

PC Mayor

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"I would like to be mayor of Prairie City because I live in this community and want to be a part of something great," Overton said. "I remember this town growing up and always had memories of being here with friends, family, school, sports and even working here."

Alleger will fill the term vacated by Imerman through 2023. The next mayoral election for Prairie City is also in 2023. The council will also have four open seats in that election.

This is a familiar seat for Alleger, who

previously served as mayor for eight years, stepping down from the position after his term ended in 2021. He also briefly served on the city council in 2022 before taking some time away from public service.

After filling the open mayoral seat, the council looked to fill vacant or soon-to-be vacant positions within the city. The city is looking for both a full-time city administrator and full-time utility billing clerk after resignations within the office.

The city is looking for a city administrator candidate who can perform a variety of complex tasks including: organizing and directing all city departments, supervise the preparation of the city bud-

get and see to the enforcement of all city ordinances. Those interested must possess a degree in public administration or equivalent field with three years of practical experience.

A copy of the job description and application is available at: prairiecityiowa.us/?page_id=1851 to view.

The utility billing clerk has a wide variety of responsibilities for the city along with being one of the first citizens see when visiting city hall. The clerk must be able to project a professional and friendly image, and duties include: answering and routing telephone calls, greeting and answering citizen questions, coordinating inspections, utility billing, recording

municipal receipts, preparing bank deposits, permits and licenses, purchasing, inventory, sale of cemetery lots, verifying meter readings, reporting and more. The position requires data entry for utility billing, permitting and inspection processes, maintaining records and assisting in the preparation for council meetings.

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Applications and resume can be mailed to City of Prairie City, 203 E. Jefferson, PO Box 607, Prairie City, IA 50228 or email Christie Busby at christie.busby@prairiecityiowa.us by 4:30 p.m. Dec. 9.

Valle

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saw tornadoes throughout Madison, Warren, Polk and Jasper counties. The local attraction had a third of the screen taken out, the fence completely removed, a hole in the marquee and the concession stand building roof was lifted and dropped back down causing interior and roof damage.

"It was very unfortunate, and we feel bad being delayed as we have a great

group of loyal fans that we hated to disappoint. As well we think it is a great historic treasure and there was a lot of fear that we would not open ever again," Namminga said.

Repairs took place throughout the summer leading to a much anticipated August opening date. Along with a repaired screen, fence and concession building, the well-known marquee is brand new, telling people once again what is on tap for the week.

"We are very excited about the new marquee as we are trying to maintain the original look but also make it a landmark to be proud of," Namminga said.

The drive-in wrapped up 2022 at the end of October, just before the snow hit the ground. Even with the shortened season, Namminga is thankful and excited for what they could bring to the public and already looking forward to next year.

"(We received) nothing but great support," Namminga said.



Jamee A. Pierson/PCM Explorer

Valle Drive-In had damage to the screen, fence and concession stand from March storms delaying the opening until August.



Christopher Braunschweig/PCM Explorer

Jasper County Engineer Michael Frietsch looks at the maps of the proposed new secondary roads yard. Earthwork for the project was approved by the board of supervisors during the Nov. 22 meeting.

Earthwork

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about the work that might get done. With the next lowest bid coming in at \$276,296, almost \$100,000 more than McAninch, it seemed almost too good to be true.

"There is a lot of spread in the bids and I'm not surprised," Frietsch said. "McAninch was very excited. They were one of two that came out and looked at the site. They know what they are getting into. This is fill-in work for them."

He also said when figuring the estimate for the project he uses Iowa De-

partment of Transportation bids which typically are roadway and bridge projects. They tend to have more aspects to account for then moving dirt "from point 'A' to point 'B'."

"They are also only 33 minutes down the road," board chair Brandon Talsma said.

The earthwork is the first part of a multi-million dollar project creating a new yard and engineer's office along Liberty Avenue. Early work of the project will involve the development of the eastern side of the new yard and the construction of a plow truck shed, salt storage structure and fuel pumping

and storage systems. This completed portion of the project will provide an enclosed heated space for plow trucks in the winter months.

As the project progresses, the remainder of the yard, a second access driveway and construction of a second outbuilding and office-shop will be developed. The county is also proposing to deliver the project using the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) method, a newly coded program in the state.

Like the previously approved architectural-engineering service agreement, the earthwork will be paid for using ARPA funds.

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