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Mayor to propose pay increase for newly-elected aldermen

If Hoopeston mayor Chalmers Flint has his way, aldermen elected next April will get a hefty pay raise.

At the Aug. 6 council meeting, Flint will propose that council members elected next year be paid \$400 per month and that each committee chairman receive \$100 per committee meeting.

The proposal is up from \$100 per month and \$50 per special meeting aldermen now receive. Council mem-

bers are not currently paid for committee meetings.

Coming on the heels of rate increases for water, sewer and garbage and a newly-added telecommunications tax, Flint said his proposal faces an uphill struggle, both in the minds of residents and some council members.

"Some of the aldermen think it's kind of high," he said.

However, increasing salaries might serve as an incen-

See ALDERMEN on other side



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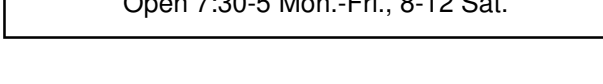


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Police News



A **55-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Tuesday that someone entered his vehicle and broke the hood latch. The under dash panel is also missing screws that hold the panel up.

The damage occurred in the 500 block of North Tenth Ave.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:55 p.m. Tuesday in the 100 block of West Penn.

Police said Renee L. Shipman of Hoopeston, in a 1992 Buick LeSabre, was eastbound when the rail-

Aldermen continued from other side

tive for aldermen to spend more time on city business. "You've got nine part-time people running a \$4 million budget," he said. "That doesn't make sense. Do you want people here to work this thing or not?"

Increased wages might also encourage more residents to seek council seats, he said.

The fee for the committee chairman is especially important to get chairmen to call meetings. Some committees, like finance, rarely meet, Flint said. "I think Bill's (Goodwine) got a lot on the ball but I think he needs some input (from committee members)."

Even if committees have no pressing business, they should meet for "planning and ongoing" reasons, he said. "It's not just a matter of getting the \$100. If that's all you're going to do, don't meet."

Before coming up with his proposal, Flint said he checked with other communities to see how much their aldermen receive. His proposal is far less than aldermen in some communities receive. For example, members of the Joliet city council are paid \$25,000 per year. They also get free health insurance for themselves and their families for life, he said.

In order for aldermen elected next April to get a raise, the current council must approve a salary ordinance 180 days before an election.

The proposal would affect aldermen elected to seats now held by Ed Lotz, Nancy Stipp, John Haughee and Don York, he said. Whether any of them will benefit from the proposed increase is uncertain. "Right now, none of them want to run again," Flint said. "I don't know if we can entice any of them to stay."

The increase would not affect the remaining four al-

road signal came on and the crossing gate descended. She stopped and was hit from behind by a 1972 GMC truck driven by Moses Yazzie, also of Hoopeston.

A **44-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Tuesday night that someone took \$50 from his home in the 700 block of South Third Ave.

A pair of size 6 back roller blades were found Monday in the area near the library. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

dermen who would receive their current salary.

While he wants to increase salaries, Flint would like to see one perk taken away from aldermen: free water. For many years, aldermen have paid only the surcharges on water and sewer.

However, Flint said, the ordinance covering aldermen's salaries does not say anything about providing free water. "If you look at that ordinance, they should not be getting free water," he said.

Former mayors have also received free water but when Flint was elected he opted not to accept it because the council did not approve the perk.

Two aldermen have since chosen not to accept free water. Kevin Davis, water/sewer committee chairman, began paying a water bill in June and Rod Kaag will receive his first bill next month.

Closer to the next mayoral election, Flint may recommend a larger increase for the next mayor. "They should pay someone \$30,000 to \$35,000 a year and elect someone who can really do the job," he said. "Even when they set one for the mayor, I'm not going to get it," he said.

Flint has said he will not seek re-election.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 95 with heat indices of 100. Tonight, chance of thunderstorms. Low 70. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 90, low 70.

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