

Steamboat Rock Art Festival & Garden Party
You won't be using your golf clubs
City Wide Cleanup Days
Memorial Weekend Breakfast with the SRFD
Brisket Time
Happiest of Birthdays to You!

and Much More !!!



Friendly Valley Times

“Every good thing given,
and every perfect gift is
from above, coming down
from the Father of lights,
with whom there is no
variation or
shifting
shadow.”

~ James 1:17



Painting a Boat

Once a young man was asked to paint a boat of an affluent man.

The young man got some red paint and brushes and began to paint the boat, as requested by the owner. While painting, he discovered a tiny hole in the ship's hull and quietly fixed it. After completion of the painting, the young man received the money for the paint job and left.

The boat's owner showed up at the painter's house the next day with a substantial check, far greater than the painting payment. "You've already given me money for painting the boat, Sir!" said the surprised painter. "But this isn't for the paint job; it's for repairing the hull in the boat."

"But it was such a little service... It's not worth paying me that much for something so insignificant?" said the young man.

"My dear boy, you do not understand the significance of your act. Let me tell you what happened.

I forgot to mention the hole when I asked you to paint the boat. When you were done with the paint, my kids took the boat and went on a fishing trip once the paint had dried out. They were unaware of there being a hole. I was not there at that time. When I returned and discovered that my children had taken the boat, I was distressed because I remembered it had a hole. I tried to contact them several times but couldn't reach them. Imagine my delight when I saw them return from their fishing trip. After that, I carefully examined the boat and discovered that you had repaired the hole. You see, now, what you did? You protected my children's lives! I don't have enough money to repay for your thoughtful act."

So, No matter what, who, when or how. Keep your spirit up to help, sustain, wipe tears, listen and carefully repair any leaks you find. Because sometimes, the smallest act of kindness and thoughtfulness may be worth more to others.

You may have repaired many "boat holes" on your way even without realizing how many lives you may have impacted. Similarly, many may have fixed holes in your boat without realizing it. So, be grateful and keep being kind and thoughtful.

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Steamboat Rock Historical Society



President: Jim Kramer **Vice President:** Dennis Holmes **Secretary:** **Treasurer:** Kitty Hemmen
At Large: Keith Griffen Email: jimkkramer@heartofiowa.net

OUR Mission: "To preserve and promote the history of Steamboat Rock and the surrounding area"

Museum Open on Appointment Only

Our museum is now closed again until next Spring. However, if you are in town and would like to tour our museum, please contact me at 641-858-6085 and I would be happy to make arrangements to meet you there.

Would you be willing to join our team?

We still have room for people to join our team as we look to preserve the history of Steamboat Rock. In last month's newsletter, we mentioned the many ways that you could help us. If you are interested and would like to know more about helping us, please contact me at 641-858-6085 or send me an email at jimkkramer@heartofiowa.net

Steamboat Rock—Anchored in History

I had another request from somebody out of state this past week, requesting a copy of the book written by Terry Folkerts, "Steamboat Rock-Anchored in History". Our supply is getting low so please let us know if you would like to purchase a copy.

Dennis Holmes

Dennis Holmes has been an important member of the Steamboat Rock Historical Society for many years. He has kept us amused with a number of articles that he has written over those years. He has a love for Steamboat Rock and his family has been an important part of our history. Dennis is currently fighting some serious health issues and has been forced to resign from our team. Please keep Dennis in your prayers.

A Look Back—70 Years Ago

What was happening at the Steamboat Rock High School back in 1953? I for sure can't remember, as I would have been just over one year old. I came across the school newspaper, the "Static" and thought it might provide a little information for us. Here are just a few of the articles. Take notice of a few things:

- It appears that events started at 8:00 in the evening back then.
- "Federal Spending" is an issue today as it was back then!
- Dean Johns was quite the poet back then. (Maybe still so today)

Hope you enjoy! Have a great Spring.

Jim Kramer—Steamboat Rock Historical Society

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOOOUUU!!!

