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Board OKs budget amendment

County leaders say vast majority of additional expenditures will not come from property taxes

By BOB FENSKE
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What started out as a relatively tiny amendment to Chickasaw County's 2024-25 fiscal year has mushroomed in a matter of weeks, but county supervisors are quick to point out that almost all of the \$731,300 in additional spending will not come from funds supported by local property taxes.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the proposed budget amendment at length during its regular Monday meeting and then held a special meeting Tuesday morning to approve setting Aug. 26 as the date for a public hearing on it.

Board members knew they would need to approve a budget amendment after the only bid for a joint paving project between the county and the

city of New Hampton for a 0.7-mile stretch of Kenwood Avenue came in at 113 percent of the preliminary engineer's estimate.

Because the county is "fronting" the city the money for the project, which will be paid back over a five-year period, the higher-than-expected cost of the work meant that the county hadn't budgeted enough of an expenditure from its Infrastructure Fund for the

city. At the very least, the county would need to amend its budget for the additional \$11,000 it needed for the city portion of the project.

When the bid was opened last month, County Engineer Roman Lensing made it clear that an amendment would be needed but he also suggested that the amendment could

include potential pavement maintenance options.

Supervisors agreed to look at possible maintenance projects and on

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Dave Wenthold (right) mans the auger as a couple of his buddies work on a thrashing demonstration during the annual Northeast Iowa Engine and Antique Show that was held this past weekend.

FINDING A POWER SHOW BOND

ANNUAL EVENT AT PIONEER POWER ACRES CELEBRATES AREA'S RICH AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE

By BOB FENSKE
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The age difference between Christopher Billings and Al Schlumbohm is, well, vast, but on Saturday just outside Fredericksburg, the 3-year-old Billings and Schlumbohm, a retired

postal carrier, shared a bond.

The young boy and the — let's be careful here — older man found a connection by going back in time at the 2024 Northeast Iowa Antique Engine and Power Show.

"I came up here last year, and it's just quite a setup," Schlumbohm said. "I don't know, to me

it's just kind of a look back at where we came from, and you know, what means a lot to me is that it gives me a connection to my grandpa and how he farmed."

The two-day show, a staple of the second

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Pool closes early, and it has nothing to do with lifeguards

By BOB FENSKE
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The "schedule scramble" turned out to be for naught at the New Hampton Municipal Pool.

After working diligently to make sure the pool could stay open as late in the season as possible, pool officials announced on Tuesday that the facility had to be closed for the season immediately after glass pool goggles shattered in the pool on Monday.

"It is with great sadness that we will be closed effective immediately for the remainder of this season," pool officials announced Tuesday morning. They went on to explain that state regulations require that when glass is found in a pool, it must be drained, cleaned, filled and have new chemicals applied.

"By the time we went through the entire protocol," New Hampton Parks and Recreation Assistant Director Kayla Flick

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A night to learn at Farm Bureau annual meeting

Iowa Farm Bureau's Amanda Van Steenwyk (left) and Erin Herbold-Swalwell as they talk about the Take Root Program that deals with farm succession and business planning during the 106th annual meeting of the Chickasaw County Farm Bureau that was held last week in Alta Vista.

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 Nashua City Council moves forward on dam, awards \$763,000 contract
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Super finish
 For first time in school history, Chickasaws have trio on all-state baseball
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New Hampton school buses are ready to roll

New Hampton Community School bus drivers have their lists, have checked them twice and are ready to roll as the 2024-25 school year officially gets underway on Friday, Aug. 23.

The district's transportation director, Christy Roethler, finished putting together the bus routes late last week and is reminding both students and motorists to follow safety rules and use a little extra caution when summer comes to an end and kids head back to class.

And just a reminder that Iowa law requires vehicles to stop at least 15 feet from the bus and to remain stopped until the flashing lights are turned off and the stop arm is pulled back in. Failure to comply could result in a fine of \$250 plus court costs.

Here are the New Hampton bus routes, along with the drivers who will be taking our kids to and from school this year.

Bus No. 3: Janell Swehla

Janell Swehla; Swehla, Nolan; Swehla, Wyatt; Swehla, Garrett; Grober, Kelvin; Olsen, Oaklyn; Lentz, Trevor; Lentz, Connor; Lentz, Mya; Maurer, Lyndin; Maurer, Quinnlyn; Hubka, Emma; Roethler, Titus; Roethler, Charlie; Parra, Alondra; Rahlf, Charlie; Hastings, Clive; Hubka, Preston; Geerts, Easton; Schuchhardt, Raelynn; Guevar, Mauel; Guevar, Brayan; Guevar, Randy; Root, Parker; Root, Jameson; Praska, Weston; Praska, Emma; Shackleton, Claire; Para, Angel; Steine, Payten; Steine, Kneila; Steine, Aubriella; Hanson, Gracelynn; Roethler, Keira; Roethler, Kenzie; Trende, Ava; Trende, Max; Balk, Tyler; Balk, Avery; Holthaus, Maezlyn; Pittman, Greenlee; Pittman, Paytynn; Slick, Aiden; Gonzalez, Ader Marin; Schultz, Adaline; Morales-Montenegro, Iris Paola; Ruiz-Montenegro, Dilan Gael; Hastings, Clive; Geerts, Easton; Erion, Lucy; Erion, Maddilynn; Erion, Scarlett; Rosonke, Tyson; Gebel, Andi; Dockendorf, Liam; Meyers, Klaire; Meyers, Kiley; Thraenert, Edison; Brophy, Lela; Brophy, Ella; Hanson, Kayden; Dvorak, Sutton; Warnke, Louis.

Bus No. 4: Rodney Pearce

Rings, Kadence; Rings, Tatum; Groth, Aiden; Herrmann, Emery; Salmon, Jackson; Newlun, Lillian; Herrera, Aubree; Herrera, Naldo; Hoffman, Avani; Miller, Claire; Miller, Brock; Miller, Becca; Tank, Delaney; Kleppe, Austyn; Kuehn, Weston; Kuehn, Charlie; Freidhof, Josiah; Freidhof, Kaitlyn; Freidhof, Isaiah; Kellogg, Jackson; Kellogg, Jaelyn; Kellogg, Jeb; Trende, Ava; Trende, Max; Snyder, Vanessa; England, Roxos; Uribe, Amelia; Uribe, Henry; Uribe, Gabriela; Uribe, Matthias; Hanawalt, Hayes; Slick, Alivia; Shekleton, Koryn; Shekleton, Maddon; Shekleton, Kinison; Shekleton, Maclin; Lukes, Lennon; Lukes, Landon; Garrison, Kayden; Rosonke, Ryker; Rosonke, Remy; Lechtenberg, Brayden; Lechtenberg, Brooks; Lechtenberg, Brea; Lechtenberg, Breslin.

Bus No. 5: Bob Vorwald

Kleiss, Esdon; Kleiss, Rowan; Kleiss, Kemper; Leichtman, Bryer; Shekleton, Jaylen; Shekleton, Kacey; Schwickerath, Jamie; Wiltse, Addison; Wiltse, Bryson; Wiltse, Emmerson; Wiltse, Ellyson; Wiltse, Brynnson; Youngblut, Reese; Youngblut, Boone; Shekleton, Shyann; Underwood, Aidan; Underwood, Lillie; Underwood, Melia; Utley, Caleb; Utley, Abigail; Kuehn, Jaxon; Kuehn, Ava; Hansen, Levi; Hansen, Cole; Hansen, Theo; Meyerhoff, Xander; Meyerhoff, Cassidy; Meyerhoff, Landon; Meyerhoff, Paisley; Meyerhoff, Everett; Stokes, Adalynn; Stokes, Sadie; Hill, Jayla; Hill, Jameis; Hill, Briggs; Fiala, Parker; Fiala, Dixie; Fiala, Elijah; Fiala-Patterson, Coy; Slick, Richard; Jirak, Asher; Mashek, Ryan; Valentini, Stella; Valentini, Luca; Valentini, Maceo; Moorman, Myla; Moorman, Kei; Kielman, Meadow; Kipp, Drew; Kipp, Connor; Mashek, Ryan; Schmidt, Addison; Schmidt, Evelyn.

Bus No. 7: James Russ

Thronsdon, Ava; Thronsdon, Kelly; Thronsdon, Jordan; Thronsdon, Charlotte; Thronsdon, Grayson; Valvoda, Brynn;

Valvoda, Conrad; Johnson, Autumn; Johnson, Violet; Zeien, Caleb; Zeien, Charleigh; Knutson, Daniel; Knutson, Johnathan; Rethamel, Alexis; Rethamel, Tyler; Rethamel, Mikaela; Rethamel, Carver; Thronsdon, Brenna; Thronsdon, Lauren; Thronsdon, Elliot; Singewald, Josilyn; Ellingson, Rhiannon; Ellingson, Danielle; Ellingson, Olive; Ellingson, Lucy; Shatek, Colin; Reicks, Jaila; Reicks, Ameila; Vsetecka, Rylie; Vsetecka, Tinnie; Larson, Krosby; Larson, Lars; Plattum, Liam; Rosonke, Ava; Reicks, Jaila; Albrecht, Hudson; Albrecht, Beau; Kriener, Charlie; Gorman, Lily; Gorman, Luke; Garman, Colin; Garman, Claire; Manson, Braden; Manson, Brooks; Schissle, Harper; Schissle, Hudson; Zeien, Zoey; Zeien, Owen; Zeien, Noah.

Bus No. 8: Jake Hackman

Hackman, Kinsley; Hackman, Kayme; Hackman, Kallie; Hackman, Kourtney; Hackman, Kenlyn; DREWLOW, Carter; Richter, Tucker; Richter, Harper; Richter, Denver; Barloon, Corbett; Barloon, Nash; Hackman, Grayson; Hackman, Greta; Tenge, Bailee; Elliot, Emma; Elliott, Liam; Tiemessen, Benjamin; Tiemessen, Lane; Hall, Kandice; Pitz, Ashton; Pitz, Brennen; Pitz, Layton; Pitz, Finnley; Nobsbisch, Raelynn; Chevchuc, Alexander; Moore, Grayson; Phillips, Caydence; Phillips, Mason; Hulsing, Autumn; Holthaus, Blakely; Holthaus, Kashton; Holthaus, Rory; Angell, Kallie; Angell, Kinslie; Brown, Addison; Brown, Easton; Brown, Holden; Mohring, Nickolas; Paxson, Aubrey; Hanson, Madison; Shomaker, Ava; Shoemaker, Adyson; Shoemaker, Alistair; Sears, Matilda; Sears, Bennett; Sears, Gracyn; Reyes Abarca, Keyla; Reyes Abarca, Leslie; Hulbert, Kallie; Hulbert, Paisley; Bucknell, Jayden; Bucknell, Gabe; Bucknell, Raelynn; Bucknell, Chloe; Dreckman, Carter; Maddox, Artemis; Meek, Tristen; Hoy, Eliza; Kellogg, Zoey; Kellogg, Macy; Kellogg, Kinley Jo; Kellogg, Owen; Grober, Lauren; Selvig, Ayva; Selvig, Aydin; Schott, Piper; Kuehn, Weston; Kuehn, Charlie; Hackman, Addline; Klassen, William (Bill).

