FM schools could save $1.3M with refi deal

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison School district is considering a way to save $1.3 million over the next ten years.

At Monday's regular school board meeting, the district heard from Tim Oswald of Piper Jaffray; the firm the district typically uses as bond counselors, who indicated a 10-year moratorium on refinancing the bonds used to build the current Fort Madison Middle School will expire in July.

"You sold those bonds in 2009 and, when you did, you weren't allowed to pay them off or refinance them for 10 years, but that will be up in July, which means you can take advantage of lower rates if you choose to," Oswald told the board.

He said the bonds were sold at 4.7% interest, but now rates are as low at 2.9% with some lenders.

The board's decision on Monday was simply to engage the firm in researching the options for the refinancing of the bonds.

The bonds were sold against the 1-cent local sales tax option called SAVE, the Secure an Advance Vision for Education, program, an option that became available after district voters approved its use in a special election.

No property tax dollars were used to pay for the construction or furnishings of the Middle School.

Voters have defeated three times a measure to issue general obligation bonds to build a new PreK-3rd grade elementary school on school property off Bluff Road on the western side of Fort Madison. An attempt in the fall was defeated with 59% of district voters voting for the new building. State law requires a 60%+1 vote supermajority to pass the issuance of bonds.

Oswald said Piper Jaffray would research what options were best for refinancing the bonds, but the refinancing would amount to contracting with another lender to pay off the bonds and then financing the remaining debt at a lower rate, resulting in a savings to the district.

In a related issue, the district also voted 7-0 to place another referendum attempt on the ballot for seven weeks from today, on April 2. The language of the ballot question includes $30 million to build and furnish the new school on the campus at 48th and Bluff.

District Business Manager Sandy Elmore presented the board with petitions of 321 signatures who agreed to have the question put on the ballot.

The ballot will also include filling two spaces on the school board. Brian Steffensmeier and Josh Wykert are both holding seats that were filled by appointment. Anyone who is interested in running for those seats can submit the proper documentation to the Lee County Auditor's office.

“Our outside temperature gauge told me it was -21°F at 2:00 a.m.–the time I usually get up to read and write. I could hear the wind howling outside and the house popping and banging (frost quakes?), like pond ice cracking under the weight of too many skaters. The wind-chill factor had to be ungodly.

Looking at the thermostat on the wall, I noted that our furnace was struggling to keep up, and was running continuously. Set at 70°, the temperature in the house was 67°. This was troubling information. I piled the lap blankets on and settled in, making a nest out of blankets, papers and books.

After a couple of hours of work, and having a little trouble keeping my fingers warm on the keyboard, I got up to use the bathroom. When I flushed the toilet, I noticed the bowl didn’t refill. Uh, oh. I took the lid off the tank and looked in. Water was not running into the tank. I checked the faucet on the bathroom sink. There was no cold water. Hot water yes, but no cold. Dang.

I went to the kitchen and tried the sink there. Same thing. No cold water. Evidently, a water line was frozen somewhere. Great.

At 5:00 a.m., I got Ginnie out of bed so that she could go to work. I told her about the water problem—that we had hot but no cold water. When she used the toilet (we have
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- Don’t recycle wrapping paper
- Properly dispose of all electronics and household hazardous waste

Calove Lynn Sackman

Calove Lynn Sackman, 27, of Keokuk, IA died Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at UnityPoint Health in Keokuk. She was born July 26, 1991 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Daniel Huston and Traci Sackman.

Calove graduated from Metro High School in Cedar Rapids, IA with the class of 2010. She was a stay at home mom while her kids were younger and most recently started working at Henniges in Keokuk, IA.

Calove enjoyed crafting and was good at everything she did. She also enjoyed girls night out at the casino with her mom, sister, and grandma. She was a loving and generous person who was always willing to help out her friends and family. Calove deeply loved her children and was a wonderful mom. She brought joy to their lives and will be greatly missed by everyone who loved her.

Calove is survived by two sons, DaKovion Silver-Jones and Landon Trimble of Keokuk, two daughters, Elaina Padgett and Willow Huston of Keokuk, her mother, Traci Sackman of Hamilton, IL, three brothers, Joseph Sackman (Rachel) of College Station, TX, Justin Sackman (Samantha) of Cedar Rapids, IA, Danny Huston of Iowa City, IA, one sister, Nicole Sackman-Davis (Patrick) of Cedar Rapids, IA, her step-father, Jason Feikert of Rushsylvania, OH, step-sister, Kelsey Feikert of Montrose, her grandparents, John Todd of Cedar Rapids, IA, Peggy and Walter Tweedy of Montrose, IA and Cathy Searsen of Keokuk, IA, great-grandmother, Janet Haage of Keokuk, many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Daniel Huston, grandparents, Vesta Todd, Ralph White and Richard C. Huston, great-grandparents, Delbert Haage and Gordon and Marjorie Huston and cousins Elizabeth and Dylan White.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with Reverend Brett Laszlo officiating. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk.

