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Local News

Pocahontas County 4-H and Clover Kids Bucket of Flowers Workshop Held

4-H members recently enjoyed a beautiful morning at the Rolfe Flower Bin creating buckets of flowers. The bucket of flowers will be exhibited at the 2024 Pocahontas County Fair.

The 2024 Pocahontas County Fair runs July 18-21. Make sure you save the dates to stop by the fair and support all our 4-H and Clover Kids!



Come & Go Bridal Shower

Join us for a Come & Go Bridal Shower honoring Heidi Tufte and Brett Snyder, son of Teresa & Kelly Snyder on Saturday, June 29th from 10:30 am to noon at the home of Joann Kinnetz, 11581 440th St., Laurens.

Registered at Target and Amazon

Wedding Shower

Please join us in celebrating Bryce Niemeyer & McKenna Crotty before their big day! A wedding shower will be held at the Silver Dollar Saloon in Laurens on June 22 from 12-3 p.m. Feel free to come and go as you wish! Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Please do not feel pressured to purchase a gift, your presence is enough! If you are interested in purchasing a gift in support of McKenna & Bryce, they are registered at Amazon and also at Lizziedoodle Gifts & Home Decor in Laurens, IA. Amazon Registry Link: <https://www.amazon.com/wedding/share/mckennabryce>

We hope to see everyone there!

Fairfield Township Cemetery Tour

To celebrate the 125th birthday of Albert City the committee is giving a cemetery tour at the Fairfield Township Cemetery on June 15th from 1:00 until 4:00 pm. You can drive out to the cemetery located about one mile west of Albert City where there is plenty of parking, or you can hop on the bus at the AC-T School.

Did you know there is a Bank Robber buried in this cemetery? Albert City was famous for foiling the escape of three bank robbers who robbed a bank up north. They rode to the Albert City depot where they were met by a posse of men, the Sheriff and deputies.

The early settlement of Albert City will be described, and you will also learn who the town is named after, and how she arrived in northwest Iowa. There will be a man who was interested in labor saving devices, so he and his brothers manufactured many products.

You will learn of the son of Swedish Immigrants who became one the largest employers in the area during WWII and what they made, and also how a farm implement business started in Albert City.

Explore the cemetery and find out about all kinds of history by riding a trolley on June 15, 2024. Just park east of the Cemetery off of C-29. A four-wheeler will pick you up, if necessary, and take you to the Trolley. Or you can take the bus from the AC-T School.

More information can be obtained by calling 712-299-0440. Donations accepted.

80th Birthday Celebration for Deanna (Dee) Ingalls

There will be an 80th Birthday Celebration for Deanna (Dee) Ingalls at the Marathon Community Center from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday June 30th.

No presents please, your presence is appreciated!

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At the Library
with Glenda Mulder
June 12, 2024

Summer Reading Kick-Off program is this evening! We say it's for kids, but really, it's for all ages. I mean really, I know I'm intrigued by the thought of realistic looking animatronic dinosaurs at the library! If you are too, come join us at 6:30 p.m. Oh, and bring some kids, if you've got them! Dinosaur Dimensions will be fun for all of us. We'll get to meet and learn some basic facts about the four dinosaurs.

Kids Summer Reading will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday mornings all summer. We'll have music, books, crafts, bubbles, and more! Tessa has been making fun plans, and lining up local celebrity guests to read to the kids. You never know who you'll see when you come to the library! Join us every week, or as many as you can. Of course, out of town visitors are welcome too!

June's Book Club Choice is *The Next Ship Home* by Heather Webb. This is a novel of the dark secrets of Ellis Island, when entry to "the land of the free" promised a better life but often delivered something drastically different, and when immigrant strength and female friendship found ways to triumph even on the darkest days. I've heard good reports from those who have already read this book. Come grab a copy and join the discussion Monday, June 24 at 7 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar

June 12 @ 6:30 p.m. - Dinosaur Dimensions!

