

Former police officer faces stalking charge

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Iowa Capital Dispatch

A former police officer is accused of repeatedly violating a court order that bars him from having contact with a woman who was the victim of several of his crimes in the past two years, according to court records.



Walter Pacheco

Walter Pacheco, 29, of Pleasant Hill, was charged last week with felony stalking for approaching the woman at a gym and tailing her in his vehicle. Pacheco, who also is known by the surname Pacheco Belen, has so far avoided prison despite being convicted of burglary, stalking, tampering with a witness and willful injury and for violating no-contact orders. He faces a looming 19-year prison sentence because of those convictions that was initially suspended but could be put into effect if a judge determines that he violated his probation.

Pacheco is a former officer of the Carroll and Eagle Grove police departments, where he was hired despite previous harassment allegations made by a different woman who claimed he threatened to kill her. He has since relinquished his peace officer certification.

A court hearing to consider revoking his probation is set for Friday morning.

It is the second such hearing for Pacheco in the past three months. In August, a district court judge sentenced him to 24 days in jail for attempting to contact the recent victim at her workplace.

"Defendant was knocking on and looking into windows for the victim," Judge Jeffrey

Farrell wrote. "This is very concerning conduct, particularly in light of the stalking and burglary convictions."

Pacheco had been accused of going to the woman's places of employment and her home, stealing her security camera, driving on her lawn and accosting her at work. He was also accused of threatening her to prevent her from testifying against him.

Judge Farrell declined to impose the 19-year prison sentence at the August hearing because it appeared that the woman and Pacheco might have been "engaging in voluntary contact with each other" despite his previous actions. Pacheco claimed that the woman was using the court's no-contact order as "leverage in their relationship," Farrell wrote.

But Farrell wrote that he was "dumfounded" by Pacheco's ongoing conduct given the prison sentence "hanging over his head."

"The court needs to draw a line in the sand," Farrell wrote. "Defendant is a smart guy and has to figure this out right now. The court is not going to mess around with repeated no-contact order violations. His relationship with the victim needs to end. All contact needs to cease. And defendant cannot use his mother or some other person as a go-between. If so, defendant may be facing another no-contact order violation or tampering charge. In either event, he may be on the road to prison."

Court records show Pacheco used his mother to contact the woman while he was jailed last year. The woman also reported that she saw the mother in a vehicle near the woman's residence during the recent alleged stalking incident.

Despite the judge's admonition, Pacheco attempted to contact the woman Oct. 16 at a public gym where employees "noticed the victim was in fear and attempted to help her by having the victim step behind the counter," according to a criminal complaint.

The employees escorted her to her car, but Pacheco followed, the complaint says. The woman recorded video of the incident. She drove home, and when she left shortly thereafter for work, Pacheco followed her in a vehicle. The woman also saw Pacheco's mother in another vehicle nearby.

The woman drove to a police station and reported the incident. Pacheco's probation officer verified the new allegations by reviewing tracking data associated with Pa-

checo's ankle monitor, which he is required to wear as part of his probation.

The woman also reported Pacheco and his mother have recently sent her harassing emails and that Pacheco has called her teenage son, siblings and mother.

"Pacheco is a former police officer and the victim is in fear for her safety and that of her kids," a Des Moines police officer wrote in the most-recent criminal complaint.

Remember Military Families



NOVEMBER

What can we celebrate this week?

Flowers of the month: Peony & Chrysanthemum
Birthstone: Topaz & Citrine

Military Family Month, Gratitude Month, No-Shave November, Peanut Butter Lover's Month

Nov. 9: Fried Chicken Sandwich Day, Freedom Day

Nov. 10: Vanilla Cupcake Day, Marine Corps Birthday

I have yet to find the perfect vanilla cupcake recipe but here is a good one to try from lifeloveandsugar.com

Ingredients

- Vanilla Cupcakes**
1 1/4 cups all purpose flour
1 1/4 tsp baking powder
1/4 tsp salt
6 tbsp unsalted butter, room temperature
3/4 cup sugar
2 tbsp vegetable oil
1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
2 large eggs
1/2 cup plus 2 tbsp milk

