



# ACT Test Preparation Course

#### **Preparation Course Dates:**

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#### **Course Content:**

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# the facts

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 1996 Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication!

## City to pay for, pass on costs of wastewater treatment expansion

Residents will end up paying for needed repairs at Hoopeston's wastewater treatment plant.

At Tuesday's meeting, the city council approved spending \$2.07 million for a first repair phase. Of that, \$1.6 million is available in the the water/sewer fund. The remaining money will come from the general fund and will have to be repaid, said Alderman Bill Goodwine, chairman of the city finance committee.

The finance committee will look at 10-, 15- and 20-year repayment plans and present the information at a future council meeting, Goodwine said, adding the length of repayment will influence the increase in water/sewer rates.

Rates, currently at \$2.40 per \$1,000 according to Alderman David Borders, have not risen since 1987, said deputy city clerk Mary Lou Smith. The council discussed not repairing system, but engineer Tom Burtness of Dailey & Associates said no action would move the city from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's critical review list to restricted status, which could affect permits for business and residential additions to the sanitary sewer system. "(The EPA) is happy now, but if you don't continue on the process, they won't be happy," Burtness said.

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Alderman Drew Allen, water/sewer committee chairman, said the facility must be expanded to meet current and future needs.

Presently, he said, the treatment plant is permitted for 890,000 gallons of wastewater per day. Actual use, however, averages between one million and 1.1 million gallons per day. The expansion will boost capacity to 1.3 million gallons daily.

## Donation lights up local woman who wants to light up Hoopeston

A woman who wants to light up Hoopeston for Christmas was lighted up Tuesday by a donation to the Grant Township Food Cupboard.

Katie Bobis of Hoopeston, a food cupboard volunteer, is spearheading "A Glimmer of Hope With Light," to raise money for the pantry by selling luminaria for Christmas Eve. She hoped to raise more than \$1,000 to purchase candles, sand and paper bags for the project.

But on Tuesday, Mayor Bob Ault presented Bobis with a \$5,000 check from Allied Waste Industries, parent company of Vermilion Waste and Illinois Landfills, Inc. "You'll be able to put your 'Glimmers of Hope' into action," he said.

The money is to purchase luminaria supplies with the remainder going to the food cupboard.

Bobis was momentarily speechless, then ecstatic. "Oh,

I'm so thrilled," Bobis said. "This is outstanding, phenominal. I've never heard anything like it. I just can't stand it."

Ault said he was approached by Allied Waste representatives who had read about Bobis' plan. "I was shocked when I was called and when the brought (the check) to me," he said. "That should supply a lot of food."

The lighting of Hoopeston drew praise from Ault. "I think it's a terrific thing our town could be recognized for," he said. "The food cupboard is a vital part of the city of Hoopeston."

The check is not the first donation Bobis has received for the project.

Tom Maire, owner of Price Less Foods, is donating paper bags for the luminaria, a gift valued at

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#### **Expansion** continued from other side

The first phase should be done by November 1997. A second phase is estimated at approximately \$1.2 million, but city officials will apply for grants to pay that portion.

Allen said Department of Commerce and Community Affairs funds will not be available until January 1998. He added that while economic development grants are available, the city may not qualify because that money is tied to new jobs. "We can't demonstrate to their satisfaction that that's going to happen," Allen said.

City funding of the project, and the resulting increased rates, are not things the committee took lightly, Allen said. "It's not something we, as a committee, want to do," he said. "It's not something we want to do just for the heck of it."

Alderman Mark Drollinger questioned how the council could vote to increase rates while aldermen receive free water. "It's not right for us to say someone has to pay more for something we pay nothing for," he said.

Goodwine suggested the council could increase the aldermen's stipends by the average water bill, then



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Borders voted against the project and funding, saying costs are too high. "I think it should've been rebid," he said.

Alderman Harold Cox voted "present," saying after the meeting that he is not familiar enough with project specifics to vote.

In unrelated business, Drollinger said the sidewalk replacement in the 200 block of East Main St. will be completed tomorrow. Drollinger warned that the sidewalk, narrowed from 15 to 10 feet, leaves "less margin for error" from children riding bicycles on the walk.

Drollinger said signs prohibiting bike riding will be posted at each end of the downtown area, but urged merchants and residents to identify bicyclists and report them to the police.

In other action, the council:

□ passed an ordinance increasing from \$5 to \$10 the fee to retrieve impounded dogs.

□approved Steven Peterson as a First Responder with the Hoopeston Ambulance Service.

## **Police News**

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident atat E3:57 p.m. Monday in the Pamida parking lot.1994

Evelloyd Hart, 207 Glenn, Milford, in a 1994 Chevrolet, was pulling into a park space and Marilyn A. Lowe, 302 E. Walnut Pl. 173, Ambia, Ind., was backing from a parking space when they collided.

**Linda K. Rutledge,** 54, of 715 S. Fifth St., was ticketed for driving on revocation and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle following an accident at 5:54 a. m. Tuesday.

Rutledge, in a 1985 Plymouth Voyager, was stopped

HOFFMAN - Harry Hoffman, 71, of rural

Hoopeston, died at 5:45 a.m. Monday, Oct. 14, 1996, at

Heartland Health Care of Paxton. Funeral services will

be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Apostolic Christian

Church in Cissna Park. Burial will be in Apostolic

Christian Cemetery, Cissna Park. Visitation was

Tuesday at the Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer

LONG - Gladys L. Long, 82, of Hoopeston, died at

6:45 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, 1996 at the home of her

daughter near East Lynn. Funeral services will be at

10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral

Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation

will be 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour before

Society or Heartland Health Care of Paxton.

at East Elm and South Fifth, then proceeded and hit a 1994 Ford driven by Wendy L. Bowen, 526 Front.

**No tickets or injuries** were reported in an accident at 9 a.m. Tuesday at Route 9 and Hoopeston Plaza.

Theda M. Milton, 710 S. Market, in a 1990 Mercury, stopped at Hoopeston Plaza, then went into Route 9, striking a 1991 Pontiac driven by Kelly M. Cundiff, 206 Vinton, Henning.

**Ted Goodner** of Hoopeston Foods reported Tuesday that someone took pallets from a company warehouse on First Ave.

### Obituaries

services at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Cheneyville Church of Christ or Carle Hospice of

### In the Hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Oct. 14, 1996 Admitted: Pauline Merino, St. Anne. Discharged: Jessica Schwartz, Hoopeston.

#### Weather

Partly cloudy today. High in the mid 70s. Tonight, increasing clouds. Low in the mid 50s. Tomorrow, scattered thunderstorms. High near 73, low near 55.

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