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Board leans toward jail special election

Three supervisors say they want voters to be able to weigh in before November '24 because of rising costs

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

At least three members of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors indicated on Monday that they don't want to wait for the next general election to ask county residents to approve a referendum to build a new law enforcement center and "holding jail."

But the board, along with Sheriff Ryan Shawver, conceded that the proverbial ball, at least for now, is in the city of New Hampton's court.

The jail discussion came one week after the Samuels Group, during a joint meeting between the supervisors and the New Hampton City Council, recommended the two entities build a \$13.2 million center that would include office space

for the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office and the New Hampton Police Department, a dispatch center, a booking area and a jail that would consist of four cells in which inmates could be held for up to 24 hours.

Supervisor Jake Hackman said he was in favor of putting off a vote on the facility until November 2024, when the next general election would be held.

"I'll be up front with this special election," he said. "I know in the past history will always prove that [a] special election doesn't bring out voter turnout. ... I'm not kicking down the road, but when do people vote? General election, November '24."

SEE JAIL, 2

County payroll, handbook issues frustrate board

Hackman says official shouldn't have given a new hire vacation

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Frustrations may not have boiled over, but they certainly were on edge during the final half-hour of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors meeting on Friday.

And for a while, it seemed like there might be a chance that board members might not approve the county's payroll claim, despite the fact that checks to county employees had already been delivered.

The discussion on the payroll claim — which usually takes a matter of seconds — came after Supervisor Jake Hackman took issue with other claims, including two from Chickasaw County EMS, pointing out that he still hasn't seen a policy allowing for a uniform allowance for the ambulance service's employees and that he didn't believe a claim for \$101.58 should be paid for by ARPA funds.

"Since we are the keeper of the EMS department," he said, "I see about four or five claims for uniforms. Again, where is the policy that we'll pay up to \$100 per person for uniform allowance? If that's a policy, we should probably see it through this board first."

"I'm not picking on anybody here, but policies and procedures, why are we still billing ARPA funds for startup for some Rapid Printers, was it mailboxes or something?"

Hackman added that he felt like supervisors "were losing control up here" and that it was the board's job to watch these claims.

Board members approved the claims, save for the one for mailboxes.

"It just seems like we're losing control up here," Hackman said. "It's your job, our job, to watch these claims."

The regular claims, though, were just a prelude to a lengthy discussion about the payroll claim, one that Hackman said he would not support because the Auditor's Office had given a recent new hire a week's paid vacation even though the county handbook states that five days of vacation

SEE HANDBOOK, 2



Photo courtesy of Suzan Turner

Members of the Nashua-Plainfield National History Day team pose for a photo during the district contest that was held on Tuesday in Cedar Falls. Pictured are (front row, from left) Advisor Suzan Turner, Carter Smith, Cooper Mitchell, Ethan Franzen, Jackson Mehmen, Connor Sullivan, Chris Niedert, Cal Levi, Caleb Sinnwell, Titus Cerwinske, (middle row), Paige Franzen, Alyson Reints, Elexa O'Neill, Hailey Kirk, Eva Foelske, Callie Jensen, Lanie Roberts, Tatum Nelson, Addy Garbes, (back row) Kadence Huck, Maci Malven, Jordyn Frost, Natalie Feldman, Karli Steere, Ava Kirk, Eden Lamborn, Elayna O'Neill, Alison Mehmen and Grace Dietz.

STARTING HISTORY DAY RIGHT!

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD WILL TAKE 26 STUDENTS AND 14 PROJECTS TO THE STATE CONTEST NEXT MONTH

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

It turns out virtually or in-person doesn't really matter to the National History Day students of Nashua-Plainfield, who put together one amazing showing at the district meet Tuesday.

Nashua-Plainfield advanced 14 of its 15 projects to the state contest during the meet that

was held at the Central Rivers AEA in Cedar Falls and marked the first "in-person" district meet students had competed in since March 2020. That meet was held just a week before schools throughout Iowa closed because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It was a fantastic day for Nashua-Plainfield History Day," longtime Nashua-Plainfield National History Day advisor Suzy Turner said. "First and foremost, it was great to have the

district contest held in-person for the first time since 2020! The kids enjoyed taking their projects, interviewing with judges in person, and having a live awards ceremony."

At the district contest, projects must finish in the top-three of their divisions to move on to the state contest, which will be held at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines on April 24.

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Fun day on stage

Nashua-Plainfield student Madelyn Hennings, playing the roll of Dorothy, laughs as she performs a scene in "The Wizard of Oz" this past Saturday morning.

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County receives some good news when it comes to rock

Winning bid is under engineer's estimate, county plans on putting rock on county roads earlier this year than normal

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Roman Lensing could finally take a deep breath — one of relief, for that matter — Monday morning when the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors opened bids for rock for the upcoming year.

That's because the winning bid from Bruening Rock Products came in under the estimate of \$1.77 million that the Chickasaw County engineer had set forth in his 2023-24 budget.

"The numbers look good ... we're still under what we budgeted," Lensing said, "and I guess one of the bigger things is that we wanted to get rock on earlier than we've typically had been. They are also fine with that and paying on or after July 1."

That means the county can pay for all of its rock after the new fiscal year starts. Bruening Rock was one of

two bidders for the county rock, and the Decorah firm said it would provide the rock in all four divisions at \$15.0999 a ton and it's total bid was for \$1,748,358.51, which was about 98.7 percent of Lensing's original estimate.

Several times in recent months, Lensing told supervisors he was concerned about the upcoming rock bids, especially after last year's bids came in far over what the county had estimated. Throw in the fact that the Secondary Roads Department that he oversees has been hit hard by inflation recently that has led to dramatic price increases for fuel and equipment purchases, Lensing probably deserved taking that proverbial sigh of relief Monday morning.

"You can see how close we were on the estimate and their low bid," he told board members. "I'm pretty happy with

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

The spoils of victory

Nashua-Plainfield boys track team assistant coach Nick Henningsen hands out medals to the Huskies on Wednesday, a day after N-P opened the outdoor season by winning the team title at the St. Ansgar Coed.

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N-P will take busload of students to state contest

HISTORY DAY: FROM 1

And Nashua-Plainfield will be taking a busload to the state capital next month as it claimed mine district titles, three runners-up and a pair of third-place finishes Tuesday.

Advancing to state were the following projects:

In the junior group exhibit division, "Jonas Salk: The Polio Vaccine" by Natalie Feldman and Karli Steere placed first while "Pony Express: Postal Pioneers on the Frontier" by Callie Jensen and Lanie Roberts was second.

In the junior group website division, "The Day the Music Died: Buddy Holly's Notable Legacy Lives On" by Chris Niedert and Connor Sullivan placed first; "Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell: A Woman Before Her Time" by Anddy Garbes and Tatum Nelson took second place; and "A 'Plane' Affair: The Berlin Airlift Pushes Political Frontiers" by Eva Foelske and Hailey Kirk was third.