*May you live a long life, Full of Gladness and Health, with a pocket full of gold as the least of your wealth,
May the Dreams you hold dearest, be those which Come True, May the kindness you spread, keep returning to YOU!*

May 4th Cory Schurman
May 8th Britt Petersen
May 12th Jolene Heikens
Marc Havens

May 16th Toni Nederhoff
May 21st Steve Kjormoe
May 24th Ashley Silker



Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church & East Friesland Presbyterian Church

First, let me deeply apologize for missing last month's devotional. No excuses. I simply missed the deadline. That said, here's this month's devotional.

Frank was continually being bothered by his next-door neighbor asking to borrow things. One morning he saw the neighbor approaching his front door and so he was ready for him. "Can I borrow your chain saw this morning?" asked the neighbor. "Afraid not," replied Frank gleefully. "I'll be using it all day." "In that case," said the neighbor, "you won't be using your golf clubs. Mind if I borrow them?"

How do you feel when someone asks to borrow something from you? If you're like me, most of the time it's, "Oh no!" I think one of the reasons that we feel that way is because people tend to not take care of other people's property. I've learned that you always leave or return things BETTER than when you got there or when you got them. How many of you ever loaned something to someone and if you got it back at all, you got it back in, well... let's say, not in the same shape as when you lent it out. Now, have you ever lent something out and got it back and it was in better shape or better condition than when you lent it out? That doesn't happen very often, does it? But when it does, we think pretty highly of whoever's borrowed from us, don't we?

Jesus borrowed things to get His job done here on earth. What are some things Jesus borrowed? He borrowed some loaves and fishes, a donkey and a colt, another man's tomb. Yes, Jesus was good at borrowing. But really, if we think about it, would Jesus ever have to borrow anything? If He needed something, couldn't He just snap His fingers and have it? *Cont'd on page 6*



from the Mayor

Couple reminders:

City Wide Clean-up Days: Are scheduled for Saturday June 10th and Saturday June 17th. 8:00 to 11:00 am each day. The City will provide a roll-off at the City stick dump. This is an excellent opportunity to get rid of that junk that was too big for the garbage truck or just an extra spring-cleaning pile you have created. Fee of \$15 for each appliances to be disposed of, right at the location, or pay the City Clerk in advance and she will give the folks helping on site the heads up. That is a pass-through fee to the company that picks up the appliances. This collection of junk excludes TVs and RV refrigerators. There will also be a place to get rid of recyclable metals at these events.

Ditch Walk / Clean up:

Where: County Road D-35 beginning at the Iowa River bridge and west to U Ave.
About 1.5-mile stretch.

When: Meet at the Steamboat Rock River landing at 9:00 am Saturday April 22, 2023 (Earth Day)

Wear: Dress for the weather of the day. Bring gloves, five-gallon pail, shoes you can walk up and down a ditch in.

Why: there are a few people out there who disrespect our land by littering.

Who can help: You, your kids, your friends, your relatives, you get the idea. This is one of those tasks where many hands make light work. For those who are unable to walk well, but would like to help, we need support vehicles and pickups to gather the bags full of trash. All who are interested in helping beautifying our little part of the world

One of our sponsors is the Hardin County Secondary Roads department who will be providing “road work” signage , bags, and bright vests for visibility.

Look forward to seeing you all on Saturday 4/22/23!

Thanks

Tim Stearns, Mayor

AUTO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILLS (NO Fees!)

Fill out this form and email or drop it off at City Hall please

Direct Deposit Authorization Agreement

AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH DEBITS)

I (we) hereby authorize City of Steamboat Rock, hereinafter called COMPANY, to initiate debit entries to my (our) *Checking Account *Savings Account (select one) indicated below at the depository financial institution names below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, and to debit the same to such account. I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Routing Number _____ Account Number _____

Type of Account: [] Checking [] Savings

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until COMPANY has received written notification from me (or either of us) its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford COMPANY and DEPOSITORY a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Name(s) _____ ID Number _____

Date _____ Signature _____

NOTE: ALL WRITTEN DEBIT AUTHORIZATIONS MUST PROVIDE THAT THE RECEIVER MAY REVOKE THE AUTHORIZATION ONLY BY NOTIFYING THE ORIGINATOR IN THE MANNER SPECIFIED IN THE AUTHORIZATION



Steamboat Rock Fire Department

Memorial Weekend Breakfast

The Steamboat Rock Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association has again set the date for the Memorial Weekend Breakfast. This breakfast will resemble the style of breakfast that was held for years by the Boat Club committees. It will be held on Saturday, May 27th at the Boat Club (Iowa River Conversation Club) from 7 – 11 a.m. The menu will be pancakes, French Toast, eggs, sausage, bacon, toast, and drinks.

