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## Local News

### *Iowa Residents Urged to Wear Blue in Support of Children and Families this April*

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa invites people across the state to wear blue on Friday, April 5, to show support for children and families during National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

“Wear Blue Day’ is an opportunity for people of all backgrounds to collectively and unequivocally draw attention to effective programs and policies that help children and families thrive,” said Liz Cox, Director at Prevent Child Abuse Iowa. “Additionally, by wearing blue, people throughout



the state demonstrate an awareness of and commitment to our shared responsibility for the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of the children and families in our communities.”

In addition to participating in this year’s Wear Blue Day, people are encouraged to engage in positive, supportive activities throughout Child Abuse Prevention Month.

“Small steps can make a big difference in a child’s life,” explained Prevent Child Abuse America President and CEO Dan Duffy. “We want to help people understand that it’s possible to do the things they love—cooking, making art and music, reading, or playing sports—and, at the same time, help families and their community thrive.”

In addition to wearing blue, Prevent Child Abuse America suggests the following to make a difference in a child’s life and help support parents while doing what you love:

- Volunteer for an after-school reading program or book club—you’ll help kids meet new friends and spark their imaginations, too.
- Give parents a break by bringing over dinner, offering to run an errand, or babysitting.
- Coach a youth sports team to teach kids the value of teamwork—

they’ll learn how to trust teammates and themselves.

- Host a kid-friendly event or organize a block party so parents can socialize without the stress of finding a sitter—social connections with other parents helps to establish a strong support network.

- Contact your elected officials and urge them to support policies and programs that promote safe, healthy childhoods.

Since 1975, Prevent Child Abuse Iowa has served its mission of leading child abuse prevention efforts in Iowa by building awareness, providing assistance, and promoting advocacy. It is the only statewide organization dedicated to preventing child abuse and the only consistent voice for child abuse prevention during the state legislative session. Prevent Child Abuse Iowa manages state and federal grant programs that contribute financial support to community groups that provide services to families. Prevent Child Abuse Iowa is based in Des Moines, but has partnerships in nearly every county throughout Iowa. It is an affiliate of Prevent Child Abuse America. For more information, call (515) 244.2200, or visit: [www.pcaiowa.org](http://www.pcaiowa.org).

# POCAHONTAS COUNTY LEADERSHIP SERIES

## JOIN US FOR OUR 2019 LEADERSHIP SERIES!

New to the community, company, management or leadership role, or just want to gain valuable skills that will help you in your career and community? We have four **free** engaging luncheon sessions planned that you won't want to miss! All are welcome!

### BRENDA CLARK HAMILTON

Brenda is a dynamic keynote speaker and workplace trainer who offers fresh perspectives in leadership, communication, team-building, customer service, and offering one's best self to life, relationships, and career. Audiences describe Brenda as an energetic, engaging presenter who provides useful strategies that can be implemented in their daily lives right away.



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### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

#### STRATEGIES FOR INCREASING YOUR EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

📍 Prairie Lakes AEA, Pocahontas ⌚ 12:00 - 1:00 pm

This fascinating, interactive session will look at the many components of 'Emotional Intelligence' including the four key areas of Self Awareness, Social Awareness, Self-Management, and Relationship Management.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

#### EXCEPTIONAL CUSTOMER SERVICE: CREATE AN IMPRESSIVE REPUTATION FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

📍 West Iowa Bank, Laurens ⌚ 12:00 - 1:00 pm

This program is designed to heighten awareness of what comprises excellent customer service in all aspects of your job—from daily interactions with customers, to phone etiquette, to how to respond if a customer complains.

