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Local News

Rotary Club Provides Dictionaries to Students

Pocahontas Area Rotary Club proudly presented dictionaries to third grade children in Pocahontas County: Pocahontas Catholic School, Pocahontas Area Community School District and Laurens-Marathon Community Schools District. Dictionaries were delivered to each student and their teachers.

Third grade has been designated because the students are developing dictionary skills and are beginning to use other resource materials. In addition, students in third grade make the transition from learning to read to reading to learn. All formal education from this point through college is dependent upon the ability of each child to read and to understand what he or she reads. The Pocahontas Area Rotary Club wants our children to succeed in education by providing this resource to them. The students will benefit from the additional resources in the dictionary: International Atlas, Periodic Tables, Sign Language chart, Roman Numeral Tables, and other information.

LAURENS-MARATHON STUDENTS

Row one: Afton Jeske, Teacher; Emma Kaiser; Cambri Meyer; Lucus Levis; Kendall Weig; Aubrey Kaiser; Jaden Simonsen; Aiden Erickson; Elise Jordan; Emma Van Slyke; and Steele Schultz

Row two: Savannah Dillard; Liam Rolon; Estefanie Urquilla; Evan Brent; Helen Beneke, Rotarian; and Ella Wilson



Program for Women Who Manage Land Offered February 3 in Storm Lake

Grant-Funded Free-to-Attend Program is designed to Support Women Landowners

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will host “Women Managing Farmland” on Thursday, February 3 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Prairie Lakes AEA, 824 Flindt Drive, Storm Lake.

The program is designed to better serve and meet the needs of women farmland owners and managers.

“According to the Economic Research Service and the USDA, women played an integral part in farming, as either principal operator or as a decision maker. In 2019, greater than 51 percent of all U.S. farming operations had at least one female operator, either as the primary (14%) operator or secondary operator/decision maker (37%). A 2017 ISUEO Iowa Farmland Ownership and Tenure Survey showed 47 percent of all acres and 55 percent of all leased acres in Iowa were owned by women,” said Gary Wright, a farm management specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach, who will lead the program.

Wright said that the program will cover topics such as farmland leasing, Federal Farm Programs, and Succession Planning. There will also be time for questions and networking.

“In addition to providing education, we also hope to discover additional educational needs from this audience,” Wright said. “Similar to a focus group, we’ll be asking questions and hope for feedback to help guide our future educational offerings in this area.”

Thanks to grant funding, this program is completely free to attend, but preregistration is requested by February 1 to ensure proper space, materials, and refreshments. Preregister at 712-732-5056.

Dry Manure Applicator Certification Workshops Offered in 2022

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“The information in this workshop will benefit not only those needing certification, but anyone using dry or solid sources of manure as a nutrient resource,” said Dan Andersen, associate professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering and extension agriculture engineering specialist at Iowa State, and coordinator of the manure applicator certification program.

The workshops are free to attend and open to all. Applicators will be required to submit certification forms and fees to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to meet manure applicator certification requirements.

Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins are allowed. Please register for one of the workshops by calling the number listed with the selected site. All workshops begin at 1 p.m.

- Feb. 15, Washington County, ISU Extension and Outreach office, Washington. Call 319-653-4811 to register.
- Feb. 16, Wright County, Dows Community Center, Dows. Call 515-532-3453 to register.
- Feb. 18, Hamilton County, Kamrar Lions Community Building, Kamrar. Call 515-832-9597 to register.
- Feb. 21, Buena Vista County, ISU Extension and Outreach office, AEA Office, Storm Lake. Call 712-732-5056 to register.
- Feb. 22, Sioux County, ISU Extension and Outreach office, Orange City. Call 712-737-4230 to register.
- Feb. 23, Adair County, Wallace Cultural Center, Greenfield. Call 641-743-8412 to register.

Hy-Vee Now Offering Free Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Booster Vaccines to 16- and 17-Year-Olds at Hy-Vee Pharmacy Locations

Hy-Vee, Inc. announces today that free Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster doses are now available to 16- and 17-year-olds at Hy-Vee Pharmacy locations across its eight-state region.

The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend a booster dose for Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine recipients ages 16 and older at least 6 months after their second vaccine dose. Patients ages 16 and 17 receiving a booster dose may NOT mix-and-match vaccines. At this time, Pfizer-BioNTech is the only vaccine authorized for minors.

COVID-19 vaccinations are available at Hy-Vee Pharmacy locations by appointment only. Patients can schedule their COVID-19 vaccination by visiting www.hy-vee.com/covidvaccine.