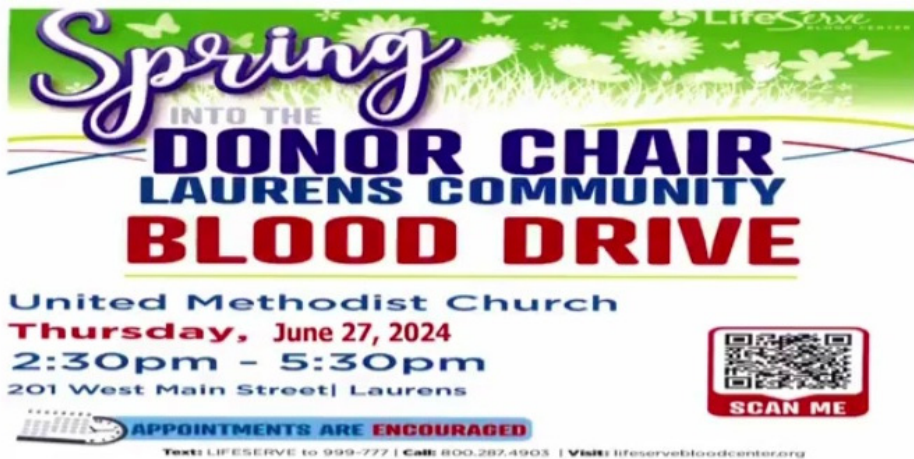
June 19 – August 14 @ 11 a.m. - Kids Summer Reading!

June 24 @ 7 p.m. - Book Club *The Next Ship Home* by Heather Webb

June 26 @ 6:30 p.m. - Garden Fresh Eats with ISU Extension

July 17 @ 11 a.m. - The Dulcimer Guy

July 31 @ 6:30 p.m. - Preserving from your Garden with ISU Extension



Spring
INTO THE
DONOR CHAIR
LAURENS COMMUNITY
BLOOD DRIVE

United Methodist Church
Thursday, June 27, 2024
2:30pm - 5:30pm
201 West Main Street | Laurens

APPOINTMENTS ARE ENCOURAGED

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Services to be Held for Myrna (Oleson) Gordon

Myrna Dell Oleson Gordon, 75, of North Liberty died surrounded by her family on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at the UI Health Care Medical Center in Iowa City.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 am Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at Gay & Ciha Funeral and Cremation Service in Iowa City. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 pm Monday, June 17, 2024, at the funeral home.

Myrna was born June 20, 1948, in Laurens, IA the daughter of Myron and Idella (Younggreen) Oleson. Myrna graduated from Laurens High School in 1966 and from the University of Iowa College of Nursing in 1970. She married Donal R. Gordon in Laurens, IA on February 5, 1972, and they had two children, Joseph and Jeffrey.

Growing up on a farm in Northwest Iowa, she learned from

her mother the motto of “They can’t see how long it took you, but they can see how well you did it.” She always gave her all and her best to everything she did.

She loved making vanilla Cokes as a soda jerk at George’s Drug Store, was honorable mention in the 6-on-6 state basketball tournament, was homecoming queen, loved her 1972 blue Mustang fastback, and the home she and Don built.

After graduation from college, Myrna started working as a nurse at what is now the University of Iowa’s Stead Family Children’s Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). She was instrumental in developing and managing the hospital’s first NICU in the 1970s. She provided exemplary care for patients and families for over 47 years. Myrna served as a shining example for students and new graduates entering the field of nursing. She was a pillar of support and friend to countless families and individuals who benefited from her care over the years.

In 1996, the National Association of Neonatal Nurses honored Myrna with the highest national award given to a neonatal bedside nurse. She was part of research teams to author peer-reviewed papers, including one to advance the way blood sampling is performed on very low birth-weight infants. The safety practice is still in use today. In 2011, she was a UIHC Daisy Award recipient, nominated by a patient family to recognize care that went above and beyond. Myrna retired in 2017.

When her boys were young, she enjoyed their many activities, including being a school volunteer,

Cub Scout den mother, and the most vocal cheerleader for her sons when they were growing up. Myrna and Don never missed a game. Later in life, as her grandchildren came along, nothing made her prouder than being their “Nona” and watching them participate in their many activities and adventures.

Myrna’s family includes Joe and Sara Gordon; Jeff and Krissy Gordon; five grandchildren, Greta, Eleanor, Mabel, Cierra, and Jack; her brother Ron (Dea) Oleson of LaCrosse, WI; many nieces and nephews; sisters-in-law Kathy Oleson of Naperville, IL, and Mary Gordon of Iowa City; brother-in-law Dick (Sheryl) Gordon of Iowa City; several cousins; and many close friends.

Myrna was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother Gary Oleson; brothers-in-law Bob Gordon, Gary Gordon, and John Gordon.

Myrna will always be remembered as a loving Wife, Mom, “Nona,” Sister, Cousin, Caregiver, Dear Friend to Many, and someone who was willing to help anyone anytime.

