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Hoopeston City Council hears more on TIF possibilities

For the second week in a row, Hoopeston aldermen learned about possibilities for the tax increment financing (TIF) program.

Attorney Tom Jacobs of Bloomington and developer Jack Piper attended the Hoopeston City Council meeting Tuesday night, as did Ron Hunt, mayor of Villa Grove. The village also has a TIF program for which Piper is the developer.

Jacobs, who has worked with Piper on other projects, talked about TIFs he has worked with in other communities and the things he could provide to the city. "We provide a complete menu, if you will, of services for you," he said adding few attorneys pro-

vide legal and accounting sides of the program. Jacobs said all his 75 plus programs have been successful "not because we're magicians but because we know what we're doing."

Hunt spoke about a residential TIF project in Villa Grove which has provided growth for the village. He said he would hire Piper for other TIF projects and said Piper is grooming him to become a project coordinator.

Mayor Chalmers Flint appointed a committee to look into where the city should go from this point. Members include Alderman Don York, chairman; John Haughee, Nancy Stipp and Ed Lotz.

Rossville residents gas bills increase for maintenance costs

ROSSVILLE—Lack of notification and an incorrect title of a recent addition to village gas bills had some residents steaming at Monday's Rossville village board meeting.

Beginning with the Oct. 1 bills, residents will pay a \$10.50 charge which the village gas committee originally called a meter fee. However, committee chairman Robert Merritt said Monday the fee is actually a customer service charge to cover fees overhead.

Merritt apologized to residents, both for not notifying them and for the misnomer but said the fee is needed to keep the gas fund in the black. Also, adding the money to cover summer shortages will provide a monthly base income and will require fewer per-therm gas hikes in the winter, he said.

Overhead costs average \$13,511 monthly or \$21.62 for each of the village's 625 meters, Merritt said. "We thought it was reasonable to ask for a \$10.50 service charge for upkeep and repairs," he said, adding the fee will be paid by all gas customers.

Resident Santos Romero questioned whether elderly residents in the village could afford the hike and accused the village of triple dipping by charging a meter fee when service is installed, line fees and now the hike. "You're trying to make up for the \$300,000 (deficit in the general fund)," he said. "I love this town....I love these people. You guys are doing (a bad thing)," he said, leaving the meeting.

Mayor Terry Prillaman admitted the money will be used to pay more gas fund expenses that had come out of the depleted general fund but added the previous base gas charge of \$3.50 was implemented in 1957 and had not been raised since. Prillaman also noted that gas prices had dropped from 94 cents per therm to 88 cents.

In unrelated action, the board:

- hired Tina Linder as water meter reader and named Gene Roach to the zoning board.
- approved a \$720 bid from Genco Electric to install security lights at the well house and a \$3,718 bid for new doors and a window at the well house.

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4. Family Circus	9½	5½
5. Main Street Travel	9	6
6. R&R Body Shop	9	6

7. Pin Pals	8	7
8. Gillins Oil	8	7
9. Family Affair	7	8
10. Weber's Drug Store	6	9
11. Yaden-Rethelford	5½	9½
12. Kankakee Federal	5	10
13. No Name Just #14	5	10
14. Community Bank	2	13



Police News



Iva S. Hollis, 32, of 512 W. Penn, was arrested at 4 p.m. Monday at College Way and West Penn.

Hollis, wanted on an Iroquois County warrant, was transported to Iroquois County.

An 11-year-old boy reported Monday that someone took a while 20 inch BMX Exgames bike from the 800 block of South Fourth St. The bike is valued at \$180.

Ronald D. Nunn, 35, of 819 N. Fifth St., was arrested at 7:15 p.m. Monday in the 800 block of North Fifth.

He was charged with domestic battery, resisting arrest and child endangerment after a 27-year-old woman complained he hit her.

Nunn was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

A 53-year-old woman reported Tuesday that someone damaged the lock handle and door of her vehicle while trying to enter it. The damage occurred in the 300 block of North Third St.

Obituaries

CANNON—Wilbur Charles Cannon, 82, of Rossville, died Sunday, Oct. 14, 2001, at home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Wolfe Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Rossville. Burial will be in Potomac Cemetery. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Provena Hospice Care of Danville or cancer research.

CARDER—Travis O. Carder, 83, of Cissna Park, died at 8:05 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14, 2001 at Provena Covenant Medical Center, Urbana. Funeral services will

be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Rankin. Burial with military rites will be in Rankin Union Cemetery. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Memorials are suggested to Holy Trinity Catholic Church or a charity of the donor's choice.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Oct. 15

Admitted: Martha Gooden, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Maxene Mitchell, Thelma Halley, Phillip Lane, Harold Ingold, Ian Gaffney.

Weather



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