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Residents speak out against 300-foot high tower; City Council says it needs more information before deciding if it will issue permit

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A lesson in physics, not skateboarding!

During a recent trip to Nashua-Plainfield High School to put together a feature story on Nashua-Plainfield’s four foreign-exchange students (which by the way will be in next week’s edition), Reporter Editor Bob Fenske came across this scene in the hallway, and his interest was immediately piqued as he watched science instructor Ben Kalainoff share a lesson with students (from left) Jackson Stowe, Garret Rinken, Aiden Lamborn, Jackson Zwanziger and Kendrick Huck (hidden behind Zwanziger).

So what was going on? We’ll let the instructor explain.

“We are studying normal forces and unbalanced forces,” Kalainoff said. “The students were investigating how the forces change from a flat surface to an angled surface. Then know the skateboard will accelerate down the ramp, we were looking into the forces that cause this.”



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Nashua Garden Club will host 2022 Tour of Homes Dec. 3

The Nashua Garden Club will hold a fundraising Tour of Homes and soup supper on Saturday, Dec. 3, as part of Christmas in Nashua.

Tickets for the tour are \$10 and can be purchased the day of the event at the Nashua Fire Station, which will open at 1 p.m. and also have refreshments. Homes on the tour include The Dam Green House, Nashua Lake House and the homes of Kendra Thomas/Lucas Fisher and Pat and Tom Palmersheim.

The soup supper will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at the fire station. A freewill donation will be accepted, and carry-outs are also available. Profits from the event will go to community projects and horticulture scholarships presented by the Garden Club.

Chickasaw Heritage Building Center ... now , it's official

The editor of the New Hampton Tribune and Nashua Reporter took a little grief during Monday's Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors meeting and for good reason.

The editor jumped the gun in last week's paper, so when Board Chairman Matt Kuhn brought up the agenda topic "Discuss name for building" during discussion about the Heritage building, Supervisor Jason Byrne couldn't help but joke, "Well, I read in the paper we already did it."

Well, truth be told, the Board of Supervisors talked about it during their meeting on Nov. 14 but didn't actually vote on the name change to the Chickasaw Heritage Building Center that currently offices five county offices and non-profits.

So on Monday, the board officially voted on the name change and the motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

Jacob Kenneth Sievers, 18

Jacob Kenneth Sievers, age 18 of Plainfield, died Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022, near Hampton.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton, and for more information, call 641-394-4334.

Thanksgiving may not be a Christian holiday but its values sure are

Pilgrims with black hats and puffed sleeves having a turkey feast with Native Americans are the common images associated with Thanksgiving.

Most Americans were taught about this event in school as children and can remember being involved in plays and pageants depicting the events of the "first Thanksgiving" more than 400 years ago.

While the holiday has long been perceived in this way, there are many reasons to question this picture of the event that the modern secular/civic religious Thanksgiving is based on.

Based on modern scholarship, many historians and scholars are convinced that the history of Thanksgiving is much more complex than commonly depicted. Not only has the idea of the holiday as an originally Christian one been questioned, but the colonialism associated with the "first Thanksgiving" has recently become much more apparent and unmasked.

To understand whether Thanksgiving is truly a Christian holiday, one must examine the event behind the modern celebration of Thanksgiving, the Pilgrim practice of holding thanksgivings, and how the celebration became a national holiday of America.

The 'First' Thanksgiving

Pilgrims, not the Puritans, were the ones who settled in North America after arriving on the Mayflower in 1620. As Christian separatists, they left England to worship freely because of the persecution from the Church of England. Their trip across the ocean was perilous and many of the Pilgrims lost their lives on the voyage.

When they finally made it to the New World, many more of the passengers became ill and died. While the Native Americans did help the Pilgrims learn to survive, their relations with the newcomers were more complicated than is commonly depicted.

The Wampanoag tribe did enter a peace treaty with the Pilgrims but did so mainly to protect their own tribe. Also, in contrast to popular stories, the Native Americans did not pass on their land to the Pilgrims.

In September or October of 1621, the governor of the new settlement, William Bradford, declared a feast in celebration of their successful harvest. Although half of the original Pilgrims had perished, the remaining settlers celebrated a feast.

Pilgrims and members of the Wampanoag joined in the celebration, although most historians agree that the food and events of the feast are mainly unknown. The feast was a celebration of the harvest, but the Pilgrims did not recognize it as a new holiday to celebrate annually.

Also, there is very little documentation of the event, which proves it was not a major event that the Pilgrims chose to "mark on their calendars" for the coming years.

While the Pilgrims did worship the Lord and would have given thanks to Him for their harvest, the event known as the "first" Thanksgiving was a "harvest feast and not, as far as we know, an official religious day of thanksgiving."

Surely, the Pilgrims would have recognized God's provision for the harvest and would not have specifically separated the sacred from the secular as people do today. However, there is no indication that the 1621 Thanksgiving celebration between the Native Americans and Pilgrims was a strictly Christian observance.

