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City council paves way for two new businesses in Hoopeston

Two small businesses are expected to open in Hoopeston following action at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

The council unanimously approved conditional uses for two home-based businesses.

Mary Adams plans to open Barbara's Cheesecakes at 709 W. Penn. Adams will offer various flavors of cheesecakes. Her conditional use was granted pending approval for Adams from the Vermilion County Health Department.

The second business will be Stan's Small Engines, owned by Stan Inman. That business will be located at

327 W. Lincoln.

Both conditional uses were recommended by the Hoopeston Plan Commission at its meeting Monday.

In other business, Alderman Carl Ankenbrand hopes the parks department can give a helping hand to Hoopeston Midget Football.

Midget Football hoped to add a covered patio next to its concessions stand at the football field on Sixth Ave. However, Ankenbrand said, the group failed to get \$1,800 from United Community Fund of Grant Township due to improperly completed paperwork.

Silver Brothers of Hoopeston has already poured a 25'x40' concrete pad for the structure but the football organization doesn't have funds to erect the shelter portion of the project, he said, adding that Midget Football has already received bids on the work.

Ankenbrand said he will look over the parks department budget to see if any money is available to help the organization. Part of the group's financial issue is that they do not turn away youngsters who are unable to pay the fees, he said.

The council also heard from two residents who are concerned about the proposed use of golf carts as transport.


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