

City commits funding

Money is contingent on county redevelopment commission

By RAY COONEY

The Commercial Review

The city now has a financial stake in a proposed housing project on its west side.

Portland City Council on Monday approved committing \$400,000 to the county's proposed infrastructure project as the first step toward a housing and commercial development, contingent on the county's redevelopment commission committing the remaining funding for the project.

The council also heard a request from Jay County Commissioners president Chad Aker for the city to pay about \$1.12 million for its new radios, related equipment and warranties as part of an overall project that could range as high as \$7 million countywide.

Aker also presented the request for \$400,000 for the first step toward development of 68 acres on the north side of Votaw Street on the city's west side. The first phase of the project would involve installing sewer and water lines.

The road and additional



Portland City Council committed \$400,000 on Monday toward the first phase of a planned housing and commercial development on 68 acres of county-owned land on the city's west side. Above is a graphic consulting firm Rundell Ernstberger Associates presented last year for what such a development could look like. It would include commercial properties along the north side of Votaw Street with various types of housing further north. The city's commitment to the project was made on the contingency that the county redevelopment commission provide the remaining funds needed.

utilities would follow in later phases of an overall project estimated at more than \$25 million. The ultimate vision for the project includes commercial space along Votaw Street (Indiana 26/67), 210 multi-family housing units, 76 single-

family homes and 53 townhomes/duplexes.

The county has committed its remaining \$1.28 million in federal coronavirus relief funds through the American Rescue Plan Act toward the project. It also expects to receive an addi-

tional \$1.21 million through the state's Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (READI) 2.0. During a council meeting last month, Aker said that in addition to the city's requested contribution,

the county's redevelopment commission would be asked to fund the remaining \$235,000. (The redevelopment commission with drew its previous \$1.5 million commitment toward the project in July, with some of its members

noting the lack of a financial commitment from the city.)

Aker and Jay County Development Corporation executive director Ceann Bales said several developers have expressed interest. See **Commits** page 5

Finances look strong

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The city and its utilities have healthy cash balances.

There are still some areas that need to be looked at to ensure financial stability in the future.

Ross Hagen of financial consulting firm Baker Tilly provided a comprehensive financial plan report to Portland City Council on Monday recommending that the city look at increasing water rates over time and keeping an eye out for the financial impact of Senate Enrolled Act 1.

Hagen told the council current cash balances are about \$11.2 million currently citywide for operating funds including the general fund, motor vehicle highway, local road and street, parks and recreation, local income tax and aviation, \$4.5 million in its wastewater fund and \$3.66 million in its water fund. In all three cases, those are well above the recommended cash balances of \$5 million, \$2.5 million and just under \$1 million, respectively. (The utilities are self-supporting through user

Portland can absorb changes; water rate should be increased

fees and those funds are not part of the city's regular budget.)

Looking at the city's overall finances, Hagen said Baker Tilly's study projects budget surpluses to continue through 2027 to a peak of about \$15 million.

The impacts of Senate Enrolled Act 1 — passed during this year's legislative session, it makes various changes to tax policy including amending the structure of the local income tax — will be felt most heavily beginning in 2028. Hagen noted that there will be options for replacing some of the projected lost revenue from local income tax changes, but that the study projects that the changes will cost the city \$500,000 in tax revenue annually.

"You've got a really good healthy cash balance above and

beyond that recommended reserve level. So we have some time to be able to absorb some of those changes that are happening ... and not make any drastic changes ... You can take some time to evaluate and make changes as needed.

"I think you're in a good position to be able to absorb those impacts. ... It may require some tightening up of the budget in future years."

Hagen pointed out that the projections do not include a potential \$2 million police department renovation project, the purchase of a new firetruck (about \$1 million) or the purchase of new radios (\$1.12 million) for emergency responders and other departments.

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On the snare

Fort Recovery High School freshman Carter Kaiser plays the snare drum during Saturday's competition at Versailles. The band will be back in action this weekend at Ohio State University.

FR amends ordinances for new employees

By BAILEY CLINE

The Commercial Review

FORT RECOVERY — The village has another new employee.

Fort Recovery Village Council amended its wage ordinance Monday to establish positions and set pay for assistant fiscal officer and utility clerk positions as well as a fiscal officer trainee.

Anna Post, a Fort Recovery resident, has been hired to take over

New assistant fiscal officer and utility clerk are on staff

the new assistant role. Village council authorized village administrator Randy Diller last month to create the position.

Post started in the job Monday. She worked for 20 years in customer service at The St. Henry Bank.

"I'm working, now it's

my home village, to give back to the town," said Post.

She'll serve as an assistant to former assistant fiscal officer Jennifer

Schoonover, who as of Oct. 1 is now serving as fiscal officer trainee. Schoonover is preparing to take over fiscal officer Roberta Staugler's job after her retirement June 1.

Staugler had been handling fiscal officer as well as utilities clerk duties. Schoonover, who has also served as grant administrator for about five years, will continue with grant administration while also balancing the fiscal officer

role, leaving a need for Post to handle utilities clerk responsibilities.

Also Monday, council heard the village's second water tower is complete.

Located on the north side of the village, the tower holds 250,000 gallons.

The project also included adding 2,600 feet of water line to connect the tower to the village's distribution system.

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Deaths

Terry Cramer, 73, Portland
Details on page 2.

Weather

The high temperature was 81 degrees Monday in Jay County. The low was 60.

Tonight's forecast calls for a low in the mid 30s and patchy frost after midnight. Expect a high in the lower 60s on Thursday under sunny skies.

See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

The Jay County Junior-Senior High School German Club will hold its annual Oktoberfest celebration from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday in the school's commons. It will feature a meal of German food including bratwurst, potato salad, Black Forest Cake and apple strudel for \$12. Visitors should enter through door 9.

Coming up

Thursday — Details from the JCHS boys soccer sectional opener versus Oak Hill.

Friday — Coverage of Wednesday's Jay County Council meeting.

Saturday — Results from the Jay County football game at Lapel.



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It also did not include a \$400,000 commitment to the 68-acre infrastructure project toward a proposed housing development on the city's west side. (See related story.) He said bonding could be used to support some of those projects.

Looking at the city's wastewater department, Hagen said it fared a bit better than expected in 2024 in large part because of interest earned off of the nearly \$24 million in the city's construction fund for its ongoing project to build an

equalization basin and a wet weather pump station.

Baker Tilly's study projects an increase in the wastewater fund's cash balance to \$5.2 million at the end of 2026 and continued increases through 2029. It factors in the purchase of a new vacuum truck as well.

The water fund's cash balance was down a bit in 2024, though not by as much as had been projected in the budget. Over the next five years, the balance is expected to dip to about \$1.9 million.

Hagen noted that to main-

tain the current cash balance would require a 31% increase — about \$6 per month — to the city's rates for the average user of 4,000 gallons per month. He suggested that such an increase could be phased in over multiple years.

He also provided the council with comparisons to the state average for municipalities that are of similar size to Portland. The report indicates the city's sewer rate of about \$74 per month is about \$21 higher (39%) than the average while its water rate of \$19.60 per

month is \$11.90 lower (38%) than the average.






The combined rates of \$85.60 per month are 1.5% higher than the state average.

Council member Dave Golden asked about the impact of Senate Enrolled Act 1 on bonds, saying he has heard reporting that changes in the legislation could impact ratings. Hagen said he has heard the same from rating organizations Standard & Poor's and Moody's, but that the changes may not directly impact the city.

He said he does not have that concern for the bonds for the city's wastewater plant project because they are through the state's revolving loan fund.