Thanksgivings to the Lord

The Pilgrims had a long tradition, spanning back to their time in England, where they would observe times of suffering and times of plenty. During times of suffering, Pilgrim leaders would call for a fast and repentance of sins.

Likewise, in times of abundance and blessing, the people would collectively observe a time of thanksgiving, when they would offer praise to the Lord. An official day of thanksgiving was celebrated by the Pilgrims in 1623 because of rain after a long season of drought.

This celebration was seen as an official day of thanksgiving when the grateful Pilgrims praised the Lord for the rain after suffering the effects of drought. Such "holidays," like the one in 1623, were sporadic and not held at the same time every year.

After the Puritans arrived in Plymouth in 1630, they quickly enveloped the Pilgrims and their settlement, and the Plymouth Colony soon became mainly Puritan. Like the Pilgrims, the Puritans would sporadically recognize days of thanksgiving.

However, in 1668, the Plymouth Colony decreed an observance of thanksgiving to the Lord, for the colony's members to give thanks on the fourth Thursday in November. Evidently, this influenced the idea that Thanksgiving was a Christian holiday.

During the afternoon, they would say a prayer to give thanks and enjoy an abundant dinner. Through the influence of the Pilgrims and Puritans, celebrations of Thanksgiving would often include consideration of the poor, either by inviting them to the feast or the later practice of giving to charity.

Thus, in this sense, the earlier celebrations of Thanksgiving were impacted by the religious observances of the Pilgrims and Puritans. However, the later development of the holiday moved away from the Christian influences to instead support a nationalistic agenda.

Christians and Thanksgiving

Thus, Thanksgiving Day in America is not truly a Christian holiday.

There are Christian traditions associated with the day, but the official national holiday declared by Abraham Lincoln is not rooted in Christianity.

Instead, Thanksgiving is a secular or civic religious day that is grounded in America's history and used to support nationalistic ideals.

Christians can celebrate the day, since spending time with family and loved ones while giving thanks is important. However, believers should "give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thessalonians 5:18, NIV). Every day can be a day of "thanksgiving" to the Lord.

Even though Thanksgiving is not a Christian holiday, followers of Christ can choose to observe the day to the glory of God, thus making the day special even if other Christians choose to abstain from celebrating the holiday (Romans 14:6).

Either way, the glory of the Lord is the focus for Christians on Thanksgiving (1 Corinthians 10:31).

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This article was written by Sophia Bricker for the website christianity.com



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Chickasaw County Ambulance Council members meet for what turns out to be the final time Tuesday night, when they voted to disband the council at the end of the year.

Fredericksburg mayor wants cities to have input

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the amount the cities provide doesn't cover the costs.

"I've heard it referenced [at supervisor meetings] how many times, 'Well it doesn't say in there or specify that we have any responsibility to [contribute] any funds.' That's a little troublesome to us," Mitchell said. "There's no protection for us."

"At least give us a platform that we can [give] feedback to you guys what we're thinking. I mean you agreed to act in good faith in these agreements. ... I can't just leave work every Monday and go to your meetings."

Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors Chairman Matt Kuhn, who represents the county on the Ambulance Council, reminded Mitchell that it was the cities who didn't want to set up an "advisory council" when the 28E agreements were being hammered out.

"I know, but I've flipped," Mitchell said.

County Attorney David Laudner said he understood and sensed Mitchell's frustration, and said there was always the possibility that the Board of Supervisors could hold quarterly or bi-annual meetings to meet with the cities who are receiving services from the county-owned ambulance service.

Kuhn said he would agree to do so, but

he also conceded he is just one of five votes on the board.

"I guess I don't know how else to address that because ultimately it's up to those five people in those chairs," Launder said of the five supervisors.

"And sadly I guess — I don't know if that's the right term — whatever comes down to it, it's going to be lobbying those five members to do what's best for the community at large, including everyone in the county."

Kuhn said another reason to disband was so that the Ambulance Council could get an early termination of its lease with the city of New Hampton so that the county can park its ambulances in the garage used by the current service.

He said — and New Hampton Mayor Bobby Schwickerath agreed — that the city would accept an early termination and sign a lease with the county to use the space until more permanent quarters are found or constructed.

"We have a consensus," Schwickerath said.

Laudner also told the council members that he wasn't sure what the purpose of the council would be if it voted not to disband.

"By law, it almost ceases because there's no budget, there's no money, there's no contract for any ambulance. You're not providing any services. You're just a shell.

What purpose does it have then?"

In the end, Nashua's representative, Samantha Johnson, made a motion to distribute the remaining money the council has, pending final claims and publications, by per capita, based on the 2020 census and to disband the service on Dec. 31.

Kuhn earlier in the meeting had said that, as of Tuesday, there was \$14,269.53 remaining in the account.

At first, just the five voting members of the council approved Johnson's motion, but Laudner asked that all members of the council weigh in on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Bassett and Lawler did not have representatives at Tuesday night's meeting.

