Correction from Dr. Blizzard for January 17, 2007 article:

I did not give statement about asking to be reinstated.
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Economic developer stresses need for comprehensive plan

Hoopeston leaders were urged to dust off their crystal balls and look far into the future.

At Tuesday night's regular Hoopeston City Council meeting, economic developer Shannon Ruh suggested Hoopeston come up with a comprehensive plan as a way to detail growth.

The plan could include ideas for the next 15 to 20 years and would include information on the community's strengths, weaknesses, goals and information on such things as utilities, transportation and economic development.

A comprehensive plan would provide **ernment at Tu** a map of where the city wants to go and would help in cases of some grant applications and situations involving eminent domain. "It's easier to get approval if you have a plan," she said.

To develop a comprehensive plan, a committee is expected to be created from members of the council, Chamber of Commerce, economic development steering committee and community.

Coming up with a plan will take some time. "The

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A comprehensive plan would provide Members of Den 3 Pack 118 of the Hoopeston Boy Scouts learn about government at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

value of the plan is equal to what we, as a city, put into it," said Alderman Bill Goodwine.

Ruh agreed that developing a good plan would "require a lot of commitment from people in the community."

Mayor Bill DeWitt praised the idea. "It gives us some direction," he said. "Other cities have this and it's in-

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Plan continued from other side valuable. It tells them which way to go."

In unrelated business, the council:

Birthday open house

An 80th birthday open house for Doris Good will be held from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Masonic Lodge. All

friends are invited.

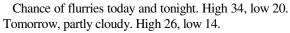
Card shower

A card shower is being held for H. Dale Brown's 80th birthday. Cards may be sent to him at 3512 Cambridge

Christmas wreaths because it is difficult for the Chamber to get manpower and equipment. The Chamber has been paying Ross Kinnaird to put up the decorations for the past couple of years, she said.

• Heard from Alderman Brandon Hamilton about publicity surrounding the sale of the fire department's ladder truck to a New York museum. "It just goes to show that a small thing in a small community can make a big impact."

Weather



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Flea Market in January VFW

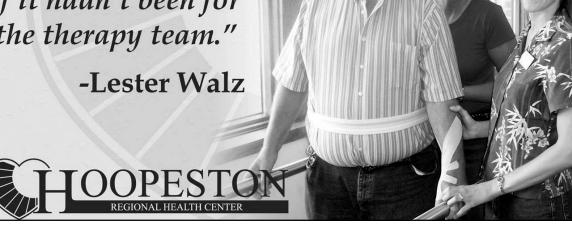
• Heard from Alderwoman Gail Lane that the Chamber

would like the city to take over putting up banners and

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