This will be a free will donation.

Monies raised this year will be going towards the purchase of three or more SCBA carbon fiber tanks. These tanks are used for breathing while attacking a fire or overhaul of a fire scene. Each tank is right around \$750 a piece. We currently have six but would like to purchase more. Each tank has a shelf life of 15 years and after that they need replacing. We are also looking at the purchase of another five- gas monitor. This machine will also detect explosive gases along with the standard four; O₂(Oxygen), H₂S (hydrogen sulfide), CO (carbon monoxide), and %LEL. This particular machine will be used in a confined space and this device will lead us to the spot of where there might be a gas leak or CO leak. This device currently is costing around \$2,300. Any support that is given is greatly appreciated.

Mark your calendars and come enjoy breakfast!! We hope to see you there!!!

Be Safe,
Scott
SRFD

Steamboat Rock Visionary Group / Pride & Betterment

*Members: Toni Nederhoff, Mary Gast, Dave Hagberg,
Mariah Schurman, Sandy Trampe, Mike Finger, & Bob Hutchcroft*

Brisket! It is time again for our annual brisket dinner. We will hold it again in the community center. The date is **Wednesday, May 24**, beginning at 5 and continuing until 7 or until we run out. **No servings will be made before 5.** We are making additional quantities of brisket this year as we ran out early last year. All meals will be served in takeout containers but there will be seating available in the gym. This is our only fundraiser of the year so we would appreciate your support. Our monies are used to support the city park, entry signs, the Friendly Valley Times, and other projects. Our current project is to create an inviting entryway to the bike trail entrance here in Steamboat Rock.

Costs are up considerably from previous years, so we are asking for a \$15 per person minimum donation. Many people are familiar with Wes Beenken's meat preparation. He will be our brisket preparer so be sure to come enjoy.

FVT! The monetary costs and labor hours of publishing the Friendly Valley Times have risen to the point where publishing a hard copy is no longer feasible. The April edition will be the final issue people will receive in the mail as a printed edition. Our intention is to continue publication but will be sent via email. We are fortunate to have the services of Heidi Mitchell in getting the publication completed in such a professional form. If you do not already have your email address on file, and you wish to receive the FVT, send your email to the address on the front page of the April edition.

Project Ideas! Thanks to those of you who have submitted community improvement ideas to our committee. Any ideas are welcome!



**IF you would like to continue getting the
Friendly Valley Times, you MUST now
sign up to receive this by email.**

There will be NO More issues by Print.

Please email Heidi Young at hry@heartofiowa.net
to get your Name & Email address on the List!

Don't Miss a thing– Get Signed Up NOW!!



Steamboat Rock Public Library

There is a sign-up sheet at the

511 W. Market St; Steamboat Rock Phone/Fax: 641-868-2300

www.youseemore.com/nile/steamboatrock
or on Facebook @SteamboatRockLibrary

New Technology Training will continue for the next 3 weeks on Tuesday's at 10:00am with Heidi Young from Heart of Iowa Communications. We had our first meeting which was only to go for an hour and finally at 11:30 we shut it down. Heidi has a wealth of information about staying safe online, protecting your personal information, spam ware, cleaning up your devices, etc. There was a great crowd but still room for more. Please bring your own device when you attend.

At the end of April, we are putting a hold on cribbage training until this fall as there is so much going on at the library and in the area.

Book club will be on May 11th starting at 2:00pm. There are always great treats that everyone brings so don't feel that you have to bring something. We do not read the same book, so the different book reviews are fun to listen to.

Please don't forget the library has free Wi-Fi with no password required and it is on 24/7. We also have 7 adult patron computers and 5 small devices for the kids to use.

