

PUBLIC NOTICE English Valleys CSD • Notice of Intent

ENGLISH VALLEYS COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Pursuant to Iowa Code 279.6, the English Valleys School Board publishes this notice of its intent to appoint a person to fill a vacancy for the Board. Eligible electors of the English Valleys School District have the right to file a petition requiring that this vacancy be filled by special election. Petitions must

be received by the board secretary within 14 days after the publication of this notice. For details and signatory requirements, contact the board secretary. Wendy Ayers English Valleys Community School District Board Secretary

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PROBATE Joyce Kay Meade ESPR038484

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT KEOKUK COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF ESTATE OF JOYCE KAY MEADE, DECEASED; PROBATE NO. ESPR038484 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND HEIRS AT LAW

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of JOYCE KAY MEADE, Deceased, who died on or about May 22, 2020: You are hereby notified that on August 15, 2023, an order was entered upon the Petition for Administration and for Appointment of an Administrator for Decedent's estate, appointing Zackery Meade as administrator.

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 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: 8/15/23 Date of second publication: August 30, 2023 Michelle Christen, Attorney for the Administrator 6500 University Avenue, Ste. 100 Windsor Heights, IA 50324 Zackery Meade, Administrator of the Estate 601 Creston Ave, Des Moines, IA 50315

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NOTICE OF PETITION Jones JVJV005953

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR KEOKUK COUNTY IN THE INTEREST OF S.O., Minor Child Juvenile Cause No. JVJV005953 NOTICE

TO: Jerry Jones, Biological Father of S.O., born 2007 You are notified that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above Court, a Petition in the above-entitled action alleging that the foregoing child is in need of assistance. For further details contact the office of the Clerk of Court for Keokuk County, Iowa. The Petitioner is the State of Iowa whose attorney is Keokuk County Attorney Amber L. Thompson and whose address is 101 South Main Street, Sigourney, Iowa 52591, telephone number (641) 622-3500, facsimile number (641) 622-2688, email: attorney@keokukcounty.iowa.gov. You are further notified that said

Petition has been set down for hearing before the Juvenile Court at the Courthouse, Third Floor, in Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa, on September 13, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. Sara Oden CLERK OF THE ABOVE COURT Keokuk County Courthouse Sigourney, Iowa By: Megan Menke Deputy Clerk Note: You are advised to seek legal advice at once to protect your interest.

If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator at (641) 684-6502. Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2842). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

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PROBATE Sarah L. Beatty ESPR038472

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR KEOKUK COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH L. BEATTY, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR038472 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Sarah L. Beatty, Deceased, who died on or about August 3, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on August 9, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Sarah L. Beatty, deceased, bearing date of April 25, 2018, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that MidWestOne Bank 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 per-

sons 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 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 August 10, 2023. /s/ Beth Legue MidWestOne Bank, Executor of Estate Beth Legue, VP, Trust Officer 102 South Clinton St Iowa City, IA 52240 Thomas M. Buchanan, ICIS#: AT0001162 Attorney for Executor Bloethe, Elwood & Buchanan Law Office 702 Third St, PO Box L Victor, IA 52347 Date of second publication 23rd day of August, 2023

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PROBATE Shirley M Mills ESPR038480

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR KEOKUK COUNTY IN THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY M MILLS, Deceased Probate No. ESPR038480 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Shirley M Mills, Deceased, who died on or about July 26, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on the 8th day of August, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Shirley M Mills, deceased, bearing date of the 4th day of April, 2018, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Debra Mills-Stigers and Steven Mills were appointed Co-Executors 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 per-

sons 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 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 8th day of August, 2023. Debra Mills-Stigers Co-Executor of estate 741 South Avenue C Washington, IA 52353 Steven Mills Co-Executor of estate 6125 McKinley Circle Shorewood, MN 55331 Washington Law Office, LLP Attorney for executor 211 W Washington St, PO Box 867 Washington, Iowa 52353 Date of second publication 23rd day of August, 2023. Probate Code Section 304

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PUBLIC NOTICE Keokuk County • Annual Financial Report

FY 2022/2023 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- Actual and Budget For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 County Name: KEOKUK COUNTY County Number:54

Table with columns: General, Special Revenue, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Permanent, Actual Totals, Budgeted Totals. Rows include Revenues & Other Financing Sources, Operating Transfers In, Total Revenues & Other Sources, Expenditures & Other Financing Uses, Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2023.