Jackson Mehmen's "Norman Borlaug: Scientific Pioneer on the Agricultural Frontier" took first in junior individual documentary, Titus Cerwinski's "From Baseball to the Bible: Billy Sunday Hits A Homerun for the Gospel" was the top junior individual performer and Ethan Franzen had the top junior individual website with "African-American Pioneer Alexander Clark: Forging New Frontiers in Racial Equality Through Educational Access."

In the senior division, which is open to students in grades 9-12, Nashua-Plainfield had four champions — the senior group documentary "Forging a New Frontier for Female Athletes: Dr. Christine Grant's Relentless

Pursuit of Gender Equality" by Cal Levi, Kadence Huck and Paige Franzen; the senior group exhibit "More Than A Condiment: Mayo Transforms the Medical Frontier" by Alyson Reints, Jordyn Frost and Maci Malven; the senior group website "Females in FFA: Forging New Frontiers in Farming and Beyond" by Alison Mehmen and Grace Dietz; and the senior individual website "With the Flip of a Switch on the Rural Frontier: REA Lights the Way" by two-time national champion Caleb Sinnwell.

Two more senior projects — the group websites "Leaving the Past Behind: The Orphan Train Forges New Frontiers for Child Welfare" by Ava Kirk and Alexa O'Neill and "The Jonestown Massacre: 'Drinking the Koolaid' of Religious Extremism" by Eden Lamborn and Elayna O'Neill — also advanced to the state meet.

Turner lauded all her students for their hard work throughout the entire school year. Students visited the UNI library, conducted numerous interviews and did copious amounts of research, and they're not done yet.

"Beyond celebrating their hard earned success," the advisor said, "students will use the judging feedback they received to make project improvements for the state contest."

The goal, of course, is to make the National History Day competition that will be held in College Park, Maryland in June, but Turner pointed out that the journey was just as important to her as the result.

"It is so incredibly rewarding," she said, "to work with such a motivated, intelligent, and hard-working group of students!"



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Chickasaw County Supervisor Scott Cerwinski (middle), who represents the Nashua area, listens as fellow board members Jake Hackman (left) and Matt Kuhn debate the county handbook edition during Monday's meeting.

HR: Department heads can deviate from handbook

HANDBOOK: FROM 1

will be given to employees only after one year of service.

"You guys all got a copy from an HR attorney about this issue that I brought up last week," Hackman said, "and for that reason, I won't support the payroll. ... Again, I believe there's a county handbook and we set the clerk salary and/or benefit package through the county handbook."

Board Chairman Matt Kuhn, though, said that it was his understanding that other county offices had done similar things.

"Yes, and I wasn't aware of those," Hackman replied. "I can't do it all, Matt, but if we're going to be equal across all departments, I believe there's probably a department listening that had some new hires, that they wanted vacation pay, too, but they followed the handbook so they didn't offer paid vacation to a new hire."

He called on the Board of Supervisors to call for a "department head meeting again to say to these ... that [we can't] make up our rules up."

But Kuhn said he believed the letter that Ann Smisek, who works for the county's contracted human resources firm, Ahlers Cooney Attorneys, shared with supervisors showed that the Auditor's Office had done nothing wrong by offering the new hire paid vacation.

"As I have explained, elected officials can deviate from the handbook, but we discourage it as it can lead to claims of

discriminatory treatment or favoritism," Smisek wrote. "However, we are aware of many employers doing this as an incentive to recruit good employees."

The HR attorney went on to say that she did not believe the Board of Supervisors "can deny claims that are within the budget of an elected official even if it deviates from the handbook."

She added that she believed the matter should be discussed and that it should be considered whether more vacation benefits should be added to the handbook or to give department heads more flexibility to offer "enhanced leave benefits."

Supervisor Scott Cerwinski said he agreed that the handbook needed to be revisited.

"They would have the discretion on a new hire," Cerwinski said. "I know that's a trend right now. If you hire someone who has worked somewhere for 20 years, you're giving them some vacation up front, but it doesn't say that you can do that right now."

Hackman said that what frustrates him is that he knows that some county departments are following the handbook while others are not.

"To me, that's why we have a handbook," he said. "If we're all over the board for this county of Chickasaw, we can't be all over the board because how does that look like [to] another department?"

And he added that "I don't pick on employees, I don't pick on people, I pick on policies and procedures."

Waiting year for jail could cost county extra \$1 million

JAIL: FROM 1

But three board members — Chairman Matt Kuhn, Steve Breitbach and Scott Cerwinski — said waiting that long would lead to the county and city paying even more for the facility. During that March 20 meeting, Samuels Group owner Sid Samuels told county and city leaders that the cost of the facility would increase by 8 percent a year, which works out to an extra \$1.056 million if the project is put off a year.

"I understand Jake's point," Cerwinski said, but he also said he would support calling a special election. "If Sid's educational program is as good as he says, hopefully he's going to work something out so our voters will be educated. I would agree — just because of the cost — we should probably have a special election."

Shawver and his chief deputy, Zach Nobsch, said they weren't looking for any decisions from the board; instead, as Shawver put it, "we'd like to keep the conversation moving forward."

The two law enforcement officers said they plan on meeting with the New Hampton City Council this coming Monday to gauge the city's interest in the project.

They told supervisors that having the Samuels Group work on "phase two" — helping the entities with a bond referendum with materials and education to the public — would cost about \$35,000.

Shawver said he would ask the city, if it decides to base its police department at the new center, to cover 25 percent of the Samuels' services. That was the portion the city was responsible for when it came to the feasibility study that was released last week.

Both the sheriff and supervisors, though, said that until the status of New Hampton's involvement is known, it's difficult to move forward. If the city opts out of the law enforcement center, it would become a county-only facility — at a cost reduction of \$2.8 million.

The earliest a referendum could be held is September, but there are a lot of hurdles to clear. Hackman pointed out that the county needs to engage a bond attorney, and there may be enough time for the county and city to form a Joint Authority Board and provide the public with the information it needs to have the election in September. If the election is not held in September the next available date a referendum could be held is in November during the city-school elections.

Board member Travis Suckow said he understood the "safety part" for officers when it comes to the current facility but also asked if there was any way for the county to remodel the building that was built in 1957. "If you start to remodel," Shawver said, "... you have to bring everything up to current jail standards."

Nobsch said that Samuels

Group and the Sheriff's Office looked at closing off a street and possibly connecting the jail to the courthouse, but that "those situations just weren't feasible." He added that "ultimately, it came down to this, which at the very end, was the needs and get that number down as low as we could."

The board also heard a proposal from one resident about removing some homes from the area around the jail, but that idea generated little support.

Hackman, meanwhile, wondered if the county shouldn't explore what he called a "third option" — having the county go without a jail.

"I understand some of us don't want to do the third option — close it completely and house everybody out in different counties," he said. "The price tag at this time of inflation is concerning. The bond levy rate is concerning."

Shawver said that currently Hancock County in north-central Iowa transports all of its prisoners to the Winnebago County Jail, but those two county seats are separated by just eight miles.

"If we had another county as close as Winnebago is to Hancock, I think that would be an option that I would love to explore," he said. "We use this example this week as an example. We had four arrests over the weekend so if we were closed, we can't even stop here. We have to go directly to which ever county we'd have to have a

County Attorney David Laudner said that he believes that there needs to be some clarification on what department heads can and cannot do.