Visitation will be held after 1 p.m., Friday at the funeral home with family meeting with friends from 6-8 p.m.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

Obituaries

5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

TUE 12 Feb
Light Snow
High– 28.6º F | Low – 20.2º F

WED 13 Feb
Scattered Clouds
High– 20.3º F | Low – 14.5º F

THU 14 Feb
Moderate Rain
High– 39.5º F | Low – 39.3º F

FRI 15 Feb
Light Snow
High– 24.7º F | Low – 16.7º F

SAT 16 Feb
Snow
High– 25.7º F | Low – 21.0º F

Pen City Current - Tuesday, February 12, 2019

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OBITUARIES

DORIS IRENE BARTLETT
Doris Irene Bartlett, 88, of Montrose, IA, passed away at 4:27 p.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Kensington. She was born on November 27, 1930 in Fort Madison, IA to Bernard & Irene Palin Groene. She married Eugene R. Bartlett on April 15, 1950 in Fort Madison, IA. He preceded her in death on May 28, 2011. She worked at the Sheaffer Pen Company, DuPont and also at Midwest Wax Paper. She was a former member of St. Joseph’s Church in Montrose and is currently a member of Holy Family Parish in Fort Madison. She loved reading, quilting, gardening, animals and watching the eagles in the winter and the martins in the summer.

Doris is survived by: 2-daughters: Debbie (Tom) Gregg of Wever, IA & Dee-Anne Bartlett of Anaheim, CA; 1-son: David Bartlett of Titusville, FL; 3-grandchildren: Evan (Bonnie) Gregg, Emy (Wendy) & Elise Gregg; 2-great-grandchildren: Caelan & Coy Gregg and 1-sister in infancy: Mary Groene.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at Sacred Heart Church. The funeral mass will be held at 10:30 a.m., immediately following the visitation, at Sacred Heart Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial has been established for the Montrose Cemetery. Online condolences to Doris’ family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com. Kingdom Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family.

DENNIS LEE HUFFMAN
Mr. Dennis Lee Huffman, 68, of Lomax, IL, passed away at 4:56 a.m. Saturday, February 9, 2019 at his home.

Dennis was born on April 19, 1950 in Burlington, IA, the son of John Harvey and Hazel Idell Bennett Huffman. On August 3, 1975 he married Sandra Rae Ferguson in Burlington. She survives.

Mr. Huffman was a graduate of the Burlington High School. Following high school he served in the United States Navy from 1969 – 1973. Dennis then worked for J.L. Case in Burlington for several years, retiring in 2004. He served on the Lomax Fire Department for 30 years and also served as an EMT on the Lomax Ambulance. Dennis was a Director on the McDonough Telephone Co-Op Board for 25 years and had been a member of Lomax Township Board. He enjoyed woodwork- ing, fishing and listening to Johnny Horton songs.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra, three children, Jennifer Huffman of Orlando, FL, Christopher (Laurn) Huffman of Port Byron, IL and Sara (Jordan Merritt) Huffman of Lomax and five grandchildren.

Mr. Huffman was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Dick and David Huffman and one sister, Dolores Norton.

The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, February 15, 2019 at Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Dallas City with Pastor Maxine Dennison officiating. Burial with Military Rites will be in the Crane Cemetery, Lomax. Friends may call after 3:00 p.m. Thursday at Banks & Beals where the family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. A memorial fund has been established in Mr. Huffman’s memory.

To sign the guest book or leave a condolence please visit Dennis’ obituary at banksandbeals.com.
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RSVP: United Way of the Great River Region is seeking a Community Garden Coordinator.
Do you like to garden and work outdoors? Do you like to plan, plant and harvest food?
We are seeking an individual who will plan, plant, cultivate, harvest and lead other volunteers in our Community Garden (garden is located at 2606 Avenue L, Fort Madison, Iowa behind Hy-Vee).
Must enjoy working outside, gardening and harvesting. Will direct garden activities with other volunteers and may require some bending, stooping and lifting of 10 lbs. or less. Times: 1 hour, 2 times per week.
If interested and for more information, please call – Tammy at 319-372-8043.
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REAL ESTATE
OPEN HOUSE
Sun., Feb. 17, 11-3
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The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, February 15, 2019, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Randolph opened the meeting with Council Members Greenwald, Morawitz, Rink, Andrews, Mohrfeld, Lair and Cargus present.

On motion, Council approved the agenda as written.

