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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR POWESHIEK COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL HASLEY PROBATE CASE NO. ESPR019965

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To all persons interested in the estate of Michael Hasley, deceased, who died on or about February 26, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on March 26, 2025, the Last Will and Testament bearing the date of February 10, 2025, of Michael Hasley, deceased, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Megan Overton was appointed Executor of the estate of Michael Hasley. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the District Court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the Decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

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PUBLIC NOTICE INTENT TO FILL THE VACANCY OF POWESHIEK COUNTY TREASURER

The office of the Poweshiek County Treasurer will be vacant on June 30, 2025. The Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors intends to fill this vacancy by appointment as authorized by Iowa Code 69.14A(2)(a) until the next pending election as defined in section 69.12. The appointment will be effective July 1, 2025.

Electors of Poweshiek County have the right to file a petition under Iowa Code 69.14A to request that the vacancy be filled by a special election. The petition shall be filed within 14 days of the appointment and shall meet the requirements Iowa Code 331.306, which in part states the petition must be signed by a number equal or greater than at least ten (10%) percent of the votes cast in the County for the office of President at the preceding General Election, which equals 1,002 signatures.

Letters of Interest and Resumes will be accepted by the Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors to fill the vacancy of Poweshiek County Treasurer. Successful applicants must be detail-oriented and have organizational skills, computer skills, and customer service skills. Experience in a supervisory position and knowledge in finance is preferred. Please submit a letter of interest and resume to Poweshiek County Auditor's Office, 302 E. Main St, PO Box 57, Montezuma, IA 50171, or email to meilander@poweshiekiowa.org by 4:00 p.m., Friday, May 2, 2025. Postmark does not count, and emails must be in the inbox by 4:00 p.m. Applicants must be residents of Poweshiek County for at least sixty (60) days before the time of appointment. Call 641-623-5443 with any questions.

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NOTICE In the Matter of the Judicial Magistrate Appointing Commission For POWESHIEK County

The POWESHIEK County Magistrate Appointing Commission will meet on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 2:30 p.m., at the POWESHIEK County Courthouse, for the purpose of appointing one magistrate for POWESHIEK County for the term beginning August 1, 2025, and ending July 31, 2029. All Applicants must be personally present for interviews on that date.

1. The magistrate must be a resident of POWESHIEK County or a resident of a county contiguous to this county during the term of office and does not qualify for appointment if at the time of appointment, the applicant will have reached age seventy-two (72).

2. A magistrate shall be an attorney licensed to practice law in Iowa, except for magistrates who have held office since April 1, 2009.

3. To qualify for appointment, one must file a certified application on the forms approved by the Iowa Supreme Court. The application forms may be obtained from the office of the District Court Administrator between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The completed application forms (with letters of interest and resume of qualifications attached) must be returned by email to: Cathy.Reck@iowacourts.gov, at cathy.reck@iowacourts.gov. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

4. The present salary for a Judicial Magistrate is \$45,484.00 per year.

5. The magistrate shall work in other counties of the district, when necessary, as assigned by the Chief Judge. The magistrate may be required to handle mental commitment hearings.

6. The person appointed shall attend the annual school of instruction for magistrates.

7. For information on judicial magistrate appointments, jurisdiction and procedures, see Iowa Code sections 602.6403 through 602.6405.

By order of the Judicial Appointing Commission

The Honorable Judge Dustin Hite, Chairperson

Dated this 7th day of April, 2025

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Montezuma Council discusses dog ordinance, downtown parking at Monday meeting

Mayor Colin Watts presided over a public hearing for the proposed property tax levy on Monday, Apr. 7, at 5:45 p.m. Others present were councilmembers Ron Willrich, Curtis Bolen, and Wes Pargeon; Peggy Watts, Erik Kriegel, and Bret Warden. Absent were councilmembers Ron Hensel and KyLee Stone.

There were no public comments during the public hearing, and it was closed.

The regular meeting followed at 6 p.m. All councilmembers and the mayor were present, as were P. Watts, Kriegel, Warden, Joel Kercheval, and Dennis Latcham.

A liquor license was approved for Montezuma Super Valu and Dollar General.

Joel Kercheval shared a quote from Bushong Construction for replacement of four walk-in doors on the fire station. Kercheval said the doors are a necessity. They are rotting and rusting, and leak when it rains. The council approved the purchase.

Councilmember Hensel said he was approached by a businessperson on the square who asked for there to be no truck parking on the South side of the square. Council discussed the possibility of turning the south side of Liberty Street into parallel parking. There were concerns over shortage of parking space in relation to the South handicap entrance to the courthouse, as well as elevated curb height.

Hensel lamented no business owner wants to lose parking, but he and the council agreed they want the downtown to be accessible. The matter was tabled until after the IEDA Downtown Assessment in May.

Councilmember Pargeon updated the council on possible edits and amendments for Chapter 55 – Animal Protection and

Control. Pargeon compared Montezuma's current ordinance with those of surrounding communities and counties. He spoke with a few county officials and wondered if the better approach would be for the county to assume oversight of an animal control department, and then all participating cities would fall under its purview. Mayor Watts will email the other mayors in Poweshiek County about interest a county-wide animal control facility.

