May 29, 2025

West Branch Times

Thursday,

Cedar county claims

General Basic Fund 1812.56-Access Systems Leasing-315.00-Active Thermal Concepts, Inc.

90.63-Adventure Lighting-bulbs 2300.00-Ahlers-Cooney-Dorweiler-labor

315.07-Alliant Energy-elec 978.49-Altorfer Inc-inspec 881.56-Amazon Capital Servicesspeakers 1278.52-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-

. 538.11-Baker Paper-towels 346.30-Henry Bentley-ME 355.00-Mike Blake-rent

1640.28-Brown's West Branch-wiring 111.46-Capital One-cleaning 4235.00-Jon Winslow Cedar County-concrete CV#1

135.00-Cedar County COOP-chemical 71.24-Cedar County Repair-drive tube 720.00-Chapman Funeral Home-transfer 10455.10-Consolidated Management

696.00-Control Installations of Iowa-

233.49-Copy Systems-copies 11.01-County Automotive Services-fuel

160.00-D&R Pest Control-Spray 329.80-Mike Dauber-ME 400.00-Davidson Farm Account Mary-

well 298.56-Days Inn by Wyndham Westlodging 175.00-Dept of Inspections, Appeals-

139.72-Diamond Drugs, Inc-meds 250.25-Deana Drumbarger-mil 635.00-Eastern Iowa Asphalt Maintrestripe 555.81-Eastern IA Light&Power-elec

2500.00-Fry Funeral Home-burial 139.69-Galls Inc-pants 275.00-All Star Turf-spring 1185.31-Ashley Hansen-golves 48.18-Carrie Harper-mil 175.00-Heartland Shredding Inc-

shredding 806.40-Holiday Inn-hotel 48.70-Robin Housley-mil 48.70-Shelly Howsare-mil 2825.50-Hy-Vee Accounting-meals 300.00-lowa Law Enforcement Academy-

418.00-lowa Prison Industries-envelopes 250.00-ISACA TREASURER-Conference 150.00-ISCTA Attn: Michael Clasen-50.90-Bruce Jeffries-mil

742.64-Thiesen's-Equipment 1339.65-KMDE, LLC-produc Services-89.91-Language Interpretor 3968.55-Latta Well & Pump Corp-pipe 898.40-Mail Services, LLC-print

49.80-Michael Male-mil 757.60-Martin Bros Dist Co Inc-kitchen supplies 897.45-Matt Parrott/Storey Kenworthy-

2633.48-McKesson Medical - Surgical-

168.35-Gloria Moore-mil 750.00-Brian McMillin Neapolitan Labs-

Elections 72.85-O'Rourke Motors Inc-oil chg 1958.42-Reserve Account-auditor 3212.16-Progressive Rehabilitation-PT 344.34-Sinclair Tractor-swap

21.34-Emily Smith-mil 12.10-Joselyn Snook-mil 360.00-Solutions, Inc Harris Local-Kofax 650.00-Andrew Speth-well plug 68.49-Stericycle Inc.-hazmat 54.20-Michael Stigers-mil

509 00-Total Maintenance Inc-diffusers 50.45-Uniform Den Inc-uniforms 164.66-Vestis-mats/mops 1442.53-VISA/Bankers Bank-meals 280.50-Elizabeth Voss-mil

378.00-The Rewind West Des Moines-

585.00-West Branch Village HMH Commun-rent 368.82-Windstream Auto-Pay-dsl General Supplemental Fund 6.39-Amazon Capital Services-seals 276.20-Janice B. Binder-committal 124.90-Cedar County Sheriff Trust-

227.38-lowa Secretary of State-NCOA 138.69-Reserve Account-voter cards 3825.00-S.I.A.D.S.A. Lee/Lucas-

Pioneer Cemetery 450.00-Danny Ford-mowing County Attorney Court Fees

398.00-T & M Clothing-apparel Rural Services Basic Fund 28.32-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-35.95-Copy Systems-copies

104.69-Hermsen Automotive LLC-oil chg 28.44-Reserve Account-EZ 339.10-Town & Country Tires, Inc-tires 243.46-VISA/Bankers Bank-light 3412.18-Waste Management of Iowa

