April, 1975

A storm of vandalism raged Ollie, Packwood, and Richland early Sunday morning as windows were broken out of schools, businesses, and automobiles. The Pekin Community Schools fell victim to the most damage as windows at all four attendance centers were smashed. The windows on one side of a school bus parked at the high school were also broken out. Pekin school officials said that no estimate of the damage has been made yet, and that apparently no entry was made into the buildings. In addition to the windows, they said some door glass had also been shattered. The Iowa Bureau of Criminal Investigations was in Sigourney Monday af-

ternoon to aid local law enforcement agencies in the case. Several windows and windshields of automobiles in Ollie, Packwood, and Richland were also smashed including two law enforcement vehicles. Keokuk **County Sheriff Garry** Dietrich's car parked in his driveway in Ollie had the windshield shattered. The windows and windshield were also broken out of Richland town Marshall Bill Muenzenmeyer's pickup truck. The truck also received some body damage. Muenzenmeyer had been on patrol until after midnight and had parked the truck at his home. Plate glass windows at Baker's Shell Service in Richland and The Hub in Packwood were also broken out. At Ollie, all

four sides of a public telephone bother were shaftered.

Richland Cub Scouts held a Pinewood Derby on March 25 at the Lions Building. First place went to Chris Hogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hogan, and second place went to Steve Fritchen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Fritchen. Other Cub Scouts participating were Tom Wolcott, Doug Robison, Jerry Hoover, Tony Bond, Doug Young, Steve Smith, Steven Horras, Gary Horton, Timmy Pfeifer, Robert Sloan, Jeff Maeder, Todd Egbert, Scott Watson, James Varner, and Doug Greeson. Officials at the race were starter, Dean Kurtz, and judges, Lloyd Bottorff and Craig Capps. Weighing in cars was Assistant Cub Master

Milford Watson. Scorekeeper was Mrs. Ron Greeson. Cub Master Leroy Robison served as announcer.

Our Yesterdays

Ericka Dahlstrom, 14-year-old Pekin Middle School student, won first place in the Missouri Valley Walking Championship Saturday. Ericka walked five miles, 1300 yards to win by over 800 yards. By winning, Ericka also broke the Iowa record, which was set last year of five miles, 50 yards. Davis Eidahl of Richland competed in the men's division and walked seven miles, 198 yards. This was over 300 yards better than his per sonal best.

Easter Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Robison and family were Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Paxson and

Mr. Orville Robison. Easter Day dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Archer were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Elmore, Dan and Tim, Mrs. Dessie Elmore, all of Brighton and Craig Elmore AC-2 of Jacksonville, Florida. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Elmore and family, Mr. Delbert Fleig of Richland and his daughter Cindy, of Haviland, Kansas, visited in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fornash, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Downey and children, and Mrs. Delora Young were supper guests in the Ed Chabal home near Wellman.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wolf, Tony, Rhonda, and Matthew entertained their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sheraden and Mr. and Mrs. Forest Wolf on Easter Sunday. They celebrated the fifth birthday of Matthew Wolf and the birthday of Matthew's grandfather, Paul Sheraden. Matthew also celebrated his birthday with his family by going out for pizza, one of his favorite past times.

An impressive baptismal service was held at the Packwood Christian Church on Sunday, April 6, during the church services. Four young men from the community were baptized by the Rev. Kenneth Breeze. They were Richie Muntz, Tom Dailey, Tom Heald, and Ray Chambers. Mr. Robert Heald and Mr. **Clifford Pepper assisted** the Rev. Breeze with the ceremony.

