural Recycling signs and publish information on the County website. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jenny Monteith present at 11:00 AM.

11:00 AM Lensing discussed Resolution 07-25-22-56, A Resolution for Participation in SS4A Grant Application.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Byrne to approve Resolution 07-25-22-56, RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN SS4A GRANT APPLICATION Chickasaw County Resolution No. 07-25-22-56 WHEREAS, as part of the new Federal Transportation Bill, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), there is over \$1B of roadway safety funding available in the form of Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grants. To be an eligible applicant for this new safety funding, a county MUST have an eligible Action Plan in place; and WHEREAS, the Iowa County Engineers Association (ICEA) plans to apply for a SS4A grant to develop and supply all 99 counties in Iowa with an eligible Action Plan at no cost to the counties. ICEA encourages all 99 counties to participate in this grant application; and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors will commit to achieve significant declines in roadway fatalities and serious injuries in Chickasaw County; and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors recognizes the Action Plan and will assist the County Engineer's department in achieving the goal of a dramatic decrease in roadway fatalities and serious injuries and zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries by the years 2030 and 2050, respectively; and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, after consulting with the Chickasaw County Engineer, desires to participate in a joint SS4A grant to develop and receive an eligible Action Plan for Chickasaw County. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY that this County does hereby request to be included in the statewide SS4A grant to develop Actions Plans for all 99 counties in Iowa. Resolution adopted this 25th day of July, 2022. /ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson to the Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Stephanie Mashek, Secretary to the board of Supervisors.

Jeremy McGrath present at 11:02 AM.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to acknowledge the vacancy in the Secondary Road Department and approval for the Engineer to fill the vacant position. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Discuss future agenda items.

Corey Larsen present via phone at 11:10 AM.

11:10 AM Discussed Ambulance Service for Chickasaw County.

Larsen left at 11:59 AM.

Monteith left at 12:15 AM.

Majority of the consensus is to not allow Nashua to have an ambulance to be housed within City limits with the current verbiage of the 28E agreements. Hackman was supportive of increasing the budget to \$1.5m and allow Nashua to house an ambulance.

Cervinske left at 12:37 PM.

Motion by Breitbach, Second by Byrne to direct Matt at the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council meeting to advise the City's representatives that the cost to the Cities will remain the same, regardless if other Cities do not commit to the 28E agreement in order to move forward with those participating entities. Roll Call: Ayes- Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn. Nays- Hackman and Zoll. Motion Carried.

Chair declared a recess at 12:47 AM.

Chair reconvened at 12:57 PM with Board Members Byrne, Hackman, Breitbach, and Kuhn present. Zoll, absent. Also, present Auditor Stephanie Mashek, Attorney David Laudner, and Terry Johnson.

Discussed the verbiage for the publication for the sale of the Heritage property.

Motion by Byrne, Second by Breitbach to direct the County Officers to publish the sale of the Heritage property in the County's official newspapers, County website, Waterloo Courier, and the Des Moines Register with not exceeding the cost of \$1,000.00. Roll Call: Ayes- Byrne, Breitbach, and Kuhn. Nays- Hackman. Zoll, absent. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Breitbach to adjourn at 1:15 PM.

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Floyd County voters may have the chance to call EMS service 'essential'

By BOB STEENSON

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A newly formed Floyd County Emergency Medical Services System Advisory Council has some significant work to do, and a short time in which to do it.

The advisory council must come up with an annual tax dollar figure that it thinks is sufficient to support ambulance service and other emergency medical services (EMS) activities in the county, decide for how many years a potential tax levy or levies should run, then make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

It must do that in the next few weeks in order to give supervisors time to make a decision on the recommendation by the end of this month if the council and the board want the question to go before the voters on the Nov. 8 general election this year.

Several members of the advisory council questioned whether it was realistic to get all the numbers together that will be needed to make a recommendation to the supervisors in the time available.

Advisory council member Jeff Stirling, crew chief for the Greene Ambulance, said he was also on the Butler Council advisory council, and they were looking at a vote in the 2023 general election.

