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## Rossville to take money from reserves for budget balance

ROSSVILLE—Village officials will dip into reserves to balance the 2009-10 budget.

At Monday's village board meeting, trustees voted 4-0 to approve the budget, which expenses of \$376,320 in

the general fund, said Mayor Terry Prillaman. That amount is about \$20,000 more than was spend last year and will require about \$30,000 to come from reserve

**See ROSSVILLE on other side**



*Photo contributed*

Hoopeston Area seniors were among those honored by Vermilion Advantage and area sponsors for educational excellence. Honorees included, from left, Elizabeth Ballangee, Amanda Hertel, Trace Elliott, Erika Ramos, Katelin Sheppard and Ashley Stebbins. Not pictured are Katelyn Prather and Alicia Beltran.

## Hoop Area other students honored by Vermilion Advantage

On Thursday, April 16, 2009, Vermilion Advantage and area sponsors recognized county students for their academic success, at Turtle Run Banquet Center in Danville. Vermilion Advantage takes great pride in sponsoring this recognition program for the graduating seniors from the county high schools-public and private. The business and professional community congratulates these outstanding young men and women for their academic achievements. Special recognition must also be extended to the parents, guardian, educators, and schools who have assisted these students in their progress. The

following Hoopeston Area High School Senior Students were recognized for their 3.5 or higher GPA's: Elizabeth Ballengee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ballengee; Amanda Hertel, daughter of Paula and Steve Bane and Shaun Hertel; Trace Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Elliott; Erika Ramos, daughter of Shannon Ramos and Lupe Ramos; Katelin Sheppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Sheppard; Ashley Stebbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stebbins; Katelynn Prather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Prather; and Alicia Beltran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Beltran

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## Court Dispositions



March 19

**Rocky Daniels**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing; case to be filed with Vermilion County Circuit Court.

**Bryan Houmes**, Hoopeston, new status hearing April 16.

**Sherry Dillon**, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing; case to be filed with Vermilion County Circuit Court.

**Small Wonders Preschool**  
Saturday, June 6 2-4 p.m.  
**(A)** Meet the new teacher, Sara Anderson  
**(B)** Register for the 2009-2010 school year  
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## It's a Spring thing!

Country Terrace residents celebrated spring recently with a balloon lift-off. The event was held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 20 and by Saturday afternoon, a woman from Dayton, Ohio called to say she found one of the balloons in her yard.

## Rossville continued from other side

cash, he said.

Included in the budget are a three percent raise for employees and two capital expenditures: \$30,289 for a Bobcat excavator from Bobcat of Lafayette, Ind., and \$25,720 for a new Crown Victoria police car from Ottawa Ford-Lincoln-Mercury.

The latter purchase went to Prillaman for a tie-breaking vote as Richard Queen and Charles Cornell voted against purchasing the car while Bunny Tweedy and Nancy Null voted in favor.

Trustees Tom Gregory and Mary Beth Rhodes were absent.

Queen questioned the need for a new car since the police department received a Dodge Durango last August and also has two older cars.

Chief Bill Shannon told the board that about 1,000 miles are put on the Durango monthly and that both older cars require ongoing repairs.

In approving the purchase of the new car, officials also

approved selling the two older vehicles.

In an effort to save a little money, officials are considering purchasing electricity from a broker instead of Ameren.

The board approved looking at a contract with Affiliated Power Purchasers Inc. of Salisbury, Md. Prillaman said a company representative estimated the village could save about seven percent on electric costs, or roughly \$1,270. That amount could be more, based on an anticipated Ameren rate hike in the next year, he said.

In other business, Prillaman told trustees that purchase and redevelopment agreements have been signed for village-owned properties at 115-117 E. Attica. Al Zawarus, of rural Hoopeston and formerly of Burr Ridge, plans to open a fine dining establishment there.

In other action, Prillaman's appointments to the zoning board were approved by trustees. Jason Sprague was reappointed and Kevin Young was named as the board's new member.

## Police News



A **42-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 4:43 p.m. Monday that his wallet was missing, along with several pieces of identification and cash.

A **39-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported Tuesday that someone took a video camera and other items from her home in the 700 block of South First Ave. The theft occurred Monday or Tuesday.

## Briefly

### Spaghetti dinner

Hoopeston United Methodist Church is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner from 4:30-7 p.m. Saturday. The dinner will feature spaghetti, salad, bread and desserts and is a fundraiser for Appalachian Service Project's youth work week. Freewill offerings will be taken.

The church is located at 403 E. Main St.

## Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 59. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 36. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 72, low 54.

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

## Classifieds

### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Hoopeston-Newer Adult complex. 2 bedroom 1 bath. Full basement. Washing machine, refrigerator, stove. Walk to stores. Quiet surroundings. Immediate occupancy. \$475 + deposit, references required. No pets. 217-260-2546.

### AUCTIONS

Household auction 515 N. Third St., Cissna Park. Friday, April 24, 5 p.m. Antique chairs, mahogany buffet, bedroom suite, furniture, lots of misc.

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