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couple years following it. It puts a lot of nitrogen into the ground, so it's a good thing," Sears said. "And we always do major rotational burning. So if we pick an area, say, at 60 acres, we just take a chunk of 30 to 40 acres so we're not impacting wildlife species and things like that." Sears said his department worked on several projects with the North Iowa Area Community College construction class at the Charles City Career Center, including replacing the deck boards on the north side of the building at the Fossil and Prairie Center. The decking had been regular wood, which had started to rot and weaken, and was "to a point where it was going to be unsafe within the next year or two," he said. The Conservation Department purchased composite decking and the NIACC construction class provided the labor. "We just paid for material and

they did a phenomenal job," Sears said. The class also made some informational kiosks to be placed in county parks, such as Mathers Woods where one was placed recently. Sears also discussed in detail work to make the Cedar River a state-certified water trail, which would improve access points and install mile markers along the river. The markers are an important emergency management tool to quickly identify locations on the river in case an emergency response is needed for people on the river or other reasons, he said. Other improvements could include putting in restroom facilities such as pit toilets at locations along the river and up-grading access points. Sears said this would be a continuation of improvements made by Mitchell County about three years ago, and would provide a stretch of river more than 50 miles long as a certified water trail. He said this will be an important addition to the area, giving

people the option of more safely and conveniently paddling "flat water" as well as using the whitewater course in Charles City. "A lot of them do both," he said, adding that the options could make visitors spend more time in the county. **ANOTHER IMPORTANT RIVER** event this year will be the return of Project AWARE to the area, Sears said. Iowa Project AWARE (A Watershed Awareness River Expedition) is an annual volunteer river cleanup that moves to a different river and watershed each year, with a couple of hundred volunteers spending a week pulling trash and debris from rivers and sending it to be recycled, along with other activities. The week-long event was on the Cedar River in 2017 and people pulled four to five tons of junk from the river and its banks, Sears said. This year the event will be July 13-18 and will be in the Shell Rock and Winnebago River watersheds, and the state estimates 300 to 350 volunteers will participate. The group will stay in Mason City the first three days, then

will spend a couple of days based in the Tosanak Recreation Area, Sears said. According to the Travel Iowa Project AWARE website, in addition to the river cleanup the event includes "hands-on, real-time opportunities for volunteers to learn more about the river's water quality, archeology, ecology, geology and cultural history." Also at the board meeting this week, the supervisors: Approved purchasing a John Deere 190GW wheeled excavator for the Secondary Roads Department to replace a 2012 Volvo excavator for a total of \$281,821, including \$40,000 trade-in. Bids on two Caterpillar models were for higher prices. Approved a contract with Denco Highway Construction Corp. of Mingo for a total of \$313,000 to perform asphalt pavement maintenance including joint and crack filling and repair, and slurry leveling. Roads included in the contract are: - T24 from B30 south to Rockford city limits (6.1 miles). - Quail Ave/210th St. from Hwy 14 south and east to Highway Ave. (0.3 miles). - S70/105th St. from northern city limits of Nora Springs north

to the county line and 105th St. from S70 west to the county line (5 miles). - S70 from B847 north to B30 at Nora Springs (7.5 miles). - T26 and T38/7-18 Rd intersecting Rudd (0.93 miles). - T64 north and B33 from B33 south to the city limits of Charles City and B33 from T64 east to T66 (5.6 miles). - T64 from the southern city limits of Charles City south to the county line (9 miles). "I've been told this is the most we've done in the past," said Adam Miller, who started as Floyd County engineer March 1. "We need to catch up a little bit, so we're going to continue to push on this pavement maintenance, to make our pavements last longer and stay in better shape longer," he said. Held more discussions as trustees of county drainage districts, again talking about alleged problems with a drainage ditch renovation project in Drainage District No. 3, approving Secondary Roads making repairs in Drainage District No. 7, and talked about getting an engineering firm to estimate repairs needed in Drainage District No. 18.