Golden also asked about a Baker Tilly study the city's board of works recently approved to review trash collection rates. He noted that the city's rate of \$5.50 per month is well below the state average and questioned whether an increase would be recommended. Hagen said it is likely that the study will recommend a rate increase.

CR almanac

Thursday 10/9	Friday 10/10	Saturday 10/11	Sunday 10/12	Monday 10/13
 66/36 Another day of sun on Thursday, with winds again around 10 to 15 mph.	 71/44 Friday's forecast shows mostly sunny skies with a slight wind. The high may reach a temperate 71.	 73/42 Mostly sunny skies again on Saturday, with humidity levels around 52%.	 75/44 Sunday's weather appears to be mostly sunny with a high around 75 degrees.	 77/50 Mostly sunny skies on Monday when the high will be in the mid to upper 70s.

Lotteries

Powerball
Monday
28-29-32-66-67
Power Ball: 3
Power Play: 2
Estimated jackpot: \$223 million

Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$547 million

Hoosier
Monday
Midday
Daily Three: 3-4-6
Daily Four: 6-9-2-5
Quick Draw: 2-3-8-17-24-28-29-39-42-45-51-54-56-58-64-65-76-77-78-80
Evening
Daily Three: 5-4-4

Daily Four: 4-8-1-9
Quick Draw: 13-21-22-23-24-25-27-28-29-34-35-40-42-49-50-51-61-64-65-74
Cash 5: 6-13-33-39-44
Estimated jackpot: \$466,000

Ohio
Monday
Midday
Pick 3: 8-2-2
Pick 4: 0-2-2-8
Pick 5: 3-8-8-1-7
Evening
Pick 3: 1-7-6
Pick 4: 6-4-8-9
Pick 5: 0-3-0-4-8
Rolling Cash: 13-14-28-36-38
Estimated jackpot: \$100,000

Markets

Cooper Farms Fort Recovery
Corn.....4.12
Oct. corn4.07
Dec. corn4.22

POET Biorefining Portland
Corn.....4.22
Oct./Nov. corn4.07
Dec. corn4.27

The Andersons Richland Township
Corn3.99
Oct. corn4.12
Beans.....9.63

Dec. beans9.83
Wheat4.68

ADM Montpelier
Corn.....3.96
Nov. corn4.00
Beans.....9.78
Nov. beans9.84
Wheat5.03

Heartland St. Anthony
Corn.....4.22
Oct. corn4.07
Beans.....9.58
Dec. beans9.81
Wheat4.48

Today in history

In 1862, Union forces fought off a Confederate effort to pull Kentucky into the Confederacy in a one-day battle at Perryville. Northern troops seeking to engage again the next day found that Confederate forces had retreated.

In 1871, at least 1,200 people were killed as the result of a fire that destroyed a wide swath of Michigan and Wisconsin, including the cities of Peshtigo, Holland, Manistee and Port Huron. On the same night, the Great Chicago Fire started in Illinois.

In 1967, the Bolivian army captured Che Guevara and later shot him to death. He had been a Cuban revolutionary and South American guerrilla leader.

In 2001, President George W. Bush announced the start of Operation Enduring

Freedom as U.S. and allied forces began airstrikes in Afghanistan, targeting al-Qaida and Taliban positions in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

In 2007, 2-year-old Lucas Timmerman was found safe in a cornfield about an hour-and-a-half after he went missing. He had wandered off while playing at his grandmother's home in Noble Township. A crowd of more than 100 had gathered to help in the search.

In 2018, the Fort Recovery High School volleyball team swept the second-ranked New Bremen Cardinals, the defending Division IV state champions, to stay in first place in the Midwest Athletic Conference. Cassidy Martin had a dozen kills to lead the Indians.

—The CR

Citizen's calendar

Today
8 a.m. — Upper Wabash River Basin Commission, Wells Carnegie Government Annex, 223 W. Washington St., Bluffton.
6 p.m. — Jay County Council, auditorium, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland.

Thursday
6 p.m. — Jay County Plan Commission, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland.

Obituaries

Terry Cramer
Feb. 11, 1952-Oct. 4, 2025
Terry A. Cramer, age 73, of Portland passed away on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2025, in the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Portland on Feb. 11, 1952, the son of Max and Norma (Fields) Cramer. Terry was with Jay Randolph Developmental Services for 18 years. He enjoyed playing basketball, playing the drums and music. He had a funny personality and was always looking for a girlfriend.

Surviving are his brother Steve Cramer of Portland; three nieces, Cara Cramer, Ashley Cramer and Kylie Cramer; and several great- and great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Friday, Oct. 10, at 3 p.m. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with Pastor Wayne Ward presiding.

Burial will follow in the Weimer Cemetery in Randolph County. Vis-



Cramer

Felony courts

Dealing drugs
A rural Redkey man was sentenced to 33 years in prison after a Jay Circuit Court jury found him guilty of dealing narcotics and related charges.

Timothy J. Slaven, 40, 6289 W. 800 South, Redkey, was found guilty of a Level 2 felony for dealing in a narcotic drug, a Class A misdemeanor for resisting law enforcement, a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia and a habitual offender enhancement.

He was sentenced to 33 years Indiana Department of Correction — his original sentence of 25 years was enhanced for being a habitual offender — for the Level 2 felony and given credit for time served. He was also sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail and another 60 days in jail for both misdemeanors. His sentences will be served concurrently.

A Level 2 felony for dealing methamphetamine and an additional Level 2 felony for dealing in a narcotic drug were dismissed. The court found Slaven indigent for the purpose of appeal.

costs. He was placed on probation for 363 days.

A part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice were dismissed.

Nonsupport
A Portland woman was placed on probation for nearly a year after pleading guilty to nonsupport of a dependent child.

Avery M. Clifton, 25, 704 E High St., Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to the Class A misdemeanor, lessened from a Level 6 felony per her plea agreement. She was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but two days suspended and given two days credit for time served.

Clifton was assessed \$189 in court costs and placed on probation for 363 days. As of her sentencing, Clifton's child support obligation arrearage and restitution was \$3,784.06 owed to Taylor D. Clifton. She was ordered to make monthly \$200 payments beginning Oct. 15.

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Resisting law
A Portland man will serve just under a year on probation for resisting law enforcement and leaving the scene of an accident.

Anthony L. Crawford, 38, 322 W. Main St., Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to resisting law enforcement, a Class A misdemeanor, and leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B misdemeanor. He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but two days of his sentence suspended and given two days credit for time served. Crawford was fined \$25 and assessed \$189.50 in court

SERVICES

Today
Shetler, Freida: 9 a.m., Emanuel Hilty residence, 998 S. 000 Road, Monroe.

Thursday
Sours, Laura: 1 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.

Friday
Cramer, Terry: 3 p.m., Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, 221 N. Meridian St., Portland.

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Mental health clouds future

DEAR ABBY: My brother “Joey” married a woman, “Allie,” who is mentally unstable. Every couple of months, she loses her temper at me or one of my family members. It’s extremely disruptive and upsetting. She has been diagnosed with type 1 bipolar disorder as well as borderline personality disorder. Joey recognizes her behavior is inappropriate but can’t seem to control her.

We usually ignore her and let some time pass until she calms down, but sometimes it’s hard to turn the other cheek when she yells and makes personal attacks toward us. The most recent blow-up occurred while they were visiting my parents’ home. Allie is pregnant with their first baby, and the day after the visit, Allie called my mom yelling at her that their house is “toxic” due to clutter and dust. She said being in their home is “harming their unborn baby.” My parents’ house is NOT a health hazard. Yes, there is some clutter, but they’ve raised five kids in that house and have lived there for almost 40 years.

