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## **Council OKs apartment complex, turns down Migrant Council**

Local senior citizens will have new housing, but the Hoopeston branch of the Illinois Migrant Council must find a new home following action at Tuesday's Hoopeston city council meeting.

In a 7-1 vote, the council approved a recommendation from the city plan commission annexing and rezoning five lots at Dice St. and McKinley Ave. Mick Duckett of Danville will build a 12-unit senior citizen apartment complex on the site.

The property, originally zoned B1 commercial will be rezoned R3, multi-family residential.

Alderman Harold Cox voted against the complex. After the meeting, Cox explained that he believes the complex will block a home located on an adjoining lot.

In a 1-7 vote, the council rejected a plan commission recommendation that a conditional use permit be granted at 406 E. Thompson.

Jose Torres, property owner, requested the change, which would have allowed him to rent the property to the Migrant Council.

The council, which provides social services to migrant farm workers, had been located on Bank St. However, the building was sold to another business.

Aldermen questioned whether the property would allow sufficient area for parking and also whether increased traffic would create a problem for neighbors.

Joe Rodrigues, Migrant Council social service worker, said the agency would see 15 to 20 clients per day, scheduled at half-hour intervals, resulting in little traffic increase and four cars in the parking area.

Although Rodrigues presented a petition signed by area neighbors, council member Susan Comstock said none of the immediate neighbors signed the petition.

Also, aldermen Dave Borders and Harold Cox said they received calls from residents asking that the change be turned down.

Alderman Bill Goodwine suggested that phone calls  
**See COUNCIL on other side**

***Council*** continued from other side

## **HA High School honors achievements at Awards Night**

***Editor's note: Hoopeston Area High School held its annual Awards Night Monday. Part of the list was printed in Tuesday's edition. The following awards and students round out the list:***

Business and Professional Women (\$200) Megan Swartz; Merit Recognition Scholarships, Kelly Ellis, Andrew Clark, Corey Luke; Hoopeston Education Association Scholarship (\$500) Kristine Roark; Future Health Care Professionals Scholarship (\$500) Rebekah Martin.

And, ICTM Math Competition, Andrew Clark, Emily Newman; Diversified Occupations Award, Jeremy Deck; Tandy Technology Scholars, Andrew Clark, Kelly Ellis; SAAD Awards, Angie Lohnes, Dean Lingley, Tricia Rayls, Abby Unger.

Purdue University Junior Awards: English, Tara Cunningham; Foreign Language, Amy Catron; Math, Megan Bowers; Science, John Lockhart, Social Studies, Megan Bowers; Wendy's High

school Heisman Award, Corey Luke, Gina Bibb; ROTC, (3 yr. scholarship) Adam Sinn; Lester Schick Scholarship (\$200) Eric Lane.

Future Homemakers of American Awards: Outstanding in Total Image Proficiency, Nicole Henady; Outstanding Decorated Cookie, Tara Tyler; first place, Salad Competition, Samantha Coon; red ribbon, State Leadership Conference, Samantha Coon.

Also, DACC Student Human Relations Council Minority Scholarship, Angela Castillo, Jackie Martinez; DACC Presidential Scholar, Lisa Gay; SIU Academic Scholarship (tuition) David Anvick.

Language Arts Olympiad Awards: grade 9, Jackie Knapp, Angie Reed, Jessica Martin; grades 10-12, Kelly Ellis, Erica Rudin, Amy Catron, Lindsey Knoll, Mike Prorise, John Farrell, Jennifer Ladd, Bryon Langdoc, Aaron Krimbel.

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## Ross-Al school officials discuss forming school foundation

ROSSVILLE—School officials here are examining whether money raised through a school foundation will be enough to offset the cost of establishing the organization.

At Monday's school board meeting, board members approved exploring the option of a school foundation, which would allow tax deductions for donations to the school district, said Superintendent Phil Smith.

were not a good barometer to use in deciding. "If you go by phone calls, you're not going to pass anything because you always get more phone calls against something," he said.

Goodwine made the motion to approve the change, but had difficulty getting a second. After several moments of silence, Goodwine urged someone to second his motion. "I think it should be seconded because we can't even discuss it if it isn't seconded," he said. "That isn't fair."

Goodwine was the alderman voting for the conditional use. "I felt, after driving by and looking at it, that it was an appropriate use of the property," he said.

Rodriguez said he was "bitter" about the vote. "It's getting close to the time (when migrant workers) will be starting to trickle in," he said. "It will be difficult (to find a new location.)"

## Briefly

### Memorial Day service set

Memorial Day services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 27 at the Floral Hill chapel.

### Rossville clean-up day

The annual Rossville clean-up day will be May 30-June 1. Heavy appliances must be set out by May 30-31.

No tires, limbs, leaves, toxic chemicals, landscaping plants, paint thinner or turpentine will be picked up; however, batteries and empty paint cans will be allowed. Roofing debris and plaster must be in containers.

Anyone bringing waste into the village for clean-up day will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Smith said the legal work necessary to establish a foundation is expensive and would require "a lot of paperwork."

In other business, the board:

☐voted not to rehire head cook Teresa Schultz. Schultz has been with the district since 1991.

☐accepted resignations from Mart Fowler, bus driver; Nancy Fowler, grade school Scholastic Bowl and junior high play sponsor; and Jerry Kennett, girls

In other business, alderman Drew Allen, chairman of the city water/sewer committee, said the group will sharpen its pencil to cut costs from the sewer treatment update project.

Williams Brothers Construction of Peoria was the low bidder on the project, with a \$2.4 million estimate. "It's not quite where we want to see the numbers," Allen said, adding the committee will look at possible items to delete from specifications.

## Police News



**Becky Prina** of Hoopeston Area Middle School reported Tuesday that someone took cash from her

## In the Hospital



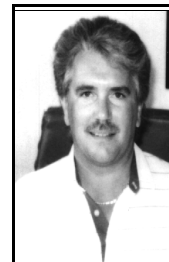
### Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital May 20, 1996

**Admitted:** Robert Dalton, Brock Zimmerman, Edward Freymiller and G. Madeline Moore, all of Hoopeston.

## Weather



Becoming partly sunny today. High in the low 80s. Tonight, cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers. Low in the low 60s. Tomorrow, 60 percent chance of showers. High in the upper 70s, low in the mid 50s.



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