

CANDIDATES

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"I understand how broken and underfunded our healthcare system is," he said. "Same thing with pharmaceuticals. I hear far too often as I knock on doors, 'I cannot afford to take my medication . . . Do I pay my bills or take my pills?' That is wrong in the richest nation on earth."

Turek also wants to address the water quality crisis in Iowa, and the growing cancer rate.

"We can win," Turek said. "The right candidate, the right message, the right work ethic, we can win. This is the year the pendulum swings back in our direction."

In the primary election, he will face fellow Democrat candidates Iowa Sen. Zach Wahls of Coralville, Nathan Sage of Knoxville and Jackie Norris of Des Moines. After withdrawing his candidacy from the race, state Rep. J.D. Scholten (D-Sioux City) endorsed Turek.

If Turek wins the primary and progresses to the general election, he will run against one of the Republican candidates - Ashley Hinson of Marion, who currently serves as a U.S. Representative, Joshua Smith of Indianola or Jim Carlin of Sioux City.

House of Representatives

Running to be the Democrat candidate for United States House of Representatives District 4 (which does not include Grundy and Tama counties) are Dave Dawson of Lawton, Ashley WolfTornabane of

Storm Lake and Stephanie Steiner of Sutherland. The seat is being vacated by Rep. Randy Feenstra (R-Hull), who is considering a run for governor.

WolfTornabane decided to step up to the plate after candidate Ryan Melton suspended his campaign. She said healthcare will be her highest priority if elected to the House, and people will probably get sick of hearing her speak about it. However, according to WolfTornabane, the happiest countries in the world have publicly-funded healthcare.

"We heard so much fear mongering about it, we need to be deprogrammed," she said. "They always say the taxes are way too high and wait times are way too long, but eight of the 10 happiest countries on Earth have publicly-funded universal healthcare. All of the top 10 have healthcare for everyone, just two have a different system than universal. Meanwhile, we are not even in the top 20 happiest countries on Earth."

Everyone knows stories of people who had issues, such as bankruptcy, because of medical bills, WolfTornabane said. People are afraid to go to the doctor because of the cost, she said.

"I recognize it is a giant mountain to climb - healthcare for all," WolfTornabane said.

It is not the only issue, she said. Focus will also be placed on the economy, public education, healthy, sustainable agriculture practices, taking care of vulnerable people and clean water.

"We deserve a spot in the top 10 of happiest coun-

tries," WolfTornabane said.

Dawson is the assistant county attorney for Woodbury County and stepped forward because he felt Iowans deserve a candidate with experience who knows how to get things done. He was elected to the Iowa Legislature in 2012 and 2014 in the state house, and one of his priorities was mental health access for children.

According to Dawson, public schools need to be better funded. During the last 30 years, the money has decreased, making it a political issue rather than a priority.

"We've lost schools across Iowa, and we've lost businesses because schools are not there and kids are leaving," he said. "We need to do better in rural America."

Even though the Fourth District is tough, Dawson said he has experience successfully crossing party lines to work with the other side.

Steiner said she worked as a nurse, including traveling and said this race is personal. She has two disabled parents who worked their whole lives, and a daughter with ulcerative colitis. Steiner addressed the healthcare issue, which previous candidates spoke on.

"Just recently they're about to cut subsidies to the Affordable Care Act," she said. "A lot of people don't know it's coming because I don't think a lot of people heard about it. They're going to get a shock when they get a bill in the mail."

Steiner said when she moved to Iowa in 1996 at the age of 15, she was a pregnant drop out who

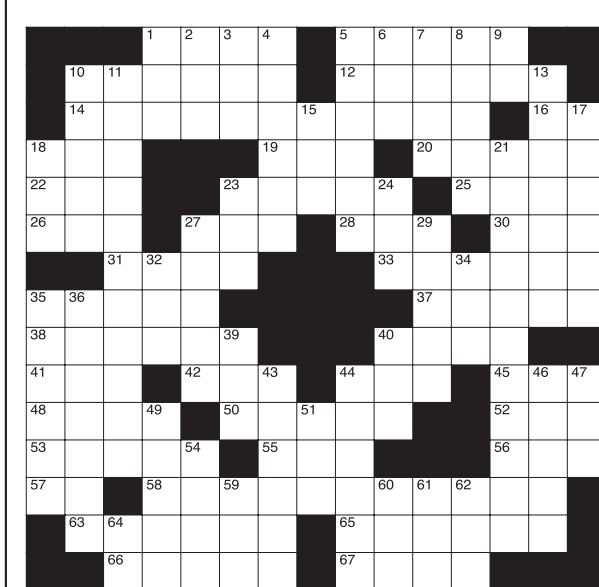
relied on "entitlements." Speaking from experience, she said taking those away from people struggling with poverty does not help them out of it. Rather, they sink further into it and despair.