Is there any way we can have a meaningful relationship with Joey and Allie? I’m worried they’re never going to let us see their baby. — TIPTOEING IN CALIFORNIA

Dear Abby



DEAR TIPTOEING: Allie has dual-diagnosis mental illness. If she’s receiving meds for her bipolar disorder, it may be controlled. If she realizes her explosive reactions are over the top and is receiving psychotherapy for borderline personality disorder, you may be able to have a relationship with your niece or nephew. But understand that BPD is a difficult illness to treat. Unless Allie is open to treatment, your brother should think twice about having more children with her because their marriage may not last.

DEAR ABBY: A longtime friend of mine, “Barbara,” is kind enough to let me stay at her home when I visit her town a couple of times a year. She has another close (out-of-town) friend, “Helene,” who stays with her more often. Lately, it has become apparent that Helene is our complete political

opposite, so much so that I no longer feel comfortable being around her.

Because our visits often overlap, my first impulse is to make arrangements to stay elsewhere. However, I don’t want to offend Barbara, who denies that Helene is an extremist, despite evidence to the contrary. Is there any graceful way to ask Barbara to alert me if Helene will be around so I may make other lodging arrangements? — AVOIDANT OUT WEST

DEAR AVOIDANT: Because your friend Barbara continues to deny that Helene is an extremist, in spite of evidence to the contrary, it is possible that her political views are closer to those of Helene’s than you think. It may be time to level with Barbara and explain that Helene’s views are offensive to you and ask if she’d be willing to tell you if Helene will be there when you plan to visit so you can make other arrangements for lodging.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Library holding decorating contest

Calling all pumpkin decorators.

Jay County Public Library is hosting a family pumpkin decorating contest this month.

Pumpkins are now available to pick up at the library, 315 N. Ship St., Portland. Families may decorate and return their gourd to the library by Oct. 23. Participants must use pumpkins provided by the library, and the pumpkins can’t be cut or punctured. Decorations must be family friendly. Submissions will be on display from Oct. 27 through Oct. 31 for library patrons to cast their votes. The winners will be contacted the following week and receive a gift basket.

Also this month, Adult Halloween Sip and Puzzle Night is slated for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Attendees will be given puzzles to complete along with Halloween-themed mocktails and treats. Registration is required.

The library will also have pumpkin-themed activity kits for adults starting Monday.

Toon-tastic

It’s not too late to immerse yourself in the world of cartoons.

“Toon-Tastic,” a cartoon art display, is available to view through Friday at Jay County Campus of Arts Place. It features various cartoon depictions, including Looney Tunes characters. The exhibit in the

Taking Note

Hugh N. Ronald Gallery is open during Arts Place’s regular hours.

For more information, call (260) 726-4809, email visualarts@myartsplace.org or visit myartsplace.org.

Dean’s list

A Pennville resident recently made the dean’s list at a Maryland college.

Terri Thompson earned a spot on the list for the summer term at University of Maryland Global Campus. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earn a GPA of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5.

Book sale

Fort Recovery Public Library will be hosting a used book sale Monday, Oct. 20, through Saturday, October 25, during normal business hours. A free-will donation will be accepted for materials at the sale.

The library accepts donations of clean and gently used items. Items not accepted are materials in poor condition, encyclopedias, dictionaries, textbooks, magazines, cassettes and VHS tapes.

Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email news@thecr.com.

Today

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Center.

PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday in the cafe at John Jay Center for Learning, 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.

COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING — A non-confrontational, evidence-based intervention for helping families affected by addiction meets at 4 p.m. each Wednesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

PORTLAND EAGLES — Will meet at 6 p.m., on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Eagles’ lodge, 320 N. Meridian St., Portland.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP — New Beginnings, a support group for

friends and families of alcoholics, will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the Zion Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 726-8229.

A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Wednesday at Redkey United Methodist Church, 122 W. Main St. Come early for a meal. For more information, call Pastor Randy Davis at (765) 369-2085.

JAY COUNTY CIVIC THEATRE — Holds its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the boardroom at Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St., Portland.

Thursday

SMART RECOVERY — A group for those struggling with addiction that focuses on motivation, coping with cravings, managing thoughts, feelings and behavior, and living a balanced life meets at 11 a.m. each Thursday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY — A 12-step Christian recovery program meets at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at A Sec-

ond Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

JAY COUNTY TRAILS CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Jay Community Center.

Friday

PAST RECOVERY SERVICES — Peer Addiction Support Team recovery support group meets at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. each Friday at the Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition office at 100 N. Meridian St., Portland. To learn more information, please call (260) 251-3259.

Saturday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.

Sunday

A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. each Sunday at Fellowship Baptist Church, 289 S. 200 West, Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2066.

Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.

JAY COUNTY DRUG

PREVENTION COALITION — Will meet at noon the second Monday of each month at Jay County Campus of Arts Place, 131 E. Walnut St, Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3259.

EUCHRE — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church, 323 S. Meridian St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5924.

THE LIFE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy, as well as help with the needs of the family. The center is located at 1209 S. Shank St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY FAMILY MEAL — Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 204 E. Arch St. in Portland. Everyone is welcome.

PORTLAND EVENING OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month at Richards Restaurant.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

Sudoku

		6		8		2		
	1	3						
		2		4				6
			1				3	
				6				2
					2		1	7
				5				8
9		7	8					
		1	7		4			

Level: Intermediate

Tuesday’s Solution

4	7	5	6	3	1	8	2	9
1	9	8	5	4	2	3	6	7
3	2	6	8	9	7	1	4	5
5	4	2	9	7	3	6	1	8
8	3	9	1	6	4	7	5	2
7	6	1	2	5	8	4	9	3
9	5	3	7	1	6	2	8	4
2	1	7	4	8	9	5	3	6
6	8	4	3	2	5	9	7	1

The objective is to fill a nine-by nine grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine three-by-three boxes (also called blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9 only one time each.



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Thank you on behalf of 7-year-old

Editor's note: This column is being reprinted from Oct. 6, 2010. Jack had plenty of stories from his youth. It's a staple of staying in one's hometown to be able to look at a building and name the various businesses that have been there over the decades.

By JACK RONALD

The Commercial Review

Have I ever properly thanked Weldon Hamma?

I don't think so, but now that I'm north of 60 things have gotten a little fuzzy. I figure it's better to thank him twice than not at all.

(If I've written about this before, give me a break; see the paragraph above.)

When I was a kid, back in the pre-supermarket era, there were plenty of places for a family to buy groceries.

Kroger's was in the building that's now home to the Ritz; I can still smell the fresh-ground coffee beans.

Marsh's was on Main Street where Sertech is now located.

There were nearly a dozen little neighborhood groceries, and on

Back in the Saddle



the south side, where you can now buy a custom motorbike, there was Hamma's.

For some reason, it was always my favorite. Smaller than any supermarket but larger than a neighborhood grocery, Hamma's seemed a perfect fit for the post-war 1950s.

It offered great variety without being overwhelming. It offered service, but the people there knew you by your first name. Even the kids.

In those days, my trips to Hamma's were made in the family's old Studebaker with my mother. And my first trips down its aisles were made in the basket seat of a grocery cart.

Those seats were intended as

a convenience for parents, but I suspect I was kept there longer than usual to keep me out of trouble. I had a tendency to wander off even then.

We'd shop at other markets. Kroger's because it was big. Loy's on the east side. And the neighborhood markets because of their convenience. But it was a trip to Hamma's that always had me ready to go when I was in the kindergarten to second grade age range.