EMS-Essential Srv(Ambulance) 972.04-Amazon Capital Services-desktop 33.37-AT&T Mobility-phone 849.24-VISA/Bankers Bank-vest

Secondary Road Fund 11356.43-Advantage FS, Inc.-Gas 280.96-Alliant Energy-Utilities 3645.28-Altorfer Inc-Parts 26.11-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-

450.00-Auto Electric Specialty-Parts 40.00-Boiler & Pressure Vessel 17639.93-Cedar County COOP-Diesel

598.96-Cedar County Health Fund 109.60-City of Bennett-TOJ

73.95-City of Mechanicsville-Utilities 1607.94-City of Tipton-Utilities 330.00-CJ Cooper & Assoc-Safety testing 119.53-Clarence Telephone Company-

77.50-Codeworks-Software support 42.67-Copy Systems-Copies 918.55-Custom Hose & Supplies-Parts 214.93-Dultmeier Sales-Parts 2344.00-Eastern Iowa Tire Inc-Tires 64.42-Will Holland-Safety 771.00-lowa Hearing Conservation-

Safety Testing 522.94-lowa Prison Industries-Safety 10.77-Thiesen's-Sundry 46.30-Lawson Products Inc-Blades 2661.00-Martin Equip Of Ia III-Parts 849.33-Genuine Parts Company Inc-

89.36-Phelps the Uniform Specialists 39.58-Reserve Account-Postage

844.74-Sinclair Tractor-Parts 20.25-Spahn & Rose Lumber Co-Signs 1312.59-Storm Steel-equip 85.99-T Mobile-Phone 278.93-Truck Country of Iowa Inc-Parts

3662.95-VISA/Bankers Bank-Supplies 178821.74-Wendling Quarries Inc-Rock 300.00-Werling Abstract Company, Inc-

9424.00-Xcessories Squared-Posts Transfer Station Fund 479.68-Alliant Energy-elec 779.62-Altorfer Inc-repair 121.00-Dan Benyshek-mil 143.00-Capital One-ink 725.55-Cintas Corporation-1st aid 85.00-CJ Cooper & Assoc-testing 5.00-Clarence Telephone Company

792.30-Dan's Overhead Doors & Moresvc 1625.00-HLW Engineering Group-landfill

3499.70-Jim Hawk Truck Trailers-Dav-95.54-Thiesen's-vest/DEF

50.00-Niles Chiropractic, Inc-Medical & Health Services 24.17-Reserve Account-Solid Waste 156.00-Progressive

22569.05-Quad Cities Landfill Millenniu-

55.00-Secondary Road Fund-lab fee 153.00-Wex Bank-DEF 162.46-Windstream Auto-Pay-phone Cedar Co Health Fund 2080.50-Benefits, Inc.-mthly 2652.84-CEDAR COUNTY TREASURER ACH MED-self funded med 8973.56-Delta Dental Plan of Iowa Paym-

135315.65-Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue S-ins Conservation Trust Fund 80.00-Cedar County Fair Assoc-passes 98.88-Thiesen's-Food 39.96-VISA/Bankers Bank-supplies PH/NS Memorial Trust Fund 35.00-Teresa J. Boyle-tshirts Commissary Fund 550.00-Hale Printing-decal Reserve Officer Fund 650.00-lowa Law Enforcement Academy-

Early Childhood Ia-Cedar/Jones School-890.00-Bennett Comm. scholarships
400.00-Durant Community Schoolsscholarships 3915.98-Jones County Auditor-salary

430.00-Little Lion Learning Center-Scholarship 770.00-Little Panther Preschool-

Scholarships 240.00-North Cedar CSD Lowdenscholarships 250.00-North Cedar CSD Mechanicsville scholarships 120 00-Olin Community School-

scholarships 1018.77-Sacred Heart Preschool-Scholarships 1198.31-St. Preschool-Patrick's Scholarships 6244.93-Young Parents Network-PAT-

Jnt Disaster Serv.Fund 456.61-City of Tipton-util 40.00-lowa Dept of Inspection and-inspec 78.00-Progressive Rehabilitation-prework 7.02-Verizon-river gauge

