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Brrrrreak in Market St. water main caused by extreme cold

Extreme cold and advanced age don't mix well for people or plumbing.

At Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting, Mayor Bill Crusinberry discussed a large water main break on Market St., next to Russell Leigh & Associates.

Water employees spent seven hours on New Year's Eve and four hours on New Year's Day working on the break in the mains, which were installed in 1888. "It's one of the few blocks with the original mains left," Crusinberry said.

In the last 12 years, Crusinberry noted there have been several breaks in the area and officials should look at replacing the old mains.

Resident Stan Steiner asked how much is in the city's tax increment financing and landfill tipping fee accounts and whether that money could be used to fund the work.

Crusinberry said the city can finance the work, if the council chooses. The \$10 per month infrastructure fee on water bills is to go towards paying the nearly \$3 million EPA loan to upgrade the city's water towers and for things like new mains, he said.

In unrelated action, the council, in a 7-0 vote, approved a sexual harassment ordinance that had been tabled at a previous meeting.

At the December 5 meeting, Ald. Bill Goodwine brought up a proposed ordinance, mandated by the Illinois General Assembly in response to reports of sexual harassment made across the country. Because Hoopeston's employee handbook has policies and procedures on sexual harassment, Goodwine did not believe an ordinance was needed.

However, the Illinois Municipal League, of which Hoopeston is a member, disagreed, encouraging officials to pass an ordinance.

In Goodwine's absence Tuesday, Ald. Brandon Hamilton made a motion to approve the ordinance saying "I believe it's in our best interest to go ahead and pass this."

In other discussion:

• Ald. Carl Ankenbrand noted that garbage pickup is

running late this week both because of the New Year's holiday and because extremely cold weather is wreaking havoc with the trucks.

Although city ordinance states garbage must be put at curbside no more than 12 hours before the day of collection, residents do not have to bring trash back and place it out again because of the delay, Crusinberry said.

• Heard from Ald. Ryan Anderson that street and alley crews have been busy with snow removal while "fighting equipment and inclement weather." He asked residents for their patience with road clearance as extreme cold has affected city trucks.

• Approved transferring a swath of abandoned railroad property behind Steve Dazey's home to Dazey and his wife.

The city has allowed adjoining property owners to take possession of most of the abandoned land.

• Heard from Ald. Chad Yaden that the Hoopeston Area Marching Cornjerkers participated in the halftime show of the Outback Bowl in Tampa Bay, Fla., and returned home with a first place in marching and third in concern band in their division.

Briefly

WIC schedule change

Due to staffing shortages, Vermilion County Health Department will not hold the WIC clinic in Hoopeston in January. Contact the health department at (217) 431-2662, ext. 101 or check www.vchd.org or "WIC at the Vermilion County Health Department" Facebook page for updates.

Food giveaway cancelled

An Eastern Illinois Food Bank foodmobile event set for Saturday in Ridge Farm has been canceled because of the weather. It is set to be rescheduled.

A list of emergency food providers in Vermilion County is available at eifoodbank.org/help/vermilioncounty.html

Smoked BBQ

at

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Sports Roundup



Ezra Elliott , Tyson Coon, Adam Colunga, Dale Ashby

Photo submitted

Cornjerker wrestlers bring home fifth from Unity Invitational

Hoopeston Area wrestlers brought home fifth place from the Unity Invitational on December 16, including three individual first place honors.

Cornjerker scoring was:

- 120-Tyson Coon 3-0 (1st place)
- 126- Ezra Elliott 2-0 (1st place)
- 132-Audra Funk 0-2
- 152- Cole Gaddis 2-2 5th place
- 160- Dale Ashby 2-0 (1st place)
- 195-Adam Colunga 2-1 (2nd place)
- 220- Gage Kenner 1-3
- 285- CJ Curry 0-2
- 285- Sam Livingston 0-2

Unity won the tournament, with St. Joseph-Ogden coming in second. Other competing schools included Paxton-Buckley Loda, Westville and Rantoul.

Wrestler standings as of December 16 were:

Wrestler	Weight	Wins	Losses
Ethan Larkin	113	9	2
Tyson Coon	120	4	0
Ezra Elliott	126	3	0
Audra Funk	132	5	8
Colby Burton	145	3	4
Colby Burton	152	1	3
Cole Gaddis	152	2	3
Dale Ashby	160	11	0
Dale Ashby	170	0	1
Eliseo Zamora	170	7	0
Eliseo Zamora	182	1	0
Adam Colunga	195	6	7
Gage Kenner	220	7	9
CJ Curry	285	7	3
Sam Livingston	285	4	4

Fifth, sixth grade teams lose to Oakwood before Christmas break

The fifth and sixth grade boys' basketball teams hosted Oakwood leading into the Christmas break and both teams fell up short.

The 5th grade team got down early and battled back to lose to the Comets 37-21. Gavin Walder led the team with 6 points, followed by William Brockus making two fast break lay-ups for a season high 4 points. Trenton Montez did an excellent job running the offense and chipped in 4. Rounding out the scoring was Chase Wilson 3, Kayden Simmons 2, Hunter Kinnaird 2.

Gavin Walder led the Cornjerkers with 2 rebounds followed by Hunter Kinnaird, Angel Zamora, Julian Lopez, and Eligh Hofer with one rebound each. Chase Wilson, Hunter Kinnaird, Nate Gash, Noah Marshall and Augustus Irons each had a steal on the night.

The sixth grade team had a great second half, outscoring the Comets 9-7.

Wyatt Eisenman led the Cornjerkers in scoring with 6, followed by Owen Root with 4, with Kaleb Hollen and Mason Rush 4 points each and Bryson Brewer knocking

down one free-throw for his only point of the night.

Hollen led the team with 2 rebounds followed by Evan Lile, Felix Hernandez, Miles Robinson, Root and Brewer each with a board.

The boys were scheduled to travel Jamaica Wednesday night, with their last scheduled game at home Monday, when they will take on Paxton-Buckley Loda.

Tune in at 5 p.m. tonight-
Hoopeston Happenings
John Heckler
on the Land Bank and
Vermilion County
on WHPO!

Court Dispositions

December 7

Jamie Wyatt, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to possession of cannabis, fined \$180; status hearing January 4.

Jamie Wyatt, Hoopeston, possession of drug paraphernalia dismissed.

Bridget Davis, Hoopeston, failed to appear on general nuisance, found guilty, fined \$180; status hearing January 4.

Angela Mendoza, Hoopeston, nuisance vehicle case dismissed.

Classifieds

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Weather

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