We'd go down the north aisle toward the meat counter at the west end, then work our way through the rest of the store. But it was near the end that the magic happened.

Some cereal company had produced a large, full-color cardboard cutout of the Lone Ranger, sitting aside his faithful steed Silver while the horse was reared up on its hind legs. It was truly — to a 7-year-old — a work of art. Its effectiveness as an advertising piece, however, remains in doubt. I have no

idea what cereal it was promoting.

On the other hand, I can assure you that Wild Bill Hickock and his sidekick Jingles (played by Andy Devine) were effectively selling Sugar Pops. I know that because, fan that I was of Wild Bill and Jingles, I wheedled endlessly until my mother bought a box of Sugar Pops.

I found them dreadful. So did everyone else in the house except some weevils that found their way into the box. But while I was loyal to Wild Bill, I was a committed Lone Ranger fan, "with a hearty hi-ho Silver!"

So every time we went through the store that summer, I stared at the Lone Ranger astride Silver and let my imagination go wild. It got so that I'd abandon my mother as soon as she got her cart, letting her catch up to me over by the Lone Ranger display near the checkout.

Then, one day, it was gone. These things happen. Corporate icons outlive their usefulness and

are tossed on the scrap heap all the time. But this was the Lone Ranger!

I was stunned. What could they put in his place that could ever begin to measure up? Arthur Godfrey selling Ovaltine?

Kukla, Fran, and Ollie selling Bosco?

Then Weldon Hamma came to the rescue. He'd apparently noticed this scrawny kid with a buzz cut staring at the Lone Ranger, and when he took it down he did so carefully. And he set it aside for my next trip to the market.

If 7-year-olds had a lottery, I would have been the big winner. It went home with us, and for years it graced the wall of the bedroom I shared with my big brother.

I hope that back then my manners were good enough to say thank you. But, just in case I was like most 7-year-olds, let me say this: Thanks, Weldon. You made a little kid very, very happy that day.

Hung juries reveal limits

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For all of its might, the federal government's immigration crackdown faces one formidable obstacle: convincing a jury of ordinary people that it is lawful and just.

Twice in the past two months, Doris Aleman-Bonilla, a 30-year-old Honduran woman from Fulton, stood trial in Syracuse federal court on charges she is in the country without legal permission.

Twice, the government failed to persuade all 12 jurors that Aleman-Bonilla was here voluntarily, a necessary element to convict. Twice, the judge declared a mistrial when jurors could not reach a unanimous verdict.

The judge would not allow Aleman-Bonilla to testify that she was forced to cross the U.S.-Mexico border at gunpoint and sought safety in Fulton. Some jurors found the lack of an explanation a troubling hole in the government's case, said two jurors who gave syracuse.com readers a rare glimpse inside their deliberations. After talking for nine hours over two days, the jury voted 8-4 in favor of acquittal.

For at least one juror, the rhetoric of President Donald Trump's deportation campaign had met reality. Immigration authorities with arrest quotas aren't going after "the worst of the worst" but are pursuing immigrant laborers like Aleman-Bonilla who were fleeing for their lives.

"I am all for rounding up the hostile, the dangerous, the drug lords, the terrorists that go after American citizens," said Kevin Cossentine, a juror from Central Square. "But to go after her — someone who had no choice to be here — let it be."

After two mistrials, U.S. Attorney John Sarcone offered a plea deal to Aleman-Bonilla, who had already served six months in jail. She accepted, which ended this case, but was immediately taken into custody by immigration authorities. If jail is bad, the dangerous and dark federal immigration detention system is worse — a

Guest Editorial

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place characterized by degradation and inhumane treatment, rather than decency and due process.

And then there is the matter of the taxpayer resources spent to prosecute just this one defendant: six months of incarceration; two rounds of jury selection; two trials that ended in mistrials; and the hundreds of hours prosecutors, defense lawyers, the judge and court personnel poured into this case. Now multiply that by the Trump administration's goal of removing 1 million undocumented immigrants per year. Such prosecutions are an awfully expensive way to rid the country of mostly hardworking, harmless people like Aleman-Bonilla.

Two hung juries won't stop Trump's deportation machine. However, the impressive degree of thoughtfulness and bravery shown by these jurors is a challenge to the rest of us: How do we find the courage to, in our own ways, resist this cruel crusade?



Community is unmatched

To the editor:

I cried in the shower today. I just had my 20-year class reunion. Time flies, whether you're having fun or not.

I asked my mom if I could borrow a necklace for the party and she obliged. I was sorting through her jewelry box and came upon my class ring. Perfect timing. I wore it to the party.

I messed up the name of the first person I talked to and felt embarrassed. Is this how the night is going to be?

A reunion is a mind-boggling blast from the past. We were all the same, yet everything had changed. I felt surrounded by people I knew well, but at the same time, didn't know at all, not really. Boys I had crushes on, some I still do, girls I was envious of, some I used to tell my most private thoughts.

The comfort level was different compared to 10 years ago, and definitely different compared to 20 years ago. More self-assured, maybe a little richer, hopefully a little wiser. We have ourselves more figured out now. We feel more comfortable in our own skins.

There were three at the party who had never moved away. I pretty much have only moved away. This place still feels like home to me, even though I just visit about once a month. How deep do the roots feel to someone who has been here since day one?

We had delicious food from Mrs. P's. It was the lunchroom in the commons all over again — who sits with whom, who's the loner, what is the

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loud table. We found the groups where we felt most at ease and settled in. The little cartons of milk were replaced by bottles of Busch Light.

As we ate, we caught up with each other, so many questions and listening ears. We spoke of our struggles and successes, reminding me that life isn't easy for anyone, even though it may appear that way online.

We traveled down memory lane, talking of teachers and classmates and scholarships.

We spoke of our jobs, or lack thereof. Teachers, servers, directors, farmers, laborers, businesspeople, techies, editors, managers, politicians, engineers, nurses, physical therapists, beauticians, rock stars, nomads, remote workers, stay at home moms. Parents. Adoptive parents. Veterans. Author.

There was talk of babies, toddlers, tweens, teenagers, adult children. A glib comment about becoming grandparents.

People opened up about marriage, divorce and fights with cancer. We shared about the loss of family members, and the addition of new partners and new family members.

We asked about each others' parents, remembering those steady figures from when they attended our sporting events, performances, pro-

ductions and parent-teacher conferences.

I recognized phrases and mannerisms from people that had not changed in 20 years. I wondered what they noticed about me. I felt known, seen. I have a wonderful community where I live now, but those relationships are new compared to these.

I stood with my old group of friends and talked about new topics. We had never talked about social media before; it didn't exist when we used to hang out.

There was so much talk of people who live locally and who didn't come to the party. We wondered why that was.

I can respect the desire to not rehash the past. Just so you know, if you weren't there, we thought about you and you were missed.

It was OK, because those who wanted to be there were there together and we all made it this far.

But we didn't all make it. There was a sign dedicated to those who had passed away. Way too many people were on that little sign.

We laughed, hugged and said our goodbyes. There wasn't enough time to say everything that needed to be said to everybody. I should have taken more pictures.

I cried in the shower today, but not because I feel old. The level of generosity and kindness I experienced at the party is unmatched.

Someone at the party asked me why I moved back from California, and I looked around the room and answered, "this."

Julie (Sours) Bruder Goshen

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Amends ...

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Fort Recovery received a \$1.25 million grant in June 2023 from the Ohio BUILDS water infrastructure program to build the new tower, and the village planned to contribute about \$450,000 from its own water tower improvement and water capital funds for the project. After projected costs came in higher than expected — Caldwell Tanks’ bid came in at \$2.44 million — Fort Recovery applied for and received a \$600,000 state funding allocation from the One-Time Strategic Community Investment Fund. The village planned to cover the remaining \$140,000. Diller noted Monday the

Commits ...

