

Original Notice

IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR HOWARD COUNTY
CASE NO. CDDM001672
ORIGINAL NOTICE

UPON THE PETITION OF
ELSA ONDINA BAUTISTA VARELA,
PETITIONER
AND CONCERNING
MARVIN ALEX LOPEZ
RESPONDENT

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:
You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court naming you as the respondent in this action, which Petition prays for dissolution of the marriage, for an award of custody, for division of property and for an award of child support. The name and address of the attorney for the Petitioner is Mark L. Walk, 515 State Street, Osage, IA 50461. The attorney's phone number is 641-732-3796; facsimile number is 641-732-5345.

You must serve a motion or answer on of before the 7th day of September, 2025, and within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Howard County, at the courthouse in Cresco, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

If you need assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of a disability, immediately call your District ADA coordinator at (319) 833-3282. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942.)

YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEE LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS.

Juvenile Crt.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA, IN AND FOR HOWARD COUNTY (JUVENILE DIVISION)

Juvenile No. JJV001706-1708

IN THE INTEREST OF
J.S., R.S., & L.S.
Children

NOW the Court finds that an adjudicatory hearing under Iowa Code Section 232.96 has been set on the Petition alleging that the children in interest are children in need of assistance at **9:00 A.M. on the 26th day of August 2025**. The Court is further advised that after diligent inquiry the whereabouts of the children's mother and father is unknown. The Court therefore FINDS that personal service up the children's mother and father is impracticable and that service should be made by publication.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that notice of said hearing shall be served upon Amanda and Josie Swartzentruber, the children's mother and father, by publication in accordance with the Rules of Civil Procedure, once each week for three consecutive weeks, the last publication made not later than five days prior to the date set for hearing.

Clerk shall provide a copy of this order to the children, children's parents, council of record, IDHS, and foster parent or foster care provider.

Case Number: JJV001707
Case Title: RUTH SWARTZENTRUBER
Type: OTHER ORDER

So Ordered
Linnea M.N. Nicol
District Associate Judge
First Judicial District of Iowa

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Notice Public Hearing

5 Year Contract between Axon and Howard County, Iowa

To Whom It May Concern:

You are hereby notified that at 11:00 a.m. on August 11, 2025, at the Howard County Courthouse, Board of Supervisors Office, 137 N Elm St, Cresco, IA 52136, there will be a public hearing for the master service and purchasing agreement between Axon and Howard County, Iowa for new car and body cameras.

Joe Pisney, Chairman,
Howard County Board of Supervisors

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Probate

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR HOWARD COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Frederick C. Brush Jr.,
Deceased
Probate No. **ESPR012483**
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of **Frederick C. Brush Jr.**, Deceased, who died on or about **June 2, 2025**.

You are hereby notified that on the 26th day of June, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Frederick C. Brush Jr., deceased, bearing date of the 16th day of May, 2006, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Margaret A. Osmundson 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 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.

Dated this **30th day of July, 2025**

Margaret A. Osmundson
14799 Boulder Pointe Road
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55347
Executor of Estate

Andrew C. Johnston
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Attorneys for Executor

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Notice

NOTICE OF FILING OF THE FINAL PLAT AND SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 7TH STREET WEST RECONSTRUCTION, WITHIN THE CITY OF CRESCO, IOWA

TO THE PERSONS OWNING LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT DESCRIBED AS THE 7TH STREET WEST RECONSTRUCTION, WITHIN THE CITY OF CRESCO, IOWA:

consisting of the properties which are described as follows:

All parcels abutting 7th Street West beginning at the south right-of-way line of Highway 9 and ending at the north right-of-way line of 4th Avenue West as shown on the preliminary assessment plat. The parcels are listed below:

LOT 3 & LOT 4 OF 4 SUBD LOT 3 IR SURV SE
S 125' LOT 2 EX E 150' N 50' SUBD LOT 3 IR SURV SE
E 150' N 50' S 125' LOT 2 SUBD LOT 3 IR SURV SE
LOT 1 OF 2 SUBD LOT 2 SUBD LOT 3