Bus No. 9: Angela Winters

Wassenaur, Ella; Carolan, Benson; Carolan, Sloane; Walter, Phillip; Walter, Faith; Thomas, Kalie; Willits, Knox; Thomas, Mayzie; Merrill, Cooper; Merrill, Grayson; Kolthoff, Emerson; Ramirez, Manuel; Ramirez, Jesus; Ramirez, Diego; Sanford, Kael; Sanford, Liam; Sanford, Norah; Sanford, Mabel; Sheets, Kipp; Peterson, Mark; Peterson, Markell; Peterson, Markavion; Heit, Adam; Heit, Andrew; Brase, Brody; Brase, Bryor; Brase, Brystol; Brase, Bryleigh; Duff, Wesson; Duff, Eden; Duff, Maeve; VanDriel, Lane; VanDriel, Bristol; Olsen, Anna; Pauley, Anna Rose; Pauley, Abram; Meier, Chase; Meier, Brock; Wygle, Olivia; Wygle, Oliver; Schwickerath, Mia; Schwickerath, Ada; Hoehne, Thea; Hoehne, Luke; Wickham, Kambri; Wickham, Kalyn; Wickham, Kaysen,

Bus No. 12: Leo Dowd

Kuehn, Evelyn; Kuehn, Daniel; Kuehn, Jonathan; Kuehner, Emmett; Kuehner, Greta; Kuehner, Elsie; Kuehner, Edwin; King, Lillian; King, Jackson; Larson, Zak; Larson, Marley; Larson, Kane; Carlton, Benjamin; Carlton, Genevieve; Carlton, Grace; Carlton, Isaiah; Carlton, Luke; Geerts, Alivia; Geerts, Evan; Geerts, Cale; Geerts, Cora; Flattum, Lane; Boss, Jackson; Boss, Mia; Boss, Harper; O'Brien, Drey; O'Brien, Lexi; Holthaus, Kevin; Holthaus, Taya; Mohlis, Maxie; Mohlis, Kira; Baker, Annabell; Schmidt, Addison; Schmidt, Evelyn; Mashek, Rebekah; Adams, Oliver; Schwickerath, Marley; Nelson, Bonham; Nelson, Dempsey; Nelson, Nash; Thronsdon, Zoey; Thronsdon, Michael;

Knutson, Harley; Knutson, Archer; Schuchardt, Ben; Schuchardt, Harper; Schuchardt, Olivia; Praska, Blake; Praska, Elijah; Praska, Dylan; Vestel, Aaron; Steinlage, Codi; Bohaty, Brooklyn; Stumme, Connor; Summe, Paige; Havlik, Oliva; Tindell, Kayci; Tindell, Brayden; Merchant, Ella-Mae; Zeien, Aurora; Zeien, Eva; Zeien, Louis; Kellogg, Carson; Funderman, Lenyx; Praska, Blake.

Bus No. 13: Tom Zeien

Wickman, Rebecca; Wickman, Karley; Wickman, Brooke; Wickman, Russel; Wickman, Ruby; Ries, Maelynn; Still, Rynanne; Druvenga, William; Rocha, Gicel; Rocha, Arianna; Rocha, Javier; Schuchhardt, Raelynn; Thomas, Mayzie; Finn, Jack; Finn, Josi; Hanson, Ariel; Hanson, Wyatt; Sabelka, Wyatt; Sabelka, Mykayla; Sabelka, Alex; Boos, Leighton; Boos, Maxwell; Tieskotter, Brandon; Schwickerath, Charlie; Schwickerath, Scarlett; Boeding, Silas; Boeding, Lachlyn,

Bus No. 14: Michelle Liddle

Liddle, Alecia; Liddle, Aspen; Orthaus, Gary; Orthaus, Brody; Orthaus, Alex; Orthaus, Landon; Huegel, Harrison; Baltes, Bowen; Baltes, Brexten; Grober, Lauren; Joebgen, Macie; Joebgen, Henry; Schwickerath, Corbin; Schwickerath, Kyler; Wuchter, Addison; Wuchter, Warren; Baltes, Bowen; Baltes, Brexten; Nie, Johnna; Rasing, Kaydence; Rasing, Brock; Kinley, Adrianna; Kinley, Andrew; Kinley Emerson; Kinley, Ella Ann; Schwwickerath, Wyatt; Dieterich, Will; Dieterich, Addie; Zeien, Aiden; Zeien, Alex; Glaser, Brooklyn; Glaser, Clayton; Wilson, Colin; Wilson ,Dalton; Nobsbisch, Coy; Sittig, Skylar; Sittig, Spencer; Theile, Dakota; Napier, Benton; Kuhn, Abby; Kuhn, Ryan; Kuhn, Levi; Kuhn, Erin; Pickar, Jay; Pickar, Nicholas; Einck, Amelia; Einck, Brady; Glaser, Sophie; Rosonke, Austyn; Dzaferi, Emira; Dreckman, Adaline; Dreckman, Braxton; Dreckman, Emma; Kuhn, Abby; Kuhn, Ryan; Kuhn, Levi; Kuhn, Erin; Reicherts, Keira; Reicherts, Kerrigan; Roethler, Madison; Roethler, Jersey; Kellog, Logan; Kellog, Stella.

Bus No. 19: Austin Hemesath

Hemesath, Claire; Gritzinger, Randi; Dauffenbach, Zander; Federspiel, Elena; Federspiel, Troy; Holthaus, Eli; Holthaus, Miles; Holthaus, Calvin; Holthaus, Marjorie; Nolt, Megan; Crawford, Caycee; Scott, Adam; Eichenberger, Jennifer; Schwickerath, Carrie; Schwickerath, Isaak; Schwickerath, Noelle; Schwickerath, Jakob; Houser, Dakota; Houser, Dylan; Rausch, Reed; Rausch, Kye; Broughton, Belle; Broughton, Blaize; Smidt, Olivia; Phillips, Skylar; Phillips, Kalison; Rahlf, Gracie; Lentz, Trevor; Lentz, Connor; Lentz, Mya; Maurer, Lyndin; Maurer, Quinnlyn; Trower, Kamdyn; Samec, Coonor; Heflin, Jordyn; Adams, Christopher.

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Make time to learn and grow

Socrates was right; it's important to know that we know nothing

When I went off to the seminary, I was told that I had to do two years of philosophy before entering theology.

Needless to say, I wasn't too happy about that. After all, I was in my 40s and had been out in the "real world" for 20-plus years. What more was I going to learn? What more was I expected to learn?

I remembered a story that a friend of mine told me about his experience in philosophy class.

The first day of class the professor had a banana sitting on a stool at the front of class. He asked if anyone could prove that the banana was real. Several students tried but no one could do it.

My friend was frustrated with the whole thing so he got up,

walked to the banana and proceeded to bring his fist down on the banana and the guts flew all over. My friend said, "Looks real to me."

That was my frame of mind as I walked into that first philosophy class. Then I saw what was written on the white board, "The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing" — a quote from Socrates and it really struck me.

I was resistant to learning, to gaining knowledge and possibly wisdom.

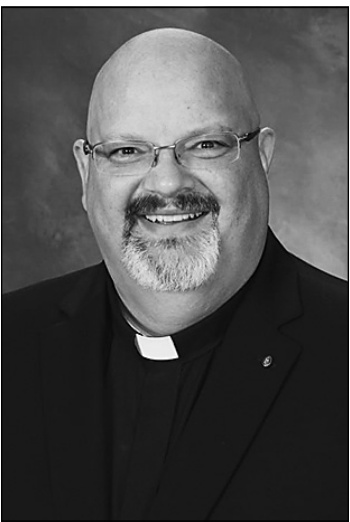
For several years before entering seminary I was a high school teacher. I could remember telling my students to be open to learning and here I was, angry that I had to learn, upset that I had to take time to try to grow in wisdom.

This coming weekend, we hear about wisdom in the first reading from Proverbs. We read that Wisdom has built her house and set her table. She calls out to the city, inviting all to come and advance in the way of understanding.

Wisdom comes from being open to things, being willing to make time to learn and to grow.

I'll close with something that has inspired me and I hope it inspires you:

*Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.
Take time to think, it is the source of power.
Take time to play, it is the source of perpetual youth.
Take time to read, it is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time to pray, it is the greatest power on earth.
Take time to love and*



Father Jim Goerend is the priest for the Good Shepherd Cluster, which includes Catholic parishes in New Hampton, Ionia and North Washington

*be loved, it is a God-given privilege.
Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness.
Take time to give, it is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time to work, it is the price of success.
Take time to do charity, it is the key to heaven.
— Author unknown*



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Big weekend for Holy Trinity!

It's the biggest weekend of the year for Holy Trinity Church in Protivin as it kicks off the annual three-day Czech Days on Friday. Softball and volleyball tournaments will be held, as well as a variety of music, including Mollie B (above), an antique tractor and car show, bingo, a cake walk, kids pedal tractor pull, a polka mass and, of course, there might be a kolache or two to be had.

He who did not spare his own Son,
but gave him up for us all—how will he not also,
along with him, graciously give us all things?
Romans 8:32

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529 plan can help ease college ‘sticker shock’

The school year will soon be here. And if you have young children, you’re one year closer to the day when they may be headed off to college. When that day arrives, will you be financially prepared?

College isn’t cheap. For the 2023–24 academic year, the average cost — including tuition, fees, housing, food, books, transportation and other expenses — was nearly \$29,000 for in-state students at four-year public colleges and universities, and about \$60,000 for private schools, according to the College Board. Most students do get some type of financial aid or scholarships, or both, but even the “net” price of college can be considerable. So, it’s a good idea to begin a savings program as early as you can.

One popular way to build money for college expenses is through a 529 education savings plan. When you invest in a 529 plan, your earnings can grow tax deferred and your withdrawals are federally tax free when used for qualified education expenses — tuition, fees, books and so on. And while you can invest in any state’s 529 plan, you might be able to deduct your contributions from your state income tax or receive a state tax credit if you invest in your own state’s plan.

Despite these tax benefits, some people are concerned that a 529 plan can prove costly in terms of lost financial aid. And the value of a 529 plan is looked at as an investment asset on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). However, recent changes to FAFSA may mean that a 529 plan has a relatively small effect on the amount of aid you may receive.

