County making noise with jake brakes

Ordinance to prohibit truckers for exhaust brakes on 1st read

By Chuck Vandenberg
PCC Editor

Lee County - An ordinance that would restrict the use of "jake braking" in specified areas of Lee County will be on its first reading at Tuesday's Lee County Board of Supervisors meeting.

The issue came up at a meeting in October, where residents of the Clearview Heights subdivision complained that the noise from trucks coming down the Hwy 61 bypass off the Hwy 2 exit, and trucks coming down Hwy 2 towards Fort Madison from the west, were disturbing the neighborhood at all hours of the day.

Supervisors directed Lee County Attorney Ross Braden to come up with an ordinance that would prohibit the braking at specified paved intersections in the county. However, the new proposed ordinance would give supervisors the option of prohibiting the use of the engine braking, compression-release braking or exhaust braking, at other areas deemed to be problem areas by the board.

The braking would be defined as "any engine braking, compression braking, compression-release braking, exhaust braking or mechanical exhaust device or mechanism designed to aid in the braking or deceleration of the vehicle."
OBITUARIES

CAESAR J. RASHID

Caesar J. Rashid, 93, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 3:20 a.m. on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at the home of his daughter, Karen, in Overland Park, KS. He was born on June 17, 1925 in Fort Madison, IA to Richard & Mary Rashid. He married Sadie Lee Hamra on November 5, 1950 in Caruthersville, MO. She preceded him in death on September 7, 2015. He owned and operated Mary & Son's grocery store and Caesar's Restaurant with his wife for many years. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church and the Fort Madison Eagle's Club, and enjoyed spending time with his family and watching sports. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII.

Caesar is survived by: 4 daughters: Karen (Phil) Shannon of Overland Park, KS, Becky (Mike) McWilliams of Kansas City, MO, Teresa (Bob) Berfanger of Wentzville, MO & Patty (Don) Harvey of Montrose, IA; 14-grandchildren & 17-great grandchildren; 2-sisters: Diana Haddad & Anna (John) RASHID; 2-brothers: Farris Rashid & David Rashid and 1 sister: Diana Haddad.

Friends may call after 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9, 2018 with the family to receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. Per his wishes, his body will be cremated following the visitation. A memorial mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at Sacred Heart Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial will be held at Sacred Heart Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established for Lee County Hospice or Holy Family Parish.

POWERTOWN SEWERS BACK ON COUNTY’S AGENDA

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of any vehicle that results in excessive loud, unusual or explosive noise from such vehicle, unless such use is necessary to avoid imminent danger within 500 feet of the intersection of paved roadways in Lee County.”

The ordinance would carry a $150 fine and the county would install signs on county roads indicating the designated areas. The Iowa Department of Transportation would install signs as designated by the board on any state controlled highways, such as Hwy 2 and Hwy 61.

Clearview resident Jim Noll told the group that this area of the state is relatively flat and it hasn’t been that big of an issue before the fertilizer plant opened. However, he said it may be just an issue of truck drivers liking to hear the noise, akin to a Harley-Davidson rider enjoying the sound of the motorcycle.

“A lot of times it’s just some guy that likes to hear a brake. Let’s face it, it’s no different than a Harley motorcycle to a cycler as it is to a trucker. Not all of them, but there’s apparently some because I can tell you, you can almost set your watch by it,” Noll told the board in October.

The ordinance by statute would require three readings before becoming part of the county code, however supervisors could exercise a right to waive the third reading if there was no debate on the ordinance at the second reading.

In other action, the board will consider: - a $205,000 budget amendment with an additional $30,000 in appropriations to the public safety and legal services account and $175,040 to the administration account. The budget amendment reduces the city’s general fund balance from $8.721 million to $8.516 million.

- a contract with Maximus Consulting Services out of Richmond, Va, to develop a cost allocation plan for three years beginning 2018-2020, which could be used to collect state and federal revenues recovered for costs to various funds.

- an update on the sewer mitigation process at Moor-Powertown from Lee County Health Department Environmental Services program director Rosa Haukeldahl. The county has been working to get in compliance with state regs on residents’ septic systems as state and federal government agencies closely monitor progress.

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For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report
10/31/18 - 9:14 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2000 block of Avenue B.
10/31/18 - 11:03 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the Fort Madison area.
10/31/18 - 12:17 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 400 block of Avenue D.
10/31/18 - 3:14 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1000 block of Avenue D.
10/31/18 - 7:44 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested William Paul Cochenour, 48, of Fort Madison, in the 3000 block of Avenue M., on two warrants of controlled substance violation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
11/1/18 - 12:49 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 5000 block of Avenue O.
11/1/18 - 1:21 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1600 block of Avenue D.
11/1/2018 - 4:56 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2300 block of Avenue J.
11/1/2018 - 11:57 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Brittney Nichole Wylie, 25, of Fort Madison in the 3200 block of Avenue L, on charges of possession of a controlled substance and driving under suspension. She was released upon citation on a promise to appear.

