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Grant Township officials approve auctioning old building

Gary Weinard, Grant Township Road Commissioner, hopes to sell the former township garage by the end of August.

At a special meeting Monday, Grant Township trustees approved selling the former garage and storage building at 701 E. Orange.

The property appraised for \$32,000 and by law, must sell for at least 80 percent of that amount, said township attorney Bill Nelson.

Included on the property are a 5,300 sq. ft. wood frame building and a 2,709 sq. ft. pole building. The parcel is zoned light commercial.

Weinard would like to have an auction at Nelson's

office before the end of the month. No date was set.

"What if it doesn't sell," asked trustee Dale Lithgow.

Nelson said in that event, another appraisal would need to be done and the process started again. However, Weinard said at least four parties are "very interested" in purchasing the lot. "I believe it will sell," he said.

The sale will be conducted with no guarantee from the township concerning the Environmental Protection Agency or underground storage tanks, Nelson said.

At the July board meeting, Weinard he has a copy of State Fire Marshall records showing that when underground storage tanks were removed, there was no visible sign of leaking or of ground contamination.

Economic leaders take steps to keep development director

The people who brought Peace Corps Fellow Shannon Ruh to Hoopeston are working to keep her here.

Ruh, who serves as Hoopeston's economic development director, is doing an 11-month stint through Western Illinois University's Peace Corps Fellows program. When her internship ends in November, the city's Economic Development Steering Committee would like her to stay.

Dick Read and Bill Nicholls, steering committee members, were at Monday's Grant Township board meeting, asking for a financial commitment for part of Ruh's salary.

Hoopeston paid approximately \$21,000 to Western for the Fellows program. From those funds, the university pays Ruh a stipend for living expenses.

The steering committee is putting together a package to offer Ruh that includes salary and health care benefits, Read said.



RUH

The committee expects that the city will pick up most of that tab but is seeking commitments from the township, Chamber of Commerce, for whom Ruh would act as secretary, and Hoopeston Industrial Corporation for some of the cost, Read said.

"When we first started this, we weren't sure what a young, unseasoned person could do," Read told the board, adding "it was an excellent investment. This girl has experience beyond her years."

While few projects have been completed yet, Ruh has been busy laying groundwork on many issues and has been "our eyes, ears, brain and legs for (economic development)," Read said.

Nicholls presented the board with a list of projects Ruh is working on, including the brownfields redevelopment project at the former Baer's Trailer Park, creating a land site selection map, developing a marketing strategy

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Economic continued from other side

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The township budget has \$8,000 earmarked for economic development and while trustees said they will contribute, they would like to know how much the city will pay and will help with the unpaid amount.

Read said this is the first of two requests for money for Ruh's salary. "I'd like to see her stay a minimum of two years," he said.

In other discussion, trustees took no action on a request from Revs. Ann Schwartz and Darryl McDaniel of the Hoopeston Ministerial Association for donations for air conditioners for senior citizens.

Trustees agreed that since it is getting close to the end of summer, they would wait. If a heat crisis occurs, they will reconsider the request.

Police News



Garrett O.T. Hulett, 26, of #27 Parkview Court, was arrested at 1:15 p.m. Monday. He was charged with a residential burglary that occurred Aug. 6 in the 600 block of South Fifth Ave.

Hulett was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

James J. English, 29, of #30 Parkview Court, was arrested at 2:30 p.m. Monday at his home. He was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and on a Vermilion County warrant.

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In other business, trustees heard from Weinard that the township will eventually take ownership of Cheneyville Road, after the county resurfaces it.

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Briefly

Parenting seminar

John and Kendra Smiley will discuss their new book, "Be the Parent" from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10 at First Church of God on East Orange, Hoopeston.

Admission is free. Child care will be provided. Moms & dads are welcome. For more information, call Colleen Estes at (217) 339-2268.

Help with school supplies

Friday is the last day for applications for help pay for school supplies. Applications may be completed at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

WMD winners

July winners in the Women Making a Difference drawing were: \$25, Jo Perez and Dee Mayberry; \$15, Brock Shore and Dennis Smith; and \$10, Rose Cress and Terry Patterson

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today. High 84. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 66. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 88, low 67.

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