A 529 plan also can be used to pay for other costs, including:

- K-12 expenses –You can use a 529 plan to pay K-12 expenses, up to \$10,000 per student per year. Not all states comply with this 529 expansion for K-12, so you might not be able to claim deductions and



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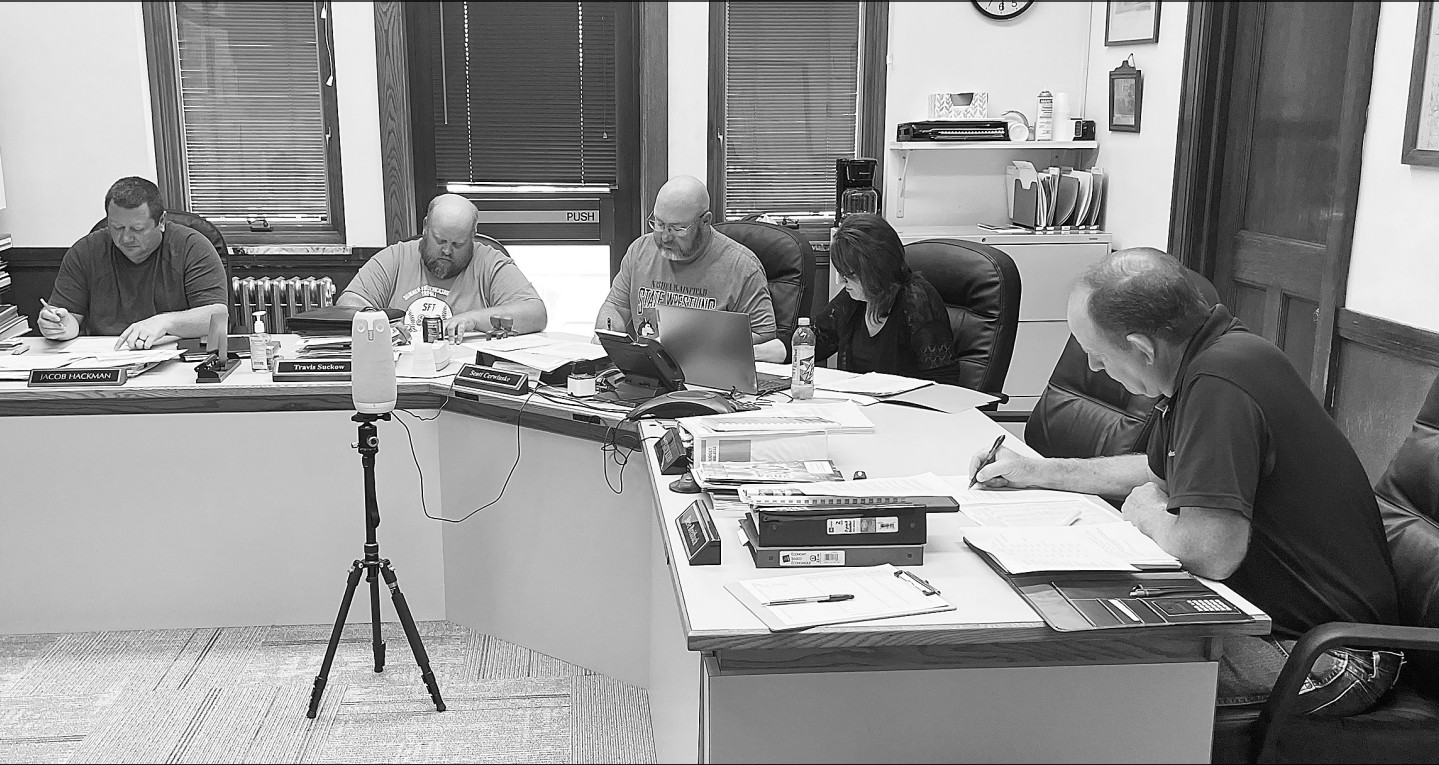
- Apprenticeship programs – A 529 plan can be used to pay for most expenses connected to apprenticeship programs registered with the U.S. Department of Labor. These programs are often available at community colleges and combine classroom education with on-the-job training.
- Student loans – You can withdraw funds from a 529 plan to repay qualified federal private and student loans, up to \$10,000 for each 529 plan beneficiary and another \$10,000 for each of the beneficiary’s siblings.

Another potential advantage of a 529 plan is its transferability. If you’ve named a child as a 529 plan beneficiary, and that child eventually chooses not to pursue any post-secondary education, you — as the account owner — can name another family member as beneficiary. And with the passage of the SECURE 2.0 Act, any unused 529 plan funds up to a lifetime limit of \$35,000 can be transferred to a Roth IRA for a beneficiary, free of taxes and penalties. There are certain rules governing this 529-to-Roth move — for example, you must have had your 529 plan at least 15 years — so you’ll want to consult with your tax advisor before making any moves in this area.

If you’d like to invest in your children’s future education, a 529 plan can be a good choice — so study up on it soon.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

Edward Jones, Member SIPC



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Members of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors look over the proposed budget amendment during a special meeting held on Tuesday morning.

Supervisors will hold public hearing on amendment Aug. 26

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

Monday, they reached a consensus to proceed with all of Lensing’s five suggestions — including an overlay on the county portion of V18 that runs through Alta Vista and maintenance projects on sections of Kenwood Avenue north of Highway 18, T76 from 110th to 140th Streets, B28 from T76 to the Floyd County line and B22 from Highway 63 and V58.

Supervisor Jake Hackman said all those projects could be paid for by using funds generated by the county’s local-option sales tax.

“I think Roman’s right,” Hackman said. “If we can maintain what we got, buy a few years, I think that’s important.”

Auditor Sheila Shekleton said that she had reached out to all the county department heads to see if they had any budget amendment requests.

“We wanted them to come now if they knew they had something so you guys could consider it,” Shekleton told supervisors during the 45-minute discussion on Monday. “Let’s get it out of the way now, if we could.”

She pointed out that the Sheriff’s Office “has been kind of rocking and rolling on these grants and they’re getting this money in to spend for their department. But they have to show that they spent that money.”

Shekleton also said the EMS budget needed amending because the director’s contract had not been finalized when the 2024-25 budget was adopted this past spring, as well as increases to employee health insurance costs and medical supplies.

But supervisors also wanted to include adding an additional \$200,000 to the county’s capital projects budget and more expenditures from its opioid settlement fund.

“If something comes up, let’s at least be able to spend it without doing another amendment,” Hackman said.

County Attorney David Laudner said it was important that supervisors correctly characterize the amendment, and Hackman said that save for a \$15,000 private auditor expense, none of the expenditures will come from the General Basic (GB), General Services (GS) or Rural Services Basic (RSB), which are funded by

local property taxes.

“Just to be clear, I’m not arguing with you,” Laudner said. “I’m just trying to make sure the public understands how this is characterized because you know what they say when they hear a budget amendment. They’re going to say, ‘They raised our taxes last March and here they go again spending all of our money in August already.’”

Hackman said he was comfortable with the amendment, stating that “this is trying to get something done for the people of this county and it’s coming from other sources of revenue besides property tax.”

Board members then spent time discussing when to hold the public hearing. If they hadn’t held a special meeting on Tuesday, the earliest the public hearing could have been held was on Sept. 3.

But by having a Tuesday meeting, supervisors could publish the legal notice of the budget amendment in this week’s Tribune and Nashua Reporter, which means they can hold the public hearing on Aug. 26.

So on Tuesday, they gathered for a nine-minute meeting and approved setting the hearing date on a 4-0 vote. Supervisor Matt Kuhn was unable to attend the meeting,

Briefs

Iowa State Fair sets all-time record for one-day attendance

The Iowa State Fair has once again proven why Nothing Compares, shattering its single-day attendance record with an astounding 128,732 visitors on Saturday, Aug. 10.

The new record breaks the Fair’s all-time single-day attendance, which was set on the second Saturday of the 2022 Fair with 128,298 attendees, which broke a 31-year-old record that was set on the first Saturday of the 1991 State Fair, when 127,227 passed through the turnstiles.

Holy Family Fall Festival to be held week from this Sunday on Aug. 25

Live music, drinks and food, kids games and bingo will all take place during the Holy Family Parish Fall Festival on Sunday, Aug. 25 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Beverages will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., meals are serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until the food is gone, with an authentic Mexican meal and sides, turkey tenders and sides or, new this year, the Baconfest 2024 champion bacon pork smash burger.

A kids tractor pull will take place, with check-in at 10:30 a.m. and the live music will be by the Bruce Bearinger band.

The festival is open to the public.

New Hampton USBC to hold association meeting tonight

The New Hampton chapter of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) will hold its association meeting tonight (Thursday) at Bowlaway Lanes.

All league bowlers and those interested in bowling in a league are urge to attend the meeting, which begins at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Roger Stansbery at 641-330-7495.

Big 4 Fair gearing up for another big Labor Day weekend in Nashua

The 124th annual Big 4 Fair is coming to the fairgrounds in Nashua for its four-day run over the upcoming Labor Day weekend.

On Friday, Aug. 30 the event kicks off with the New Hampton area charity truck and tractor pull at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday’s activities start early, with a horse and pony show that begins at 8 a.m. The family fun day starts at 11 a.m. with face painting, kids games and raffles, with Tony Peters The Mind Meddler at 4 p.m. at Uncle G’s.

Keith Leff, the Everyman Magician, will perform at 1 p.m., but also will be “strolling” from 10 a.m. to noon and 3 to 4 p.m.

Kids power wheel races will be held from 5-6 p.m. with figure 8 races at 6:30 and live music is on tap from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Sunday’s events include a beef show, tough truck races, bulls & barrels and more live music and Monday’s entertainment includes the prospect cattle show at noon and old school figure 8’s at 1 p.m.

Chickasaw County Democrats to host ‘meet the candidates’ event

The Chickasaw County Democratic Party will hold a one-hour ‘meet the candidates’ event this coming Tuesday at the Chickasaw Event Center.

Scheduled to appear at the event, which begins at 5:30 p.m., are Iowa House candidate Gail Allison, District 3 supervisor candidate Joan Knoll and District 1 supervisor candidate Steve Breitbach.

Blood drive set for Aug. 27

LifeServe Blood Center will hold its monthly blood drive on Tuesday, Aug. 27, at the New Hampton Community Center.

The drive will run from noon to 5:30 p.m., and appointments can be made by calling 800-287-4903, texting LIFESERVE to 999-777 or by going online to lifeserve.info/schedule.

BY BOB FENSKE
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors will have an additional \$200,000 to spend on capital projects during the 2024-25 fiscal year if a proposed budget amendment is approved later this month.