It has been wonderful how many people are asking for a SILO item from another library. This is a wonderful opportunity to borrow a book or a DVD that isn't in our library or if you need material in a different format so you can listen or get it in large print. Just give us a call and we will do a search for you. And it is free!

Just some of the links for our patrons through our website:



Tuesday 1:00-6:00 PM
Wednesday 2:00-5:00 PM
Thursday-Friday 12:00-4:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Mystery

On the Line by Fern Michaels
Her Deadly Game

by Robert Dugoni

Loyalty by Lisa Scottoline

The White Lady

by Jacqueline Winspear

All That is Mine I Carry with

Me by William Landay

Homecoming by Kate Morton

The White Lady

by Jacqueline Winspear

An American in Scotland

by Lucy Connolly

The Only Survivors

by Megan Miranda

Storm Watch (Joe Pickett #23)

by C. J. Box

Fiction

Hang the Moon

by Jeannette Walls

Earth's the Right Place for

Love by Elizabeth Berg

The Last Beekeeper

by Julie Carrick Dalton

Saturday Night at the Lakeside

Supper Club by J. Ryan Stradal

Sisters of the Lost Nation

by Nick Medina

Historical Fiction

Glory over Everything

by Kathleen Grissom

Homestead by

Melinda Moustakis

Junior Fiction

The One and Only Bob

by Katherine Applegate

Children's Fiction

Good Night, Sister

by Katherine

Schwarzenegger Pratt

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Static April 6, 1953

Athletic Banquet

On Friday evening, March 31st, an athletic banquet was held in honor of the basketball squads at the high school gym. The toastmaster for the evening was Ben Jaspers, and speaker was Rod Chisholm, the executive secretary of the girl's union who also presented Ruth Kruse the Amsberry Memorial trophy given by the Eldora newspapers.

Music Concert

An instrumental and vocal concert was held in the Steamboat Rock high school gymnasium, April 4. The program, starting at 8:00 p.m. was under the combined direction of Mr. Meyers, instrumental instructor and Mr. Herrmann, vocal instructor. Several numbers were played by the concert band and also a few solos: Bass by Harris Luiken and clarinet by Norman Luiken. A trumpet trio, consisting of Frank Cervetti, Harold Jaspers, and Larry Williams played "Trumpeters Three".

Senior Class Play

Another thing different about this year's play is that it is being held two nights, April 17th and 18th in the high school gymnasium. It is scheduled to start at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale at Holmes Drug Store. Adults-50 cents and children 35 cents.

Debate

Coming to the school Wednesday evening, April 11th, is a debate team from Ames. The topic is "Federal Spending". The public is invited.

Fifth and Sixth Grade News

We are happy to hear that Dennis Holmes is improving at this time. Brenda Bear has been absent from school several days because of having her tonsils removed. Sarah Jo Daleske and LaVerne Wubben have been absent from school because of illness. The fifth grade had an interesting history lesson. They studied about Clara Barton and the Red Cross Organization.

This and That (Poem written by Dean Johns)

The kids in my class are sort of nice, Some are clean, and some have lice.
There's Daleske, Primus, Knight, and ___ell, The total number, I cannot tell.
There's Luiken, Frerichs, Boomgarden, and I, And Heldt, Jaspers, Harms, and DeNeui,
I mustn't leave out De Vries and Aikes, Whom I've heard really don't like us.
Oh! I remember there's Uhlken and Brown, These are the ones that go to school.
Funny part is, I'm the only fool.



Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church & East Friesland Presbyterian Church

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But He didn't. He used things and people. He borrowed things and people. And every time Jesus returned something He borrowed; it was better than before.

What if you could have been one of those people who Jesus asked if He could borrow something from? Wouldn't that have been incredible? What an honor! To be able to borrow something to Jesus. To have something that Jesus would want to borrow.

You say, "But I don't have anything Jesus would want to borrow." Yes, you do! He wants to borrow your voice, your hands, your smile, your eyes – and your body so He can live inside you; so, He can touch all of those people around you. And when Jesus returns those things he borrows from you to use; they will be so much better than when He asked for them. The real question is, are you willing to let Jesus borrow your life? If you invite Him in and surrender your all to Him, that's just what He'll do. He'll borrow your life and give it back to you so much better than you can ever imagine. May it be so.