Advisory council member Brian Chambers, the chief for the Marble Rock Fire Department and Marble Rock First Responders, said there was a danger if there wasn't enough time to fully explain the proposed tax and its necessity to the voters that the measure could fail.

"If we push it too hard and miss, it will be hard to try again," Chambers said.

If a vote is held and it fails to meet a required 60% approval threshold, then according to the Iowa Code the essential services designation for EMS in the county that the Board of Supervisors approved at its Monday meeting would be void and the Board of Supervisors would have to start all over again.

In this case, it could be a brand new Board of Supervisors, as none of the current members is running for reelection and the entire board is open this year because of new supervisor districting.

Despite initial misgivings about the time available, the advisory council forged ahead at its initial meeting Tuesday evening, forming an action plan and a schedule with the purpose of coming up with a recommendation that would make a public vote possible this year.

Brandy Molitor, an advanced EMT with AMR ambulance and the founder of the Floyd County EMS Association, said many of the numbers are already known, and she had been gathering data for some time.

The board agreed it should come up with the total cost for 10 years to support the current AMR ambulance service, Nora Springs Volunteer Ambulance Service, Greene Volunteer Ambulance service within Floyd County, Marble Rock First Responders and Floyd County EMS Association, to cover the costs of staffing, training, equipment and capital costs.

The law allows the county to seek to collect an EMS tax for up to 15 years, but after a discussion it was decided by the advisory council that 15 years seemed too long, five years seemed too short, and the 10 years seemed about right.

At a previous meeting of the Floyd County Ambulance Commission, it was noted that AMR had estimated its future contract prices for the services now being offered to Charles City and Floyd County would be around \$226,000 in the next year of a new contract beginning July 1, 2023, with about a 5% increase per year after that.

Over 10 years, that would be an average annual price for the AMR contract of \$284,260 per year, which if the contract continued as the current contract, would be split between the city and the county.

According to Iowa Code 422D, which was updated last year to make it easier for counties to establish EMS as an essential service, the advisory council "shall recommend to the board of supervisors an amount of funding to be specified on the ballot."

The advisory council was established by the Board of Supervisors at the board's meeting Monday morning. The advisory council held its first meeting Wednesday evening, and could potentially hold three or more meetings in the next two weeks, with the goal of coming up with a recommendation for the supervisors by the supervisors' Aug. 22 meeting.

That would give the supervisors that meeting and the following meeting on Aug. 29 to decide if they want to put the question to the voters this year, and what the question should say.

The advisory council was formed after the county supervisors took the last step Monday to establish EMS as an "essential service" in Floyd County, eligible to be supported by a specific tax levy, just as law enforcement and fire protection currently are.

Currently there is no requirement under state law that a person who calls for an ambulance will have one sent. It all comes down to the contracts and agreements that private and public ambulance companies have with the areas they serve.

With the decision by the supervisors Monday to declare EMS an essential service, the county can now ask voters to approve either a property tax, an income tax surtax or a combination of both to pay for that service. The vote would need to pass by at least a 60% majority.

Ambulance service in Charles City and Floyd County is currently provided by AMR, which has a contract with the city and the county currently for \$100,000 each per year – tax money the city and county are now using to support EMS.

In addition, the city provides space in the fire station for AMS offices, ambulance storage and crew sleeping quarters. The county provides dispatch service for AMR, and also provides some support annually to the Nora Springs Volunteer Ambulance Service, and pays a per-use fee to the Green Ambulance for patients in Floyd County.

Floyd County Supervisor Roy Schwickerath, a non-voting member of the advisory council, said it was probably reasonable to base the 10-year cost estimate on what service would cost from AMR and the other county ambulance and first responder crews.

"It's been said over and over we're satisfied with the service we have, so why would we look to pay more taxpayer money for more service?" he asked.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield senior Paige Ripley (above) sets the ball for teammate Myranda Webster while football player Joel Winters (below) takes a break during the Huskies' football camp.

Huskies survive a hot camp week

CAMPS: FROM 8

squad is practice, practice, practice. So essentially camp is the practice before the real practice begins officially in the state on Monday for fall sports.