**LEARN MORE AND REGISTER ONLINE AT [www.tinyurl.com/poco-lead19](http://www.tinyurl.com/poco-lead19)**

Questions? Contact Pocahontas County Economic Development at 712-335-4636 or [pcedcmktg@evertek.net](mailto:pcedcmktg@evertek.net)

### FRIDAY, MAY 10

#### THE 5 GENERATIONS WORKPLACE IN 2019: RECOGNIZE AND APPRECIATE THE UNIQUE PERSPECTIVES OF YOUR 5G COLLEAGUES

📍 Prairie Lakes AEA, Pocahontas ⌚ 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Gen X, Millennials, Baby Boomers, Radio Babies, and Gen Z...that's five generations of colleagues, working side by side each day! This fun, interactive program is designed to increase understanding of, and respect for, the different perspectives that each generation might bring to the workplace, based upon their shared life experiences.

### FRIDAY, MAY 17

#### CRUCIAL CONVERSATIONS: SKILLS FOR COMMUNICATING ABOUT DIFFICULT WORKPLACE ISSUES

📍 West Iowa Bank, Laurens ⌚ 12:00 - 1:00 pm

In this session, we will start by helping participants understand their own natural styles of responding to difficult conversations, then we will walk step-by-step through a framework for having difficult conversations in ways that keep the conversation calm and productive.

# WE'RE HIRING SUMMER MARKETING INTERN

COMMUNICATIONS // WEBSITE MANAGEMENT // SOCIAL MEDIA  
EVENT PLANNING // GRAPHIC DESIGN // COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Pocahontas County Economic Development Commission is seeking an energetic, motivated, and creative self-starter to serve as our paid summer marketing intern. Applications are due April 1st. Pocahontas County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Learn more at [www.pocahontas-county.com/marketing-intern](http://www.pocahontas-county.com/marketing-intern).



POCAHONTAS COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

## *Memoirs Class Offered at the Albert City Library*

Join the Albert City Public Library for a Memoirs Class, Saturdays -April 27th, May 4th, 11th, 18th from 10am-Noon. This free event is for the 55+ crowd through a grant from the Iowa Arts Council, the State Library of Iowa, The Institute of Museum and Library Services, and Arts on Grand -Spencer-for Arts Learning in Libraries. 18 libraries are partaking in the grant this spring.

Arla Kintigh is a retired English teacher, who taught in northwest Iowa communities over thirty years. Arla currently serves as writing coach for an Arts on Grand Memoir Workshop group. From listening to fair stories, in the spring of 2016, Arla envisions *Fair-goers Don't Live on Fried Food Alone: 100 Years of Clay County Fair Traditions*. Arla has also authored two children's books: *My Pet is a Dachshund* and *Clayton Goes to the Fair*.

Instructor Arla Kintigh will encourage you to write your stories by providing topics, writing tips and assistance to fluently express your thoughts. Whether you consider yourself a writer or not, everyone has a story or two to share and preserve. Join us for this 4 week series! The class is limited to 17 participants. Please call the library 712-843-2012 or come in to the library to register for the event.



## *Ronald "Ron" Kelvin Johnson Passes*

Ron Johnson, age 60 of Perry, IA passed away on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at his home in Perry. A Celebration of Life will be held later in Marathon, IA. Memorials will be given to family and may be left at the Carris Family Funeral Home & Cremation Care. Online condolences may be sent at [www.carrisfuneralhome.com](http://www.carrisfuneralhome.com).

Ronald "Ron" Kelvin Johnson was born on March 11, 1959 at Storm Lake, IA to Glenn Elmer and Irene Frances (Belding) Johnson. He graduated from Laurens-Marathon High School with the class of 1977 and then attended Iowa State University. He was united in marriage to Laurel Jones and they later divorced.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Marathon, IA. He was a huge fan of the Iowa State Cyclones, rarely being seen without an Iowa State ball cap. Attending the 2013 NCAA basketball tournament was a highlight. He was very happy that the men's basketball team won the Big 12 Tournament Championship this year.

In death, he rejoins his parents Glenn and Irene, a sister, Karen Duggan and three brothers, Russell, Richard and Robert (who died in infancy).

