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Attorney General's office enters landfill fight

The Illinois Attorney General's office will represent the Pollution Control Board when Illinois Landfill Inc.'s appeal goes before the Appellate Court.

Jan E. Hughes, assistant attorney general, notified attorneys for ILI, as well Dick Doyle and Joe Moore, fighting the landfill expansion. Don Dean, Hoopeston city clerk and Paul Manion, city attorney.

In a telephone interview this week, Hughes said having the Attorney General's office represent the Pollution Control Board is normal procedure for an appeal.

ILI filed the appeal after the Pollution Control Board ruled against a planned 120-acre expansion approved by the city council.

The board ruled the council's written decision showed a need for the expansion in Hoopeston and the Vermilion County area, but not the 30county area the expansion would serve.

Hughes, with the civil appeal division of the attorney general's office, said the appeal will probably not be heard until mid-summer based on when

attorney briefs are due. "I anticipate that mine won't be due until the end of April," she said.

Susan Comstock

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Hughes explained her job as that of "convincing the court what the (Pollution Control) Board did was correct."

At the appeal, cailed an oral argument, attornevs will present written briefs summarizing their positions and then will be given 20 minutes for oral arguments, she said. The appeal is unlike a trial in that "there are no objections or anything like that," she said.

The appeal will be held before a three-person panel in the Fourth Appellate district in Springfield.

No matter which side loses, Hughes said, they can request a hearing before the state Supreme Court by filing a petition for leave to appeal. "You don't have to ask for permission from the court to appeal it (at the Appellate level), but you do at the Supreme Court level," she said.

If whomever loses appeals to the supreme court, that decision will be the end. "When they decide, the case is over," Hughes said.

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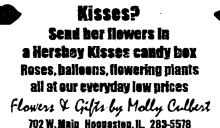
The Hoopeston Multi Agency Service Center received a check Wednesday for \$19,500 to purchase a van for the agency's Senior Transportation Project, said Joyce Shore, executive director of the agency.

The money came from the Vermilion Health Care Foundation, which was formed when St. Elizabeth's Hospital became part of United Samaritans Medical Center.

With check in hand, Shore said she will now go shopping. Local car dealerships will be asked to submit bids on a 12-passenger van with air condi-

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tioning, radio and a retractable step, Shore said.

A wheelchair lift will probably be transferred from the current van, "but we've never had to use it," Shore said.

The new van, which will take approximately two months to get, will replace a 1986 model with 171,000 miles on it and which has taken a great deal of money to maintain. "It wasn't nickel-and-

diming us," Shore said. "It was costing \$3,500 a year in repairs."

Shore applied to the foundation in November and didn't hear anything until Wednesday when an acceptance letter - and the check - arrived.

"We're just ecstatic around here, obviously," she said. "It never dawned on me they would send a check. I just about fell over. I can't believe it.

Briefly...

Molester leaving town

John Beckman, an Iroquois County man who pleaded guilty to sexually abusing a child in December, is expected to leave Hoopeston by Mar. 1. Beckman will move to Danville, officials said.

Drugbusters to appear

Flint's Drugbusters will present a program at Monday's Community Involvement Committee meeting. The meeting begins at noon at

Crunch's.

Injured man still in fair condition

A man injured in an accident Monday at Vermilion Iron remains in fair condition at Springfield Memorial Medical Center's burn unit.

Jerry Clayburn was injured shortly before 7 a.m. Monday.

Company officials have refused to comment on the nature of the accident and say they will not until all insurance papers have been filed.

Obligation

KING, Hattie Matthews, 76, of Berwyn, for-

Police news

A girl's bicycle was found at 740 E. Main St. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Joe Castillo, 813 E. Young, reported to police Thursday that someone took tools from his pickup truck while it was parked at his residence. Police are investigating.

In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Feb. 9, 1994

Admitted: Nicholas Cade, Hoopeston. Discharged: none.

merly of Rossville, died at 4 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1994, at Loyola Hospital in Chicago. Funeral services are incomplete at the Wolfe Funeral Home in Rossville.

MEITZLER, Dale, 64, of Marietta, Ga., formerly of Armstrong, died at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1994 in the Marietta hospital. Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Partlow Cemetery, Armstrong. Wolfe Funeral Home in Potomac was in charge of arrangements.

Weather

Mostly sunny and warmer today. High in the low 30s. Tonight, increasing cloudiness late. Low in the mid 20s. Tomorrow, rain and snow likely. High near 36, low near 25. Sunday, partly cloudy. High near 29, low near 23.



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