VISIT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY **Richland Public Library Hedrick Public Library**

100 E. Main St., Richland - 319-456-6541 richlab@natel.net Mon: Closed, Tue: 2:30-6:30 p.m., Wed: 2:30-6:30 p.m., Thu: 2:30-6:30 p.m., Fri: Noon-5 p.m., Sat: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

109 N. Main St., Hedrick - 319-653-2211 director@hedrick.lib.ia.us Mon: 2-6 p.m., Tue: 1-5 p.m., Wed: Noon-4 p.m., Thu: 2-6 p.m., Fri: 2-6 p.m., Sat & Sun: Closed



Supervisors discussed and considered paying out employee vacation benefits to recently resigned employee. Ledger motioned to pay out vacation benefits to this individual. Drish seconded. All "Aves". Motion carried. The board met with the Ambulance Director.

RESOLUTION

It is so moved by Susie Drish, seconded by Joe Ledger that the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County approve the transfer of Alex Fitzgerald, a certified Paramedic, from part time to full time, with an anticipated start date of April 1st,

2025, at the hourly rate of \$29/hr. Motion c	arried.
Ayes:	Nay
Susie Drish	Nor
Joe Ledger	
Lee Dimmitt	

Lee Dimmitt Attest: Christy Conner, Jefferson County Auditor The board met with Mendy McAdams, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, regarding support of Main Street. Drish motioned to sustain the proclamation that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month in Jefferson County, Ledger seconded. All "Ayes". Motion carried. Supervisors discussed and considered health insurance renewal. Drish motioned to approve. Ledger seconded. All "Ayes". Motion carried. The board discussed current policy for one year raise eligibility. Dimmitt asked to revisit the policy later.

Supervisors discussed and considered payment for medical claim. Ledger motioned

to pav to pay the amount to the individual with them signing a release that they won't make future claims against the county. Drish seconded. All "Ayes". Motion

RESOLUTION HIRING COLLECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR IN THE JEFFERSON

RESOLUTION HIRING COLLECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR IN THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WHEREAS, lowa Code section 331.903 states that the number of deputies, assistants, and clerks for each office shall be determined by the board and the number and approval of each appointment shall be adopted by a resolution recorded in the minutes of the board, and WHEREAS, Jefferson County desires to hire a Collections Administrator for the County Attorney Payment Program, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County, lowa, that the Jefferson County Attorney is authorized to hire a Collections Administrator, and BE IT ALSO RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County, lowa, that Nicole LeCompte is hired as a part-time Collections Administrator for the County Attorney Payment Program, in the Jefferson County Attorney's Office at a rate of \$20.00 per hour effective April 1, 2025. Passed and approved this 31st day of March, 2025. Dimmitt motioned to hire Nicole. Drish seconded. Motion carried. AYES

NAYS None

AYES	
Susie Drish	
Joe Ledger	
Lee Dimmitt	

ATTEST:

AT LEST: Christy Conner Jefferson County Auditor Ledger motioned to set the fiscal year 2026 adopted budget public hearing to April 28th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Drish seconded. All "Ayes". Motion carried. Committee Reports:

Drish reports that SEMCO is still having issues with winds. She needs to meet with Joan Salls about EQUP grant. Ledger went to school board lax levy hearing, and Traction Thursday. Dimmitt had RPC meeting and 10-15 transit. Public Comments: None

Public Comments: None. It was moved by Ledger, seconded by Dimmitt to allow the claims against the county in the amount of \$154,521.01 and to direct the county auditor to issue checks against the various funds of the county in payment of the claims allowed. All "Ayes". Motion carried. Supervisors held a budget work session. It was moved by Ledger, seconded by Drish to adjourn. All "Ayes". Motion carried. ATTEST: Loo Dimmitt Chairman

Lee Dimmitt, Chairman

Christy L. Conner County Auditor Board of Supervisors

PUBLIC NOTICE

	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY Proposed PEKIN Property Tax Levy Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026	
Location of Public Hearing: Pekin Community School District Media Center 1062 Birch Avenue Packwood, 1A 52580	Date of Public Hearing: 4/28/2025	Time of Public Hearing: 06:00 PM
Location of Notice on School Website: https://www.pekincsd.org/page/district-audits		

