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Hoopeston City Council lacks quorum, special meeting set

Hoopeston City Council will meet at 7 p.m. next Tuesday to conduct the business it could not do Tuesday night.

For the second time since the May 1 meeting, not enough aldermen were present to conduct a meeting. Those who were at the meeting were aldermen Chuck Davis, Jerry Yonkers, Bill Crusinberry and Bill Goodwine.

Mayor Bill DeWitt said aldermen not attending would be contacted to make sure enough will attend the July 24 meeting.

The special meeting will be held primarily to approve

the 2007-2008 appropriations ordinance, which must be filed with the county by Aug. 1, Goodwine said.

Crusinberry then asked whether other city business, such as paying bills, could also be done. With five weeks in the month, some bills would be past due by the next regular council meeting at 7 p.m. Aug. 7.

During the public comment portion of the non-meeting, resident Gerald Minick questioned if the emergency siren atop the Willdon Building would be fixed. "It doesn't work," he said, adding that when he is in his home, he cannot hear the city's other sirens.

Mayor Bill DeWitt said repairs are being looked at, with an estimated cost of \$15,000. It would cost about the same amount to purchase a new siren, he said.

Minick responded with another question: "how many lives are worth \$15,000?"

Another Hoopeston resident, Jeremy Green, said sirens are there only to alert residents outdoors that they should seek shelter. He suggested Minick get a National Oceanographic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio.

Prior to the regularly-scheduled meeting, a public hearing was held on the appropriations ordinance. No comments were made.

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The program is for families in the Hoopeston Area school district. All applicants must bring proof of income for the past 30 days and Social Security cards for everyone in the household. Those receiving public assistance through the Department of Human Services must also bring medical cards for each family member.

All information must be present when applying or applications cannot be processed.

Pickup of school supplies will be from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. August 20. Due to limited finances,

supplies will be given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Income limits for the program are:

Family Size	Income
2	\$1,711
3	\$2,146
4	\$2,581
5	\$3,016
6	\$3,451
7	\$3,886
8	\$4,321

For each additional person, add \$471.

For more information, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544 from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Obituaries

AKERS - Edna M. Akers, 68, of Gibson City, formerly of Hoopeston died at 10:05 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at Heritage Manor-Gibson City. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

LAYDEN - Elizabeth "Betty" Layden, 91, of Hoopeston died at 10 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at Hoopeston

Police News

While on patrol at 7:06 p.m. Tuesday, officers heard an alarm in the 100 block of East Lincoln. A 43-year-old man reported that his garage door had been damaged but no one had entered the building.

Benjamin A. Combs, 51, of 477 E. 2nd North St., Wellington was arrested at 12:05 a.m. Wednesday at Third St. and Wyman. Wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant, he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of bond.

Court Dispositions

June 7

David J. Shumate, Hoopeston, pleaded not guilty to noisy animals prohibited; trial July 19.

Bruce Eldridge, Rossville, pleaded not guilty to assault; trial July 19.

Maria L. Fouse, Hoopeston, status hearing Aug. 2.

Community Memorial Nursing Home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

LINARES - Gracie Erin Linares, infant daughter of Aaron and Barbara Linares of Hoopeston, died at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 15, 2007 at Indiana University Hospital, Indianapolis. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Sunset Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Danville, was in charge of arrangements.

PRATT - Ruth Pratt, 82, of Gresham, Ore., formerly of Hoopeston, died June 20, 2007 in Gresham. Service will be at a later date. She is survived by a sister, Mary Powers of Chicago, brother Errol Hostetler of Glen Ellyn, daughter Kathy (Glen) Musk and grandson, Aaron, all of Gresham.

RICHISON - Monica Richison, 74, of Rossville died at 2:25 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital emergency room. Arrangements are pending at Wolfe Funeral Home, Rossville.

Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today and tonight. High 83, low 58. Tomorrow, sunny. High 78, low 56.

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

Smiley to speak at luncheon

Area resident and national author/speaker Kendra Smiley will provide commentary at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes "Behind the Bench" ladies luncheon.

Guest speaker will be Denise Zook, wife of University of Illinois football coach Ron Zook.

The luncheon will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 8, from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. It will be at Danville Area Community College Vermilion Hall, Room 306. Tickets are \$15 each or groups may sponsor a table of seven for \$100.

Tickets are available at 5 Loaves and 2 Fish in Danville. Tickets and information are available by calling Laura Williams at the Danville FCA office at (217) 709-3221.

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