The council members then voted 7-0 to approve sending a letter to the city of New Hampton asking to get out of its lease.

Before the meeting ended, though, McGrath asked for a moment to thank the Ambulance Council, saying he appreciated the amount of hours council members put into providing ambulance service to the county.

Council members, in turn, thanked McGrath for the work he has done throughout the county through the years.

A few seconds later, the vote to adjourn was taken, passed unanimously and the final meeting of the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council ended.

Charles City business to get tax benefits for \$75.3 million expansion

By BOB STEENSON

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Zoetis in Charles City received approval from the Iowa Economic Development Authority on Friday for more than \$4 million in state tax benefits to support a \$75.3 million expansion project.

The project would enlarge the existing facility located in the southwest part of Charles City by 95,000 square feet to create additional temperature-controlled spaces, manufacturing storage and processing equipment, and would result in 70 new jobs, including 17 of which are incentivized by the state program.

The state award calls for \$3.012 million in investment tax credits and \$1.372 million in sales, service and use tax refunds, for a total state incentive of \$4.383 million.

To qualify for the tax benefits through the High Quality Jobs Program, the 17 jobs must offer an hourly wage of at least \$20.58.

There are currently almost 500 persons employed at the Charles City facility, according to the Zoetis application with the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA).

According to the summary presented at the IEDA meeting Friday, the project will be completed in three phases, with the first two to begin yet this year.

The Manufacturing East Expansion will add more manufacturing space to the east side of the existing manufacturing facility to create additional temperature-controlled spaces, new filling equipment and manufacturing storage. Project is expected to begin in November this year and be completed in 2023.

The Downstream Processing Expansion will include new temperature-controlled storage and processing areas that support several new pieces of biological processing equipment. Project is expected to begin in November this year and be completed in 2023.

The Manufacturing North Expansion will add more manufacturing space to the north side of the existing manufacturing facility to allow for additional temperature-controlled space, biological filling and process equipment. Project is expected to begin in August 2023 and be completed in 2025.

In addition, equipment purchases are expected to also start in November and be completed next year, and required infrastructure expansion is expected to start in August 2023 and be completed in 2026.

The projects lists \$43.2 mil-

lion in building construction, \$2.5 million in building remodeling and \$29.6 million in manufacturing machinery and equipment, for the total \$75.3 million project.

The state award is contingent on a \$4.86 million property tax rebate from the city of Charles City, anticipated to be a 90% tax rebate on the added value, over an 8-year period, according to

the agenda packet from Friday's IEDA meeting.

Charles City Administrator Steve Diers said that property tax rebate is likely an estimate based on the expected value of the project. The actual amount will be determined once the projected value of the project is assessed, then the tax rebate would have to go through the Southwest Bypass TIF District

Board and through the City Council and the county Board of Supervisors. It could get to the Charles City Council by the last meeting in December to set a hearing date if everything goes smoothly, he said.

This new Zoetis expansion project comes on the heels of a 20,000-square-foot, three-year "Poultry Center of Excellence" expansion project. Poultry vac-

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City Council hits pause button on tower project

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this agenda item after further discussion and hearing from Chickasaw County Attorney David Laudner and Chickasaw County Emergency Management Coordinator Jeff Bernatz.

Both were present at the meeting. Bernantz explained why the county wants to build a tower along the highway and near a cul-de-sac that is situated right next to a sub-access road. The tower would create a network so all county, state and local city workers could communicate on.

The creation of a new tower would eliminate dead spots with the current tower that city, county and state workers use presently.

"It's not radio waves, like the old system," said Bernatz. "So we have to be able to get to Waverly and there's a hump in between us and Waverly that we have to get up and over. That was one of the spots the city thought about planning on abandoning that road. That's a corner that can't be farmed efficiently. That was one part of the reason why we picked that spot."

Nashua Mayor Alex Anthofer mentioned that anyone wanting to build a tower over 75 feet high within the city limits needs to obtain a special permit from the city.

Laudner stated the county does have a signed purchase agreement with the property owners (Franke's) contingent on approval of the permit.

"In my opinion we're allowed to file an application because we have an equitable interest right now in the property, even though it hasn't been deeded to us yet," said Laudner.

Laudner also said the Muller's have been approached by the county to sell part of their property so a tower could be built on that land.

"At one point the county was looking at building a tower either on the east or the west side of the road and the east side of the road would be the objector's property," said Laudner. "We did discuss at one point buying the property from the objectors to build a tower there."

Wendel Franke had this to say after Laudner made the Council aware of past negotiations between the two parties.

"That was one big no, though. We didn't want to sell it," said Wendel Muller. "We could if you buy the whole thing."

All four council members in attendance agreed that they

need more information before an informed decision can be made about the permit.

"It sounds like there's more to this than what I knew," said Councilman Tim Malven. "We need exact measurements — where things are going to lay and how it's going to look if it were to be finished."