It doesn’t necessarily mean they’re going to spend it, but if they do, board members don’t

have a specific project in mind.

But during Monday’s board meeting, two supervisors discussed possibly using the money at the county-owned Heritage Center.

“We have all these funds with cash in them and why do we need to hang on to them,” Supervisor Jake Hackman said. “Do we gut the north wing of the Heritage Center this winter? Do we gut the north

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Aug. 11 1949 (75 years ago)

- Sonnenberg Motors will hold its formal opening on Saturday, Aug. 13, all day and evening. Free refreshments will be served. Ray Sonnenberg purchased Donovan Motors several months ago and has been appointed New Hampton’s new Dodge-Plymouth dealer. On its formal opening day, 15 new Dodge and Plymouth cars and Dodge “job rated” trucks will be on display for immediate delivery.
- Total expenditures from the general fund of the public schools of the state of Iowa have increased 99.79 percent between the end of the 1941 school year and the 1948 school year. Figures dealing with the school costs for the seven-year period were released by the Iowa Taxpayer’s association.

During this period, the daily attendance has decreased in the elementary and high schools throughout the state by 7.02 percent, and the teaching positions have decreased by 9.74 percent.

The increase in cost for seven years in Chickasaw County for public elementary and high school was 100.09 percent.

1974 (50 years ago)

- Although only five-years-old, Claudia and Caryn Budweg, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Budweg of New Hampton, are “old-timers” when it comes to entering and exhibiting at flower shows. And this year, their third in competition, the twins again claimed top ribbons in the junior division of the New Hampton Garden Club’s annual flower show. Their mother said “the best part of the preparation for the show was eating the watermelon, so the rind could be used as the holder for Caryn’s display.”
- Two area residents participated in the Second Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa (SAGBRAI). Mrs. Robert Reissner of Little Turkey was among some 2,000 cyclists making the 430-mile trip from Council Bluffs to Dubuque last week. Dr. James Young joined the SAGBRAI for two days, riding a distance of some 140 miles. Dr. Young said he and his wife are planning to go the entire distance next year, and hopefully, the Youngs and Mrs. Reissner will be joined on the trip with other area residents.

1999 (25 years ago)

- At a meeting recently, Steve Jesseph, Executive Director of Global Workplace Values and Safety, Sara Lee Corporate, told local officials that Sara Lee has a definite interest in selling the New Hampton plant. The company has hired a professional appraisal firm to determine the value of the plant. Jesseph has indicated that a price might be released within two weeks.
- On Sale at Fareway: Ground Beef, 99 cents/Lb.; Pork Country Style Ribs, 99 cents/Lb.; Watermelon, 19 cents per Lb.; Ruffles Potato Chips, 2/\$4; Kellogg’s Rice Krispies or Frosted Flakes, 2/\$5; Philadelphia Cream Cheese, \$1.49; Kraft Velveeta Slices, \$2.29; Banquet Entrees, 3/\$5; Pepsi Products, 24 pack/\$5.69; Schmidt Beer, 12 pack, 3/\$10.

2014 (10 years ago)

- Work on the New Hampton Chickasaw football stadium home seating began on Wednesday and Superintendent Jay Jurens said it should take about 10 working days. School Board members unanimously approved the project back in April after one of the floor boards broke during a football game last year. When completed, the \$250,000 project will make the stands compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- The 14th Annual Northeast Iowa Team Invitational Tournament was hosted by the New Hampton Golf and Country

Club on Aug. 1. Ten teams were entered in the tourney. Members of the New Hampton Golf Team were Paul Ewert, Nick Wegner, Eric Olson, Bruce Babcock, Ryan Rausch, Brad Shatek, Lyle Kriener and Rich Kriener. The team consisted of eight players with the lowest six scores counting each round. New Hampton won the scratch championship with a score of 456.

Medalist for the day was Rich Kriener of New Hampton with a score of 69. The closest to the pin with the tee shot of hole No. 5 was Bruce Babcock of New Hampton with a distance of 16 inches.

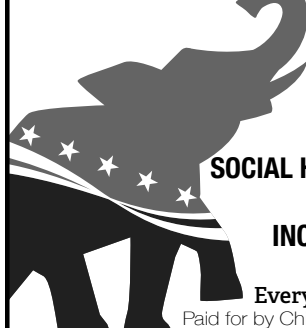
2019 (5 years ago)

- Bill Boyd was inducted into the Iowa High School Athletic Association’s Hall of Fame at the state baseball tournament. Boyd has umpired high school baseball for almost 30 years, and earlier this month, he worked his 24th straight state baseball tournament. He’s known around the state as a consistent, stern but affable and hard-working umpire. And he can’t imagine a summer without being behind the plate or out in the field, wearing the blue.
- New Hampton High School graduate Cole McDonald notched his first win for the Tri-City ValleyCats on Aug. 5. Tri-City nabbed the victory in the bottom of the ninth inning by a score of 3-1 via a walk-off home run.

McDonald’s earned run average for the team sits at a solid 3.26 in 19.1 innings pitched. He has struck out 21 batters and his opponent batting average of .206 is exceptional.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
2024 ELECTION KICKOFF & FUNDRAISING EVENT
You are cordially invited to attend the 2024 Election Kickoff and Fundraising Event sponsored by the Chickasaw County Republican Party. The Event will consist of a social hour with appetizers and drinks as well as a program featuring the following presenters:
Speaker of the Iowa House – Pat Grassley
Iowa Senate District #29 – Sandy Salmon
Iowa House District #58 – Charley Thomson
“Salute to the Fallen” – John Thompson
“Mamma Bear” – Kimberly Reicks
County Candidates – Jacob Hackman & Ryan Shawver
Master of Ceremonies – Eddie Andrews,
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Wednesday	77	56	--
Thursday	73	48	--
Friday	69	46	--
Saturday	71	48	--
Sunday	76	49	.02
Monday	78	56	--
Tuesday	79	61	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly cloudy early, partly cloudy later with chance of showers and storms; high 81, low 63.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 75 and a low of 59.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 79 and a low of 59.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 79 and a low of 58.

Extended forecast: More of the same as we start the work week with sunny skies, highs in the 70s and lows near 60.

Meetings

MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
- New Hampton School Board, 6:30 p.m., High School Family and Consumer Science Classroom.
- New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

- In 1914, the American-built Panama Canal, connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, is inaugurated with the passage of the U.S. vessel Ancon, a cargo and passenger ship.
- In 1945, Emperor Hirohito announces Japan's surrender.
- In 1961, two days after sealing off free passage between East and West Berlin with barbed wire, East German authorities begin building a wall — the Berlin Wall — to permanently close off access to the West.
- In 1969, the Woodstock music festival opens on a patch of farmland in White Lake, a hamlet in the upstate New York town of Bethel.
- In 2021, just two weeks before U.S. troops were set to officially withdraw from Afghanistan, Taliban leaders enter the capital city of Kabul and sweep back into power with little resistance.

Birthdays

- Napoléon Bonaparte, the French military who became the nation's emperor, was born in 1769.
- American film actress Jennifer Lawrence turns 34.
- American film actor and Oscar winner Ben Affleck turns 52.
- American actor and comedian Anthony Anderson turns 54.
- Melinda Gates, American philanthropist and co-chair of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, turns 60.

Corrections

- The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct.

If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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Imogene (Schwickerath) Attig, 82

Imogene (Schwickerath) Attig, age 82 of Glenville, Minnesota, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 10, 2024 at her home with her loving family by her side.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 16, 2024, at St. Theodore Catholic Church, 308 E Fountain St, in Albert Lea, Minnesota, with Father Kurt Farrell officiating.

The family will receive friends at a visitation to be held on Thursday, Aug. 15, 2024, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Bonnerup Funeral & Cremation Service, 2210 E. Main Street, Albert Lea.

Burial will be in St. Theodore Catholic Cemetery in Albert Lea.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared by visiting www.BonnerupFuneralService.com

Dorothy Ann Lansing, 94

Dorothy Ann Lansing, age 94 of New Hampton, died peacefully on Friday, Nov. 3, 2023, at Linn Haven Rehab and Health Care in New Hampton.

Dorothy requested that her body be donated to Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, for educational purposes.

Inurnment will now be on Saturday, Aug. 24, 2024, at 1:30 at New Hampton City Cemetery with a graveside service.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements.

Virgil Paul Zwanziger, 93

Virgil Paul Zwanziger, age 93 of Nashua, died Friday, Aug. 9, 2024, at Linn Haven Rehab & Healthcare in New Hampton.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2024, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Nashua with the Rev. Tom Heathershaw celebrating the Mass.

Interment was held at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Nashua.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass at the funeral home on Tuesday.

Property Transfers

Dianne F. Quinn to Kristen Rosendahl and Conrad Rosendahl; PARCEL B NEW HAMPTON GARNENTS FOURTH ADDITION Lot: 8 Block: 1.

William J. Hoey to William J. Hoey TR, William J. Hoey TR AGMT and Kathleen Hoey REV TR AGMT; COMM 33'W TO PT 400'S SE COR NE NW 15-95-12.

Trace Landers and Heather Landers to Pierce Schulz; PARCEL 2022-13 SW SE 21-94-12.

Beverly J. Snyder to Robert J. Snyder; PARCEL 2021-79 SE SE 30-96-13 PARCEL 2021-80 SE SE 30-96-13.

Ralph Reicks to Trevor Reicks and Kadi Reicks; 2024-24 NW 34-97-11.

Thomas Franzen and Irene Franzen to Thomas Franzen and Irene Franzen; PARCEL C SW SE 27-97-13 N1/2 NW 35-97-13 N1/2 NE 34-97-13 N1/2 SE 27-97-13.

Emily R. Oulman, Emily R. Gorman and Jordan K. Oulman to Emily R. Oulman and Jordan K. Oulman; N23-1/6' NEW HAMPTON SOUTH VIEW ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 5 S46-1/3' NEW HAMPTON SOUTH VIEW ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 5.

KLUCK Partnership to Nicholas Konen and Nicole Engelhart; W1/2 NEW HAMPTON NO ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 15.