Her family would like to thank the staff of UI Health Care Medical Center’s MICU, RSCCU, and countless other clinical professionals for their continued love and excellent care of Myrna over the past few weeks.

Memorial contributions in her name can be given to either the family for future giving or the University of Iowa Center for Advancement, directed to the NICU Nursing and Education Development Fund. Online condolences may be sent to her family at www.gayandciha.com.



*This Week at
Bethany Lutheran*

Pastor David E. Klappenbach

Wednesday: June 12, 2024

7:00 PM - Council Mtg.

**Sunday: June 16, 2024 Father's Day
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 AM - Worship w/Communion

10:30 AM - Coffee Fellowship

3:00 PM - 4-H Club Mtg.

6:00 PM - Bethany Prayer Group

Monday: June 17, 2024

7:00 Pm - Hand Bell Rehearsal

Tuesday: June 18, 2024

8:30 AM - Prayer Group

9:30 AM - Tuesday coffee at Bethany

Thursday: June 20, 2024

2:00 PM - Circle Group

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



*This Week at
Laurens United
Methodist Church*

Pastor Deb Parkison

Sunday, June 16:

Fellowship Coffee @ 9:30 AM

Worship Service 10:30 AM

Wednesday, June 19:

Administrative Council Meeting @

7:00 PM in the Wesley Room



*This Week at First
Christian*

Pastor Rev. Rita Cordell

Thursday, June 13

2-5 p.m. - Clothes Closet Open

Sunday, June 16

9:30 a.m. - Worship followed by
coffee



*Resurrection
of Our Lord
Catholic Church*

**Pocahontas, IA -- Priest:
Father Paul Nguyen**

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

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Iowa Swine Day Will Be Held July 25 in Ames

***Learn the latest in pork
industry trends and
technology at annual event***

Pork producers and others involved with swine production can learn the most current information on emerging critical industry topics at Iowa Swine Day, July 25 at the Iowa State Center in Ames. Sessions will be presented by renowned speakers from the U.S. and around the world. The event is organized and presented by the Iowa Pork Industry Center at Iowa State University.

The planning committee of producers and allied industry representatives ensures that no two programs are alike, and that every program offers information not available elsewhere.

Following the morning plenary session and lunch, participants will choose their own schedule from the four concurrent topical sessions with four presentations in each: current topics, improving on-farm labor, protecting herd health and Iowa State research. With speaker consent, sessions are recorded and provided later on the Pork Center's YouTube channel.

The preconference symposium, on July 24, will feature eight leading swine industry experts presenting Soybean Meal 360. Moderated

by David Holzgraefe, the topics include the dynamic landscape of increased soybean meal availability, the expanding horizons of soybean meal discoveries in swine diets and field-proven feeding strategies for improving pork production. The preconference symposium runs from 12:30-5 p.m. July 24, at the Scheman Building, 1805 Center Drive.

Including the preconference symposium, there are six primary sessions, 28 individual talks, 31 speakers and more than 30 sponsors. Cost is \$85 and parking for all events is free. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the official program starts at 8 a.m. at Stephens Auditorium, 1900 Center Drive.

All attendees registered for Iowa Swine Day are welcome to attend the symposium as well as the swine

networking social following the event. Sponsored by AB Vista, Iowa Pork Industry Center, Lynch Livestock and TechMix, the social starts at 5:30 p.m. at the Hansen Agriculture Student Learning Center, at 2508 Mortensen Road.

Registration cost for the networking social is \$85. Students may attend at no charge and preregistration is strongly encouraged. Walk-in registration is discouraged.

The full program, information, registration forms and directions to the venues are available on the Iowa Swine Day conference website.

Iowa Swine Day is hosted by the Iowa Pork Industry Center with support provided by Iowa State's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.



Improve Communication for a Strong Family

When families are busy with their daily activities it's easy to overlook the importance of good communication. But at the heart of every strong family lies a foundation built on open, honest and meaningful communication, says Hailey Walker, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Families often face a variety of barriers to effective communication, including a lack of time and an abundance of technology distractions.

“Improving family communication requires intentional effort and commitment from all members. Let's break down what this means,” Walker said.