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Council members spent more than a half hour discussing the proposal, with Ashley Hilfiker asking about the timeline for the project. Aker responded that construction would likely begin in the spring and be complete by the end of 2026. Proposals from developers are due in early November.

Hilfiker said she feels there is too much uncertainty tied into the project and referred to plans as beautiful but “over the top.” She also questioned long-term viability and added that she feels the city should have been involved in the project earlier in the planning stages.

Council members Ron May, Dave Golden, Kent McClung and Matt Goldsworthy agreed on that last point, with Golden pointing to other known expenses such as wastewater treatment plant upgrades and radios for emergency responders. He referred to the project as a gamble.

Other questions came up, including about the potential of losing the READI 2.0 and American Rescue Plan Act funds. Bales noted that there is a process for reallocating the READI 2.0 funds within the county, though moving American Rescue Plan Act funds would be more difficult.

Aker again argued in favor of the project, saying the city will be the biggest beneficiary in terms of more water and sewer customers, tax increment financing (TIF) income and taxes.

“To me, it’s a win-win for the city,” he said.

Though he said he didn’t like

Council approval comes despite several members saying the city should have been brought into the process earlier

the overall approach to the project thus far, McClung said he was leaning toward voting in favor because the project represents progress.

Goldsworthy talked about all the “wants” there are in the city but that no action has been taken.

“Year after year it comes back to we need housing, we need jobs, we need people to come here,” he said. “But we’re afraid to do anything ... in this community because we’re afraid of the what if. ...

“At some point we need to invest in ourselves a little bit to encourage other businesses to want to come here.”

Mayor Jeff Westlake agreed that he would like to see some kind of progress.

Council members Michele Brewster, Mike Aker, McClung, Goldsworthy, Golden, Hilfiker and May ultimately voted 7-0 in favor of the \$400,000 contribution toward the first phase of the project, contingent on the county’s redevelopment commission jumping back in with funding. Hilfiker clarified her vote, saying she feels that the city council was backed into a

final cost will be slightly less than the bid amount. Council then agreed to pay an \$8,749.13 bill from Caldwell Tanks for work completed on the project.

In other business, village council members Lucas Knapke, Scott Pearson, Greg Schmitz, Al Post and Cliff Wendel, absent Erik Fiely:

- Scheduled a second informational meeting regarding the Nov. 4 ballot question about increasing the village income tax by 0.5 percentage points. Residents will have a chance to learn more about the proposed increase at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 20 at village hall, with council’s regular meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

- Paid a \$235,204.93 pay request from Tom’s Construction for work completed on the Butler Street reconstruction project.
- Heard Fort Street Car Classics will host its fall merchants cruise-in from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday on the brick portion of Wayne Street.

- Learned the annual Halloween parade will be held at 3 p.m. Oct. 26, with trick-or-treating hours to follow from 4 to 6 p.m.
- Paid a \$967.25 bill from environmental consultant Eagon and Associates for work completed in the study to determine a site for a third well in the village.

Felony court news

Continued from page 2 Domestic battery

Three Indiana residents were recently sentenced to serve time for domestic battery.

Drew R. Hire, 33, 1 S. Meridian St., Redkey, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to domestic battery, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 910 days in Jay County Jail with all but 180 days of his sentence suspended and given eight days credit for time served. Hire was fined \$25, assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$50 domestic violence prevention and treatment fee. Hire was placed on probation for 730 days.

Carl S. Swallow, 35, P.O. Box 272, Gaston, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to domestic battery, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 240 days in Indiana Department of Correction and given 10 days credit for time served. Swallow was assessed \$189 in court costs, fined \$25 and ordered to pay a \$50 domestic violence prevention and treatment fee.

Toyanna L. Clark, 34, 4032 S. 1100 West, Dunkirk, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to domestic battery, a Class A misdemeanor. (Her charge was lessened from a Level 6 felony.) Clark was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but four days suspended and given four days credit for time served. She was assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$50 domestic violence prevention and treatment fee. She was also placed on probation for 361 days.

Methamphetamine

Five Indiana residents were recently sentenced to serve time for possession of methamphetamine.

Anthony J. Pritchard, 47, 1213 Wayside Place, Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 felony. He was sentenced to 12 years in Indiana Department of

Correction and given credit for time served. Pritchard was assessed \$189 in court costs, fined \$1 and charged \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. Pritchard was recommended for purposeful incarceration, meaning upon completing a substance abuse treatment program, the court would consider modifying his sentence. As part of his plea agreement, a habitual offender enhancement was dismissed.

Travis L. Stone, 50, 1019 West North St., Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony. He was sentenced to five years in Indiana Department of Correction with four years suspended. Stone was assessed \$189 in court costs, fined \$1 and charged \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. As part of his plea agreement, a Class C misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia and a habitual offender enhancement were dismissed.

In a separate case, Stone pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to another count of possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony. He was sentenced to five years in Indiana Department of Correction and given credit for time served. Stone was assessed \$189 in court costs, fined \$1 and charged \$200 in drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fees. As part of his plea agreement, a Class A misdemeanor for possession of paraphernalia and a habitual offender enhancement were dismissed.

Teresa Nikole (Allen) Antonio, 34, 2516 S. Como Road, Portland, pleaded guilty in Jay Circuit Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony. She was sentenced to three years in Indiana Department of Correction

and given credit for time served. Antonio was assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. She was recommended for purposeful incarceration, meaning upon completing a substance abuse treatment program, the court would consider modifying her sentence.

James E. Miller, 26, 3291 E 1200. S-90, Montpelier, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to 545 days in Jay County Jail with all but 90 days of his sentence suspended and given two days credit for time served. He was fined \$1, assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. Miller was ordered to submit to an evaluation within 30 days of his sentencing for substance abuse counseling. He was placed on probation for 455 days. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony for obstruction of justice and a Class A misdemeanor for possession of marijuana were dismissed.

Blake I. Crabtree, 23, 2217 N. Milton St., Muncie, pleaded guilty in Jay Superior Court to possession of methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. He was sentenced to one year in Jay County Jail with all but 10 days suspended and given 10 days credit for time served. He was fined \$1, assessed \$189 in court costs and ordered to pay a \$200 drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction and correction fee. Crabtree was ordered to submit to an evaluation within 30 days of his sentencing for substance abuse counseling. He was placed on probation for one year. As part of his plea agreement, a Level 6 felony for maintaining a common nuisance and a Class B misdemeanor for possession of marijuana were dismissed.



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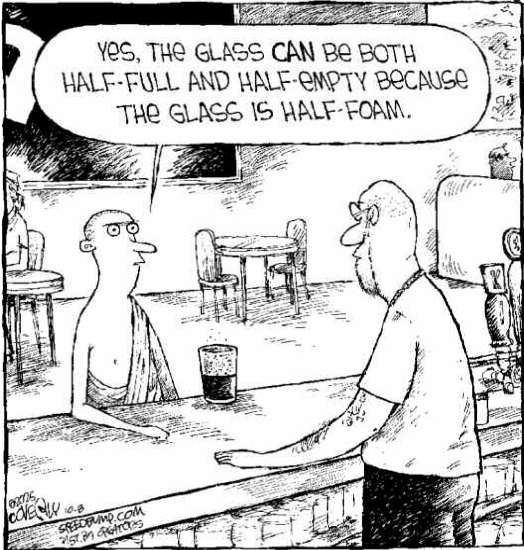
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♣ 8 6 4 3

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♥ Q 8 4 3
♦ 2
♣ K Q 7 2

EAST
♠ Q J 9
♥ A 10 9 5
♦ Q J 10 9 4
♣ 5

SOUTH
♠ 7 4
♥ J 6 2
♦ A K 7 6
♣ A J 10 9

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♦ Dble All Pass
Opening lead — two of diamonds.
When a player makes a takeout double of a suit — as West did in this case — he announces the values for an opening bid and asks his partner to respond in one of the other three suits.
However, the responder has the option of passing the double when he has a very strong holding — three tricks or more — in the opener's suit. In such a case, he can elect to convert the takeout double into a penalty double by passing.
That is exactly what happened here when East decided that one diamond doubled, played by South, was the best contract for his side.