Council member Hal Kelleher thanked Delane Muller for her input and said the council will know more about what action is taken after more paperwork and design plans are presented to city officials.

"It does look like we have to look deeper into it, though," said Kelleher. "We need a plot plan with the setbacks on it and stuff. We're going to take this one step at a time. We hear you."

In other action taken by the Council, all four council members in attendance voted to use \$125,000 from ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds to be allocated to the volunteer Nashua Area EMS that the city is trying to establish.

Nashua was granted \$237,000 in federal funds through ARPA.

The volunteer EMS also saw its compensation set by the Council. EMT's will make \$30 a call, ambulance driver's \$25, ambulance attendant's \$20 and the service director/crew chief will receive \$150 a month.

The Council approved a sixth-month contract with Charles City, Floyd County and AMR (American Medical Response) to provide backup EMS service starting on Jan. 1, 2023.

The proposed contract has not been voted upon by anyone other than Nashua as of this time. But the cost for six months of backup service would cost the city of Nashua \$10,000 and run through June 30, 2023. The money would be split 50/50 between Charles City and Floyd County, which are paying \$100,000 each this year to AMR for service.

Extending the arrangement with Nashua could be considered if needed if the initial proposed contract is agreed upon by all parties involved.

Nashua also decided to run its volunteer EMS service as a city-operated endeavor, as opposed to an Ambulance Association and 28E Agreement.

The Council also unanimously approved a \$200 yearly stipend for each member of the Nashua Volunteer Fire Department.

Council member Rhonda Dean was not present at this regular meeting on Monday.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson hands out copies of a first draft of a budget for the new ambulance service during a meeting of the Board of Supervisors Monday morning.

Supervisors to consider resolution next week

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

Supervisor Jake Hackman — who has been an outspoken critic of using RSB to fund, along with money from six cities in the county, Chickasaw County EMS — was on vacation and not at Monday's meeting.

It also came after supervisors discussed the proposed budget of the service and directed County Auditor Sheila Shekleton to begin working on a budget amendment for the final six months of the fiscal year that will end on June 30, 2023.

Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson and Chickasaw County EMS Advisory Committee member Bridget Edson presented a budget that called for the service to spend \$516,428 for the final two quarters of this fiscal year and a little more than \$1 million in the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2023.

Knutson told supervisors that he erred on the cautious side when it came to the number of hours that the "second crew" would actually be on calls.

"We wanted to make sure we weren't undershooting these numbers. With that being said, we think those numbers are a little high," he said, but he also added that until the service is up and running, the numbers presented Monday were just his best educated guesses. "I'll be able to tell you a lot more a year from now."

He said payroll numbers for the second

crew, which will be "on call" consisted of 18 hours of \$4 per hour pay they receive for being on standby and six hours a day for the higher "run time" wages EMTs and paramedics make.

"That second crew it looks like a lot of money on paper," he said, "but they are the ones that make you the money because when you have your second crew in place, that allows you to take the inter-facility transfers that otherwise we couldn't do."

While the "start-up" costs for the county-owned service are coming from the county's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, supervisors have yet to determine how, or even if, it will pay for the county portion of the operating budget.

Technically, the individual 28E agreements the county signed with New Hampton, Bassett, Fredericksburg, Ionia, Lawler and North Washington do not explicitly say that the county has to provide funds but it must provide service to the cities.

And that means the county would be on the hook if the cost of running the service is more than expected.

Board Chairman Matt Kuhn once again said he felt the county should follow through on its commitment to provide 40 percent of the funding and that it should come from RSB funds, and Supervisor Jason Byrne agreed, making a motion to do

earmark \$243,606.88 of those funds to be used for the ambulance service during its first six months of operation.

Laudner, though, cautioned board members.

Earlier this month, the county attorney had sent a memo to the board saying that he believes the county can legally use RSB funds for its portion of the ambulance service but not for any additional costs.

He told board members that from a "legal perspective ... there needs to be a resolution presented to you guys to be voted upon — No. 1, to declare that your factual finding that the money can and should be spent from RSB and then also transfer the money from RSB to the new ambulance department."

Kuhn, though, once again pointed out that the county portion of the current ambulance contract is paid for by RSB and County Betterment funds.

"I guess the part I don't understand," Kuhn said, "is that we're already taking money from Rural Basic for the ambulance service. I don't ... I don't know why this has been blown out of the water when we're already using Rural Service Basic to pay for the ambulance now, a portion of it. Now, that it's a county service, now it's an issue?"

Laudner, though, stood by his recommendation, and in the end, the board voted to have him draw up a resolution and debate it at next week's meeting.

Director 'blown away' by number of applicants

By BOB FENSKE
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If all goes well, come next week Joel Knutson won't be the "lone ranger" with Chickasaw County EMS.

The director of the county-owned ambulance service that will be off and running on Jan. 1 told the Board of Supervisors on Monday that he would begin interviewing job applicants the following day and hoped to be able to have the supervisors acknowledge some hires at its next meeting this

coming Monday.

