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Alderman: condition of swimming pool in deep water

City officials need to dive into problems at the Hoopeston swimming pool, according to the chairman of the city parks committee.

"We have to do some work or we won't have a pool next year because we won't have a license," said Alderman Mike Eckersley.

The pool, recently inspected by the Vermilion County Health Department, is not maintaining the correct water level because of a leaking valve, Eckersley said. The leak is also interfering with water flow.

According to standards, the flow of water through the system is supposed to be no less than 500 gallons per minute and no more than 750 gallons, Eckersley said. "About 550 gallons is the best we can do," he said.

The pool must be drained and a section of concrete removed to fix the problem. "I don't even want to guess" the cost of repairs, he said.

Eckersley said he will seek recommendations of what to do with the pool, which is over 20 years old.

The city has a fund set aside for a new pool. Eckersley said last month that \$80,000 is in the fund, but that amount is expected to double by next year. A new pool could cost \$500,000, he said.

Eckersley is also looking at complaints regarding the pool's operating hours. Scheduled to be open from 12:30-8 p.m., the pool closes when the number of swimmers is low because of wages paid to five lifeguards.

In other water business, Alderman Drew Allen, sewer committee chairman, apologized for flooding caused by rains Monday afternoon. "The system just can't handle it," he said. It seems we get these 100 year rains every day or at least every week."

Residents Nicole Decker and Evelyn Dain attended

Ross-Al board considers construction grant application

ROSSVILLE—School officials here have their eye on a grade school cafeteria.

At Monday's Rossville-Alvin school board meeting, board members discussed applying for a state construction grant to build the school eatery, said Superintendent Phil Smith.

A cafeteria would eliminate grade school students crossing Chicago St. to eat lunch at the high school.

The project will be a long-term one, Smith said, noting that an \$800,000 grant would be sought.

The first step of the project was to find a construction grant consultant. Retired superintendent Tom Jenkins of Chrisman was at Monday's meeting to fill the consultant slot.

The second consideration is how the district will

pay its share of construction costs. The state will pay 42 percent of the total, Smith said. "We need to look at how we'll pay for the rest," he said.

In other business, the board:

□ approved custodian Bob Jones' resignation and hired art teacher Stephanie Malin and music teacher Heike Petich.

□ learned new buses are in and named the Bank of Illinois, Marion, as financier for the lease buy back.

□ learned the district has been awarded a \$32,441 technology grant.

□ approved dual enrollment with Danville Area Community College.

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Hoopeston Area schools list supplies needed for 1998-99 elementary school classes

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Early Childhood/Special Education: 1 box of 8 large crayons, 1 box of tissues, 2 glue sticks, 1 book bag large enough to hold a folder, 1 complete change of clothes to be left at school.

Kindergarten: 1 box of 8 large Crayola crayons (first semester), 1 box of 16 large Crayola crayons (second semester, 1 four ounce bottle Elmer's white glue, 2 primary large pencils, 1 paint shirt or apron, 1 supply box (cigar box or similar), 1 large box (160 count or more) tissues, 1 pair tennis shoes to be left at school (no black bottoms), 2 large white glue sticks, 1 school bag, 1 eraser (pink or green), one chance of clothes for child's locker. No paints, scissors, rulers or pencil sharpeners.

First grade: 2 pocket folders, 1 package #2 pencils, 1 eraser, 1 box crayons (not more than 16), 8 oz. bottle white paper glue, 2 glue sticks 1 child's scissors w/ metal blades, 1 regular box tissues, 1 school pencil box, 1 paint shirt, 1 pair gym shoes to be left at school 1 school bag or equivalent.

Second grade: 2 Ross solid glue sticks (not liquid), 1 8 oz. Bottle Elmer's white paper glue, 1 package yellow #2 pencils (no more than 8 to start school), 2 pink erasers (block style), 1 box 24 crayons, 1 pair child's scissors (Fiskars with metal blades, plastic handle), 2 pocket folders (no 3 ring binders), 1 or 2 boxes of 200 count facial tissues, 1 package long colored pencils, 1 pencil box, 1 pair gym shoes to be left at school 1 paint

shirt, 1 8 count wide tip markers.

Maple School primary special education: school, 1 box 16 or 24 count crayons, 2 four-ounce bottles Elmer's glue, 2 glue sticks, 1 box markers, 1 package #2 pencils, 1 block eraser, 1 pencil sharpener, 1 pair scissors, 1 package/box color pencils, 2 pocket folders, 1 wide rule note book paper theme book, 1 pair gym shoes to be left school, 1 paint shirt, 1 box water color paints/brushes, 1 package Play Doh, 1 book bag, 2 boxes 100-200 count tissues, complete change of clothing.

Fourth grade: 1 8 oz. Bottle glue, pink block eraser, #2 pencils, crayons, gym shoes for inside use only, black or blue ball point pen, school box, assignment notebook, paint shirt, water color markers, 2 folders with pockets, 2 large boxes tissues, wide ruled white, single sheet notebook paper (no spirals, no college ruling), school scissors, colored pencils, extra red lead pencil. No spiral notebooks or Trapper Keepers.

John Greer fifth grade: 200 sheets white wide-lined loose leaf paper, 12 #2 pencils, 1 red pencil, 5 folders with pockets, 1 pair scissors, 1 ruler (metric and English), 1 box 24 or more crayons, 1 large wide-lined spiral notebook, 1 pair white-soled gym shoes, 1 paint shirt, 1 box colored pencils, 1 set pointed markers, 1 bottle school glue, 1 or 2 magazines suitable for cutting out pictures, 1 skein knitting yard, 1 cellophane tape roll, 1 set water color paints (optional), 1 eraser, 1 large box tissues, art supply box (shoe box).

John Greer sixth grade: metric ruler, 6 blue, 6 black

and 1 green pen (erasable, 12 #2 pencils, 1 package wide-lined loose leaf paper, 7 folders with pockets, 1 box crayons, 24 or more, 1 set water color markers, 1 pair scissors, 2 large boxes tissues, pocket calculator (basic 4 operations) shoe box for supplies, pair of white-soled gym shoes, paint shirt, 1 box colored pencils, 1 bottle glue, 1 set water color paints, 2 erasers, drawing pencil (6B or soft lead) set of temptra poster paints (no fluorescent colors) shoe box for art supplies, bottle white-out, 3 wide-lined spiral notebooks, 200 pages or more.

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Obituaries

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Weather

Partly sunny today with a chance of showers. High 93. Tonight, partly cloudy, chance of showers. Low 70 Tomorrow, less humid. High 85, low 69.

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Police News

Marie E. Kietzman, 807 W. Penn, reported Tuesday that someone took a 20-inch Murray bicycle from her yard.