It is nearly always right to lead a trump when a one-level takeout double is passed by the responder, and West saw no reason to deviate from that principle. Declarer won East's nine of diamonds with the king and returned a low heart to dummy's king.
East took the ace and led the queen of trump to South's ace. Declarer could now have saved a trick by cashing the club ace, but he not unreasonably continued with the jack of hearts, hoping to secure a heart ruff in dummy. West took the jack with the queen and cashed the king of spades, on which East played the queen. West then led a low spade to East's jack.
East continued the devastating defense when he drew both of South's remaining trumps and returned the nine of spades. West cashed the A-10 of spades, East discarding his only club, and East then won the remaining tricks with his fifth trump and the 10-9 of hearts.
So South went down five — 1,400 points — as a result of East's propitious pass and the subsequent flawless defense. Had West started out by leading the K-A and another spade instead of a trump, South might have held the loss to 500 points. West's trump lead turned out to be worth an additional 800 points.

Tomorrow: The obligatory finesse.
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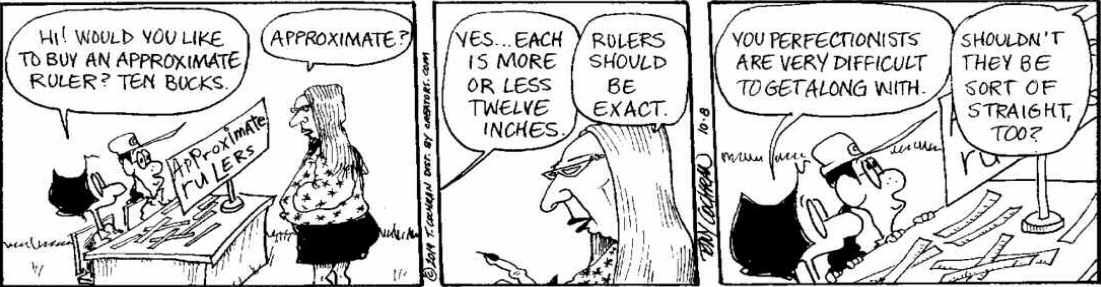
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL BONDS

Upon not less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice given by telephone or E-Mail by Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC (the "Municipal Advisor"), as designee for the Building Corporation of Jay Schools ("Issuer"), the Issuer will receive by mail at the offices of the Municipal Advisor, 9229 Delegates Row, Suite 400, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240, and consider bids for the purchase of the following described bonds (or in the alternative, bids may be submitted via "PARITY" or via E-Mail at bids@bakertilly.com).

Any person interested in submitting a bid for the bonds must furnish in writing to the Issuer, c/o its Municipal Advisor, at the aforementioned address or email address, on or before 11:30 a.m. (Eastern Daylight Time) on October 20, 2025, the person's name, address, and telephone number and if desired, EMail address. The Issuer's representative or its designee will notify (or cause to be notified) each person so registered of the date and time bids will be received not less than twenty-four (24) hours before the date and time of sale. The notification shall be made by telephone at the number furnished by such person and also by e-mail, if an E-Mail has been received. The sale is expected to take place on or about 11:30 a.m. (Eastern Daylight Time) on October 21, 2025. At the time designated for the sale, the Issuer will receive and consider bids for the purchase of the bonds of the Issuer designated as "Building Corporation of Jay Schools First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2025", in the principal amount of \$18,285,000* (the "Bonds"). Each bid must be for not less than all of the Bonds described herein. Bidders must bid a minimum purchase price of 99.5% of the face amount of the Bonds.

The Bonds will bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed 5.5% per annum (the exact interest rate or rates will be determined by bidding). All Bonds maturing on the same date shall bear the same rate. Interest will be calculated on a 30/360-day basis and will be payable on July 15, 2026, and semiannually thereafter on January 15 and July 15 of each year. Said Bonds will be dated the date of delivery, will be in the denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof and will mature semiannually on January 15 and July 15 on the dates and in the amounts* as follows:

Date*	Amount*	Date*	Amount*
July 15, 2028	\$15,000	January 15, 2037	\$630,000
January 15, 2029	15,000	July 15, 2037	645,000
July 15, 2029	30,000	January 15, 2038	665,000
January 15, 2030	35,000	July 15, 2038	680,000
July 15, 2030	35,000	January 15, 2039	695,000
January 15, 2031	35,000	July 15, 2039	710,000
July 15, 2031	200,000	January 15, 2040	735,000
January 15, 2032	205,000	July 15, 2040	750,000
July 15, 2032	275,000	January 15, 2041	765,000
January 15, 2033	280,000	July 15, 2041	790,000
July 15, 2033	530,000	January 15, 2042	805,000
January 15, 2034	545,000	July 15, 2042	825,000
July 15, 2034	560,000	January 15, 2043	850,000
January 15, 2035	570,000	July 15, 2043	870,000
July 15, 2035	585,000	January 15, 2044	890,000
January 15, 2036	600,000	July 15, 2044	915,000
July 15, 2036	615,000	January 15, 2045	935,000

* Preliminary, subject to change. The Issuer reserves the right to modify the amounts above following the sale of the Bonds to achieve the financial objectives of the Issuer.

All or a portion of the Bonds may be issued as one or more term bonds, upon election of the successful bidder. Such term bonds shall have a stated maturity or maturities as determined by the successful bidder. The term bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption and final payment(s) at maturity at 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on dates consistent with the above schedule.

At the request of the successful bidder, the Bonds may be issued as fully registered Bonds in book entry only form, registered in the name of CEDE & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). In such case, the successful bidder is expected to apply to DTC to make such Bonds depository eligible.

The Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2036 are redeemable prior to maturity at the option of the Issuer in whole or in part in any order of maturity as determined by the Issuer and by lot within maturities, on any date not earlier than July 15, 2035, at face value plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption and without any redemption premium.

Principal is payable at the office of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as registrar and paying agent. Interest shall be paid by check mailed to the registered owners or by wire transfer to depositories. Each bid must be for all of said Bonds and must state the rate or rates of interest in multiples of 1/8 or 1/100 of 1%. Any bids specifying two or more interest rates shall also specify the amount and maturities of the Bonds bearing each rate, but all Bonds maturing on the same date shall bear the same single interest rate. The award will be made to the bidder complying with the terms of sale and offering the lowest true interest cost to the Issuer. The true interest cost rate is the rate which when used to compute the total present value as of the date of delivery of the Bonds of all debt service payments on the Bonds on the basis of semiannual compounding, produces an amount equal to the sum of the par value of the Bonds minus any premium bid plus any discount. No conditional bid or bid for less than 99.5% of the face value of said Bonds will be considered. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. If no satisfactory bids are received at the time and on the date fixed for the sale, the sale may be continued from day to day thereafter without further advertisement for a period of thirty (30) days, during which time no bid which provides a higher net interest cost to the Issuer than the best bid received at the time of the advertised sale will be considered.