And both Knutson and Chickasaw County EMS Advisory Committee said the county has reason to be excited when it comes to the number of applications it received.

"Like I've said in our newsletters," Knutson said, "I am blown away by the amount of people who want to come and work with this county. It's pretty spectacular — not something a lot of other places have."

Edson added that the number of applications — covering the first wave of those interest-

ed in full-time work, as well as a second wave of those interested in just working part-time — may allow the service to reach one of its main goals earlier than expected.

"Our dream had been to have 24-hour ALS coverage," she said, "and when the first batch of applications came in, I wasn't quite sure we'd be quite there but we've had quite a few more trickle in and I think we're going to be very, very close to that so that's a good thing for our community."

Later in Monday's meeting,

Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said he felt it was important for applicants to know that hiring for the service will begin soon, especially in light of rumors that have persisted that Chickasaw County EMS has already finished hiring.

"They're saying people who haven't been interviewed won't be hired," he said, "and that's just simply not true."

"Like Joel said [earlier], the interview process doesn't start until tomorrow. I just think that needs to be cleared up with the public."

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

November 14, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 9:00 am with members Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, 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 Sheila Shekleton, Terry Johnson, Kennan Seda, Scott Cerwinski, Bridget Edson, Public Health Lisa Welter, Environmental Health, Penny Ardorf, Engineer Roman Lensing, Sheriff Marty Hemann, Sheriff's Office Ryan Shawver, Jordan Gansen, Police Department Zach Nosbisch, Kathy Shekleton, Bob Fenske, member of media, Samuel's Group Greg Wlyrz and Dan Roarty, Iowa Department of Corrections Delbert Longley

Motion by Zoll, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for November 14, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to approve the meeting minutes from November 7, 2022 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from November 8, 2022 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn. Abstain-Hackman, Zoll Motion carried.

Public Comment
Bridget Edson discussed website.
Kennan Seda discussed Veteran's Day

Discuss Public Health updates.
Discussed the Water Supply Operation Permit at the Heritage Building. The Heritage Residence is classified as a transient non-community public water supply with a groundwater source. The supply must have a certified operator, Environmental Health, Penny Ardorf, in the direct responsible charge of its treatment and distribution systems holding the appropriate classification(s). This supply is classified as a Grade A system.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to accept Iowa DOT Contact

Construction Progress Voucher for Chickasaw County Pavement Markings Project FM-CO19(108)--55-19 with Vogel Traffic Services and authorize Board Chair signature. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Zoll to approve Heartland insurance from the November 8 meeting and authorize Board Chair Signature. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Discussed Chickasaw County Ambulance Council 28 E Membership and decided to have the Attorney David Laudner look at it.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to direct Attorney David Laudner draw up the lease agreement between Chickasaw County and City of New Hampton for the garage that the ambulances will use. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Discussed feasibility study and jail updates.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to continue with Jendro, with a 3% increase from \$26,586.36(FY 2023-2024) to \$27,384.00 (FY 2023-

2024) starting July 1, 2023 with two changes; First. Jendro will no longer go to the Dept of Human Services Building instead they will go to the Chickasaw Heritage Building. Second. A name change for North Washington Farmer's COOP to North Washington Five Star. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Discussed key policy for Heritage Building and decided to wait till next week.

Discussed mail delivery for the Heritage Building.

Discussed budget amendment for the EMS.

Committee Assignment
Supervisor Zoll — FMC Landfill 11-10-22

Motion by Hackman, second by Breitbach to adjourn at 11:08 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton,
Secretary to the Board

No. 22511
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Local musicians to perform at UNI concert next month in Cedar Falls

The UNI Community Music School will present a concert by the New Horizons Band at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 12 at the Catherine Cassidy Gallagher Great Hall of the Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa.

Admission is free for the concert, which will feature a selection of band favorites, including a medley of Judy Garland songs and holiday tunes. A reception will be held following the concert.

Members of the New Horizons Band include musicians ages 50 and older with various musical backgrounds, who travel from all over Iowa, including Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Waverly, New Hampton and Grundy Center to attend weekly rehearsals at the University of Northern Iowa.

New Horizon Band members from Chickasaw cCounty include Kathleen Ayers, Nancy Morris, Sandra Buhre, Gary Griffin, Keith Kreun, and Fran Mattke.

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Kadence Huck (left) and Jalyann Pratt try to force a turnover on Tuesday in Tripoli.

Huskies stymie Tripoli with pressure defense

OPENER: FROM 7

Jannah that she possibly could. She very much plays it her own way, too. It's different than Jannah. It's Kadence now."

Huck — with a pesky style of play almost reminiscent of an Energizer bunny with her non-stop, relentless pressure defense — created many runouts and layups courtesy of her trapping, full-court in-your-face defense.

Huck kept going and going and going and did not stop until Smith pulled most of his starters midway through the fourth quarter after Tripoli made several mini-runs in the final 16 minutes of play.