SIDEWALK

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both front air bags went off. The truck had to be pulled away from the law office facade so an AMR ambulance crew could get into the driver's side door to treat the man, who was alone in the vehicle. The man was conscious and talking when he was taken into the ambulance, Anderson said, adding that it was possible the driver may have had some sort of medical episode while southbound on Main Street. The man's name has not yet been released. Main Street was closed from Clark Street to Riverside Drive for a little over an hour Wednesday afternoon until the scene was cleaned up and emergency vehicles left. An electrician from Perry Novak Electric capped off the power lines that had been pulled out of the light pole when it was broken off, to make the site safe. The Charles City Police Department, Charles City Fire Department, Floyd County Sheriff's Office, Floyd County Emergency Management and AMR ambulance assisted at the scene.

Legal Notice

Public Notice
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
FOR FLOYD COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF
JAMES E. ELSBURY, Deceased
Probate No. ESPR019125
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of James E. Elsbury, Deceased, who died on or about April 1, 2025.

You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of May, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of James E. Elsbury, deceased, bearing date of the 23rd day of August, 2013, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Kelly A. Engels was appointed Executor of the estate. 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 date of mailing 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.

Dated this 15th day of May, 2025

Kelly A. Engels
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Executor of Estate

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Clear Lake, IA 50428-0187
Attorneys for Executor

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Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
FOR FLOYD COUNTY IN THE
MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JOHN E. FLINT, Deceased
Case No. ESPR019128
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL,
OF APPOINTMENT OF
EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO
CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of John E. Flint, Deceased, who died on or about August 22, 2024.

You are hereby notified that on May 16, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of John E. Flint, deceased, bearing date of July 9, 2019, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Kim Rouse was appointed Executor of the estate. 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.

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Dated: 5/21/25

Kim Rouse, Executor of Estate
507 S. Jackson Street
Charles City, IA 50616

Danielle Ellington
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Noah, Smith, Slater, &
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Floyd County Board of Supervisors
Meeting
May 13, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

The Floyd County Board of Supervisors met in the Floyd County Courthouse Board Room. Supervisors Dennis Keifer, Boyd Campbell, and Gloria Carr were in attendance.

Carr/Campbell moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

Public comment: None.

Campbell/Carr moved to approve the May 6, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

Campbell/Carr moved to approve the claims: County #2596-2682 and Engineer #11360-11379. Motion carried 3-0.

Ahlers, Legal	2593.31	2
Alliant, Elect	102.93	1
Amazon, Supplies	748.23	2
TEK/AMR, Serv	17810.42	1
Breitbach, Tests	100.00	1
Butler Co, Reimb	11514.24	3
REC, Elect	299.40	2
B Campbell, Reimb	65.03	1
Centri LA JV, Shelter	10167.80	3
Centri LA JV, Phone	724.75	7
CC Press, Notice	720.00	2
Charm-Tex, Supply	84.90	1
F&L, Util	37.72	1
Rockford, Util	165.00	1
CJ Cooper, Tests	220.00	1
Croell, Reimb	7813.16	1
D & L, Reimb	7039.16	1
Dakota Supply, Supply	589.70	1
Z Eckenrodt, Reimb	255.70	1
EOJohnson, Service	121.12	1
Fareway, Food	2130.11	1
F&L Psto, Supplies	86.40	1
FC Gen, Pstg	2000.00	3
FCSC, Services	841.50	1
FC Treas, Serv Fees	228.85	1
Force Am, Parts	65.99	1
Gordon Fleisch, Lease	239.94	2
GRD Assoc, Disposal	187.00	1
Healthcare, Software	202.46	1
Houshy, Parts	2913.24	1
IA Huggel, Legal	4000.00	1
IA Comm Net, Service	452.00	1
ISU, Training	150.00	1
J Sandblast, Serv	87.50	1
Jendro, Disposal	3458.98	3
Kanrad Tech, Software	1500.00	1
Kwik Star, Supplies	381.54	2
Learning Conn, Fees	2025.13	1
Lessin, Parts	627.55	1
MCPD, Service	36.00	1
MDS Records, Serv	89.33	1
Mediam, Serv Fee	224.02	1
Mid Am, Util	6320.32	3
Next Gen, Update	2167.00	1
Viafield, Fuel	816.28	1
NS-Rkid Reg, Notice	1120.61	1
N Central Int, Parts	281.80	1
N Iowa, Broadcast	360.00	1
OmniTel, Phone	2560.00	2
Osage Vet, Service	62.00	1
P Novak Elect, Serv	187.91	1
Petrolend, Parts	540.51	1
Pitney Bowes, Pstg	1500.00	1
Ricoher, Services	32.53	1
J Rivera, Reimb	341.23	1
Schuetz, Acc, Hwd	20.82	2
Solutions, Support	6468.24	1
Special Med, Therapy	1400.00	1

