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The family of Robert "Bob" Charbonneau would like to express our deepest appreciation to the many friends, neighbors, co-workers and churches in our community for your prayers, calls, visits, food and all the other many kindnesses shown us during Bob's illness and at the time of his passing.

Special thanks to all the caregivers at Carle Hoopeston Hospital; Beth, Tanya and the entire team at Heritage Health for their loving care in Bob's last days; Hoopeston **Community Church of the Nazarene and Hoopeston First** Church of God for all their support and for the lovely funeral dinner; and Ryan and the staff at Anderson Funeral Home.

Extra special thanks to Tricia and our wonderful "family" at Hoopeston Public Library, and to the best next-door neighbors in Hoopeston, Ron and Marsha Lewis. At times like these, we remember why we chose to live in a small town!



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# Housing authority executive director dismissed by board

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In the latest of a list of changes at Vermilion County Housing Authority, the new board overseeing the agency has ended the contractor of the executive director.

R.M. Jackson, who has been executive director since May 2016, no longer holds that title as of Tuesday.

The action was taken at a special meeting Tuesday morning. The agenda for the meeting included amending VCHA by-laws and an executive session to discuss personnel.



# 'Round and 'round we go

Richard Cappellano and Gunner Watson, Hoopeston Water Department employees, check the inner parts of a hydrant at Third St. and Seminary. The hydrant is one of several that will be replaced in the near future.

According to printed reports, ending Jackson's contract was not the purpose of the meeting but that at the end of the meeting, commissioners approved a measure to "move in a new direction."

Jackson, who was contracted with the housing authority after an eight-month nationwide search, could not be reached for comment.

In announcing her appointment in 2016, then-VCHA board members said Jackson had more than 20 years' experience in public housing direction, property management, planning and development and grands administration. She worked previously as an executive director in

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#### *Housing* continued from other side

both Louisiana and Missouri.

Woes at the housing authority, which oversees public housing in Vermilion County outside of Danville, came to light in March, when Longview Bank and Trust filed suit against VCHA in an effort to get repayment of a \$1 million loan that the bank refinanced in 2012.

Tony Hasbargen, former executive director, arranged the original loan and subsequent refinancing. He was later fired for improper spending.

Bank officials said in March that they had not received payment since 2012 and the lawsuit was the only way to



recoup the money, which was to be used to renovate housing authority properties.

Former board Chairman Terry Prillaman, of Rossville, contacted the Department of Housing and Urban Development to help resolve the issue but instead, HUD officials said VCHA could not use federal funds to repay the loan because housing authority properties were used as collateral for the loan, which is not allowed.

In frustration, the Vermilion County Housing Authority five-board resigned on March 21. The Vermilion County Board appointed the Danville Housing Authority as overseer for VCHA while the lawsuit is ongoing.

In April, U.S. Rep. John Shimkus (R-Collinsville) got involved in the situation, requesting HUD's inspector general thoroughly investigate the matter.

Appointed on an indefinite basis, Danville Housing Authority commissioners are trying to come up with an interim solution.

### Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today. High 88. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 71. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 93, low 73. Sunday, hot. High 95, low 73.



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