"She runs how ever many miles every single day, so I can put her out there and she's not going to get tired," said Smith. "It's definitely something I'm glad we have and don't have to go against."

Huck — who helped lead N-P to the girls state track title last May and finished in the top 10 at last month's state cross country meet — scored all of 16 points last year as Smith sported a senior-dominated lineup.

Huck equaled that in a single game in her first varsity start as a Husky sophomore. One thing Huck will have to work on is ball control, as she committed eight turnovers and the Huskies likewise will have to follow her lead as the team collectively turned the ball over 25 times.

"Most years a kid like Kadence probably plays a lot of minutes as a freshman. When you have a kid like Jannah at the top and all those five seniors — Kadence probably didn't get as many minutes as she could have or should of last year. There's definitely been improvement in her game. The big jump from your freshman to your sophomore year is just more confidence in our system and knowing where to be and when to be there."

Huck helped fuel a 16-0 run to close out the first half after her steal and coast-to-coast layup. Tripoli scored the game's first point, but it was all N-P from there on out.

"She did a great job of getting us going defensively, especially in the first half," said Smith. "A lot of that was her disruption and her getting steals and her getting tips — just pressure."

With five new starters and senior Bailey Fisher nursing an injury — Huskies had to step up and they did just that.

Myranda Webster, N-P's six-foot junior center, knocked down several buckets down low en route to eight points.

Husky junior guard Jalyann Pratt had an off night shooting, but she still managed to corral eight rebounds.

N-P senior guard Kendall Bailey-Pint and sophomore forward Paige Franzen each netted five points apiece.

"There's a lot of people that played really well and when you start factoring in Bailey Fisher's broken finger — she was our first girl off the bench last year. So we're literally down our top six girls from a year ago. To come out with a 20-something-point win or whatever it was — first game of the year? It's hard to complain about that. It was fun," Smith added.

N-P led 27-5 at halftime. Tripoli — which went 7-15 a season ago — graduated its leading scorer and rebounder in Kylee Bartz.

"They're young, too," said Smith. "We recognize that."

The Huskies dominated the Panthers last winter by a score of 56-28.

It was a sweet win No. 1 for N-P in a season that could be filled with them.

"That's a monkey off their back, I'm sure," said Smith. "Hopefully it proved to them that obviously they can do it and we put almost 50 points."

N-P hosts a girl/boy double-

header on Tuesday at home versus Rockford.

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3-point field goals - Huck 0-1,
Pratt 0-3.

Rebounds - Pratt 9, Huck 8,
Bailey-Pint 4, Lowe 4, Franzen 3,
Glaser 3, Webster 2, O'Neill 1.

Assists - Bailey-Pint 3, Huck 2,
Franzen 2, Pratt 1, Webster 1, Lowe
1.

Steals - Huck 6, Pratt 4, Lowe 2,
Bailey-Pint 1, Glaser 1.

Blocks - Glaser 1.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

November 7, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 9:00 am with members Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, 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 Attorney David Laudner, Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Terry Johnson, Kennan Seda, Public Health Lisa Welter, Treasurer Sue Breitbach, Sheriff Marty Hemann, Custodian Dave Gorman, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Kathy Shekleton, Bob Fenske, member of media, Jim Cook, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Group Benefit Partners, Brian Huinker, Pandemic Resiliency Initiative Brandy Molitor

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for November 7, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from October 31, 2022 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Public Comment
Kennan Seda discussed two important dates: 1. Veteran's Day on November 11, 2022 and asked, what would we think about ringing the church bells at 11:00 AM? 2. June 17, 2024 Marquette and Joliet are celebrating a 350 years anniversary.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Zoll to authorize Chair signature on 28E Agreement Department of Transportation. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Presentation by Group Benefit Partners, Brian Huinker, about how the process works with group health insurance. Discussion of sale of patrol car for

Tate White a key returnee back for N-P

ALL-STATE: FROM 7

4.5 sacks and a whopping 8.5 tackles for loss. He added to that incredible effort with a blocked punt.

"Personally I felt he could have been a 1st-teamer but he got beat out by some outstanding defensive linemen, most of which were on teams that ended in the Dome," said Christensen.

Lamborn was second in Class A in tackles for loss (20.5) and sacks (8.5) to East Buchanan's Cody Fox — who was named to the first team all-state offensive line. Fox managed 21 TFL's and 9 sacks.

Lamborn beefed up his frame his senior year and the results spoke for themselves.

"He really transformed himself from his junior year to senior year putting on about 40 pounds of muscle, which made a huge difference this year," said Christensen.

White — 6-2 and 205 pounds — was arguably the best all-around offensive lineman and linebacker in his entire class. The agile and athletic multi-sport star (track, wrestling) helped fuel N-P's wing-T run game — which averaged over 230 yards of rushing a contest.

"Tate is one of the most physical players I have ever coached. If you watch our games he is always around the ball on both offense and defense," said Christensen.

White was one of the state's best guards in the trenches and could stuff the run or defend the pass at linebacker.