Walker shared some practical ways to improve family communication:

- **Talk and listen.** Effective communication involves both talking and listening. Express your thoughts and feelings, but also take the time to listen to others. When family members feel heard, trust and understanding grow. Create opportunities for regular communication by routinely

- scheduling family meetings, meals or activities where everyone can participate and share.
- **Address conflicts calmly.** Conflicts are normal, but how we handle conflicts matters. Instead of blaming each other, focus on finding solutions. Be respectful and work together to resolve disagreements. For examples, review “Stop, Breathe, Talk” from the Science of Parenting.
- **Be honest and transparent.** A family that values honesty creates a safe space for everyone. Encourage open dialogue where family members can share their thoughts and feelings authentically.
- **Set boundaries with technology.** Technology can be a distraction. During family time, consider limiting screen use for everyone. Face-to-face interactions are

essential for building strong connections.

- **Seek professional help if needed.** Sometimes communication challenges persist. Don't hesitate to seek guidance from family therapists or counselors. They can provide strategies to improve communication.

“Remember, family communication is an ongoing journey, unique to each family. By recognizing its importance, identifying common barriers and implementing practical strategies, we can create a nurturing environment where every family member's voice is heard and valued,” Walker said.

For more valuable parenting insights, check out the Science of Parenting at scienceofparenting.org. Visit Iowa State University Extension and Outreach's website for additional parenting resources.



Register Now for Last Session of Healthy Aging Series

Register Now for the final session in the Stay Independent series that has been offered this spring through Iowa State University Extension and Outreach in Pocahontas County for adults who are 60 and older, “Final Arrangements,”. The program will be held on Thursday, June 20, at 1:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Pre-register by calling the office at 335-3103.

The workshop addresses funeral planning and much more. This program was developed a few years ago in response to a need identified by focus groups. Participants will gain understanding of laws around funeral planning and will receive tools which will assist them with making their plans and communicating their wishes to family and loved ones. Barb Wollan, Extension Human Sciences Specialist in Family Wellbeing, will lead this program.

More information on the Stay Independent series is found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/humansciences/stay-independent>. Workshop cost is \$10 per person. Pre-register by June 17 by calling the office at 335-3103.

Contact Erica Svuba at Iowa State Extension and Outreach with any questions.

'Raising Your Dairy Best Heifer' Summer Webinar Series

Learn about practical heifer management topics during dairy webinars

Join the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach dairy team as they discuss “raising your dairy best heifer” during a summer webinar series. The series will cover practical heifer management topics.

“Nearly 25% of a dairy's production costs are in raising heifer replacements, thus a considerable amount of feed, time and facilities must be invested to optimize growth for heifers to calve at an appropriate age,” said Jennifer Bentley, dairy specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach. “That is why this topic of raising your ‘dairy best’ heifers can have significant financial and herd benefits.”

Each session will cover a different topic related to heifer management, with a question and answer session at the end for any questions participants may have.

Dates and Speakers

- June 24: Colostrum Management – Dr. Phillip Jardon, clinical associate professor, extension veterinarian, Iowa State University; and Jennifer Bentley, dairy specialist, ISU Extension and Outreach.
- July 8: Managing Heifer Inventory – Greg Palas, dairy records management system, and Fred Hall, dairy specialist, ISU Extension and Outreach.
- July 22: Heifer Health – Dr. Phillip Jardon, clinical associate professor, extension veterinarian, Iowa State.
- July 30: Heifer Reproduction – Victor Gomez, associate professor, extension dairy specialist, Kansas State University.
- Aug. 5: Heifer Benchmarking – Gail Carpenter, associate professor, dairy extension and outreach, Iowa State.
- Aug. 12: Heifer Grower Panel – to be determined.

Aug. 19: Economics of Raising Heifers – Larry Tranel, dairy specialist, Iowa State.

Those interested in participating in the webinar series can register online at <https://go.iastate.edu/DAIRYBESTHEIFER>.

For more information, contact dairy specialist Fred Hall at 712-737-4230 or fredhall@iastate.edu; Jennifer Bentley at 563-382-2949 or jbentley@iastate.edu; or Larry Tranel at 563-583-6496 or tranel@iastate.edu

Funding for this project was provided by the North Central Extension Risk Management Education Center, the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture under Award Number 2021-70027-34694.

European Corn Borer Field Day Set for July 17 Near Ames

A major pest of corn production is the focus for the event

A pest that most corn farmers haven't had to worry about since the late 1990s appears to be making a comeback.

European corn borer (ECB) has largely been controlled thanks to *Bacillus thuringiensis* corn (better known as Bt corn), which was first introduced in 1996. But field-evolved resistance is showing up in several Canadian provinces and most recently, in Connecticut.

