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## Meeting Thursday may decide fate of motel in Hoopeston

A meeting Thursday may provide an answer about whether a developer will build a motel in Hoopeston.

At Tuesday's city council meeting, Mayor Chalmers Flint said he will meet with the developer Thursday morning. "I'm hoping it will work out where we can get him to go ahead and build," Flint said.

Flint has worked with the unidentified man for two years trying to get him to commit to building a motel. Recently, the developer looked at four or five other communities as possible sites for a motel. The developer plans to build only one motel, Flint said previously.

In unrelated action, the council:

- approved an agreement with Rossville to sound the village's siren in the event of a tornado or other disaster. The agreement holds Hoopeston harmless in case of problems.
- approved a \$3,980 bid from Home Makers of Hoopeston to construct a sidewalk on East Orange. The walk will be about 309 feet long by four feet wide and will go from Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital to east of Euclid.
- The issue was tabled last month.
- approved Robert Pratt and Randall Wallace as new auxiliary police officers.
- tabled a request to close Main Street for a

## Rossville board fails to bring telecommunications tax to vote

ROSSVILLE—Village board members are willing to pass a six percent telecommunications tax if certain conditions are met but those conditions were not in place at Monday night's meeting.

The tax would be on all telephone and cell phone lines of village residents. Municipalities can set a rate of up to six percent, the amount suggested in Rossville. That rate would generate about \$15,000-\$20,000 annually.

Conditions vary by trustee. Richard Birkey suggested going into closed session to discuss ways to cut expenses while Mark Catron and Robert Merritt said they want to wait until Tax Increment Financing money starts coming in to see if the tax is needed. Kay Ritter favors it if money will go for special projects like sidewalk repair. Mike Clutter said he does not want the tax at all.

"Nobody wants it," said Mayor Terry Prillaman. "I think it's just a matter of being fiscally responsible."

The idea of the tax, which was first suggested last month, is drawing mixed reviews among residents. Ritter said she spoke with about 15 people and 90 percent of those would support the tax. Resident Naomi Freeman said she spoke with other residents who would also support the increase. Catron said he has received negative feedback about it.

A tax for special projects may be the only way to get them done, Ritter said. General fund income is down, in part because of the February fire that destroyed several businesses. The fund has a deficit and while trustees hoped to have the deficit paid off next year, with income down, "I'm not sure it will be in the black next year," she said.

In support of the tax, Prillaman said he has been involved with the village for nearly 40 years "and I've never raised a tax." However, he added, the village is faced with declining revenue and he does not favor additional real estate taxes. Neighboring communities have five percent taxes on all utilities, which Rossville

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**Health screenings**  
Hoopeston Regional Health Center will offer free blood pressure check, cholesterol and glucose screenings from 8:30-11 a.m. Wednesday. The screenings will be held in the hospital community room on the

**New Arrivals**



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sanford of Hoopeston are pleased to announce the birth of their granddaughter, Hannah. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tad Sanford and great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hard-

does not, and that the board should consider adding the

**See TAX on other side**

**Tax continued from other side**  
tax. "We need to do something for the next people coming on board," he said.

Ritter made motion to approve a six percent tax but no one seconded it. Prillaman said the board would discuss it again next month.

In unrelated action, the board:

- learned gas prices will remain at 80 cents per therm.
- approved changes in the nuisance ordinances, cleaning up language.

**Sunday Night Volleyball League**  
now forming  
4 person teams,  
18 years or older  
For info, contact  
**Eric Gress**  
**(217) 714-0090**



south end of Hoopeston Community Nursing Home. No appointments are needed. For information, call Pat Bailey, (217) 283-4243.


**Meteorologist to speak**  
The public is invited to hear WILL meteorologist Ed Kieser will give a presentation at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Hoopeston Public Library. Refreshments will be served.

**Benefit carnival**  
A benefit carnival for Amy Suchy and family will be held from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at the Milford Christian Church. It will feature games, crafts, food and a silent auction. Proceeds are for medical expenses in treating Suchy's non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. For information, call Laurie Atchie, (815)889-4194 or 471-5387.

**Trash Walkers**  
If you need to get the garbage out of your car, Saturday's the day to do it. Hoopeston Trash Walkers will collect trash from passing motorists Saturday at the intersection of Main and Market. Volunteers will also hand out garbage bags for use at the National Sweetcorn Festival parade. The group will not be asking for money while they collect trash.

**Court cancelled**  
City court in Hoopeston will not be held

**Police News**




A **Motorola** cell phone was found Monday in the 400 block of West Chestnut. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

**Robert A. Bruens**, 27, of 324 E. Penn, turned himself in to police at 9:05 p.m. Monday.

Bruens, wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant, was released on \$155 cash bond.

**Weather**



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight and tomorrow. High today 88, low 70. Tomorrow's high 87, low 66.

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

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**Hoopeston**  
**American Legion**  
502 E. Penn St.  
**Every Wednesday**  
**7 p.m.**



**Classifieds**

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Rossville: 1-2 bdrs. Riverview Apartments. Completely refurbished, on-site washers & dryers. 1 bdr. \$310/mo., \$310 deposit; 2 bdr., \$360/mo., \$360 deposit. Call (217) 840-3672. 188-215

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