Left to cherish Ron's memory are his sisters, Darlene Foss and husband, Gary, of Grand Junction, CO; Marlene Johnson of Perry, IA; Carol Johnson of Perry, IA and Marilyn Johnson of Marathon, IA; two nephews, Kevin Duggan and wife, Darcy of Austin, TX and Brady Duggan of Austin, TX; niece, Jennifer McFadden Allen and husband, Gregory T. Allen of Walla Walla, WA; cousins and many friends.

Forever loyal, forever true.

**Summer Help  
Wanted:**

The City of Laurens is now taking applications for *lifeguards*, \$7.25/hr first year; *pool manager*, salary to be determined; and *summer parks department positions*, \$9.50/hr first year. Applications will be accepted at City Hall through April 1. The City of Laurens is an equal opportunity employer.

**Thank You!**

Thank you to all the chamber businesses who donated to the "Get Lucky" basket that we won.

*Tom & Mary Madsen*

**Bridal Shower**

You are cordially invited to a Come and Go Bridal Shower for Paige Potter, Bride-to-Be of Nick Brincks.

Shower to be held on Saturday, April 6 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Fellowship Hall of the Laurens United Methodist Church. There will be a short program at 10:30 a.m.

Please bring your favorite recipe for Paige on a 4 X 6 recipe card.

They are registered at Lizziedoodle Gifts & Home Décor and Heart 'N Home in Laurens, Target and Menards.

**Bridal Shower**

There will be a come and go bridal shower for Katie Fuchs, bride elect of Jordan Ives Saturday, March 30 from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Rolfe Community Center.

**The City of Laurens is taking sealed bids for nuisance contract work. Contract Bid Forms may be picked up at City Hall and must be received by noon on April 1. Any questions, please contact City Manager Hilary Reed, at: 712-841-4526.**



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***Fine Arts Banquet & PAC Art Show  
Monday, April 15th 2019 6:30pm  
PAC High School Gymnasium***

\*Advanced tickets only: \$14 each- purchased by April 8 - (Fine Arts Students eat for free)  
Tickets available for purchase at PAC HS office.  
Make checks payable to: PAC Fine Arts Boosters



**Lenten Lunch 2019 Schedule:**

**March 27th ~ United Methodist Church**

**April 3rd ~ First Christian Church**

**April 10th ~ TO BE ANNOUNCED**

Each Wednesday @ 11:30 A.M.  
Offering will be taken.

**JAMMIN' 4 VETS  
@ THE RALLY POINT**

*The Last Wednesday  
of Every Month!*

Wednesday  
March 27th  
6:00 PM

Hot Dog Buffet  
Free Will Donation

Easter Basket Raffle Tickets  
Hats, Shirts & Koozies available

Great Food

Great Music

Great Cause



Sponsored by The Rally Point for Rally 4 Veterans  
All proceeds go to the Honor Flight!

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## *This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church*

**Pastor Ed Frank**

**Wed., March 27th:**

Book Club @ 9 a.m.  
Kids Club from 3:30-5 p.m. at First  
Christian Church

**Fri., March 29th:**

Mens Bible Study @ 7 a.m.

**Sun., March 31st:**

Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School (kids) at 9:10 a.m.  
Fellowship Coffee at 9:30 a.m.  
Worship at 10:30 a.m.  
Youth Group (Jr. & Sr. high) from 6-8 p.m.  
at First Christian Church

**Mon., April 1st:**

Quilt Club @ 7 p.m



## *This Week at Bethany Lutheran*

**Wednesday: March 27, 2019**

11:30 AM ~ Lenten Luncheon at UMC  
5:30-6:15 PM ~ Lenten Soup Supper  
6:30 PM ~ Lenten Evening Service

**Thursday: March 28, 2019**

3:30-5:00 PM ~ Kids Club at FCC

**Sunday: March 31, 2019**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
9:30 AM ~ Youth SS & Coffee Fellowship  
10:30 AM ~ Worship  
6:00 PM ~ Youth Group (JH & HS) at FCC