Vanilla Buttercream Frosting

- 1 cup unsalted butter, room temperature
4 cups powdered sugar
1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
2-3 tbsp water or milk
Pinch of salt

Directions

Vanilla Cupcakes
Heat oven to 350 F and prepare a cupcake pan with liners. Combine the flour, baking powder and salt in a medium sized bowl and set aside. Add the butter, sugar, oil, and vanilla extract to a large mixing bowl and beat together until light and fluffy, about 2-3 minutes. Add the eggs to the wet ingredients, one at a time. Then add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix until mostly combined. Slowly add the milk and mix until the batter is smooth. Fill the cupcake liners 3/4 full and bake for 15-18 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Place cupcakes on a cooling rack while you make the buttercream frosting.

Vanilla Frosting

Add the butter to a large mixing bowl and beat until smooth. Add half the powdered sugar and mix until smooth and well combined. Add the vanilla extract and 1-2 tablespoons of the water or milk and the salt and mix. Add the remaining powdered sugar and mix. If needed, add additional water or milk to get the right consistency. Pipe the frosting onto the cooled cupcakes and enjoy!

Nov. 11: Veterans Day, Sundae Day

Veterans Day is a special holiday where we honor all of the men and women who have served in the armed forces. There are approximately 16 million veterans in the U.S., eight million of which are over the age of 65.

Did you know that 11% of veterans experience homelessness, with 50% of all veterans suffering from some form of mental illness, such as PTSD? Today we honor all veterans for their bravery, sacrifice, and love for our country.

Nov. 12: International Tongue Twister Day, Happy Hour Day

Nov. 13: World Kindness Day, Anti-Bullying Week

Nov. 14: National Pickle Day, Spicy Guacamole Day

Pickles are the world's favorite fermented food, with more than 67% of all households eating pickles. If you are like me and love pickles, consider trying some of these strange pickle-themed snacks!

- Pickle flavored marshmallows
- Dill pickle Doritos (if you can find them)
- Pickle flavored freeze pop
- Dill pickle peanuts
- Dill Pickle Pringles
- Pickle candy cans (this would be a fun prank for Christmas!)

Nov. 15: Clean Out Your Fridge Day, National Recycling Day, Steve Irwin Day

Today is all about how to recycle, where to recycle, and how to reduce waste. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), nearly 70% of the waste in America is recyclable. Reducing our waste and consuming fewer resources helps reduce our carbon footprints. Even today, there are still many communities across the country that do not practice recycling. Please be mindful of the waste you are creating and make sure to recycle for the sake of our future generations and the earth!

Sources: nationaltoday.com, epa.gov, census.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE: CITY OF LOHRVILLE FIRE DEPT. TRAINING BURN

For Your Information:
The Lohrville Volunteer Fire Department will be conducting a training burn at 1000 2nd Street on Nov. 12 or Nov. 19, weather permitting. This may cause times of low water pressure, water discoloration, and a few blocked streets within the vicinity. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: CITY OF LAKE CITY PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF LAKE CITY PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
The Park Board of the City of Lake City will be holding a Public Hearing to discuss and take action related to the Goins Park Revitalization Project and other matters related to improving the Park, including matters related to a Pickleball Court. The Public Hearing location and time are as follows:

Thursday, Nov. 16, 2023 • 6 p.m.
Lake City City Hall
105 N. Center Street
Lake City, IA 51449

All interested persons are encouraged to attend this Public Hearing. Written comments on this may also be submitted prior to the Public Hearing. Questions regarding the availability of documentation may be directed to City Hall at 712-640-6401.

Jacob Matthews
City Clerk

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PROBATE: RICHARD E GOTTSCHALK

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CALHOUN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD E GOTTSCHALK, Deceased

CASE NO. ESPR501656 NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Richard E Gottschalk, Deceased, who died on or about on Jan. 16, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on Oct. 31, 2023, the last will and testament of Richard E Gottschalk, deceased, bearing date of Nov. 21, 2016, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of the 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.