188.57-Clarence Telephone Company-12.00-F&B Communications-data

348.00-VISA/Bankers Bank-mtg

253.00-Mechanicsville Telephone-data 977.58-VISA/Bankers Bank-elec 1177.79-Windstream Auto-Pay-data 29.54-Aureon Alliance Connect, LLC-

phone 201.38-Office Express-keyboard tray 110.00-Rickard Sign & Design-magnets 3850.00-Vanguard Appraisals Inc-CAMA 526861.76--Grand Total

Cedar county board BOARD PROCEEDINGS (FOLLOWING IS A SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES.FULL TEXT OF DAY'S
MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT AUDITOR'S OFFICE OR ON OUR WEBSITE—WWW. CEDARCOUNTY.IOWA.GOV) TIPTON, IOWA

May 13, 2025 Cedar County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. May 13, 2025 with following members present: Bixler, Barnhart, Gaul, Kaufmann, and Chairperson Bell. Minutes reported by Deputy Auditor Hamdorf. Members of public were also present.

Board viewed correspondence from various agencies. Manure Management Annual Updates

following Handwritten noted Disbursement issued on 5/9/2025 to Cedar County Treasurer for Benefits Inc. for an electronic deposit: #442339 for \$3,216.13-self funded medical claims Moved by Bixler seconded by Gaul to approve agenda.

Absent: Barnhart Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to approve Board Minutes of May 6, 2025.

Absent: Barnhart Moved by Gaul seconded by Bixler to approve Claim Disbursements #442174 -#442338 paid on 5/8/2025.

Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler

to approve a New 5-day Class C Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service effective May 22, 2025 for Bey Barbarian

Fairgrounds. Absent: Barnhart Board reported on Outreach/Committee

Meetings they attended. Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Gaul to approve a utility permit for Eastern Iowa Light and Power on Delta Avenue \$100 fee applies.

Absent: Barnhart Abstain: Bixler

Finance Director Dauber met with Board to discuss FY25 Budget Amendment. Dauber provided expense and revenue

Moved by Kaufmann seconded by Bixler to set public hearing for FY25 Budget Amendment at 8:45 a.m. on June 3,

Discussion held on appointing Commissioners to Eastern Iowa Regional Housing Authority Board. Board memif they would be willing to serve and report

Moved by Barnhart seconded by Gaul to adjourn at 8:53 a.m., to May 20, 2025.

Jon Bell, Chairperson Nicki Welch, Auditor WBT 22

West Branch city

council (The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the West Branch City Council meeting. A video recording is available for inspection at westbranchiowa.org.

The minutes are not approved until the next regularly scheduled City Council West Branch, Iowa; City Council; May

Council Chambers; Regular Meeting; 7:00 p.m. Mayor Roger Laughlin called the West

Branch City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Council members present: Tom Dean, Colton Miller, Mike Horihan, Jerry Sexton and Jodee Stoolman

Adam Kofoed, City Clerk Leslie Brick, Police Chief Greg Hall, Public Works Director Matt Goodale and Park & Recreation Director Erin Laughlin Attending via Zoom: Library Director Jessie Schafer and Finance Officer Heidi

Van Auken. APPROVE THE AGENdA Motion by Dean, second by Miller to approve the agenda. Motion carried on APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Approve minutes from the May 5, 2025 City Council meeting.

Approve the Iowa Retail Cigarette/ Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor permits for

Approve a 5-day Class C Retail Alcohol license, with outdoor service for The Down Under for June 14, 2025 (in conjunction with Summer Kickoff 2025) Approve Claims for May 19, 2025. EXPENDITURES - 5/19/2025 AMAZON.COM-SUPPLIES, BOOKS, SNACKS-LIB-227.49

ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY-TIRE GAGE – PW-36.51 BAKER & TAYLOR-BOOKS-217.78 CAPITAL ONE-VARIOUS ITEMS -LIBRARY-126.08 CEDAR COUNTY RECORDER-RECORDING FEES-356.00 ELITE HOLDING COMPANY-YOUTH BALL SHIRTS-1.146.00

FRED'S FEED & SUPPLY-FIELD PAINT-HOTSY CLEANING SYSTEMS-SOAP FOR TRUCK - PW-241.30 KANOPY-ON DEMAND VIDEO SERVICE-71.00 KOFOED, ADAM-TRAVEL REIMB-ECIA,

IMMI-171.40 LRS HOLDINGS-TRASH & RECYCLING APRIL 2025-18,870.50 MENARDS-CUBBY FIELD EDGING. FENCE REPAIR-585.50 MOPPY MO'S-JANITORIAL SERVICES

OVERDRIVE INC-DIGITAL & AUDIO BOOKS-619.20 PACHECO HUGO VINICIO-INTERIOR PAINTING-LIBRARY-2,250.00 PROTECT YOUTH SPORTS-BACKGROUND CHECKS-P&R-351.00 PYRAMID SERVICES-MOWER PARTS-PW-2 084 70 SHIELD TECHNOLOGY-SOFTWARE

STATE HYGIENIC LAB ANALYSIS-1,981.50 THE HOME DEPOT PRO-PARK BLDG SUPPLIES-183.68
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA HEALTH-DOT PHYSICALS-PW-408.00 VEENSTRA & KIMM-VARIOUS PROJECTS-21.841.28 SUBSCRIPTION-LIBRARY-38.00 WHITE CAP-SAFETY EQUIPMENT-

MAINTENANCE-PD-1,700.00

TOTAL--55.364.06 PAYROLL-WAGES, TAXES, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS - 5/9/2025 PAID BETWEEN MEETINGS IOWA ONE CALL-UTILITY LOCATION SERVICE-86.40
KIESLER POLICE SUPPLY-AMMUNITION-1,013.90 LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING-COPIER

PW-235.64

LEASE-LIBRARY-142.02 OFFICE OF AUDITOR-AUDIT FY23 FILING FEE-200.00 PANTHER UNIFORMS-UNIFORMS-POLICE-339.88 WB COMMUNITY SCHOOLS-

NEWSPAPER AD-LIBRARY-75.00 WEX BANK-VEHICLE FUEL-1,254.71 SISCO-HEALTH CLAIMS 5/5/2025-120.87 VARIOUS VENDORS-UB REFUNDS-274.00 AMAZON.COM-SUPPLIES,

COMPUTER, BOOKS-LIB-1,484.10 AT&T MOBILITY-WIRELESS SERVICE-210.04 BROWN'S WEST BRANCH-VEHICLE REPAIR-PD-421.50 EO JOHNSON-COPIER MAINTENANCE-CITY-136.13 LIBERTY COMMUNICATIONS-LIBERTY COMMUNICATIONS-1,510.26 LYNCH'S PLUMBING-CUBBY BATHROOM SINK REPAIR-1,084.50 PIP PRINTING-BLDG INSPECTION FORMS-181.53 STOREY KENWORTHY-RECEIPT

BOOKS-294.00 VERIZON WIRELESS-VERIZON WIRELESS-454.71 TOTAL--9.283.55

GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES 122,556.97 FUND TOTALS 001 GENERAL FUND-57,806.04 022 CIVIC CENTER-420.00

LIBRARY-10,183.07 ROAD USE TAX-6,675.55 TRUST AND AGENCY-10,091.00 WIDENING WAPSI CREEK-

2,889.00 330 EASTSIDE WATER MAIN PH2-331 CEDAR JOHNSON RD RECONS-16,838.88 600 WATER FUND-7.678.19 SEWER FUND-9,105.66 STORM WATER UTILITY-535.18 GRAND FUND TOTAL--122,556.97 Miller asked if a site sketch was submitted for the Down Under's alcohol permit for Summer Kick-off. Brick said a service area sketch was submitted with the Special Event permit that the Council approved at their May 5th meeting.

There were no other questions.

Motion by Dean, second by Sexton to approve the Consent agenda. AYES: Dean, Sexton, Horihan, Stoolman, Miller NAYS: None. Motion carried. PRESENTATIONS / communications / open forum - none PUBLIC HEARING / NON-CONSENT

Third Reading Ordinance 826 -Amending Chapter 105 – Solid Waste Control. / Move to action.
ORDINANCE NO. 826 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 105 - SOLID WASTE CONTROL BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of

the City of West Branch, Iowa: Amendment. Section 105.06 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by replacing "wood pile" with "yard waste site."

105.06 SEPARATION OF YARD WASTE REQUIRED. All yard waste shall be separated by the owner or occupant from all other solid waste accumulated on the premises and shall be composted on the premises, placed in biodegradable bags and set out at curbside for collection by the City by the City or

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Amendment Section 105.09 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the follow-

105.09 WASTE STORAGE CONTAINERS. Waste storage containers shall comply with the following specifications and shall be provided by the City or its contracted hauling

A. Residential Residential waste and recycling containers shall be provided by the City's contracted hauler. All containers shall be maintained to be leakproof and waterproof by the property owner or tenant. Residents may also set out for pickup single use collection bags affixed with an appropriate tag and placed on the top of the waste contain 3. Amendment. Section 105

of the Code of Ordinances is hereby

amended by adding a new Subsection 105.12, which reads as follows: 105.12 CITY YARD WASTE SITE. The designated City yard waste site will be governed by all signage at said facilities as the following restrictions:

1. City waste site is for City residents only. No commercial waste from contractors unless prior consent is given by the Public Works Director.

Disposal of leaves, yard brush, and grass clippings are the only allowed materials. Tree branches must be smaller than eigh-(18) inches in diameter. Tree stumps are not allowed. (105.02(16))

Yard waste in biodegradable bags are allowed. No plastic bags are allowed.

Disposal of items other than grass clippings, yard brush, or leaves at the City yard waste site may be citied for littering under this criapies ..., applicable City ordinance.
Any non-resi-

dent of the City depositing any materials at the City yard waste site may also be subject to citation for littering under this chapter or any other applicable City ordinance. This

includes any commercial company with Penalties for improper disposal of items that are not yard waste is:

a. First Offense: \$250.00

b. Second Offense: \$500.00

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c. Third (and subsequent) Offense:

Conflicts. All ordinances or parts of ordinances not specifically provided for and in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are

hereby repealed Adjudication. If any section be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or und tutional.

Effective Date. This ordiafter its passage, approval and publica tion as required by law. Passed and approved on the 19th day of May, 2025. First Reading:

Second Reading: May 5, 2025 Third Reading: May 19, 2025

Roger Laughlin, Mayor ATTEST:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk Motion by Sexton, second by Horihan to approve the third reading of Ordinance 826. AYES: Sexton, Horihan, Miller, Dean, Stoolman. NAYS: None. Motion

Third Reading Ordinance 827 – Amending Chapter 106 – Collection of Solid Waste. / Move to action. ORDINANCE NO 827 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 - COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE
BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of

the City of West Branch, Iowa:

1. Amendment. Section 106.08 is hereby amended by deleting it in its





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Improbable run for girls' golf ends at regional tournament

By Matthew Dickinson conservativesports2@gmail.com

A season of defying the odds came to a close May 21 at West Liberty Golf Course for the West Branch girls' golf team, which finished fifth with 427 strokes in its Class 2A regional final.

'We knew going in that we had tough competition, and that we were going to be paired up with some tough teams," Bears Head Coach Angie Miller said. "The girls had a positive mentality going in and just said that we are going to do the best we can. Kaylynn [Stein] was not able to join us, so only having four girls with all of the other teams having six, I was pretty proud of how well they all still hung in

Defending 2Achampions Sumner-Fredericksburg paced the team race with 344 while Jesup placed second with 373 to take the final team

from \$1.60 to \$2.25; that

65-cent bump equals a

items, like a second entree

at breakfast or lunch, cere-

al, cookie, dessert, fruit or

fruit cup, and muffin will

cost another 10 cents. The

cost of lunch for early kin-

dergarten through eighth

grades will also increase

by 10 cents, to \$2.95; and

the cost of lunch for high

schoolers will go up by a

will also get a dime bump,

soup will go up 25 cents,

and a small salad bowl

will increase by 50 cents.

The price of a cinnamon

roll will go up 5 cents, to

fasts will cost \$2.25, and

lunches for that group will

three-year contract with

GoGuardian, which would

"monitor student screens

and website/application

tracking in real time,"

reads a memo to the board.

"It also allows for teach-

Guest and adult break-

In other business, the

approved a \$12,740,

The EK-8th breakfast

Pop Tarts and a bowl of

dime, to \$3.10.

80 cents.

cost \$5.

board:

Many of the individual

40.1-percent increase.

Prices

From Page 1

qualifying spot. Tipton placed third with 380 while Mid-Prairie took fourth with 394.

After a mini-slump in the postseason, Olivia Thomas came alive to lead the Bears with a 103 to place 15th. McKenna Worrell and Romy Springensguth formed a tight pack, with Worrell carding a 104 to tie for 16th while Springensguth shot a 105 to tie for 25th. Adelyn Hetrick carded a 125 to take 14 strokes off her first regional round the previous Friday in Kalona.

"We shaved three strokes off of our score from Mid-Prairie, so that was impressive once again with only having four golfers," the coach said. "I thought all four girls played exceptionally well, especially with our tee time being pushed back to noon and extremely wet conditions. We were not able to get a practice round in beforehand, so I thought the girls all shot

ers to do website and application blocking to keep students on task, and it allows for screen sharing

and student computers,"

 approved purchasing 265 Lenovo 100E Series Chromebooks with warranties from Trafera LLC of Dallas for \$87,715. A second bid was received for the same laptops from CDWG for \$98,713.

both to and from teacher

These laptops will go to middle school pupils.

· approved a milk bid from Anderson Erickson Dairy. The school will pay about 36 cents for a half pint of 1-percent white milk, 33 cents for a half pint of skim white milk, 37 cents for a half pint of skim chocolate milk, and 35 cents for a four-ounce bottle of orange juice.

Director Nutrition Terhune sent a memo to the board stating that this was the lowest of two bids, the second coming from Prairie Farms, which was slightly higher for the three kinds of milk and did not offer orange

"We have a great relationship with (AE) and their team responds well to all messages," she wrote. "I have really enjoyed working with them over the

really well based on all of those factors."

Miller added "the girls adjusted really well" to the wet conditions, which vastly affected play for the Bears and the other teams and individuals competing.

The tournament marked the end of a year of tremendous growth, as the Bears made it to the same point as last year despite moving up a class and losing multi-time state qualifier Claire Jarrett to graduation.

"We are small, but mighty," Miller said. "We will bring back four out of the five girls again next year, and obviously hope to add more to our roster next season. I think this season just proved that the harder you work at practice and the more you commit yourself to the game, the improvements are going to show."

Springensguth, a foreign exchange student, also competed in her final golf event with the Bears.

past eight years."

• heard that the school district sent out bread bid requests to three suppliers Alpha Baking, Bimbo Bakeries, and Pan-O-Gold but none responded. So, the district will continue to purchase bread products from Martin Brothers.

Jimmerson wrote in a memo that the school district continues to make many of its bulk purchases through the Area Education Association Purchasing group because it "does give us better pricing."

• approved amending the current budget, adding \$2.95 million in spending. According to a chart given to the school board, the district spent an extra \$950,000 on instruction to purchase curriculum and cover new increases in special education. That increased the total spending on instruction from \$8.34 million to \$9.28 mil-

The remaining \$2 million came under "other expenditures" to cover the heating, air conditioning, and ventilation project that begins this week at Hoover Elementary. That change increases "other expenditures" from \$3.52 million to \$5.52 million.

In total, but fiscal year

"Romy was such a joy to coach," Miller said. "She has a great sense of humor, she is kind, a good teammate, and always pushed herself to get better. I think that she was dedicated to the season, and was a good role model for always wanting to put in the work. She had great rounds, and had rounds that she was super frustrated with, but she was always able to maintain a positive attitude. I am really going to miss coaching her next year. She will continue to golf back in Germany, and I know that she is going to do great things with her future in golf and in life."

Team scores: 1. Sumner-Fredericksburg 344 2. Jesup 373 3. Tipton 380 4. Mid-Prairie 394 5. West Branch 427.

West Branch scores: 15. Olivia Thomas 103 T-16. McKenna Worrell 104 T-18. Romy Springensguth 105 T-25. Adelyn Hetrick

2025 budget will increase from \$18.1 million to \$21.1

· heard from robotics sponsor Matt Cain that the For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology Student State Leadership Board selected iunior Lillian Waters to join its ranks. She will be one of eight to 16 students to serve on the FIRST board that advises the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math program, which is most known for overseeing robotics competitions.

Principal Sara Oswald said this is the first time a West Branch student was selected for the FIRST leadership board.

• read a note from journalism instructor Kara Heick that the Iowa High School Press Association presented West Branch School's High Bear Newspaper with 19 individual student awards. The Bear staff was also a finalist for the Top 15 IHSPA All-Iowa News Team 2025. The team will submit three editions to compete for Top 5, an award which will be

· read a note from Noelck sponsor Abby that the WBHS Student Government was recognized as a 2025 National Gold Council of Excellence

announced in October.

by the National Association of Student Councils, a first in WBHS history. Oswald said this was

another first for the high

West Branch's Olivia Thomas putts during the Bears'

May 21 regional qualifier held at West Liberty Golf

Course. Matthew Dickinson/West Branch Times

school and that the students actively pursued this goal to achieve it. "It was a lot of time and effort, but because they

are a well-run machine, it was their next step,' she said. "They were killing it."

· heard from Middle School Principal Brian Walthart about a parent who took to social media to state that WBMS "has been a life-changer for our family." Moving from the Quad Cities, this family was anxious about how the new school would receive their special education student who is "on the spectrum."

"We were afraid that the things that happened in the Quad Cities would happen here. Well, so far, we have been wrong. ... We have only been here about 3 weeks and already see a different kid."

The family appreciated the level of communication from the staff and their willingness to help him calm down, focus, and participate.

· approved hiring Ryan Hendrickson as the new middle school science teacher and Samantha Noble as the nutrition director.

· approved letters of assignment to Kaleb Duwa as the new head varsity boys basketball coach; Gina Larson as a childcare provider at West Branch Early Learning Center; and Tyler Bailey, Kevin Braddock, and Jarod Tylee as high school assistant varsity football

 approved volunteers for the high school: Kaleb Duwa, Grant Meth, Taylor Larson, Wyatt Fiderlein, Ronnie Hughes, John Hierseman, and Jordan Thompson.

 heard Jimmerson state that the district has a couple of pupils on a waiting list to open-enroll in early kindergarten.

"At this point, we're not allowing (them). ... We want to keep our numbers where they need to be," he said. "If we get to a certain number of open-enrolling (pupils), we would look at a second section of them. But we're just not there at this point in time."

· as part of School Board Appreciation Month, heard Jimmerson thank the board for their service.

"Your job is thankless,"

CAMPUS NEWS

• Sasha Koenig of West Branch earned a bachelor's of science degree in Human and Health Performance at Fort Hays State University. She will attend graduation ceremonies on May 16 in

Hays, Kansas. Koenig has also been accepted

Wildcats

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heavy traffic on the basepaths and avoiding big innings with timely plays.

"It'll be huge," Stenberg said of the duo's success

in tight spots. "We essentially have three pitchers, with Tori Vikel being our third one. We have three solid pitchers. I thought Lander pitched really well, she's markedly improved from last year. And Em comes in and battles every by Des Moines University and will begin her Occupational Doctorate in the fall.

 Nicolle Koenig was among 163 graduate students who were awarded a Master of Education degree from Northwestern College dur-

time. She's always going to throw strikes and battle."

West Branch also had a sound defensive effort teamwide along with a patient approach at the plate, as the Bears mostly avoided swinging at bad pitches and hitting themselves into outs.

"I see a team that's maturing and figuring out where the strike zone is and what pitches to swing at," Stenberg said. "We just want to get pitches, we put the ball in play, which was really nice."

ing commencement ceremonies Saturday, May 10. Koenig, of West Branch, graduated with a master's degree in educational administration plus a principal endorsement from Northwestern College.

The Bears would return to action in the friendly confines at West Branch High School on Wednesday for the team's home opener against non-conference opponent Central City.

These kids are focused and we're doing a good job,

and on Wednesday it'll be a better night," the coach

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West Branch statistics

Durant statistics n/a

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entirety and replacing it with the follow-

FEES. The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this chapter are declared to be beneficial to the property served or eligible to be served and there shall be levied and collected fees for the same, in accorne following: (Goreham vs. Des Moines dance with the

106.08 COLLECTION

1970, 179 NW 2nd, 449 [lowa 1970]) Schedule of Fees. The fees for solid waste collection and disposal service used are available and are

Conflicts. All ordinances or parts of ordinances not specifically provided for and in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby

Adjudication. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconsti-

Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Passed and approved on the 19th day First Reading: April 21, 2025 May 5, 2025 Third Reading: May 19, 2025

Roger Laughlin, Mayor ATTEST:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk Motion by Dean, second by Miller to approve the third reading of Ordinance 827. AYES: Dean. Miller. Horihan

First Reading Ordinance 828 – Amending Chapter 18 – City Clerk. / Move to action

Brick explained that during the creation of the city clerk job description, the city administrator and finance officer job descriptions were also reviewed and then checked against the City Code for uniformity. Chapter 18 - City Clerk was found to lack a "compensation" section as the other two chapters and states that the City Administrator is the "ex officio City Clerk". The Council split the City Administrator and City Clerk role in 2021 but never updated the Code. This update clarifies the roles and provide consistency between the three functions approve the first reading of Ordinance 828. AYES: Dean, Horihan, Sexton, Miller, Stoolman. NAYS: None. Motion

Resolution 2025-56 – Setting date for the sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2025 and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement in connection therewith. / There were no comments

Motion by Miller, second by Dean to approve Resolution 2025-56. AYES Miller, Dean, Horihan, Sexton, Stoolmar NAYS: None. Motion carried. Resolution 2025-57 - Approving Financial Support of Hoover's Hometown Days 2025 in the amount of \$10,000. / Move to action. Laughlin said he supports giving Main

dollars they are requesting to be a said he had a discussion with Kofoed and felt the City should donate the same amount to the fire department as they also contribute a lot to the event and provide their own volunteers. The other members were in agreement. Laughlin directed the Clerk to revise the proposed esolution to donate five thousand to each organization and Miller added that he would like the City Administrator to include this as a budgeted expense during future budget work sessions. Motion by Miller, second by Dean to approve Resolution 2025-57. AYES Miller, Dean, Stoolman, Horihan, Sexton

NAYS: None. Motion carried. Discussion – GO Bond Series 2025

excess funds distribution

Dean stated that he felt that the bond proceeds should only be used for what the bond was intended for, Cedar-Johnson Road and West Main Street Miller replied with "maybe we shouldn't borrow so much then" but countered if there were any items on the list that was "costing" the City more money while they are not being addressed. Goodale said his number one project is West Main ing bond money on that. Goodale said his number two project is tree clearing to the city by Lark Land (formerly KLM Investments as part of Meadows Part Goodale said that many of the trees on the land tract will cause future home owner's issues, which in turn will cost the city. Sexton urged staff to address the issue with the developer before the city accepts the property. Laughlin said that he would address the issue with the developer as there is a conflict with the City Administrator. After a bit more discussion, the Council agreed with Dean/ bond proceeds to improve West Main

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Kofoed asked the Council to consider hiring V&K to do a feasibility study on what it would take (infrastructure wise) for growth on the west side. Kofoed said in the past few years there has been some interest but the city is not

is a position to know what it will take growth to happen. Kofoed said expects the engineer's study could cost the city upwards of twenty-five thousand dollars Kofoed said the project could be covered by a combination of building permit fees, water and sewer funds. The Council was agreeable with the suggestion. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT Olson said that new legislation that goes into effect on July 1st will require the City

Code to be updated with regard to fireworks and accessory dwelling units CITY ENGINEER REPORT Schechinger reported on the status of Meadows Part 6. Cedar-Johnson Road start date would begin mid-week, Creek final stages working with FEMA

STAFF REPORTS Schafer informed the Council that the summer library program sign-up starts next week, with programs starting the fol-lowing week. Schafer encouraged everyone to sign up as there is something for

all age groups.
COMments from mayor and council mem-Summer Kickoff happening in mid-June. Sexton asked about the status of the concession stand at Cubby Park. Kofoed said he would discuss the matter in pri-

Motion to adjourn by Dean, second by Miller. Motion carried on a voice vote City Council meeting adjourned at 7:37 Roger Laughlin, Mayor

ATTEST

Leslie Brick, City Clerk