-		Current Year Final Property Tax Dollar Levy FY 2025	Budget Year Effective Property Tax Dollar Levy (No change in Property Tax Dollars Levied) FY 2026	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax Dollar Levy FY 2026
General Fund Levy	1	2,889,654	2,889,654	3,090,796
Instructional Support Levy	2	205,129	205,129	131,743
Management	3	541,048	541,048	590,659
Amana Library	4	0	0	0
Voted Physical Plant and Equipment	5	123,478	123,478	52,944
Regular Physical Plant and Equipment	6	112,909	112,909	115,407
Reorganization Equalization	7	0	0	0
Public Education/Recreation (Playground)	8	0	0	0
Debt Service	9	539,167	539,167	549,724
Grand Total	10	4,411,385	4,411,385	4,531,273
	t	Current Year Final Property Tax Rate FY 2025	Budget Year Effective Property Tax Rate (No change in Property Tax Dollars Levied) FY 2026	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax Rate FY 2026
Grand Total Levy Rate		12.89314	12.61407	12.95688
Property Tax Comparison	-	Current Year Property Taxes	Proposed Property Taxes	Percent Change
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000/\$110,000		598	676	13.04
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Value of \$300,000/\$330,000		2,637	3,021	14,56

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and Commercial properties have the same Rollback Percentage at \$150,000 Actual/Assessed Valuation. The Proposed Property taxes assume a 10% increase in property values for the year as a comparison to the

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current

Anticipated increase to property & casualty insurance(management), continue to levy for the advanced payment of debt (debt service) continue PPEL to purchase equipment and maintain facilities, and levied cash reserve to fund special education costs not funded by the state.



Road Equipment Operator

Jefferson County Road

Department is seeking qualified individual for a full-time position with benefits of

Equipment Operator.

Candidate must have ability to: operate heavy equipment, road equipment and snow plows.

Excavator experience preferred.

Requirements:

· Valid CDL driver's license Class A Required

· Pre-employment drug and physical testing

Starting wage based on

qualifications and experience.

Equal Opportunity Employer.

Job applications and job description are available at

w.jeffersoncounty.iowa.gov or 901 N 8th St, Fairfield, IA

For information call (641) 472-6528

Send county job applications to: Jefferson County Engineer PO Box 817

Fairfield, IA 52556

Applications taken until position filled.

NEW AND antique handquilted quilts for sale. Kalona Quilt Show at Kalona Community Center. April 24 8pm, April 25 9am-7pm, April 26 9am-3pm. 319-656-2240 www.woodinwheel.com