Dated on Oct. 31, 2023.
Jeanne M. Gottschalk, Proponent
Attorney for estate:
Colin L. Hendricks
ICIS#: AT0013776
408 Fifth Street
Rockwell City, IA 50579
chendricks@kbhlaw.net
Date of second publication:
Nov. 15, 2023.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: CITY OF LAKE CITY ORD. 407

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CONCERNING PROPOSED ORDINANCE 407

The City Council of the City of Lake City will be holding a Public Hearing to discuss proposed Ordinance 407: An Ordinance to Amend 2-6-2 of Municipal Code Chapter 6: Park Board. The Ordinance proposes to Amend the Municipal Code concerning Park Board membership requirements including so that up to two of members of the Park Board may be non-Lake City Residents. The Public Hearing location and time are as follows:

Monday, Nov. 20, 2023 • 6 p.m.
Lake City City Hall
105 N. Center Street
Lake City, IA 51449

All interested persons are encouraged to attend this Public Hearing. Written comments in favor or against this may also be submitted prior to the Public Hearing. Questions regarding the availability of documentation may be directed to City Hall at 712-640-6401.

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PROCEEDINGS: CALHOUN COUNTY BOS • OCT. 24 MINUTES / CLAIMS

Board of Supervisors Calhoun County Courthouse Rockwell City, Iowa Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023

The Board of Supervisors of Calhoun County met with the following members present: Jacobs, Becker and Legore.

Bruce Musgrave, EMS Director was present.

Everyone present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda additions: There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

Motion by Becker seconded by Legore to approve the agenda as is with no additions or changes. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. It was moved by Legore and seconded by Becker to approve the minutes. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Public comments: No one from the Public was present for public comments.

Motion by Becker seconded by Legore to review the claims (checks 75119-75215, 75228-75230) and bank drafts (DFT0003543-DFT0003564) and were allowed as endorsed. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Motion by Legore seconded by Becker to approve payment for expenses related to the Opportunity Living Housing Rehab CDBG Project to MIDAS for Administration Services for the month of September 2023 in the amount of \$247.00, to Peterson Construction for construction through Sept. 22, 2023 in the amount of \$135,878.09 and to Allers Associates Architects for expenses through Sept. 30, 2023 in the amount of \$1,123.16 and to authorize Chairman to sign GAX #8 in the total amount of \$137,248.25. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker seconded by Legore to authorize Chair to sign single audit certification form for Opportunity Living CDBG. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Motion by Legore seconded by

Becker to approve Chair to sign ICAP Member Proxy and ICAP Commitment to Continue Membership. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Bruce Musgrave, EMS Director presented 4 hires in the EMS department. Bruce also discussed that one of the ambulances will need to have repairs, the pickup truck has been fixed, the meeting went well with the Manson City Council and progress is being made regarding the Iowa United First Aid Program.

At 10 a.m. Sac County Board of Supervisors called for a JT DD 119-20 meeting. Brian Blomme, Beuna Vista/Calhoun/Sac County Drainage Engineer and Eric Yunginger Beuna Vista/Calhoun/Sac County Assistant Drainage Engineer presented the tile outlet replacement. Full minutes are available upon request for review in the Auditor's Office.

At 10:58 a.m. Ben Smith, Sac/Calhoun County Attorney entered the meeting. He was present for the discussion of public comments on the agenda and what it should cover.

Motion by Becker seconded by Legore to adjourn until Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2023 at 9 a.m. for their next regularly scheduled meeting. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Scott Jacobs, Chairman
Scott Becker, Vice Chairman
Carl Legore, Member
Robin D. Batz, County Auditor
Allers Associates Architects, PC.....
Opp. Living CDBG Billing thru
09.30.23.....1,123.16
Amanda Johnson.....
207.00
Mileage Sept. 2023.....
Barb Riley.....
149.00
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
Becky Hildreth.....
241.50
Mileage Sept. 23.....
Bound Tree Medical LLC.....
2,041.43
Pilot Program Supplies.....
Buena Vista Co. Auditor.....
Reimburse. BV Co. for Funeral Home Transport.....
500.00
Calhoun Co. Electric.....
Featherstone Sept. 2023.....
1,788.69
Calhoun Co. Journal Herald.....