Hygienic Lab, Supplies 815.00 1
Superior, Tissues 28.88 1
Titus Lock, Service 310.00 1
Dept Revenue, Tax 12.50 1
Verizon, Serv Fee 7.02 1
Vestis, Supplies 626.24 1
Visa, Misc 6372.53 10
Visual Edge, Equip 58.11 2
Wedeking Custom Comfort LLC, Services 160.00 1
Wex Bank, Fuel 6559.45 2
Wicks Const, Service 5150.00 1
WIN, Services 750.00 1
Youth Shltr, Services 419.13 1

Updates on various boards/commissions/activities: Carr attended a NIACOG meeting. Keifer attended the following meetings Chamber of Commerce executive board and 911.

Carr/Campbell moved to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1) (g) To avoid disclosure of specific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection. Roll call vote: Ayes-Carr, Campbell, Keifer; motion carried 3-0.

Carr/Campbell moved to delay action the Floyd County Courthouse Security Plan until there are clarifications. Motion carried 3-0.

County Engineer Adam Miller provided updates on secondary road and office activities. Brush removal and burning are on hold until weather conditions improve. Patch rock has been completed, dust control work is ongoing, and culverts are being replaced on Jersey at 230th Ave, 240th Ave, and Apple Lane Rd. Dura patching is finished on Underwood and continues throughout the county. The shelter for the collection site storm foundation has been poured and will be cored in time for installation. Quotes are being sought from Murphy Tractor and Caterpillar to replace a wheeled excavator that has required costly repairs over the years. The board gave Miller verbal permission to proceed with ordering the machine once a decision is made. However, following discussion on past practices, the board requested that any purchases exceeding \$15,000 be brought to the board for formal approval. In the office, a preconstruction meeting was held with Heartland Asphalt for the 2025 resurfacing project. The scheduling for the Rockford shop project is letted for May 19. Pavement maintenance, including crack filling and slurry leveling by Denco, is underway. Quotes are also being collected for rumble strip installation on select roads. Flashing red lights for the B60 and Packard Ave intersection, along with six engine ordinance signs, have been ordered. Miller also recommended revamping the county's safety training by partnering with Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities, which offers OS-HA-compliant, in-person sessions. A two-year proposal has been requested, with an estimated annual cost of \$12,000 and affiliate membership available for

\$500 per year. Miller will attend New Engineer Training on Wednesday.

A company will be hired to remove county-owned communications equipment from the 210th St tower and elevator sites. Jennifer Solomon, 911 Coordinator, noted that multiple entities will be present during the removal process to ensure that only county-owned equipment is taken down. Carr/Campbell moved to accept the 911 Commission's recommendation that the removed equipment be transferred to Tynan's. If the dispositioned equipment is not repurposed within 30 days, Tynan's will proceed with scrapping it. Motion carried 3-0. Equipment on the 210th Street tower must be removed by June 21.

John Gohr, Dispatch Supervisor, reported significant staffing shortages and some employees nearing their maximum allowable time off. To address this, he proposed creating a temporary PRN dispatcher position. Gohr requested permission to begin advertising the part-time position approved in the FY26 budget. Another option discussed was allowing current employees to carry over holiday and vacation time. Carr clarified that once the newest hire completes training and can take on overtime, it should help ease staffing pressures. Carr/Campbell moved to approve hiring a temporary PRN dispatcher without a 10-day posting period and to begin posting the part-time permanent position, with the option to hire a qualified candidate before July 1. Motion carried 3-0.

The board noted the hiring of Jamie Eklaw as full time Dispatcher, effective May 12, with a starting wage of \$25.91/hour, increasing to \$27.01/hour upon completion of training.

The board noted a pay increase for Jailer, Jessica Rivera to \$22 per hour, effective April 8, after completing jail school.