**Monday: April 1, 2019**

4:00 PM ~ W/M Mtg.  
7:00 PM ~ Hand Bell Rehearsal

**Tuesday: April 2, 2019**

7:30 AM ~ Prayer Group

*Worship, Love, Accept- Together  
in Christ's Name*



**Bethany**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*North American Lutheran Church*

## *This Week at First Christian*

**Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell**

712-845-6164

**Wednesday, March 27**

11:30 a.m. - Lenten Lunch at United Methodist Church  
5:30 p.m. - Lenten Soup Supper at Bethany Lutheran  
6:30 p.m. - Lenten Evening Service at Bethany Lutheran

**Thursday, March 28**

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Kids Club at First Christian

**Friday, March 29**

7:00 p.m. - AA

**Sunday, March 31**

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. - Worship  
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - JR. High and High School Youth Group at First Christian

## *Resurrection of Our Lord Catholic Church*

**Pocahontas, IA -- Pastor: Very Rev. Craig  
Collison, VF**

**MASS TIMES:**

Daily Mass as scheduled in the weekly  
bulletin  
Saturday at 5:00 PM  
Sunday at 10:30 AM

**Confessions:** Saturday 4:15 pm at  
Resurrection

**Office:** 16 SW 2nd Street, Pocahontas

**Office Phone:** 712-335-3242

**Residence Phone:** 712-335-8065

**E-mail:** colly@ncn.net

**Pastoral Care:** Sister Renae Hohensee,  
563-552-8666



## *13th Annual Garden Extravaganza*

Mark your calendars for the Pocahontas County Master Gardeners 13th Annual Garden Extravaganza on Friday, April 12 from 5-7 p.m. & Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Expo Center located at the Pocahontas Fairgrounds.

Events: Wine tasting with local wineries, food, door prizes, vendors, make & take workshop, and educational displays.

Join us Friday night for a pulled pork meal (\$6) served by the Pomeroy Covenant Youth Group.

On Saturday, the Pocahontas Garden Club will serve coffee and rolls at 9 a.m. for a nominal fee and a maid-rite lunch from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. for a small fee. Saturday presentations will be held in the Fair Office at 9:15 a.m. with Duren Watts, Grass Master, Algona and 10:30 a.m. with Neil Peterson, Southern Animal Husbandry, Laos.

## *“LAST CHANCE” Private Pesticide Safety Education Recertification Course Available*

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Pocahontas County will be offering the “LAST Chance” Private Pesticide Safety Education Program continuing instructional course on Friday, April 12 at 9:00 – 11:00 am and 1:00 -3:00 pm. Please call to register (712) 335-3103.

## *4-H Dog Project Meeting*

All 4-H’ers that would like to participate in the 2019 Pocahontas County Fair dog show are encouraged to attend this informational meeting for the scheduled dog practices. Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office. Please bring your dog’s current vaccination papers. Parents encouraged and welcome to attend this meeting, please leave your dogs at home. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but are interested in the dog classes, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County at 712-335-3103 or lzeman@iastate.edu

## *Winter Webinar Series Offered for Master Gardeners in 2019*

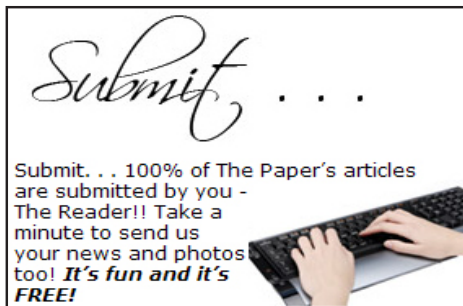
The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Master Gardener program will host a winter webinar series in 2019. Master Gardeners will gain educational hours for the webinars that are scheduled at the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office for March 25th and April 29th.