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PUBLIC NOTICE City of Keota • Minutes and Claims 8.7.2023

MINUTES KEOTA CITY COUNCIL

225 E. BROADWAY AVE. August 7th, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Cansler. Amend Agenda - Motion made by City Clerk Horras, with the addition of Resolution 2023-75, two items under new business and removing the new business item listed as City Legal Council. Motion to approve was made by Burroughs, 2nd by Bender and All in favor.

Roll call: Mayor Cansler, Councilmen Bender, Conrad, Burroughs, Greiner, and McDonald were present. City employees present were City Clerk Horras, and Billing Clerk Minard. Public present at the meeting: Karen Sypherd, Cindy Detweiler, Ron Northup, Nick Mahan, Rich Klein, Tim Minard, Jerry Altenhofen, Jon Dinnel (N&N Sanitation), and Casey James from Sigourney New-Review.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Burroughs to approve Consent Agenda, including Agenda, previous meeting minutes from July 3rd Council Meeting - Budget review and payment of Bills. Conrad 2nd the motion and All in favor.

Bills Paid June 30th August 7th, 2023 Checks

- ALL AM. TERMITE & PEST CONT. -7/31/2023.....\$35.00 CENGAGE LEARNING -7/31/2023.....\$128.78 CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT -7/31/2023.....\$329.92 COMPANION CORPORATION -7/31/2023.....\$1,400.00 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA -7/31/2023.....\$160.89 INFOMAX OFFICE SYSTEM INC. -7/31/2023.....\$151.51 OVERDRIVE, INC. -7/31/2023.....\$488.37 WINDSTREAM -7/31/2023.....\$143.04 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$309.59 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$30.95 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$3,992.03 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$19.73 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$33.53 ALLIANT ENERGY -8/7/2023.....\$2,587.71 ALCYIA HORRAS -8/7/2023.....\$410.03 BADGER METER -8/7/2023.....\$60.00 COMM REC SPECIALIST, INC -8/7/2023.....\$8,004.50 COUNTY LINE MART -8/7/2023.....\$253.96 COX SANITATION -8/7/2023.....\$4,086.55 FARMERS CO-OP ASSN -8/7/2023.....\$429.65 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA -8/7/2023.....\$230.00 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA -8/7/2023.....\$344.98 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA -8/7/2023.....\$292.55 FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA -8/7/2023.....\$12.83 H & M FARM & HOME SUPPLY -8/7/2023.....\$22.16 IA DEPT OF NAT. RESOURCES -8/7/2023.....\$85.00 IMPRESSIONS COMPUTERS, INC. -8/7/2023.....\$835.00 ION ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS -8/7/2023.....\$4,068.19 IOWA ONE CALL -8/7/2023.....\$17.00 JOAN BREESE -8/7/2023.....\$100.00 MALLEY HARDWARE & APPL. -8/7/2023.....\$236.17 OLLINGER ELECTRIC -8/7/2023.....\$310.00 U S CELLULAR -8/7/2023.....\$156.05 US FIRST -8/7/2023.....\$74.86 VERIZON -8/7/2023.....\$40.01 VISION AG -8/7/2023.....\$500.65 WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED -8/7/2023.....\$705.03 WHITE LAW OFFICE -8/7/2023.....\$803.70 ALTHENHOFFEN, CHERYL

- 7/31/2023.....\$113.61 CONRAD, DOUGLAS L. -7/31/2023.....\$2,116.30 GREINER, ASHLEY -7/31/2023.....\$37.86 GREINER, TONIA -7/31/2023.....\$1,173.64 HARMSSEN, MICAH -7/31/2023.....\$1,628.46 Horras, Alycia A -7/31/2023.....\$1,423.82 Kurth-Minard, Dawn M -7/31/2023.....\$740.41 SLAUBAUGH, KEVIN L. -7/31/2023.....\$1,737.23.....\$971.33

Public Forum: Rich Klein stated that with the loss of our Police Chief, did we know that Sigourney went to not having a Police Department and utilizing the Keokuk County Sheriff's department and are now looking to go back to having a PD. Mayor Cansler acknowledged his concern and let him know that the Safety Management Team is looking into the option of both the Washington and Keokuk County offices, along with any other option to allow for the best decision for Keota.