"Then they will do whatever it is they have to do to feed their families and escape the despair they face day in and day out in their homes," Steiner said.

On the economy, she said Iowa used to be bustling, but now many towns make her sad as many do not even have a gas station. People have moved because there was nothing there for them.

"We have a lot of work here in the Fourth District, in the state of Iowa and in this nation," Steiner said. "I can tell you I've lived a very hard life, but one thing I learned is resilience. It's carried me through every time, and Iowans have that. I don't have the experience. I'm not a full-time politician. I think we need to get rid of a lot of those bought and paid for politicians in Washington, but I think I can earn your votes and fight for you every single day. Just like I did for my parents. Just like I do for my family, because Iowa and this district is my family."

Whoever wins the Democratic primary will face the Republican candidate in the November 2026 general election. So far, three Republicans have thrown their hats in the ring - Iowa House Majority Leader Matt Windschitl of Missouri Valley, Siouxland Chamber of Commerce President Chris McGowan and Kyle Larsen of Humboldt.



CLUES ACROSS

- Native American people of CA
- Long periods of time (Brit.)
- Classroom tool
- Rods
- One who renews
- They start the alphabet
- Periodical (slang)
- Smooth singer Cole
- Dorsal sclerites in insects
- One from Utah
- The world of the dead
- Singer Redding
- Mafia head
- Wrongly
- Unhappy
- Anger
- Dark olive black
- Places to sit and eat
- Made a mistake
- Damp
- Banned fuel type
- Actor Damon
- What thespians do
- A polite address for a woman
- Disallow
- Swiss river
- A banana has one
- Afrikaans
- Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- Agave
- Journalist Tarbell
- One-time tech leader
- Incidentally (abbr.)
- Intestinal bacterium
- Loose sheaths around the spinal cord
- Accompanies nook
- Vogue
- Highly excited

CLUES DOWN

- Witch
- Utilize
- Writing utensil
- Where rockers work
- Becomes less intense
- Consume
- Type of catfish
- "Hometown, U.S.A."
- Atomic #50
- The Muse of lyric poetry
- Brings back to life
- Humorous critiques
- Cool!
- Worst
- Wet dirt
- Useful
- Hebrew unit of liquid capacity
- High schoolers' test
- Internet device
- City in India
- A place to rest
- Chat responder
- A way to move on
- What consumers are given
- Digital audiotape
- More (Spanish)
- Disfigured
- White (Spanish)
- Church building
- Georgia rockers
- Surgeon's tool
- "Much ___ about nothing"
- Make by braiding
- Local area network
- Unit of work
- Indigenous person of Thailand
- Liquefied natural gas
- Distance to top

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to pizza.

CISLE

Answer: Slice

GUESS WHO?

I am an actress born on October 4, 1989 in Texas. I am the daughter of two famous actors and the granddaughter of a Hitchcock movie star. I made my film debut at age 10, but gained wide recognition when a steamy book series was brought to life on the big screen.

Answer: Dakota Johnson

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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U	T	E		H	A	D	E	S		O	T	I
D	O	N		M	I	S		S	A	D	I	R
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Legals

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on September 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. Chairperson Nederhoff called the meeting to order with the following members present: Schildroth, Pabst, Kopsa, and Vandehaar. The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Vandehaar to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

Jeff Skalberg, County Engineer, discussed department matters. Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Pabst to approve payment of the following bills: Alliant Energy, utilities 776.54; Amazon Capital Services, equipment 504.84; Arnold Motor Supply, parts 84.92; Black Hills Energy, service 300.00; Blythe Sanitation, sundry 115.00; Calhoun-Burns & Assoc., services 14,387.90; Camarata, Marty, reimb exp 30.00; Case, Travis, mileage 120.80; Cedar Falls Utilities, utilities 53.25; Century Link, service 73.45; City Laundering, service 458.40; Clapsaddle-Garber Assoc., services 9,975.00; Column Software, publication 161.61; Dell Marketing, equipment 17,746.94; Gordon Fleisch-Milwaukee, copies 178.43; GCMU, service 3,524.15; Grundy Co Memorial Hosp, grant 40,750.00; Grundy County REC, service 208.28; Holland, City of, service 162.25; Hook, Sara, med exam exp 614.40; Iowa County Engineers Assn, mtg exp 20.00; IRUA, service 1,192.08; ISAC, mtg exp 1,090.00; Iowa State Sheriffs, mtg exp 700.00; Jesco Welding & Machine, parts 131.00; John Deere Financial, parts 546.47; Juhl Farm Partnership, reimb exp 700.00; Kahn Tile Supply, parts 15.52; Klinefelter, Dee, mileage 36.00; KMDE, utilities 1,626.14; Kuester, Jason, reimb exp 30.00; Mail Services, postage 647.18; Mauer, Gary, mileage 51.60; MCI Comm Service, service 37.28; Microbac Laboratories, services 566.25; Mid American Energy, utilities 33.18; Ottosen Oil, oil/fluid 1,537.41; Peterson Contractors, services 1,140,094.28; Pomp's Tire Ser-

