

Community CALENDAR

Summer Reading Program (June):
Mondays 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Pre-School
Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. 4th/5th/6th Grade
Wednesdays 1-2 p.m. 2nd/3rd Grade
Thursdays 1-2 p.m. Kindergarten/1st Grade
Fridays 12-1:30 p.m. Family Movie Matinee

Hedrick Public Library
Monday/Thursday/Friday 2 - 6 p.m.
Tuesday 1 - 5 p.m.
Wednesday 12 - 4 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday Closed
Summer Reading Program (June)
June 4th, June 11th, June 18th, June 25th, July 2nd. Starting @ 2pm

What Cheer Public Library
Monday 12:00-6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Friday 12:00-5:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sigourney Kiwanis
Serving the community since 1969. Kiwanis meet Wednesdays, from 12 to 1 p.m. at Keokuk County Bowl, visitors are welcome.

Free Grace Recovery
Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Free Grace United at 107 E Broadway St. What Cheer.

For: All Addictions: any hurt, habit or hang up. Come as you are.
Childcare provided.
Everyone is welcome.
freegrace.tv/recovery

Old Keota Business
Anyone having old photos of former Keota businesses, please contact Larry Gale Sanders. The photos will be used in a Keota Business Pictorial Album.

Keota Food Pantry
The food pantry in Keota is open on the last Sunday of the month at the United Church of Faith, 10-11 a.m. Anyone needing food is invited.

Richland Community Food Bank
Located at Richland Methodist Church, 106 W South St. Richland, (319) 456-2251 Sherry Jipp. Open Tuesday and Wednesday 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Thursday 5-7:00 p.m.

City of Keota Public Meeting
Public meetings will be held on the First and Third Monday of each month. at 7 p.m. at Keota City Hall. Special Meetings will be posted at City Hall.

Keota School Board
The Keota School Board meets the second Thursday of each month, typically at 6

p.m.
Keota VFW Auxiliary
The VFW Auxiliary meets the third Tuesday of each month, typically at the VFW building.

Keokuk County Historical Society
Open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Keokuk County Supervisors
The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors meets weekly on Mondays at 8:30 a.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous-Sigourney
AA Meetings at Community Outreach Center-Sigourney: Wednesdays at 8 p.m. for more information, call (319) 461-6869.

Narcotics Anonymous-Sigourney
NA Meetings Community Outreach Center-Sigourney: Thursdays at 6 p.m.
615 S Jefferson St Sigourney

Food Pantry-Sigourney
Food Pantry Community Outreach Center-Sigourney: Call the Lord's Pantry at 641-224-2588 or contact a minister

Keokuk County Public Health

Keokuk County Public Health is here to serve you. We offer an array of services such as: home health services, immunizations, education, diabetic care, foot care, partner's program, etc. We have walkers, wheelchairs, shower chairs, canes, etc. to loan out free of cost. Please call us if you or a loved one is in need. For more information, call (641) 622-3575.

Alcoholics Anonymous-Keota
AA every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Good Neighbor Fellowship Church on Broadway.

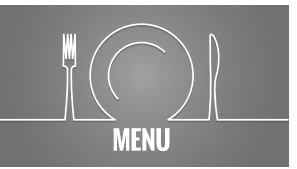
Alzheimer's Support
Alzheimer's Support Group meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the Presbyterian Church in Washington at 6:30 p.m.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Weekly meetings Tuesdays, 4:30pm - 5:30 pm
Keokuk County Extension Office, 641-777-1653

Grief Share
Sigourney Christian Church, 308 S Jefferson St
Wednesdays at 1 p.m., beginning Nov. 6
No charge

Goodwin Senior Dining Center (Wellman)

Friday, June 6
Fish Patty, Sweet Potato Fuffs, 7 Layer Salad, Fruit Jello
Monday, June 9
Callico Beans, Corn Bread, Monster Cookie
Wednesday, June 11
Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Cottage Cheese, Cole Slaw, Strawberry Shortcake



Milestones (Sigourney and Delta)

Thursday, June 5
Hamballs, Sweet potato Casserole, Green Beans, Cinnamon Applesauce, Garlic Wheat Roll
Friday, June 6
Potato Encrusted Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Carrots & Onions, Fruit, Wheat Roll
Monday, June 9
Cooks Choice with Dessert
Tuesday, June 10
Roast Beef, Baked Potato w/ Sour Cream, Green Beans, Sliced Peaches, Wheat Roll.
Wednesday, June 11
Cheese Pizza, Corn , Ambrosia, Wheat Garlic Cheese Bread

Supervisors Approve Having Mahaska County Provide Interim County Attorney Work

By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review
SIGOURNEY – During the May 27 meeting of the Keokuk County Board of Supervisors, the board accepted the resignation of County Attorney Amber Thompson, who was recently appointed as a judge for District 8. Thompson explained that her last day as a lawyer would be the then upcoming Friday, but that she would continue to work part time and prepare her office for her successor until July 1. Thompson and Mahaska County Attorney Andrew Ritland explained that the two counties already have a 28e Agreement that has Mahaska attorney Trevor Rubenzer work part time in Keokuk County, and that they planned to have him take over much of Thompson's duties while the county looked for a replacement, with other Mahaska attorneys assisting as needed. Thompson stated that other attorneys had already moved cases beyond June, due to knowing it was likely she would be appointed as a judge. The board approved expanding the 28e Agreement to have Mahaska County provide additional help.
The board looked at two applications for the open IT director position, which is currently being covered by the Great Prairie AEA following the May resignation of the county's IT director. Supervisor Mike Hadley suggested sticking with the AEA, saying