"The bottom line is from a legal perspective," he said, "it raises all sorts of questions."

Kuhn asked several times during the discussion what would happen if the board didn't approve the claim, asking "do we pull back everyone's checks?"

The board chairman also said there are department heads who feel like they are micro-managed by the board.

"People feel like they're under the thumb," he said, but Hackman was quick with a rebuttal. "This is not micromanaging, this is following the county handbook, Matt."

Finally, Supervisor Steve Breitbach made a motion to approve the payroll claim, and after saying "everybody's been doing it, that's the way it is [even though] it's not right," Supervisor Travis Suckow seconded the motion.

"If we keep moving this way, we just set precedent that David, anybody else, can do whatever they want to do. Take this thing," Hackman said as he held a copy of the handbook, "and recycle it."

But on a 3-2 vote — Cerwinski joined Hackman to cast the two no votes — the claim was approved, but supervisors agreed to discuss the handbook issues with Smisek and possibly the county's private auditor, during its meeting this coming Monday.

long-term contract with.

"Let's just use Charles City, as an example, because it's the closest. You're looking at a minimum ... of an hour that you're going to have a deputy out of the county. That's my only concern."

County Attorney David Laudner — in response to some residents who expressed concern during the March 20 meeting that the county could be more efficient with technology — said both his office and the Sheriff's Office are already using those "efficiencies."

"As far as arrangements and working with Department of Correctional Services and finding efficiencies and using technology, all that is being done. That's not the issue. The issue is not days two through five through 10 through 100 ... the issue is day one. The issue is really hour one."

Hackman said before the county even considers it hiring the Samuels Group to proceed with the bond, at least two things must happen.

The city's involvement has to be known, and the county needs to begin working with a bond attorney.

And he also said he hoped supervisors would take into account that 42 percent of the bond repayment would come from ag land property owners.

"Always look at who's paying the bills; it's not a majority of the voters," Hackman said. "Our tax base in Chickasaw County, we all know where it's at. The voters ain't there."

MercyOne scholarship applications due by April 1

MercyOne New Hampton is accepting applications for both the Friends of MercyOne Healthcare and its Vinanna Holschlag Nursing scholarships.

Four Friends of MercyOne \$750 scholarships are available to graduating seniors or non-traditional students who reside in the MercyOne New Hampton service area while four Holschlag scholarships are available in the amount of \$1,500.

Applicants for the Friends of Mercy One scholarships must plan to further their education in a health care field. Some qualifying fields of study include but are not limited to medical records technicians (transcription and coding), pharmacy and pharmacy techs, laboratory techs, radiology techs, dietetics, physical /respiratory therapy, psychology/mental health, as well as nursing and pre-medicine.

Holschlag scholarships will be awarded to students pursuing a career in nursing and who exemplify character and ideals as determined by the Auxiliary Executive Board. Applications for both scholarships are available on the hospital's website, www.mercyone.org/newhampton, and completed form must be returned no later than April 1.

For more information on the scholarships, contact Jennifer Monteith at 641-394-1626.

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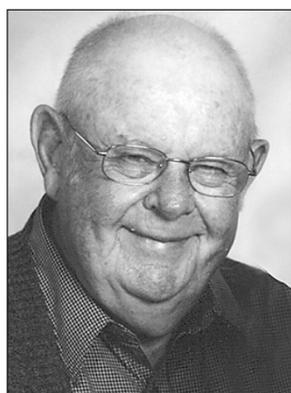
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Robert 'Bob' Davis, 90

Robert "Bob" Davis, age 90 of Nashua, died Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at Waverly Health Center due to natural causes.



Bob Davis

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 27, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua with interment following at Oak Hill Cemetery in Nashua.

Friends greeted the family from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 26, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service on Monday at the funeral home.

Online condolences for the Davis family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers please direct memorials to St. John Lutheran Church in Nashua.

Bob was born in Mason City, Iowa, on August 31, 1932. He was the son of George Thomas Davis and Mildred Eibey of Clear Lake.

He graduated from Plymouth, Iowa, in 1950. In 1952, a little blonde gal from Grafton, Iowa, No. 40, seemed to be quite a basketball star, at least in his eyesight. On Feb. 14, 1954, he married Doris Schultz.

The couple made their first home in the Carpenter/Northwood area on a farm. In their union, four children — Douglas, Donald, Doreen and Darla — were born to them.

Bob was active in the farming community, taking up various jobs dealing with CFS, Morton Buildings, and Nashua Equity.

In Bob's spare time, he enjoyed family, grandkids, and time spent with his coffee buddies. Bob loved fishing, old tractors and farming. He loved the outdoors and loved hosting camping parties out to the farm for his family. That special tour of the garden was always a highlight.

After retiring from farming, he also spent a lot of time tinkering in his shop, making & creating things, and sometimes a lot of gag gifts. Always a sense of humor with Bob or B.S. stories. Bob had a lot of sayings

that seemed to make charts of famous quotes. Such as "Real Good Beans Don," no matter who made the other food. "Oh, yeah ... I'll be darned," when he didn't know what to say and "so on and so forth." It didn't have to be a hot summer day for him to have a "cold one" ready for visitors.

He spent his last few years living at Cedar Vale Assisted Living, which all enjoyed his company, his stories, and his humor. A much-appreciated word out to the staff there for the care he received.

He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Nashua.

He is survived by two sons, Douglas (Cindy) Davis of Floyd, and Donald Davis of Ionia; two daughters, Doreen (Kraig) Baldwin of Tripoli, and Darla (Jeff) Beckner of Waverly; three grandsons, Jason (Amanda) Davis, Eric (Blair) Davis and Phillip Baldwin; two granddaughters, Melissa (Chad) Stambaugh and Megan Baldwin; great-granddaughters, Haylie and Anna Stambaugh and Harper Baldwin; two great-grandsons Hudson Davis and Ethan Briggs; brother-in-law, Dale Schultz of Northwood; and nephew, Jim (Joanne) Davis of Hillsboro, Oregon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife of 59 years, Doris Davis; one brother, Roger Davis; sister-in-law, Arlene Sletten; two brothers-in-law, Russell and Allen Schultz; and one granddaughter, Chelsea Beckner.



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, by going online to <https://nashua.biblionix.com/catalog/>.

If you need any help, don't hesitate to call us at the library and we'll help you out!

Upcoming events at the library include:

• Saturday, April 8: Coffee with the Council, 10 to 11 a.m. Join two council members once a month at the Nashua Public Library for coffee, donuts and discussion. They will be there to listen to your concerns and hear your solutions.

• Wednesday, April 12: Grant Writing 101 Workshop, 5 to 6 p.m.

• Wednesday, April 12: Library Board meeting at 7 p.m.

• Saturday, April 15: Children's Program "Spring Themed," 10:30s to 11:30 a.m.; come listen to stories, do crafts and have fun!

• April 24-29: National Library Week. We will have lots of exciting things happening this week.

• Saturday, May 6: Magnolia "Maggie" Rivers author visit, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

• Saturday, May 13: Coffee with the Council, 10 to 11 a.m. Join two council members once a month at the Nashua Public Library for coffee, donuts and discussion. They will be there to listen to your concerns and hear your solutions.