VA Office Periodical Ad.....72.07
Calhoun Co. Peace Officers.....
2023 Peace Officer Member Dues.....
200.00
Calhoun Co. Public Health.....
EMS Flu Shot 10/2/23.....
52.00
Calhoun Co. Reminder.....
COVID/Flu Clinic.....
285.00
Calhoun Co. Sheriff.....
Warrant Fee OWCR506246.....
231.68
Calhoun Co. Treasurer.....
Sign Tubing.....
1,098.50
Calhoun County Phoenix.....
GA Annual Subscription.....
50.00
Canon Financial Services Inc.....
Rec Copier Oct. 23.....
75.00
Card Service Center.....
09162023-10172023.....
8,368.94
Cardmember Service.....
Ph 09122023-10102023.....
1,268.15
Carroll Apothecary Inc.....
EMS Ambulance Medications.....
Sept. 23.....
629.76
Carroll Dental Clinic.....
Inmate Medical Care 10.2.23.....
391.00
Central IA Juvenile Detention.....
Detention Sept. 2023.....
4,200.00
Centurylink.....
Special Circuits Oct. 2023.....
13.58
Choice 1 Healthcare Services.....
EMS Glucometer Test Strips.....
237.35
Christina Cook.....
EMS MEI 6/17/2023.....
217.60
Curtis Vanderheiden.....
Lockers.....
394.31
Dell Marketing LP.....
Conferencing Monitors Atty/EMA.....
663.97
Dept. of Human Services.....
EMS Gemt Reimbursement Nov. 23.....
3,007.60
Ed M Feld Equip Co. Inc.....
EMS Install Power Load Amb. Cot.....
1,875.00
Equipment Blades.....
Blades/Sik.....
29,513.80
First Community Bank.....
Recorder Deposit Slip Books.....
52.36
Gehling Welding & Repair, Inc.....
Jd Broom Pro Repaired.....
273.02
Gemberling Excavating Inc.....
Tile Rpr./Union Twp. Sec 36-400th
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
339.10
Gentry Hardware.....

Conservation Supplies.....294.47
Glaxosmithkline LLC.....
Flu Vaccine.....2,354.82
Graphic-Advocate.....
Treasurer Semi Annual Report.....
454.45
Guthrie Co. Sheriff.....
EMS Flu Shot 10/2/23.....
49.65
Haley Equipment Inc.....
Coupling.....
47.00
Hopkins & Huebner, PC.....
HR Legal Consultation.....
607.50
Hunzelman Putzier & Co.....
Audit FY23 08092023-10162023.....
7,892.21
IA Dept. of Transp.....
Sign Sply.....
14,586.10
ICEA
ICEA Conf. Registration/Bus.....
1,045.00
IMWCA Administrative Services.....
Wrk. Comp.-Eng./4th Installment.....
5,842.00
Iowa State Sher. & Dep. Assn.....
Civil School 2023 Danielle.....
175.00
Isac Health Premiums.....
Nov. 2023 Ins. Premiums.....
139,429.53
IT Savvy LLC.....
Mobile Device Mgmt. Laptop.....
2,013.00
Jamie Waller.....
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
185.50
Jane A Smith.....
Transcript FECR506651.....
136.50
JCL Solutions-Janitor's Closet.....
Custodial Supplies.....
449.64
Jean Sassman.....
Depositions FECR506618.....
105.75
Joe's Tire & Auto Inc.....
Conservation Mower Tire.....
78.00
Joleen Schmit.....
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
183.00
Kady Miller.....
Mileage/ICEOO Meeting.....
102.00
Kam Line Highway Markings LLC.....
2023 Pavement Marking.....
11,148.36
Kathy Juries.....
Reimb/Mailbox Damage.....
15.00
Kidwell.....
Access Control on Auditor Doors.....
HAVA Grant.....
5,597.50
Kristi McKenna-Rabe.....
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
240.50
Kristin Vogel.....