Husky netters received individual instruction in three different workshops or sessions from Tuesday to Thursday of this week. All participants took part in camp on Monday from 3 to 5 p.m.

"We have a really young team this year. We have broken camp into positions this year so we can focus on each position to get good reps in. We have introduced different attacks to our younger players. Our main goal is to get good touches on the ball so we can set up our hitters to finish," said Foelske.

Foelske said she had around 25 players out in all grades for her camp.

"With the amount of young players we have, we are really focusing on bringing them to the next level of play. For some it is a big jump coming from junior high to high school in all aspects of the game, including expectations in practice," Foelske added.

Christensen – who last fall guided N-P to its first playoff appearance since 2014 – said his camp is similar to what it has been in prior years. The format and general schedule of what goes down at his camp stays mostly the same.

"We always focus on fundamentals and it's a great chance for the older kids to lead the young kids through drills," said Christensen, who took over the program in 2020 after being an assistant at Charles City for eight seasons.

N-P – which went 4-5 last year in Class A – has 35 kids out on the varsity level according to Christensen. The Husky head coach said 25 kids are out for the middle school program.

Christensen hit on what's important to him and his coaching staff at these early-season get-togethers that can also help strengthen a team's bond.

"We really stress a great attitude, great effort, bring a great teammate and having



fun," said Christensen, a 2005 South Tama High School grad.

Christensen is continuing to build a program at N-P and he said that means being a better player this year, than last. He also mentioned putting kids in a spot where they have to compete is also key to the Huskies' success.

Of course temps were in the 90s for a large portion of this week – which seems to coincide with the start to sports camps, at least in the state of Iowa.

Beating the heat and learning how to deal with a mercury that can reach a sizzling, triple-digit degree is sometimes just as important as any form tackle or blocking drill – at least early on in August.

"I think the biggest thing with heat is building tolerance. We have many water breaks and stress proper hydration and nutrition at home," said Christensen.

Fans were running at full speed inside the Husky Gymnasium during N-P's volleyball camp. That means no air conditioning.

"Our gym is always hot to start the season. We take more breaks when the gym was like it was on Wednesday. It probably helps with conditioning a bit, but our biggest issue is keeping the floors dry so we don't get anyone hurt before our season starts," said Foelske.

What would any camp be without some laughter and good times? That means taking a break from drills and creating some fun memories.

"I expect them to stay pretty focused during camp, but with how hot it is this week in the gym, sometimes you have to just have a little fun. We play a serving game. While they are working on their serve, the goal is actually to hit their teammates on the other side of the net," said



Landon Pratt (left) stretches out before football camp while Payton Howland (above) spikes the ball during volleyball camp earlier this week.

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Jalynn Pratt (above) hits the volleyball while members of the Nashua-Plainfield football team (below) warm up before staring another camp session.



Breck Morris (above) helps the Nashua-Plainfield football team get ready for another day of camp by hauling equipment out to the field while Huskies' volleyball coach Mindy Foelske (below) tosses a volleyball during a drill.

HUSKIES GO CAMPING!

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD FALL ATHLETES
KICK OFF SEASONS WITH ANNUAL CAMPS

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Camps are a summer tradition in America. New flash – water's wet, the sky is blue, yada, yada, yada. But whether it's religion-based (Bible camp), sports related (football, volleyball camp), for the musically-inclined (band camp) or even an out-of-this-world experience (space camp) – they all matter to someone and becoming better at what you're working towards is generally the main goal. Of course, having fun is at the top of the list – for sure. For Nashua-Plainfield coaches Andrew Christensen and Mindy Foelske – teaching the basics and understanding the framework to success is essen-

tial for their camp-goers. Foelske ran two camps this week for her volleyball spikers – a Future Stars Camp for athletes entering grades K-8. The other camp is for her high school Huskies that look to improve on a 13-15 mark from a year ago. "One of the things we stress the most right now is that they all have something to improve on and that they have to want to get better. This is a rebuilding year for us after losing three of our main players last year. We have three big spots to fill and we are going to have to work to create the kind of team chemistry we had last year," said Foelske. The focus for Foelske and her Top of Iowa East Division

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