Lee County Sheriff’s Report
11/1/18 - 10:18 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested April Lee Jacobson, 50, of Kookuk, at the sheriff’s office, on a warrant for felony forgery. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

11/1/18 - 5:59 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Darrell Wayne Wagner, 56, of Fort Madison on a judgement hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

For the Record/Current-Lee

Senior BINGO at the Kensington
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American Legion Post #82
The American Legion Post 82 will meet 7 P.M. Tuesday, November 6, 2018, at the Eagles Club, 4821 Avenue O. All members and those interested in The American Legion are encouraged to attend. For more information contact, Dan Vice, Commander at 319-470-7377 or George Shields, Adjutant at 319-371-5755.

Wine Walk glass presale
Wine Walk glass pre-sale at SiP (a) a coffee and wine bistro, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Nov. 9.

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DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES NOVEMBER 6, 2018

Fort Madison
Ward 1 – Ft Madison City Hall, 811 Ave E
Ward 2 – McAleer Hall, 411 5th St
Ward 3 – Ft Madison Library, 1920 Ave E
Ward 4 & B – Rolling Hall, 2210 Ave I
Ward 5/Madison Twp – Hillview Village, 1102 48th St

Keokuk
Ward 1 – South Lee County Courthouse, 25 N 7th St
Ward 2A/B – Heritage Center, 508 Main St
Ward 3 – Keokuk Art Center, Lower level of Public Library, 210 N 5th St
Ward 4 – Evangelical Free Church, 2315 5th St
Ward 5 – Learning Center, 500 N. 20th St
Ward 6 – First Christian Church, 3476 Main St
Ward 7 – Keokuk Nazarene Church, 3116 Plank Rd
Ward 8 – Central Lee High School, 2642 Hwy 218

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Jackson Twp Fire Station, 3640 Argyle Road
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Local News/From the Front

Worster named LCHD program director

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - Lee County Health Department has announced Becky Worster, BSN, as the new Community Health and Nursing Program Director. Worster will manage and provide leadership in the day-to-day operations of the Home Care, Hospice and Community Health programs. Worster has been with the department since 2012 as a staff nurse in the Home Care and Hospice programs, and most recently the Maternal Child Adolescent Program Coordinator in Community Health services.

"It is exciting to have Becky move into the Program Director position after working in both of these areas," says Michele Ross, LCHD Administrator. "Her experience and expertise along with the skills of all of our program staff will allow LCHD to continue offering exceptional, quality services to our community residents." Lee County Health Department has a vision of promoting health throughout the lifespan from prenatal services to hospice care. For more information on their programs visit www.leecountybh.org or call (319)372-5225.

New water deal with Rathbun on the table

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cannot be sold past July 8. Temporary or tent structures can begin selling on June 13, with permanent structures able to sell starting June 1. All sales end July 8. Both state and county codes dictate that fireworks can be used on private property from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. June 1 through July 8 and again from Dec. 10 through Jan. 3.

In other action, the council:
• will consider a 20-year contract with Rathbun Regional Water Association to provide up to two million gallons of potable water per day at a rate of $1.89 per 1000 gallons with a minimum purchase of 22 million gallons per month. At the minimum purchase, the city would receive close to $41,000 a month during the contract.
• will consider the purchase of three pick-up trucks from Jon Baier, Inc. in Fort Madison for the public works department.
• will consider renewing a management agreement with the Fort Madison YMCA that, for the second year, would turn over management operations of the Fort Madison Swimming Pool to the YMCA.

Task force gets Keokuk men on drug charges

KEOKUK - The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of two Keokuk, Iowa individuals on Felony drug charges.

Michael Eastman, 48, of Keokuk, Iowa was arrested on October 30th, 2018 on a felony drug charge. Eastman is charged with distribution to persons under age eighteen, a class C Felony. If convicted, Eastman faces up to 25 years in a state correctional facility.

In an unrelated matter, Quayson Talton, 18, of Keokuk was arrested on felony drug charges. Talton is charged with two counts of delivery of ecstasy, both class C Felonies. If convicted, Talton faces up to 20 years in a state correctional facility.

The Lee County Attorney’s Office, Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement, Keokuk Police Department, Department of Human Services, and the Lee County Sheriff’s Office, assisted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force in this investigation. The defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Justice and the funds administered by the Iowa Governor’s Office of Drug Control Policy.

Heating bill help available

FORT MADISON - Energy Assistance applications are now being taken for a one-time payment to help with winter heating bills.

Households with income at or below 60% of the state median income may be eligible. For example, a family of four may qualify if they earn up to $43,925 per year in Iowa and up to $52,846 per year in Wisconsin. Eligibility does not depend on the account being behind.

Customers are encouraged to apply now because funds for this heating season are limited.

For income guidelines or to apply in Iowa, call 1-866-674-6327 or visit iowa.gov/dcaas/where-apply. In Wisconsin: Call 1-866-342-8947 or visit homeenergyplus.wi.gov.
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