IR SURV SE
S 80' LOT 5 OF 4 IR SURV SE
N 75' OF S 155' LOT 5 OF 4 IR SURV SE
LOT 5 OF 4 EX S 155' IR SURV SE
LOT 9 BLK 28 BALDWINS ADDN
LOTS 7 & 8 BLK 28 BALDWINS ADDN
S 1/2 LOTS 11 & 12 BLK 21 BALDWINS ADDN
N 80' LOTS 11 & 12 BLK 21 BALDWINS ADDN
LOT 10 BLK 21 BALDWINS ADDN
LOT 9 & S 35' OF W 1/2 LOT 8 BLK 21 BALDWINS ADDN
W 1/2 LOTS 6, 7 & 8 EX S 35' BLK 21 BALDWINS ADDN
S 80' LOTS 9 & 10 BLK 16 BALDWINS ADDN
LOT 9 & 10 EX S 80' BLK 16 BALDWINS ADDN
LOTS 7 & 8 BLK 16 BALDWINS ADDN
LOT 2 OF 2 & 100' RRROW IR SURV SE & LOT 2 OF 7 SW
LOT 1 & LOT 1 OF 2 EX LT 1 OF 1 OF 2 IRSURV SE (FAIRGROUNDS-RACETRACK ETC)
LOT 3 OF 4 & LOT 4 OF 4 IR SURV SE
The extent of the work completed on the 7th Street West Reconstruction, is as follows:

lows:

Remove all existing concrete pavement, granular base and concrete curb and gutter on 7th Street West from Highway 9 to 4th Avenue West. The project will replace the existing 4 inch watermain along the corridor with 8 inch watermain. The existing 8" clay sanitary sewer between Highway 9 and Stock Avenue will be reconstructed with 8" PVC sanitary sewer. The existing storm sewer will also be reconstructed and discharged at a new location with a stormwater pond.

The street will be reconstructed as a 36 foot wide concrete street from Highway 9 north 500 feet then taper down to a 31 feet wide concrete street to 4th Avenue West. The roadway will include 6 inch thick concrete with integral curb over 10 inches of granular base. New concrete approaches will be constructed at existing driveway locations within the street right-of-way. Side-walk pedestrian ramps will be constructed at all intersections to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The location of the improvements is 7th Street West from Highway 9 to 4th Avenue West.

You are hereby notified that the final

plat and schedule of assessments against benefited properties within the District described as the 7th Street West Reconstruction, for the construction of street, water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer and other public improvements, has been adopted and levied by the Council of the City of Cresco, and that said plat and schedule of assessments has been certified to the County Treasurer of Howard County, Iowa. Assessments of \$500.00 or more are payable in ten (10) 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 5.1% (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 7th Street West Reconstruction, 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 Howard 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.

City Clerk
Nicole Hill

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FY 2024/2025 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT									
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Actual and Budget									
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025									
County Name: HOWARD COUNTY County Number:45									
Revenues & Other Financing Sources		General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Actual Totals	Budgeted Totals	
Taxes Levied on Property	1	4,878,312	2,174,077		344,625		7,397,014	7,395,538	1
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2		0		0		0		2
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	147,987	58,873		9,633		216,493	228,002	3
Net Current Property Taxes	4	4,730,325	2,115,204		334,992		7,180,521	7,167,536	4
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	3	0		0		3		5
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	43,228					43,228	13,100	6
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	40,687	1,084,103	0	1,297,381	0	2,422,171	2,390,814	7
Intergovernmental	8	944,378	4,560,662	0	20,255	0	5,525,295	5,424,237	8
Licenses & Permits	9	7,860	39,489	0	0	0	47,349	41,000	9
Charges for Service	10	580,372	1,844	0	0	0	582,216	540,869	10
Use of Money & Property	11	709,535	16,006	71,611	0	0	797,152	656,430	11
Miscellaneous	12	79,074	163,761	169,007	0	0	411,842	390,306	12
Subtotal Revenues	13	7,135,462	7,981,069	240,618	1,652,628	0	17,009,777	16,624,292	13
Other Financing Sources:									
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	0	0	0	0	0	0		14
Operating Transfers In	15	289,948	2,519,753	0	0	0	2,809,701	2,574,610	15
Proceeds of Capital Asset Sales	16	2,425	7,325	0	0	0	9,750		16
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	7,427,835	10,508,147	240,618	1,652,628	0	19,829,228	19,198,912	17
Expenditures & other Financing Uses									
Operating:									
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	2,170,543	433,721			0	2,604,264	2,894,762	18
Physical Health Social Services	19	328,375	53,893			0	382,268	470,188	19
Mental Health, ID & DD (Polk County only)	20	0	0			0	0		20
County Environment and Education	21	1,088,159	639,855			0	1,728,014	1,895,353	21
Roads & Transportation	22	0	5,560,443			0	5,560,443	6,111,007	22
Government Services to Residents	23	497,078	5,315			0	502,393	553,439	23
Administration	24	1,795,549	0			0	1,795,549	2,439,054	24
Nonprogram Current	25	280	0			0	280	5,000	25
Debt Service	26	0	0	0	1,372,793	0	1,372,793	1,372,795	26
Capital Projects	27	0	780,420	70,136		0	850,556	2,416,448	27
Subtotal Expenditures	28	5,879,984	7,473,647	70,136	1,372,793	0	14,796,560	18,158,046	28
Other Financing Uses:									
Operating Transfers Out	29	418,457	2,391,244	0	0	0	2,809,701	2,574,610	29
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0	0	0	0		30
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	6,298,441	9,864,891	70,136	1,372,793	0	17,606,261	20,732,656	31
Changes in fund balances	32	1,129,394	643,256	170,482	279,835	0	2,222,967	-1,533,744	32
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2024	33	4,913,118	4,302,953	1,486,506	209,903	0	10,912,480	10,912,480	33
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budget)	34	0	0	0	0	0	0		34
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0	0	0	0		35
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	871,147	4,946,209	1,656,988	489,738	0	7,964,082	5,320,310	36
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0	0	0	0		37
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	2,445,169	0	0	0	0	2,445,169	1,767,249	38
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	2,726,196	0	0	0	0	2,726,196	2,291,177	39
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2025	40	6,042,512	4,946,209	1,656,988	489,738	0	13,135,447	9,378,736	40