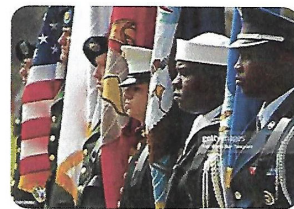
A parent or legal guardian must consent to the vaccination and accompany all minors to their vaccination. The booster vaccines are free to all eligible patients, regardless of their insurance coverage.

The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine approved for individuals 12 years of age and older requires two doses (known as the primary series). The second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine should be administered at least 21 days after the first dose. However, a booster dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is ONLY available for individuals ages 16 and older, and should be administered at least 6 months after the second dose.

Individuals ages 16 and older receiving a COVID-19 first, second, booster or third vaccine dose can receive their flu shot during the same appointment by requesting it with the pharmacy team.

It is recommended (but not required) that vaccine recipients bring the following to their appointment: insurance card (if they have insurance) and Medicare Part B red, white and blue card (if Medicare recipient); photo ID; and their COVID-19 vaccination record card. Masks are required. If individuals do not have insurance, they can still be vaccinated.

For more information about COVID-19 vaccines, visit www.hy-vee.com/covidvaccine.



HAVELOCK AmVets Post 39

STAG NIGHT

THURSDAY

December 23, 2021

@ 7:00 p.m.

Happy Hour 6:00 p.m.



**LADIES ARE
WELCOME!**

Hy-Vee Mobilizes Its Disaster Recovery Fleet to Send Aid to Tornado Victims in Kentucky and Tennessee

Caravan of 19 vehicles left Iowa on Monday morning with water and food to donate to those in need

Recently, Hy-Vee deployed a team of 37 employees in a caravan of 19 vehicles carrying 327,000 bottles of water and more than 220,000 snack bars and breakfast items to help victims of the devastating tornadoes that ripped through Kentucky and Tennessee this weekend.

The disaster recovery team left Hy-Vee's headquarters in West Des Moines, Iowa, mid-morning on Monday, stopping at Hy-Vee's Distribution Center located in Chariton, Iowa, before driving the nearly 500 miles to Mayfield, Kentucky. In Mayfield, the team will partner with local emergency operations centers and nonprofits to distribute the snacks and water, as well as assist in recovery efforts.

The caravan consists of 10 Hy-Vee semitrailers, Hy-Vee's disaster

command center, six disaster recovery pickup trucks and two SUVs.

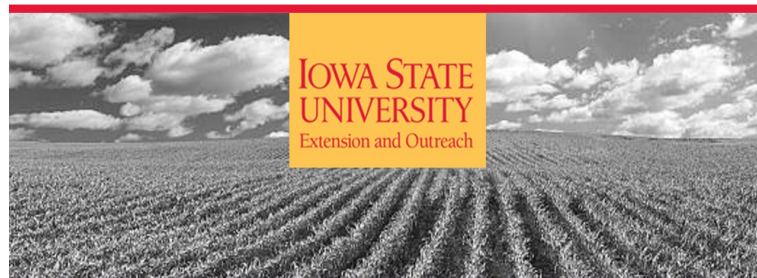
"As soon as we learned of the incredible tornado devastation in parts of Kentucky and Tennessee, we knew we had to send relief," says Randy Edeker, Hy-Vee's chairman and CEO. "In times of great need, like these, it's important that we help in the way we know best – by providing essentials like food and water as well as a helping hand."

The team will visit other impacted areas in Kentucky and Tennessee and expects to be on the ground providing aid for several days.

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Women Managing Farmland:

Women own nearly half the farmland in Iowa.

Their decisions play a vital role in Iowa agriculture. This program is designed to better serve and meet the needs of these farmland owners.

Thursday, February 3, 2022

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Prairie Lakes AEA, Storm Lake, Iowa

Join us to discuss and learn more about:

- **Farmland Leasing**
- **Federal Farm Programs**
- **Succession Planning**

We will also have time for questions and networking.

Free to attend, but preregistration needed!

This program is **FREE** to attend, but preregistration is required by February 1 to ensure adequate space, materials and refreshments.

Preregister at 712-732-5056.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. For the full non-discrimination statement or accommodation inquiries, go to www.extension.iastate.edu/diversity/ext.



Laurens Festival of Trees

Laurens Festival of Trees is again open each weekend in December at the Laurens United Methodist Church. Hours are Saturday and Sunday noon to 7 pm.