Pastor Lynn Arends

let's get fired up

IT'S BBQ BRISKET TIME!

Join us for the annual Brisket Dinner hosted by the
SR Visionary Group on May 24th, 2023
5-7pm (firm start time), at the Schoolhouse

Free Will Donation (Suggested Gift of \$15)



ART IN THE GREENBELT PRESENTS...

2023 ART FESTIVAL & GARDEN PARTY

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

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2 - 7 P M

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COUNCIL MEMBERS
Adam Blackburn
Dave Mull
Kevin Pieters
Cory Schurman
Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session April 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Dave Mull, Kevin Pieters, Jon Schurman and Cory Schurman. Also present were Scott Williams, Ryan Stupp, Nate Johnson, Wes Weise, Taylor Nederhoff, Melissa Johanson, JD Homes, Trent Lambert, Jo Bauman, and Julie Jeske. After several failed attempts to activate the Zoom live meeting, the meeting continued without Zoom.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. Pieters moved, seconded by Mull to approve the posted agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Schurman moved to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023 council meeting, seconded by Blackburn. Motion carried unanimously. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve City bills except High Tide Technologies and Wright Classics which required further investigation. Motion carried unanimously. J. Schurman moved to approve Dawn Schaa's hours worked in March and April, seconded by C. Schurman. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Stearns stated that all of the money Pride & Betterment had in accounts has now been transferred to the Visionary Group accounts. The costs the City has incurred to print and mail the Friendly Valley times should get repaid by those funds.

Public comments: Nate Johnson spoke about having a weekly open gym night for local children beginning in about September 2023 through the winter months. Nate or another responsible adult will be on hand for each night. Thinks Thursday nights at this time. Nate's employer, POET may have some donations/grants available to provide some new athletic equipment or donations to help heat the gym in the winter months.

Wes Weis spoke about the Hardin County Conservation improvement plans on the west side of the river. Planned campground improvements, Lodge upgrades, planned cabin additions near the lodge, and the need to be able to hook up to the City of Steamboat Rock sewer system. Mayor Stearns reported that the USDA grant application for the west side sewer has been completed and submitted. Should hear from the USDA sometime in mid-April 2023.

Melissa Johanson, Librarian reported that the summer reading program is set up and donation letters have been sent out. Cribbage classes have gone well. Library Wi-Fi is available 24/7. Heidi will be offering through Heart of Iowa, Tech Training classes at the library.

Fire Department – Williams reported that SBCA testing will be coming. Hydro testing tanks, three carbon fiber tanks are coming, need to replace the air brake dryer in one of the units, Firemen's fund-raising breakfast scheduled. J Schurman moved seconded by Mull to approve purchase orders #92 & #94. Motion carried unanimously.

JJ Veld was unable to attend. Mayor Stearns reported that the manhole on the 200 block of Market St will need to be partially torn apart to get the correct measurements for the replacement parts to complete when weather permits. The Water & Sanitation Audit went well with a few minor changes to the reporting duties.

Mayor Stearns advised no report on distressed properties;

Nuisance Reporting- none

Road repairs: Jon reported that he had met with Elizer of Elonzo Concrete and received an estimate of \$18,000 to patch 11 spots where streets are either missing parts, replacing a couple manholes, or needs serious patching. Discussion about how concrete and asphalt don't move together in the freeze/ thaw cycle. Discussion about how asphalt repair costs may have decreased with the lower crude oil prices and regional competition. Jon will work on getting pricing from a couple asphalt companies.

Nuisance Ordinance Update. final pending.

Municipal Infractions Ordinance Update. final pending.

Animal Control Code Ordinance Update. final pending.

Mayor Stearns presented the ATV/UTV Code for 2nd reading. C. Schurman moved to accept the ordinance as presented, seconded by Pieters. Motion passed in a four Aye, one Nay vote. Third reading to be held at the May meeting.

