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### EPA violations lead to new solution for city's odor problem

Hoopeston's odor has drawn the attention of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

In response to EPA violations about the odor, Hoopeston officials will spend \$560,000 installing aerators at the pre-treatment lagoon.

The plan, unveiled at public hearing prior to Tuesday's council meeting, is expected to include \$60,000 of the approximately \$65,000 in the city's revolving loan fund and a \$500,000 Community Development Assistance grant.

The city "received an invitation, if you will" to apply for the grant, said Fredi Schmutte of Schmutte & Associates, Deerfield. Schmutte is a consultant overseeing the grant-writing process.

Her fee, not to exceed \$6,500, will come from the city and not grant funds, said Mayor Bob Ault.

Under terms of the grant, Hoopeston Foods, whose discharge into the lagoon causes much of the odor, must invest in the community. Toward that end, the company will invest \$832,000 in a new warehouse that will not only retain the current 74 employees but add 10 more, Schmutte said.

The plan, which must be submitted formally to the EPA by June 1, calls for "several hundred horsepower

worth of aerators" to be installed at the lagoon, said engineer Larry Johnson of Dailey & Associates. Currently, the plan is "not as defined as it needs to be to get all the necessary permits," he said, but Ault said the city has received tentative verbal EPA approval of the project.

Using aerators rather than chemicals to treat the odor is expected to create significant savings for the city, Johnson said.

Electricity to run the aerators is estimated to cost \$50,000 annually, compared to the projected \$300,000 the city will spend on treatment chemicals this year.

That was good news to Alderman Bill Goodwine, finance committee chairman, who announced Tuesday the city's projected budget deficit is a deeper shade of red.

Income is running approximately \$106,000 under budget with expenses \$155,000 over, leaving a \$267,000 deficit, he said. Of that, \$113,000 is due to ambulance costs and \$119,000 was for repairing the road to the landfill.

The budget had included a \$6,000 deficit, he said.

The city will recoup about \$46,000 from the landfill but the budget included \$116,000 surplus to fund various city needs. "We've not had a good year," he said.

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**American Legion**  
 502 E. Penn, Hoopeston  
**Butterfly pork chops or chicken, potato, salad, roll \$8**



**Fourth annual Multi Agency auction offers things for all**

Whether you're looking for a couch to be a potato or exercise equipment, the fourth Hoopeston Multi Agency auction has what you're looking for.

The auction will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24 at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Bill DeWitt of DeWitt Auction Company and Frank Rosenberger will do the auctioning honors.

Items to be auctioned, donated by area residents and businesses, vary greatly and include:

desk beds, oil heater, lamps, dressers, chairs, portable and console televisions, VCR tape cabinet, two-door stainless commercial freezer, commercial spaghetti master machine, pine bench, electric stove, cabinets, entertainment center, inlaid oak coffee table and matching end tables, sofa with matching chair and foot stool, breakfast table and chairs, wall and storage shelves, handmade braided rugs, fruit jars, luggage, utensils, ceiling lights, pickup truck topper, and toys.

Also, children's chairs, stuffed animals, exercise bench, bike, treadmill, walker, stepper, sewing supplies, pool cues, French doors, seasonal decorations, books, clothes racks, dishes, crib and skillets.

Proceeds fund Multi Agency programs, such as Teen Reach and senior citizens programs. Donations are still being accepted. For more information or to make a donation, call (217) 283-5544.

**In the Hospital** 

**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital**  
 March 19

**Admitted:** Robert Dykman, Cora Denton, Dorothy Trent, Francis Cundiff, Hoopeston; Mittie Box, East Lynn.

**Discharged:** none.

**Weather** 

Partly cloudy today, tonight and tomorrow. Highs near 57, lows near 37.

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