Come browse the trees decorated by creative businesses, individuals, and organizations in our community. Allow a little extra time to sit for a few minutes and let the Spirit of the Season wash over you!

At the Library with Glenda Mulder December 15, 2021

This time of year we don't get in so many new books. The publishing houses push their major authors to get their works out by the first of December, for book buying season. We did get a couple this week, Diana Gabaldon's *Go Tell the Bees That I'm Gone*, which is the ninth book in the Outlander series and a Christmas backorder book *The Twelve Days of Snowball* by Kristen McKanagh are out on the new books shelf.

December's Book Club choice is a cozy mystery by Joanne Fluke, *Christmas Cupcake Murder*. This is part of the popular Hannah Swenson series, which take place mostly in Lake Eden, Minnesota at a bakery. But don't worry, each book is complete in itself, the series just has continuing characters. I'm about to start it, but it could be dangerous – my patrons are telling me it's filled with recipes that sound delicious! So I had to peek through it, and they are right! Those Chocolate Surprise Cupcakes sound amazing! Grab a copy and join our discussion Monday, December 27th at 7 p.m. Or just try a few of the recipes in it!

Dates to Remember

December 24, 25, 31 & January 1 Closed for the Holidays

December 27 @ 7 p.m. - Book Club *Christmas Cupcake Murder* by Joanne Fluke

December 28 @ 6:30 p.m. - Cardmaking Class with Brenda & Milissa

January 4 @ 6:00 p.m. - Take it Tuesday Dot Painting

January 11 @ 5:30 p.m. - Cards with Deb & Laura

Craftiness at the Library

The Laurens Library on the first Tuesday of December was a very crafty place. Traditionally, this is the evening that librarians Deb and Laura host their “Take it Tuesday” themed craft night. Plans were laid to create cards and gift tags in December. Then Deb got the inspiration that as long as they were getting supplies ready for the adults in the evening, they would invite kids to stop by after school to try their hands at the Christmas creations. The kids seemed to enjoy this, and we certainly didn’t run out of craft supplies, so look for this again in the future!



Pictured are Harper & Celia Ruthart showing off their creative pictures.



Sue MacRunnel and Beverly Lewis checking on Raiden Hamby's progress and gathering more supplies

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HOURS
Noon to 7pm
each
Saturday
and
Sunday
in December

Laurens
Festival
of Trees

at the Laurens United Methodist Church 201 West Main

2022 Pocahontas County Beef Weigh In

All market beef that will exhibit at the 2022 Pocahontas County fair will need to weigh in at Dale Wenell's Saturday, December 18, 2021 from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Please enter his farm from the east as there is a bridge out on the west road.

Contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County with the number of calves you will weigh at 712-335-3103 or lzeman@iastate.edu or you may enter the number in your 4honline account under events. Tags and implants must be paid for that day.



**Retirement
Party**

IN HONOR OF

AL SANDVIG

FRIDAY, THE 17th of DECEMBER 2021
from 5:00 p.m. TO 8:00 p.m.
at the SILVER DOLLAR SALOON
135 N. 3rd Street, Laurens IA 50554

2022 Pocahontas County 4-H Scholarship

Applications are available for the 2022 Pocahontas County 4-H Scholarships. Due to the generous support of the Pocahontas County 4-H Endowment, up to 10 \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to senior 4-H members.

The applications are available at the ISU Extension and Outreach Office Pocahontas County, on our website at: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/pocahontas>, by emailing lzeman@iastate.edu or you may phone 712-335-3103 and we will mail you a copy. Applications are due no later than February 1, 2022 at 4:30 to the ISU Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office, no late applications will be accepted.

This Week at Laurens United Methodist Church

Pastor Deb Parkison

Wed., Dec. 15:

Administrative Council mtg @ 7 p.m.

Thurs., Dec. 16:

Dorcas Circle @ 11:30 a.m. at the
Rusty Spoke Cafe

Fri., Dec. 17:

AA meeting 7 p.m.-8 p.m. in the
Wesley Room

Sat., Dec. 18:

Festival of Trees open NOON- 7 p.m.

Sun., Dec. 19:

Sunday School @ 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship @ 10:30 a.m.
Festival of Trees open NOON-7 p.m.



