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## Residents seek answers on continued Hoopeston flooding

Residents voiced concerns about water and wine at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Dawn Morris, who lives in the 300 block of McCracken, asked if anything can be done about annual flooding in the area.

"Once in a while is understandable," said Morris, who, with her husband, Craig, has lived in their home for 20 years. "This happens at least three times a year and I've been dealing with it for 20 years."

Morris said over the years, she has had to junk four vehicles and other possessions because of flooding. Recent heavy rains resulted in 5.5" of water in her garage. She has previously had as much as 6' of water in her basement.

In 2002, Morris had work done to repair flood damage to her home's foundation. Part of that cost was paid by the city, she said, adding she has gotten no help from any other source.

"There is no insurance company that's going to reimburse or help us with our property damage," she said, adding the only insurance available is federal flood insurance, which is cost prohibitive for her family.

Morris said the area has storm drains but that they cannot handle heavy rainfall. "The drains can't keep up with the water coming down Thompson," she said. While other streets also flood, "the 300 block of McCracken seems to retain that water a lot longer."

Mayor Bill Crusinberry, who, as an alderman, served as water/sewer committee chairman, has thought about



Barricades blocked areas of flooding on Hoopeston's northeast side after recent heavy rains.

the problem for a decade. The problem, he said, is water from 500 acres of farmland flows into the city.

One inch of rain on an acre equals roughly 24,000 gallons of water, he said. Two weeks ago, the area received four inches of rain, amounting to 50 million gallons - "an ungodly amount of water" - aimed at Hoopeston's storm sewer system, Crusinberry said.

Scott Kellerhals, who lives in the 800 block of East Thompson, has a similar flooding problem, exacerbated by runoff from the Schumacher plant. Kellerhals asked

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## Fast pitch winners

Hoopeston Awards and Signs 18-U girls fast-pitch softball team, pictured above, won the EPGFA Rec All Star Invitational in Peoria last week end. The team is coached by Head Coach Terry Longfellow, Brad Pickett, Andy Goble and Carl Ankenbrand.

## Flooding continued from other side

if they should be responsible for dealing with the water.

Crusinberry said he would look into the legality of the company handling their runoff.

For the larger flooding issue, another problem is that unlike the city's sanitary sewer system, "there's not real good storm sewer maps."

Crusinberry talked about the history of flooding and efforts to try to stop it, including retention ponds and installing a larger sewer line under the CSX tracks at the edge of the former Stokely property to more quickly disperse the water.

With the council's approval of changing the \$3/per month capital improvements service charge to an infrastructure charge, Crusinberry said he would ask the council's permission to have a study done "to find a way to get the water out of town.

With water discussed, the topic changed to wine, as Adam Taubert of First Baptist Church asked why Hoopeston needs more alcohol.

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Alderman Chad Yaden said he was approached by a representative of Hoopeston IGA and Hoopeston Marathon about liquor licenses. A vote has been tabled by Yaden until the full council is present.

Citing existing suppliers Taubert asked why a grocery store needs a liquor license, "exposing my children to that" when he takes them grocery shopping.

Taubert suggested money as the motivation for a business to sell liquor and suggested money should not be life's main goal. Since Hoopeston doesn't have jobs to entice new residents, he suggested try to be a community that attracts new residents with family values.

## Weather

Sunny today. High 87. Tonight, clear. Low 67. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 87, low 70.

## From the Blotter

A Hoopeston girl was arrested after police were called at 6:05 p.m. Wednesday to a domestic incident in the 500 block of South Second Ave. She was charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 38-year-old Hoopeston man, who alleged she assaulted two people.

## Classifieds

### HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 has an opening for a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball coaching position.

Applicants must be ASEP certified and pass a background check. Applications are available online at Hoopeston Area CUSD's website, [www.hoopeston.k12.il.us](http://www.hoopeston.k12.il.us).

If interested, you may contact Athletic Director, Scot Vogel, at 283-6664.

Village of Rossville is accepting applications to fill a full-time utility maintenance position. Duties: broad range of construction, maintenance and emergency response tasks on the natural gas, water, sanitary and storm sewer systems as well as street repairs and maintenance.

Successful applicant will be required to pass pre-employment physical, drug screening and random drug screening; have some experience operating and maintaining construction equipment and related tools; basic computer skills; and willingness to accept on the job training. Applicant must be willing to establish residency in the Village of Rossville.

Competitive salary based on experienced, IMRF retirement, vacation, health insurance, paid holidays and personal time.

Applications accepted by U.S. mail or in person at Rossville Municipal Building, 120 E Attica St., Rossville, IL 60963 until 5 p.m. Friday, August 7, 2015. EOE

### RUMMAGE SALES

HOOPESTON: Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Sidewalk sale Thurs. & Fri., 8-11:30. all clothes 25¢.

HOOPESTON: 601 W. Penn. Fri., 8:30-?, Sat. 8:30-noon. Lots of hardware, new moccasins, buttons, doilies, purses \$1., Pillow cases 50¢, sheets (not new) \$3. Crafters—I have wooden stars, balls, barrels and much more!

HOOPESTON: 618 S. Fourth St. Sat., 8-1 Scrubs, lots of young men's clothes—Aeropostle, American Eagle, Hollister & many more brands perfect for back-to-school; girls clothes, women's, furniture, toys

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