Winter webinar topics include:  
• April 29, 2019 from 4:30 – 5:30pm – Limited Space Gardening, Explore a dozen ways to create container gardens with Ed Lyon.

To register, contact Pocahontas County Extension and Outreach Office, at 712-335-3103. The webinars are free of charge and open to anyone who may be interested.

## *4-H/FFA Meat Goat Weigh In*

All meat goats that will be exhibited in the market class at the 2019 Pocahontas County Fair are required to be weighed and tagged on Saturday, April 6, 2019, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at the Pocahontas County Fair Grounds in Pocahontas. If you have any questions, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office at 712-335-3103 or lzeman@iastate.edu.



## *Understand Unit Price with Spend Smart. Eat Smart. Video and App*

Which bag of carrots is the better buy: baby carrots or full size, a one-pound bag or two? To answer this question, you need to know the unit price, says Jody Gatewood, assistant state nutrition program specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

“Unit pricing is the cost per ounce or other unit of measure: the total cost of the item divided by the item’s total size. When you know the unit price, you can compare similar products to find the best value and save money,” Gatewood said.

“However, doing math in the grocery aisle may not appeal to everyone, and that’s why we have an app for that,” said Gatewood, who is a contributor to ISU Extension and Outreach’s “Spend Smart. Eat Smart.” blog and website.

The “Spend Smart. Eat Smart.” app includes a unit pricing calculator. The free app can be

downloaded from Apple’s App Store or Google Play.

“First, you can watch our new unit pricing video at [https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/video/save-money-with-unit-pricing/#video\\_player](https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/video/save-money-with-unit-pricing/#video_player), which also explains how the app works. Then click on our links to download the app,” Gatewood said.

“Unit pricing is important, but remember that it compares only the price, not the quality. When determining the best food buy for your family, you also need to think about what items your family likes and what you can eat before it spoils,” Gatewood added.

“Sometimes it makes more sense to buy the smaller container even when it costs more per ounce, because you don’t need the larger amount,” she said.

Learn more about smart food shopping, meal planning and preparing healthy recipes at the “Spend Smart. Eat Smart.” website (<https://spendsmart.extension.iastate.edu/>).

## *4-H/FFA Derby Swine Weigh In*

All derby swine that will be exhibited at the 2019 Pocahontas County Fair will need to be weighed in on Saturday, April 6 from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Pocahontas County Fair Grounds in Pocahontas. Maximum weight at weigh in is 75 pounds. If you have any questions, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office at 712-335-3103 or [lzeman@iastate.edu](mailto:lzeman@iastate.edu).

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## *Plan Ahead as Rainy Days Lead to Flooding*

Portions of Iowa were under flood watches and warnings this week, with more rain expected. Fast-moving ice jams clogged the Des Moines River in Ottumwa this week and collapsed a trail bridge in Johnston, sparking fears that more low-lying and water-adjacent areas could face problems in the coming days, especially the Raccoon River near Des Moines.

**Does Your Business Have a Plan?** Iowa State University's Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) believes that any company who does not have a flood plan already in place should immediately begin making preparations for trouble.

To help, CIRAS has maintained a Flood Preparation Checklist since 2008 that includes last-minute steps that companies can take to prepare for a crisis. It includes a list of items that company leaders should plan to take with them in case of evacuation, and steps they can take, if time allows, to minimize the damage done to what's left behind.

Additionally, the CIRAS website contains other

information, including how to retrieve important data from flooded computers, advice for dealing with damaged documents and guides to other valuable resources.

Flooded businesses are urged to contact CIRAS if they need assistance, and staffers will work to direct them to the appropriate resources. For more information, contact CIRAS program manager Mike O'Donnell at [modonnll@iastate.edu](mailto:modonnll@iastate.edu) or 515-509-4379.