Some of the new books we have at the library:

- Storm Watch by CJ Box
- The Sister Effect by Susan Mallery
- Worthy Opponents by Danielle Steel
- Collateral Damage by J.A. Jance
- Countdown by James Patterson
- A Novel Proposal by Denise Hunter
- The Clover Girls by Viola Shipman
- The Summer Cottage by Viola Shipman
- The Edge of Summer by Viola Shipman
- The Girl and the Midnight Murder by A.J. Rivers
- The Girl and the Last Sleepover by A.J. Rivers
- The Girl and the 7 Deadly Sins by A.J. Rivers
- The Girl in Apartment 9 by A.J. Rivers
- The Girl and the Twisted End by A.J. Rivers
- 22 Seconds by James Patterson **Large Print**

New DVDs and Blu-Rays at the library include:

- Everything everywhere all at once – DVD
- Reba (Complete Series) – DVD
- The Golden Girls (Season 2, 5, 6 & 7) – DVD
- The Mighty Ducks – DVD
- The Mighty Ducks 2 – DVD
- The Mighty Ducks 3 – DVD

- Father of the bride – DVD
- Father of the bride Part 2 – DVD
- Minions the rise of Gru – DVD
- A man called Otto – DVD

– Nashua Public Library Director Heather Hackman

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROGER LEE KLINGMAN, Deceased, CASE NO. ESPR003102 NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Roger Lee Klingman, Deceased, who died on or about on January 27, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on March 16, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Roger Lee Klingman, deceased, bearing date of September 24, 2023, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of the county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated on March 16, 2023. Barry Klingman, Proponent David H. Skilton, ICIS#: AT0007261 205 Brasher Street, P.O. Box 39 Nashua, IA 50658-0039 dhs.csslaw@butler-bremer.com Attorney for Estate Date of second publication 03/31/23 Probate Code Section 305

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES March 13, 2023

The Board convened on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the 2nd floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Elections/Real Estate Deputy Laura Wickham, Attorney David Laudner, Kathy Shekleton, Terry Johnson, Bob Hansen, Assessor Raymond Arnel, EMS Joel Knutson, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Engineer Roman Lensing, Bridget Edson, Bob Fenske, EMA Jeff Bernatz, Dave Gorman.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for March 13, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the meeting minutes from March 6, 2023 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Public Comment by Assessor Ray Arnel about Wind Energy Project. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve Class C Retail Alcohol License for the Balk Tank, LLC. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve prior bills in the amount of \$981.16. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve payroll with a check date of March 10, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to authorize County Attorney David Laudner to draft a resolution to sell Parcel 2022-48 to Robert Hansen for \$200.00. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the canvass of the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District and Hawkeye Community College Special Election, March 7, 2023 and authorize the Auditor to certify the results. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

tion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize Chairperson to sign Lawler 28E Agreement for General Law Enforcement Services. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

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Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve and authorize Chairperson to sign North Washington 28E Agreement for General Law Enforcement Services. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize Chairperson to sign Hampton 28E Agreement for General Law Enforcement Services. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize Chairperson to sign Fredericksburg 28E Agreement for General Law Enforcement Services. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Discussed Samuels Group process and potential sites for EMS.

Discuss Insurance Claim for Laptop and Owl.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to authorize participation and signatures for the Additional Opioid Settlement with Allergan, Teva, CVS, Walmart and Walgreens. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Discussed Empower Rural Iowa Grant. No action taken.

Budget Work Session discussion. No action taken

Committee Assignments Supervisor Cerwinske March 7, Cedar River Watershed Project Supervisor Breitbach March 7, Upper Wapsipinnon River Watershed Project Supervisor Hackman March 8, Six County Meeting

Motion by Cerwinske seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 11:58 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Laura Wickham, Secretary to the Board

No. 22852 03/30/23 03/31/23

Briefs

Private pesticide applicator course set for April 10

The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program will be offering a "Last Chance" Private Pesticide Applicator Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for private pesticide applicators on April 10 at the Chickasaw County Extension office at 506 W. Milwaukee Street in New Hampton.

The course will fulfill 2023 recertification requirements for private pesticide applicators.

The session will begin at 9 a.m. and will run for approximately two and a half hours. The registration fee is \$30. Pre-registration is required by calling Lynn Bruess at the Chickasaw County Extension office by phoning 641-394-2174.

Register for Tai Chi arthritis and fall prevention class by April 14

Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging (NEI3A) is offering Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention classes in Fredericksburg from April 18 through June 8. Classes will be held at the Fredericksburg Community Center (151 West Main Street) each Tuesday and Thursday from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class is offered on a \$4 suggested contribution per class for those over 60.

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John C. Birmingham, 67

John Charles Birmingham, age 67 of Nashua, died Monday, March 20, 2023, at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 31, 2023, at the United Methodist Church in Nashua with Pastor Sarah Namukose officiating.

Friends may greet the family from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, March 31, 2023, prior to the service at the church in Nashua.

A graveside service will take place at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel of Nashua has been entrusted with arrangements, and online condolences for John's family can be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Former lawmaker takes over as part-time attorney for Floyd County

Floyd County's new part-time county attorney was sworn in Wednesday at a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Todd Prichard, a Charles City attorney, former Iowa legislative leader and Army Reserve colonel, took the oath of office after the board took two actions — first passing a resolution changing the county attorney position from full time to part time and setting the salary, then making the appointment.

Prichard stressed in his interview for the position Monday that part time did not mean half as many hours as full time. The main distinction is that designation allows him to maintain a private practice, which by Iowa Code a full-time county attorney cannot do. He said he would limit his private practice to things like probate work and business law that can be scheduled around his county attorney duties

That topic of full versus part time came up again Wednesday morning, as supervisors were discussing the appointment before making it official.

"I've received some pushback on the part-time piece of it," said Supervisor Dennis Keifer. "I think the public doesn't necessarily understand. They think you're limited to 20 hours a week and I don't know what you or we can do to help clarify that."

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Total team effort gives Huskies a title at Saint

BOYS TRACK: FROM 8

on what we want to accomplish this season. That's one goal I think we need to have in mind is a conference championship." Sudol continued his message to the team - with all eyes focused on him and his two assistants, Jay Conner and Nick Henningsen.

"You guys have done remarkable things all year long. Why can't we do it for conference track - district track?" said Sudol. "We can't plateau after last night's events."

N-P heads to Osage on Tuesday where the Saints and Green Devils will be gunning for the Huskies once more. Osage finished third at the season opener with 121 points. North Butler was fourth (76) and Northwood-Kensett was fifth (64).

"It took everyone single one of you guys on this team for us to win that track meet last night," said Henningsen. "Every single thing matters. If you give it your all and you come together as a team - we're a team to be reckoned with in the future."

Lamborn - the school record holder in the high jump - leaped six feet for his first-place finish. Harrington crossed the finish line first in his 400 race in 54.43. He led off the first-place 4x400 team of Eli Kalainoff, Joel Winters and Titus Evans. The foursome notched a season-best 3:43.15 clip.