he had reservations about dragging things out. Supervisor Daryl Wood stated that they should look at all their options, continue to take applications, and put out a request for proposal to see if other entities or companies could take over IT services. Supervisor Kevin Weber agreed that they would seek proposals and compare the numbers. The board approved posting the position on Indeed. The board discussed how many days a week they would need and Wood stated that they needed to ensure the IT worker would be flexible and able to quickly respond to emergencies, for example if the Sheriff Department's computers crashed overnight.
During the next meeting, on June 2, the board approved sending out requests for proposal. Weber asked if they should look at and possibly interview the Indeed applications that had come in and Bates stated she would review them. Wood stated he would prefer the new IT director work five days a week during the first year, because the courthouse needs to update or replace its computers before October, when Windows 10 will stop receiving support.
During the May 27 meeting, County Engineer Andy McGuire told the board that the highway department wouldn't need a budget amendment that year, due to the numbers being close enough that it wasn't worth the hassle.

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Survey Results Say Community Wants Sigourney Construction to Focus on Infrastructure, Safety and Repairs

By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review
SIGOURNEY – During a work session on May 28, the Sigourney School Board looked over the results of the community survey about the upcoming high school infrastructure upgrades. The survey, sent out by SiteLogIQ, was conducted from May 5-19. Pat Westby of SiteLogIQ explained that respondents were asked to rate possible projects from 1-5 on how likely they were to support a tax referendum to fund them, with 5 being the highest. The most popular project was installing safe and secure entrances, which 53% of respondents gave a 5 towards and 21% gave a 4 towards and an average score of 4.12%. Other infrastructure approval ratings included:
• Updating the fire alarm and P.A systems: 3.97%.
• Updating Plumbing systems: 3.95%.
• Updating the Electrical distribution system: 3.89%.
• Ensuring ADA accessibility: 3.84%.
• Adding unit ventilators serving classrooms: 3.80%.
• Adding pneumatic controls for heating and ventilation: 3.70%.
• Ventilation to improve indoor air quality: 3.63%.
• Parking lots and drainage issues: 3.43%.

prised that fixing parking wasn't higher, given the fact that he receives the most complaints about it. Board Member Mike Bensmiller stated the survey might have been unclear if it meant repairing the parking lots or adding more parking. Board Member Adam Clark speculated that people don't want taxes to be raised to put concrete down and already expect the school to do so.
Westby next listed out various upgrades to learning spaces and school facilities, including:
• Upgrade classrooms with career technical education and work-based learning spaces: 3.73%.
• Upgrading and improving bathrooms: 3.68%.
• Addressing issues with the band room: 3.34%.
• Adding a new competition gym: 3.07%.
• Improving the concession stands: 2.89%.
• Creating additional storage space like cabinets in classrooms: 2.79%.
Clark stated that, based on the survey results, the public wanted the board to fix things that the school already has. Superintendent Kevin Hatfield agreed, noting that the results were very practical and focussed on fixing things that are critical.
Westby stated that a tax referendum will require 60% of the public to support it. According to the survey results, every infrastructure item except for parking lots

received at least 60% 4s and 5s. On the other hand, classroom CTE and WBL upgrades were the only learning space projects to receive 60% 4s and 5s.
Westby next showed survey results about how much people were willing to increase their monthly tax impact to fund the project. 8% were willing to accept a monthly increase of \$20 or more, 13% were willing to accept \$20, 10% \$15, 18% \$10, 21% \$5, and 30% stated they would not support any tax increase. Westby stated that 60% of the respondents supported an increase of at least \$7.24. He noted that this was before the community had seen the district's plans and that support would go up as time went on.
Jeff Herzberg of SiteLogIQ noted that the four groups they spoke with (students, staff, the community group and the survey) all mentioned bathroom and plumbing upgrades, ventilation and controls, adding a secure entrance, and parking lot and drainage issues as priorities. He stated that these four items should be their highest priority. Concession stands, classroom storage, upgrading classrooms with CTW and WBL spaces were mentioned by two different groups, making them a middle-tier priority. Fire alarm and PA, electrical distribution, and ADA accessibility were also mentioned by two, in addition to being things the district is

required by law to address. Herzberg stated that other items mentioned by only one group, like an upgraded weight room, a competition gym or an auditorium, are the lowest priority. Hatfield asked if sprinklers would be included in the scope of the project and Herzberg stated they would be.
Herzberg discussed the district's available funds, stating that \$8.9 million dollars from a \$2.70 tax referendum, plus \$2.5 million from the ten year PPEL bond, would give the district \$11.4 million to work with. The previous stage, overhauling the elementary school's infrastructure during the summer of 2024, cost \$6.4 million. Seely asked what the maximum they school could potentially bond for was. Herzberg stated that, with a maximum \$4.05 increase, the district would pull in \$16.6 million. Seely stated that it was crazy to say, but that \$4 million dollars doesn't go far. Herzberg noted that, due to construction costs going up substantially over time, the infrastructure upgrade would likely cost more than the school cost when it was first built.
The board plans to finalize the scope of the project and discuss long-term planning for a potential phase three, which would complete lower priority items during a later year, at the June 11 board meeting.

Retraction by the Sigourney Mayor

By Mayor Jimmy Morlan
I would like to retract my statement about our recycle center run by Cox. After visiting Cox Sanitation in Sigourney and North English, I learned that all re-

cycled items are bundled and sold. The only recycled items that are not recycled are the non-clean items such as soiled cardboard, cans not rinsed out, bottles and plastics that are not clean.

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