Campbell/Carr moved to approve Dennis Keifer, Board of Supervisors Chair and Morriagan Miller, Auditor as Authorized Business Officers for County Visa Credit Cards up to a \$3000 limit. As well as Assistant and Amanda Theiken. Auditor's Assistant to manage and make changes to the eZBusiness Account. Motion carried 3-0.

Campbell/Carr moved to approve the FY25 County Budget Amendment Public Notice to Nora Spring Rockford Register and CC Press. Motion carried 3-0.

Future agenda items: Drainage District #18 repairs and Aerial Services data processing

Campbell/Carr moved to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST: Morriagan Miller
Floyd County Auditor
Dennis Keifer, Chair
Floyd County Board of Supervisors

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Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
FOR FLOYD COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF JOHN P HUTCHISON, Deceased
CASE NO. 019123
NOTICE OF
PROBATE OF WILL, OF
APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of John P Hutchison, Deceased, who died on or about March 25, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on May 7, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of John P Hutchison, deceased, bearing date of December 10, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Emily Hutchison was appointed Personal Representative of the estate. 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.

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Dated May 9, 2025.

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Legal Notice

Notice of Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that the following individuals are indebted to Stealth Storage LLC for past due rent and other charges. Public auction will be conducted pursuant to Iowa Legislative Code 578A. Auction will be conducted in person on June 13, 2025 starting at 10:00 a.m. at 106 Stoney Point Rd. Stealth Storage LLC reserves the right to bid on any unit. Sale of a unit is subject to cancellation in the event of a settlement between Landlord and obligated party. All units sold as is without warranty or guarantee as to content. Each unit will be sold separately and in its entirety. Cash payment and \$50 deposit required immediately by the highest bidder for the unit to be opened. Highest bidder is responsible for removal of all contents of the unit purchased within 7 days or they forfeit their \$50 deposit and all remaining contents of the unit.

Contents of said units consist in part of: Personal, Household, and Miscellaneous Items

Courtney Thompson, Storage unit S11, 10' x 20'

Mark Albrecht, Storage unit S20, 10' x 20'

Barbara Shreve, Storage unit S23, 10' x 20'

Annic Wilson, Storage unit S29, 10' x 20'

Amber Berger, Storage unit S53, 8' x 10'

Lenell Jenkins, Storage unit S62, 8' x 10'

Larry Bell, Storage unit S63, 8' x 10'

Samantha Graham, Storage unit S97, 8' x 10'

All of these units are located at 106 Stoney Point Rd, Charles City, IA

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Legal Notice

TRUST NOTICE
IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST:
BRIETZKE FAMILY TRUST
AGREEMENT U/A DATED
MAY 18, 1993

To all persons regarding Grace T. Brietzke, deceased, who died on or about March 21, 2025. You are hereby notified that the Trustee listed below is a Trustee of the Brietzke Family Trust Agreement dated May 18, 1993, as amended. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Floyd County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated on May 16, 2025.

John W. Brietzke
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Nora Springs, Iowa 50458

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Attorney for Trustee
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PAWS
CHARLES CITY, IOWA

PET OF THE WEEK

Names: Miller
Breed: Shorthair/black
Ages: 11/2 years
Gender: Neutered Male

Miller is a handsome black cat. He is an outgoing, friendly boy. He would do well in any home.

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CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Summer Food Service Program

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Week of May 26 • 11:00am-12:00pm

Lincoln Elementary School - Charles City

ALL Children 18 and Younger Free • Adults \$4.00

Monday: Memorial Day - no lunch served

Tuesday: Grilled Turkey Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich w/ String Cheese, Seasoned Green Peas, Baby Carrots, Diced Peas

Wednesday: Scratch-Made Cheesy Chicken Flour Tacos, Turkey Ham & Cheese Sub Sandwich, Vegetarian Refried Beans, Cut Cucurber Slices, Picante Salsa, Shredded Lettuce, Apple

Thursday: Grilled Cheeseburger, Crispy Chicken Garden Salad w/Croutons, Crispy Tater Tots, Steamed Broccoli, Diced Peaches

Friday: Delicious Cheese Pizza, Chef Salad w/Crackers, Green Beans, Baby Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits

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Participants are expected to use normal school lunchroom behavior.

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