vices, tires 3,589.18; Professional Office Services, supplies 4,654.09; Quadient Leasing, maintenance 545.52; RC Systems, equipment 2,288.58; Reinbeck, City of, service 93.44; Sadler Power Train, parts 660.20; Schendel Pest Control, services 147.04; Schumacher Elevator, maintenance 231.46; Scot's Supply, parts 3,722.41; Scurr, Steven, med exam exp 100.00; Sentry Security Fasteners, lock system 2,786.75; Skalberg, Jeff, reimb exp 13.00; Storey Kenworthy, supplies 27.25; Todd's Tools, parts 20.35; Tschertner, Alan, mileage 97.20; Ubben Building Supplies, parts 65.49; Unifirst, supplies 134.61; Unifirst First Aid, supplies 104.38; Verizon Wireless, service 238.50; Visa, supplies 781.00; Von Bokern Associates, services 3,250.00; Weber, Shawn, reimb exp 30.00; Wertjes Uniforms, supplies 425.73; Wical Construction, repairs 1,500.00; Wilkerson Hardware, batteries 10.99; Windstream, service 8.46; Witham Auto Center, parts 24.59; YMCA of Black Hawk Co, memberships 532.00. Carried unanimously.

The Supervisors discussed Resolution #11-2025/2026 concerning the Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center membership. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to accept the Grant Township FY2025 Annual Report. Carried unanimously.

Updates on various board and committee meetings were given.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Heidi Nederhoff, Chairperson
Alan T. Tschertner, County Auditor
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L80072 #38168

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on September 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. Chairperson - Nederhoff called the meeting to order with the following members present: Schildroth, Pabst, Kopsa, and Vandehaar. The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Pabst and

seconded by Kopsa to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

Jeff Skalberg, County Engineer, discussed department matters. Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to accept the Clay Township FY2025 Investment Report. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to accept the Clay Township FY2025 Annual Report. Roll call vote on the matter was as follows: Ayes - Vandehaar, Pabst, Schildroth, and Nederhoff. Nays - none. Absent - Kopsa.

Motion was made by Kopsa and seconded by Schildroth to accept the Felix Township FY2025 Annual Report. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Vandehaar and seconded by Pabst to accept the Pleasant Valley Township FY2025 Annual Report. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to accept the Shiloh Township FY2025 Annual Report. Carried unanimously.

Updates on various board and committee meetings were given.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to accept the Shiloh Township FY2025 Annual Report. Carried unanimously.

Updates on various board and committee meetings were given.

Motion was made by Schildroth and seconded by Kopsa to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Heidi Nederhoff, Chairperson
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9/8/25 Garwin City Council Minutes

Called to order at 6pm. Present: Deam, Zoffka, Simcox, Raymond Others present: R. Collins, C. Smith, P. Langbehn

Simcox motioned, Zoffka seconded the approval of Aug bills and minutes. Approved with all ayes.

Deam reported he requested a quote from Clapsaddle-Garber to engineer and manage construction of the repair of the Carlton St bridge. It is in the works for next year. He has been working with the DNR to help alleviate the

bottleneck of water that southside of town gets with heavy rains. He asked for a motion to approve up to \$500 to reimburse property owner, G. Aldrich, for some of the cleanup of the ditch. Zoffka motioned, Simcox seconded. Passed with all ayes.

Under old business, Deam gave a new building project update. A new generator was approved and electrical will be hooked up soon. Deam asked for a motion for preapproval to spend up to \$30k on overhead doors for the new building. Simcox motioned, Zoffka seconded; passed with all ayes.

Under new business, D. Brittenham has requested a vacating of the alley near his property and is willing to pay any legal fees. Council is not opposed but would like to revisit it in Jan/Feb of 2026 after the fire station project is complete.