Kenneth L. Haut and Cathy J. Haut to Austin H. Deutsch and Nicole R. Deutsch; NASHUA GREELEYS ADDITION NUMBER 1 Lot: 10 Block: 1 NASHUA GREELEYS ADDITION NUMBER 1 Lot: 11 Block: 1.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET
Board of Supervisors of CHICKASAW COUNTY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of CHICKASAW COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

Meeting Date/Time:	Contact:	Phone:
8/26/2024 09:10 AM	SHEILA SHEKLETON	(641) 394-2100

Meeting Location: Boardroom, 2nd floor of the Courthouse, 8 E Prospect, New Hampton, IA 50659

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov/appeals>.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1 7,896,909	0	7,896,909
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2 0	0	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3 233,350	0	233,350
Net Current Property Tax	4 7,663,559	0	7,663,559
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5 1,665	0	1,665
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6 15,000	0	15,000
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7 969,853	0	969,853
Intergovernmental	8 5,500,660	0	5,500,660
Licenses & Permits	9 31,000	0	31,000
Charges for Service	10 1,476,245	0	1,476,245
Use of Money & Property	11 194,502	0	194,502
Miscellaneous	12 248,600	18,850	267,450
Subtotal Revenue	13 16,101,084	18,850	16,119,934
Other Financing Sources:			
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14 0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15 2,811,676	0	2,811,676
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16 0	0	0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17 18,912,760	18,850	18,931,610
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Operating:			
Public Safety and Legal Services	18 4,031,529	73,553	4,105,082
Physical Health and Social Services	19 1,757,227	70,000	1,827,227
Mental Health, ID & DD	20 0	0	0
County Environment & Education	21 908,270	20,000	928,270
Roads & Transportation	22 8,358,511	345,000	8,703,511
Government Services to Residents	23 562,729	0	562,729
Administration	24 2,328,710	15,000	2,343,710
Nonprogram Current	25 0	6,180	6,180
Debt Service	26 473,033	1,567	474,600
Capital Projects	27 601,721	200,000	801,721
Subtotal Expenditures	28 19,021,730	731,300	19,753,030
Other Financing Uses:			
Operating Transfers Out	29 2,811,676	0	2,811,676
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30 0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31 21,833,406	731,300	22,564,706
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32 -2,920,646	-712,450	-3,633,096
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2024	33 7,855,596	3,011,430	10,867,026
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34 0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35 0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36 2,925,962	0	2,925,962
Fund Balance - Committed	37 0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	38 0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39 2,008,988	2,298,980	4,307,968
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2025	40 4,934,950	2,298,980	7,233,930
Explanation of Changes: Line 12 the Sheriff brought in through grants \$18,850. Line 18 increase in the sheriff expenditures due to spending the grants received. Increase in EMS due to not having EMS director's contract completed for the budget, increase in health care, and increase in supplies for EMS. Line 19 increase in the expenditure for opioid due to receiving more settlement funds. Line 21 increase expenditure in the County Economic Development Fund for job creations. Line 22 Local Option Sales Tax Infrastructure improving roads. Line 24 increase for contract auditing services. Line 25 increase for Pioneer Cemetery. Line 26 Increase due to using fund balance as a source to pay debt. Line 27 Increase capital projects due to potential remodels.			

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Tracy L. Bergmann, 58



Tracy L. Bergmann, age 58 of rural Sumner, died Sunday morning, Aug. 11, 2024, at Unity Point/Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo, following a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, 2024, at Grace Lutheran Church in Tripoli with the Rev. Marilyn Sargent officiating.

Inurnment will be held at a later date.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, August 16, 2024, at Grace Lutheran Church and for one hour preceding services at the church on Saturday.

Memorials may be made to the family for later designation. Becker & Son Funeral Home in Tripoli is assisting Tracy's family. Online condolences may be left at www.beckermilnesrettig.com.

Tracy Lynn, daughter of Gordon and Alice (Salisbury) Sanderson was born on March 27, 1966, at St. Francis Hospital in Waterloo. She was baptized at Grace Lutheran Church in Waterloo and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church-Siegel, Tripoli.

Tracy received her education in the Tripoli School System, graduating from Tripoli High School in 1984. Following graduation, she continued her education at A.I.C. in Waterloo.

On Sept. 24, 1995, she was united in marriage with Dale Bergmann at Split Rock Park, rural Fredericksburg with the Rev. Salge presiding.

Tracy worked at I. P. B., Target Distribution, Bertch Cabinets, and most recently at Lifeline.

For the past 10 years, she has helped take care of her grandchildren, which has been something she has thoroughly enjoyed. Tracy has always been willing to help a family member or friend in need, and has volunteered for many community activities, including the Tripoli Wrestling Club.

She enjoyed riding motorcycle with her husband, camping, bargain shopping, but her greatest joy was the time she spent with her family and friends.

Tracy is survived by her husband, Dale of rural Sumner;

Briefs

Farmland leasing meeting Aug. 19 in New Hampton

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is hosting a farmland leasing meeting on Aug. 19 at 1 p.m., at 115 N. Broadway Ave. in New Hampton. The annual meeting is offered to address questions that landowners, tenants or other interested individuals have about leasing farmland.

The average reported in the 2024 cash rental survey for the state is \$279 per acre of corn and soybeans and is the first-time rates have not increased in five years.

Topics will include land values and cash rent trends, cost of production, methods for determining a fair rental rate, legislative updates regarding leases and communicating with tenants or landlords.

"More than half of Iowa's farmland is rented, and strong landlord/tenant relationships are important for the long-term viability of Iowa's valuable farmland," said Ann Johanns, program specialist at Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

"While the trend in rental rates is fairly steady, individual agreements vary and attending a workshop is a great way to learn more or ask questions on specific aspects of farm lease arrangements."

The two-hour workshop is designed to assist landowners, farm tenants and other agri-business professionals with current issues related to farmland ownership, management and leasing arrangements. Attendees will gain a better understanding of current cash rental rate surveys and factors driving next year's rents such as market trends and input costs.

Each registrant will receive a 100-page workbook with resources regarding land leasing agreements such as surveys, sample written lease agreements and termination forms, along with many other publications. The workbook is included in the registration fee.

Registration is \$20 per individual and includes materials. Preregistration is encouraged as an additional \$5 fee will be added if registering less than two calendar days before the meeting date.

two daughters, Kala (Travis) Kruse of Frederika, and Kendra (Darin) Lockard of Maynard; two step-children, Jesse Bergmann of Nashua, and Chantelle Jordan of New Hampton; 10 grandchildren, Isaac, Charlie, and Zachary Kruse, Journey, Harley, Knox and Franky Lockard, Jade and Sheyenne Bergmann, and Kadrian Wigant; mother, Alice Sanderson of Tripoli; brothers, Jeff Sanderson of Cedar Falls, Dennis Sanderson of Tripoli, Randy (Robin) Sanderson of Waterloo, and Kerry (Shelly) Sanderson of Tripoli; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Roger (Loretta) Bergmann of Frederika, Jane Onken of San Simon, Arizona, Sally (Carl) Dietrich of Springfield, Missouri, Gary (Joyce) Bergmann of Frederika, Tommy (Rhonna) Bergmann of Waverly, and Debra Lundblade of Stoutland, Missouri; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Gordon; grandparents, Arthur and Miriam Salisbury, Earl and Charlotte Sanderson, and Harvey and Dorothy Spettel; parents-in-law, Robret and LaDonna Bergmann; brother, Howard Sanderson; nephew, Seth Sanderson; niece, Wendy Bergmann; and brothers-in-law, Jim Onken and Walter Lundblade.

ISU fall field day registration due Aug. 21

Iowans can gain valuable knowledge in various agricultural topics at Iowa State University's Northeast Research and Demonstration Farm annual fall field day on Aug. 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Doug Houser, digital agriculture extension specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, will begin the program by providing the most current and up-to-date information regarding drone/UAV technology, and its use in the agricultural sector.

Alison Robertson, professor and extension plant pathologist, will give an update on crop diseases of the growing season and expectations going into this year's harvest.

Kapil Arora, extension agricultural and biosystems engineering specialist, will share his insights on tile drainage and water management.

"This year's event will offer a diverse lineup of topics and speakers," said Terry Basol, field agronomist with ISU Extension and Outreach. "Participants can enjoy a day of hands-on learning, while networking with specialists and other farmers."

The field day is free and open to the public. Lunch is provided and sponsored by Kahn Tile Supply. To assist with meal preparation, register by Aug. 21 by emailing neira@iastate.edu.

The field day starts at the Borlaug Learning Center Headquarters on the research farm. For more information about the event, call Terry Basol at 641-426-6801; or Josh Michel at 563-581-7828.

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Nashua City Council accepts bid for dam repairs, makes an offer to New Hampton city employee

By Kelly Terpstra
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Nashua took a big step forward last week in the process to repair a hole in one of its crown jewels – the town’s hydroelectric dam.

City Council members unanimously approved a bid to fix damage done to the dam’s apron scour, which was damaged because of flooding and added the potential risk of the structure failing.

That low bid – one of three received and compiled by the engineering firm of Shuck-Britson – came from Boomerang Corporation, a site work civil contractor out of Anamosa.

The cost of the bid to repair the dam came to the tune of \$763,000 and is the majority of the cost of the \$1.3 million project to get Nashua’s century-old dam back to full strength. The city will utilize general obligation (GO) corporate purpose bonds to fund the project that has a completion date of January 17, 2025 set in its contract.

“I’m just delighted that you’re able to get it done under a \$1 million, honestly,” said Nashua City Attorney David Skilton. “That’s great news. We were estimating quite a bit more.”

There were three bids submitted – one by Shift Companies out of Cedar Rapids for \$940,000 and the other by Newt Marine Service for \$1.5 million, over double the bid from Boomerang. Newt Marine Service is located in Dubuque.

“They didn’t see any reason why the Council couldn’t accept the lowest bid,” said Nashua City Clerk John Ott about Shuck-Britson, who recommended the city accept the bid proposal from Boomerang. Shuck-Britson also conducted the bid tabulation and helped lay the framework and blueprint for helping fill the void in Nashua’s dam.

Shuck-Britson, located in Des Moines, is Iowa’s largest structural engineering firm.

The breakdown of \$1.3 million project cost is as follows:

- \$763,000 for dam project
- \$224,000 for engineering design and construction
- \$175,000 for other legal, geoTechnical, etc. expenses
- \$95,000 for contingency (unexpected costs)
- \$29,000 for cost of issuance to Speer Financial.

Underwater dive teams found extensive damage done to the hydro dam in 2022. The damage may have been caused by repair work done last fall by Minnowa Construction, a bridge and civil contractor based out of Harmony, Minn.

A structural engineer with Origin Design out of Dubuque consulted council members about what he thought may have been the cause of a large piece of concrete that is clearly visible above the water surface below the dam. The engineer thought at that time that the concrete that sits near the dam may have been a result of concrete over pours. That engineer gave that opinion prior to the city retaining a law firm.

The actual work to fix the dam will center around concrete blocks that will be placed in the dam’s void and is what Shuck-Britson calls a “self-healing process.”

“They are pouring 5x5x5 concrete blocks on shore. They’ll be lowered in and set in there,” said Council member

Jake Johnson.