Husky freshman Jase Hansen led off the 4x800 relay that also took first place. Hansen handed the stick to Winters, who gave it to Dylan Blanchard - where Harrington finished the race out on the anchor leg with a team time of 9:12.

The sprint medley team of freshmen Navarii Williams and Blaine Brannon, as well as sophomore Aiden Gelnor and junior Titus Evans, secured a gold medal with a time of 1:43.

So did the group of Brannon, freshman Tyler Zimmer, Joel Winters and Hansen in the 4-med (4:07).

The shuttle hurdle relay squad - which competed at state last year, just like the 4x400 - earned first-place in 1:06 with the team of senior Kaden Wilken, Lamborn, freshman Landon Foelske and Evans.

Wilken was runner-up in each of his individual hurdle events. His time in the 110 hurdles was 16.21. He ran a 1:02 in the 400 hurdles.

Sudol summed up a feel-good moment for his Huskies on Wednesday. The best may

still be yet to come. "We're out to win big time this year," said Sudol. "This may be the best track team we've had in 20 years. We gotta go for it this year."

ST. ANSGAR COED MEET TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 141, St. Ansgar 138, Osage 121, North Butler 76, Northwood-Kensett 64, West Fork 24, Riceville 16, Mason City Newman 8.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 dash - 7. Trae Geise 13.48, 8. Easton Richards 13.74.
 200 dash - 5. Blaine Brannon 25.2, 10. Eli Kalainoff 26.08.
 400 dash - 1. Bo Harrington 54.43, 5. Kalainoff 56.28.
 800 run - 4. Dylan Blanchard 2:20.58, 5. Jase Hansen 2:22.26.
 1,600 run - 5. Levi Winters 5:35.07, 6. Caleb Lentz 5:35.89.
 3,200 run - 4. Winters 12:25.34, 7. Luke Paplow 13:22.24.
 110 hurdles - 2. Kaden Wilken 16.21, 4. Titus Evans 16.68.
 400 hurdles - 2. Wilken 1:02.33, 6. Landon Foelske 1:08.78.
 4x100 - 3. Navarii Williams, Aiden Gelnor, Brannon, Aiden Lamborn 47.98.
 4x200 - 2. Williams, Geise, Gelnor, Lamborn 1:41.73.
 4x400 - 1. Harrington, Kalainoff, Winters, Evans 3:43.15.
 4x800 - 1. Hansen, Winters, Blanchard, Harrington 9:12.23.
 Sprint medley - 1. Williams, Gelnor, Brannon, Evans 1:43.76.
 Distance medley - 1. Brannon, Tyler Zimmer, Winters, Hansen 4:07.22.
 Shuttle hurdle - 1. Wilken, Lamborn, Foelske, Evans 1:06.06.
 High jump - 1. Lamborn 6, 3. Harrington 5-10.
 Long jump - 3. Geise 17-1.5, 11. Hansen 15.5.
 Shot put - 4. Isaac Jones 36.75, 10. Jackson Zwanziger 29-11.5.
 Discus - 5. Zwanziger 102-7, 6. Kalainoff 102.

JV RESULTS

4x100 - 5. Thierry Muller, Brady Lensing, Quintyn Boehmer, Maverick Dietz-McDonald 56.95.
 4x200 - 3. Karson Chyma, Jack Hall, Lensing, Richards 1:56.25.
 4x400 - 3. Jake Smith, Braeden Mitchell, Benjamin Percy, Devon Blanchard 4:13.18.
 4x800 - 1. Mitchell, Lentz, Smith, Brexton Bird 10:12.25.
 Shuttle hurdle - 1. De. Blanchard, Zimmer, Mitchell, Gelnor 1:18.68.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
 March 20, 2023

The Board convened on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 5:34 PM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman present at Community Service Building, 260 East Prospect Street, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Kennan Seda, Assessor Raymond Armel, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Tammy Robinson, Matt Blaess, Jeremy McGrath, Bruce Babcock, Janice Babcock, Randy Taylor, Kalista Porath Daly, Jason Speltz, Mindy Casterton Humpal, Joe Denner, Bobby Schwickerath, Katie Fisher, Tim Zoll, Karen Clemens, Chuck Stanton, Misti Shawver, Angie Laures, Russ Laures, Reed Palo, Chad Humpal, Heather Hackman, Hayden Hackman & Mike Pickar and others were in attendance.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve the agenda for March 20, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Discussion Law Enforcement Center/Jail Feasibility Study with Samuel's Group

Motion by Hackman seconded by Breitbach to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
 Board of Supervisors
 ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton, Auditor

No. 22851
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Photo courtesy of Jennifer Kalainoff

Some Nashua-Plainfield boys track team members - check out Bo Harrington in the first row! - show more excitement than others as they pose for a photo after claiming the team championship at the Huskies' outdoor opener, the St. Ansgar Coed, Tuesday night.

Briefs

New Hampton Running Club to hold annual 5K run/walk Saturday

The New Hampton Running Club's seventh annual 5K run and walk will take place this Saturday at 8 a.m. Registration begins at 7 a.m. at Mikkelson Park, 110 East Spring St. in New Hampton. Awards will be given to first through third places in each age group. Entry fee will be \$35 and may also be completed online at <http://getmeregistered.com/NewHamptonCC5K>.

Stars & Stripes Spectacular set Saturday evening in Lawler

The Lawler Sons of the American Legion will hold its annual Stars & Stripes Spectacular on Saturday at the Starlite Ballroom. The evening will begin with a 5:30 p.m. meal that will include choice roast beef, sides and desserts and free table wine and a live auction is set to begin at 7 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$25 and can be purchased by calling Curt Franzen at 563-380-6333 or Gene Blazek at 563-278-7150.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -- PROPOSED BUDGET
 Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024
 County Name: CHICKASAW COUNTY County Number: 19

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County budget as follows:
Meeting Date: 4/10/2023 Meeting Time: 09:10 AM Meeting Location: Boardroom 2nd Floor of the Courthouse, 8 E Prospect, New Hampton, IA 50659
 At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the County Auditor. A copy of the supporting detail will be furnished upon request.
 County budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult www.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals
 Average annual percentage changes between "Actual" and "Budget" amounts for "Taxes Levied on Property", "Other County Taxes/ TIF Tax Revenues", and for each of the ten "Expenditure Classes" must be published. Expenditure classes proposing "Budget" amounts, but having no "Actual" amounts, are designated "NEW".
 County Website (if available) www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov County Telephone Number (641) 394-2100