In an effort to address the issue and train crop scouts on what to

look for, entomology experts with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the United States Department of Agriculture are teaming up to offer a special field day July 17 west of Ames.

A day-long educational program will be held at the Field Extension Education Laboratory, located at 1928 240th St. near Boone.

Expert insight

Erin Hodgson, professor and extension entomologist at Iowa State, and Ashley Dean, extension education specialist, will lead participants through educational sessions that include an industry update, as well as hands-on trapping and detection, and first- and second-generation scouting.

They will be joined by Tom Sappington, Brad Coates and Craig Abel – all entomologists with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service.

"This educational event will explain how to detect European corn borer, why it's showing up again and what agronomists and crop consultants can do to help safeguard the industry," said Hodgson. "It's been so long since it was an issue that many people may have forgotten what it looks like, or that it even still exists."

Before the development of Bt seeds, ECB was estimated to have cost U.S. farmers over a billion dollars annually in yield losses and control efforts, earning it the title "the billion-dollar bug."

It is estimated that just one corn borer can cause 3-5% yield loss, and multiple borers can wipe out a crop.

Hodgson and Dean want to remind farmers and those who advise them of what to look for and how to do their part to prevent an infestation from starting.

Their best advice is to plant pyramid Bt hybrids to ensure multiple toxins are contributing to ECB control. They also advise farmers to conserve beneficial insects and shred or bury corn residue to reduce the survival of overwintering larvae within fields.

Hodgson and Dean provide further information in an Integrated Crop Management news article they co-authored in May 2024 called Blast from the Past: European Corn Borer is Back on the Radar.

Registration details. The field day is free to attend and lunch and continuing education credits will be provided. Registration is required by July 10 and can be done online at <https://go.iastate.edu/YUV5EL>


Participants need only to register for one session, as both sessions feature the same topics. For assistance with registration or questions about the program, contact Erin Hodgson at ewh@iastate.edu or 515-294-2847. Ashley Dean can be reached at adean@iastate.edu or 515-447-3766.



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I-29 Moo University Webinar on June 13 to Focus on Dairy Facility Design in a Changing Climate

The I-29 Moo University Dairy Webinar Series continues Thursday, June 13 from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

In this webinar, Nesli Akdeniz, assistant professor and extension specialist in Biological Systems Engineering at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will discuss how increasing temperatures and extreme weather events affect the design and ventilation of dairy buildings. She will also cover ventilation techniques that enhance airflow rates and considerations for energy efficiency and reducing ventilation-related greenhouse gas emissions.

Dr. Akdeniz's extension program focuses on livestock buildings, energy-efficient ventilation design, air quality, and greenhouse gas emissions. More information about her extension program is available on her website, <https://controlledag.wisc.edu>.

There is no fee to participate in the webinar; however, registration is required at least one hour before the webinar. Register online at <https://go.iastate.edu/DESIGN24>. For more information, contact: in Iowa, Fred M. Hall, 712-737-4230; in Minnesota, Jim Salfer, 320-203-6093; or in South Dakota, Patricia Villamediana, 605-688-4116.

ISU Extension and Outreach Dairy Team Webinar to be Held on June 19 ***Focusing on mitigating heat stress for employees on the dairy farm***

The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Dairy Team monthly webinar series continues on Wednesday, June 19, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

Cody Volkmann will discuss how dairy producers can mitigate heat stress for their employees. He will define heat stress, how it is measured, and offer techniques to prevent heat stress.

Cody Volkmann is a Certified Safety Professional with 13 years of safety and health experience. He grew up on a family farm in northwest Iowa and received his B.S. from Iowa State University in Agriculture Systems Technology and Industrial Systems Technology and a Master of Business Administration. After graduation from ISU, he worked for an industrial service company providing services to ethanol, biodiesel, grain handling and other industrial facilities. He is currently an Occupational Safety Specialist with the College of Engineering and Environmental Health and Safety Department at ISU.

For more information, contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Dairy Specialist in your area: in Northwest Iowa, Fred M. Hall, 712-737-4230 or fredhall@iastate.edu; in Northeast Iowa, Jennifer Bentley, 563-382-2949 or jbentley@iastate.edu; in East Central Iowa, Larry Tranel, 563-583-6496 or tranel@iastate.edu; in Ames, Dr. Gail Carpenter, 515-294-9085 or ajcarpen@iastate.edu.

City Council Minutes

June 3rd, 2024

The Laurens City Council met in regular session at the Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3rd, 2024. Mayor Rod Johnson called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Hannah Zylstra, John Jamison, Loren Booth, Aaron Christenson, Jean Swanson, City Manager Hilary Reed, and Public Works Director Julian Johnsen.