The construction company will come in with rock (up to 18-inch boulders) and place that around the blocks.

“So everything will kind of move, so it won’t be that head on top of concrete anymore. So that will all be below the water, so the water that sits on top of there will absorb the load when it comes over the dam,” said Johnson.

“There’s sheet piling to hold everything in.”

Johnson then went on to explain more in detail to those in attendance at the Council meeting about what the actual construction process entails and how it works to heal the dam – essentially.

“The part that was repaired before that didn’t last, it’s wider than that. So they’re going to come in there and cut some more of the apron off that was damaged and let that fall down into the hole,” said Johnson. “They’ll use that as their fill, too.”

ANOTHER BIG development at the regular Council meeting came in a 3-2 vote to rehire Nick Henningsen as water/wastewater superintendent for the city’s water plant, although Henningsen has not said he has accepted that job and there has been no contract that has been agreed upon.

The city of Nashua did not renew its contract last year with PeopleService – a water and wastewater company based out of Omaha.

Nashua unanimously voted in April of 2023 to create a full-time Public Works employee position that would replace Henningsen, whose contract with PeopleService was not renewed. Henningsen has been water/wastewater superintendent for eight years prior to Ion Environmental Solutions taking over on Aug. 1, 2023. Ion did not renew its contract with the city – which ran out on July 31, 2024.

Reece Reams, who has been filling in as Nashua’s superintendent since Aug. 1 of this year, was also up for consideration of the full-time position that would oversee Nashua’s wastewater treatment facility.

Council member Samantha Johnson made a motion to hire Reams, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem and Council member Ernie Willsher. Johnson and Willsher were the two ayes, while the dissenting votes came from Jake Johnson, Peggy Hall and Dan Zwanziger. That motion failed, 3-2.

Jake Johnson then made a motion to hire Henningsen, which was seconded by Zwanziger. Jake Johnson, Zwanziger and Hall all voted to hire Henningsen, while Willsher and Samantha Johnson were the nay votes.

The Council still has to determine a wage and contract for Henningsen, who was asked at the meeting when he could start.

“September 1st would probably be best,” said Henningsen, who is currently the water and sanitary collection superintendent at New Hampton, but he also indicated early this week that he has yet to decide if he will accept the Nashua superintendent’s position.

The Council decided to pay Reams \$24 an hour, since he has been running the plant until Henningsen comes to agreeable terms with the city on his potential employment.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Children play on the splash pad at the New Hampton Municipal Pool Tuesday afternoon just hours after officials announced the main pool will be closed for the season.

Pool manager says facility blessed with ‘great’ lifeguards

POOL: FROM 1

said, “we might be open for a day or two before we are going to close and it’s just not economical to do that. It is frustrating, but honestly, we just didn’t really have a choice.”

Pool Manager Michelle Nystel said the glass was discovered when one of the pool’s lifeguards stepped on a shard of glass. Nystel added that the pool patron “swore it wasn’t glass, but I just don’t think people look at the packaging.”

She said that many pools have banned what she called “full face masks” because many of them are made of tempered glass. “I was just at a Wal-Mart the other day and they had a whole bunch of them on clearance,” she said, “and they were all made of tempered glass. It’s something we definitely need to talk about. ... Multiple pools around the state have had to close because of glass, but up until now, we’ve been lucky. I guess our luck ran out.”

In recent weeks, the pool has had to alter its hours, which has become a rite

of August because college-aged lifeguards head back to campuses and high school-aged lifeguards start sports and other extra-curricular activity practices.

Still, the pool had been scheduled to be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before closing Friday and Saturday because of a lack of lifeguards and then open for a final three-day stretch that would have started on Sunday.

“We were really appreciative of the lifeguards who had stepped up to make sure we could be open as much as we could this month,” Flick said. “Some of them were going to practice all morning and then work all afternoon at the pool. That’s the disappointing part for us. We were going to make it to the 20th, which would have been really good.”

Those that need a little water break, though, aren’t completely out of luck as the pool’s splash pad will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily through Labor Day.

Nystel, meanwhile, complemented her lifeguards on an outstanding season.

“We had a great staff, a wonderful one

really,” she said. “We started the season with 20 guards and that’s a huge number for us. I thought they did a great job with everything – with lessons, with open swims, late-night events ... it’s sad that it came to such an abrupt end.”

And she said pool officials are already looking ahead to the 2025 season. How many lifeguards return remains up in the air.

“We have a lot of kids who are going into their senior year [of high school],” she said, “and their plans are up in the air right now. But right after the first of the year, we’ll make a push. ... The more we have, the better.”

She said there are lifeguard classes offered at a variety of locations around Northeast Iowa and Nystel added that one advantage New Hampton has is that it offers classes in town.

“If we can have a group like this one again, it would be awesome,” she said. “They worked really well together, and I thought they were exceptional this summer.”

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Cedar Valley Hospice to hold annual butterfly release on Sept. 8

Celebrate someone you love at the 13th annual Cedar Valley Hospice Release and Remember fundraiser on Sunday, Sept. 8 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the RiverLoop Amphitheatre in Waterloo. This meaningful event draws hundreds of supporters to the banks of the Cedar River for an afternoon that has become a tradition of honoring the community’s loved ones in an extraordinary way.

The event, free and open to the entire community, will feature food (while supplies last), kids activities and live music with Flatland Ridge, culminating with a short program and the release of 1,000 monarch butterflies.

Community members are encouraged to dedicate one or several butterflies as a tribute to someone important to them. For a donation, a butterfly will be dedicated in their honor. Tribute names will be displayed at the event if the donation is received by Aug. 23. Release and Remember T-shirts are also for sale online, at any Cedar Valley Hospice location (excluding the Hospice Home) and at the event while supplies last. You can also have a chance to open a box of butterflies at our event. You must be 18 years old or older and be present at the event for this special opportunity.

This year, we ask that the community submit their stories about Release and Remember or their experience with CedarValley Hospice. Many of these stories will be on display at the event and in an online memory webpage. To submit your story, email Haley Bell at hbell@cvhospice.org.

At the event, wheelchair ushers will be on hand at the handicap accessible entrance to the Amphitheatre near the Phelps Youth Pavilion where handicap parking is also available.

For more information or to dedicate a butterfly, visit www.cvhospice.org.

Nashua-based chamber to hold BBQ event during the Big 4 Fair

Organized by the Big 4 Chamber of Commerce, the Best Dam BBQ Challenge is coming to Nashua.

On Saturday, Aug. 31 the eighth annual even will be held at the Big Four Fairgrounds from 4:30-6:15 p.m.

There will be a variety of tickets available to sample and vote for the best entries. A \$30 VIP BBQ, for example, will get the connoisseur one rib from each grill, advance entrance to BBQ, a vote for People’s Choice Award and a free gate for you and a guest.

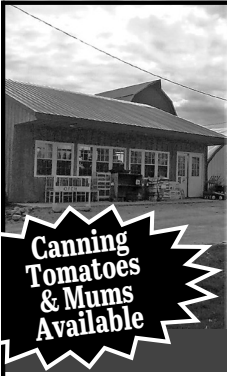
An a la carte (three ribs for \$10) ticket may be purchased that afternoon, starting at 5:15.

Farewell to Summer concert Sunday to feature Woodshed Reboot

The Carnegie Cultural Center will present is annual Farewell to Summer concert this Sunday at 7 p.m. in New Hampton’s Mikkelsen Park.

Along with a free concert featuring Woodshed Reboot, Totally Rolled ice cream and All About Cheesesteaks and More will be available for purchase from 6 to 8 p.m.

Kids activities are also planned at the free event, which takes place five days before the start of the 2024-25 school year.



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Family Fun Saturday will be held on Aug. 24 in Nashua

Cedar View Park in Nashua will be the site Family Fun Saturday, or “Water Over the Dam Days 2.0”, on Aug. 24.,

The event will begin at 11 a.m. when the food trucks arrive.

From noon to 5 p.m., an outdoor vendor fair will be held, with a car cruise-in set for 2 p.m. From 2 to 2:45 p.m. a family-friendly magician will be on hand.

The Waterhawks Ski Team, which could not put on its annual WODD show because of high water in June, will perform from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

The event will conclude with the band The Untouchables

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE
Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit.

General Permit No. 2- Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities

The storm water discharge will be from **Plant expansion, including the addition of distillation, fermenters, and other equipment, to potentially increase capacity by 30 million gallons per year.**Located in **NE¼ Section 1, Township 9S North, Range 12 W and SE¼ Section 1, Township 9S North, Range 12 W, Chickasaw County.** Storm water will be discharged from **1** point source(s) and will be discharged to the following streams: **Simpson Creek.** Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Services Division, 502 E 9th St, Des Moines IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
AUGUST 5, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, August 5, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman and Cerwinske present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Absent: Kuhn. Chairperson Cerwinske called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, County Attorney David Laudner, 911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Bob Fenske member of the media, John Kuhn, Safety Director Ranae Carey, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Jeremy McGrath, Custodian Dave Gorman

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for August 5, 2024. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve minutes for July 29, 2024. Roll call: Ayes; Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve Chickasaw County Historical Society Special Class B Retail Native Wine License for a 12-month period. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried.

Public comment: Jeremy McGrath enquired about the Certified Letters to the Cities to waive next quarter's payment for the EMS department. County Attorney Dave Laudner and Sheriff Ryan Shawver wanted to thank the Governor, State Attorney General, and Fayette County for all their help with a Chickasaw County prisoner and getting him into state prison.

taking the Baldwin Band Shell Stage from 6 to 9 p.m., and

floating luminaries will honor both cancer survivors and those

who have passed away from the disease will also be placed.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, August 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm in City Hall.

Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch present. Also present was Clerk Donna Geerts. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.

Motion by Day, seconded by Geerts to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Day to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2024, meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Rausch to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2024, meeting. Ayes: Crooks, Day, Holthaus, Rausch. Abstained: Geerts. Motion carried.

