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Lagoon dredging underway; sewer lining funding available

Hoopeston officials got some good news on two water/ sewer projects at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Work has started on a planned three-year dredging project of the sediment lagoons used by Teasdale Latin Foods and the EPA has released funding for the sanitary sewer liner project, said Ald. Lourdine Florek, water/sewer committee chairman. Teasdale uses the lagoons, located on South Sixth Ave., for wastewater from its canning operation. Solids in the waste generated by canning beans and other food have become sludge in the lagoons, which are city-owned.

In September, the council unanimously approved an agreement with ERH Enterprises, of Westville, to clean the lagoons, a project estimated to take as long as three **See DREDGING on other side**

Sechriest named library Children's Room Coordinator

Janell Sechriest has been named Children's Room Coordinator at Hoopeston Public Library following the retirement of Carol Arnold, children's librarian. Sechriest has worked in children's and adult services at HPL since 2007. In her new position, she will coordinate all programming and services in the children's library, which serves patrons from birth through fifth grade.

In recent years, Sechriest has developed several new children's programs, including Music & Motion, Builders Club and Big Bang Thursday, a STEMthemed activity for upper grade school students.

"I'm looking forward to continuing our after school programs and adding more for families and children of all ages," Sechriest said.

Sechriest started at HPL in 2007 after working several years with Miss Barbara's Preschool. She holds an associate's degree in Early Childhood Education from Danville Area Community College.

Sechriest lives in rural Rossville with her husband, Bob, a retired Navy captain who now works at Watchfire Signs in Danville. The couple has two grown sons and two grandchildren.

Photo contributed New Hoopeston Public Library children's room coordinator Janell Sechriest.



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years, depending on weather and other factors. The project will cost \$425,000, with \$40,000 paid upfront and monthly payments of \$11,000 for 35 months. The expense will be reimbursed by Teasdale.

Sediment will be removed from three off the five lagoons. Teasdale will continue to use the lagoons during the process.

The sanitary sewer lining project was approved by the council in October 2017 and include inserting a liner in the sanitary sewer line on Sixth St. from Thompson to McCracken, along with sealing joints and manhole work in an effort to keep storm water out of the sanitary system. Officials expect to borrow not more than \$710,000, a figure far less than the \$2 million plus that would be needed to replace the sewer line.

With EPA funding available, officials will now advertise for bids, which will be opened December 13, said Mayor Bill Crusinberry. Construction is expected in spring or summer 2019. The winning bidder will be able to pick a 100-day window between February and September 2019 to do the work, he said.

In other business, the council:

• Heard from Ald. Ryan Anderson that fall alley cleanup



is underway. This is for yard waste only. Pies with other materials will not be picked up. He also asked residents for their patience as the street/alley department removes trees. A prioritized list has been created, which workers will go through as time allows.

• Learned Hoopeston Fire Department and Hoopeston Police Department will square off for a good cause. Food Fight for Santa's Ride will pit the departments against

-Briefly Lighting help needed

Volunteers are need Saturday at McFerren Park to help put up Christmas lights. Everyone will meet at 8 a.m. at the Girl Scout House. There are jobs for everyone. From small displays, to screwing in lights, to lifting heavy displays.

Recycling collection today

Hoopeston residential recycling will be picked up today and again next Friday, October 26 (homes and commercial containers) to get back on the every other week schedule.

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include:

Tiny Tots story program, 10:30 a.m. Friday. For kids ages 0-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

Sensory Saturday, 10 a.m. October 20. For special needs youngsters - all ages welcome! Activities include a story and craft.

Cooking the Books. This month's theme is Oktoberfest. Choose a recipe from our special selection. We'll copy it for you. Make it and bring it back to share at 6 p.m. October 26. Bring your own serving utensils. Drinks and table service provided.

PEP potluck

The free monthly People Enjoying People Potluck Party will be held at 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 22, at Hoopeston First United Methodist Church, 403 E. Main. Everyone is welcome!

Main dish, drinks and table service are provided. Bring a side dish to share, if you wish.

Weather

Partly sunny today. High 57. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 44. Tomorrow, sunny, chance of showers, breezy. High 54, low 30. Sunday, sunny. High 49, low 35. each other, collecting food for Grant Township Food Cupboard, in an effort to decide who gets to bring Santa into Hoopeston. Fire Chief Joel Bird said collection boxes for each department will be available at First Farmers Bank & Trust, First Financial Bank and Hoopeston IGA.

Bringing Santa to town has historically been one by the fire department but "we thought we'd give them a chance," Bird said of the police department.

• Learned the cemetery department is accepting bids for grave blankets. Specs are available at city hall. Bids will be opened November 6, said Ald. Chad Yaden, cemetery committee chairman.

• Heard from Crusinberry that trick-or-treat hours will be 5:30-7:30 October 31. Hoopeston Jaycees will sponsor the annual Spooktacular on October 22, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in downtown Hoopeston.

• Crusinberry also reminded residents that petitions for the April 2019 election are available at city hall. One alderman seat in each of the city's four wards is up for reelection, he said.



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