**Extension provides resources for times of disaster.** During times of natural disaster, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach offers educational resources to reduce the personal impact of natural disasters, working in partnership with the local, state and federal agencies addressing the disaster. Research-based educational resources for specific types of disaster (flooding, severe weather, fire and drought) are available on the Disaster Recovery webpages at all times. Bookmark the pages for use during times of need.

**Have a plan made before flooding starts.** The best time to plan for a disaster is before an event occurs, and a helpful resource for planning is the All-Hazards Booklet from the Center for Food Security and Public Health at Iowa State University. This 100 page booklet was

developed as a resource for citizens of rural agricultural communities. The booklets' four sections contain an overview of a particular hazard and several informational handouts in a check list format to help guide individuals in preparing for a particular hazard before it occurs, during the event, and recovering from the situation.

Other publications that offer guidance during times when flooding is a threat are:

- Make a Family Emergency Plan - Ready Iowa – provided by Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management
- Know DNR's Role in Disaster Response and Recover

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## *Cover Crop Acres Increase but Rate of Growth Declines in 2018*

According to Iowa Learning Farms 15-year evaluation data, Iowa cover crop acres grew last year by approximately 16 percent, resulting in approximately 880,000 total acres. While the positive growth at a time when farmers are reporting shrinking profit margins is notable, this represents a 6 percent decline in new cover crop acres compared to last year's estimate and a 19 percent cumulative decline since 2015, a year in which 35 percent of all the cover crop acres were new. This number is still well below the goal of 12.5 million acres of cover crops called for in Iowa's Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

Since 2009, Iowa Learning Farms, based at Iowa State University, has been tracking cover crop data reported by farmers and landowners who attend an ILF workshop and field day. In recognition of its 15-year anniversary, ILF also conducted a mailed survey of all farmers and landowners who had participated in field days since 2005. Eight hundred ninety-nine people responded to the survey, reporting 131,389 acres of cover crops on their land or 15

percent of the overall estimated cover crop acres in Iowa.

Many of the new acres were planted by experienced cover crop farmers. The majority (85 percent) of respondents to the 15-year evaluation questionnaire started seeding cover crops at least three years ago. Only 6 percent of respondents reported implementing cover crops for the first time on their land last fall. Those respondents with cover crops reported an average of 44 percent of their total row crop acres in cover crops, representing a consistent value over the last three years.

"It is encouraging to see growth in cover crop use among experienced cover crop farmers, even with low crop prices and a fall with less than ideal weather," said Jamie Benning, ISU Extension and Outreach water quality program manager and Iowa Learning Farms adviser. "I am concerned that the rate of growth has declined for the third year in a row and that the number of first-time cover crop users declined significantly this year. For this reason, ILF is already ramping up this spring with cover crop events to reach new farmers."

All of the respondents who planted cover crops for the first time in 2018 used cost share and planted an average of 100 acres, higher than last year's average of 89 acres. Overall, 66 percent of the total reported cover crop acres were planted with cost share, while 78

percent of the new acres were planted with cost share.

Iowa Learning Farms has held 265 conservation field days and workshops since 2005 on cover crops, strip-tillage, saturated buffers, prairie strips and more. These events drew an attendance of 13,621 people — 72 percent are farmers and landowners. Cover crop field days in 2019 will stress the benefits and best practice management for implementing cover crops.

ILF continues to work with ISU Extension and Outreach and other Iowa partner organizations to raise awareness of beneficial conservation practices such as cover crops among landowners and farmers. The complete 15-year Iowa Learning Farms report will be released in early April 2019, and will be found at [www.iowalearningfarms.org](http://www.iowalearningfarms.org).

## *4-H/FFA Market Lamb Weigh In*

All market lambs that will be exhibited at the 2019 Pocahontas County Fair will be weighed in on Saturday, April 6, 2019, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at the Pocahontas County Fair Grounds in Pocahontas. If you have any questions, please contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office at 712-335-3103 or [lzeman@iastate.edu](mailto:lzeman@iastate.edu)

# City Council Minutes

March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Laurens City Council met in regular session in the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 18th, 2019. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Council members Jean Swanson, Rich Newgard, John Jamison, Julie Potter, City Manager Hilary Reed, City Clerk Joan Hoben, City Attorney Ann Beneke, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, and Police Chief Tom Shaw. Council member Aaron Christenson was absent.