	Budget 2023/2024	Re-Est 2022/2023	Actual 2021/2022	AVG Annual % CHG
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Taxes Levied on Property	1	6,985,185	6,694,445	7,462,883 -3.25
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	6,014	21,203	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	233,850	325,850	0
Net Current Property Taxes	4	6,745,321	6,347,392	7,462,883
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	135	500	101
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	15,000	10,200	32,032
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	944,392	1,030,000	1,290,799 -14.46
Intergovernmental	8	8,012,221	9,384,737	5,405,318
Licenses & Permits	9	50,300	40,000	53,095
Charges for Service	10	1,476,188	1,000,000	1,182,324
Use of Money & Property	11	145,852	152,927	101,357
Miscellaneous	12	212,100	294,305	399,376
Subtotal Revenues	13	17,601,509	18,260,061	15,927,285
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	2,678,515	3,212,868	1,742,140
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	0	0	5
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	20,280,024	21,472,929	17,669,430
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	3,969,514	4,624,311	2,324,339 30.68
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,784,749	1,653,131	1,416,775 12.24
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	0	310,014
County Environment and Education	21	827,214	873,139	659,212 12.02
Roads & Transportation	22	7,283,124	7,719,618	6,168,458 8.66
Government Services to Residents	23	611,228	562,108	478,515 13.02
Administration	24	1,989,177	2,307,023	1,568,778 12.60
Nonprogram Current	25	0	5,000	47,050
Debt Service	26	476,473	478,060	479,361 -0.30
Capital Projects	27	4,086,198	3,259,356	907,865 112.15
Subtotal Expenditures	28	21,027,677	21,481,746	14,360,367
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	29	2,678,515	3,212,868	1,742,140
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	23,706,192	24,694,614	16,102,507
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses				
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1,	33	8,788,413	12,010,098	10,443,175
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	2,432,035	3,637,144	8,296,621
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	2,930,210	5,151,269	3,713,477
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30,	40	5,362,245	8,788,413	12,010,098

Proposed property taxation by type:	Proposed tax rates per \$1,000 taxable valuation:
Countywide Levies*:	4.776,130
Rural Only Levies*:	2,209,055
Special District Levies*:	0
TIF Tax Revenues:	0
Utility Replacement Excise Tax:	241,332
Urban Areas:	5.17386
Rural Areas:	8.49321
Any special district tax rates not included.	

Explanation of any significant items in the budget or additional virtual meeting information:
 Line 1 decrease in county wide tax asking. Line 7 is a decrease anticipated in local option taxes and utility tax replacement line 18 increase salary and fringe benefits and adding new department Emergency Medical Services. Line 19 increase salary and fringe benefits Line 21 increase salary and fringe benefits Line 22 increase salary and fringe benefits and increase in material costs Line 23 increase salary and fringe benefits Line 24 increase salary and fringe benefits and increase in general liability insurance. Line 27 increase due to swap bridge project and remodel/new building

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Board of Supervisors will hold final hearing on 23-24 county budget and tax levy on April 10

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that so we don't have the situation like we did last year.
Supervisors on Monday also had a chance to see how the county's potential new voting machines work as Henry M. Adkins and Sons' Mark Fredericks gave them a demonstration on a new machine that he said is not only faster but easier for election workers to use.

The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, which oversees all elections in the county, is proposing that the county buy 11 machines — nine for its precincts and two "back-ups" — at a total cost of \$50,578.
While supervisors said they appreciated the fact that it was probably time to buy new election equipment, they pointed out that new election equipment is not in the county's 2023-

24 budget.
Fredericks, though, said his company would work with the county by delivering the equipment during the budget year and allowing the county to either pay the entire balance or begin its three-year payment plan in July 2024, which would be part of the 2024-25 budget.
Although board members didn't make a final decision, they asked

Fredericks to draw up a contract and they will take up the matter at a later date.
Finally, board members spent about an hour going through its proposed 2023-24 budget and then approved holding a public hearing on the budget at 9:10 a.m. on Monday, April 10.
The action came a week after the board approved its maximum levy, which will see tax-asking increase by

1.99 percent for the General Basic/General Supplemental funds and 11.38 percent for the Rural Services Basic budget.
Supervisors Jake Hackman reminded his fellow board members that the board could still reduce budgets, but there appeared to be little appetite to do so from the rest of the board. Setting the public hearing passed on a 4-1 vote, with just Hackman voting no.

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Table with multiple columns listing various legal notices, including company names, addresses, and contact information. Includes entries like BRUSHING CHEMICALS, EUROFIN ENVIRONMENT TESTING, PARTS, JOLA PUBLICATIONS, etc.

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Table containing the 'CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES' for March 20, 2023. Lists agenda items such as 'The Board convened on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 9:00 AM' and 'BUDGET AMENDMENT #4'.

Table listing various services and their associated costs. Includes categories like 'CHICKASAW HERITAGE BUILDING CENTER', 'CITY LIBRARY', 'K-9 UNIT', 'WRONG SERVICE ACCOUNT', 'SERVICE AREA: INTERGOVERNMENTAL', 'OPERATING TRANSFERS IN', 'PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL SERV...', 'PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES', 'MENTAL HEALTH ID & DD', 'COUNTY ENVIRONMENT & EDUCATION', 'ROADS & TRANSPORTATION', 'GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO RESIDENTS', 'ADMINISTRATION', 'CAPITAL PROJECT', 'OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT', 'PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023', 'INCREASE IN SALARY & BENEFITS', 'TREASURE', 'LAND DEVELOPMENT', 'PUBLIC HEALTH', and 'GRANT'.