This Week at Bethany Lutheran

Pastor David E. Klappenbach

Sunday: December 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:15 AM ~ Adult SS

9:30 AM ~ Youth SS & Coffee

Fellowship

10:30 AM ~ Worship w/Communion

& SS Christmas Program

11:30 AM ~ Potluck

Tuesday: December 21, 2021

8:30 AM ~ Prayer Group

9:30 AM ~ Tuesday coffee at Bethany

Friday: December 24, 2021

5:30 PM ~ Christmas Eve Candlelight
Service w/Communion

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



This Week at First Christian

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

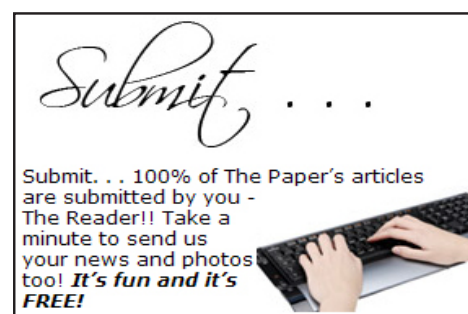
Thursday, Dec. 16

1:00 – 4:00 p.m. - Clothes Closet

Sunday, Dec. 19

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship



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 and Sunday at 10:30 AM

Confessions: Saturday 4:15 pm at Resurrection

Private Pesticide Continuing Instruction Course

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pocahontas County office will be offering two opportunities to attend the Private Pesticide Applicator Continuing Instruction Course (P-CIC), led by Extension Field Agronomist, Gentry Sorenson. The first session is scheduled for February 3, 2022 at 9:30 a.m., Rialto Theatre, Pocahontas. The course will be offered again on February 3, 2022 at 1:30 p.m., Rialto Theatre, Pocahontas. Due to social distancing requirements, preregistration is required. Walk-ins on the day of the program will only be admitted if room allows. Please preregister by calling the Pocahontas County Extension and Outreach office, 712-335-3103 or stopping by the office.

The course will run for approximately 2 ½ hours including check-in and breaks. The registration fee is \$20. Payment in advance is encouraged.

The course will fulfill 2021-2022 recertification requirements for private pesticide applicators. Topics to be covered include:

- Review of pesticide labels, especially recent changes in pesticides
- Review of pesticide labels as restricted entry intervals and preharvest intervals impacted pesticide use decisions this year
- Review of pesticide use and the environment
- Updates on pests and pest management in your area, including insects, weeds and diseases.

Benchmarks for Iowa Feedlot Cattle Detailed in New Publication

Benchmarking is best used to track cattle and financial performance within a feedlot, but can also be used to monitor trends within the industry. Although industry-wide benchmarking programs exist, the values reported may not be reflective of Iowa climate and input costs.

Realizing this, Iowa Beef Center specialists collaborated on summarizing closeout data from more than 171,000 head of yearling steers and heifers enrolled in the Iowa Feedlot Monitoring program for the years of 2017 through 2020. These results are reported in a new publication, “Benchmarking the Performance of Iowa Feedlot Cattle.”

Iowa State University extension beef specialist Beth Doran led the project.

“Averages are reported for each year and overall for the four-year time period for both steers and heifers,” she said. “Also, performance and financial data were summarized for almost 99,000 head of cattle finished in four types of facilities – windbreaks, outdoor lots with shelter, open lot and confinement.”

The report demonstrates that cattle characteristics, facility type and extraneous factors, such as weather, commodity prices and marketing disruptions, greatly affect benchmarking values, Doran said.

“Those variabilities are why we encourage Iowa cattle producers to use benchmarking as a tool to monitor progress within their own operation over time,” Doran said. “It’s also important for them to be cautious in comparing their feedlot with other feedlots at a specified point in time.”

To learn more about the ISU Feedlot Monitoring Program, see information on the Iowa Beef Center website.

For more information, contact Doran at doranb@iastate.edu or 712-737-4230, or your ISU Extension and Outreach beef specialist.

The Iowa Beef Center at Iowa State University was established in 1996 with the goal of supporting the growth and vitality of the state’s beef cattle industry. It comprises faculty and staff from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and College of Veterinary Medicine, and works to develop and deliver the latest research-based information regarding the beef cattle industry.

Confinement Site Manure Applicator Workshops Scheduled for 2022

Confinement site manure applicators and anyone interested in learning about manure issues should plan to attend a two-hour workshop offered by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in January or February 2022. These workshops are offered in cooperation with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. Registration is required. No walk-ins allowed. There is no fee to attend the workshops, but applicators will need to pay certification fees and send the forms in to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to complete certification requirements.

“Iowa law requires confinement site manure applicators to attend two hours of continuing education each year of their three-year certification period or take and pass an exam once every three years,” said Dan Andersen, associate professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering and extension

agriculture engineering specialist at Iowa State, and coordinator of the manure applicator certification program.