Potter moved to approve the consent agenda with the minutes from the March 4<sup>th</sup> & 11th, 2019, meetings, and the list of claims. Jamison seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

CLAIMS 3-18-19		
AFLAC	GROUP INSURANCE	493.14
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL	OXYGEN CYLINDERS	58.36
AMAZON	BOOKS & DVDS	160.59
AUTO BODY CLINIC	SEWER TRUCK	225.56
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	EYE CARE INSURANCE	185.09
BAKER & TAYLOR	BOOKS	766.04
BRET BRANDT	POLICE ACADEMY MEALS	280.00
CONNECTIONS	GROUP INSURANCE	38.76
COUNSEL	COPIER LEASE	184.00
COUNSEL	MAINT	32.67
DEE JACKSON/JACKSON MOTORS	SNOW REMOVAL	95.00
DELTA DENTAL	MONTHLY DENTAL INSURANCE	847.30
DEMCO	HEADPHONES & BOOKS	346.15
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	5,264.86
LAURENS FOOD PRIDE	SUPPLIES	7.81
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE	130.32
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	1,212.98
LAURENS PLUMBING	SUPPLIES	176.69
LAURENS STATE BANK	POSTAGE	124.95
LAURENS SUN	LEGALS	224.20
THE MACHINE SHOP	DUMP TRUCK REPAIR	479.59
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT	STREET EQUIPMENT SUPPLIES	100.27
PCC AMBULANCE BILLING	AMBULANCE BILLING	405.85
PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	265.69
POCAHONTAS CO. TREASURER	PROPERTY TAXES	977.50
POCAHONTAS SOLID WASTE	LANDFILL FEE	5,668.08
PRIME BENEFITS	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	96.25
PRINCIPAL LIFE	MONTHLY LIFE INS.	704.69
PRO COOPERATIVE	MONTHLY FUEL	3,327.69
R & D INDUSTRIES	SECURITY SUPPORT	314.50
RB LUMBER	SUPPLIES	15.60
SANTANDER LEASING	STREET SWEEPER PAYMENT	3,390.81
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS	SHREDDING PAPER	24.00
SHAMROCK RECYCLING	CURBSIDE RECYCLING	1,683.02
SIEPKER AUTO REPAIR	GARBAGE TRUCK FILTERS	357.09
VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY CELL PHONE	359.00
WEX	POLICE MONTHLY FUEL	426.26
	TOTAL	<u>29,450.36</u>
PAYROLL		
001	GENERAL	4,747.52
210	ROAD USE TAX	2,309.31
600	WATER	2,831.74
610	SEWER	2,531.80
670	GARBAGE	2,296.39
	TOTAL	<u>14,716.76</u>
	PAID TOTAL	44,167.12

BY FUND

001	GENERAL	12,689.47
110	ROAD USE TAX	6,005.89
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	663.54
171	SISTER CITY	13.75
174	POOL RESTRICTED	41.25
200	DEBT SERVICE	3,390.81
600	WATER	4,767.34
610	SEWER	4,869.82
670	GARBAGE	11,725.25
TOTAL BY FUND		<u>44,167.12</u>

Mayor Johnson proclaimed April 2019 as Keep Laurens Beautiful Month.

Swanson moved to approve Resolution 11-19 Appointment of Richard Main to Utility Board. Newgard seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Potter, Jamison, Newgard, Swanson. Nays: None. Absent: Christenson. Motion carried.

Potter moved to adjourn at 5:07 p.m. Swanson seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Rod Johnson, Mayor

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Hilary Reed, City Clerk