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Rossville board approves new minimum bid, sets opening

ROSSVILLE—Village trustees will accept new bids for a house at 123 E. Attica St.

At a special meeting Monday evening, the village board unanimously approved setting \$15,000 as the minimum bid for the two-story house, which is zoned for business. The property had fallen in disrepair and was deeded to the village.

The board had previously set a \$20,000 minimum, which resulted in one bid, which was rejected.

Mary Jo Ray submitted a \$15,000 bid which was opened at the March 17 board meeting, but some trustees wondered if they could accept the bid since it was

below the advertised minimum price.

After checking with the village attorney, the board opted to seek new bids at or above the new price.

Asked after the meeting why the board did not just accept Ray's bid, Mayor Terry Prillaman said a second person contacted him after the March 17 meeting to say he would pay more than \$15,000.

A resolution approved by the board calls for the new owner to complete renovations within 12 months of purchase but Prillaman said an extension could be granted if the owner is diligently working on repairs.

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Lots of smiles

Brooke Judy, Miss Hoopeston 2008, and photographer Carl Ankenbrand, owner of Bonpas Creek Photography, were busy last weekend doing pictures for the Miss Hoopeston posters. Above, Judy poses with students at the Okinawan School of Karate, including Anna Rhodes, Savannah Collum, Lauren Sheppard and Taylor Sheppard. At right, she spends time at Country Terrace visiting with Doris Good.



Police News



Joshua A.C. Watson, 23, of Hoopeston was arrested after a disturbance at 7:34 p.m. Monday in the 1000 block of West Main.

Watson was located later and charged with domes-

tic battery and unlawful restrain on a complaint from a 23-year-old Hoopeston woman.

He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await a bond hearing.

Obituaries

BELL - Marjorie J. Bell, 74, of Wheaton, Mo., formerly of Hoopeston died Tuesday, March 25, 2008 in Missouri. Cremation rites will be accorded. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Brown-Alkire Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 51. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 34. Tomorrow, chance of showers. High 54, low 40.

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