Each bid must be on a customary bid form addressed to the Issuer's representative and marked "Building Corporation of Jay Schools First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2025." The winning bidder must submit a good faith deposit equal to one percent (1%) of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds issued in the form of a certified or cashier's check, financial surety bond or wire transfer no later than 3:30 p.m. (E.D.T.) on the business day following the award. If a check is submitted, the check shall be drawn on a bank or trust company which is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. In either case, the deposit shall be payable to the "Building Corporation of Jay Schools" and shall be held as a guaranty of the performance of the bid if the same be accepted, or immediately returned if the bid is not accepted. If a financial surety bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such bond in the State of Indiana, and such bond must be submitted to the Issuer prior to the opening of the bids. The financial surety bond must identify each bidder whose good faith deposit is guaranteed by such financial surety bond. No interest on the deposit will accrue to the purchaser. The deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds. The successful bidder will be required to make payment for such Bonds in Federal Reserve funds

or other immediately available funds and accept delivery of the Bonds through the facility of DTC within five (5) days after being notified that the Bonds are ready for delivery. It is anticipated that the Bonds will be ready for delivery within thirty (30) days of the sale date, and if not ready for delivery within forty-five (45) days after the sale date, the purchaser shall be entitled to rescind the sale and obtain the return of the good faith deposit. The successful bidder will be required to assist the Issuer in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the Issuer at closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgement of the successful bidder, the Issuer and Bond Counsel. Additional information regarding the establishment of the issue price is set forth in the hereinafter described Official Statement relating to the Bonds. The opinion of Krieg DeVault LLP, Bond Counsel, of Indianapolis, Indiana, approving the legality of said Bonds, together with a transcript of the bond proceedings, and closing certificates in the usual form showing no litigation, will be furnished to the successful bidder at the expense of the Issuer.

Bids may be submitted electronically via PARITY in accordance with this notice until the time fixed for the sale, but no bid will be received after such time. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY conflict with this notice, the terms of this notice shall control. For further information about PARITY, potential bidders may contact the Municipal Advisor at the address set forth herein, or may contact i-Deal LLC at 1539 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018 (phone: 212-849-5021).

If a potential bidder has questions related to the Issuer, the financing or submission of bids, questions should be submitted by email to the addresses above no later than 11:00 a.m. (Indianapolis Time) on October 17, 2025. To the best of the Issuer's ability, all questions will be addressed by or on behalf of the Issuer and sent to potential bidders, including any bidders requesting 24 hours' notice of sale, no later than 5:00 p.m. (Indianapolis Time) on October 20, 2025. Additionally, upon request, the written responses will be emailed to any other interested bidder. Bidders should review this notice as well as the Preliminary Official Statement and submit any questions in advance of this deadline to submit questions.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for failure or refusal by the successful bidder therefor to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of its bid. No CUSIP identification number shall be deemed to be a part of any Bond or a part of the contract evidenced thereby, and no liability shall hereafter attach to the Issuer or any of its officers or agents because of or on account of such numbers. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP identification numbers on the Bonds shall be paid for by the Issuer; provided, however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of said numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the successful bidder. The successful bidder will also be responsible for any other fees or expenses it incurs in connection with the resale of the Bonds, including any charges in connection with DTC.

The Bonds are being issued under the provisions of Indiana Code 20-47-3 for the purpose of providing funds for (a) various proposed improvements to the Jay County Jr-Sr High School building and athletic grounds, including, but not limited to, the following: (i) certain architectural and school safety improvements including, but not limited to, roofing, security upgrades, sidewalk and masonry repairs; (ii) certain functional improvements including, but not limited to, updating the former TV studio, band and choir rooms, wrestling rooms and kitchen; (iii) certain mechanical improvements including, but not limited to, replacing the pool dehumidification unit, water mains and building HVAC controls; (iv) certain electrical improvements including, but not limited to, the replacement of the main electrical switchgear and related panels; (v) certain outdoor athletic improvements including, but not limited to, a rebuilt tennis court,

a rebuilt track, and upgrades to extend the useful life of the football stadium and baseball dugouts; and (vi) other related acquisitions (including real property if desired), improvements, upgrades, equipping, and renovations in connection therewith (i) through (vi) collectively, the "Project"); and (b) costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds will be secured pursuant to the terms of a Trust Indenture dated as of July 8, 2015, as supplemented by a First Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of September 1, 2019, as further supplemented by a Second Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of March 1, 2021, as further supplemented by a Third Supplemental Trust Indenture dated as of May 1, 2023, and as further supplemented by a Fourth Supplemental Trust Indenture to be dated the first day of the month in which the Bonds are delivered, between the Issuer and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (as supplemented, the "Indenture"), and are payable from lease rental payments under a Lease Agreement dated as of November 15, 2005, as amended, by an Amendment to Lease dated as of April 10, 2006, as further amended by an Amendment to Lease dated as of July 8, 2015, as further amended by an Amendment to Lease date as of April 24, 2018, as further amended by an Amendment to Lease dated as of February 13, 2023, as further amended by an Amendment to Lease dated as of July 29, 2025 (as amended to date, the "Lease"), between the Issuer and the Jay School Corporation (the "School Corporation").

Lease rental payments under the Lease are payable by the School Corporation to the Issuer from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected on all taxable property within the School Corporation. The Bonds are additionally secured by a first mortgage lien on the leased premises described in the Lease. The Bonds are refinanced under the Indenture on a parity with the Issuer's (i) Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, (ii) Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2021A, and (iii) Ad Valorem Property Tax First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2023.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under the federal statutes, decisions, regulations and rulings existing on this date, the interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation, and is exempt from all taxation in the State of Indiana, except for estate and franchise taxes.

If necessary in order to assist bidders in complying with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"), as in effect on the date of delivery of the Bonds, the School Corporation will enter into a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking Agreement. A form of this Continuing Disclosure Undertaking Agreement is available upon request from the Municipal Advisor. The Issuer has prepared a Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Bonds which it deems to be nearly final. A copy of the Preliminary Official Statement may be obtained from the Municipal Advisor. Information concerning the Issuer may be obtained from the Municipal Advisor. Within seven (7) business days of the sale, the Issuer will provide the successful bidder with up to 10 copies of the final Official Statement at the Issuer's expense and such additional copies as may be requested, within five (5) business days of the sale, by the successful bidder at the expense of the successful bidder. Inquiries concerning matters contained in the Preliminary Official Statement must be made and pricing and other information necessary to complete the final Official Statement must be submitted by the successful bidder within two (2) business days following the sale to be included in the final Official Statement. Dated this 26th day of September, 2025.

/s/ Philip Frantz
Secretary, Board of Directors
Building Corporation of Jay Schools

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Looking for more

Fort Recovery earns victory, eyes defensive improvement

By Ethan Oskroba
The Commercial Review
UNION CITY, Ohio — The Indians dismantled a team that came into the night with a 17-3 record. That wasn't enough to please their coach.

The Fort Recovery High School volleyball team took down the Mississinawa Valley Blackhawks, 25-19, 25-17, 25-22, on Monday in an effort that left more to be desired in the Indian camp.

"We won, but I'm going to be honest, I'm not very happy," said Fort Recovery coach Travis Guggenbiller. "You can probably tell in my face, I'm not very happy."

The main source of Guggenbiller's irritation was a lack of defensive effectiveness for the Indians, who surrendered 31 Blackhawk kills in the three-set battle.