A total of 64 counties will participate in the confinement site manure applicator workshops. In addition, a series of six dry/solid manure applicator certification meetings will be held in February. These meetings are tailored toward dry/solid manure for either Commercial or Confinement Site manure applicators. ISU Extension and Outreach county offices have a complete list of workshop dates and locations, or view a list at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/immag/confinement-site-applicators>.

The workshops serve as initial certification for those applicators who are not currently certified, recertification for those renewing licenses and continuing education for those applicators in their second or third year of their license.

Due to uniform certification deadlines, applicators are encouraged to attend workshops prior to March 1 to avoid being assessed a late fee of \$12.50 for those who are re-certifying. Those unable to attend one of the workshops need to schedule time with their ISU Extension and Outreach county office to watch the training video. Due to scheduling conflicts, extension

offices will no longer accept walk-in appointments to watch these videos but do offer scheduled dates and times to provide this training.

If you can't attend training during one of the scheduled reshew dates at your county extension office, you will be charged a \$10 fee to view the training at your convenience. If attending the workshops or watching the two-hour training video is not convenient, confinement site manure applicators may contact their local Department of Natural Resources field office to schedule an appointment to take the certification exam to meet certification requirements.

Applicators also have another option, online certification; an applicator can take their training online at DNR MAC eLearning site at <https://elearning-dnr.iowa.gov/>. The applicator will need to sign-in and get an A&A account.

Contact your ISU Extension and Outreach county office for more information about the Manure Applicator Certification Program or visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/immag/confinement-site-applicators>.

Commercial Manure Applicator Training Set for Jan. 6

Commercial manure applicators can attend annual training to meet commercial manure applicator certification requirements on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources will conduct Commercial Manure Applicator training from 9 a.m. to noon at 80 locations in Iowa and one in Minnesota. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

There is no fee for the workshop. Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins allowed. Applicators must register by Dec. 30 with the ISU Extension and Outreach county office where they plan to attend. A complete list of workshop locations can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/immag/commercial-manure-applicators>.

Commercial manure applicators needing to recertify and those wanting to certify for the first time should attend. All currently certified commercial manure applicator licenses will expire on March 1, 2022. Those wanting to renew must complete training requirements and submit forms and fees to the Department of Natural Resources prior to March 1, to avoid paying late fees. The law requires all commercial manure applicators to attend three hours of training annually to meet certification requirements. Businesses that primarily truck or haul manure of any type or

from any source are also required to meet certification requirements.

Those unable to attend the program on Jan. 6 need to schedule time with their ISU Extension and Outreach county office to watch the training Blu-rays. Due to scheduling conflicts, many extension offices will no longer accept walk-in appointments to watch these Blu-rays but do offer scheduled dates and times to provide this training.

If you can't attend training during one of the scheduled reshow dates at your county extension office, you will be charged a \$10 fee to view the training at your convenience. If attending the workshops or watching the three-hour Blu-rays is not convenient, commercial applicators may contact their local Department of Natural Resources field office to schedule an appointment to take the certification exam. Another option for commercial manure applicators is to take their training online at DNR MAC eLearning site at <https://elearning-dnr.iowa.gov/>. The applicator will need to sign in and get an A&A account.

In addition to the commercial manure applicator training offered on Jan. 6, ISU Extension and Outreach will also offer six dry/solid manure workshops for commercial manure applicators in February 2022. Information regarding these workshops and locations is also contained in the link to the brochure listed above. Program requirements are the same as the regular commercial training program, but this training program is geared more toward dry/solid manure issues.

For more information about the commercial manure applicator certification program, contact your ISU Extension and Outreach county office or go to <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/immag/>.

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- Feb. 21, Buena Vista County, ISU Extension and Outreach office, AEA Office, Storm Lake. Call 712-732-5056 to register.

City Council Minutes

December 6th, 2021

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 6th, 2021. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Hannah Zylstra, John Jamison, Aaron Christenson, Loren Booth, Jean Swanson, City Administrator Hilary Reed, Deputy Clerk Joan Hoben, Public Works Director Julian Johnsen, City Attorney Anne Beneke, and Police Chief Dan Wegg.

Jamison moved to approve the consent agenda, minutes from the November 15th, 2021, meeting, and the list of claims, and Class C Liquor License for Dollar General. Christenson seconded. All ayes: motion carried.

