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And although several county residents spoke out against the proposed budget during a public hearing, supervisors unanimously approved the

The final approval of the budget came after a months-long process in which board members cut more than \$1.1 million from the proposed budget in a two-fold effort to make sure General Basic (GB) had the recommended 25 percent ending fund

Supervisors succeeded on the latter but came up short by about \$300,000 when it came to completely balancing the GB and GS budgets even though the county eliminated six positions — one each from the Auditor's, Treasurer's

Former Chickasaw County Auditor and current Board of Health member Joan Knoll asked supervisors "are there are any other budgets within General Basic that you can look at reduction. I don't care General

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New Hampton City Council gives its approval to two Safety Committee recommendations

Two recommendations from the New Hampton Safety Committee received the green light from the City Council during a meeting last week, but city officials are going to hold off on implementing them until the 2024-25 school year comes to an end next month.

Council members approved adding a four-way “mobile stop” at the intersection of West Hamilton Street and South Broadway Avenue during the school year and also agreed to establish a “no-parking zone” on the south side of West Hamilton between South Broadway and South Maple.

“The committee thinks both ideas can enhance safety at what is a pretty busy intersection,” Public Works Director Casey Mai said. “The stop-sign would be similar to the one that’s at Broadway and Main now, and the no-parking zone is just needed anyway. When you have cars parked on both sides of the street, there’s only room for one car to drive in between them.”

Council members unanimously approved both resolutions, but Mai told them that he would hold off on implementing them.

“I think we’d be causing a lot of confusion if we up and did it now,” he said. “It’s better to wait, for the school part, until the year is over.”

He said the no-parking zone will take affect in June and the stop-sign will make its debut in August.

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Carrie Schwickerath’s character (left) turns the tables on the investigator played by Ben Schuchhardt while Skylar Bugenhagen (right) plays the agent “Ruth Less” during the New Hampton High School’s production of “Murder by Indecision” on Saturday evening.

Director would love one more week with her cast

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best performance they had. They brought it perfectly to the stage, and I’m so proud of them.”

She was especially proud of her six seniors — Beth and Karla Pickar, Jarrin Robinson, Carrier Schwickerath, Shelby Springer and Irelynn Bodensteiner. Some, like the Pickar twins and Robinson, have been play stalwarts for the past four years. Springer and Schwickerath found the stage last year and Bodensteiner is a first-year drama participant.

“It’s a big thing to have seniors who are good leaders,” Konecne said, “and they really stepped it up for this play. They took the underclassmen and gave them great leadership. That’s important when you’re doing plays. If you haven’t done it before, it’s hard to understand that, but it’s true.”

The students began working on the play in mid-February, meaning for a month, Konecne was performing double-duty as she was also a co-director with Jill Cantu for the annual New Hampton Middle School musical that was performed in March.

What Konecne most appreciated about the “Murder by Indecision” cast, though, was



Beth Pickar plays the role of the turning senile Agatha Crispy to perfection during Saturday night’s performance.

its work ethic and its ability to know when to have fun and when it needed to get to work.

“They had a good balance, absolutely,” the director said. “With plays, during rehearsals you’re going to have those moments, right? The best part of this cast was they could have a good laugh and get right back

to work. These kids were dedicated, and it showed when they took to the stage.”

One doesn’t spend night after night together for two months without there being bittersweet feelings on closing night.

Those feels were evident after the curtain closed for the final time on Saturday, and the

seniors presented their director with flowers and thanked her for giving them one last rewarding drama experience.

“The work they put into this, the fun we had,” Konecne said with the emotion in her voice hard to miss, “like I said, I’d love to spend another week with them. They’ve been a joy.”



Clockwise from top left, Andi Gebel and Piper Hackman, Wyatt Sabelka and Jarrin Robinson, Karla Pickar and Ariel Hanson and Sadee Brummond and Irelynn Bodensteiner perform scenes.



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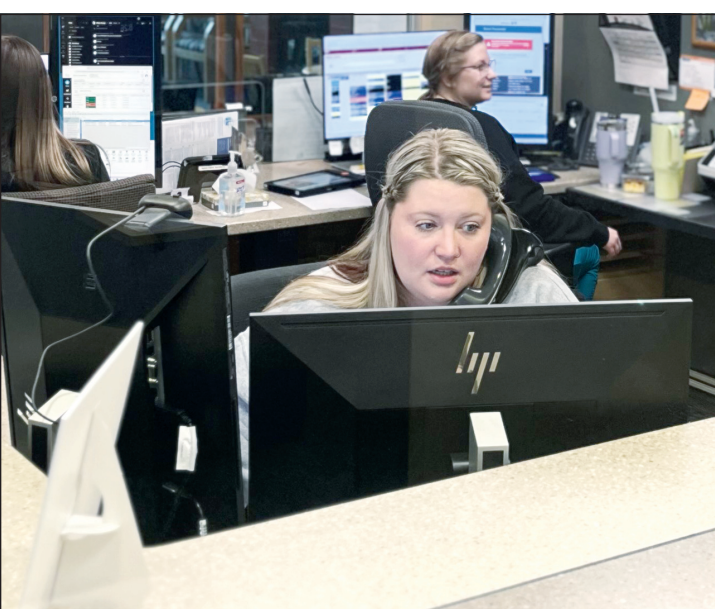
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Emergency Department Nurse Mary Kay Stee (above) grabs some supplies in the trauma room, MercyOne Family Clinic receptionist Maddy Schmidt (below left) helps set up an appointment and cafeteria employee Cindy Lenehan (below right) dices up some peppers in the kitchen at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center.



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One might say, we were a little accident-prone and notice departments in the preceding paragraph is plural.

Every single time we took the drive to Britt or to Mason City or, even once, to Albert Lea, Minnesota, the same thought popped into my head: If we ever move, by God, we're moving to a town that has a hospital.

You see, Forest City didn't have a hospital. Its facility closed in the late 1980s or early 1990s, long before my boys had a penchant for falling off bleachers, taking a bat to the face and other assorted calamities that required immediate hospital care.

And it wasn't just the fact that we suffered more than our fair share of accidents, but my first colonoscopy was done in Mason City, and that was the longest 30-minute drive, that much I can tell you. I realized that was probably TMI, if you know what I mean, but after living in medium-sized cities — all with hospitals — for 20 or so years, moving to a hospital-less community turned out to be a rude awakening.

Granted, it took a bit of time to realize it, but you don't realize what you're missing until you really need it.

So I'll come out and say it: New Hampton and the surrounding area really should thank its proverbial lucky stars that MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center is here and open for business.

As I walked around the hospital with MercyOne's Public Relations and Development Director Jenniffer Monteith to grab some pictures for this column and this section the other day, I came to another realization: The hospital is inhabited by heroes.

They're just every-day, ordinary folks who do extraordinary things. They give us, in my

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Spending some time with our EMS providers

Even when they're not on a 'run,' there's plenty to do at the station

By **BOB FENSKE**
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It was a little after 7:30 in the morning on a bright and beautiful Sunday morning. In the Chickasaw County EMS station's garage, paramedic Joel Knutson and EMT Brannon Anderson had started their shift the way they usually do. They had chatted with the "outgoing" crew before heading to the garage to conduct the daily truck check that every crew does at the start of what is usually a 24-hour shift.

They banter back and forth as they make sure they have enough supplies in both ambulances that are housed at the EMS station.

"You don't just sit around for 24 hours waiting for a call," Anderson said. "There's always things to do on the truck and in the station, reports to write, and honestly, I try not to 'relax' until 6 or 7 at night. If I'm not out here, I'm at a desk [in the office]. We are the face of the department, right? So I don't think any of us thinks it's right to just sit in a recliner all day waiting for a call."

Working in EMS is a different cat, no question about it.

Many of the employees — in fact, most of them — have other jobs. Some of those jobs are in EMS; some are not.

Knutson, for example, is not only the director of the ambulance service that provides coverage to rural areas of the county and six cities — New Hampton, North Washington, Lawler, Ionia, Fredericksburg and Bassett — but he also works for GundersenAIR out of Decorah.

Anderson, meanwhile, is one of two full-time employees for Chickasaw County EMS and he works a 24-hour shift every third day, and he often works on the "backup crew."

"You get used to it," he said. "The tough days are the ones where you're up all night. It happens. If you have a transfer to Des Moines, you're gone for 5 1/2, 6 hours. If you have two transfers, well forget about sleep."

Thankfully, Knutson said, the men and women who inhabit the EMS world tend to be nocturnal creatures.

"As a rule, paramedics and EMTs seem to be able to get by with little sleep," he said. "It's part of the business we're in. It's just the way it is."

At the same time, Knutson said that one of his expectations for his crews — especially those coming off shifts at other EMS services — is to get the sleep they need.

"If they're coming off a shift, they're probably sleeping some of the day because they might have been up the night before," he said. "In EMS, you sleep when you can because you have



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Chickasaw County EMS EMT Brannon Anderson and paramedic Joel Knutson run through a "truck check" at the start of their shift before heading out on a call later in the morning.

the potential to being up all night again."

When the truck checks were completed, Knutson headed back to the office to check over reports while Anderson stayed behind in the garage to tinker on one of the rigs. After a while, he popped into the office, took a chair at the desk and the two front-line crew members shared how the system works at Chickasaw County EMS.

They talked about the backup crew's responsibilities, how having a rig based in Fredericksburg has been a boon for Chickasaw County EMS and life at the station.

And they agreed, this business isn't for everyone.

"I'm lucky I don't have a good memory," Knutson said, "and I'm only half-kidding. You see some things on calls you don't ever want to see."

"The kids, the kids are the worst," Anderson said. "That's the hardest part for me, but I got into this to help people and to do that you see some things that you don't necessarily ever want to remember."

The conversation stopped rather abruptly when their pagers went off. The Lawler Fire Department needed a stand-by for a call its members had just taken.

The two EMS providers hopped into the truck with the reporter in tow, but before the ambulance was to Mikkelson Park, Chickasaw EMS was "called off."

"Those are the good calls," Anderson said with a laugh. "It is a strange business when you think about it. Some days, you get nothing; other days make up for that and you're running



all the time."

A few hours later, the reporter departed, although he drove past the station later in the day. The garage door was open and he was reminded of what Anderson had said that morning.

"I like it when people stop by, it's why I leave the door open on nice days," he said. "We want people to see what they're paying for."

Knutson would probably say something like

"that's the spirit;" after all, he's proud of the service he and his employees have built since it first opened on Jan. 1, 2023.

"We have a lot of dedicated people who just want to do what's best for people, for our communities," he said. "I know it's not for everyone — heck, everyone knows that — but the ones we have here, they really care about giving people the best care they can. That's all you can ask for, at least in my mind, that is."

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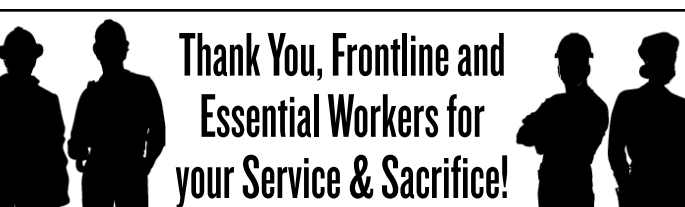
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Residents make case for Public Health at public hearing

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\$300,000 deficit.”

“I think they were all looked at, Joan,” Board Chairman Jake Hackman said. “I think that’s why we decided to decrease the [expenditures] in departments. We asked, I can name mostly all of them, County Conservation to Land Use to Public Health to Environmental Health, all the buildings. We slashed a lot of those non-profits, non-county departments.”

Residents spoke out against the raises earmarked for elected officials in the 2025-26 budget, and they also asked board members to consider selling at least one of the county-owned buildings in New Hampton.

“I know it’s been mentioned before about the [old] Hugeback building and the Heritage building,” Nancy Franzen said. “Is there a reason those two haven’t been combined for services? I’ve been in both of those building previously and I can’t imagine two departments completely fill the Hugeback building, and I would think there is room in the Heritage building.”

Hackman concurred that there is room and that “we will be looking at selling one of them or moving people around,” although he added that the Hugeback building that is now home to the Attorney’s Office and Emergency Management Agency is a prime storage area for other county

Chickasaw County's tax-asking for 2025-26			
Here are the tax-asking proposals that Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors approved for the 2025-26 fiscal year after holding its second and final public hearing on the county’s budget and tax-levy on Monday.			
	2024-25	2025-26	% increase/decrease
General Basic	\$3,271,534	\$3,373,565	3.12
Pioneer Cemetery	\$6,178	\$6,198	0.31
General Supplemental	\$1,795,297	\$1,783,170	-0.68
Debt Service	\$459,333	\$465,174	1.27
Rural Services Basic	\$2,364,566	\$2,419,061	2.30
Total	\$7,896,909	\$8,047,168	1.90
SOURCE: Chickasaw County Auditor’s Office			

departments.

But during the public hearing itself, the most impassioned pleas came from residents Mary Rosonke and Franzen about the cuts to Public Health.

“I really think they are taking a terrible cut, and I think there is a real strong need in this county for them,” Rosonke said. “My goodness, we have so many elderly people. Public Health keeps them out of nursing homes and in their homes and lets them have a better life. ... But don’t cut so back on so many people that the voters can’t be served.”

Franzen agreed, pointing out that 23 percent of the county’s population is age 65 or older.

“I know you’re young and probably think you’re never going to get there,” Franzen said to board members, “but everybody gets there sooner or later. That is the population that is most vulnerable and needs Public Health more than anybody else in this room.”

Less than an hour after the public hearing was closed, board members adopted the budget. Despite the comments made during the hearing, they did not bring up Public Health, but Supervisor Travis Suckow voiced his concerns about the pay raises for elected officials.

Last month, supervisors agreed to not take a

2.5 percent raise they had granted themselves earlier this year when they reached a consensus for elected officials to receive pay hikes between 2.5 percent and 8 percent. But board members left the other raises in place.

“I will say I’ve had the public say the same thing as [resident] Kathy [Shekleton] stated earlier [during the public hearing],” Suckow said. “Why is everyone else getting raises?”

Suckow asked if supervisors would be willing to consider freezing at least elected officials’ salaries?

“We’d probably have to recess if that is the motion that you make,” Hackman said. “We’ve got to redo a lot of things to make a freeze and we can. I’m not saying we can’t.”

But other supervisors remained mum on the issue.

Instead, board members approved the budget and tax-levy on a 5-0 vote, but even though the elected officials’ wages were in the budget resolution, supervisors also voted on a resolution on those resolutions.

In the past, when the county had a Compensation Board in place, that resolution was a must, and although Hackman questioned the need for it this year because the county no longer has the board in place, supervisors voted on the resolution for the wages that included pay increases. Only Suckow voted against it.



In more ways than one, MercyOne New Hampton makes a huge impact

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opinion at least, a first-care healthcare facility, and I can already hear the nay-sayers: “All they do is send you someplace else.”

A, not true. B, even in those cases when MercyOne transfers a patient to a bigger hospital in a larger city, often times, it is that care that patient receives that gives him or her a fighting chance of survival.

As we made our way around the hospital, we visited quite a few departments and I either met some new heroes or became reacquainted with some I have known for years. You see, we didn’t get all that less accident-prone when we moved to New Hampton 15 1/2 years ago.

Throw in the sports injuries by the younger boys and my migraines 10 years ago and my need for a vacation six years ago (sorry, that’s an inside joke and will remain one until a future column), we’ve done our part to keep MercyOne — both the hospital and the clinic — in business!

I’ve had a couple of same-day procedures, including a colonoscopy, at MercyOne, and I swear this will be the last TMI point made in this column, I like being three minutes away from the procedure a lot better than 30 minutes.

I guess my point is this: Small-city hospitals at times take a lot of grief, and yet as we visited the lab, the Emergency Department, the Physical Therapy Department, the clinic and, yes, the cafeteria, I was thankful for the people who provide care and yes,



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Physical therapy assistant Michelle Opperman (above) demonstrates an exercise for a patient while technicians Denise Figueroa and Merza Diaz (right) work in the lab at MercyOne.

nourishment, at MercyOne (trust me, that cafeteria is a winner!).

I asked Monteith to share some of



the hospital’s “numbers” with me, and here’s what I learned.

MercyOne has a huge impact on the economy in New Hampton, Chickasaw County and the surrounding area. Don’t believe me; just take a look at the most recent Iowa Hospital Association Economic Impact Report:

- Hospital payroll and benefits added up to \$11,707,626 in fiscal year 2024.
- 122 full and part time jobs.
- Total annual hospital expenses are \$18,845,007.
- Effect of hospital total expense on total output in state economy is \$33,463,079.

And there’s more, too. Each year, hospital officials say, MercyOne provides approximately \$3 million in community benefit in the form of financial assistance for patients, subsidized health services, community building activities and community health education.

Plus, as I put this column and

this issue of the Tribune to bed, the Friends of MercyOne, the hospital’s auxiliary, has a bake sale tomorrow, which means I’m going to enjoy a nice and very tasty award for those runs I’ve been putting in over the last several weeks.

Seriously, I know MercyOne New Hampton isn’t perfect. No hospital is.

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Forecast

Thursday: Cloudy, breezy and a good chance of showers; high 64, low 47.

Friday: Chance of morning showers and then becoming partly sunny; high 59, low 36.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 57 and a low of 36.

Easter Sunday: Get the family Easter egg hunt in early as showers will devel-op late in the day' high 58, low 42.

Monday: Partly cloudy but chance of showers; high 54, low 39.

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 Room.
- New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

- In 1790, American statesman, printer, scientist, writer, diplomat and “Founding Father” Benjamin Franklin dies in Philadelphia at age 84.
- In 1941, representatives of Yugoslavia’s various regions sign an armistice with Nazi Germany at Belgrade, ending 11 days of futile resistance against the invading German Wehrmacht.
- In 1961, the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion begins when a CIA-financed and trained group of Cuban refugees lands in Cuba and attempts to topple the communist government of Fidel Castro.
- In 1964, the Ford Mustang is officially unveiled by Henry Ford II at the World’s Fair in Flushing Meadows, New York
- In 1970, with the world anxiously watching, Apollo 13, a U.S. lunar spacecraft that suffered a severe malfunction on its journey to the moon, safely returns to Earth.
- In 1975, Cambodia capital Phnom Penh falls to Khmer Rouge forces.

Birthdays

- American financier and banker J.P. Morgan was born in 1837.
- American newscaster Harry Reasoner was born in 1923.
- American film star Rooney Mara turns 40.
- Former Spice Girl Victoria Beckham turns 51.
- American actress Jenni-fer Gardner turns 53.

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Cletus George Myers, 93

Cletus George Myers, age 93 of Waucoma, died Thursday, April 10, 2025, at his home in Waucoma.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 14, 2025, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Waucoma with the Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Friends greeted the family from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 13, 2025, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Waucoma. There was a 3 p.m. Rosary and a 6 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass at the church on Monday.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home was entrusted with arrangements.

Cletus George Myers, a man of the land and the open road, whose life was as rich and fertile as the Iowa soil he cherished, passed away on April 10, 2025, in his home of 93 years, of Waucoma. Born there on February 27, 1932, to Clifford and Loretta (Gebel) Myers, Cletus’s roots ran as deep as the family farm he was raised on. His life was a testament to the values of hard work, dedication, and the simple joys of rural life.

Cletus’s education at Waucoma School was the foundation upon which he built a life of service and labor.

At the tender end of eighth grade, he joined the efforts on the family farm, a prelude to his honorable service in the Army during the Korean War. Returning home, Cletus rekindled his love for farming, a passion that would shape much of his life.

On Oct. 15, 1955, he married Marilyn Peterson, and together they welcomed two children, Ronald and Donna, into the world. Although their paths later diverged, Cletus found solace and purpose in caring for his parents in their time of need.

In the summer of 1990, fate smiled upon Cletus when Phoebe Kappes, a childhood acquaintance, re-entered his life. Their love blossomed anew, culminating in their marriage on Aug. 3, 1991, and together they traversed the path of life, hand in hand.

Cletus was a man whose veins coursed with diesel fuel; his early career at John Deere was short-lived, as he sought the freedom of the open road. He found his calling with hauling feed for Sam Schmitt with a straight truck, but the big rigs had him knocking on Gary Mihm’s door and that was the start of his long 40 year career with Mihm Brothers Transportation, where he became a legendary figure, always the first to unload, and continued driving until the venerable age of 90.

Cletus’s next chapter in life took him to making pizzas at Mr. B’s Pizza and serving lunches at the Waucoma Gas Station daily.

Farming, however, remained close to his heart, transitioning from vocation to avocation, as his son Ron took the reins, while Cletus offered his sage advice, solicited or not.



Cletus Myers

A man of routine and community, Cletus could often be found at Porky’s, engaging in the camaraderie of card games at the round table on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

In the ’70s and ’80s, he was a fixture on the Waucoma Oldtimers’ slo-pitch team, pitching from the mound with his black work shoes on; where the spirit of competition was matched only by the fun they shared.

Retirement brought new hobbies, including his vigilant neighborhood patrols in his ranger, dispensing agricultural wisdom to all within earshot.

Cletus’s zest for life extended beyond the borders of Waucoma. He ventured to Ireland with lifelong friends, visited Phoebe’s family in Indiana, and occasionally indulged in fishing trips. Cletus enjoyed his trip to Missouri to visit is grandson Dustin’s shop. His advice was a cornerstone for the next generation, as he guided his grandchildren, Dustin and Sam, in their trucking ventures and proudly watched Morgan and Maci’s equestrian pursuits and watching Blagen drifting in to the cornfield.

Cletus was a man who embodied the spirit of the Midwest and God fearing, always a half an hour early for church and never missing a mass. His legacy is one of unwavering commitment to his community and family. His life was a journey marked by milestones of joy, resilience, and the unwavering belief in the value of a day’s work.

Cletus is survived by his son, Ronald (Teresa) Myers, Sumner; daughter, Donna (David) Karnik, Fort Atkinson; grandchildren, Dustin (Kristy Kelly) Myers, Fredericktown, Missouri, Danielle (Sam) Wenthold, and Kory, Karly and Kassidy Karnik; great-grandchildren, Morgan and Maci Blagen Wenthold; step-children Nicki (Andrew) Cuniff, Jenna (Dustin) Lenz and Jesse (Katie) Kohl; brother-in-law, Alfred Schmitt; and many nieces and nephews and step-children and step-grandchildren.

Cletus is preceded in death by his parents, Clifford (1993) and Loretta (2004); his wife, Phoebe (2019); brother, Donald (2015); Sandy (2007) Myers; and sister, Arlene Schmitt (2024).

The family of Cletus Myers would like to thank the Winn Med Hospice workers for allowing Cletus to be able to stay in his home.

Property Transfers

Timothy J. Schueller and Shirley G. Schueller to Shane R. Bethany and Danyelle T. Bethany; NEW HAMPTON MAPLE LEAF ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 5 NEW HAMPTON MAPLE LEAF ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 5 E65’ OF S33’ MEW HAMPTON MAPLE LEAF ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 5.

Duane D. Novotny and Jackie L. Navotny to DJ Novotny Farms LLC; NE SE 36-97-11.

Kirk Henry and Krystal Henry to Jared R. Koweil; NE SE 36-97-11.

Daniel Leichtman and Dan Leichtman to IAB Leichtman LLC; NE SW 23-95-13.

Brett M. Knowlton and Kendra K. Knowlton to Michael D. Wells and Ashley M. Wells; NEW HAMPTON MCGRATH ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 1.

Thank You

The family of David Rasmussen wish to express our sincere appreciation to all our family, friends and neighbors who showed their love and concern at the time of Dave’s death.

Special thanks to Rev Jim Goerend, Marcia Howe, Karen Bonfig, Mary Rosonke, St. Croix Hospice, lectors, pall bearers, alter servers, Dennis and Michelle Lau, Fae Stine #38 American Legion, McAllister Catering for catering the meal and the Rosary Society Circle for assisting. Hugeback/Johnson Funeral Home staff for doing an excellent job at the visitation and funeral. Special thanks to Andy and Connie who went above and beyond our expectations.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

God Bless You All,
Kay Rasmussen,
Randy, Soo, Micah, Soren & Norah Rasmussen,
Terry, Cami, Cari Ann, Ryan & John Rasmussen

Janice ‘Penny’ Virginia Erickson, 88

Janice “Penny” Virginia Erickson, age 88 of New Hampton and formerly of Superior, Wisconsin, died Friday, April 11, 2025, at Hillcrest Living Campus in Sumner.

An informal Celebration of Life will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 17, 2025, at the Bertha Community Center, 205 2nd Ave NW, Bertha, Minnesota.

Inurnment will be held at the Germania-Moran cemetery in Bertha, MN.

Janice was born to Margaret (Schneider) and Gustav Carl Messer in Staples, Minnesota, in 1936. When her baby brother couldn’t pronounce “Janice,” she became Penny, a nickname she went by all her life.

She grew up surrounded by family, siblings, and neighbors on a busy family farm in German-American Bertha, Minnesota. Although the Great Depression was ever-present, it was a time of happy memories — sneaking sugar to make fudge (thinking mother Margaret wouldn’t notice the scent of chocolate in the air), driving the Model T or stealing a pie meant for company from town.

After graduating from Staples High School and Business School, Penny moved to Minneapolis and worked as a bookkeeper, including a stint on the typists’ floor at the Northwestern National Life Insurance on Loring Park. (This was later renovated into apartments, which was discovered when grandchild Max rented one!)

She married Lou Harpel in 1956 and welcomed Joni Lynn (1958-1959), Lee (1960), Lon (1964) and Holly (1966).

After they divorced in 1979, Penny’s life entered a new chapter. Penny met Vernon Erickson on a blind date. After their marriage in 1982 and eventual retirement, they moved to their beloved lake home on Lake Amnicon in Superior, Wisconsin.

They spent many good years participating in the Tri-Lakes Civic Club, where they hosted many a fish fry, meat raffle, and pontoon boat regatta; worked on craft projects together; and made many good friends. All who lived around the lakes in that era knew Penny and Vern!

Upon Vern’s passing in 2014, Penny moved to New Hampton to be closer to daughter Holly and son-in-law Reed. She lived with Holly and Reed near Mikkelson Park for 11 years, enjoying the Christmas lights especially. Penny enjoyed “Crafterday” (full days of



Penny Erickson

p.m. following the visitation. Visitation will also be held one hour before mass time at the church on Wednesday, April 23, 2025.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at the Holy Family Parish in New Hampton, at 10:30 am, with the Very Rev. Jim Goerend, as the celebrant.

Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery in New Hampton, Iowa, with Military Honors.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family. Grau Funeral Homes and Cremation Services of Monona, has been entrusted with helping the family with arrangements.

Daniel Leo Kobliska, 75

Daniel Leo Kobliska, age 75 of New Hampton, passed away on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at his home.

Visitation will be held from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at the Holy Family Parish in New Hampton, where there will be a Parish Scripture Service that will be held at 7

LaVerne Bernard Hammond, age 78 of Fredericksburg, died Saturday, April 12, 2024, at Hillcrest Living Campus in Sumner.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 18, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg with Pastor Scott Smith officiating.

Interment with military honors will be held at Rose Hill Cemetery, Fredericksburg.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 17, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in

News Bits From Our Past Compiled by Terri Josephson

Week of April 13 1950 (75 years ago)

- Mayor Earl Lampson of this city called upon all residents to observe April as Cancer Control Month.

In a proclamation that was signed, he pointed out that nearly 400,000 Iowans now living will die of cancer unless something is done.

The Mayor asked for efforts by local citizens in striking back at mankind’s second greatest killer and he pointed out that over one-third of those Iowans who now die of cancer could be saved through early detection and treatment.

1975 (50 years ago)

- “One of the most proficient men in Masonic work in Eastern Iowa” is the way one fellow Mason described Dr. H.L. McCrillis.

That devotion was recognized when approximately 100 Masons gathered at the Hotel Chickasaw for a “ Recognition Dinner” for Dr. McCrillis. An active member of Arcana Lodge 274, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of New Hampton since 1934. “Doc” is presently Masonic district lecturer for state of Iowa and over the years has held all offices of the local lodge. Al Riley, Worshipful Master presented a plaque to the honored guest.

- Tim Gebel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gebel of New Hampton, received Boy Scouting’s highest award in ceremonies at St. Mary’s church hall. Tim, 15, and a sophomore at New Hampton High School attained the rank of Eagle Scout, culminating eight years of involvement in the scouting program.

2000 (25 years ago)

The New Hampton Horizons-Chamber and

With Sincere Gratitude

The family of Alice Tiemessen would like to express our deepest heartfelt thank you for all the prayers, phone calls, flowers, memorials, food, support of family and friends and kindness you have shown to us during and after this difficult time.

Special thank you to New Hampton Mercy One and New Hampton Nursing and Rehab staff for your excellent care you gave to Alice. St. Croix Hospice for your support. Hugeback & Johnson Funeral Home-Bryan and Staff especially to Connie and Donna for your wonderful support, compassion and tribute to Alice.

Thank you to Father Jim Goerend, Deacon Vic DeSloover, Deacon Stan Upah, Karen Bonafig, Gladys Christoph, Rose Holschlag, North Washington Men’s Choir and mass servers for the beautiful mass, prayers and wake service. Also for all your words of support. Thank you to Immaculate Conception Church Rosary Society and Harvest Church Circle for bringing the desserts and salads. Special thank you to Harvest Church family for all your help serving the meal and cleanup. Also to Elma Locker for catering the delicious meal.

It is in moments like this that the love and support becomes a true source of strength.

With Our Love and Thanks,

Roger, Laurie & family, Dale, Linda & family, Connie & family, Gary & Cindy and Sandy & Mark

Find the Best Ways To Pay Down Debt

Are you concerned about debt? It's important to recognize this, but, at the same time, you may have more ways of gaining control of your debt situation than you had realized.

To begin with, not all debts are bad — after all, your mortgage provides you with a place to live, a car loan provides transportation, and student loans may have helped you get the career you wanted. In fact, the wise use of debt can be a key part of your overall financial strategy.

Nonetheless, if you're worried about what you owe, you've certainly got company. Nearly 60% of Americans say they are struggling with debt, according to a recent study by WalletHub, an online personal finance site.

How can you ease these struggles? It may help to follow these steps:

- Know your debt. Create a list that includes your mortgage, auto loans, student loans, medical debt, credit card debt and any installment purchases you've made. Then, add up the total amount you owe and calculate your debt-to-income ratio by dividing your total monthly debt payments by your gross monthly income. (For revolving debt, such as credit cards, use the minimum payments in this calculation.) Ideally, you'd like to have a debt-to-income ratio below 35% if you have a mortgage, or 20% if you don't.

- Look for restructuring opportunities. By restructuring debt, you may be able to pay it down more quickly. You can do this by refinancing debts, perhaps by transferring credit card debt to a new card with a low introductory rate or by replacing your mortgage or auto loan with one that carries a lower rate. You might also consider swapping debts, possibly by using secured debt, such as a home equity loan or securities-based lending, to pay off higher-rate unsecured loans. Or you could consolidate debt by using secured debt to pay off several high-interest



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debts or transferring multiple credit card debts into one new card with a lower rate and minimal transfer fees.

- Determine how much money will go to debt payments. You do have some latitude as to how much money you'll devote to paying debts each month. To avoid incurring late fees or other penalties, you'll need to make the minimum payments, which means a flat amount for some loans, such as your mortgage, and a percentage of the outstanding balance on other debts, especially your credit cards.

After you've paid the minimum, though, you can choose to pay more, which can shorten the life of the debt and reduce total interest charges, or you can use the money for other goals, such as saving for your retirement or your children's education.

- Prioritize your debts. If you can make extra payments on your debts, it's helpful to prioritize them. You could choose the "avalanche" method by paying the debt with the highest interest rate first, or you could instead follow the "snowball" method by first tackling the debt with the lowest balance. The avalanche technique can help you minimize interest payments, while the snowball approach can give you a psychological boost by reducing the overall number of debts you're carrying, although it could result in your paying more interest over time.

Debt may be a fact of life — but if you manage it wisely, life can be a lot less stressful.

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City to continue engineering potential road projects

New Hampton City Council approves task-order agreements with firm for projects that could be worked on in 2026

By BOB FENSKE
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Nothing is set in stone, but the New Hampton City Council last week took another step toward making 2026 and 2027 busy road construction years in the city.

Council members voted unanimously to approve "task order agreements" with Strand Associates Inc. for a variety of road projects — including the reconstruction of Logan and Cleveland streets, the extension of West Garfield Street to connect with Western Street, improvements in the South Industrial Park and the restoration of the Mikkelson Parking Lot, which is located just off Spring Street in the downtown

area.

"It basically allows the engineering to continue and gets us at least ready to go to bid," Public Works Director Casey Mai said, and he added that engineering needs to be completed before the city can let any projects.

"I hope we go sooner than later. I mean we can get the engineering done and sit on it for a few years, but it's only going to get more expensive."

The city is also considering projects — as of now, slated for 2027 — that would lead to the reconstruction of South Broadway Avenue and North Maple Avenue as well as a second phase for improvements in the South Industrial Park.

During the April 7 City

Council meeting, Stand and Associates' Mitch Holtz said that the estimated cost for all the projects is a tad over \$12 million, but he added that "with as competitive as the market is right now, I really feel like you're going to be under, especially if we can get these projects let late this year or maybe early next year.

"There's still a lot of competition in the construction world and you're in a good part of the state."

He said part of what he does as the engineer "is to reach out to contractors ahead of time and let them know this is coming so they can kind of get excited about it. It always helps."

Councilwoman Mindy Humpal said she wanted to

make sure the city had funds available to pay for the task order agreements even if the city decides not to move forward with the projects in 2026, and Mai said he believes the city's LOST funds and other areas will be able to cover the costs.

Before the city can move forward with the actual construction, it would have to sell general-obligation bonds to fund the projects.

On Monday, Mai said the projects being considered are musts.

"These aren't wants; these are definite needs," he said. "In 2017, we looked at four projects that would have cost \$1.9 million. Now, it's \$6.7 million. Like I said, it never gets cheaper."



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton Elementary School students Lyndin Maurer and Brady Einck have fun playing with the parachute during Young Athletes Day, a Special Olympics event that was held last week.

Scores of volunteers help make event success

SPECIAL OLYMPICS: FROM 1

both with and without disabilities together to play and do athletic events.

"I had a parent, 'Hey, they do this in Iowa? Could we do this in New Hampton?' That's actually how it all came about," said Tiffany Merchant, a preschool teacher who led the committee that put on the event, "and so when she brought it to me, that was why I kind of ran with it. ... Being able to give them that day to act like any other kid, to be able to run around the gym or have the balls down, that's really cool."

Students with disabilities that qualify for the Special Olympics were allowed to invite a buddy to come play with them during Young Athletes Day, and volunteers came out of the woodwork to help make sure the event was a success.

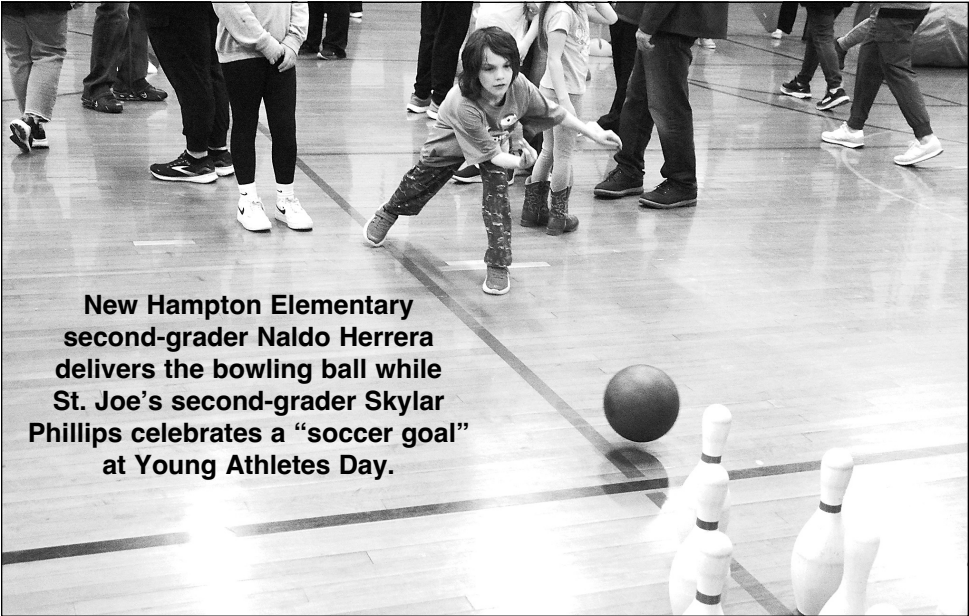
"Way more volunteers than I anticipated," Merchant said, "and that was so neat to see the community come out and support this."

Meanwhile, fourth-graders at New Hampton Elementary did their part by putting up a poster that helped spread the word about inclusion and how the school can include everyone in activities.

"For me, the coolest part was just seeing the kids who do have disabilities have a chance to act like they're any other kid," Merchant said. "That and seeing the buddies having just as much fun, those things really stood out for me. It was just an awesome day."

And it won't be the last, either. Merchant said the committee will meet in the next couple of weeks to talk about the 2026 Young Athletes Day, one that will include middle school students as well.

"I think you're always nervous when you try something new," she said, "but this just exceeded all of our expectations and we can't wait to do it again next year."



New Hampton Elementary second-grader Naldo Herrera delivers the bowling ball while St. Joe's second-grader Skylar Phillips celebrates a "soccer goal" at Young Athletes Day.



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Everybody Hurts is looking forward to its 5th annual 5K Walk, Run, or Ride. Everybody Hurts is a registered 501(c)(3) non profit who helps educate the community on suicide prevention and mental health awareness. We have done a variety of things including: bringing national speakers into the community and schools, providing QPR training (Question, Persuade, Refer) and ASIST training to anyone in the county who would like it, a support group for Suicide Survivors is being held every 4th Sunday of the month at St. John's School of Religion from 1:30-3:00, providing packets of information to families that have lost someone to suicide recently, provide scholarships to deserving individuals who are furthering their education in a mental health field, working with public health to help educate our community, helping provide mental health counseling in schools, and much more.

If you would like more information, volunteer or donate call 641.330.4687



Briefs

Lawmakers finally come to an agreement on education

Iowa K-12 public schools would receive a 2% increase in state per-pupil funding next year under legislation the Iowa Senate approved last week on 32-15 vote.

Senate File 167 sets the State Supplemental Aid (SSA) rate for the upcoming fiscal year. SSA is the growth rate for public K-12 school funding, allocated to schools on a per-pupil basis.

The Senate, and Gov. Kim Reynolds, had put forward the 2% SSA rate. But in February, the Iowa House returned the legislation to the Senate after increasing the SSA rate from 2% to 2.25%. The House amendment also added other funding components like a \$10 increase to the state cost per pupil, changes to transportation equity aid payment and weighting for school districts with shared operational costs, as well as a one-time allocation of \$22.6 million to help school districts with rising costs and the impacts of inflation.

Since the House vote Feb. 18, the measure did not see public discussion again before Monday, April 7. Lawmakers had already failed to meet their self-imposed deadline to pass school funding within 30 days of the governor's budget release, in addition to failing to pass the measure before school districts' budget proposals were due in early March.

The gridlock ended Monday as Senate Republicans returned with an amendment that set the SSA rate at 2%, but included some components of the House amendment. The \$22.6 million appropriation was removed, and the proposed raise to the state cost per pupil was lowered from \$10 to \$5.

LifeServe Blood Center monthly drive is set for April 29

There will be a LifeServe community blood drive on Tuesday, April 29 at the New Hampton Community Center, 112 E. Spring St. New Hampton, from noon until 5:30 p.m.

Appointments are encouraged and may be made by texting LIFESERVE to 999-777, by calling 800-287-4903 or by visiting the website at lifeserve.info/schedule.

Students' spring break starts today

New Hampton Community Schools and St. Joseph Community School students will begin their spring break today with a two-hour early dismissal. Classes will not be held on Friday or Monday ad well.

Until rain falls, area's fire danger will remain relatively high

FIRE: FROM 1

said. "I think we all get it, we want to get work done and all that, but it's amazing just how fast a grass fire can spread."

Schwickerath, though, said this department has been part of several so-called "controlled burns" and what gives him heart is the fact that three of those have been with residents who have not worked with the fire department in the past.

"It's always nice to have new customers, if you will," he said. "When we're there, that's part of making sure you have those resources I was talking about before. We want to everyone to be safe."

What would help obviously is for winds to die down and for a nice "soaker" to hit the area.

Three times in the last month, winds have gusted more than 50 miles per hour in the New Hampton area and save for a 0.63-inch rainfall on April 2 and a brief shower on Tuesday evening, precipitation has been scarce in recent weeks.

The good news is the forecast offers some hope for at least

the rain part of the issue. As of Tuesday's forecast, rain is likely today (Thursday) and tonight.

"Until we get rain and until we get the winds to die down a little," Schwickerath said, "I think everyone just needs to be alert, be cautious. And I'll say it again, if you're going to burn, have those resources ready."

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Sunday, 6:30 a.m. (2148
Odessa Ave.), 8 and 9:30 a.m.

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202 N. Broadway
641-394-2105
Father Jim Goerend
Mass times: Friday,
1 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.;
Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m.

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201 N. Locust Ave.
641-394-2893
Pastor Paula Hemann
Service times: Thursday,
6:30 p.m.; Friday, 1 p.m.;
Sunday, 9 a.m.

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Service times: Thursday,
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Service times: Friday, 6
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641-456-6880
Pastor Cory Orr
Service times: Sunday, 9
and 10:30 a.m.

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and 6:30 p.m.; Sunday, 10:45
a.m.

ALTA VISTA

ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC

Rev. Telesphore Dusabe
Mass time: Sunday, 7:15
a.m.

ELMA

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Rev. Telesphore Dusabe
Mass: Friday, noon;
Saturday, 8:30 p.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Bruce Miller
107 Wood St. Elma
Service time: 9 a.m.
Sunday.

ELMA CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Pastor Paula Hemann
207 Plum Street Elma
Service time: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday.

God gives us rainbows

They remind us that God is always with us, walking with us

I’ve been watching and listening to all the news broadcasts and decided that I needed to write on something other than the Gospel for this week.

I looked to the first chapter of Ezekiel where Ezekiel had a vision of the glory of God. Like many of the prophets, his vision was full of dramatic and fantastic images.

But one of the images was like a rainbow – full of many colors and revealing the diversity of creation.

In the dream, God’s glory resembled the

spectrum of color we see in a rainbow. As I read those words, I could see a rainbow in my mind.

Rainbows have a way of showing up when we need them. I have a little colored window art version of a rainbow that hangs on my patio door.

The colors always remind me of the promises God made to Noah and all people that God is always present with us ... through the goods and the bads.

No, we don’t always see a rainbow but we know that God is always

with us, walking with us when life gets to be tough and difficult to navigate.

No matter the devastation you’re experiencing, God’s promise is life. No matter the depth of your grief, God’s promises is life.

No matter how foggy it is when we look to the horizon, God’s promise is life abundant and eternal. A promise many of us need in this world currently.

I have found myself looking at my rainbow on the window a lot lately – maybe you need one

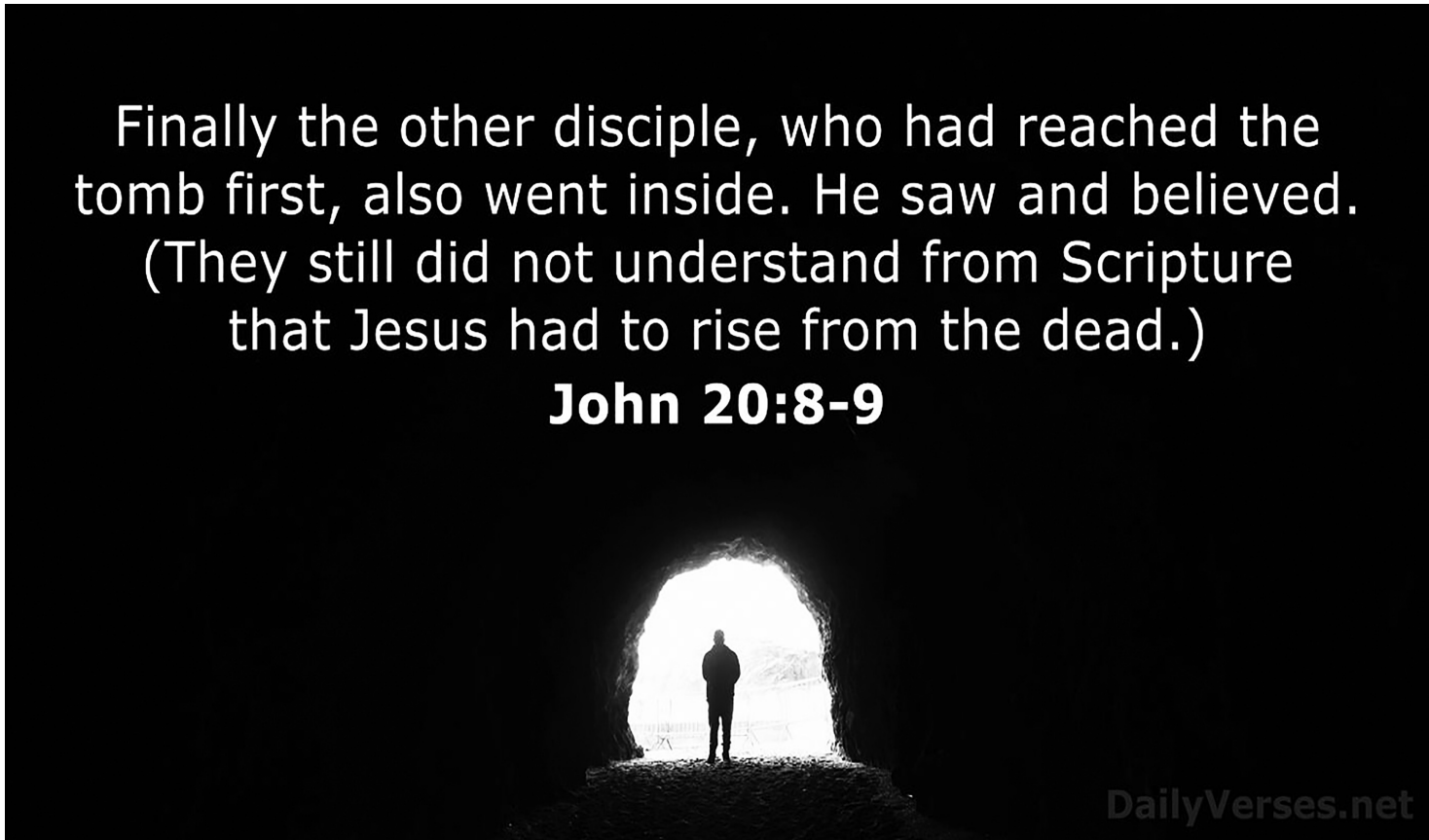


Pastor Sue Cira serves Immanuel Crane Creek Lutheran Church in rural Lawler and is also a transitional pastor at Trinity Lutheran in New Hampton.

too. May God give you glimpses of hope and reminders that you are never alone.

Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

John 20:8-9



The story of the first Easter from John’s Gospel

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went

inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

“They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?”

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”

Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

— John 20: 1-18

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1



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REPUBLIC CHURCH

1794 280th St., Ionia
Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 10:30 a.m.
Sundays.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

314 Brasher Street
Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 9 a.m.
Sundays.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

300 Merrill St.
Pastor Todd Burrichter
Service time: 9 a.m.
Sundays.

CEDAR POINT CHURCH

310 Main Street
Pastor Darin Cerwinski
Service time: 6:30 p.m.
Friday.

ST. MICHAELS CHURCH

602 Cedar Street
Father Tom Heathershaw
Service time: 6:30 p.m.
Saturdays.

ST. JOHN’S UCC - PLEASANT HILL

10009 Union Ave.
Pastor Drew McHolm
Service time: Sunday, 9 a.m.

LAWLER

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

3030 Highway 24
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Friday, 3 p.m.;
Sunday, noon.

IMMANUEL CRANE CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH

2616 140th St, Lawler
Pastor Sue Cira
Service time: 9:30 a.m.,
Sunday.

FREDERICKSBURG

ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD

222 S. Washington Ave.
Pastor Ron Koch
Service time: 8:30 a.m.,
Sundays.

PEACE UCC CHURCH

221 Oak St.
Pastor Scott Smith
Service time: 9 a.m.,
Sundays.

FREDERICKSBURG UNITED METHODIST

111 S. Hamilton Ave.
Pastor Alex Johnson
Service time: 10:15 a.m.,
Sundays.

WAUCOMA

ST. MARY CATHOLIC

218 3rd St. NW
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

ST. LUCAS

ST. LUKE CATHOLIC

215 East Main
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 10 a.m.

PROTIVIN

HOLY TRINITY

124 N. Main St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 8 a.m.

LITTLE TURKEY

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

3303 160th St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, April 20,
10:30 a.m.

CLARKSVILLE

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

31015 150th Street
Rev. Peter Wenzel
Service time: 10 a.m.,
Sundays.

Reynolds takes herself out of the 2026 governor’s race

Citing family reasons, governor says she won’t run for a third full term next year but ‘more energized than ever to finish what we started’

By ROBIN OPSAHL
Iowa Capital Dispatch

Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds will not seek reelection in 2026, she announced in a video Friday

Reynolds has served as governor since 2017, when she was appointed to the position after serving as lieutenant governor under former Gov. Terry Branstad, who left the position to serve as U.S. ambassador to China during President Donald Trump’s first term. Reynolds was elected to serve a full-term as governor in 2018 and was reelected in 2022.

Reynolds, the first woman to serve as Iowa governor, said in a video posted on social media Friday that deciding not to run “wasn’t an easy decision,” but she planned to focus on her family after completing her current term in office.

“As Iowans know, family is

everything,” Reynolds said.

“And through the years, my parents and my husband Kevin, our daughters and our grandchildren, have stood by my side, supporting me through every challenge and every victory. And now it’s time for me to be there for them, to help them through the next stage of life, to watch every track meet and basketball game, to see them grow before they’re all grown.”

The governor’s husband, Kevin Reynolds, was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2023. In 2024, Gov. Reynolds said that her husband was in remission after radiation and chemotherapy treatments and was able to return to activities like hunting, fishing and spending time with the couple’s family. The couple has three daughters and 11 grandchildren.

During her time as gover-

nor, Reynolds has pushed for a flat income tax and lowering tax rates, enacting the Education Savings Account program to provide public funds for private K-12 school tuition and associated costs, and making changes to Iowa’s Area Education Agencies that provide special education and other services to Iowa schools. This year, Reynolds signed into law a measure repealing civil rights protections on the basis of gender identity under the Iowa Civil Rights Act.

Despite her decision to not run again in 2026, Reynolds says she is not “slowing down

just yet” and will continue for her remaining time in office to work on issues she said will help improve Iowans’ lives.

“We have important work ahead, keeping our economy strong, supporting our families and farmers, defending our freedoms and ensuring that every Iowan has the opportunity to succeed,” Reynolds said.

“I’m more energized than ever to finish what we started, and to leave Iowa in the strongest possible position for the future.”

After her announcement, Iowa Republicans shared their gratitude for Reynolds’ ser-

vice as governor. State Senate Majority Leader Jack Whitver said in a news release he looks forward to continuing to work with Reynolds for the rest of her term.

“Many times I have told people Iowa has the best governor in the country and I firmly believe it is true,” Whitver said in a statement. “Together, with Speakers (Linda) Upmeyer and (Pat) Grassley, we have delivered truly historic results for Iowans few people could have dreamed possible. Not only is Governor Reynolds the best governor in the country, leading the state through unprece-

dented times with courage and conviction, but she is also my friend. Her concern and kindness for my family and me has been so encouraging to us through many difficult days.”

U.S. Rep. Ashley Hinson said in a statement she joins “every Iowan in saying thank you — we are all grateful for your love of Iowa and your dedication to our state.”

“The next governor no doubt has big shoes to fill — we need a governor who can build on Governor Reynolds’ tremendous success and partner with President Trump to keep Iowa growing,” Hinson said.

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CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY APRIL 7, 2025 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in Special session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz Denner. Also in attendance were City Attorney Todd Prichard, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Kyle Anderson, Jordan Fye, Jake Hackman, Melissa Scheidel, Cory McDonald, Roger Stansberry, Mitch Holtz with Strand Associates, several NHHS students and Bob Fenske.

Moved by Porath, seconded by Larsen; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

7:00 PUBLIC HEARING FOR LEVY RATE FOR FY2026

Mayor Geerts announced now is the time and place fixed for the public hearing on the Property Tax Levy proposed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. The Council investigated and found that the time and the place of the hearing had in accordance with the law and as directed by the City Council been published in the New Hampton Tribune on the 27th day of March 2024 in New Hampton, Chickasaw County.

Mayor Geerts asked for oral comments. There were no public comments. City Clerk Karen Clemens explained the specifics of the proposed levies for FY2026.

Mayor Geerts asked for written comments. There were none.

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Denner; That Resolution No. 6715 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE CITY’S PROPOSED 2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET, by approved.

Ayes - Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner. Nays-None. Absent: None. Resolution approved.

Moved by Porath, seconded by Humpal; that the meeting adjourns at 7:14 pm. Ayes –Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, CMC City Clerk
STEVE GEERTS, Mayor

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GENEVIEVE ALICE TIEMESSEN, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR003286 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Genevieve Alice Tiemessen, Deceased, who died on or about March 27, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on April 8, 2025, the last will and testament of Genevieve Alice Tiemessen, deceased, bearing date of April 25, 2024, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Roger Tiemessen was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated April 8, 2025.

Roger Tiemessen, Executor of estate
Address: 1821 165th Street,
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

Nathaniel W. Schwickerath,
ICIS#: AT0007110
Attorney for executor
Schwickerath P.C.
2069 170th Street
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

City of: **LAWLER**

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: **Lawler City Hall Meeting Date: 4/28/2025 Meeting Time: 07:05 PM**
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.

City budgets 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-budget-appeals>.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.			
The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property			
14.17208			
The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural property is			
2.90799			
At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget.			
Phone Number (563) 238-3614	City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME SUZETTE BYRNE		
	Budget FY 2026	Re-estimated FY 2025	Actual FY 2024
Revenues & Other Financing Sources			
Taxes Levied on Property	1	186,429	170,000
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	3	186,429	170,000
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	72,216	61,658
Licenses & Permits	7	2,840	2,840
Use of Money and Property	8	13,420	0
Intergovernmental	9	375,050	60,300
Charges for Fees & Service	10	710,390	704,664
Special Assessments	11	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	0	0
Other Financing Sources	13	270,250	0
Transfers In	14	70,000	0
Total Revenues and Other Sources	15	1,700,595	999,462
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses			
Public Safety	16	85,900	34,900
Public Works	17	123,529	117,326
Health and Social Services	18	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	49,521	42,563
Community and Economic Development	20	11,500	12,050
General Government	21	103,743	69,590
Debt Service	22	50,000	8,490
Capital Projects	23	0	50,000
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	424,193	334,919
Business Type / Enterprises	25	1,378,629	633,666
Total ALL Expenditures	26	1,802,822	968,585
Transfers Out	27	70,000	0
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	1,872,822	968,585
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-172,227	30,877
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30	1,332,505	1,301,628
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	1,160,278	1,332,505

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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 7:15 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:15 p.m. Council members present were Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz Denner. Humpal. Also in attendance were City Attorney Todd Prichard, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Kyle Anderson, Jordan Fye, Jake Hackman, Melissa Scheidel, Cory McDonald, Roger Stansberry, Mitch Holtz with Strand Associates, Morgan Underwood, several NHHS students and Bob Fenske.

1.Approve meeting agenda
2.Approve City Council Minutes of March 17, 2025.

3.Approve City Claims of \$293,821.20

4.Class C Retail Alcohol License Rancho Viejo Restaurant 4/1/2025

5.Library Board Minutes of April 1, 2025

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

Mitch Holtz with Strand Associates Inc. presented and explained four task order agreements. The agreements are as follows:

Task Order No. 25-01: 2026 Logan Street and Cleveland Street Modifications

Task Order No 25-02: West Garfield Street Extension

Task Order No. 25-03: South Industrial Park Improvements

Task Order No. 25-04: Mikkelsen Parking Lot Restoration

The initial estimated cost of the 4 projects is \$12,020,500. Holtz is hopeful that the bidding will be favorable as several contractors’ have shown interest in the project. The task order approvals allow Strand Associates, Inc. to continue with design and bidding services. Once bids are received an additional agreement will be need for awarding contracts. Moved by Denner, seconded by Humpal; That Resolution No. 6716 RESOLUTION APPROVING TASK ORDERS #25-01, #25-02, #25-03 AND #25-04 WITH STRAND ASSOCIATES INC. be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

With the approaching wastewater construction project, it was brought to City staffs attention that the dog pound should no longer be located on the waste water facility property. The pound is managed by the non-profit organization, SNAP. Staff has informed SNAP of the change to allow their group time to deter-

mine their future plans. Melissa Scheidel, a member of SNAP, is concerned about the loss of funds they have invested into the facility. The Public Works Department has offered the possibility of using a lift station which will be taken out of service once the new plant is built. The representative from the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship has requested the registration and license be in SNAP’s name since the City is not in charge of the facility. Staff will continue to communicate with SNAP and assist with the relocation. No action was taken.

City Clerk Karen Clemens requests the council set a public hearing to hear citizen comments on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Moved by Larsen, seconded by Humpal; That Resolution No. 6717 RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE 2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR APRIL 21ST, 2025 AT 7:00 PM, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

City Clerk Karen Clemens requests the council set a public hearing to hear citizen comments on the 2025 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment. Moved by Porath, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No. 6718 RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE 2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR MAY 5th, 2025 AT 7:00 PM, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

The recent meetings of the Safety Committee have resulted in two recommendations for council approval. The first recommendation is to establish a No Parking Zone on the south side of West Hamilton between South Broadway Avenue and South Maple Avenue. This particular part of Hamilton street is narrow and is dangerous for kids walking to and from the elementary school building. City staff will paint the traffic markings for ‘No Parking’ upon approval of this resolution. Moved by Porath, seconded by Humpal; That Resolution No. 6719 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NO PARKING SIGNS ALONG SOUTH SIDE OF WEST HAMILTON STREET BETWEEN SOUTH BROADWAY AVENUE AND SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

The second recommendation is adding a 4-way mobile stop sign, during the school year, at the intersection of West Hamilton and South Broadway. Moved by Larsen, seconded by Schwickerath; That Resolution No. 6720, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOBILE FOUR-WAY STOP SIGN AT INTERSECTION OF SOUTH BROADWAY

AVENUE AND WEST HAMILTON STREET, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl requested that Section 75.08 of the City Code be deleted as it does not follow State Code.

City Code 75.08 STATES: HOURS OF OPERATION No ATV, UTV, or snowmobile shall be operated in the City between sunset and sunrise except for emergency situations or for loading and unloading from a transport trailer.

Rosendahl stated that these vehicles are equipped properly to travel on the roadway and do not pose a hazard. Staff would like to delete this section of code. There were concerns about the similarity of golf carts and that they should be allowed the same 24 hour travel time ability. Moved by Humpal, seconded by Speltz; That an Ordinance entitled ‘AN ORDINANCE DELETING SECTION 75.08 FROM THE CITY OF NEW HAMPTON CITY CODE receive its first consideration. Ayes - Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – Larsen. Absent- None. Motion carried.

Mayor Geerts ordered the item be on the agenda at the next regular council meeting for its second consideration.

PWD Casey Mai was approached by a resident who is interested in purchasing the portion of South Broadway that extends south of Garfield Street. The property is city owned and measures 660’ long & 66’ wide. The resident is interested in building a house at the south end of the parcel. Council is interested in receiving feedback from adjoining property owners. Moved by Humpal, seconded by Porath; That Resolution No. 6721 RESOLUTION SETTING A DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR CITIZEN COMMENTS REGARDING THE SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY FOR APRIL 21ST, 2025 AT 7:00 PM, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

During the process of repairing water main breaks, PWD Casey Mai discovered that the City did not have easements in place with the railroad company. There are 7 locations along the railroad which the City of New Hampton is utilizing the railroad’s property for water, storm water and sanitary sewer mains. Approving these 7 easements will complete the necessary documentation needed. The easement locations are identified by mile markers. The locations are:

No. 6965 – North Sherman
No. 6985 – Mobile Home Park
No. 6951 – North Maple
No. 6937 – North Linn
No. 6916 – East Milwaukee
No. 6888 – North Pleasant Hill
No. 07027 – Industrial Avenue

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No. 6722 RESOLUTION APPROVING SEVEN EASEMENTS WITH DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION, be approved. Ayes - Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz, Denner, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent- None. Resolution approved.

Resident Mitch Kellogg is requesting a curb cut for the driveway at his property address of 316 Croell Drive. City Code allows a 32’ curb cut, Kellogg is requesting a 36’ curb cut. Moved by Humpal, seconded by Schwickerath; That Resolution No. 6723 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DRIVEWAY CURB CUT EXTENSION AT 316 CROELL DRIVE, be approved.

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

Moved by Porath, seconded by Humpal; that the meeting adjourn at 8:46 pm. Ayes –Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, CMC City Clerk
STEVE GEERTS, Mayor
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL MONDAY,
APRIL 7, 2025 7:00 P.M.

CITY - WRITTEN SINCE MARCH 17, 2025

US Cellular, Cell Phone (Street Sewer Fire Water Zoning PD)..... 473.26
John Penrod, Refund Utility Account
Overage from I/O..... 189.17

John Deere Financial, Supplies (Street Water Police Sewer)..... 803.53
USPS, Postage for Utility Bills..... 227.50
Jendro Sanitation, Garbage & Recycling Services..... 33,418.26

Total Written..... 35,111.72
CITY - TO BE WRITTEN
20/20 FX Face Email, Drive (Police) Fix Scanning (Econ)..... 150.00

Arrowhead Forensics, Testing Kits, Evidence Bags, Gloves, Swabs (PD)..... 838.11
Blazek Corporation, Water Main Repair N Linn (Water)..... 4,525.00

Bodensteiner Implement, Service Can-Am (Fire) Filters (Street)..... 636.05
Chickasaw County Auditor, Share of Hotel/ Motel Tax Revenue 1,163.19

City Laundering Co, Uniforms(WA SR ST) Mats, Air Dispenser (SR St)..... 636.52
Community Insurance, Add Police UTV (Street)..... 579.00

Croell Inc, Western Ave Storm Sewer (Street)..... 579.00
Culligan Water, DI Equipment Rental, Filter (Sewer)..... 100.76

Decorah Electric Inc, Repair Well 5 Pressure (Water)..... 315.00
Douglas, Ken, March Mileage - Reading Meters (116 x \$.7) (WA)..... 81.20

Eurofins, Testing Fees (Sewer)..... 4,403.87

Fareway Cleaner, Paper Towels, Tissues (Custodial)..... 36.18
Five Star Coop...Fuel (ST SR WA Fire Grease, Gloves (SR)..... 1,832.75

Grainger, Low Water Cut-Off, Waders, Test Strips (Sewer)..... 334.86
Hawkins, Cylinders, Chlorine (Water) .. 1,443.10

IA Municipal Solutions LLC, Monthly Wastewater Operator Services (SR)..... 4,333.00
Jendro Sanitation, Refuse (Fire Carnegie PD Clerk Cust SR St)..... 295.00

Johnson County Sheriff’s Office, Phone Extraction Services (Police), 200.00
Kuehn, Eric ... Mileage Grade 4 Testing, Hydrant Demo (95 x .70)..... 66.50

Kwik Star, Gas (Police Street) 1,415.26
Lexi Holthaus, Cleaning Service 2/28/25-4/3/25 (50 hrs @ \$25) 1,250.00
MTS Inc, Window Cleaning (Custodial)..... 20.00

MacQueen, Helmet, Hood (Fire)..... 458.37
Microbac, Testing Fee (Water).... 95.00
NAPA, Supplies (Street Sewer), 264.01

New Hampton Municipal Utilities..... Phone & Internet (ST Fire PD Clerk Econ SR)..... 529.55
New Hampton Tribune, Minutes & Claims, Tax Levy (Clerk)..... 204.73

New Horizons- Chamber ..Hotel / Motel Grant 5,000.00
North Central Labs, Lab Supplies (Sewer)..... 1,823.83

Northeast Iowa Community CollegeCPR Cards (Police)..... 28.00
On Track Signs Handicap Parking Signs (Street)..... 65.00

Petty Cash, Record Ordinance (Clerk) Postage (PD) Belt (Cust)..... 65.00
Phillips Plumbing & Heating, Water Heater Repair (Custodial)..... 268.09

PowerPlan Bucket Edge for End Loader (Water Street)..... 2,634.91
Prichard, Todd, Regular Salary 3,318.00
Rapid Printers, Utility Billings (WA SR)..... 41,844.74

Citation Forms (Zoning)..... 491.59
Riley’s Inc...Copy Fee (Clerk Econ PD) Hard Drive (PD)..... 314.95
Robinson, Tammy, Mileage to INRCOG Meetings (160 x .7) (Econ)..... 112.00

Schueth Ace, Supplies (Fire Water Street)..... 961.89
Stanton Electric LLCConnector, Sealrite (Sewer) Add Outlets (Fire)..... 676.25

Strand Associates, Engineering (WWTP Proj) M&O Calc (SR)..... 41,844.74
Streicher’s Uniform Allowance (Police)..... 137.00

Superior Lumber, Plywood, Quikcrete (Street)..... 248.52
T & K Tractor Repair, Service 2021 Truck (Fire)..... 415.68

UMB Bank, 2017 Street & Pool Bond Payment..... 169,193.00
Unplugged Wireless Communications, Pagers & Chargers- DNR Grant (Fire)..... 1,390.00

USA Blue Book, Lab Supplies (Sewer)..... 183.05
Utility Equipment Co, Repair Clamps

(Water)..... 2,889.16
Verizon , Data Charges (Police) 160.04
Windstream, Phone Service (Water Sewer)..... 211.77

Total to be Written..... 258,709.48
Plus City Written..... 35,111.72
TOTAL TO BE APPROVED..... \$293,821.20

PAYROLL - WRITTEN SINCE MARCH 17, 2025
AFLAC, Supplemental Insurance 368.40
EFTPS, FICA Tax, Federal Tax

11,413.68
Employee Benefit Systems, Administration Fees..... 264.00
Empower Retirement, Deferred Comp .. 875.00

Globe Life Liberty National, Supplemental Insurance..... 16.40
Iowa Dept of Revenue, State W/H Tax .. 2,730.87
City of New HamptonSelf Funding Fees 8,421.00

City of New HamptonPayroll Deduction for Uniforms..... 11.35
Treasurer, State of Iowa, IPERS

17,106.81
Wellmark, Health Insurance - 27,367.92
..... 68,575.43

CITY - TO BE WRITTEN
Jendro Sanitation, Refuse Pickup 19.64
LIBRARY - TO BE WRITTEN

Schueth Ace Hardware, Mop Refills, Floor Cleaner..... 35.97
LIBRARY - WRITTEN SINCE MARCH 17, 2025

Baker & Taylor, Books..... 1,168.28
Cengage Learning, Books..... 416.66
Des Moines Register, Newspaper 192.84

Fareway Stores, Program Supplies 23.73
Iowa Communications Network, Long Distance Charges..... 4.30
Jendro Sanitation, Garbage & Recycling..... 62.00

Mobile Mama, 2 Program Fees..... 150.00
New Hampton Municipal Utility, Phone & Internet..... 173.96
New Hampton Rotary, Dues & Meals..... 122.50

Petty Cash, Postage..... 5.35
Riley’s, Copier Fee..... 61.31
..... 2,380.93

PARK & REC - WRITTEN SINCE MARCH 17, 2025
US Cellular, Cell Phone..... 170.56
American Timber & SteelPosts for Ring Road..... 2,329.00

Bowlaway Lanes, Mother/ Son Bowling Fees..... 1,170.00
Screenprints, Spring Soccer Jerseys

..... 1,508.00
..... 5,177.56

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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 **Construction of new cold storage and office buildings within the existing Homeland facility.** Located in NW 1/4 of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W and SE 1/4 of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W 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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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN M. BUSTA, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR003284 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Steven M. Busta, Deceased, who died on or about March 11, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on April 1, 2025, the last will and testament of Steven M. Busta, deceased, bearing date of September 5, 2024, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Susan L. Busta was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated April 1, 2025.

Susan L. Busta, Executor of estate
Address: 3310 165th Street,
Lawler, Iowa 52154

Nathaniel W. Schwickerath,
ICIS#: AT0007110
Attorney for executor
Schwickerath P.C.
2069 170th Street
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, April 7, 2025, at 7:00 pm in Ionia City Hall. Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch present. Also present were Heather Hackman, Carla Rosenbaum, Linus Voves, Laura Wickham, Library Director Iania Watson, Jason Rude, and Clerk Donna Geerts. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Rausch to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2025, public hearing and meeting amending R&R Welding will do some modifications to the tractor bucket to L&R Welding will do some modifications to the tractor bucket. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried.
Alliant Energy..... \$1506.57
Library Act..... \$2309.40
Payroll..... \$1697.01
Brian Sigler, mlg reimb..... \$ 581.25
941 deposit..... \$ 605.94
IPERS..... \$ 568.48
Iowa Dept of Rev. WET..... \$ 697.61
Iowa Dept of Rev. state w/h..... \$ 353.00
Iowa Workforce Development, unemployment tax..... \$ 11.06
Jendro Sanitation, recycling..... \$ 619.08
New Hampton Tribune, min & PH ntes..... \$ 320.92
Chickasaw Twp Fire District, FY 24/25 budget alloc..... \$6500.00
Rapid Printer, pstg pd envelopes..... \$ 422.55
Hawkins, chemicals..... \$2831.79
UECO, water meters..... \$1796.47
PMA Ins Co, w/c ins..... \$ 574.00
Total..... \$21,395.13
Total Revenues..... \$36,237.27
Check not cleared..... \$550.00
RECEIVED, FUND DISBURSED bank \$5500.97, General..... \$5,621.15
\$1,263.26, Road Use..... \$51,033.81
\$1,065.91, Water..... \$2,556.38
\$27,812.30, Sewer..... \$663.47
\$594.83..... Savings Int

Motion by Day, seconded by Holthaus to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried.
Motion by Geerts, seconded by Rausch to open the public hearing at 7:10 pm for the approval of the FY 25/26 budget. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor asked if there were any oral or written objections or comments. After discussion and being there were no objections, motion by Crooks and seconded by Day to close public hearing at 7:11 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.
Day made a motion, seconded by Holthaus, that Resolution 25-2 A RESOLUTION

APPROVINGADOPTION OF BUDGET AND CERTIFICATION OF CITY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, be approved. Roll Call: Ayes:

Farmers itching to start planting season

ISU Extension agronomist says while drought concerns remain, recent rains means area is ‘sitting OK at the start’

By BOB FENSKÉ

editor@nhtrib.com

The planting season officially began last Thursday, but save for the “first guy in the neighborhood” that ISU Extension agronomist Terry Basol loves to refer to, a few days away from seeing farmers really start the 2025 growing season.

Still, last Thursday was a big day — the first “RMA day” that allows farmers to plant corn without any adverse effects to their insurance policies.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WITH REGARD TO THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE

You are hereby notified that the City Council of the City of New Hampton will hold a public hearing on April 21, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 112 East Main St. New Hampton, Iowa, in order to receive public comment with regard to the sale of real estate.

The property is described as follows: A portion of land located south of the intersection of South Broadway Avenue and West Garfield Street extending approximately 660’ south with a 66’ width.

You are, therefore, notified that the hearing will be before the Council at the date, time, and place set forth above. Comments with regard to the merits of selling the property may be made in writing prior to the hearing or in person at the time of hearing.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2025. CITY OF NEW HAMPTON
Karen Clemens, City Clerk
112 East Spring St.
New Hampton, IA 50659

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The Lawler City Council met in special session on April 7, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetherthies presided. Council members present: Scheidel, King, Wilson, Croell and Roberson Others present: Jay Uhlenhake Motion made by Scheidel to approve the Agenda Second by Croell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by King to open public hearing on Proposed Property Taxation for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026. Second by Scheidel.

Ayes: Scheidel, Roberson, King, Croell and Wilson Nays: None Motion passed.

Suzette informed the council no questions or comments were received at city hall. No questions or comments were made during public hearing.

Motion made by King to close public hearing. Second by Scheidel

Ayes: Scheidel, Roberson, King, Croell and Wilson

Nays: None Motion passed.

Motion made by Croell to adjourn at 7:15pm. Second by Scheidel

Ayes: Scheidel, Roberson, King, Croell and Wilson

Nays: None Motion passed.

Suzette Byrne City Clerk

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Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

Public comment: Library Director Watson stated Babcock Services would be doing concrete for a sidewalk and pad for a solar bench at the library and she also gave his quote to replace the approach in front of the city hall/library and also a quote for foam to lift the concrete. Consensus of the Council to replace the 12 x 12 concrete approach in front of the building as discussed last year. Watson also asked about security cameras for the building. Councilperson Geerts stated he was approached by resident to get recycling totes with lids.

Ionia Fun Days Committee Member Hackman discussed having fireworks Friday of Ionia Fun Days. Jason Rude explained the set up and consumer fireworks are set off by qualified persons. Consensus of the council to do a letter of permission to Ionia Fun Days Committee for fireworks show.

Mayor gave wastewater and water report. Crooks suggested contacting engineer regarding the infiltration. Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to have Mayor contact Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating to repair plugged intake on Union Street and curb stop at 104 E Main Street. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Day, seconded by Crooks to approve the following building permit: 206 E Main Street-15 x 30 concrete pad, 12 x 12 deck, siding and windows. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Clean up day is April 12, 8 am- 12 pm. Items can be dropped off in dumpster at the Ionia Fire Station.

Discussed request to vacate city property between 207 E Prairie Street and 211 E Prairie Street. Mayor will talk to property owners.

Letter will be sent to owner at 207 E Iowa Street to clean up the property and remove the junk or the City shall have the authority to abate all remaining nuisance conditions.

Concession stand at ball park will need to be open on Tuesdays in June and July for Ionia ball and also NH Park & Rec have scheduled games in May and would like the stand open. Any interested persons to work the stand should contact Mayor Taylor. Quote was reviewed for bleachers.

Council instructed Clerk to send letter to violator of Nuisance and Weeds, Grass, and Uncultivated Vegetation Ordinances.

Discussed house and shop at 100 E Union Street.

Moved by Day, seconded by Crooks that the meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Taylor, Mayor
Attest: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

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“I know I bring it up a lot,” Basol said that day, “but there might be the first guys in the neighborhoods — everyone has one — out there today. We’re not quite there yet, but we’re close — really close.”

Basol said that he expects corn to be going into the ground soon — as in this week or next week — and the agronomist based at the Northeast Iowa Research Farm near Nashua is bringing some cautious optimism to the table as farmers get ready for the planting season.

After ending 2024 with worsening drought conditions and enduring a winter with little snow, Basol’s area has seen some significant rainfall over the course of the past two months. Yes, he says, the U.S. Drought Monitor is still saying that all of Chickasaw, Bremer, Butler and Floyd counties are in a “moder-

ate drought,” but soil moisture contents are much better than he expected they would be even a few months ago.

The second Iowa Crop Progress and Condition report released by the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistic Survey this past Monday certainly agreed.

In the Northeast Iowa District that includes Chickasaw County, 62 percent of topsoil has adequate moisture and 3 percent has a surplus while 55 percent of subsoil has adequate moisture and 3 percent has a surplus.

Basol, though, was guarded when he was asked about the continuing drought.

“I think we’re sitting OK at the start,” he said. “We have enough moisture to get established, to get the crop up and growing, to get things germinated, but we’re

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Meeting minutes APRIL 7, 2025

The Lawler City Council met in regular session on April 7, 2025 at 7:20 PM. Mayor pro-tem Dale King presided. Council members present: Scheidel, King, Wilson, Roberson and Croell Council members absent: None Others present: Jay Uhlenhake Motion made by Croell 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 Croell. All Ayes. Motion passed.

VESTIS, RUGS..... 415.29
JENDRO, GARBAGE CONTRACT..... 3,371.90

STANTON ELECTRIC, OUTAGE 3/16/2025..... 1,950.60
UPS..... 90

TEST AMERICA..... 339
EFTPS, FED/FICA TAX..... 1,732.20
IPERS, IPERS..... 1,313.25

STATE WITHHOLDING, STATE TAXES..... 424.83
BLACK HILLS ENERGY, GAS UTILITY..... 416.5

MIENERGY, ELECTRICITY..... 21,639.74
CASH..... 19.37

FIVE STAR COOP, LP GAS..... 83.75
HAWKINS, AZONE..... 1,092.08
TEAM LAB, TERMINATOR II WEED KILLER..... 1,519.50

NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE, PH AMENDMENT 2025..... 429.8
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS..... 5,713.95
LAWLER PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3RD QTR FY 24-25..... 3,750.00

ULINE, TOWEL FOR PARKS..... 185.8
MIC’S PLUMBING & HEATING, WOMENS EXHAUST FAN..... 1,006.71

ANDERSON, MUNICIPAL INFRAC-TION..... 284
IWD, 4TH QTR 2024..... 38.24
IOWA UTILITIES BOARD, 1ST QTR ASSESSMENT..... 1,133.08

INSURANCE ASSOCIATES, 04/01/2025-04/01/2026..... 41,238.29
STATE HYGIENIC LAB..... 21

VISA - J UHLENHAKE..... 523.87
VISA - S BYRNE..... 73.18
HAWKEY INTERCONNECT, Mar-25..... 85.94

IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE, FEBRU-ARY SALES TAX 2025..... 1,557.05
PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAY-ROLL CHECKS..... 6,590.29
CLAIMS TOTAL..... 97,039.21

REVENUE.....GENERAL FUND 26,104.06..... 2787.97
SANITATION FUND 3,371.90..... 3147.01

ROAD USE TAX FUND 6,745.98..... 3100.95
WATER FUND 11,490.33..... 11557.46
SEWER FUND 15,440.16..... 10806.9

ELECTRIC FUND 33,886.78..... 37701.63
LIBRARY EFTPS, FED/FICA TAX..... 1,332.97
IPERS, IPERS..... 308.20

STATE WITHHOLDING, STATE TAXES..... 120.10
IOWA HISTORY JOURNAL, RE-NEWAL..... 19.95
INGRAM, BOOKS..... 148.40

REAL SIMPLE, 2025 RENEW..... 24
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING, 2025 RENEW..... 21.37
HAWKEYE INTERCONNECT..... 62.24

PIONEER WOMAN, 2025 RENEW..... 19.97
PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAY-ROLL CHECKS..... 1,617.82
CLAIMS TOTAL..... 3,675.02

GENERAL FUND..... 3,675.02
Mark explained to council bid from LifeTime Construction Company for city hall repairs. Mark explained 2 options to choose from. Option 1 included steel & Tyvek and LifeTime labor for \$9,062.65. Option 2 included foam bed, steel, Tyvek and LifeTime labor for \$15,479.18. The council discussed both options. Motion made by Kurt to select option 2. Second by Scheidel.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, King, Wilson and Roberson Nays: None Motion passed

Motion made by King to open Public Hearing. Second by Croell.

Ayes: King, Croell, Scheidel, Roberson and Wilson Nays: None Motion passed.

Suzette present the Budget Amendment for FY24-25 and Resolution #04072025 for approval.

Motion made by Scheidel to close Public Hearing. Second by Roberson.

All Ayes. Motion passed. Motion made by King to approve Budget Amendment for FY24-25 and Resolution#04072025. Second by Roberson.

Ayes: King, Scheidel, Roberson,

Wilson and Croell Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to set Special Meeting for Budget FY25-26 approval for April 28, 2025 at 7:05pm. Second by Croell.

Ayes: Scheidel, Croell, Roberson, King and Wilson Nays: None Motion passed.

Motion made by King to set Public Hearing for the Iowa State Revolving Fund Environmental Information Document review for May 5, 2025 at 7:05pm. Second by Scheidel. Ayes: King, Scheidel, Wilson, Croell and Roberson Nays: None Motion passed.

Jeremy explained the demo side by side from Bodensteiner Implement. The city will receive a demo side by the city use with only costing maintenance for 1 year at a time. Motion made by King to use the demo side by side from Bodensteiner Implement. Second by Wilson.

Ayes: Scheidel, Wilson, King, Roberson and Croell Nays: None Motion passed

Motion made by Croell to accept Roger Dreckman Construction estimate to remove and replace street with rebar, caulked joints, spray cure on Diagonal Street from new bridge approach to the south for \$21,530.00. Second by Scheidel.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, King, Roberson and Wilson Nays: None Motion passed.

Paul Rosenbaum spoke with Mark regarding his utility bill. He is retiring and no longer going to be open for car repair. He is asking the council to change is utility rates from Commercial rates to Residential rates. Motion made by Croell to change Paul Rosenbaum from Commercial rates to residential rates with the understanding the property would need to be cleaned up to look like residential property. Second by King.

Ayes: Croell, King, Roberson, Wilson and Scheidel Nays: None Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve Hole in the Wall liquor license. Second by Croell.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, King, Wilson and Roberson

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CHICKASAW CO CLAIMS LISTING 03/27/25 - 04/10/2025

Vendor Name, Payable Description..... Total Payments
20/20 FX LLC, 400 HOUR SVC BLOCK-PD/SHERIFF..... 3149.70
ACES/ COMPUTER PROS INC, SAFETY AGREEMENT - SHERIFF..... 189.00

AFE CRANE / HDM LLC, ANNAUL CRANE INSPECTIONS, ##& JIB SEC RD..... 1637.00
AG VANTAGE FS INC , DIESEL FUEL NASHUA SHOP & LP AV SHOP SEC RD..... 1348.75

AIRGAS, INC., MEDICAL SUPPLIES-EMS..... 257.63
ALLIANT ENERGY/ IPL, CO PARKS ELECTRIC MARCH 25..... 173.48

ALTA VISTA, CITY OF, AV SHOP UTILITIES SEC RD..... 87.62
ANDERSON, BRANNON, REIMBURSEMENT- MP EQUIP. EMS..... 333.97

ANGELL ELECTRIC INC, FLORE-CENT LAMPS- GENERAL SVC..... 63.64
AUDITOR OF STATE, AUDITING-CLERICAL SERVICES 2024 AUDIT..... 625.00

AUTO VALUE OF NEW HAMPTON, SHOVELS - SHERIFF..... 33.98
BLACK HAWK COUNTY, COURT ADMIN OFFICE SPACE ALLOCATION - FY 2025..... 830.20

BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANY, FILTERS & PARTS #61 SEC RD..... 1156.93
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC, WINTER SAND CONTRACT SEC RD..... 5214.21

BUTLER CO REC, TPNC GEOTHERMAL & ELECTRIC..... 1023.89
BUTLER COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, OLD LANDFILL ELECTRICITY- CONSERVATION..... 63.48

BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO., PHONE/INTERNET - SR.BOS.AUD.CH. TR/ DR-MR.PH.HTG.REC.VA 1264.83
CALEB CIVARELLI, UNIFORM REIMB- CONSV..... 119.20

CHICKASAW CO SHERIFF, POSTAGE-SHERIFF..... 234.00
CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CIVIL NUMBER 25-000019 CASE NUMBER SCSC008220..... 230.43

CINTAS CORPORATION #762, UNIFORMS/JANITORIAL SUPPLIES SEC RD..... 2567.90
CRAYNE, MATT, LODGING- SPRING LAIN - CONSERVATION..... 221.40

CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING, WATER / COOLER RENT SEC RD/JAIL.AUD.TREAS.CA..... 183.57

DONALD W KOSHATKA, REPAIR & PARTS-SKID CONSV..... 327.82
DUBUQUE COUNTY AUDITOR, OFFICE/ROOM RENT & EXPENSES-DUBUQUE CO 2025..... 176.96

EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC, TIRES SEC RD..... 4438.87
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES,

LODGING & CABLES, RESTS, ARROWS FOR NASP- CONSV..... 1211.28

EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING, WATER ANALYSIS - CONSERVATION..... 50.00
FAREWAY STORES INC, SODA INVENTORY - COURT-HOUSE,SHERIFF/JAIL..... 223.68

FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE, DIESEL FUEL F'BURG SHOP SEC-RD-SHERIFF..... 2963.45
FARMLAND HARDWARE, GENERAL SUPPLIES SEC RD..... 19.90

FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE, GAS/ FUEL - SHERIFF/JAIL.PH.GS.- CONSV..... 2286.21
FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF, F'BURG SHOP UTILITIES SEC RD..... 110.58

GARDINER + CO PC, BALANCE OF 2024 AUDIT..... 33280.00
GILLUND ENTERPRISES, LUBRICANTS SEC RD..... 141.60

GOLDSTAR PRODUCTS INC, 4 SEASONS GUARD SEC RD..... 1203.00
GROVHAC INC, COMPRESSOR PARTS- CONSERVATION1040.36

HACH COMPANY, CHEMICALS - CONSERVATION..... 727.37
HAWKINS INC, WATER CHLORINATION - HERITAGE..... 278.71

HIGH FOREST BOBCAT SERVICE, INC, INSPECTION OF MOHAWK HOSIT SEC RD..... 414.08
HLW GROUP LLC, OLD LANDFILL CONSULTING FEES, MATERIALS, FREIGHT..... 1021.63

HOMETOWN PEST CONTROL, PEST CONTROL - COURTHOUSE-4063 HUMPAL,CHAD, ISAC & DISTRICT MTG MEALS, PARKING - CONSERV..... 51.64

IONIA, CITY OF, IONIA SHOP QTR UTILITIES SEC RD..... 200.00
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, CIRCUIT SVC AND EQUIPMENT - 911..... 226.00

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CASE OF ENVELOPES SEC RD..... 76.08
IOWA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSO, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2025 - EMA..... 155.00

IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY, DEFENSIVE TACTICS TRAINING- SHERIFF..... 625.00
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY IOWA LTAP, 2025 MOTOR GRADER TRAINING 3 EMPLOYEES SEC RD..... 575.00

ISACA, SUMMER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION- SHEILA SHEKLETON..... 250.00
V21 DUST CONTROL LLC, 2 APPLICATIONS OF DUST CONTROL TPNC & AL..... 1920.00

JENDRO INC, GARBAGE/ RECYCLING - PH.GS.SHERIFF/JAIL.LEMC.HERITAGE,CONSV..... 3229.69

JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, CONSV SEED, BOLTS, TARPS, BLADES, TOOLS, WATER..... 1530.51

JURGENSEN, NICKOLAS, UNIFORM REIMBURSEMENT - EMS..... 39.99

KWIK TRIP INC, FUELS/GASOLINE-SHERIFF,CONSERV - JAIL.EMS..... 4869.00

LARRY'S SALES & SERVICE, CHAINSAW COVER SEC RD..... 30.00

LAWLER, CITY OF, LAWLER SHOP QTR UTILITIES SEC RD..... 69.00

LAWSON PRODUCTS INC, ELECTRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES SEC RD..... 622.29

LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING LLC, COPIER LEASE LANIER C2500 SEC RD..... 93.84

LENSING, ROMAN C., MEAL/MILEAGE REIMB.R LENSING SEC RD..... 229.86

LESSIN SUPPLY COMPANY, WELDING SUP & PARTS #258 SEC RD..... 1036.63

LS SUPPLY & RENTAL INC, LUMBER FOR NEW SHELTER TPNC..... 13.30

MAIL SERVICES LLC, POSTAGE - TREASURER..... 432.36

MAINSTAY SYSTEMS OF IOWA LLC, NCIC MONTHLY MAINT, FEE- SHERIFF..... 237.00

MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEATING, INC, REPAIRS/MATERIALS HERITAGE WATER DAMAGE..... 9548.78

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New Hampton boys to play 18 at home invite Saturday

NH BOYS GOLF: FROM 16

New Hampton a chance to go out and play competitive golf.

“It’s nice to get actual competition scores. Golf in a meet is different than golf with your friends,” said Shatek. “It’s good to get that experience for a lot of the kids. I’m sure everyone who played today has an area that they can work on and they found that today. That’s kind of what we’ll be focusing on going forward.”

On Monday, New Hampton tinkered with its lineup as freshman Drew Kipp and sophomore Lane Flattum, who both had 43s on the JV against Charles City, moved up to varsity.

Kipp posted a 43 while Flattum had a round of 43 to round out the Chickasaw scorers on the varsity. Meanwhile, Evan Geerts led the Chickasaws’ JV with a round of 43.

New Hampton played in a triangular at Clear Lake on

Tuesday and then will begin preparing for its first 18-hole competition of the season on Saturday, when the Chickasaws will welcome Denver, Oelwein, South Winneshiek and Sumner-Fredericksburg to the New Hampton Invitational.

CHARLES CITY 154, NEW HAMPTON 175

Medalist: Riley Perez (CC) 36. New Hampton scores: Adam Ewert 41, Charlie Kriener 41, William Klassen 46, Gabe Macon 47, Chase Gebel 48, Riley Scheidel 50.

JV scores: Drew Kipp 43, Lane Flattum 43, Evan Geerts 47, Kody Kleen 49. Caleb Utley 58, Troy Federspiel 66.

JJV scores: Brayden Rosonke 49, Weston Praska 55, Kaden Garrison 56, Dylan Houser 57, Paul Schwier 57, RW Pethoud 79.

DECORAH 159, NEW HAMPTON 168

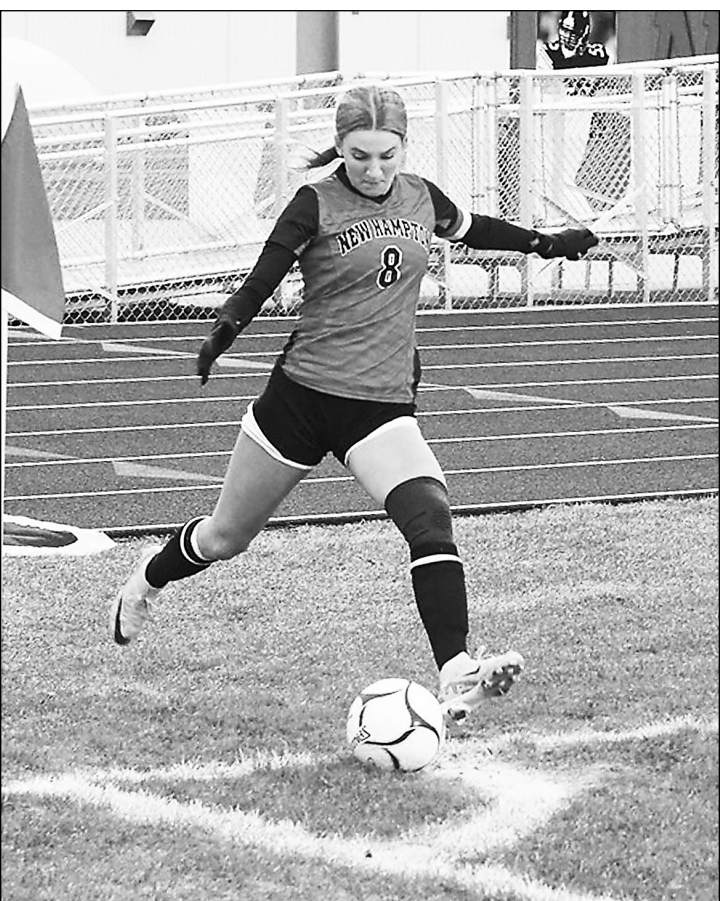
Medalist: Jackson Pipho 36. New Hampton scores: Kriener 40, Ewert 41, Kipp 43, Flattum 44, Gebel 58, Macon 61.

