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Rayhons files suit over former charges



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Henry Rayhons reacts after a not-guilty verdict was returned in Hancock County District Court in April 2015. Rayhons was accused of felony sex abuse.

Includes care facility and doctor, prosecutor and stepdaughters

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GARNER — A former state legislator, acquitted on charges of third-degree sexual abuse last year, has filed a lawsuit that includes claims of malicious prosecution and defamation of character.

Henry Rayhons, 80, Garner, was accused of sexually abusing his wife, Donna Rayhons, while she was a resident at the Concord

Care Center in Garner.

During his trial the state claimed Donna Rayhons, who had Alzheimer's disease, was incapable of giving consent to sex due to her mental condition.

Rayhons is now suing Suzan Brunes of Klemme and Linda Dunshee of Urbandale, his wife's daughters from a previous marriage; Dr. John Brady, medical director at Concord Care Center; ABCM Corp., the parent company of the care center; and Iowa Assistant Attorney General Susan Krisko, who filed the sexual abuse charge.

The lawsuit was filed in Hancock County District Court in

April, but was transferred to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Iowa earlier this month because of Henry Rayhons' claim that Krisko violated his rights under the U.S. Constitution.

Rayhons claims Brunes and Dunshee began a campaign to separate him and his wife in March 2014.

Donna Rayhons was diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's on March 28, 2014, according to the lawsuit.

Rayhons claims his stepdaughters, who had power of attorney for their mother, had her admitted to the Concord Care

Center the next day without his knowledge or consent.

Rayhons claims Brady abdicated his professional responsibility by deferring to Brunes and Dunshee and not allowing his wife to leave the nursing home with him for outings.

Brady did not have an independent medical assessment done before directing that Donna Rayhons' intimacy with her husband be restricted during his visits, according to the lawsuit. Henry Rayhons claims this violated the standard of care for patients with Alzheimer's and

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MOST SPEAKERS SHOW SUPPORT



COURTNEY FIORINI, THE GLOBE GAZETTE

Bill Prestage, founder of Prestage Farms Inc., attends the Wright County Board of Supervisors meeting Monday.

Wright County passes next Prestage step

About 90 at hearing on pork processing plant proposal

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CLARION — The Wright County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a zoning change from agricultural to industrial Monday that would allow Prestage Foods of Iowa to build a pork processing plant

near Eagle Grove.

The meeting, which was attended by about 90 people packed into a Wright County courtroom, involved a two-hour public hearing on a proposed development agreement.

The agreement calls for construction to be completed by March 31, 2019, with the plant employing 922 full-time workers by Jan. 1, 2020.

The lowest-paid workers will begin at more than \$37,000 annually plus benefits, Prestage

officials previously said. Average annual pay is expected to be more than \$47,000.

A second phase would add at least 850 additional full-time jobs, according to the agreement, which stipulates the company must then employ at least 1,772 full-time workers through Dec. 30, 2030, to be eligible for incentives.

If employment stipulations are met, the agreement says Wright County will give 10 years of annual tax rebates to Prestage, not

to exceed \$8 million. No taxpayer money is involved, according to Wright County Economic Development Director Bryce Davis, since the rebates will be from taxes Prestage will pay.

The county will also resurface and improve portions of roads near the site, Highway 17 and County Road C-56, at its expense. The agreement indicates the county plans to apply for state funding for the road

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Man cited for dog in parked car

Misdemeanor animal neglect is the charge

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MASON CITY — A Mason City man accused of leaving a dog inside a truck in sweltering heat has been cited for misdemeanor animal neglect.

Police say Ryan John Bailey, 43, left a terrier mix locked inside a broken-down truck at Taco John's restaurant, 603 S. Federal Ave., during a heat wave Friday.

Employees called police after noticing the dog inside the truck, which initially broke down in the drive-through lane and was later pushed into the parking lot, said Mason City Police Capt. Mike McKelvey.

He said witnesses reported the dog was likely inside the truck from about 11 a.m., when the vehicle broke down, to about 2 p.m. when they realized it was still in the truck and called police.

"They looked out the window there and noticed this dog acting sick or (like) it needed help out in the parking lot," McKelvey said.

The dog was taken to the Mason City Stray Animal Shelter by an animal control officer, who issued the citation.

Authorities said the dog is still at the shelter and is expected to recover.

Police estimated the exterior temperature reached between 87 to 91 degrees during the time the dog was locked in the truck.

Bailey was issued a citation. He was not arrested.



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Beverly Patterson, 77, was grateful for the assistance of Marlo Shaw after her car wouldn't start in the heat on Friday. Shaw gave her a ride home and helped the Mason City woman put away her groceries.

Thanks offered for a good Samaritan

Stranded motorist gets help from a friendly stranger

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MASON CITY — Unable to find help after her car wouldn't start at Hy-Vee East on Friday, Beverly Patterson was touched when a stranger came to her rescue.

A retired human resources officer, Patterson, 77, moved to Mason City from Moline, Illinois, about a year ago after suffering

a stroke on the right side of her brain.

Patterson mostly recovered, but now walks with the aid of a cane.

After grocery shopping around 3:30 p.m., Patterson returned to her car to find it wouldn't start in the heat.

With a son in Chicago and her daughter out of town in Waterloo that day, and during a day when temperatures neared 90 degrees, she feared she was out of available options.

"I like to give credit where credit is due," she said from her home on Monday. "It was just

God-sent, that was what she was."

Marlo Shaw, 46, watched Patterson try to flag down help without success.

"I don't know how anybody could let her sit there and be ignored," Shaw said. "She looked overheated. I was thinking maybe I could do something."

When she couldn't successfully jump-start Patterson's car, Shaw decided to give Patterson a lift home and helped her put away her groceries. She then helped her dial a tow truck and

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