		Budget 2026	Re-est. 2025	Actual 2024	Avg % 24-26
Taxes Levied on Property	1	4,531,273	4,411,385	4,249,754	% 3.3
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	2	71,651	72,974	74,786	% -2.1
Income Surtaxes	3	250,861	223,204	228,770	% 4.7
Tuition/Transportation Received	4	1,020,000	1,000,000	1,109,341	
Earnings on Investments	5	195,840	213,000	252,315	
Nutrition Program Sales	6	158,100	155,000	118,529	
Student Activities and Sales	7	346,800	340,000	340,032	
Other Revenues from Local Sources	8	491,130	483,000	515,641	
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	9	0	0	0	
State Foundation Aid	10	3,675,323	3,504,194	3,536,023	
Instructional Support State Aid	11	9,949	0	0	
Other State Sources	12	1,094,460	1,073,100	1,111,560	
Two Tier Assessment Limitation Replacement	13	46,896	46,896	44,672	
Title 1 Grants	14	132,600	130,000	145,964	
IDEA and Other Federal Sources	15	482,460	473,000	744,652	
Total Revenues	16	12,507,343	12,125,753	12,472,039	
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	17	0	0	0	
Transfers In	18	63,240	62,000	61,309	
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions	19	0	0	0	
Special Items/Upward Adjustments	20	0	0	0	
Total Revenues & Other Sources	21	12,570,583	12,187,753	12,533,348	
Beginning Fund Balance	22	4,622,728	5,748,264	7,314,352	
Total Resources	23	17,193,311	17,936,017	19,847,700	
*Instruction	24	7,302,000	6,995,000	6,924,402	% 2.7
Student Support Services	25	214,760	206,500	186,858	
Instructional Staff Support Services	26	422,760	416,500	366,827	
General Administration	27	433,680	545,000	477,183	
School Administration	28	469,560	493,500	432,434	
Business & Central Administration	29	256,360	274,500	232,305	
Plant Operation and Maintenance	30	1,082,640	1,106,000	923,216	
Student Transportation	31	922,480	920,000	961,557	
*Total Support Services (lines 25-31)	31A	3,802,240	3,962,000	3,580,380	26.3.1
*Noninstructional Programs	32	942,240	936,000	934,263	% 0.4
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	33	728,000	700,000	298,275	
Debt Service (Principal, interest, fiscal charges)	34	451,201	433,847	2,039,655	
AEA Support - Direct to AEA	35	202,546	224,442	261,152	
*Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)	35A	1,381,747	1,358,289	2,599,082	%-27.1
Total Expenditures	36	13,428,227	13,251,289	14,038,127	
Transfers Out	37	64,480	62,000	61,309	
Other Uses	38	0	0	0	
Total Expenditures, Transfers Out & Other Uses	39	13,492,707	13,313,289	14,099,436	
Ending Fund Balance	40	3,700,604	4,622,728	5,748,264	
Total Requirements	41	17,193,311	17,936,017	19,847,700	
Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)		12.95688			

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -- PROPOSED BUDGET Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

City of: HEDRICK

City 01: InEDITION
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Constrained by the proposed Budget at: Hedrick Community Center 109 N. Main St. Hedrick, IA 52563 Meeting Date:
4/21/2025 Meeting Time: 06:00 PM
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a
summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.
City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult
https://dom.jowa.gov/local-budget-appeals.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the the viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Libra	
The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property	12.77291
The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural property is	3.00375

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		Budget FY 2026	Re-estimated FY 2025	Actual FY 2024
Revenues & Other Financing Sources	_	Buuget F1 2020	Re-estimated F1 2025	Actual F1 2024
Taxes Levied on Property	1	181,173	192,420	192,420
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	101,175	192,420	174,420
Net Current Property Taxes	3	181,173	192,420	192,420
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	101,173	194,440	192,420
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	91,364	78,000	78,264
Licenses & Permits	7	3,950	3,565	2,455
Use of Money and Property	8	29,400	23,440	22,059
Use of Money and Property Intergovernmental	9	29,400	607,096	207,806
Charges for Fees & Service	10	573,080	218,400	467,422
Special Assessments	10	373,080	210,400	407,422
Special Assessments Miscellancous	11	12,900	21,200	26,149
	12	150,000	600,000	11,202
Other Financing Sources			600,000	
Transfers In	14	13,000	0	97,514
Total Revenues and Other Sources Expenditures & Other Financing Uses	15	1,326,017	1,744,121	1,105,291
Public Safety	16	15,400	12,100	8,614
Public Works	17	369,250	208,400	211,531
Health and Social Services	18	2,500	1,500	650
Culture and Recreation	19	81,895	91,590	92,293
Community and Economic Development	20	250	0	0
General Government	21	173,200	194,800	139,038
Debt Service	22	0	0	0
Capital Projects	23	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	642,495	508,390	452,126
Business Type / Enterprises	25	684,150	1,506,600	558,798
Total ALL Expenditures	26	1,326,645	2,014,990	1,010,924
Transfers Out	27	13,000	0	97,514
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	1,339,645	2,014,990	1,108,438
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-13,628	-270,869	-3,147
Beginning Fund Balance July I	30	412,260	683,129	686,276
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	398,632	412,260	683,129