Motion by Day, seconded by Geerts to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Alliant Energy	\$1480.79
Black Hills Energy	\$75.46
Library Acct	\$2434.52
Payroll	\$3498.64
941 deposit	\$1027.90
IPERS	\$863.49
Brian Sigler, mileage reimb	\$1162.5
Jendro Sanitation, recycling /fuel surcharge	\$558.00
New Hampton Tribune, publication	\$604.93
.....	\$113.92
Iowa League of Cities, FY25 dues	\$386.00
INRCOG, CDBG admin exp-June	\$1056.34
Iowa One Call, srvs	\$20.00
Microbac Lab, w/w & water tests	\$153.25
AgVantage FS, chemicals-lagoon	\$624.15
John Deere Financial, swing, part	\$272.38
Donna Geerts, mlg for water workshop, Calmar	\$33.41
Five Star Coop, chemicals	\$399.02
Hawkins, chemicals	\$1823.18
Cooley Sanitation, park restroom rental	\$95.00
Deluxe, checks	\$250.14
First Security Bank, bank charges	\$90.00
Black Hills Energy, gas loss & labor	\$1606.20
USABluebook, water test supplies	\$362.90

Snyder & Assoc, WWT eng srvs May & June 24	\$6409.28
R&R Welding, brackets-lights 1323.25 Hillside Repair, paint brackets-lights	\$182.15
Ziegler, tractor rent 6/19-7/16/2\$3650.00 Total	\$29,394.30
Total Revenues	\$161,000.32
RECEIVED, FUND DISBURSED bank \$27,455.03, General	\$20,392.37
\$1,582.47, Road Use	\$0
\$9,406.21, Water	\$1,317.98
\$122,546.42, Sewer	\$237,708.23
\$1.9, Savings Int	\$10.00
Library Savings Donation	
Motion by Crooks, seconded by Holthaus to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried.	

Mayor gave wastewater and water calculations from Sigler's reports.

During public comment- Thank you to the Dog Pound softball team for a \$500 donation to the ball diamond light project.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Holthaus to approve culvert, filling in, and maintaining the ditch on South Sheppard Street at Burgart's expense. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to acknowledge the rate change for India May Watson, Library Director, from \$16.00/hr to \$18.00/hr effective July 1, 2024. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Day made a motion, seconded by Holthaus to approve the following building permit: Shoemaker, 106 S West St, concrete, 4x4 posts w/ roof. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Letter read from County Auditor stating EMS Dedicated Fund had a balance exceeding \$750,000 for 2 consecutive quarters calculated on April 15 and July 15, 2024. Since the amount in the Fund exceeded \$750,000 for two consecutive quarters the City's next quarterly payment due October 5, 2024 will be waived.

Customer questionnaires regarding DNR Lead Service Line Inventory are being received. Data from the questionnaire needs to be uploaded to the DNR. City staff will work on collecting the information.

Geerts made a motion, seconded by Rausch to adopt Resolution 24-16 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CITY STREET FINANCE REPORT FROM JULY 1, 2023 TO JUNE 30, 2024. The roll call resulted as follows:

Ayes: Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution adopted. This is a summary of Resolution 24-16. The complete text can be obtained at the City Clerk's office.

Discussion on Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project and Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project.

Crooks made a motion, seconded by Day to review, approve and authorize Mayor's signature on Change Order Request #3 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project, which adds erosion stone to the northwest corner of the large existing lagoon cell and a granular drivable path around the lagoon cells. Changes will add \$14,906.75 to the contract value. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Mayor is getting an additional quote on wastewater treatment plant fencing. DNR recommendations.

Clerk explained the process of the SRF (State Revolving Fund) loan reimbursement.

Day made a motion, seconded by Holthaus to adopt Resolution 24-17 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25. The roll call resulted as follows: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution adopted. This is a summary of Resolution 24-17. The complete text can be obtained at the City Clerk's office.

City tractor has been repaired.

Temperature / time sign will be installed on Main Street once the power is hooked up.

The ball diamond lights should be installed within the next couple months. Due to Labor Day holiday, Jendro will pick up solid waste and recyclables September 3, Tuesday.

Due to Labor Day holiday, City Council will meet September 9, Monday, at 7:00pm.

Motion by Day, seconded by Geerts to adjourn meeting at 8:07 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Taylor, Mayor
Attest:
Donna Geerts, City Clerk

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change for Lindsay Mosher, Sheriff Department, from \$21.86 to \$23.05 per Union Contract effective July 22, 2024. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried

Discussed Iowa Code Chapter 21 Section 21.8 of the code now requires governmental bodies to accommodate virtual attendance by member of the governmental body at official public meetings.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve final acceptance of the Heritage Water Project and after 30 days, if there are not any claims reported or filed Chickasaw County will release the retainage to the contractor and pay Final Payment Certificate No. 2 to Popp Excavating. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Cerwinske. Nay; Breitbach. Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize chair's signature on The Environmental Covenant with Iowa DNR at the Chickasaw County Landfill. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried

Committee Assignments
Supervisor Hackman, July 24, CSS
Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 10:00 AM. Roll call: Ayes; Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Cerwinske Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried.

Scott Cerwinske, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton,
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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2024

The Board convened on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 8:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman and Cerwinske present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Absent: Kuhn. Chairperson Cerwinske called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Engineer Roman Lensing, Bob Fenske, member of the media

Motion Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for August 6, 2024. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske. Absent; Kuhn Motion carried.

Discuss Chickasaw County Paving Project ARPA-2024-C019(01) and the City of New Hampton approved increase.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to award contract for Chickasaw County PCC Paving Project ARPA-2024-C019(01) to Croell Inc. for \$797,120.71. Which \$211,479.53 is the

City of New Hampton's portion per 28E agreement. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Suckow, Breitbach, Cerwinske. Absent; Kuhn Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize chair's signature on Final Voucher for Chickasaw Pavement Marking Project FM-C019(114) --55-19. Roll call: Ayes; Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinske. Absent; Kuhn Motion carried.

No Public Comment
Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to adjourn at 8:19 AM. Roll call: Ayes; Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Cerwinske. Absent; Kuhn. Motion carried.

Scott Cerwinske, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton,
Secretary to the Board

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The Lawler City Council met in regular session on August 5, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetterthies presided.

Council members present: Scheidel, King, Wilson, and Roberson

Council members absent: Croell

Others present: Jay Uhlenhake, Nick LaRosa-FehrGraham, Isiah Corbin –IN-RCOG, Renea Huinker and Jason Byrne

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the agenda.

Second by King

All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the previous minutes and approval of current bills.

Second by Roberson.

All Ayes. Motion passed.

VESTIS, RUGS 276.86

BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT CO, 2024 LAWNMOWER 7,778.10

JENDRO, GARBAGE CONTRACT 3,306.20

STANTON ELECTRIC..... 937.5

UPS 182.85

TEST AMERICA..... 521.25

EFTPS, FED/FICA TAXES 1,811.42

IPERS, IPERS..... 1,354.49

BLACK HILLS ENERGY, GAS UTILITY..... 240.99

MIENERGY, ELECTRICITY..... 23,316.88

CASH..... 674.89

HAWKINS, AZONE 579.58

NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE, MINUTES 07 01 2024..... 152.56

ROGER DRECKMAN, CONCRETE PATCH FROM WATER MAIN 2,150.00

ULINE, TOILET TISSUE & PAPER TOWELSW 336.17

DNR, ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE FY25 144.54

K & W COATINGS LLC, WATER TOWER INTERIOR CLEANING .. 1,200.00

IWD, 2ND QTR UNEMPLOYMENT 2024..... 24.06

IOWA ONE CALL, email..... 53.1

STATE HYGIENIC LAB, WATER..... 824.5

VISA - S BYRNE 769.37

HAWKEYE INTERCONNECT..... 86.33

FEHR GRAHAM, BOX CULVERT IMPROVEMENT..... 12,029.00

IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE, JUNE 2024 SALES TAX..... 1,108.70

BACON CONCRETE, PAY ESTIMATE #3 128,392.98

MDT, DRONE SPRAY LAGOON .500 PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS 6,635.16

CLAIMS TOTAL 195,387.48

REVENUE..... 13,795.82

GENERAL FUND 30,30.88

SANITATION FUND 3,306.20

ROAD USE TAX FUND..... 3,017.88

ROAD USE TAX FUND..... 2,994.99

CAP PRO STORM DRAINAGE FUND 140,421.98

WATER FUND 4,762.26

SEWER FUND 6,398.62

ELECTRIC FUND..... 6,982.17

LIBRARY 24,976.41

IPERS, IPERS..... 309.23

INGRAM, BOOKS 87.41

OVERDRIVE INC..... 397.44

RILEY'S 109.95

OUR IOWA 39.98

HAWKEYE INTERCONNECT .. 62.12

VISA 51.5

MID-AMERICA BOOK 137.7

PAYROLL CHECKS 1,568.16

TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS 2,763.49

CLAIMS TOTAL 2,763.49

GENERAL FUND 2,763.49

Nick LaRosa with Fehr Graham explained the culvert progress on Diagonal Street and Owl Street is close to being finished. Bacon is will be regrading corner gravel and need to put fencing. Diagonal & Owl should be completed in 2 weeks depending on weather. The culvert on Depot Street has been started.

Motion made by King to approve Bacon payment #3. Seconded by Roberson.

Ayes: King, Roberson, Scheidel and Wilson

Nays: None

Absent: Croell

Nick LaRosa with Fehr Graham explained the probable cost of the new well and location south of Pitts street. After review of the probable cost, Jay noticed the item of Well controls and electrical for \$25,000 should not be there since this is already set up. Fehr Graham will remove this item and let the council review at September's meeting.

Isiah Corbin, with INRCOG spoke to the council regarding help with a CDBG grant for the Water Well project. Communities with population less than 1,000 can receive up to \$300,000. These federal funds are competitive. The city LMI (low to moderate income) must be less than or equal to 51%. The city will be mailing a LMI survey to residents of Lawler to be completed in September. In November a draft of application and the city will hold public Hearing. The application will be submitted December of 2024. If the city does not receive 50% of the surveys back the city council will go door to door.

Renea Huinker with the library wanted to know if the council was going to enclose the city clerk's office. According to the agreement with the library the library would need to pay for this change and would like to know regarding their budget. Motion made by King not to enclose the city clerk's office per agreement. Seconded by Wilson.

Ayes: Wilson King, Scheidel and Roberson

Nays: None

Absent: Croell

Several property nuisances were discussed. Suzette will mail nuisance letters to property owners.

City Clerk performance was discussed. Mark informed the council Suzette apologized to him for her being upset in the lumberyard. Dale apologized to Suzette for walking in and yelling at her and admitted he was wrong.

The property line on north Center Street was discussed for the need to help mitigate water from the corn field. The city will be asking permission for the property owners along the property line.

Motion made by Scheidel to adjourn at 8:00pm. Second by King.

Ayes: Wilson, King, Scheidel, and Roberson

Nays: None

Absent: Croell

Motion passed.

Suzette Byrne, City Clerk

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CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY AUGUST 5, 2024
7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, August 5, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher. Humpal was absent. Also in attendance were Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl, Scott Carey, Aaron Lukes and Bob Fenske.