accordance with the Code of Iowa, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: The transfer from the General Basic Fund (0001) to the General Supplemental Fund (0002) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, shall be the \$600,000. 1. The amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balance in the transferring fund. 2. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfers. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023. /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Chair, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. The above resolution is a summary. For the full text of resolutions, visit our website at: HTTPS://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov or visit our office at The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, 8 E Prospect St, New Hampton, IA. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 641-394-2100.
Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinke to approve Resolution 03-20-23-19 RESOLUTION FOR INTER-FUND OPERATING TRANSFER Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the County Auditor to periodically transfer from County Betterment Fund (0025) to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund (0004) during the FY 2022-2023 budget year, and WHEREAS, said transfer must be in accordance with the Code of Iowa, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: 1. The transfer from the County Betterment Fund (0025) to the Emergency Medical Services Fund (0004) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, shall be the \$71,607. 2. The amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balance in the transferring fund. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfers. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023. /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Chair, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. The above resolution is a summary. For the full text of resolutions, visit our website at: HTTPS://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov or visit our office at The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, 8 E Prospect St, New Hampton, IA. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 641-394-2100.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve Resolution 03-20-23-21 TO CORRECT AN INTER-FUND OPERATING TRANSFER RESOLUTION NO. 12-12-22-69 Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors therefore will allocate funds to the new department to operate during the 2022-2023 fiscal year with revenues from taxes and other sources for rural county services within the rural services fund. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Auditor is directed to conduct an interfund operating transfer of \$172,000 from "Fund No. 0011-99-000-000-81400-Rural Services Basic" to Fund No. 0004-0-37-0300-904000-Chickasaw County "EMS" to fund the new department that will provide emergency medical services during the 2022-2023 fiscal year because funds used to operate the new department and to provide said services are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in Chickasaw County outside of incorporated city areas, and as such funds will be allocated from the rural services fund. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023. /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Chair, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. The above resolution is a summary. For the full text of resolutions, visit our website at: HTTPS://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov or visit our office at The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, 8 E Prospect St, New Hampton, IA. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 641-394-2100.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Suckow to approve Resolution 03-20-23-24 RESOLUTION FOR INTER-FUND OPERATING TRANSFER Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the County Auditor to periodically transfer from Ambulance Fund (0031) to the Chickasaw County Betterment Fund (0025) during the FY 2022-2023 budget year, and WHEREAS, said transfer must be in accordance with the Code of Iowa, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows: 1. The transfer from Ambulance Fund (0031) to the Chickasaw County Betterment Fund (0025) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, shall be the \$43,200. 2. The amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balance in the transferring fund. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and notify the Treasurer of the amount of said transfers. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023. /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Chair, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. The above resolution is a summary. For the full text of resolutions, visit our website at: HTTPS://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov or visit our office at The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, 8 E Prospect St, New Hampton, IA. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 641-394-2100.
Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to open Public Hearing on the Property Tax Levy and Maximum Property Tax Dollars for FY 2023-2024 for General County Services and Rural County Services at 9:35 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussed Property Tax Levy and Maximum Property Tax Dollars for FY 2023-2024. No written comment.
Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to close Public Hearing on the Property Tax Levy and Maximum Property Tax Dollars for FY 2023-2024 for General County Services and Rural County Services at 9:46 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinke to approve Resolution 03-20-23-20 SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY AND MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024 FOR GENERAL COUNTY SERVICES AND RURAL SERVICES. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Nay-Hackman. Motion carried.
WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors have considered the proposed fiscal year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 Chickasaw County maximum property tax dollars for both General County Services and Rural County Services, and WHEREAS, The Notice concerning the proposed county maximum property tax dollars was published as required and posted on the county website, WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed property tax levy and proposed county maximum property tax dollars was held on March 20, 2023.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County that the maximum property tax dollars for General County Services and Rural Services for fiscal year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024, shall not exceed the following: General County Services: \$4,443,844.00 Rural County Services: \$2,300,000.00 The maximum property tax dollars requested in either General County Services or Rural County Services for fiscal year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024, does represent an increase of more than 102% from the maximum property tax dollars requested for fiscal year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 20th day of MARCH 2023. /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Chair, Board of Supervisors. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. The above resolution is a summary. For the full text of resolutions, visit our website at: HTTPS://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov or visit our office at The Chickasaw County Auditor's Office, 8 E Prospect St, New Hampton, IA. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 641-394-2100.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by

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Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinke to add and relocated services to the Chickasaw Heritage Building Center; move Community Action to room #15, Riverview and Helping Services to room #16, and to offer the Juvenile Court Services Officers room #6. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge purchase of Sheriff Department's Tahoe one docking station of \$3,163.66 from Sector per purchase policy for FY 2022-2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinke to acknowledge purchase of Sheriff Department's vehicle upfitting of \$22,893.25 with Karl Emergency Vehicle per purchase policy for FY 2022-2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinke to authorize Sheriff Shawver to reserve 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe with Vern Laure's Center for \$41,632.40 for FY 2023-2024 (not to be billed till July) pending budget approval. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge purchase of Sheriff Department's Tahoe one docking station of \$3,163.66 from Sector per purchase policy for FY 2023-2024 pending budget approval. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussion with Assessor Raymond Armel and Engineer Roman Lensing about updates on Inverney Wind Turbine Project. There will be a meeting March 23, 2023 at the Pinicon, 5:30 PM, for Landowners and Chickasaw Event Center, 7:30 PM, for the public.
Discuss Secondary Roads updates.
Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinke to approve Employment Contract with Roman Lensing, County Engineer, with a 6% Salary increase to \$116,600.00 for fiscal year 2023-2024 on July 1.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to Amend prior motion "Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinke to approve Employment Contract with Roman Lensing, County Engineer, with a 6% Salary increase to \$116,600.00 for fiscal year 2023-2024 on July 1. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried." To increase salary by 9% to \$119,900.00. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
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Discussed Fredericksburg Maintenance Shop Lease Agreement.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinke to change the building values for Heartland Insurance as discussed for fiscal year 2023-2024. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinke, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinke to approve Resolution 03-20-23-21 FORGIVING/ADJUST-

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Haley Biekert (above) plays the role of Toto in "The Wizard of Oz" while the Winkies — Jaoyful Ssuubi, Debra Koksa and Landen Crabtree — hold up signs of protest during the production that was put on by the Nashua-Plainfield High School Drama Department and the Minnesota-based Prairie Fire Children's Theatre.



Our stars of the stage!



The Munchkins (above) — who were played by Rylie Hollister, Mossyn Berry and Amelia Meyer — perform "Munkinland" while the Lion, who was played by Prairie Fire's Brianna Holman, tries on some glasses. Holman and her fellow director, Bel Sierra, arrived in Nashua on Sunday, held auditions for the play on Monday and then worked with N-P students for the rest of the week so that they would be ready to put the play on by Saturday, when it was performed at both 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.



Green Guard Angel Gentry (left) performs a scene, as do the Flying Monkeys — Jace Caswell and Saratu Buba (above) while the Lion, played by Kierrah Montario and the Tinman, Jac Meester, are decked out in the costumes provided by Prairie Fire.



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Dorothy (left), played by Madelyn Hennings, shows off her shades and then talks with Auntie em and Uncle Henry (above) — played by Natalie Feldman and Danielle Long — while Addalyn Becker (right) plays the role of Glinda, the Good Witch, during Saturday's matinee performance.

N-P girls show promise in their outdoor opener

Huck's three individual wins help Huskies to fourth-place finish at St. Ansgar Coed

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
Of the Reporter

Sweatpants, earmuffs and a blanket were almost a requirement at St. Ansgar on Tuesday night.

Brrr!!!
The Nashua-Plainfield Huskies braved the elements at the season-opening meet hosted by the Saints on an evening that saw the mercury dip well below freezing.

N-P made due in the first outdoor meet of the season as the Huskies placed fourth overall in the eight-team field.

N-P head coach Amber McCall – in her first year as head coach after taking over for Jessi Mahnesmith – made sure her Huskies were bundled up and ready to race out of the blocks once the starter gun sounded.

“It was great to get outside for our first outdoor meet, especially to see where we are sitting with a full lineup,” said McCall. “It was very cold. Obviously keeping our sweats on as long as possible and really focusing on warming up is extremely important on nights like that. The biggest thing for our mindset is to remember everyone is competing in the same conditions as we are.”

McCall – who has been an assistant N-P coach since 2016 – helped lead the Huskies to the state championship last spring. That was the first ever state title achieved by a Husky team in any girls sport.

While N-P graduated a large and incredibly talented senior class – the Huskies still sport one of the state's top athletes in sophomore Kadence Huck.

Huck worked a trifecta of individual wins on Tuesday in the chilly weather with first-place finishes in the 400 run (59.18), 800 run (2:40) and 1,500 run (5:13). The open 400 is arguably Huck's best event. She won a Class 1A state title in the event last year and currently holds the fifth-best time this spring in all classes via entries submitted to the website Bound

Huck anchored the runner-up 4x400 relay, which was made up of juniors Jordyn Frost and Ellie Eick, as well as freshman Jalissa White. Their time crossing the tape was 4:34.

