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Rossville village trustees raise gas prices, set budget billing

ROSSVILLE—Village residents will pay more for natural gas, effective with the August billing.

The village board on Monday approved a 25 percent rate hike for village residents.

Trustee Tom Mills, finance committee chairman, said the increase is necessary because residents had been charged less than the amount the village pays for the gas.

Gas committee chairman Mick Braddock said the village lost \$16,000 this year from selling gas more cheaply than it was purchased.

In related action, the board approved allowing Braddock, as gas committee chairman, to raise and lower village rates based on the cost of gas to the village.

Mills said empowering the gas chairman would allow the village to adjust rates in a more timely manner than waiting for the monthly board meeting.

Gas price changes will be posted in the village office for public viewing.

Trustee Bill Galloway voted against both measures.

In further gas business, trustees adopted a budget billing plan for village residents. Under the voluntary program, the village would average a resident's gas bills from September through April of last year, add 25 percent for the increase and divide the amount by eight.

Residents who wish to participate in the program must sign up before Oct. 1. Budget billing customers will not be charged a late fee for carrying a balance but payments must be made each month to remain in the program.

Police News



The bicycle found Aug. 20 at Market and Thompson was claimed by the owner Tuesday.

A blanket and CD were found Tuesday at East Honeywell and Seventh St. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

Residents who have credits going into the new fiscal year on May 1 may be reimbursed or use up that credit before starting budget payments for the new year, Mills said.

In unrelated action, the board:

- hired Joe Garrett of Hoopeston as a new full time police officer. Garrett was one of two candidates interviewed by the board during an executive session Monday night.
- approved moving Roy Goin to the second spot in the maintenance department. Goin will be in charge when superintendent Lance Deck is away. Goin's salary, set at \$8.98, will increase to \$9.10 per hour when he receives his CDL.
- briefly discussed the village audit. A special meeting will be scheduled to go over the report in more detail.
- learned that Police Chief Danny Danner and Hoopeston Chief Mark Drollinger would like to find land suitable for a gun range. A range is available in Danville, Danner said a local range would be more convenient.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Aug. 21

Admitted: Herman Bauer, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Luella Gilbert.

Weather



Partly sunny, humid, chance of showers, thunderstorms today. High 85. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 65. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 82, low 61.

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