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Hoopeston to participate in state debt recovery program

If you owe Hoopeston money - whether from a water bill, court fees or mowing charge - Illinois is going to help make sure you pay.

Hoopeston will take part in the state's debt recovery program, offered by the comptroller's office. Those who owe and work for the state may have wages garnished, while others may find their state tax refund lowered to accommodate the debt. On top of the original debt, administrative fees are added to the repayment, making the program free to the city.

It was announced at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting that Hoopeston court clerk Greg Lane will administer the program assisted by Marta Pierce, water department clerk.

In other business, Leander Construction of Canton was the low bidder to refurbish Hoopeston's ground and aerial water storage tanks, with a bid of \$2,048,400, said Mike Streff, engineer with Foth Infrastructure and Environment. Leander's bid was \$500 higher but company officials found an error that lowered the total by \$500, Streff said.

A second bid, for \$2,262,000, was submitted by Thieneman Construction of Indiana.

The winning bid was "a little bit higher than we thought it would be last fall," Streff said.

During the project, residents can expect to see changes in the water, including more rust, said Alderman Bill McElhaney, water/sewer committee chairman, who suggested residents purchase home filtration systems as an inexpensive solution.

In other business, the council:

- Learned some improvements have been made at the swimming pool, including new shower doors on the women's side, and adjustments to the autofeeder for chemicals, said Alderman Carl Ankenbrand, parks committee chairman.
- Approved a \$33,774 bid from Ribbe Trucking for roads at Floral Hill. Work is expected to be completed by August 15, said Alderwoman Nancy Stipp, cemetery committee chairman.
- Heard a complaint from resident Brenda Pancake about J&R Tire Recycling on Route 9. "It seems like they're thumbing their nose at the city," she said.
- Mayor Bill Crusinberry said he would arrange a meeting with company officials to work out a solution to the amount of tires and shredded tires stored outside.

Short negotiating time ends in one-year teachers contract

Hoopeston Area teachers will receive a \$400 increase in their base salary and \$546 per month towards health insurance under a new contract approved by both the

school board and Hoopeston Education Association.

The new contract was achieved with only 1.5 days of negotiating, said Supt. Hank Hornbeck, who thanked the union for their willingness to work with the district.

Base salary will increase to \$29,825 for a beginning teacher. Additional pay is given for longevity and continuing education, as well as for additional assignments, such as coaching a sport or sponsoring groups like the spelling or Scholastic bowl teams.

See CONTRACT on other side

EPA asks leave ash alone

The US EPA is requesting that residents refrain from picking up ash in their yards until testing of this ash has been completed and the results of the testing are released.

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•Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital	
•Casey's General Store-Rosville	
•Merita's Family Restaurant-Rosville	
•Coffee Corner-Wellington	

Contract continued from other side

In other personnel matters, the board:

- approved resignations from Annette McMillan, high school personal aide, and Cayla Knight, middle school personal aide, at the end of the school year; April Handy, high school student council co-sponsor, effective May 23; and Dawn Samet, Maple classroom aide, effective May 29.
- Approved transferring Rhonda Carter to middle school classroom aide for the 2-13-14 year.
- Approved Logan Patton as high school head wrestling and assistant football coach; and Thomas Sage, high school assistant Scholastic Bowl coach.

“There are no certified positions open right now,” Hornbeck said. “We’re setting pretty good but you never know what’s going to happen before school starts.”

In unrelated business, the board approved delay of the No Pass/No Play policy pending a student intervention program, which is expected to include tutoring.

Board member Chris Small was the only board member to vote against the measure in the 5-1 tally.



Our Town
Local singing star Taylor Wolfe, above, receives applause after performing at WCIA’s Our Town Hoopeston Friday at McFerren Park. Right, Shirley and Dan Harper are interviewed by Jeff Wagner of WCIA.

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Police News

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Bradley E. Thompson, 25, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an incident at 7:52 p.m. Thursday in the 800 block of East Seminary. He was charged with assault on a complaint from a 42-year-old Hoopeston woman and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Amy Young, 28, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an alleged physical altercation at 12:56 p.m. Thursday in the 700 block of East Main. She was charged with domestic battery and child endangerment and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Richard C. Strawser, 27, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the 300 block of East Washington in connection with a June 2 incident. He was charged with disorderly conduct/reckless conduct.

Strawser was charge with aggravated criminal sexual abuse at 8:43 p.m. Saturday after a 17-year-old Hoopeston girl allegedly admitted to having sexual relations with him.

He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 11:27 p.m. Saturday at BJ’s Pump, 1023 W. Main. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2008 GMC Yukon owned by Brock Shore, of Hoopeston.

Marcos L. Ramirez, 22, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Parkview Court, on a complaint from a 24-year-old Hoopeston woman. He was charged with criminal trespass to residence, criminal sexual abuse, criminal damage to state-supported property and disorderly conduct.

Ramirez was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Deanna L. Hurt, 40, of Oregon, was arrested at



7:20 p.m. Sunday in the 600 block of West Lincoln. Wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant for failure to appear, she was released on \$375 bond.

A pair of prescription sunglasses was turned into

Hoopeston Area Youth Soccer announces signup information

Hoopeston Area Youth Soccer fall sign ups are now being accepted online at www.danvillesoccer.org. Important information for this year includes:

Online registration through July 13.

Walk-up Registrations Saturdays, July 6 and 10 am to 12 pm at the Danville complex. Hoopeston does not hold walk up registration. All sign ups must go through Danville's website, or mail in forms are available.

Late registrations 7/14-7/21 will include a \$15 late fee and players placed on a waiting list pending spot availability.

Our practices are held in Hoopeston and our games are in Danville, IL, every Saturday beginning August 24 until the end of October. Please contact Kathy Harding at 217-497-6686 if more information is needed.

Weather

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Chance of thunderstorms today, tomorrow. High today 91, low 73. Tomorrow, high 90, low 72.

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

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