N-P was also second in the 4x800, with the opening tandem of sophomore Amberly Gerholdt and Eick, followed by freshman Kami Hannemann and White. The group produced a time of 12:01.

“Our 4x4 and 4x8 are sitting in a great spot for the start of the season. Their times will continue to drop as the season goes on. We look forward to seeing what the two events can do this season for us. Both events are young, but yet still have experienced veterans on them as well,” said McCall.

Emily Becker – one of just three seniors on N-P's roster – produced a runner-up finish in the 100 dash. She raced down the track in a time of 14.61.

McCall likes Becker's “we-first” attitude and her approach to becoming the best that she can be out on the oval.

“Emily is a great team player. She is such an amazing person! She works hard and she's coachable. We are excited to see her take on her senior year and last track season!” said McCall.

In N-P's first run of the season in the 4x100 – the Huskies did not run the event in two Wartburg Indoor meets –

Becker led off the race, followed by Gerholdt, freshmen Abi Prugh and Elayna O'Neill. The Huskies' time was 1:01, good for fifth place.

Nashua-Plainfield's distance medley relay of Frost, sophomore Marleigh Lowe, White and Eick placed fourth in 5:12. That was also the first time N-P has competed in that event in 2023.

Running in an official meet for the first time in the sprint medley was Becker, Prugh, O'Neill and Lowe.

The Huskies wound up fifth in 2:16.

Frost was third in the high jump (4-8) and earned a fourth-place finish in the 200 dash in 30.28.

Lowe came in sixth in the 400 hurdles in 1:27 and was ninth in the 100 hurdles (20.14).

McCall's assistant coach this season is Toni Nelson.

“She has been an absolute rock star! We are so lucky to have her!” said McCall.

ST. ANSGAR COED MEET TEAM SCORES

St. Ansgar 137, Osage 130, West Fork 82, Nashua-Plainfield 75, Northwood-Kensett 48, North Butler 40, Mason City Newman 25, Riceville 20.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 dash - 2. Emily Becker 14.61, 7. Elayna O'Neill 15.48.
200 dash - 4. Jordyn Frost 30.28, 7. Amberly Gerholdt 31.86.
400 dash - 1. Kadence Huck 59.18, 13. Emma O'Neill 1:28.2.
800 run - 1. Huck 2:40.57, 10. Kami Hannemann 3:07.02.
1,500 run - 1. Huck 5:13.68, 6. Jalissa White 6:15.94.
100 hurdles - 9. Marleigh Lowe 20.14.

400 hurdles - 6. Lowe 1:27.13.
4x100 - 5. Becker, Gerholdt, Abi Prugh, El. O'Neill 1:01.1.
4x200 - 6. Becker, Gerholdt, Prugh, El. O'Neill 2:09.24.
4x400 - 2. Frost, Ellie Eick, White, Huck 4:34.87.

4x800 - 2. Gerholdt, Eick, Hannemann, White 12:01.66.
Sprint medley - 5. Becker, Prugh, El. O'Neill, Lowe 2:16.71.

Distance medley - 4. Frost, Lowe, White, Eick 5:12.14.
High jump - 3. Frost 4-8.
Long jump - 8. Hannemann 11-10.5.

Shot put - 5. Eden Lamborn 30-3.
Discus - 11. Lamborn 62-6.

JV RESULTS

4x100 - 7. Bailey Bond, Brooke Russel, Paisley McCain, Jennifer McLeland 1:18.85.
4x200 - 6. Bond, Russel, McCain, Sara Buba 2:32.93.



A day after his team topped both St. Ansgar and Osage to win the St. Ansgar Coed team title, Nashua-Plainfield track coach Chase Sudol hands out the spoils of victory – the medals the Huskies claimed on their way to their team championship.

Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

SHINING IN THE OUTDOORS!

HUSKY BOYS CLAIM FIRST TEAM TITLE VICTORY IN FIVE YEARS WITH TEAM TITLE AT ST. ANSGAR

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
Of the Reporter

When Chase Sudol spoke Wednesday afternoon in his alma mater's school cafeteria – his team listened.

Not because he was talking, but because they believed in what he was saying.

There's a difference.
Sudol and his Nashua-Plainfield boys track team gathered for that team meeting to discuss and run through what took place the night before at a season-opening St. Ansgar track meet that was an historic moment for all Huskies involved.

N-P won the meet – besting the host Saints by three points in the final team standings, 141-138.

Never before had Sudol – in his seven years at the helm of his program – beaten St. Ansgar out on the oval. And for what it's worth, he's never defeated the Saints either as a longtime N-P football assistant.

That all changed Tuesday evening – at least the track part – at a cold and chilly, early Iowa spring track meet that saw N-P reel in its first team title since a gold-medal winning performance at Summer-Fredericksburg in 2018.

That effort five years ago was repeated earlier this week and could well be achieved many more times this season if the Huskies continue to tap into excellence like they did on Tuesday.

“Obviously it's probably the most successful meet I've ever

“WE'RE OUT TO WIN BIG TIME THIS YEAR. THIS MAY BE THE BEST TRACK TEAM WE'VE HAD IN 20 YEARS. WE'VE GOTTA GO FOR IT THIS YEAR.”

— N-P BOYS TRACK COACH
CHASE SUDOL

been a part of,” said Sudol, in his seventh year at N-P. “That was a lot of fun last night.”

N-P won five of the seven relays and utilized sterling efforts from each and everyone of the meet's participants that sported the red and black Husky uniform.

The Huskies won seven events – two individual blue ribbons were handed out to seniors Aiden Lamborn (high jump) and Bo Harrington (open 400).

But it was all-around efforts in the Huskies' third, fourth, fifth and even sixth-place finishes that mattered. Gutsy laps around the track, like senior Levi Winters' fifth-place showing in the mile run in 5:35.07. Junior Caleb Lentz was right

behind him in sixth place (5:35.89) in what amounted to a near photo finish at the tape. Lentz not only scored a team point, but he prevented seventh-place finisher Andrew Hall of St. Ansgar from notching any team points.

Those type of scenarios added up and played itself out on a landmark night that could well set the tone for the entire season.

“We won by three points last night. I don't know if (Caleb) Lentz heard me or not. When Lentz was running the mile race, I went down to the fence and I said, ‘Lentz, you gotta beat this St. Ansgar kid.’ We knew it was close. Lentz beat the St. Ansgar kid. He was losing to him for a little while,” Sudol told his team.

N-P has close to 40 athletes out for the squad this season and the goals for the year haven't changed since the St. Ansgar win. In fact, they're probably more resolute for Sudol and his Huskies.

“The top two teams in our conference were there last night. We beat both of them,” said Sudol. “You go in the gym right now...there's no conference awards for N-P boys track. We gotta set some goals

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Trapshooting at Nashua-Plainfield Invitational, Nashua Fish and Game Club, 8 a.m.

MONDAY

Boys and girls golf vs. Charles City and Osage, Cedar Ridge Golf Course, Charles City, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY

Boys and girls track at Osage Coed Early Bird, 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Girls track at Hampton-Dumont Relays, 4:30 p.m.
Boys track at Hudson Invitational, 4:30 p.m.