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Council, consultant develop map for planned TIF district

By connecting the dots, Hoopeston officials hope to form a tax increment financing (TIF) district that will benefit the community.

The city council met Monday with Eric White of Economic Development Resources, a St. Louis-based consulting firm, to review a proposed TIF district.

The council had already identified areas to be included in the TIF district, including Routes 1 and 9, the down-

town area, the sewage treatment plant, Hoopeston Industrial Corporation property and approximately 120 undeveloped acres east of Euclid.

White's proposal links the areas and includes Hoopeston Area High School, Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital and McFerren Park, said Mayor Bob Ault.

With the map drawn, White and the council will now devise a redevelopment plan, citing why the areas are included. Reasons may include such things as deterioration, flooding, depreciation of physical maintenance, obsolescence, lack of planning and age.

The plan will then be reviewed by affected taxing bodies. A public hearing will also be held.

See TIF on other side

Long-time local business owner, election judge dies

Lucile P. (Lucy) Carlson, a long-time Hoopeston businesswoman and election judge, died Tuesday.

Mrs. Carlson, 84, died at 8:08 p.m. Aug. 24, 1999 at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center, Logan campus, Danville.

Mrs. Carlson worked at Lester's Drug Store since 1942. The store opened in October 1899 and it was Mrs. Carlson's goal to keep it open until its centennial. "That was the only goal she had, that I'm aware of, that she did not get to fulfill," said her daughter, Jean Minick.

Mrs. Carlson also served as a Grant Township election judge for 50 years and was active in many Hoopeston organizations.

Per her wishes, Mrs. Carlson will be cremated. Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, with graveside services immediately following.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society or charity of the donor's choice.

Route 1 gives groovy ride during start of repair work

You might call Route 1 "groovy."

After moving equipment in Monday, workers started repairs to the highway Tuesday, milling the top, leaving a grooved surface for motorists to navigate.

The intersection of Routes 1 and 9 are being done first, said Mayor Bob Ault. The project will include overlay on the roadway between the Iroquois County line and Rossville.

Work is expected to stop during Labor Day weekend and Hoopeston's National Sweet Corn Festival and Rossville's town celebration.

While the intersection will be completed first, other parts of the highway have also been milled. The grooved pavement can cause difficulty in vehicle handling so motorists are asked to use caution when driving in those areas.

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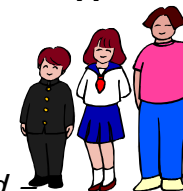
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Briefly

B&PW winners

This month's winners in the Business & Professional Women's Club drawing are: Terry Patterson, Hoopeston, \$25; Jennifer Wallace, Nashville, IL, \$15; and Rose Cress, Hoopeston, \$10.

Blood drive

FMC Corporation, Silgan Containers and Schumacher Electric are co-sponsoring a Red Cross blood drive from

Obituaries

JARRETT – Lowey E. "Jerry" Jarrett, 94, of Hoopeston, formerly of Indianapolis, died at 7:35 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1999 at Magnolia Wood Health Care Center, Watseka. Graveside services with military rites will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SMITH – Gary Leon Smith, 63, of Rossville, died at 3:45 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1999, at home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Morrison Funeral Home, Bismarck. Burial will be in Mann's Chapel Cemetery, Rossville. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

SIMMONS – Nellie M. (Nell) Simmons, 90, of Hoopeston, died at 12:40 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1999 at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center, Sager campus, Danville. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to a charity of the donor's choice.

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12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at FMC, 103 E. Maple. For an appointment or consent form, call Joan Johnson at (217) 283-8460.

TIF continued from other side

Ault said the plan is expected to be done by mid September or early October, with approval coming by the end of the year. "If everything goes well, it should all be in place sometime in December," he said.

TIF districts are created to increase development. Increased taxes from improvements are put in a special fund to be used for further improvements in the district.

Police News



A **Hoopeston woman** reported Tuesday that after running several errands, she noticed her billfold was missing.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Aug. 24

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Brady Gocking.

Weather



Sunny today and tomorrow. Highs near 83, lows near 64. Patches of dense fog likely tonight.

For the current weather conditions, call the **Hoopeston Weather Line** at (217) 283-6221.

Wolfe
Funeral Home
907 W. Main St.
Hoopeston, IL.
(217) 283-5088

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CARDS OF THANKS

I want to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, phone calls, visits and food. Friends, our Families and just Everyone has been great – thank you so much.

Evelyn & Family

CHILD CARE

Carousel Day Care (next to municipal building) has a few openings for 2 year olds and up for full time. Projects, computer, piano play, large fenced yard with a safe environment. Licensed with Dept. of Children & Family Services for 18 years. Free meals & snacks. (217) 283-4218

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RUMMAGE SALES

901 E. Main, Hoopeston (building behind house). Friday, Aug. 27, 2-6, Saturday, Aug. 28, 8-3. Furniture, what-nots, clothes & miscellaneous.

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