CLAIMS 12-6-21

A & M SERVICES, INC	MOPS, RAGS, RUGS	98.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	MONTHLY GAS FEE	261.50
AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS	EQUIP MAINTENANCE	1,166.33
FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE	DEC GROUP DENTAL INSURANCE	207.50
BOMGAARS	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	45.57
CONNECTIONS, INC	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	39.84
COUNSEL	COPIER MAINT.	66.72
DELTA DENTAL FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	MONTHLY DENTAL INSURANCE	784.66
HALLET MATERIALS	WASTEWATER TESTING	2,366.15
HILARY REED	SALT/SAND	667.39
HILARY REED	PHONE	63.00
I & S GROUP, INC.	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	15,373.36
IACMA	RETIRMENT 457	750.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	13,968.08
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	INTEREST EAST & VETERANS	10,252.50
IPERS	IPERS	8,099.29
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	3,116.81
K&J CURB GRINDING	CURB GRINDING BENZ ADDITION	344.00
KEVIN SHANNON	WASTEWATER TRAINING	465.48
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	1/2 BILLING ENVELOPE	1,522.96
LMPC	MONTHLY PHONE BILL	372.36
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	6,156.57
LAURENS PLUMBING	SUPPLIES	861.75
MENARDS	GLOVES	99.92
POC CO SECONDARY ROADS	SALT/SAND	313.86
POC FORD LINCOLN MERCURY	POLICE EXPLORER REPAIRS	278.48
PRIME BENEFITS	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	96.25
R&D INDUSTRIES, INC.	TEC SUPPORT	544.50
REDING'S GRAVEL & EXCAVATION	PAY REQUEST #2	301,422.65
RICK WOODLEY	PURCHASE OF TRAILER	500.00
SANTANDER LEASING	MONTHLY PUMPER TRUCK	1,461.34
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS	SHREDDING PAPER	26.00
TREASURER STATE OF IA	NOV. SALES TAX	5,774.00
UMB	INTEREST EAST & VETERANS	7,663.75
US BANK	MEETING	3,374.41
USA BLUE BOOK	SUPPLIES	2,434.65
VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY CELL PHONE	122.91
WELLMARK	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	14,170.51
WEX BANKS	MONTHLY POLICE FUEL	950.84
	TOTAL	<u>406,283.89</u>

City Council Minutes

PAYROLL		11/15/2021	
001	GENERAL		6,333.85
210	ROAD USE TAX		1,947.87
600	WATER		3,001.88
610	SEWER		2,234.38
670	GARBAGE		2,317.76
	TOTAL		<u>15,835.74</u>
		11/29/2021	
001	GENERAL		6,697.64
210	ROAD USE TAX		1,382.61
600	WATER		3,039.22
610	SEWER		2,161.83
670	GARBAGE		2,656.11
	TOTAL		15,937.41
		12/1/2021	
001	GENERAL		16,377.54
	PAYROLL TOTAL		<u>48,150.69</u>
	PAID TOTAL		<u>454,434.58</u>
001	GENERAL		50,062.35
110	ROAD USE TAX		8,329.09
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		9,103.71
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318	BENZ ADDITION		317,140.01
600	WATER		28,783.20
610	SEWER		21,653.87
670	GARBAGE		11,698.60
	TOTAL BY FUND		<u>454,434.58</u>

REVENUES	GENERAL	20,565.80
	ROAD USE TAX	11,094.32
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	8,841.11
	EMERGENCY LEVY	269.21
	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	37,228.42
	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	4,459.40
	POOL RESTRICTED	3,280.00
	DEBT SERVICE	8,300.12
	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND	897.60
	WATER	40,182.10
	SEWER	28,787.80
	GARBAGE	20,847.84
	STORM WATER	2,954.96
		<u>187,708.68</u>

Christenson moved to approve Resolution 35-21 – Appointment of Hannah Zylstra to Laurens City Council. Swanson seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Jamison, Booth, Christenson, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Jake Graff and Assistant Fire Chief Denny Leuer asked the approval for the hiring of Justin Weig as a firefighter. Swanson so moved. Booth seconded. All ayes: motion carried.

Booth moved to approve the FY21 Urban Renewal Report. Swanson seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Jamison moved to approve the onetime payment. Swanson seconded. All ayes: motion carried.

Swanson moved to approve Resolution 36-21 – Catalyst Grant with the addition of the address. Christenson seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Jamison, Booth, Christenson, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Christenson moved to approve the third reading of Ordinance 09-21 Benz Addition Covenants. Zylstra seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Zylstra, Jamison, Christensen, Booth, Swanson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Zylstra moved to adjourn at 5:24 p.m. Jamison seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk