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## Hoopeston City Council approves 23-year TIF plan

Hoopeston officials may begin courting developers to implement their tax increment financing (TIF) plan.

In 7-1 votes, the city council approved the 23-year TIF plan and project, the proposed area and adopted the tax increment financing tax ordinance. Alderman Drew Allen was the lone dissenting vote.

Approval means the city may now seek out developers to work on improving residential, commercial and industrial areas of the district.

One area planned for residential growth is currently farmland east of Euclid. It is not within the city limits but Mayor Bob Ault said the owner sent a letter stating the property would be annexed once TIF was approved.

In unrelated action, the council:

- will go forward in trying to find a company to manage the ambulance service. The ambulance committee met last week with PRO Ambulance representatives; Arrow Ambulance has asked to submit a proposal, as has Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital, Ault said.
- approved yield signs on East Elm and Lincoln at Sixth and Seventh streets and will post "no U-turn" signs downtown.
- learned it will cost \$85,000-\$100,000 to fill in 600 to 700 feet of a ditch from Sixth Ave. to Route 9.
- heard concerns from Bill Orr about plans to resurface Fourth St.

## Manion topples Mills in county State's Attorney contest

DANVILLE—Hoopeston attorney Paul Manion has defeated incumbent Larry Mills as the Democratic candidate for Vermilion County State's Attorney.

With 57 of 64 county precincts reporting, Manion received 1,818 votes, compared with 1,038 for Mills. In Danville voting, Manion received 1,281 votes compared to Mills' 940.

Manion will now face Republican attorney Frank

Young in the November election. Young, who ran unopposed, received a total of 5,295 votes in the county and Danville.

In the race for Vermilion County Circuit Clerk, Susan Ponder Miller defeated Democratic challenger Brenda Bostic, 2,780 to 2,427.

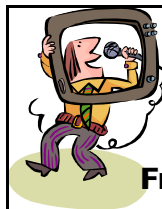
Miller will face Republican candidate Leigh Busby Hughes, who received 5,045 votes running unopposed.

In the coroner's contest, Bruce Stark defeated Nina Finchum for the Democrats. Stark received 2,704 votes compared with 2,284 for Finchum.

Stark will face incumbent Peggy Johnson who received 5,199 votes.

In the race for 115th Congressional district representative, Democrat Lauren Prussing led Mike Kelleher 2,518 to 2,482 in Vermilion County voting. On the Republican side, Tim Johnson lead the four-man field with 3,364, followed by 1,432 for Brady, 147 for Jones and 1,257 for Ewing.

District-wide totals were not available at press time.



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## Police News



No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:10 p.m. Monday at McDonald's parking lot, Routes 1 and 9. Police said Aaron Linares of Hoopeston, in a 1983 Oldsmobile, turned off Route 9, then reached to pick up a fallen object. Linares then hit a concrete pole and landscaping timber at the restaurant's entrance.

Iva Sue Hollis, 31, of 410 W. Lincoln, was arrested at 3:23 p.m. Monday in the 300 block of West Lincoln. Hollis, stopped for an equipment violation, was arrested

on outstanding warrants. She was released on \$727 cash bond.

Linda L. Brown, 37, of #44 Parkview Court, was arrested at 2:41 p.m. Monday at College Way and West Main. Brown was charged with driving while suspended and was issued a notice to appear in court.

A camera bag and photography equipment was found Monday in the 700 block of East Main. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

### Fire call

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 1:07 a.m. Tuesday to Schumacher Electric, 1025 E. Thompson, for a small explosion. A handheld fire extinguisher had been knocked from a wall and exploded.

No injuries were reported.

### New books at the library



#### Talking Books:

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by J.K. Rowling

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling  
The Angel Maker by Ridley Pearson

#### Videos:

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## Obituaries

**JACKSON**—Frank D. "Dave" Jackson Jr., 57, of Hoopeston, died at 5:24 a.m. Monday, March 20, 2000 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial with military rites will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

**TYLER**—Sally J. Tyler, 59, of Hoopeston, died at 5:08 a.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Arrangements are incomplete at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home.

## In the Hospital



**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital**  
**Mar. 20**

**Admitted:** Cynthia Stevens, Dovie Fouse, John Olson  
Hoopeston; Ruby Mathews, Dorothy French, Rossville.

**Discharged:** Lila Jennings, Robert Dixon.

## Weather



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