The city CD has matured and made approximately \$992 in 6 months. Simcox is interested in staggering a couple CDs so one is always coming mature. Raymond motioned, Zoffka seconded to rollover the current \$50k CD for another 6 months.

Res 2025-05 Approving the Completion of the Water Main Project passed with Zoffka motioning and Simcox seconding.

Simcox motioned to approve Res 2025-06 Transfer Leftover Budget Funds to Library Trust. Raymond seconded, passed with all ayes.

The adoption of the new Code of Ordinances will be next month after a 2 nd Notice for a Public Hearing. Simcox motioned, Raymond seconded to have a 2 nd Public Hearing at 5:45 on Mon Oct 6. Passed with all ayes.

Raymond gave Fire Dept report. Pump inspections on the trucks have been completed and there was one recent fire call.

Simcox went over the Sheriff's Report. There were 45 hours of patrol in Aug. City finances and debit card charges look good.

Zoffka reported on some recent animal neglect/abuse in town and asked Clerk to send out a Facebook post advising people to be aware and report anything suspicious.

Some paint cans and other things were dumped at the recycling bins. Clerk is to send a letter and fine to anyone caught illegally dumping. Talk of a motion camera being installed is a possibility. LL Pelling is due to come work on streets anytime. Clerk is to call and ask.

C. Smith reported the zero-turn mower is leaking oil.

Vaverka reported she is signed

up to attend the Fall IMFOA training in Des Moines next month. Simcox motioned, Zoffka seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:42pm. The next regular meeting will be Mon 10/6/25 at 6pm.

By Michelle Vaverka, City Clerk
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L80005 #38169

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE FINAL PLAT AND SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GOULD STREET SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, WITHIN THE CITY OF GLADBROOK, IOWA

TO THE PERSONS OWNING LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT DESCRIBED AS THE GOULD STREET SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, WITHIN THE CITY OF GLADBROOK, IOWA:

consisting of the properties which are described as follows: All properties fronting on Gould Street receive special benefit from the completion of this project. These benefits include improved sanitary sewer and sanitary sewer services. Properties which shall receive special benefit from the proposed improvements, and upon which special assessments will be levied to finance a portion of the project cost are the following:

A. PCL 70' X 182' SW SE 9-85-16
B. PCL 93'X182' BEING PT OF LOT 15 AUD PLAT SE 9-85-16
C. PCL 121' X 182' SW SW SE LOT 15 9-85-16
D. W 182' SOUTH OF CONANTS ADD EX S 284' SE 9-85-16
E. LOT 6 CONANT'S

The extent of the work completed on the Gould Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements, is as follows:

The work was performed in the rear of the lots along the east side of Gould Street, from 6th Street to W 8th Street. The work in this area included construction of a new sanitary sewer main, connection of existing sanitary sewer services, installing new sanitary sewer service cleanouts, and seeding/fertilizing. All improvements are proposed to be located within a proposed public easement.

You are hereby notified that the final plat and schedule of assessments against benefited properties within the District described

as the Gould Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements, for the construction of sanitary sewer and other public improvements, has been adopted and levied by the Council of the City of Gladbrook, and that said plat and schedule of assessments has been certified to the County Treasurer of Tama County, Iowa. Assessments of \$500.00 or more are payable in ten equal annual installments, with interest on the unpaid balance, all as provided in Section 384.65, Code of Iowa. Conditional deficiency assessments, if any, may be levied against the applicable property for the same period of years as the assessments are made payable.

You are further notified that assessments may be paid in full or in part without interest at the office of the City Clerk, at any time within thirty days after the date of the first publication of this notice of the filing of the final plat and schedule of assessments with the County Treasurer. Unless said assessments are paid in full within said thirty day period all unpaid assessments will draw annual interest computed at five (5) percent (commencing on the date of acceptance of the work) computed to the December 1st next following the due dates of the respective installments. Each installment will be delinquent on September 30th following its due date on July 1st in each year. Property owners may elect to pay any annual installment semiannually in advance.

All properties located within the boundaries of the Gould Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements, above described have been assessed for the cost of the making of said improvements, the amount of each assessment and the amount of any conditional deficiency assessment having been set out in the schedule of assessments and plat accompanying the same, which are now on file in the office of the County Treasurer of Tama County, Iowa. For further information you are referred to said plat and schedule of assessments.

This notice is given at the direction of the Mayor pursuant to Code Section 384.60, Code of Iowa.

Jackie Stephenson
City Clerk, City of Gladbrook, Iowa
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