Jamison moved to approve the consent agenda, consisting of the minutes from the May 20th, 2024, meeting, the list of claims, and a Dollar General Tobacco Permit. Zylstra seconded. All ayes: motion carried.

CLAIMS 06-03-24

ACCO	POOL CHEMICALS	1,939.50
ALEXANDER PRICE	RECERTIFICATION LIFEGUARD	75.00
BOMGAARS	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	92.32
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	SUPPLIES	131.36
DWIGHT E. VAN GENDEREN FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	BUSHES	196.56
	WASTEWATER TESTING	680.50
GFC LEASING-WI	COPIER MAINT	229.19
HEART 'N HOME	FLOWER PLANTERS	352.00
IACMA	RETIREMENT 457	600.00
IRS	FED/FICA TAX	5,948.14
IOWA SIGN COMPANY	VINYL SIGN	255.09
IPERS	IPERS	6,160.56
IPERS/PD	PROTECTED IPERS	1,850.46
JAMES LITWILLER	SHOP TOOLS	106.96
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	BULK OIL	1,633.27
KELLY TATE	RECERTIFICATION LIFEGUARD	75.00
LAURENS HOUSE OF PRINT	WATER METER READ SHEETS	172.00
LMPC	FIXING OF STREET LIGHTS	13,234.34
LMU	MONTHLY UTILITIES	5,068.60
LAURENS PLUMBING SERVICE	SUPPLIES	1,953.97
MENARD'S NORTHERN LIGHTS FOOD SERVICE	GLASS CLEANER	10.95
	POOL CONCESSIONS	898.93
PRIME BENEFITS SYSTEMS	MONTHLY GROUP INSURANCE	87.50
RSM US LLP	TECH SERVICES	5.00
RNO'S	NUISANCE MOWING	760.00
SANDE CONSTRUCTION	PAY REQUEST #9	109,250.00
SANTANDER LEASING, LLC	MONTHLY FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER	1,461.34
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS	PAPER SHREDDING	26.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	MAY SALES TAX	5,283.60
UMB	INTEREST DUE	179,170.00
UNITYPOINT CLINIC	POLICE DEPT. TRAINING	342.00
US BANK	SUBSCRIPTION	313.14
VERIZON WIRELESS	MONTHLY CELL PHONE	111.70
ZIEGLER	SHOP SUPPLIES	16.70
	TOTAL	<u>338,491.68</u>

PAYROLL		5/28/2024	
001	GENERAL		7,948.84
210	ROAD USE TAX		1,891.83
600	WATER		2,951.82
610	SEWER		2,592.96
670	GARBAGE		2,210.25
	TOTAL		<u>17,595.70</u>
	PAYROLL TOTAL		<u>17,595.70</u>
	PAID TOTAL		<u>356,087.38</u>

City Council Minutes

001	GENERAL	23,826.01
110	ROAD USE TAX	17,780.53
112	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	48.11
174	POOL RESTRICTED	109,250.00
176	HOMETOWN PRIDE	451.65
200	DEBT SERVICE	179,170.00
600	WATER	13,271.93
610	SEWER	7,053.27
670	GARBAGE	5,235.88
	TOTAL BY FUND	<u>356,087.38</u>

REVENUES	GENERAL	68,094.94
	ROAD USE TAX	14,394.53
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	25,803.66
	EMERGENCY LEVY	1,384.14
	LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	12,440.29
	TAX INCREMENT FINANCING	736.07
	POOL RESTRICTED	60.00
	HOMETOWN PRIDE	1,000.00
	DEBT SERVICE	27,407.37
	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	2,915.54
	WATER	43,465.71
	SEWER	31,813.19
	GARBAGE	20,587.60
	STORM WATER	2,962.88
	TOTAL	<u>253,065.92</u>

Swanson moved to authorize retaining Don Hemphill as City Attorney. Zylstra seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Booth moved to approve Resolution 09-24-FY25 at five percent. Jamison seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Swanson, Christenson, Jamison, Booth. Nays: None. Abstain: Zylstra.

An update was given on the status and the work done by the City and MaryJo with PCEDC on the future regarding the grocery store.

There was no discussion or decision on the Laurens Pool Project.

Booth moved to adjourn at 4:31 p.m. Zylstra seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Rod Johnson, Mayor

Hilary Reed, City Clerk