JV scores: Geerts 43, Scheidel 45, Rosonke 49, Houser 54, Kleen 60, Schwier 62.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton’s Drew Kipp tracks his fairway shot to the green during a meet against Charles City last week.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton’s Kimber Dungey gets ready to send a corner kick toward the net.

Chickasaws end match early against Postville

NH GIRLS SOCCER: FROM 16

New Hampton’s next goal and Caycee Crawford, a sophomore forward, racked up the Chickasaws’ final two goals of the day to end the match early with 16 minutes remaining.

The double-digit scoring effort impressed Talib.

“New Hampton showed relentless determination to secure an early finish,” said Talib.

With the score deadlocked at zeros on Tuesday at home versus the visiting Cardinals, the Chickasaws got to work in the scoring department

“Both teams displayed intensity early in the first half, but scoring opportunities were limited, with much of the action concentrated in the midfield.

The second half saw a dramatic change in pace as New Hampton seized control,” said Talib.

New Hampton will look to keep the ball rolling and continue its momentum this week with a road tilt on Friday at Clayton Ridge (4-1).

Then the Chickasaws will continue their road trek and hopefully continue their winning ways on Thursday, April 24 the following week at No. 1 ranked and 24 state tournament qualifier – Waverly-Shell Rock (2-0).

After the W-SR showdown, it’s one more road contest at Charles City on Monday, April 28 before returning home to take on North Fayette Valley on Tuesday, April 29.



Turkey Valley sophomores (left) Hugo Busta and Bella Stika (right) compete in relays at the NFV Earlybird earlier this year. The Trojans run again tonight (Thursday) at the New Hampton Coed, weather permitting.

Turkey Valley runs several PRs at Postville

Keyes wins open 200 with lifetime best performance; Schmidt PR’s in 400 dash

By KELLY TERPSTRA

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Fourteen track and field teams converged at Community Dreams Sports Complex in Edgewood last week Tuesday and Turkey Valley was one of them.

It was a loaded field as Wapsie Valley raced to the top of the team standings with 104 points. Independence was runner-up with 84 points and Dyersville Beckman was third with 74.

The Trojans and head coach Mark Scott tallied 26 points, which slotted them in the 13th spot.

The last race of the evening saw TV crank out a season-best in the 4x400 relay with a time of 3:45.48. The relay was made up of sophomores Kaden Schmidt and Hugo Busta, along with juniors J.D. Kruse and Dairean Keyes.

That was all fine and dandy, but two days later on Thursday at the Foster-Kiesau Relays in Postville is where the Trojans really made their mark.

TV finished fifth with 52 points, but more importantly registered several personal records.

Waukon won the meet with 145 points, South Winneshiek was second (129) and MFL MarMac was third (105).

Keyes ripped off a career PR in the open 200 in a time of 23.92. That effort ended up helping him win the race and earn a gold medal. Schmidt wasn’t far behind with his own lifetime best of 24.7, which penciled him in the fifth spot. Kruse was seventh in 24.83.

Schmidt cracked another all-time personal best with a 56.21 in the 400 dash, good for a runner-up finish.

Trojan sophomore Isaiah Wheeler, Kruse, Busta and Keyes placed second in the 400 relay in 3:49.15.

Wheeler, Busta, Schmidt and Kruse also notched a silver medal with a second-place time of 1:42.27 in the sprint medley.

The TV d-med was second in 4:06.06 with the quartet of Keyes, Wheeler, Kruse and Busta as anchor.

ED-CO INVITE TEAM SCORES

Wapsie Valley 104, Independence 84, Dyersville Beckman 74, Sumner-Fredericksburg 72, Central Elkader 70, North Linn 53, MFL MarMac 45, Starmont 43, Edgewood-Colesburg 36, Kee High 31, North Fayette Valley 29, Clayton Ridge 27, Turkey Valley 26, West Central 3.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

Sprint medley - 6. Isaiah Wheeler, Hugo Busta, Kaden Schmidt, Dairean Keyes 1:42.67.

Distance medley - 7. Tyler Forbes, John Forbes, Dawson Humpal, Brayden Hoffert 4:53.68.

4x200 - 7. Schmidt, J.D. Kruse, Busta, Keyes 1:39.35. 15. Tucker Tlusty, Jacob Wurzer, Dominick



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TV’s Tucker Reicks heaves the discus at the NFV Earlybird earlier this year.

Reicks, Levi Kruse 1:50.12.

4x100 - 14. Reicks, Wheeler, Tlusty, Caleb Kriener 52.46. 17. L. Kruse, Tucker Reicks, Humpal, Cole Fencel 57.19.

Discus - 22. T. Reicks 71-2, 24. Wurzer 68.

Shot put - 19. Wurzer 31-7.5, 27. T. Reicks 28-8.5, 29. Fencel 28-2.

Long jump - 21. Humpal 10-8.5. 3,200 run - 4. Jayden Rausch 11:54.88.

100 dash - 13. J. Kruse 12.47, 14. Schmidt 12.52, 15. Keyes 12.57.

400 dash - 2. Wheeler 56.64, 27. T. Reicks 1:09.47.

110 hurdles - 11. Kriener 19.9.

800 run - 10. D. Reicks 2:26.23, 13. Rausch 2:30.71. 200 dash - 20. Wheeler 26.45, 32. Tlusty 28.84, 35. T. Forbes 31.09. 400 hurdles - 7. Kriener 1:06.58. 1,600 run - 15. Hoffert 6:03.9, 19. J. Forbes 7:13.82.

4x400 - 5. Schmidt, J. Kruse, Busta, Keyes 3:45.48.

FOSTER-KIESAU RELAYS

TEAM SCORES

Waukon 145, South Winneshiek 129, MFL MarMac 105, Central Elkader 84, Turkey Valley 52, Tripoli 28, Kee High 24, West Central 15, Postville 3.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 dash - 11. D. Reicks 12.68, 12. Wurzer 13.05, 15. T. Reicks 13.49.

200 dash - 1. Keyes 23.92, 5. Schmidt 24.7, 7. J. Kruse 24.83.

400 dash - 2. Schmidt 56.21.

1,600 run - 7. Rausch 5:42.12, 11. Hoffert 6:11.78, 14. J. Forbes 7:52.36.

3,200 run - 8. J. Forbes 16:39.74.

110 hurdles - 7. Kriener 19.23.

400 hurdles - 7. Kriener 1:08.89.

4x100 - 7. Schmidt, D. Reicks, L. Kruse, Tlusty 52.06.

4x200 - 3. Wurzer, L. Kruse, D. Reicks, Tlusty 1:50.56.

4x400 - 2. Wheeler, J. Kruse, Busta, Keyes 3:49.15.

Sprint medley - 2. Wheeler, Busta, Schmidt, J. Kruse 1:42.27.

Distance medley - 2. Keyes, Wheeler, J. Kruse, Busta 4:06.06, 9. T. Forbes, Humpal, Rausch, Hoffert 5:04.49.

Long jump - 10. Humpal 9-6.75.

Shot put - 9. Wurzer 30-8.5, 13. T. Reicks 27-6.5.

Discus - 10. T. Reicks 65, 11. Wurzer 57.

JV RESULTS

4x100 (Weightmen) - 1. T. Forbes, Fencel, Humpal, T. Reicks 58.11.

Shot put - 17. Fencel 27-5.5.

Trojan trap squad finishes runner-up at weekend home invite

By KELLY TERPSTRA

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The Turkey Valley-Sumner-Fredericksburg trapshooting squad hosted its home invite on Saturday that featured 31 teams from the area.

TV-SF Red missed winning the meet by three clays as that distinction was awarded to the Cresco Area Clay Crushers’ No. 1 squad, which combined to tally a 228 – three clays better than TV’s runner-up tally of 225.

The Trojans’ Hunter Nelson, Ty Moudry and Jonah Orvis each shot rounds of 48 out of 50. That total ended up being a five-way tie for fifth place.

Wade Petersen and Williams Diers tallied 45s for TV-SF.

Last week Thursday at Cresco, TV-SF Red placed second again to CCAC 1 with a 215. The top squad from Cresco racked up a team score of 220.

This time Trojan sophomore Graham Schmitt and Ethan Orvis, a senior, were the top shots for TV with identical rounds of 46. Hunter Kruse and Lincoln Holtz had a good day out on the range as they both came up with rounds of 44.

Trojan senior Alexis Elsbernd was runner-up in the girls competition with a 43.

“We’re starting off great and I’m excited to see what this coming week brings,” said first-year TV head coach Amber Barloon.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

TOP-THREE SQUADS

Cresco Area Clay Crushers 1 220,

TV-SF Red 215, Cresco Area Clay Crushers 2 213.

TOP-THREE BOYS

Karl Schmelzer (CCAC) 48, Graham Schmitt (TVSF) 46, Ethan Orvis (TVSF) 46, Atley Olson (CCAC) 45, Cole Bronner (CCAC) 45, Kady Schmelzer (CCAC) 45.

TOP-THREE GIRLS

Harley Fisher (CCAC) 48, Alexis Elsbernd (TVSF) 43, Lydia Bollman (CCAC) 40.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

TV-SF Red (215) - Elsbernd 43, Ty Moudry 40, Jonah Orvis 42, E. Orvis



Amber Barloon

46, Hunter Kruse 44.

TV-SF Orange (209) - Boden Toussaint 43, Wade Petersen 42, Hunter Nelson 42, Lincoln Holtz 44, William Diers 38.

TV-SF Black (185) - Theresa Hanson 33, Avery Franzen 38, Carver Stange 26, Traejin Keel 42, Schmitt 46.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES April 7, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, April 7, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Cerwinske, Suckow and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Black Hawk County Supervisor Ritch Kurtenbach, Assessor Raymond Arnel, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Public Health Director Lisa Welter, Custodian Dave Gorman

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve the agenda for April 7, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Breitbach to approve the minutes for March 31, 2025 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Public Comment: Assessor Raymond Arnel shared that the assessment notices were sent and if there are any questions, please call the Assessor’s office.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve quarterly reports for the Auditor, EMS, Recorder, Sheriff and Veterans Service ending March 31, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to approve Gardiner + Company Certified Public Accountants invoice for \$8,320.00 per agreement for Audit of Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve a 28E Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between The City of Alta Vista and the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisor for FY25-26 and authorize chair signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve a 28E Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between The City of Lawler and the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisor for FY25-26 and authorize chair signature. Roll Call:

TV-SF Gold (181) - Tanner Morse 38, Ely Suhr 41, Jadeyn Muetherthies 32, Tyce Rochford 32, Carter Weidemann 38.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

TOP-THREE SQUADS

Cresco Area Clay Crushers 1 228, TV-SF Red 225, Northeast Iowa Shooting Club 1 218.

TOP-THREE BOYS

Ethan Tlusty (CACC) 48, Hunter Nelson (TVSF) 48, Jonah Orvis (TVSF) 48, Kail Schmelzer (CACC) 48, Ty Moudry (TVSF) (48), Ben Jackson (CACC) 47, Lane Barlow (NP) 46, Memphis Miller (NEIASC) 46.

TOP-THREE GIRLS

Al. Eichenberger (NH) 46, Harley Fisher (CACC) 46, Roths (CC) 45, Morgan McMurchy (CC) 44.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

TV-SF Red (225) - Elsbernd 42, Moudry 48, J. Orvis 48, E. Orvis 43, Kruse 44.

All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to proclaim the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and authorize chair’s signature.

Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried. Northeast Iowa Food Bank, Donor Relations Manager, Joshua Stevens asked for a budget request.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve setting up a Govdeals.com account for advertising and selling the unwanted kitchen equipment from the Heritage Center. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to approve the Separation Letter to go to the five employees for June 1, 2025 separation. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve Permanent Layoff Notice and Severance Agreement to go to the five employees for June 1, 2025 separation. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve payroll check date, April 4, 2025. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve prior claims in the amount of \$664.95. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve claims in the amount of \$116,387.05. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Committee assignments Supervisor Suckow, April 3, Turkey River Water Shed

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to adjourn at 9:51 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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400 15TH AVE Six Family Sale Charles City. Thursday 9am-4:30pm, Friday 8am to 4:30 and Saturday 8am to 2pm. Men, women, children's clothing, M&M watches, beanie babies, baseball and football cards, purses, jewelry, kids and adult summer shoes, Dale Earnhardt plates. Lots and lots of miscellaneous, Barbie dolls, kids three wheel scooters.

205 SPRIGGS STREET Charles City. Thursday - Saturday 10am-5pm. Unused blackstone grill in box, child bikes, exterior play set with ladder and slide. Walnut boards, 100 year old furniture, Clothes men 38 & 40 waist. Not responsible for accidents.

602 FREEMAN STREET In the alley. 8:30 to 5:00 Friday the 18th and Saturday the 19th. Newborn to adult clothing, lots of toys, furniture, household items, high chair, infant bouncer, knick knacks, motor cycle helmet, l-watch, air fryer, coats, shoes, purses, kayak, girls clothes up to size 7/8.

404 6TH AVENUE Charles City. Wednesday - Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm Weather permitting. Tools, kitchen items, grill/campfire items, home/car cleaning supplies, painting supplies, AA/AAA batteries, antifreeze, packing tape, Disney banks, socks, letter boards, ear buds, misting diffuser w/ blue-tooth speaker, disinfecting wipes/sprays, dog playpens, restraints, loungers, carpet/floor cleaners, Miracle Gro, plant/veg food, knee pads, fishing supplies, and much more!!

418 MEADOW LANE Charles City. Friday April 18th 8:00am - 6:00pm and Saturday April 19th 8:00am to 1:00pm Huge garage sale. Pots and pans, Tupperware, Bunn coffee maker, home decor, Dyson vacuum, brand name clothing, shoes, furniture, sofa sleeper, newborn-4T girls, toys, stroller, little tikes climber, electric mobility scooter, large rug, clay shooter, and little tikes trampoline.

600 J STREET Charles City. Wed - Friday 8am to 5pm and Saturday 8am to 12pm. Griswold cast iron skillet, dutch oven, vintage structo tonka military toys, weight machine, exercise bike, vintage crocks, bread machine, depression glass, Christmas village items, household items, twin bed frames, headboards, desk, table, jewelry, lots of vintage and miscellaneous.

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Members of New Hampton Red celebrate winning the traveling trophy over CC/NP/RRMR on Friday night at the Nashua Fish & Game Club.

Despite weather, shooters doing ‘pretty good’

TRAPSHOOTING: FROM 15

City, Nashua-Plainfield and Rudd-Rockford-Marble Rock at the Nashua Fish & Game Club.

“We’re doing pretty good for the weather we’ve had. I definitely think there’s room for improvement and we’re gonna see a lot better scores when the weather turns around for us and just get dialed in,” said NH senior Jake Schwickerath.

Schwickerath, along with New Hampton sophomore Jackson Kellogg, led the seniors (high school shooters) with 47 rounds. New Hampton intermediate (middle schooler) Jakob Schwickerath was the overall top shooter with a 48 in what turned into an absolute gorgeous spring day with little to zero wind.

That meant perfect conditions outside to knock down clay targets out of the sky.

NH Red won the meet with a 222, followed by New Hampton’s Intermediate squad, also known as NH Red. The middle school squad shot a 220 and Nashua-Plainfield’s top team fired a 199 for third place.

Kellogg, who is a member of NH Red, talked about the big prize at the end of the year that his team is gunning for.

“The ultimate goal is to obviously win a state trophy. It’s just small increments at a time,” said Kellogg.

Jake Schwickerath, who usually competes for NH White, talked about dealing with the highs and lows of an unpredictable season, which can be made even more difficult with inclement weather that has already been a thorn in New Hampton’s side in a couple meets this early in the season.

That’s where the “family” part of the equation enters into the mix.

“The most I’ve learned is it doesn’t matter how good you are or how bad you are, one day someone can have a bad day and one day you’ll have a good day,” said Schwickerath. “It’s just about sticking together and staying with it and riding out the storm.”

What’s the key to success in trapshooting?

“I definitely say mindset, but also having fun. It’s not a life or death situation. You gotta learn. They’ll be good and bad days,” said Schwickerath. “Most of its mindset.”

Kellogg agreed.

“It’s like 90 percent mindset and just going up there and not really caring if you miss,” said Kellogg. “You don’t think of anything. You just have fun.”

NH Red shot a season-high 233 last week Tuesday at home versus CC/NP/RRMR. The Chickasaws home trap range is at the Sportsman’s Club Boyd in Fredericksburg. NH Black was second with a 226 and Charles City’s No. 1 team was third with a 223.

NH sophomore Wyatt Schwickerath missed just one target in 50 tries and finished with a 49 to lead all shooters. Chickasaw senior Devon Snyder fired a 48, followed by NH juniors Ben Douglas and Chase Humpal, who each racked up rounds of 47.

On the girls side, New Hampton senior



Ben Douglas (above) plays “bags” on Friday night in Nashua and Jackson Kellogg (below) has his sights set on a target in a meet earlier this spring.



Aleah Eichenberger led the pack with a 46 and Chickasaw freshman Vanessa Snyder was third overall with a 45.

New Hampton competed in the Turkey Valley Invite on Saturday. NH Red (212) was the top team finisher for the Chickasaws as they wound up fifth. The Cresco Area Clay Crushers won the weekend tourney with a 228, followed by Turkey Valley-Summer-Fredericksburg (225) and the Northeast Iowa Shooting Club (218). NH Black (211) was sixth.

Eichenberger once again led the charge for the Chickasaws with a 46. Wyatt Schwickerath, Humpal and Devon Snyder produced rounds of 44.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8 TOP-THREE SQUADS
NH Red 233, NH Black 226, CC 1 223.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Wyatt Schwickerath (NH) 49, Devon Snyder (NH) 48, Ben Douglas (NH) 47, Chase Humpal (NH) 47.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Aleah Eichenberger (NH) 46, Ali Blickenderfer (CC) 45, Vanessa Snyder (NH) 45.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
NH Red (233) - Jackson Kellogg 45, Emmett Kuehner 46, Schwickerath 49, Humpal 47, Nolan Swehla 46.