1. Approve meeting agenda

2. Approve City Council Minutes of July 15, 2024.

3. Approve City Claims of \$433,433.61

4. Cemetery Minutes of July 30, 2024

5. Department Head Minutes July 2, 2024

6. New Fire Department members

7. Class C Liquor License: Peach Cart Co. August 25, 2024

8. Class B Retail Alcohol License: Five Star Coop 9/1/2023

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10. Application for Tax Exemption/ Urban Revitalization: Nicholas Konen

11. Appointment to Planning & Zoning Commission: Milton (Chub) Frese

12. Street Closure Request: Holy Family Fall Festival ; August 24 & 25, 2024

13. Chickasaw County Auditor Letter Re: 28E Agreement for EMS 7-22-24

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Motion carried.

City Attorney Todd Prichard opened the bids for the sale of city property identified as Parcel #19-11-12-2-26-243. Bids received:

Scott Carey – Bid of \$1.96 for the property; Escalation Incremental Bidding \$50.00; Maximum Cash Bid \$1,696.00; Buyer will pay for surveying and recording expenses.

Scott Carey will coordinate the survey with the assistance of Park & Rec Director Tara Hackman and Public Works Director Casey Mai. Moved by Denner, seconded by Larsen; that Resolution No. 66656 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID FOR CITY OWNED PROPERTY FROM SCOTT CAREY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.96 PLUS ALL EXPENSES REGARDING SURVEYING AND RECORDING, be approved. Ayes

- Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Resolution approved.

The City of New Hampton received an interest free loan from the State Revolving Fund to pay for the initial engineering expenses for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade. This agreement is nearing expiration and an extension is needed. To date, the City has utilized \$57,721.62 of this loan for project expenses. Moved by Porath; seconded by Fisher; That Resolution No. 6657 RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE MATURITY DATE OF THE CITY'S SEWER REVENUE LOAN AND DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT ANTICIPATION PROJECT NOTE, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Resolution approved.

SEH Engineer, Becky Schwab, provided Pay Request #2 for the Tribe Trail project for Wicks Construction. The trail committee has \$447,504.14 of funds available for expenses. After this payment, the remaining amount available is \$164,255.54 and final projected amount due is \$152,335.30. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No. 6658 RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY REQUEST #2 FOR \$283,259.60 TO WICK'S CONSTRUCTION FOR THE TRIBE TRAIL PHASE III PROJECT, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Resolution approved.

Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl is requesting to enter into a 5 year agreement with Axon Enterprises, Inc. for the purchase of body cameras and tasers. The annual payment would be approximately \$10,500; the Police Dept did encumber \$13,500 from the FY2024 budget for these purchases. Rosendahl explained how these purchases are needed to update existing older and poorly performing equipment. Moved by Larsen; seconded by Fisher; That Resolution No. 6659 RESOLUTION ENTERING AN AGREEMENT WITH AXON ENTERPRISES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,480.20 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TASERS, BODY CAMERAS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Resolution approved.

Chickasaw County Engineer Roman Lensing provided an updated projected cost spreadsheet for the Kenwood Ave construction project. The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors has approved their portion of the expenses. The City's

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Trophies are starting to fill the new cases that are located just outside of the competition gymnasium and was a joint project between the school district and the Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club.

Bob Fenske/Tribune

Booster Club is always looking for new members, more participants

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at the stadium and a football scrimmage against Decorah following those introductions.

"It's always a fun night," Njus said, "and we're excited to get a new season and a new school year off to a great start."

The reality, though, is that the Booster Club has already been busy with its annual membership drive that provides funds to support both big and small projects. Although the first "deadline" has passed for membership, that doesn't mean those interested in supporting Chickasaw sports.

"We have a July 7 deadline, mostly so we can get the first printing done," Njus said, "but we do a number of printings throughout the year so we'd love to have more. It all goes to help our kids."

Njus said that, in addition to helping coaches and athletes with those "wish lists," the Booster Club also tries to work on one big project each year.

This year, that "biggie" was the construction of new trophy cases that are located just outside the competition gymnasium. The club partnered with the school district to bring New Hampton's sports history to the forefront.

"Our old cases weren't big enough, and nobody really could see them because they were all over by the old gym," Njus said. "We think it's going to be a great addition."

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The Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

And Njus and her fellow officers — Vice President Ryan Shawver, Treasurer Jen Ewert, Secretary Tara Pesek and Membership Director Misti Shawver — would love to have some company.

"It's open to everyone," she said, "and you don't have to have a kid in sports, either. ... If you care about Chickasaw athletics, we'd love to have you."



Bob Fenske and Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Danny Deetz (left) and Al Schlumbohm team up to make some rope during the 2024 Northeast Iowa Antique Engine and Power Show that was held this past weekend near Fredericksburg.

There are friends to be made at the Power Show

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weekend in August for years at the Pioneer Power Acres grounds located just to the southeast of Fredericksburg, celebrates not only the area's agricultural heritage but also the machines that farmers used in the early 1900s.

From threshing to straw baling to corn shelling and picking to silage cutting to the saw mill to much more, Pioneer Power Acres members put on numerous demonstrations throughout the weekend.

And while the crowd at every Antique Engine and Power Show tends to be on the "grayer side," the youngsters had a blast, too.

Just ask Billings, the 3-year-old who got an opportunity to shell some corn — both by hand and by placing cobs into a small machine.

"It's way fun," he said as he stuck another corn cob into the machine. "I want to do it again."

And he did, again and again and again.

As one show attendee was overheard saying, "I like that kid's work ethic."

Schlumbohm returned to the Power Show in 2024 and was put to work by Danny Deetz, a New Hampton man who was filling in for Ralph Beck on a rope-making machine.

"Ralph couldn't be here, but I told him I'd do it for him," Deetz said and then added with a laugh, "even though I don't really know what I'm doing all the time."



There's plenty of "John Deere Green" on display at the tractor show.

It turned out he was understating his capabilities. First he enlisted his new-found friend, Schlumbohm.

"It's a two-man job, and that guy needs to take the pictures," he said, pointing to the reporter. "Would you give a friend a hand?"

Schlumbohm agreed and the two went to work, and a few minutes later, they had turned twine into a sturdy hay rope.

"Look at that," Deetz said, "we did it. And that's about as good a rope as you're

going to see, don't you think Al?"

The smile on the retired postal worker from Stanley was an absolutely affirmative answer.

"You know, both years I've come up here," he said, "I think the best part is just meeting the people. I didn't know hardly a soul last year, but you start talking about this machine or that machine and you know what? You found a new best friend, and that's pretty cool."



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2-for-3 for the editor

The plan on Tuesday morning was for our editor to try to catch all three New Hampton fall sports teams in practice, but after snapping a photo of Josie Speltz (above) serving at volleyball practice and Jay Pickar (below) kicking off at football, said editor went for his version of a run. And by the time he got back, the cross country team was heading home.

But we'll have plenty on all three teams in the near future, as the Tribune is gearing up for its annual Fall Sports Preview that will appear in the Aug. 29 Tribune.



A youngster (above) gets plenty of encouragement during the kids pedal pull while 3-year-old Christopher Billings (right) is having the time of his life feeding corn cobs into a machine to be shelled.



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Booster Club ready to kick off another big year

Meet the Team Night set for Aug. 23, and club president says organization will continue to help coaches and athletes with ‘wish lists’

By BOB FENSKE
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The goal of the Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club is simple: Help New Hampton High School sports teams bridge the gap.

“We know that school budgets can’t take care of everything,” Booster Club

President Jodi Njus said, “and that’s where we come in. We help with uniforms, any supplies, the extra stuff, the wish lists, if you will.”

And like the rest of us, booster club members are looking forward to the start of another school year so they’re excited to help put on another Meet the Team Night that will be held a

week from Friday, on Aug. 23.

The big event for the Booster Club will be the 31st annual Pregame Lynch’s BBQ Fundraiser, which will be held in the high school cafeteria from 4:30 to 7 p.m., and as they did during the winter sports Meet the Team Night last November, booster club members are eschewing the old ticket process

and accepting a freewill donation for the meal.

“The tickets, quite honestly, were a hassle,” Njus said, “and the kids are practicing and really busy so they didn’t have a ton of time to sell them. So we tried it last winter, and it worked out really well.”

In addition to the meal, Meet the

Team Night, which will take place after students finish the first day of classes for the 2024-25 school year, will include a volleyball scrimmage from 5 to 6 p.m. in the gymnasium; the introduction of the cross country, cheerleading and football teams at 6:30 p.m.

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Boys golf will head to the fall

Move part of associations’ efforts to reduce current ‘congestion’ in spring sports season

By BOB FENSKE
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The two associations that oversee high school sports in Iowa say the decision announced Monday to move both the boys golf and girls tennis seasons to the fall will remove “congestion” from the spring sports season.

But it will also lead to a number of athletes having to make a choice when the fall of 2025 rolls around.

The Iowa High School Athletic Association and Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union jointly announced Monday that the two sports will have spring seasons during the 2024-25 school year and then move to the fall for the 2025-26 school year.

Officials from both associations said the changes address decades-long concerns from member schools over scheduling and were approved by both the IHSAA’s board and IGHSAA’s board following discussions at a joint meeting in early July but not

announced until Monday.

“Our member schools have been asking for ways to relieve the crowded spring sports seasons for years,” IGHSAA executive director Erin Gerlich said. “The new changes provide relief in an already busy spring, and an opportunity for the IGHSAA and IHSAA to enhance the state tournament experiences for tennis and golf.”

“A lot of work has gone into this process and we appreciate all of the input we have received regarding these changes.”

The current sanctioned spring sports in Iowa include golf, soccer, tennis, track and field for both boys and girls – and overlaps seasonally with baseball and softball.

The adjustment was discussed across 2023-24 district meetings, the IHSADA state conference, advisory committees, and the 2023 IHSAA membership survey.

“Reducing the congestion

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New Hampton’s Adam Ewert, who also plays football for the Chickasaws, keeps an eye on his tee shot during a meet at Decorah this past spring.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton senior Braden McShane (above) takes his home run trot around the bases in a game against Waverly-Shell Rock while fellow Chickasaw senior Kael Meyers (below) throws a pitch in the Class 2A district championship game against Osage.

CHICKASAWS’ McSHANE, MEYERS AND ECKLEY EARN ALL-STATE HONORS

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First conference title since 2019? Check.

Third trip to the Class 2A state tournament in the past six years? Check.

First-ever state tourney victory? Check.

Second-ever state tournament win? Check.

First time in school history with three players on the all-state team? Check.

Yes, indeed, the New Hampton baseball team checked a ton of boxes this summer, and the capper was that trio of all-staters who included seniors Braden McShane and Kael Meyers and junior Jaxon Eckley.

McShane was named as an outfielder to the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association (IHSBCA) “super team,” one that included players from all four of the state’s

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New Hampton junior infielder Jaxon Eckley throws to first to record an out in a game against Charles City.

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Team Night, 5:30 p.m.
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