"I thought our defense was awful today," Guggenbiller said. "That's the part that frustrates me the most. I mean, we're not making big plays defensively, we're not putting our bodies on the ground, and that's the part that's been separating us all year."

Though the defense wasn't up to Guggenbiller's standards, it did spark the Indians (8-11) in the third set. Despite holding a two-sets-to-none edge, Fort Recovery sputtered to begin set three, lagging behind 8-3. That's when Trinity Rammel logged a remarkable dig, diving to a ball ticketed for the back corner and twisting her body while hoisting the ball upward with one fist. A few moments later, the Indians won the point on a Mississinawa Valley (17-4) attacking error.

"Trinity Rammel came in and played middle back for us, and she made that big one-handed dig on the line, and that literally



The Commercial Review/Ethan Oskroba

Cameron Muhlenkamp of the Fort Recovery High School volleyball team spikes the ball at the block of Cora Hoggatt (left) and Danika Neargarder of the Mississinawa Valley Blackhawks. Muhlenkamp's 10 kills led the Indians in their 25-19, 25-17, 25-22 win on Monday.

changed the shift in momentum of the game," Guggenbiller said. "And that's what I've been trying to preach to these girls — big plays defensively change the momentum of a game, and that's exactly what happened there."

Rammel's dig ignited a string of six straight Indian scores, erasing the early deficit and leading to a come-from-behind win to end the match.

While the impactful spear was Rammel's only dig of the night, her effort was complemented by a bevy of standout statistical performances.

Cameron Muhlenkamp led the Indian attack with 10 kills, while Bridget Homan (nine) and Brynn Willmann (seven) helped round out a balanced assault. Alexis Grisez added six kills and anchored the middle with a team-best three blocks.

Not only did the Indians rack up a plethora of kills, but they did so with efficiency.

"I think our hitting was really good tonight," Muhlenkamp said. "We had a lot less errors than we've had in the past, and that was a big plus for us."

In addition to their abil-

ity to pile up kills and minimize errors, the Fort Recovery attack found significant cohesion in less tangible ways, with their communication fueling Muhlenkamp's big night.

"A lot of times I have people in the back row telling me where to hit," Muhlenkamp said. "It's a lot about just placement, so if I can kind of visualize the court and where the defenders are, I'm able to get a kill by putting it in the spot where they're not."

Supplementing Muhlenkamp's prowess on the outside was the cohesion

between freshman setter Kayden Ranly and her middles.

"I think our middle and setting connection has really improved a lot here," Guggenbiller said. "Those girls have been working really hard. I think our setter is becoming a lot more aggressive, our middles have been working on their rhythm, which is really nice to see."

While Guggenbiller took solace in a few aspects of his team's performance, including their ability to compete and earn a victory despite a deviation from the typical

routine on a non-school day, the defense remains a sore spot for the Indians. With just three matches remaining in the regular season, changes could be on the horizon as Fort Recovery gears up for its sectional match against Riverside on Oct. 15.

"We're going to probably start throwing some girls in to get them prepared within our varsity lineup," Guggenbiller said. "If we're not going to step up defensively ... if you're not going to make the change, then we're going to find someone who can on the bench."

Jay County spikers beat Broncos in three

DALEVILLE — The Patriots' middle blockers have played a key role in the team's success. That was no different when the team traveled west to take on the Broncos.

Mya Kunkler led the Jay County High School volleyball team past the Daleville Broncos 25-19, 25-19, 25-22 on Monday.

Kunkler put down 10 balls in the victory and added six blocks as well. Another middle, Maria Hemmelgarn, followed with five kills and five blocks.

Local Roundup

Hallie Schwieterman matched Hemmelgarn with five kills.

Elizabeth Barnett and Carley Trinidad led the Patriots (17-8) with three aces apiece.

Other leaders in the match against Daleville (14-12) included Paisley Fugiett with 20

assists and Kayla Jetmore with 11 digs.

JCHS will wrap up the regular season on Thursday at New Castle before the sectional.

Three recognized

Three players from the Jay County boys tennis team were honored by the Allen County Athletic Conference on Monday.

Paul Dirksen, a freshman, earned a spot on the first team All-ACAC for his season at No. 1 singles along with sophomore No. 1 doubles duo Kadyn Car-

penter and Alex Miller.

Dirksen finished the season with a 14-9 record, while Carpenter and Miller finished 9-10. Dirksen earned the lone point against Bluffton and beat Adams Central's No. 1 singles player, but lost to Kade Sprunger of South Adams.

The sophomores fell to Bluffton, but cruised past Adams Central and South Adams.

Track changes

The OHSAA announced divi-

sional alignments for the 2026 spring sports season and Fort Recovery will see some changes.

Track and field has expanded from just three divisions to five for the first time this year. Rather than competing in Division III, which previously was the smallest division, the Tribe girls will be in Division IV, while the boys will run in Division V.

Both baseball and softball will remain in Division VI out of seven.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Thursday
Jay County — Volleyball at New Castle — 6 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Volleyball at St. Henry — 5:30 p.m.; Middle school volleyball MAC tournament at St. Henry — TBA

Friday
Jay County — Football at Lapel — 7 p.m.
Fort Recovery — Football at Parkway — 7 p.m.

Saturday
Jay County — Volleyball at Union County Invitational — 9 a.m.; Cross country at ACAC Tournament at South Adams — 11 a.m.; Junior high volleyball at ACAC Invitational at Adams Central — 9 a.m.; Junior high cross country at ACAC meet at South Adams — 10 a.m.
Fort Recovery — Cross country MAC meet at Coldwater — 9 a.m.; Volleyball vs. Tri-Village — 10 a.m.; JV football vs. Parkway — 10 a.m.; Middle school volleyball MAC tournament at St. Henry — TBA

TV schedule

Today
3:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Seattle Mariners at Detroit Tigers (FS1)
5:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs (TBS)
7:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Toronto Blue Jays at New York Yankees (FS1)
7:30 p.m. — College football: Missouri State at Middle Tennessee (ESPN2)
7:30 p.m. — NHL: Boston Bruins at Washington Capitals (TNT)
8 p.m. — College volleyball: UCLA at Minnesota (BTN)
8 p.m. — WNBA: Las Vegas Aces at Phoenix Mercury (ESPN)

9:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Philadelphia Phillies at Los Angeles Dodgers (TBS)
10 p.m. — NHL: Los Angeles Kings at Vegas Golden Knights (TNT)

Thursday
6:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Philadelphia Phillies at Los Angeles Dodgers (TBS)
6:30 p.m. — College hockey: Clarkson at Penn State (BTN)
7:30 p.m. — College football: East Carolina at Tulane (ESPN)
8 p.m. — College football: Southern Miss at Georgia Southern (ESPN2)
8 p.m. — NHL: Minnesota Wild at St. Louis Blues (FDSN Indiana)
9 p.m. — College hockey: Boston College at Minnesota (BTN)
9:08 p.m. — MLB Playoffs: Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs (TBS)

Local notes

Cooper to host
Cooper Farms will host its 18th Annual Turkey Trot 5K benefitting EverHeart Hospice on Nov. 1.

The race will begin at Cooper Farms Turkey Harvesting Plant at 1 Cooper Farms Drive, St. Henry, OH. Registration is at 9 a.m. with the race beginning at 10 a.m. There will be age groups from 9-and-younger to 60-and-older. Awards will be handed out to the top female and male from each age group.

Refreshments and a to-go turkey meal will be provided for all runners.

For more information on registering, visit speedyfeet.com and search "Cooper Farms Turkey Trot 5K" or email Tonya Huber at tonyah@cooperfarms.com.

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