Mayor Stearns requested Budget Hearing Date be moved to Monday April 17, 2023 at 5:30 per published notice. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to set the Budget Hearing Date as April 17th, 2023 at 5:30 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Stearns discussed City insurance. In speaking with our agent, the underwriters are suggesting the City coverage to change in a significant way which also increased the cost. Mayor Stearns stated that he told our agent that the insurance needed to stay with-in our budgeted amount. An Insurance audit is planned for Tuesday 4/18/23 at 8:30 am with a representative from EMC, our local agent, and Mayor Stearns. Plan to get answers to the council's questions regarding the renewal of the City insurance.

Mayor Stearns reminded council of the ditch walk planned for Saturday April 22, 2023 beginning 9:00 am at the Iowa River landing and heading west on D-35. Always looking for many volunteers to help.

Mayor Stearns reminded Council of the Spring Clean-up Days scheduled for June 10th and June 17th. Asked Council members to think about which times they could help.

Mayor Stearns presented a request from Happenings Bar for a variance to the City sound ordinance. Request was from noon to 10:00 pm on the third Saturday of each month beginning in May and ending in September. Pieters moved to provide the variance, seconded by J Schurman. Motion carried unanimously.

Pieters moved to advertise for a new City Clerk, seconded by J Schurman. Discussion about the possibility of sharing the position with Wellsburg. Nederhoff stated that would require a 28E agreement but could be done. Mayor Stearns stated that Denise Hoy has agreed to help during the interim period on a limited basis and to help with training when a new clerk has been hired. Motion carried unanimously.

Blackburn moved to go to closed session to discuss real estate, pending legal, employment issues, C Schurman seconded, motion carried unanimously. Room was cleared of visitors.

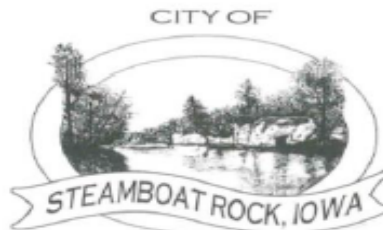
Mayor Stearns reopened the public meeting at 8:41 pm.

Pieters moved to adjourn the meeting, C. Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn
Dave Mull
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Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in special session April 17, 2023, 5:33 p.m. in the City Council chambers. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Dave Mull, Kevin Pieters, Jon Schurman and Cory Schurman.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve the posted agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Pieters moved to approve Denise Hoy as interim City Clerk including access to all bank account information. Seconded by J. Schurman. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Budget Hearing: comments from public: None

C. Schurman moved to approve Resolution #2023-07 in favor of the proposed budget as presented. Seconded by Pieters. Further discussion about limiting any funds used to fix or repair the entire school house property. Roll call vote: J Schurman aye, Pieters- aye, Blackburn- aye, Mull- aye, C Schurman- aye. Opposed- none. Resolution carried unanimously.

Discussion about potential audit services. Pieters moved to hire the State of Iowa Auditors Office to perform agreed upon procedures. Blackburn seconded. Roll call vote: C Schurman aye, Mull- aye, Blackburn- aye, Pieters- aye, J Schurman- aye. Opposed- none. Motion carried

Discussion to abandon N/S alley in the middle of Todd Oftedahl's property and retain any utility easements. C Schurman moved to abandon, Pieters seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Secondary discussion about folks parking equipment in designated City alleys and noted that action is not allowed.

Motion to approve a City bill from High Tide Technologies by Pieters, seconded by Mull. Motion carried unanimously.

Pieters moved to adjourn the meeting, C. Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

Denise Hoy, Interim Clerk

looking Ahead...

Saturday, May 6th Happenings 6th Anniversary Karaoke 9p-1a

Monday, May 8th City Council Meeting 6:30pm @city hall

Saturday, May 13th L. Stupp Ride@12p/Open Jam 7-11p @Happenings

Saturday, May 20th UTV Ride@12p/Band outside 5-9pm @Happenings

Saturday, May 24th Brisket Dinner 5-7pm at the Schoolhouse

Saturday, May 27th Memorial Weekend Breakfast 7-11am @Boat Club

Monday, May 29th Memorial Day

Recycling May 8th & May 22nd

Every Wednesday @6:30pm- SRBC Awanas Club



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