NH Black (226) - Karla Pickar 45, Douglas 47, Snyder 48, Eichenberger 46, Carson Burke 40.

NH White (217) - Benson Burke 45, Jaylen Shekleton 45, Harper Humpal 41, Danielle Ellingson 43, Jake Schwickerath 43.

NH Gold (162) - Carter Dreckman 46, Vanessa Snyder 45, Aidan Eichenberger 36, Liz Deere 35.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 TOP-THREE SQUADS
NH Red 222, NH Red (Intermediate) 220, NP1 199.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Jakob Schwickerath (NH Int.) 48, Kellogg (NH) 47, Jake Schwickerath (NH) 47, Six tied with 45.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Kinley Roths (CC) 47, Tinlie Vsetecka (NH Int.) 44, Blickenderfer (CC) 42.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
NH Red (222) - Kellogg 47, Kuehner 42, W. Schwickerath 45, C. Humpal 43, N. Swehla 45.
NH Red (Int.) (220) - Jakob Schwickerath 48, Tristen Babcock 45, Mason Phillips 43, Alex Henderson 44, Wyatt Swehla 40.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 TOP-THREE SQUADS
Cresco Area Clay Crushers 1 228, TV-SF Red 225, Northeast Iowa Shooting Club 1 218.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Ethan Tlusty (CACC) 48, Hunter Nelson (TVSF) 48, Jonah Orvis (TVSF) 48, Kail Schmelzer (CACC) 48, Ty Moudry (TVSF) (48), Ben Jackson (CACC) 47, Lane Barlow (NP) 46, Memphis Miller (NEIASC) 46.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Al. Eichenberger (NH) 46, Harley Fisher (CACC) 46, Roths (CC) 45, Morgan McMurphy (CC) 44.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
NH Red (212) - Kuehner 40, Kellogg 43, W. Schwickerath 44, C. Humpal 44, N. Swehla 41.
NH Black (211) - Pickar 36, Douglas 43, D. Snyder 44, Al. Eichenberger 46, C. Burke 42.
NH White (199) - Shekleton 41, B. Burke 38, Dreckman 43, Ellingson 36, Jake Schwickerath 41.
NH Gold (68) - V. Synder 38, Deere 30.

Fast 200s, win in 4x400 key solid night for Chickasaws in Decorah

It may not have been ideal track weather — especially for those who had to run the backstretch or competed late in the meet — but New Hampton put together another solid meet Monday night at the Decorah Relays.

The Chickasaws, competing for the third time in seven days, finished a solid third at the meet won by the host Vikings on a night when New Hampton coach Scott Jenkins said the “backstretch was brutal for everybody.”

Still, New Hampton saved its best for last as Ethan Carter to Carson Laures to Beau Serie to Dylen Schmitt ran through what Jenkins termed a “side-ways rain” to win the 4x400. The Chickasaws also had a strong night in the 200 as Serie finished second in a career-best 23.26 seconds while Carter also broke 24 seconds with a sixth-place run in 23.99.

TEAM SCORES
Decorah 189, West Delaware 103, New Hampton 88, Waukon 61, South Winneshiek 50, MFL MarMac 45, Kee High 33.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
Sprint medley — 5. Elliott Eiler, Dylan Maloy, Dylen Schmitt, Kinnick Wisner 1:47.40.
3,200 — 5. Braden Manson 11:35.11.
4x800 — 2. Trenton Horner, Riley Berns, Kamdyn Trower, Colin Shatek

10:13.90.
Shuttle hurdle relay — 4. Will Dieterich, Ashton Pitz, Carson Laures, Eiler 1:17.63.
100 — 4. Beau Serie 11.54, 7. Ethan Carter 11.77.
Distance medley — 5. Maloy, Eiler, Dieterich, Horner 4:41.24.
400 — 4. Cade Carpenter 57.82, 8. Asher Jirak 1:04.31.
4x200 — 2. Wisner, Carter, Schmitt, Serie 1:38.12.
110 high hurdles — 4. Laures 16.41.
800 — 4. Shatek 2:29.84, 6. Trower 2:34.28.
200 — 2. Serie 23.26, 6. Carter 23.99.
400 hurdles — 4. Dieterich 1:10.38, 1,600 — 4. Riley Berns 5:34.97.
4x100 weightman’s - 2. Francisco Valdez, LJ Robinson, Roy Barron, Austyn Kleppe 51.35.
4x100 — 4. Maloy, Eiler, Wisner, Carpenter 49.39.
4x400 — 1. Carter, Laures, Serie, Schmitt 3:50.92.
Long jump — 9. Dieterich 15-11.25.
High jump — 2. Laures 5-10.
Shot put — 3. Kleppe 43-1, 8. Barron 33-4.
Discus — 7. Barron 109-0, 9. Jaxon Kuehn 82-10.

JUNIOR VARSITY RESULTS
100 — 15. Valdez 12.96, 18. Barron 13.03, 23. Robinson 13.90, 27. Kuehn 15.01, 30. Preston Hubka 15.79.
200 — 6. Carpenter 26.03, 19. Jirak 28.06.
4x100 — 2. Pitz, Aidan Zeien, Kale Venem, Jirak 51.29.
4x400 — 5. Manson, Trower, Horner, Shatek 4:32.10.
Shot put — 16. Kuehn 30-2, 21. Robinson 29-1, Valdez 27-9, Hubka 19-9.5.

Chickasaw boys continues to seek improvement while ‘experimenting’

NH BOYS TRACK: FROM 15

annual New Hampton Coed Invitational.

Asked about his goals for his team, Jenkins gave both a short and a long answer.

Start with the former: “To be really simple, we want to see continued improvements.”

The longer answer? “This is going to sound so obvious, but we want our times to keep coming down, both in individual events and relays, to see what we can load and do well in later in the season,” Jenkins said. “The regular season is all about experimenting with different relay lineups and trying kids in events they may not have tried before. ...

“We’re always looking for that untapped resource that surprises us so we can have a chance at getting that person to state or putting together a relay that can do the same.”

DECORAH EARLY BIRD TEAM SCORES

Decorah 226.5, Mason City 116.5, New Hampton 96, Waukon 60, South Winneshiek 57.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
Sprint medley — 4. Dylan Maloy, Kinnick Wisner, Dylen Schmitt, Edgar Rodriguez 1:43.74; 8. Ashton Pitz, Jace Schipper, Asher Jirak, Will Dieterich 1:52.87.
3,200 — 4. Colin Shatek 11:59.84.
4x800 — 4. Kamdyn Trower, Trenton Horner, Braden Manson, Riley Berns 9:56.55.

Shuttle hurdle relay — 3. Elliott Eiler, Carson Laures, Dieterich, Cargin Robinson 1:18.08.
100 — 2. Beau Serie 11.66, 8. Ethan Carter 12.19, 9. Austyn Kleppe 2.28, 18. Cade Carpenter 12.57, 28. Francisco Valdez 12.96, 30. Roy Barron 12.99, 36. Jacob McDonald 13.26, 46. Schipper 13.94, 48. LJ Robinson 14.03, 55. Jaxon Kuehn 15.66, 56. Preston Hubka 15.69, 59. Aidan Underwood 17.29.

Distance medley — 2. Rodriguez, Eiler, Schmitt, Horner 4:21.78.

400 — 2. Carpenter 57.03, 6. Jirak 1:02.80, 9. Aidan Zeien en 1:07.00, 10. Berns 1:07.99.
4x200 — 3. Maloy, Wisner, Carter, Serie 1:37.98, 8. Pitz, C. Robinson, Dieterich, Kleppe 1:44.35.

110 high hurdles — 2. Laures 18.11.
800 — 9. Shatek 2:27.76, 11. Trower 2:30.46, 14. Manson 2:33.76.

200 — 4. Carter 24.87, 5. Schmitt 24.88, 7. Maloy 25.04, 9. Wisner 25.44, 10. Carpenter 25.45, 14. Rodriguez 25.85.

400 hurdles — 7. Eiler 1:08.82.
1,600 — 6. Berns 5:45.71.
4x100 weightman — 4. Barron,

McDonald, Kuehn, Kleppe 53.5; 8. Valdez, Brayden Rosonke, Underwood, L. Robinson 58.69.

4x100 — 3. Maloy, Wisner, Carter, Serie 46.56; 12. Pitz, Trower, Schipper, Eiler 53.10.

4x400 — 2. Rodriguez, Laures, Schmitt, Serie 3:42.40; 8. Jirak, Horner, C. Robinson, Shatek 4:11.25.

Long jump — 7. Schipper 16-9, 8. Dieterich 16-8.

High jump — 3. Laures 6-0.
Shot put — 5. Kleppe 43-1, 12. McDonald 36-6, 20. Barron 33-0, 34. Kuehn 28-10, 40. L. Robinson 27-0.

42. Valdez 26-3, 44. Underwood 23-2, 46. Hubka 21-0.
Discus — 19. McDonald 95-0, 20. Barron 92-5, 25. Kuehn 87-2, 27. Zeien 84-1.

W-SR DAVE SAGE RELAYS TEAM SCORES

Waverly-Shell Rock 201, Waterloo West 157, Decorah 93, New Hampton 78, Crestwood 72, Wapsie Valley 70, North Fayette Valley 43.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS
100 — 5. Wisner 12.04, 7. Kleppe 12.25.

200 — 6. Wisner 24.58, 7. Carpenter 24.94.

400 — 4. Carpenter 56.65.
800 — 7. Trower 2:34.03, 9. Horner 2:36.15.

1,600 — 7. Manson 5:19.45, 8. Shatek 5:27.07.

3,200 — 4. Berns 11:54.74.
400 hurdles — 10. C. Robinson 1:08.36, 11. Eiler 1:10.56.

4x100 weightman’s - 4. Valdez, McDonald, Kuehn, McDonald 53.75.

4x100 — 5. Maloy, Kleppe, Wisner, Carpenter 47.14.

4x200 — 6. Maloy, Kleppe, Wisner, Eiler 1:39.69.

4x400 — 3. Carter, Laures, Schmitt, Serie 3:39.08.

4x800 — 3. Trower, Manson, Dieterich, Shatek 9:59.71.

Sprint medley — 6. Serie, Carter, Schmitt, Maloy 1:47.33.

Distance medley — 2. Carter, Serie, Schmitt, Laures 3:54.54.

Shuttle hurdle — 6. Eiler, Dieterich, Laures, C. Robinson 1:15.57.

High jump — 1. Laures 5-10.
Long jump — 6. Schipper 15-5, 7. Dieterich 15-3.

Shot put — 5. Kleppe 43-4.5, 14. McDonald 31-0.5.

Discus — 9. Barron 108-2, 10. McDonald 96-3.

JUNIOR VARSITY RESULTS
100 — 11. Hubka 16.04, 12. Underwood 16.8.

400 — 4. Dieterich 1:00.79.
4x100 — 5. Emmett Kuehner, Nolan Swehla, Drew Kipp, Asher Jirak 53.69.

4x400 — 3. C. Robinson, Trower, Dieterich, Horner 4:16.37.

Sprint medley — 5. Kuehner, Swehla, Kipp, Jirak 1:56.05.

Shot put — 10. Barron 33-0, 12. Kuehn 29-0, 15. L. Robinson 27-1.

Discus — 6. Zeien 96-3, 11. Kuehn 85-5.

New Hampton girls shine in golf opener

NH GIRLS GOLF: FROM 16

Nuss kicked off her high school career with a magical round. The freshman picked up three birdies — on 2, 7 and 9 — and had just one bogey to fire her round of 2 under par.

“Kirsten, we knew, was going to come and be one of our top players,” Olson said. “She — like her sisters — has played a lot of golf. Now, did I think she was going to get Allison’s record in her first meet? I don’t think I would go that far, but she was solid. Obviously, you don’t see a 34 every day but she hit the ball well, she putted the ball well, she did a lot of things well.”

But it was far from a one-girl show on Friday as two more Chickasaws had rounds in the 30s. Junior Alivia Geerts fired a career-best 36 to finish as meet medalist while senior Lauren Nuss, who will play golf at the University of Northern Iowa next year, finished with

Chickasaws win road quadrangular

New Hampton took its game on the road Monday and rolled to a solid quadrangular victory at Mason City’s Highland Park Golf Course.

The Chickasaws had five of the top six individual scores as they finished with a 171 to best runner-up Forest City by 31 strokes on a day that coach Eric Olson described succinctly as “very blustery.” Clear Lake took third with a 221, while the host Riverhawks of Mason City finished with a 238.

New Hampton’s Kirsten Nuss

fired a 40 to best her sister by two shots for medalist honors while Maycen Hackman finished with a 44 and Brenna Flattum fired a career-low 45 to round out New Hampton’s scorers.

Alivia Geerts had a 46 for the Chickasaws, and Camryn Smith finished with a 56.

Nuss’ win made it a sweep for the Chickasaws when it came to medalist honors as Drey O’Brien fired a 53 to win the JV individual title by seven strokes.

To put New Hampton’s dominance in perspective, Charles City was led by Izzabel Crawford, who finished with a 55.

“You have three girls in the 30s and one at 42,” Olson said, “and it’s going



New Hampton’s Maycen Hackman chips the ball onto the green Friday.

to be really hard not to win a meet. Alivia was outstanding, right from the start ... she got off to a nice start on one, getting up and down for a par, and just played really good golf. ...

“Lauren and Maycen both thought they should have gone lower, and that’s what you want to see, but I’m not going to quibble with a 39 and a 42, either.”

Hackman and Lauren Nuss played together while Geerts and Kirsten Nuss played in another foursome. That was by design, Olson said.

“Alivia and Kirsten are more deliberate players,” he said, “and Maycen and Lauren play fast. ... When they’re playing with girls shooting in the 50s, it’s tough for them to get them into that flow they want to be in.”

Chickasaws run into pair of ‘buzzsaws’

After tight 4-2 loss to GHV, New Hampton struggles in losses to A-P, Postville

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Statistics only tell one side of the tale. That’s why the New Hampton boys soccer team’s 4-2 loss at home last week Tuesday to Garner-Hayfield-Ventura was a tad deceiving.

That means the final score did not reflect the quality of play that Jeff Monteith’s Chickasaws demonstrated out on the pitch in the team’s second match of the season.

“The boys played really well and this is an example where the final numbers on the scoreboard don’t represent the effort and how well they played,” said Monteith.

NH (0-4) broke through first in the scoring department off a nice centering pass from Keyvn Torres to William Camarillo, who promptly deposited the ball in the back of the net 13 minutes into the match.

New Hampton’s defense kept the visiting Cardinals at bay and the Chickasaws held a 1-0 advantage at intermission.

“Our defensive line, only playing in their second actual high school game, played really well,” said the NH coach.

GHV finally got on the board 11 minutes into the second stanza with a goal to knot the match at 1-1. The goal was wild to say the least as a corner kick went off the crossbar and over the keeper, only to hit off the head of a GHV player near the back post and into the net.

GHV tried to take the lead, but a penalty kick almost 20 minutes into the second half was locked down by Chickasaw junior keeper Easton Monteith. He would rack up 16 saves on the evening.

“Easton had a great game with some



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton senior Xander Meyerhoff keeps the ball inbounds during a game against Charles City earlier this month.

great saves,” said Jeff Monteith.

NH continued to apply pressure as Torres intercepted a Cardinal pass and raced toward the net during the midway point of the second half. He chipped a goal over the Cardinal keeper for a 2-1 Chickasaw lead.

GHV tied the match (2-2) once more on header with 14 minutes left in the match. With eight minutes remaining, GHV took the lead for good.

“Overall it was a great game that was well played. Obviously a shorter bench and some injuries makes it tougher as you get late in the game without fresh legs,” said Jeff Monteith.

GHV (1-1-1) scored all its goals in the second half, including two by freshman Aiden Schulze.

New Hampton ran into a couple buzzsaws on Thursday at home versus seventh-ranked Aplington-Parkersburg (10-0) and on the road at Postville (8-0) on Saturday.

The match against A-P (4-1) saw the Cardinals pelt Monteith at his keeper position with 40 shots on goal.

“AP started the game with all senior

forwards and defensemen and jumped out early and had us pinned in our backfield right away,” said Jeff Monteith. “The boys played hard, we just weren’t a match for their size and experience.”

The undefeated Pirates (3-0) led 3-0 at half over New Hampton and saw Darinel Ramirez, a sophomore, net four goals.

“We were entering the game fighting some injuries and an even shorter bench by number and experience than we had all season up to this point,” the New Hampton coach said. “Once again we were trapped most of the game in our defensive zone, but a couple opportunities to break out the offense did a nice job working together and passing the ball. We weren’t able to break through the coverage and find the back of the net.”

New Hampton takes on Clayton Ridge (2-1) on the road Friday and travels to Sumner to lock horns with Northeast Iowa United on Monday.

“We have a few days now to hopefully heal up, reorganize, work through some game learned experiences and be ready to keep improving as a team,” said Jeff Monteith.

Trojan girls putting up impressive relay times

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And they’re off!!!

Squads are gonna be hard pressed to catch Turkey Valley this season out on the oval as the Trojans have come out of the gates strong so far in 2025.

So much so that Trojan co-coaches Dalton Hackman and Sarah Bakula’s top relays are some of the best in all of Class 1A as evident by TV’s winning time of 4:29.55 in the distance medley at the Lady Pirate Bossom Relays last week Thursday.

That marquee relay is now in rarified air as the group of sophomores Kendall Kuennen, Hazel Nieman and Bella Stika, along with freshman Brynlee Hayek sport the fifth-fastest time in the small-school class in that event.

TV has not one, but two of the better relays in 1A as the Trojan sprint med team clocked a 1:56.67 at the Pat Murphy Invite in Decorah last week Thursday. The Trojans did not win the relay, but are now listed as the seventh-fastest sprint med squad in 1A according to the website Bound. Decorah won that relay in 1:53.87, listed as the 18th best time in that event in Class 3A.

Decorah ended up winning its home invite with 191 points. TV managed 20 points and had 53 points at the Postville meet that Waukon claimed with a156 points.

Other highlights for the Trojans last week came in the open 800 as Stika could not be beaten as she raced first to the tape in 3:30.95. That’s a season best and 14th-fastest in her class.