"He received recognition as an offensive lineman, but he was talked about highly as a linebacker as well and I think he could have gotten all state there as well — it was just that offense was voted on before defense," Christensen added.

White led N-P in tackles with 80.5 (43 solo) and registered 7.5 tackles for loss. Although there is no quantifiable stat to judge a pulling guard's perfor-



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Tate White (left) talks with Landon Pratt (middle) and N-P head coach Andrew Christensen during a game this year.

mance or tally how many pancake blocks White was able to muster — his worth up front was priceless.

"Tate means a lot for our offense. In the wing-T, the guards are so important to what we do," said Christensen. "We wouldn't have averaged that many yards a game without him and the rest of the line."

White recorded 14 tackles in in the first-round playoff loss to top-ranked West Hancock. White racked up nine solo tackles in the 44-16 setback to the Eagles.

N-P played a tough schedule as it also lost to the state champion Grundy Center — who blanked West Hancock in the state title game, 27-0. The Huskies also took on a ranked Wapsie Valley squad during the regular season. The Warriors lost to West Hancock, 16-9, in the postseason.

Christensen said his Huskies played against 18 players that were named to the all-state team.

This is the second year in a row that N-P has had a player tabbed for an all-state team. Trey Nelson, a 2022 N-P grad, was selected on the third team last year as a defensive back.

Lamborn, who broke the school record this past spring in the high jump (6-4), is also a 4.0 student in the classroom.

"Aiden is a great all-around person. He was always willing to help the younger players, whether it was giving a ride or helping teach technique in practice," said Christensen.

Just what are the future plans for Lamborn once he graduates in May?

"I am not sure what Aiden's plans are for football. I know he has thought about college football, but as good of a student as he is he will be very successful in anything he does," said Christensen.

White will be a marquee player back for Christensen next fall when the Huskies return several key components for a team that went 5-4 in 2022 and cracked the playoffs for the second-straight season.

White's leadership and stellar play out on the field should help lead the Huskies in an effort to reach even greater heights in 2023.

"Having him back next year is a great piece to build around. But, he isn't the only piece. We have a bunch of talent returning, and I think it has the potential to be an exciting year," said Christensen. "Tate will be called upon to be a leader more than he ever has been next year. It is something that he was beginning to become comfortable with this year and I am sure he will take that role on well next year."

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

November 8, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, November 8, 2022, at 3:00 PM with members Breitbach, Byrne, and Kuhn in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Zoll and Hackman were absent. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Attorney David Laudner, Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Jim Cook and Doreen Cook.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for November 8, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn. Absent- Zoll and Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to go with Heartland Risk Pool Insurance for the EMS liability in the amount of \$15,000.00 per year (no premium till July) and to no longer go with Vrzak Insurance. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn. Absent- Zoll and Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, second by Byrne to adjourn at 3:17 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn. Absent- Zoll and Hackman. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson, Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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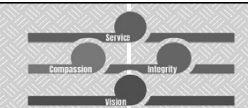
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N-P rolls over Tripoli in season opener

Huskies feature plenty of positives in road contest to start 2022



N-P senior guard Kendall Bailey-Pint starts an outlet pass in Tuesday's season-opening 46-25 win over Tripoli. The Huskies held Tripoli to a single field goal in the first half and led 27-5 at intermission.

By Kelly Terpstra
Of the Reporter

Now this might have not been a feast of epic proportions – say with centerpiece dishes like turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce and all the fixings.

But it was somewhat of a festive pre-holiday celebration for Josh Smith's Huskies in the season opener at Tripoli on Tuesday.

Because N-P took a big bite and that kept the Panthers' offense – needless to say – a tad famished after it was all said and done in the non-conference girls basketball opener.

N-P (1-0) devoured the out-gunned and overmatched Panthers in a 46-25 rout. The season-opening victory produced postgame roars from the Husky contingent that could be heard from the locker room just down the hall from the Panthers' home gym.

That meant Smith and his youthful Huskies enjoyed a celebratory evening – but it was back to work Wednesday morning before N-P went on Thanksgiving break.

"Tonight we're gonna enjoy it and tomorrow morning we're gonna watch film and that's all about getting better and doing those things," said Smith.

Speaking of giving – it seemed the Panthers were more than in a generous mood as N-P created turnover after turnover. Tripoli could not seem to figure out N-P's trapping press – which limited the Panthers to just a single field goal in the first two periods of play.

The Huskies were spearheaded in that defensive effort that locked down the Panthers – which scored all of five points in the first half – by sophomore 5-7 guard Kadence Huck.

Huck seems to have seamlessly taken over the role of last season's defensive stopper – N-P 2022 graduate Jenna Carpenter. Huck scored a career-high 21 points, snared eight rebounds and managed six steals in a game that saw her run sideline to sideline in an effort to slow down Tripoli.

"We talked a lot about pressure being a cumulative thing," said Smith about Huck. "When you got her riding their point guard the entire game, it's gets frustrating and it gets to be a lot to deal with. I'm really proud of how she played."