Department Reports: Public Works - In Harmsen's absence, Horras shared that Harmsen, Slaubaugh and Horras will have a conference call with Matt Walker from French Reinker and Wapello Rural Water Association on 8/8 to go through water options. Progress has been made at the pool site and water has been turned on. Filling the pool will start as early as Wednesday this week. Harmsen has also been in contact with Carrico Aquatics and they plan on being at the site the end of the week to start regulating the water and chemicals as long as the circulation pump is in order. Alliant has 3 faze wires run to the transformer and just needs the overhead hooked up to have electricity. They are also planning to run the gas line this week. Tremmel has been in for a few projects. Water and Sewer have been run to the new residence on N Fulton. Working with the City Clerk, Public Works has tentatively set Oct. 6th and 7th for our Fall clean up days. Harmsen will be changing his hours to 6:30 to 3:30 starting 8/21 through the end of football season. Library - Greiner is on vacation from August 7th - 19th.

Museum - Sypherd reported that Museum board will meet in a couple of weeks to get ready for the Fall.

Pool - Councilman Burroughs shared that there was a meeting with the Pool Advocate team last Tuesday to view the progress of the pool and talk about a Large Donor appreciation dinner. The Council and City employees will be invited as well, along with some of the grant personnel and business owners and citizens that have made a big impact in the fundraising of the funds to build the Aquatic Center and Splash Pad.

Clerk - Horras shared that there have been 2 new residents for Keota. Computer Install/Upgrade went great and we are up and running. We started with some initial download of the gWorks system and were working to load files, along with some training that will happen this Thursday to start imputing our Vendors. The City received the Rural Housing Grant funds with the use of this program, as our project. We received the \$10,000.00 Grant on Friday and this significantly reduces the purchase price of this system, but covering approximately 40% of the cost. We had 2 claims for the IA Great Treasure Hunt, that Horras is working on. One has been received for the city in the amount of \$150.00 and there is another one that is approx. \$100.00. The IEDA Downtown Conference went extremely well. Lots of opportunities, connections and resources made. Was able to win 2 drawings with one including a resource

on marketing 3-4-5 for our sue and a free website with a year of service from Locabe. She also worked with the Mainstreet Washington team and we would really like to work together to link our websites and build off of each town's sites to attract more traffic and interest.

Resolutions and Ordinances: Resolution 2023-69 Approval of funds in the amount of \$1500.00 given to the Pool Advocates for donor appreciation dinner food/supplies. Motion by Conrad, 2nd by Bender, and All in favor.

Resolution 2023-70 Approval of Destruction of Certain City Documents for up to FY18 - Motion by Burroughs, 2nd by Bender, and All in favor

Resolution 2023-71 Approval of Purchase of Camera/Security System for Aquatic Center, with amendment of range to state \$200.00 to \$1000.00 final purchase amount - Motion by Bender, 2nd by Burroughs, and All in favor

Resolution 2023-72 Approval of City Clerk applying for the IED Boost Grant. Motion by Bender, 2nd by McDonald, and All in favor.

Resolution 2023-73 Approval of General Account withdrawal for Pool start up funds. Motion by Bender, 2nd by McDonald, and All in favor.

Resolution 2023-74 Approval of Free General Admission for the Aquatic Center for the 2023 Season. Motion by Burroughs, 2nd by Bender and All in favor.

Resolution 2023-75 Reinstatement of Utility Billing Clerk Position and Wage for FY2024. Motion to table this item and have further discussion with the Employee Review Committee along with both Clerks & then come back before the council, was made by Burroughs, 2nd by McDonald and All were in favor.

