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Liquor license request gets few, mixed reviews

Members of the Hoopeston city council are expected to vote tonight on whether to issue a third packaged liquor license - an issue most residents have been quiet about.

Aldermen surveyed Monday said they have had few comments on the issue. And comments which have been made have been a mixed bag of those in favor of and against creating the license.

The issue arose at the April 5 council meeting, when Alan Reece requested a third packaged liquor license be created.

Reece would like to open a packaged liquor store on Route 9, somewhere between Convenient Mart and Route 1.

Reece presented plans for his proposed store to the council, which tabled the issue for further study.

Alderman said they have received few comments from constituents on the proposal.

"I've had a few," said Drew Allen, fourth ward alderman. "I think I've gotten five calls. Most of the ones I've gotten have been kind of negative."

Allen said two callers said Hoopeston does not need a third packaged liquor store and were concerned about crime, "especially on Friday and Saturday nights." The constituents said a city of Hoopeston's size does not need 11 liquor-selling establishments, he added.

Second ward alderman John Haughee said comments he has received have been mostly favorable, except comments made by one person with a vested interest in the issue.

In the first ward, alderman Wes Dazey said he "hasn't heard a word. Nobody's called me. I guess they want it or something or they'd be hollering."

Dazey added he received one call on the issue. That caller "wasn't against it."

Bill Goodwine, representing ward four, said he received only one comment about the proposed license. "That person was kind of neutral," Goodwine said. "He called about something else."

Some council members have already decided how they will vote on the issue, while others are

See LIQUOR on other side



Bike auction nets record crowd, money for city coffers

Saturday's bicycle auction, sponsored by the Hoopeston police department, was a huge success, according to police chief/auctioneer Orval Kaag.

Fifteen to 20 people attended the auction, held at the police station. Approximately 20 bicycles were sold, netting about \$140 for the city's general fund. "That's more than we've ever made,"

Kaag said Monday.

Most bicycles sold for under \$10, although one brought \$27, said police Sgt. Danny Danner.

Bicycles for the auction are those which had been found by officers during the last year and not claimed by their owners.

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Liquor continued from other side

still considering it.

"I'd pretty much made up my mind when I heard it that night," Allen said. Crime associated with alcohol was one factor Allen considered. "I think we've got enough of that as it is," he said.

Goodwine, Dazey and Haughee are still undecided.

"I'm on the fence at the moment," Goodwine admitted, saying he is considering the possible effect on crime statistics, as well as the economics.

Haughee admitted he has not come to "a real solid decision. I have not genuinely made a decision even yet."

For Haughee, the decision will include not only considerations of crime and economics, but of

Reece, as well.

"I taught that young man and I was always impressed by his maturity," Haughee said. "I think he has a lot of character. That's probably what makes my mind evaluate carefully."

Even if aldermen create a third license, it will be up to Mayor Bob Ault to decide who, if anyone, will get it.

If the license is created, Ault, as the city's liquor commissioner, could grant it to Reece, or someone else who applies. He could also decide not to grant the license to anyone.

The two existing packaged liquor licenses are held by Ted's Home Beverage and Hook's Drug Store.

Court dispositions

Zendel Vejseli, court supervision terminated.

Roy Burton, Hoopeston, court supervision terminated; \$95 owed, paid in full.

Vincent Gossett, Hoopeston, \$95 owed, paid in full.

Darell Tittle, owes \$25.80, failure to appear. Notice to be sent.

Jason Longfellow, Hoopeston, 165 hours public service work, petition to revoke court supervision.

Police News

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 12:19 p.m. Sunday. A 1994 Chevrolet van driven by Manuel Zamarripa, 709 S. Third St., struck a parked 1994 Oldsmobile owned by Chicago Roll Company, 300 Eastern Ave., Bensenville. Zamarripa told police he was backing from his driveway when he struck the car, which was parked across the street.

Hoopeston police are investigating a burglary reported Monday.

Rafael Zamarripa, 1015 W. Orange, reported that on the night of April 16, someone entered his father's residence at 709 S. Third St., and took a television and a video cassette recorder.

sion. Status check May 5.

In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

April 14, 1994

Admitted: none.

Discharged: William Wenzel, Kentwood, Mich.; Glenn Siville, Hoopeston.

April 15, 1994

Admitted: Samuel Campana, Rankin.

Discharged: Sarah Ault, Judy McSpadden and Shannon Jones, all of Hoopeston.

April 16, 1994

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Samuel Campana, Rankin.

April 17, 1994

Admitted: Andrew McCalla and Violet Kietzmann, both of Hoopeston.

Weather

Mostly sunny and cooler today. High in the low 70s. Tonight, fair. Low in the low to mid 40s. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High near 65, low near 39.

A letter to my friends & neighbors in Hoopeston

It has been a thrilling experience to return to Hoopeston, to see old friends and to make new ones.

As many of you know, I am no longer with Mr. Manion's firm. Paul has been a terrific teacher and remains my true friend. Still, I enjoy owning my own business and I have been very busy helping my prior clients and my new ones.

With this letter, I wish to communicate my promises to my community. I pledge:

- ♦ to take each case seriously and to fight for my clients' rights aggressively.
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- ♦ to make my office comfortable and to offer evening hours for those who find it difficult to get time off from work.
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