Carpenter – who was one of five senior starters from a

season ago that Smith graduated off of the Huskies' regional semifinal squad in 2022 – is the career record holder in N-P history as far as individual season and career steals are concerned.

Huck is a record-breaking athlete in her own right and now has a chance to help lead a team that is lacking varsity experience – but is learning on the fly about what it takes to win ball games.

"That was kind of the vision that we had last year," said Smith. "Even the summer going into her freshman year I told her to take everything from

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Husky senior Aiden Lamborn claps after a big play is made by the defense against North Tama in N-P's homecoming game.

Lamborn, White recognized among state's best players

By Kelly Terpstra
Of the Reporter

If you were in the stands or on the sideline of Nashua-Plainfield's homecoming gridiron contest versus North Tama last fall – you saw firsthand what Aiden Lamborn is capable of accomplishing out on a football field.

That was just one contest and his stat line would be a good season for most players after the Huskies came away with a 32-12 triumph over the Redhawks.

But in order to be considered one of the state's best at your respective positions – one game does not a season make.

That's why Lamborn and junior Tate White clearly demonstrated on a consistent basis that they rank near the elite ranks of their state's class in terms of dominating the opposition and contributing to

the team's overall success.

Each Husky standout was selected on the second team of the Class A all-state squad released earlier this week by the Iowa Print Sports Writers Association (IPSWA) and Iowa Football Coaches Association (IFCA).

The honor was well-deserved after Lamborn and White set themselves apart this past fall in a season for head coach Andrew Christensen that saw his program continue to break new ground in its quest to become a small-school class power in football.

Lamborn – a 6-7 senior defensive end that towers over his foes – produced a career night against North Tama a night after being named N-P's Homecoming King back in September.

Lamborn's stat line was remarkable – 11 tackles (9 solo),

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SATURDAY, DEC. 3
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Girls wrestling, junior varsity and varsity at West Fork tournament, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 6
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THURSDAY, DEC. 8
Varsity wrestling quad at Eagle Grove, 6 p.m.

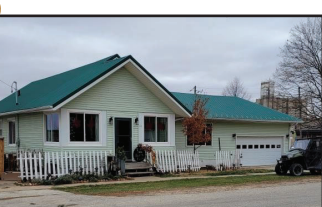
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Girls wrestling at Luther College, 6 p.m.

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Varsity wrestling at N-P tournament, 9 a.m.

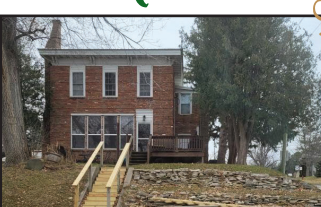


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Portion of elevated interchange on Avenue of Saints near Floyd opens

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be affected by the construction, with the inside lane past Floyd being closed, Hjelmstad said.

“The main through lane will be for through traffic as well as traffic wanting to turn left on T44,” he said. “There will be a right turn lane into Floyd. The traffic lights will remain in place, so that will affect westbound traffic, as well as north and southbound traffic.”

Hjelmstad said last week the main thing left to be completed is painting. “We need dry pavement, and we need coordinating crews. The painting crew that’s going to be up here has a big job down at the I80/380 huge interchange project,” he said. “They’re hoping to be up here Monday, hoping to have dry pavement – the weather’s supposed to be decent – and get it open Tuesday.”

He said the pavement markings can be painted in cold weather, but not wet weather.

“They have different types of paint they can use in the colder temperatures,” he said.

According to the official announce-

ment from the Iowa DOT last week:

- Eastbound traffic on U.S. 18/Iowa 27 currently in a head-to-head traffic pattern will be moved to the newly constructed lanes and will use the on/off ramps for access to northbound U.S. 218 and southbound Floyd County Road T-44.
- Westbound U.S. 18/Iowa 27 traffic will remain in the current lanes and will be able to turn south on Floyd County Road T-44.
- Traffic signals at the current intersection of westbound U.S. 18/Iowa 27, northbound Floyd County Road T-44 and southbound U.S. 218 will remain in place throughout the winter season.
- Traffic on southbound U.S. 218 and northbound Floyd County Road T-44 wanting to access eastbound U.S. 18/Iowa 27 will use the newly constructed on ramps.
- Montgomery Street, Liberty Street and Packard Avenue intersections at U.S.18/Iowa 27 will be closed.

Hjelmstad reminded motorists to “take it easy through there.”

“There’s still going to be the traffic lights. It’s going to be a new driving situation,” he said, but “it should be an easier, safer driving situation with the interchange open for eastbound/southbound traffic.”

Hjelmstad said construction of the westbound bridge and ramps will begin in the spring and traffic both ways will be shifted to the new east-bound lanes.

When that construction begins is dependent on the weather.

“We do appreciate everybody’s patience and adjusting to traffic changes, because things have gone really, really smoothly, and we hope for the same next year,” he said.

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