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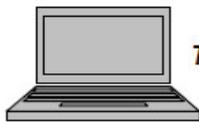
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Businesses, residents to benefit from expanded project

Some Hoopeston businesses and residents will reap the benefits of an expanded water main replacement project.

At Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting, alderman approved expanding the project to include installing a new water line between Penn and Crown Ford.

Laying the estimated 1,800 feet of pipe will cost about \$150,000, said Alderman Bill McElhaney, water committee chairman.

In pitching the suggestion to the council, McElhaney said the area has experienced about 18 eruptions, many in front of Henning's Root Beer Stand and Crown Ford. To fix the breaks, water to the area was shut off, shutting down Henning's in the process.

The council also approved spending about \$117,000 to resurface the north side of East Main after the water main project is completed.

The initial project called only for the south side of the street to be resurfaced from the water plant at Fourth to Route 1, McElhaney said. In approving the additional expense, both sides of the street will be redone.

The expenditures for the additional water line and street repair will come from the city's Tax Increment

Financing fund and depreciation fund, he said.

In other business, the council:

- Heard from Mayor Bill Crusinberry said the Illinois EPA is accepting comments on a plan from Silgan Containers to add three new can end lines with liners and five replacement sheet lubricators at its Hoopeston facility at 324 W. Main.

- Approved a well setback ordinance for city wells in proximity to possibly contaminated sites such as former gas stations.

- Heard from Crusinberry that the former Vermilion Iron site is on a list of sites which may get an assessment under a grant received by Vermilion County Health Department.

- Heard from Alderman Ed Lotz, police committee chairman, that Officer Jeramy Dobkins and dog catcher Erica Green resigned their posts and that a new dispatcher, Katie Torbet, was hired. Torbet comes to Hoopeston from Iroquois County Communications.

- Heard from Brandon Hamilton, fire committee chairman, that the Fireman's Ball will be held May 5. As an added fundraiser, a raffle will be held. Tickets are available from firemen.

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Sunday: Open Bowling 12-4

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Briefly

Free diabetes nutrition classes
 Hoopeston Regional Health Center is offering free Diabetes Nutrition Classes. Classes are offered one on one with Registered Dietician Sowmya Gurukar and may be scheduled anytime Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. or Thursday 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. To schedule a class, contact Sowmya, 217-283-5531 ext. 200.

Name the new nursing home
 Hoopeston Regional Health Center is reaching out to the community to find a new name for the new nursing home. Ideas may be submitted to Tanya McVicker, Tanya.mcvicker@hoopestoncmh.org or (217) 283-5531, ext. 255, until the end of February. The winner will receive public recognition for his/her suggestion.

Police News 

A representative of Urich Motors, 309 S. Dixie Highway, reported at 6:50 p.m. Tuesday that someone stole an air bag from a parked vehicle.

New Books at the Library 

- Fiction**
 The Berenstain Bears and the Nutcracker by Jan & Mike Berenstain
 Frog and Friends: Party at the Pond by Eve Bunting
 Olivia and the Christmas Present by Ian Falconer
 The Black Stallion and the Lost City by Steven Farley
 Marley: The Dog Who Cried Woof by Susan Hill
 Pinkalicious Princess of Pink Treasury by Victoria Kann
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 Fancy Nancy, Splendid Speller by Jane O'Connor
 Missing! A Cat Called Buster by Wendy Orr
 Big Nate and Friends by Lincoln Peirce
 Jingle Bells by Veronica Vasylenko (board book)
- Non-Fiction**
 Billions of Years, Amazing Changes by Laurence Pringle

Letters to the Editor

Political rhetoric causes concern

I am very concerned about all the verbal sniping, insinuations, half-truths, and mudslinging all around as we head toward electing a new president this year. I am especially concerned over the constant psychological use of the term "class warfare."

This phrase only can disturb and cause many to lose sight of the real issues. It is planting the seeds of anger and resentment in people's minds to make them feel that the "man," or the "systems" of Wall Street, big banks and big corporations have been keeping them (the so-called have-nots) from getting as wealthy as they should be and "they" are the cause of lost jobs, no jobs, you-name-it.

True, many have lost homes, jobs, and those who never were on public assistance of any kind, like food stamps, for instance, have had to apply. Many families still live in motels, etc., who lost homes and jobs and their children go from school to school. Yes, they need our help.

Yes, there are and always will be some who need assistance of some kind or other. But trying to build resentment and stir up a mob mentality only can lead to wrong actions, dire consequences. Ask yourselves why some would try to keep this "pot boiling."

Obituaries

RUST - Harold H. Rust, 88, of Cissna Park, died Monday, Feb. 6, 2012, at Heartland Health Care Center, Paxton. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Cissna Park. Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Cissna Park. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park, and 10-11 a.m. Friday at the church. Memorials are suggested to the church, Cissna Park Fire Department or donor's choice.

Weather 

Sunny today. High 37. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 26. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 35, low 17.
 For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

We do have solutions. We need to pray for our leaders (as distasteful as that may be to some). It is a command, not a suggestion that "we pray for all in authority and ..." yes-"give thanks for them that we may lead a quiet, peaceful and godly life." I didn't say that, God did. Use your noodle, not your emotions, know our history, our Constitution, etc. Check out the facts we are being fed constantly by the media.

But vote, don't gripe, vote.
 Alice Lawrence Fink
 Hoopeston

Letters to the Editor policy

Just the Facts welcomes letters to the editor. Letters must be signed by the writer and must include a daytime phone number for verification. Letters must be in good taste and of general interest to readers. Unsigned letters will not be published. Letters may be mailed to P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston IL 60942, or emailed to publish@justthefacts.net.

Classifieds

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The City of Hoopeston is taking applications for the position of Animal Control. This will be a part time position for 24 hrs per week. Applications may be picked up at the Hoopeston City Hall, and must be returned by Friday February 17, 2012.

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