New Business: Discussion/Presentation - John with N&N Sanitation was present to discuss the packet of information and a bid offer for services to the City of Keota. He talked about their automated system and each council member was given 2 minutes to ask questions and further discuss. Bender- "Is this the same rate for each town?" N&N replied that they have been trying to get business from Keota for some time, so they have an exclusive offer with a 5-year contract. Conrad- "Who do they currently provide service for?" N&N stated that they currently provide service to rural areas and HOAs in the IC area and areas such as Solon and Sulliff. Burroughs- "The tags that are \$2.00, what does that cover?" N&N stated that the monthly fee covers whatever fits in the carts and this would be for additional that didn't fit. A 65gal tote would hold 4 -6, 13gal bags. Greiner and McDonald had no further questions. Mayor- Solid waste is \$14.00/mth. and recycle is \$6-20/mth. Correct? And what is the terms for paying for a cart exchange? N&N stated that a cart exchange fee is only assessed when a cart is damaged clearly by the resident, such as running it over and such. Currently they cannot accept glass, but that will be added by the time the contract would go into place. A request for references was made and a motion was made to table for further discussion and questions by the council, by Burroughs, 2nd by Conrad, and All were in favor.

Discussion/Introduction Jorre Altenhofen was present to introduce herself to the city as the Keokuk County Emergency Management Coordinator. This is a part time position and she also works part time with the Keokuk County Public Health team as well. Emergency Management is located in the Court House along with Public Health. Altenhofen is working on a multi-Jurisdictional plan and asked the Council to look over the hand-out that she had with data from Keota in 2018. She requested that they bring any changes to Clerk,

Horras to communicate to Altenhofen for a new update, that is required every 5 years. Opening for debate was made and each Council member declined.

Discussion/Possible Action Approval of comp time for all City employees. Burroughs did remind us that there is a cap on comp time of 360 hours. Motion was made for approval of all comp time for employees with the completion of final calculation of benefit time for Doug Conrad to be done by Mayor Cansler and another Councilman, by Conrad. 2nd made by McDonald and All were in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action City Clerk to look at a possible website change and asked for approval to explore the Locabe, Inc. option. Motion was made to approve exploration of Locabe, by Bender, 2nd by Burroughs and All were in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action Approval for City Clerk to communicate to and engage in further action with any residents that were over 3 months delinquent on their utility bill. Burroughs stated that this was something that was already in the Clerk's power and only needed to come to the council for further approval if there were any fees associated with the process.

Discussion/Possible Action Approval of Fall Clean up dates being October 6th and 7th. Motion to approve by Burroughs, 2nd by Greiner and All in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action Clerk Horras presented another grant opportunity from Gametime. This would allow us to purchase a new fitness/park playground structure with the potential of up to 50% grant matching funds. The structures are more fitness and hand eye coordination, focus rather than just the typical playground structures and would be a great addition to be added to the park opposite of the library to revive that area. A motion was made to allow the City Clerk to look into this option and bring the final details to the council meeting for discussion and/or approval to move forward. Motion by Burroughs, 2nd by Greiner and All in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action Clerk Horras stated that with the short length of time that the aquatic center would be open, she would like to pare down the concession stand options to ensure that there is not a lot of leftover inventory. Motion was made by council member Burroughs to allow the Clerk to use her discretion in this area. A 2nd was made by Bender and All were in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action Clerk Horras verified with the Council that there were no Public Measures to be added to the ballot this November and all Councilmembers responded that we do not have any at this time.

Mayor Comments: Cansler requested that there be an agenda item next meeting, to discuss the Police Office and equipment, truck, equipment in the truck, firearms, etc. Cansler also stated that Officer Conrad currently has the keys to the Police Office and that that would change with the move of the things from the office to City Hall, Keokuk County Sheriff Dept, etc. Cansler stated that the employee review committee will meet with and discuss the Clerk positions and will begin to get things ready for employee reviews to be scheduled. Thank you to all the work that has been done by the Council Members and City employees.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn meeting by Burroughs, 2nd by Bender, with All in favor. Time 8:34pm.

Next regular meeting, August 21st, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Anthony Cansler City Clerk Alycia A Horras Published in The News-Review on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023