Erik Kriegel said the brush pile is constantly busy, and the city has to find a way to curb the traffic and waste. Kriegel said the amount is more than the city can handle, and there's nowhere to go with the ash. There are currently contractors – some of which are operating outside of city limits – who dump brush every day in the city's pile. The city has certain restrictions on the books which limit the size of tree stumps and limbs that can be accepted. After much discussion, council agreed the city needs to curb abuse of the brush pile, and the matter was tabled until the next meeting, so P. Watts can check the exact wording of the city's ordinance, insurance coverage, and CCTV footage at the dump site.

P. Watts said a stop sign has been ordered for the intersection at 3rd Street and Liberty Street.

Joel Kercheval said there were 47 calls in March; 10 of those were fire calls, 37 were ambulance.

Bret Warden updated the council on some impromptu road work at the corner of 4th Street and Wood Street. It was discovered the tile between manholes was in disrepair, and subsequently replaced. It will remain gravel to allow for proper settling before a new overlay of asphalt happens later in the year.

Brooklyn City Council tours downtown alley ahead of planned upgrades

Brooklyn city council opened the public hearing on the proposed tax levy at 5.45 p.m.

A number of residents were present to ask questions at the City of Brooklyn's public hearing. Mayor Les Taylor said the important message is the taxes collected by the city are going down 34%. City Clerk Sheri Sharer explained why there is such a big difference between last year and this year. The hearing closed at 5:50 p.m. At 6 p.m. city council opened their regular meeting. Councilmembers Matt Goodrich, Skip Solem, Sam DeGeorge, and Willy Wonick were present. Councilmember Bill McLain was absent. Mayor Les Taylor, city clerk Sheri Sharer, sheriff Matt Maschmann, and superintendent of public works Brian VanTomme were also present. Council set Apr. 21, 6 p.m. as the proposed

city budget meeting.

Maschmann reported on the new hires in the department. Council discussed an ongoing issue with a loose dog in the community. Maschmann recommended posting the city dog ordinance, and writing a letter to the resident, alongside their law enforcement options. Brooklyn clean up days are scheduled for May 2 and 3. Residents are encouraged to focus on the exterior of their properties. VanTomme invited Scott Pottorff from MMS Consultations to walk through the alley with the council to discuss project options and ideas. Scott will have more information at the next meeting, based on the feedback of the council.

Brooklyn City Council will meet again Monday, Apr. 21.

Malcom leaders discuss potential community center project

Malcom city council met in special session, Monday, Apr. 7.

No questions or concerns were raised by the public or councilmembers concerning the proposed tax levy. Council approved the resolution. The special session meeting adjourned.

Malcom city council opened its regular session. All councilmembers answered roll call.

Councilmembers reviewed Malcom's Fire Department report. They discussed controlled burns getting out of control, and the bus accident north of town. There were no serious injuries in any of the incidents.

Marty Wymore from Region 6 was present to discuss a potential new community center. He outlined possible funding sources, and recommended creating a fundraising committee that can procure resumes and proposals for potential architects in order to bring on an architect as a first step. Mayor Hamilton stated they have spoken to a contractor and have had several town hall meetings, and "are off to a great start."

Brooke Holder was present from Poweshiek Public Health to introduce her role and department to the city council.

The city clerk asked the council to review the ad and application form for the open city treasurer position. Council approved the ad with a cut-off on applications for May 2.

The council heard a proposal for reducing paper and printing for meetings – Councilmember Johnson recommended Dell laptops for meetings – the city already own four, so five more are needed. A motion was made and carried to move forward with the plans.

Mayor Hamilton reported she attended preparedness training at the sheriff's department (mock fire). She said her takeaway was if a situation were to arise, let a family member or friend know you are safe and where you are. "We need to look out for one another."

Mayor Hamilton said on Apr. 23, to celebrate Earth Day, the BGM student council will be cleaning up the town, specifically the park and ballpark.

The owner of the Pour House and Grill was present to ask permission for customers to take their drinks to an outside patio.

Motion made and approved, so he can move forward with his state and insurance requirements.

Malcom City Council meets again Monday, May 5.

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Poweshiek County Secondary Roads Motor Grader Operator & Mechanic

The Poweshiek Co. Secondary Road Dept. is accepting applications for the job of **Motor Grader Operator** in the Grinnell area and a **Mechanic**.

Motor Grader Operator duties will include maintaining and repairing rock and dirt roads, snow and ice removal, operating heavy and specialized equipment, replacing signs and culverts, identifying problem areas, and performing related duties as assigned. Starting wage will be \$27.91 per hour. After a successful six (6) month trial period the hourly rate will increase to \$28.75 per union contract.

Mechanic duties will include maintenance of the Secondary Road Department fleet and performing related duties as assigned. Starting wage will be \$29.87 per hour. After a successful six (6) month trial period the hourly rate will increase to \$30.37, per union contract.

Prospective employees must possess and maintain a valid Class A Commercial Driver's License with an air brake endorsement or obtain within six (6) months of employment. Other endorsements may also be required.

After accepting an offer of employment, applicants will be required to have a physical examination verifying the physical ability to perform the duties described. In conjunction with Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (parts 391 & 40), this job requires a pre-employment drug screen and will require ongoing participation in the employer's drug testing program. Graduation from high school or GED and road construction or maintenance work or the operation of certain types of equipment are required for both positions. Experience in road construction or maintenance work for Motor Grader Operator and experience in mechanic work is required for Mechanic.

A complete job description is available upon request. Application must be returned to the Poweshiek County Engineer's Office before 12 p.m., Monday, April 21, 2025.

Poweshiek County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applications are available online at <https://poweshiekiowa.org>, career/jobs and print Poweshiek County Secondary Roads application.

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