On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda:

Minutes of 1/15/19; Resolution 2019-19, Air Evac, 543 Avenue O, Resolution 2019-20, R & K Management Corp., 2001 Avenue L, Resolution 2019-21, Bonnlynn and Preston E,奏; Setting public hearing for 2/19/19, at 5:30 P.M. to amend Title 7, Zoning, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 10th, Administration; Payment of Claims; New Day License: Buffalo 61 Bar & Grille, 415 – 11th Street (McAleer Hall) effective 2/2/19; Class C Liquor; with Sunday Sales and License Renewals: Buffalo 61 Bar & Grille, 6111 Avenue G, effective 2/25/19 – Class C Liquor with Sunday Sales; and Under the Service and Sunday Sales; and Liquor License Renewals: Buffalo 61 Bar & Grille, 6111 Avenue G, effective 2/25/19 – Class C Liquor with Sunday Sales, and Under the Sun, 733 Avenue G, effective 3/1/2019 – Class B Native Wine with Sunday Sales. At 5:35 P.M. Mayor Randolph opened the public hearing Concerning Not to Exceed $1,550,000 Sewer Capital Net Notes

“...continued from previous meeting...”

No oral or written comments. Motion, Council closed the public hearing. On motion, Council approved Resolution No. 2019-23, accepting the submitted plat of survey and waiving subdivision requirements (Title 11 – Subdivision Regulations) for Michael and Amy Hayes for property located at 2246 – 270th Street. On motion, Council approved the Mayor’s signature on an Engagement Agreement with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., for their services as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of not to exceed $1,550,000 Sewer Revenue Capital Net Notes - SRF Sponsored Project.

At 5:43 P.M. on motion, Council adjourned until February 19, 2019, at 5:30 P.M. At 5:43 P.M. a Council Work Session was held. The Council Work Session closed at 9:07 P.M.

/s/ Bradley A. Randolph, Mayor

City Hall, 811 Avenue E.

Tuesday, February 15, 2019, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Randolph presided with Council

PROCEEDINGS – FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL – 2/5/2019

BROWN SUPPLY CO., INC., STEEL/COPPERINGS 692.00
BROZENES HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT MOUNT ON 2013 CHEVY 3500 25,126.69
BUILDING MATERIALS INC. FORD 6610 15,216.69
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER, BACTERIA SAM-PLES 947.00
CENTURY LINK, PHONE 58.93
CESSFORD CONSTRUCTION, UPM HIGH PERFORMANCE 2,328.70
CHAMBER OF COM-MERCE, 2019 MEMBER-SHIP 175.00
CINTAS CORP, FIRST AID SUPPLIES 43.27
CITY OF FORT MADI-SON, TREAT LEACHATE 1,812.83
CORE & MAIN LIGHT NUTS 1,366.50
CULLEN CONSTR. & EXCAVATING, SNOW REMOVAL, AVE. 900.00
DASYL RADIOLOGY INC. 50.00
DIGITAL ALLEY, BATT-ERY KITS... 3,605.00
DOOD PRINTING & STA-TIONERY, LOGO 392.57
EBERT SUPPLYglomer, Tool Kits 780.05
ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS, RADIO FIX 10.00
ENGINEERING, BATTERY 126.95
FLORCARPERS, CAR-PET INSTALLATION 566.54
FORT MADISON COMM. HOSPITAL/ALCOHOL/ DRUG SCREEN 2,819.00
FRANK MILLARD & CO.; INC., REPAIR FURNACE 96.00
GALL’S, AMARAK, COMPANY, CONE, FLASHLIGHT/SPRAY 138.37
GARNER OIL INC., FUEL 79.94
GREENWOOD CLEAN-ING SYSTEM, SUPPLIES 145.90
HACH CHEMICAL CO., CHLORIDE/SULFATE 5.00
HELLGE HAY NURSE, SNOW REMOVAL 2,727.38
HOIT SUPPLY COMPA-NY, HYDAPPARE 2,032.72
HOLTS R & K COMPANY, PROFESSIONAL-SERVICES 3,991.89
HUFFMAN WELDING & MACHINE, STEEL 789.76
HYDROFIT, FIT TEST 40.00
ICAP, PROPERTY COVER-AGE 391.29
ICMA, MEMBERSHIP 958.00
IDEAL READY MIX CO, SAND 5,751.81
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC, PHONE 300.00
IOWA DEPT OF TRANS-PORTATION, SALT ROCK 616,489.32
ISHAWO INDUSTRIES, WINTER UNIFORM 175.00
JONATHON LANGE, TRAINING .......... 755.84
JUSTIN CAIN, SCHOOL-CHILD 15,411.81
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE, PORT 1,900.77
LEE COUNTY EMS, AMBULANCE ON JOB INJURY ....... 514.19
LEON CONTRACTORS, SUPPLY, SCRAPER BLADES 158.54
LUBY EQUIPMENT SER-VICES, COUPLER/PLATE 1,990.20
LYNCH DALLAS P.C., HANDBOOK REVIEW 4,436.32
MCFARLAND, CLEANING SUPPLIES ..... 162.46
MEN, PROFESSIONAL AUTO PARTS 27.05
MUNICIPAL EMER-GENCY SER.VS/FOAM CONCENTRATE 1,400.00
MID AMERICAN GAS CO., HEAT, 63.15 1,685.16
MIDLAND SCIENTIFIC INC., SODIUM/PHOS-PHORUS 372.91
MIDWEST SAFETY COUNSELORS, AMMUN-ITION 588.80
MIGUEL LADEROS, SNOW REMOVAL 3,395.00
MISSISSIPPI LIME COM-PANY, HYDRATED LIME 3,477.25
MOHRIED ELECTRIC, BLUFF RD BORE 1,700.00
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY COMPANY, COPPER/RUB BER 3,079.85
MYERS LOCK & KEY, OPEN SAFE 600.00
O’REILLY AUTO PARTS, SEALED BEAM 15.93
PANTHER UNIFORMS INC., UNIFORM 1,584.30
PCD LABORATORIES, INC, PROFESSIONAL FEES 1,244.91
PETEY BOVES, MARIS-CHINE RENTAL 171.00
POEPOEN STONE & BACH, PROF SERVICES 2,097.67
PRATT EXPERTS STEEL 25,074.44
QUARRY CREEK EEL AND BISON, SAFETY 135.80
RAINIO OIL COMPANY, OIL/DEF ... 1,277.57
RHINO INDUSTRIES, INC., CHEMICALS 700.00
RIVER CITY MOTORS, TOW 97.50
ROBERT N. JOHNSTON III MONTHLY SERVICE 1,383.60
SE IA REGIONAL PLANN-ING COMM, CON-TRACT ... 15,811.00
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CLASSIFIEDS – FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL – 2/5/2019