TV’s d-med also took first at Decorah in 4:30.16 with that same group of Kuennen, Hayek, Nieman and Stika.

Spectators at Postville also saw TV’s sprint med of junior Jenna Thronndson, Hayek, Nieman and Stika placed runner-up in 1:57.82. The 4x400 squad of freshman Alexis Gruenberg, Nieman, Kuennen and Stika was also second in 4:31.03.

Nieman ran to a third-place showing in the open 200 in 28.2.

LADY PIRATE BOSSOM RELAYS TEAM SCORES

Waukon 156, Crestwood 128, Sumner-Fredericksburg 98, Kee High 61, Turkey Valley 53, North Fayette Valley 39, Central Elkader 35, Postville 15, Clayton Ridge 13, West Central 12, MFL MarMac 2.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 dash - 16. Emersyn Hoffert 14.99, 26. Courtney Ball 17.1.

200 dash - 3. Hazel Nieman 28.2, 17. Hoffert 32.24.

800 run - 1. Bella Stika 2:30.95.

400 hurdles - 6. Jocelyn Deslover 1:35.21.

4x100 - 9. Kendall Kuennen, Brynlee Hayek, Alexis Gruenberg, Jenna Thronndson 59.0.

4x200 - 4. Hoffert, Nora Chicken, Ball, DeSlover 2:20.01.

4x400 - 2. Gruenberg, Nieman, Kuennen, Stika 4:31.03.

Sprint medley - 2. Thronndson, Hayek, Nieman, Stika 1:57.82.

Distance medley - 1. Kuennen, Hayek, Nieman, Stika 4:29.55.

Shuttle hurdle - 6. Thronndson, Hayek, Gruenberg, DeSlover 1:24.37.

High jump - DeSlover NH.

Long jump - 7. Kuennen 12-9.75.

13. Gruenberg 11-6.75.

Shot put - 8. Ellaney Bodensteiner 31-9.5, 14. Chicken 26-4.

Discus - 7. Bodensteiner 89-4, 14. Thronndson 69-8.

JV RESULTS

4x100 (Weightwoman) - 2. Hoffert, Chicken, Ball, Bodensteiner 1:04.58.

Shot put - 5. Ball 23-10.

Discus - 7. Chicken 64-9.

PATRICK MURPHY INVITE TEAM SCORES

Decorah 191, Crestwood 90, Waukon 85, Waverly-Shell Rock 64, New Hampton 55, South Winneshiek 44, Kee High 39, Turkey Valley 20.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

Sprint medley - 2. Kuennen, Thronndson, Nieman, Stika 1:56.67.

Shuttle hurdle - 6. Thronndson, Hayek, Gruenberg, DeSlover 1:24.28.

100 dash - 14. Addison Steinlage 15.12, 15. Hoffert 15.41.

Distance medley - 1. Kuennen, Hayek, Nieman, Stika 4:30.16.

400 dash - 9. Hoffert 1:17.67, 10. DeSlover 1:26.44.

4x200 - 6. Thronndson, Steinlage, Hayek, Gruenberg 2:01.02.

100 hurdles - 14. DeSlover 23.78.

200 dash - 12. Hoffert 33.13.

400 hurdles - 8. DeSlover 1:43.19.

4x100 (Weightwoman) - 3. Hoffert, Chicken, Ball, Bodensteiner 1:04.8.

4x100 - 7. Kuennen, Hayek, Nieman, Thronndson 55.46.

Discus - 9. Bodensteiner 82-2, 16. Chicken 66-10.

Shot put - 8. Bodensteiner 30-10.5, 16. Chicken 26-2.5.

JV RESULTS

100 dash - 11. Chicken 15.77, 16. Ball 17.56.

200 dash - 10. Ball 36.41.

Shot put - 9. Ball 24-2.

ON TAP FOR OUR NEW HAMPTON CHICKASAWS AND TURKEY VALLEY TROJANS

THURSDAY

New Hampton girls golf at Decorah (Oneota) 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley trapshooting at New Hampton, (handicap and doubles, 100 targets) 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley golf vs. Postville, 4 p.m.

New Hampton track coed, 4:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley coed at New Hampton Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton soccer at Clayton Ridge, girls at 5 p.m., boys at 6:45 p.m.

SATURDAY

New Hampton trapshooting invite, (senior-parent day) 8 a.m., skeet at 1 p.m.

Turkey Valley trapshooting at New Hampton invite, 8 a.m.

New Hampton boys golf invite vs. Denver, Oelwein, South Winneshiek and Sumner-Fredericksburg, 10 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton girls golf at Waverly-Shell Rock Invite (Prairie Links), noon

Turkey Valley trapshooting vs. Nashua/Charles City, 4 p.m.

New Hampton girls track invite, 4:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley at New Hampton girls track invite, 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton boys soccer at Sumner-Fredericksburg, 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

New Hampton coed golf vs. Crestwood, MFL MarMac, 4 p.m.

New Hampton trapshooting at Crestwood, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley golf vs. Decorah and South Winneshiek at South Winn Golf and Country Club, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley trapshooting vs. Oelwein, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls track at Crestwood, 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton boys soccer at Decorah, 5 p.m.

New Hampton boys track at Charles City, 5 p.m.



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New Hampton trapshooters claim traveling trophy for third straight year

Chickasaws' win over Nashua-Plainfield highlights a busy week

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One big family – win or lose. That is perhaps the New Hampton trapshooting squad's most definable trait.

The Chickasaws put that close-knit bond on display Friday evening in the annual showdown with CC/NP/

RRMR underneath the lights in a "Night Shoot or what some shooters dub "Friday Night Lights."

At stake was the traveling trophy and for the third consecutive year the Chickasaws and head coach Jay Matthews took it on back home after defeating the split squad from Charles

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New Hampton's Chase Humpal fires a shot during his team's home trapshooting meet last week.

Chickasaw girls finds bright spots

New Hampton struggles in second outdoor meet but gets win from Rings

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This wasn't New Hampton's best outing on the oval last week Thursday at Decorah, but there were still some bright spots for Jeanette Laures' Chickasaws.

They all can't be winners, but sophomore Kinslee Rings managed to take home the lone gold medal for the NH girls track team last week Thursday at the Pat Murphy Invite in Decorah.

While Rings didn't post a PR in the open 800, she crossed the finish line first with a blue-ribbon time of 2:33.88, more than a second better than runner-up Viking freshman Raelyn Newhouse (2:35.13) of Decorah.

Rings has been an incredible story for the Chickasaws this season and her vast array of talent can come in handy for Laures in multiple events.

Take for instance her ninth-place showing in the shot put (30-1.5) – which she's also looking to improve on later this spring.

"Kinslee is such a hard worker. She sets the tone in practice and leads by example because she's not afraid to get out hard and push herself to the limit. Plus, she's such a team player," said Laures, who is in her 20th season of coaching her Chickasaws in 2025.

Rings' diversity has potentially even opened the door for a go at the heptathlon (a track and field competition that features seven events) – should she so desire. Now before Rings undertakes the 100-meter hurdles, high jump, shot put, 200-meter run, long jump, javelin throw and 800 run, she may first want to focus on getting her times and throws to where she wants them this spring.

But, the more important point is that Rings is all in – no matter the time, place or event.

"I have joked with her that she could do the heptathlon because she has a variety of skills. She's willing to do anything for her team," said Laures.

Fellow Chickasaw sophomore Sophie Glaser didn't win her 1,500 run, but she came close as she wound up second in 5:31.25 to the race's overall winner – Waukon sophomore Reagan Benzing (5:28.13). That time for Glaser is a season-best.

As far as potential goes, Chickasaw senior Braelyn Rosonke has plenty of it and she demonstrated that burgeoning talent in the discus with a heave of 102 – a career PR for the volleyball standout.

"Braelyn has a ton of potential in the discus with her long levers. She's gaining some confidence in that event, too. We're excited for her to continue to improve," said the NH head coach.

New Hampton placed fifth with 55 points in the overall team standings behind meet winner Decorah (191 points), second-place Crestwood (90), Waukon (85) and Waverly-Shell Rock (64).

The Chickasaw foursome of senior Taylor Ries, Glaser, freshman Jersey Pemble and Rings placed third in 4x800 with a time of 13:07.

New Hampton was fourth in sprint medley, shuttle hurdle, distance medley, 4x200 and 4x400.

Chickasaw freshman Aleigha Cahoy was sixth in the 100 dash (14.08), as was NH sophomore Capri Lester in the 400



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New Hampton's Kinslee Rings runs a relay leg at a meet in Waverly earlier this month.

dash (1:10.66).

"Overall, we struggled as a team in this meet. We had a tough work week of practice and it showed because many girls ran with heavy legs. That work will pay off in the weeks to come though," Laures added.

The pace will start to pick up this week and swing into high gear as New Hampton competed at Osage on Tuesday. Then the Chickasaws host their co-ed meet tonight (Thursday) and the NH Girls Invite on Monday.

PATRICK MURPHY INVITE TEAM SCORES
Decorah 191, Crestwood 90, Waukon 85, Waverly-Shell Rock 64, New Hampton 55, South Winneshiek 44, Kee High 39, Turkey Valley 20.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

Sprint medley - 4. Ava Leichtman, Madison Shawver, Aleigha Cahoy, Kinsley Hackman 2:03.05.

3,000 run - 5. Gretta Kuehner 13:06.47, 6. Juanita Cardona 13:07.97.

4x800 - 3. Taylor Ries, Sophie Glaser, Jersey Pemble, Kinslee Rings 10:43.12.

Shuttle hurdle - 4. Kadence Rings, Sydney Laures, Ella Knutson, Bailee Tenge 1:19.

100 dash - 6. Cahoy 14.08, 13. Zoey Kellogg 15.03.

Distance medley - 4. Leichtman, Shawver, Knutson, Natalie Nosbisch 4:58.01.

400 dash - 6. Capri Lester 1:10.66.

4x200 - 4. Cahoy, Ries, Pemble, Hackman 1:55.5.

100 hurdles - 10. Ka. Rings 19.94, 11. Laures 20.26.

800 run - 1. Ki. Rings 2:33.88.

200 dash - 7. Lester 30.16, 10. Kellogg 30.69.

1,500 run - 2. Glaser 5:31.25.

4x100 (Weightwoman) - 2. Laures, Braelyn Rosonke, Brooklyn McShane, Ki. Rings 59.71.

4x100 - 5. Leichtman, Hackman, Shawver, Cahoy 54.94.

4x400 - 4. Pemble, Nosbisch, Knutson, Adrianna Kinley 4:30.04.

Long jump - 8. Tenge 13-2.75.

High jump - Pemble NH.

Discus - 4. Rosonke 102, 15. Laures 69-11.

Shot put - 9. Ki. Rings 30-1.5, 12. Rosonke 28-8.5.

JV RESULTS

Sprint medley - 2. Ka. Rings, Lester, Kellogg, Rylie Vsetecka 2:10.33.

100 dash - 10. McShane 15.74.

100 hurdles - 5. Tenge 19.19.

800 run - 4. Cardona 2:58.88.

200 dash - 5. McShane 32.41, 8. Vsetecka 33.63.

4x100 - 3. Ka. Rings, Kellogg, Vsetecka, Tenge 57.88.



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New Hampton's Trenton Horner runs a leg of the 4x800 relay during a meet at Waverly earlier this month.

Chickasaw boys mix it up with some success

New Hampton puts together solid meets in Decorah, Waverly

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Scott Jenkins is not a mad scientist, but he also knows that one way to keep his New Hampton boys track team "fresh" is to give his athletes a chance to compete in different races.

"We always try to mix up the events the kids are in so they don't get in a rut or get sick of doing the same events over and over," Jenkins said. "There are some events you have to keep pushing forward on and repeating – like all of the field events – but if you can move guys around to be in different relays with different kids, that always keeps them engaged."

And the Chickasaws were solidly engaged last week as they put together two solid meets – Tuesday in Decorah and Thursday in Waverly. New Hampton finished third at the Decorah Early Bird before finishing fourth at the Dave Sage Relays.

In Decorah, Jenkins' team picked up a slew of second-place finishes – Beau Serie in the 100; Edgar Rodriguez, Elliot Eiler, Dylon Schmitt and Trenton Horner in the distance medley; Cade Carpenter in the 400, Carson Laures in the 110 high hurdles; and Rodriguez, Laures, Schmitt and Serie in the 4x400.

Two nights later, the Chickasaws got a win from Laures in the high jump while the distance medley team of Ethan Carter, Serie, Schmitt and Laures finished second. The Chickasaws also got third-place finishes from Kamdyn Trower, Braden Manson, Will Dieterich and Colin Shatek in the 4x800 and from Carter, Laures, Schmitt and Serie in the 4x400.

Both the 4x400 and the distance medley posted season best times, and Jenkins also praised the work done by athletes who weren't in the top-three.

"We had some top medal performances on the night," the New Hampton coach said, "but the thing that kept us up in the standings were the kids getting sixth-, seventh- and eighth-place points. We had a lot of those, and they all added up."

And he also praised the work of his "younger guys," saying they've not been afraid to step into tough situations to "still allow a relay to compete and give everyone a chance to run. For freshmen to have that type of maturity and not be afraid to step out of their comfort zone is a great thing to see."

New Hampton will finally get a chance to compete someplace else besides Waverly and Decorah today (Thursday) when the Chickasaws host the

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New Hampton’s Kirsten Nuss (above) intently studies the green as she prepares for a par putt while Chickasaws’ teammate Alivia Geerts shows off her short game with an excellent chip during Friday’s season-opening meet against Charles City.

CHICKASAWS SET TWO NEW SCHOOL RECORDS IN WIN OVER COMETS

By Bob Fenske
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It’s not like New Hampton girls golf coach Eric Olson had a million question marks when it came to the 2025 version of the Chickasaws. In short, he figured he had the making of a good — maybe even a really good — team heading into the year.

Still, the Chickasaws made a statement — loud and clear, too — on Friday when they opened the season with a 75-shot victory over Charles City in a meet at the New Hampton Golf and Country Club.

In the process, New Hampton obliterated two school records. The 151 team score the Chickasaws posted beat the old nine-hole team record set in 2019 by 10 shots while the meet medalist, New Hampton freshman Kirsten Nuss, fired a 34. That was one shot better than her older sister, Allison Nuss, fired during a meet back in 2019.

“I thought we would come out and play well, but a 151? To beat the school record by 10 shots, yeah, that probably surprised me a little bit,” Olson said. “The girls played really, really well, and it should give us a ton of confidence.”

Olson, though, tapped the



brakes, if you will. Yes, he was proud of his girls for their splendid start to the season, but he’s been coaching golf long enough to know that New Hampton probably isn’t going to be throwing up 151s the entire season.

“We were obviously playing on our home course, a course we’re really familiar with,” Olson said, “and so, sure, you expect to shoot well. It’s the course we’ve been played a lot, the course we’ve practiced on a lot. I always say the key is

can you take your game on the road? ... I guess what I’m saying is it’s one meet. I don’t want them to go out and shoot a 170 and think that’s awful.”

Against Charles City, Kirsten

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New Hampton’s Gabe Macon watches his iron shot head toward the green during the Chickasaws’ meet against Charles City last week.

New Hampton boys show improvement

Chickasaw boys drop opener to Comets, fall to Decorah but coach finds positives

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The New Hampton boys golf team may have been searching for its first victory of 2025 after falling to Decorah on Monday, but all in all, first-year Chickasaw coach Brad Shatek found a lot to be positive about.

“To see the team score go down a bit when you consider how windy it was — it was brutal, trust me — I think our guys competed very well,” Shatek said. “We don’t have a lot of varsity experience on our team, but our guys are working hard and improving is the name of the game right now.”

New Hampton opened its season on April 8 with a 164-175 loss to Charles City, and on Monday, the Chickasaws were back at the wind-swept New Hampton Golf and Country Club and dropped s 159-168 dual to Decorah.

“Going down seven strokes on a day like that, that’s an accomplishment,” Shatek said. “We’ll just keep plugging away.”

Just two New Hampton players — senior Adam Ewert and sophomore Charlie Kriener — played on the Chickasaws’ varsity in 2024, and the two veterans led the Chickasaws in the first two meets of 2025. They tied for the team-low round with 41s against

Charles City, and Kriener fired a 40 on Monday against Decorah while Ewert had a second straight 41.

The season opener, meanwhile, included two first-year coaches Shatek and Charles City’s Joel Bruner.

“I’ve played tournaments before with Joel,” Shatek said. “It was neat that he’s kind of going through the same thing that I am.”

In addition to Ewert and Kriener, the Chickasaws got “counting” scores from William Klassen (46) and Gabe Macon (47), but the most important part of the first meet was it simply gave

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New Hampton girls heat up on the pitch

Dungey’s eight goals help lead Chickasaws to wins over Garner-Hayfield-Ventura and Postville

By Kelly Terpstra
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The New Hampton girls soccer team has raced out to a tremendous start this spring after wrapping up last week’s action out on the pitch.

Where to begin?

For starters, New Hampton improved to 3-1 on the season with dominant wins over Garner-Hayfield-Ventura (3-0) on Tuesday and Postville (10-0) on Saturday to end the week’s festivities.

The Chickasaws’ offensive game was on-point and then some as junior Tegan Dungey notched a hat trick (three goals) to account for New Hampton’s first shutout over GHV (3-1) in the start to last week’s successful run at home.

Then Dungey exploded for an amazing tally of five goals in the Postville (0-2) rout, which was another goose egg put on the board by NH’s defensive front. Dungey scored four goals in the first half versus the Pirates and now has nine goals netted on

the season in just four matches.

“Tegan delivered an extraordinary performance,” said NH head coach Fayssal Talib.

While Dungey accounted for all of New Hampton’s goals versus GHV, several other Chickasaw standouts joined in on the scoring party against Postville.

Olivia Eichenberger, a junior who has already managed one hat trick this season in the 8-0 shellacking of Charles City in the season opener, started the scoring onslaught at Postville with a strike put in the back of the net. Kimber Dungey, Tegan’s younger sophomore sister, rifled a goal past the Pirate goalkeeper to make it 2-0. Tegan Dungey then proceeded to score the match’s next four goals as New Hampton took a 6-0 lead into the locker room.

With New Hampton firmly in control, Tegan rocketed her fifth goal past the Pirate keeper. Chickasaw junior midfielder Keziah Uglum scored

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New Hampton’s Tegan Dungey blasts a shot on goal in the Chickasaws’ win over Charles City earlier this month.

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