Sept. 2023 Mileage.....105.50
Lampe-Powers Funeral Home.....
County Burial Cm.....
1,500.00
Lauver Law.....
Attorney Fees MHMH500411.....
315.00
Loffler.....
Attorney Overage
08152022-08142023.....
1,066.29
Manson Red Power.....
Mower/Unit 344-C.....
7,650.00
Manson Veterinary Clinic PC.....
Sept. 2023 Vet Expense.....
277.00
Martin Hildreth Company Inc.....
Bore Tile Under D36.....
2,520.00
Martin Pest Control.....
Pest Birds Sept. 2023.....
110.00
Matheson Tri-Gas Inc.....
EMS Oxygen Exchange.....
192.31
Menards Inc.....
Conservation Supplies.....
1,155.54
Mid-America Publishing Corp.....
BOS Min & Attorney Vacancy.....
547.59
MidAmerican Energy.....
Courthouse Elec/Gas
0908223-10092023.....
2,435.70
MIDAS Council of Governments.....
Opp. Living CDBG Service.....
Sept. 2023 3 Hours.....
247.00
Midwest Radar & Equipment.....
Radar Calibration.....
320.00
Mohr Sand, Gravel & Const, LLC.....
2060.44 Tons Sand/Ice Cntrl.....
12,362.64
New Century FS.....
Deputy Fuel Sept. 2023.....
5,778.36
New Opportunities Inc.....
Oct. 2023 Family Development
Center Costs.....
750.00
Office Elements.....
PH Office Supplies.....
138.69
Peterson Construction.....
Opp. Living Housing Rehab CDBG
thru 9.22.23.....
135,878.09
Pitney Bowes Global Financial.....
PH Lease 07302023-10292023.....
185.49
Pocahontas Co. Auditor.....
JTDD 72-43 Drainage Assessments
Collected.....
1,811.00
Sac Co. Auditor.....
JTDD 51-2 Drainage Assessments
Collected.....
903.00
Shane Voith.....
Conference Lodging.....
255.36

Shelly Bleam.....
Mileage/ICEOO Mtgs.....
Mar./June/Oct. 2023.....
297.30
Shelly Schossow.....
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
176.50
Shelly Teague.....
Sept. 2023 Mileage.....
61.50
The Pavement Doctor.....
Patching/N65 to Hwy. 175 at
Lohrville.....
2,838.75
Thompson Tiling.....
Kubota Exc. Rental/Brush Cutting.....
950.00
Tier 3 Technology Solutions.....
Monthly Secured Services.....
12,982.96
Tina Meth-Farrington.....
November 2023 Building Rent.....
500.00
Twin Lakes Utilities.....
Featherston Water.....
09082023-10092023.....
969.35
UnityPoint OCC Med. Ft. Dodge
Pre-Employ Drug Screen/PCE/EMS
092823-102723.....
832.00
Unplugged Wireless Communicat..
EMS Radio/Internet Install on
Ambulance.....
1,327.95
Verizon Wireless.....
EMS Hotspot Services 9/26-10/25.....
255.90
Wahl-Mcatee Tire & Serv.....
Outside Rpr./272.....
1,427.59
Webster Co. Auditor.....
JTDD95-70 Drainage Assessments
Collected.....
8,563.00
Webster County Engineer.....
L-803004-73-94/Box Culvert.....
96,222.18
West Des Moines Marriott.....
ICEOO Lodging/S Bleam.....
433.44
Windstream.....
Conservation Phone/Internet
092823-102723.....
582.34
World Wide Hydraulics.....
Pwrts/Stk.....
2,064.90
Wright Express/Fleet Service.....
Ambulance Fuel Sept. 23.....
1,121.67
Zoll Medical Corporation.....
Ambulance Medical Supplies.....
210.98

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