RENTALS

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FORT MADISON – The following is a list of events and happenings going on in Fort Madison as submitted to en City Current.

State Farm – Thomas Klann Agency announces February “Quotes for Good”
State Farm – Thomas Klann Agency is excited to help out another Non-Profit Organization in our community. In February 2019 we will be giving back to Lee County K-9 Association by donating $5 for every new Auto Insurance Quote in the month of February 2019. So tell all your non-State Farm family/friends/coworkers to reach out to us for a quote and share this event to spread the word! If you are a current State Farm auto insurance customer, reach out to us for a Life Insurance or Disability Income conversation and we will donate $5 for that also. Contact Jess or Sam at 319-372-5982, 2623 Ave L Fort Madison, or email: jess@fortmadisoninsurance.com or samantha@fortmadisoninsurance.com.

Local artist on display at SCC
Lori Illner Greene will have her art work on display at the Southeastern Community College Art Gallery, 1500 W. Agency Road in West Burlington from Jan. 28-Feb. 15. The gallery showing will feature her “Raptors and Other Birds of Prey” series.

Evening with Chuck Long
Former Iowa standout and NFL quarterback Chuck Long will be at Sheaffer Memorial Golf Course on Tuesday, Feb. 12 for presentation, including a social hour and dinner with doors opening at 4:30. The social hour and dinner will be from 5 to 6 and Long will speak at 6 p.m. with a question and answer to follow. For more information, contact Ryan at 319-528-6214 or by email at mcmillan@sheaffergolf.com.

Ribbon-Cutting
A ribbon cutting for The Kingsley Inn and River Rocks Bar & Grille will be held on Feb. 15 at 10 a.m.

Fort Madison Partners Annual Dinner
The Fort Madison Partners Annual Dinner will be held Feb. 22 at McAleere Hall in Fort Madison. A night of gaming, food and fun has been planned. Contact Partners at 372-5471 for more information.

Senior Community BINGO at The Kensington
Each month on the second Wednesday of the month, The Kensington hosts Senior Community BINGO at 2 p.m. in their dining room at 2210 Avenue H in Fort Madison. All seniors are welcome and cash prizes are awarded.

Caregivers Connection at The Kensington
The Kensington hosts this monthly gathering to help educate attendees about all dementia types. Held at noon the 4th Tuesday of every month in The Kensington’s private dining room, 2210 Avenue H in Fort Madison. Call 319-372-4233 to RSVP or for more information. The next luncheon will be held January 22, 2019.

Pen City Current will list your event in this highly visible CURRENT-LEE section in increments of 25 words for $15. Add a photo for $5. Non-profit organizations are eligible for the reduced rate of $10 per 25 words and $3 per photo. To place your listing, click here or call Lee at (319)371.4125.

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