Photos from Fly In Breakfast, Art Show



CRESCO - Thad Bennett from Rochester brought his Weight Shift Tryke Plane to the Fly In Breakfast at Ellen Church Field in Cresco on Sunday, Aug. 3.



CRESCO - Visitors to the Cresco Fine Arts Show in Beadle Park enjoy looking at the art work on display on Sunday.

Library Lines

The library will be having a food stand on Friday, Aug. 8 starting at 5:00 p.m. and Sat., Aug. 9 starting at 5:00 p.m. Serving maidrites, hotdogs potato salad, baked beans, chips, ring pops, water, pop, and malts. Also, the Library Gift Basket Auction will be available. The baskets include a candle, movie, bingo, arts/crafts, coffee, wine, and a bird house. Bid on the Library Baskets before and during Sweet Corn Days. The baskets can be viewed at the library starting July 30.

The Lime Springs Library is having a fairy tale contest. Guess the book title by looking at the symbols on the paper. Stop at the library to get a form. Drawing will be held August 14 for the quali-

fied participants at 8:00 p.m. On Wednesday, August 6 and 13 Children's Bingo will be available for ages 3 to 6th grade to play. Children can come to the library between 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. for this activity.

The "Monday Morning Coffee Group" meets at 9:30 a.m. every Monday at the Library. Also, the "Coffee Connections" group meets every Thursday afternoon from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Enjoy a cup of coffee or hot chocolate and socialize with friends. Everyone welcome.

The Library will be closed Saturday, August 9. Look for the library float in the parade on Sunday, August 10.

The next Book Discussion will be August 12 at 6:30 p.m.

when the group will be watching the movie "Under The Tuscan Sun" Please come and join us. Popcorn and pop will be served.

There will be no Bingo on Saturday, August 16. We will start again in September.

There will be a special Sunset Drum Circle at Kitchen Park on August 19 from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Patricia Stevens will guide simple, synchronized rhythms, bask in the magic of sound vibration. If you have drums and rattles, bring them. If not come anyway. No experience necessary. Bring your own chair. Please call 563-566-2207 to register for this program. Donations accepted. In case of rain, the circle will be inside the library.

The library has a Pickleball set, a tennis racket set, badminton set, a basketball, volleyball, and soccer ball available to check out and use at Browns Park and the Volleyball court near the pool. Check out the items and return it the next day during library hours or in the evenings. The library is open until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday. Questions call 566-2207.

The Library has the BRIDGES program for patrons. This is a library consortium for downloadable audios and eBooks which can be checked out to adults and children. From the website you can search for a title you would like to read or listen to, log in with your library card

number, and download the title to your computer. You can enjoy the book on your computer, or transfer to many portable or mobile device to carry with you. If you are interested in the BRIDGES program go to <http://bridges.lib.overdrive.com> or our website. Click the sign in, select the Lime Springs Library, and enter your library patron number.

The Library has a game collection for children, teen and adults. The games can be checked out for two weeks. Stop in the library to view the variety of games.

The Library will be closed September 1 in observance of Labor Day.