

News Briefs

Monticello Parks & Rec. to offer line dancing class

A one-time class will teach participants how to get their groove on. Monticello Parks & Recreation is hosting a free beginner-level line dancing class from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, in the Berndes Center, 766 N. Maple St, according to an event announcement. No experience is required, and the event is for all ages. “Scott Stran teaches weekly classes in Dubuque and has graciously offered to bring his talent and energy to our Monticello Community to teach a special 2-hour class,” the event announcement states. For more information, visit [tinyurl.com/MontiLineDance](https://tinyurl.com/MontiLineDance).

Cemetery walk combines lore, storytelling to teach local history

Historian Deb Bowman leads a session about the history of Monticello’s past. The session is slated for 9:30 – 11 a.m. July 24 at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Join Bowman and a group to stroll through the cemetery as part of Monticello Parks & Recreation’s Strolling Through History series that combines storytelling, sightseeing and local lore. A session already took place June 19, and another is slated for 9:30 a.m. Aug. 21 at Oakwood Cemetery.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Resolution to Set a Hearing on a Proposal to Vacate and Close a Road Segment

Whereas a request has been filed with the Jones County Engineer to vacate and close a portion of undeveloped Fourth Street in the unincorporated town of Center Junction, and a portion of an undeveloped designated North/South alley that bisects Blocks 43, 46, and 49 in the unincorporated town of Center Junction as shown on the recorded original plat of the Town of Center Junction; and Whereas the agency which has control and jurisdiction over such a roadway, has the power to vacate and close any such roadway thereon in accordance with Code of Iowa, Chapter 306; and Whereas proceeding to the vacation and closing of the road, the agency in control of the road shall set a date for a hearing on the vacation and closing in the county where the road is located; now, therefore, be It Resolved, that a hearing on the proposed vacation and closure will be held in the Supervisors’ Boardroom at the Jones County Courthouse, Anamosa, Iowa, at 9:30 a.m., Central Standard Time, on Tuesday, July 29, 2025. Passed and approved this 29th day of June, 2025. John Schlarmann, Chairman, Jones County Board of Supervisors Attest: Whitney Hein, Jones County Auditor Published in the Monticello, Iowa, Express July 9 & 16, 2025.



Wyoming Fair Grand Marshal, Jim Eichhorn, of Wyoming, and his family ride on their float before the fair’s tractor pull on Saturday, as the annual parade that typically takes place on the Friday of the fair was rained out. (Photos contributed by Laura Drummy)



Wyoming Fair

The Wyoming Fair royalty, from left, is 2024 Fair Queen Olivia Paulsen, 2025 Fair Queen Sophia Hunter, 2025 Fair Princess Gabbie Fransen and 2024 Fair Princess Addi Fransen.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET Board of Supervisors of JONES COUNTY Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026				
The Board of Supervisors of JONES COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026				
Meeting Date/Time: 7/29/2025 09:00 AM		Contact: Whitney Hein	Phone: (319) 462-2282	
Meeting Location: Jones County Courthouse Board Room 500 W Main Street Anamosa, IA 52205				
There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <a href="https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals">https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals</a> .				
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	11,355,919	0	11,355,919
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	457,941	0	457,941
Net Current Property Tax	4	10,897,978	0	10,897,978
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	0	0	0
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	27,000	0	27,000
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	1,469,297	0	1,469,297
Intergovernmental	8	6,288,774	30,000	6,318,774
Licenses & Permits	9	94,171	0	94,171
Charges for Service	10	905,531	0	905,531
Use of Money & Property	11	592,174	0	592,174
Miscellaneous	12	439,422	0	439,422
Subtotal Revenue	13	20,714,347	30,000	20,744,347
Other Financing Sources:				
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	15	3,875,216	0	3,875,216
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	16	17,000	0	17,000
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	24,606,563	30,000	24,636,563
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Operating:				
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	5,449,712	0	5,449,712
Physical Health and Social Services	19	1,116,649	0	1,116,649
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	0	0
County Environment & Education	21	1,546,403	0	1,546,403
Roads & Transportation	22	8,601,424	0	8,601,424
Government Services to Residents	23	1,042,010	0	1,042,010
Administration	24	4,360,569	0	4,360,569
Nonprogram Current	25	3,800	30,000	33,800
Debt Service	26	0	0	0
Capital Projects	27	1,420,000	0	1,420,000
Subtotal Expenditures	28	23,540,567	30,000	23,570,567
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating Transfers Out	29	3,875,216	0	3,875,216
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	27,415,783	30,000	27,445,783
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	32	-2,809,220	0	-2,809,220
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2025	33	14,102,944	0	14,102,944
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	34	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	6,355,204	0	6,355,204
Fund Balance - Committed	37	717,528	0	717,528
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	4,220,992	0	4,220,992
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2026	40	11,293,724	0	11,293,724
Explanation of Changes: The Board signed a contract on 6/10/25 with the State for Decat and CPPC services. The cost these programs is reimbursed by the State of Iowa.				