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County schools look at second go at 1% facilities sales tax

Hoopston Area and other county schools are considering a second try to get a one percent school facilities sales tax.

The issue was briefly discussed at Wednesday's HA Engagement Forum at the Lorraine Theatre and again Thursday at the district board meeting.

At the forum, Supt. Robert Richardson said he has been at two districts where the tax was passed. "It's a tremendous revenue source," he said.

Richardson said county superintendents are in "preliminary discussion" on the issue, which, if passed, would place a one percent tax on many items, such as prepared foods and many goods and services but not unprocessed food, vehicles, boats, RVs, farm equipment and parts, and prescription medication.

Taxes raised from the tax may not be used for direct education costs but may be used for new buildings, addi-

CRIS to present elder abuse program at Hoopston library

CRIS Senior Services of Danville will present a free program on "Identifying Abuse in Later Life" on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at Hoopston Public Library, 110 N. Fourth St.

The program will be presented twice, at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., in the lower level meeting room. The same material will be covered in both sessions. Participants may attend the one which is most convenient for their schedule.

Among the topics of discussion will be how to:

- Identify different types of abuse,
- Better understand how an Adult Protective Services investigation is completed,
- Develop strategies to help end abuse and,
- Report abuse and what type of information is needed to make a report.

For more information, call the library at 217-283-6711.

tions and renovations, he said.

Districts often tout the sales tax as away to hold the line on property tax increases, but a study of regional districts that have enacted the tax show that property taxes were increased in two to four years after the sales tax was implemented.

In order for the tax to be on the ballot, school boards representing more than 50 percent of the student enrollment in the county must approve resolutions seeking the tax. The regional superintendent of schools for the county must then certify the question to the election authority, which places the question on the ballot. If a majority of voters approve, the tax is enacted.

If criteria are met, the measure could be placed on the April 2020 ballot. If passed, it would become effective July 1. Taxes collected would be sent to the regional superintendent of schools in October and would be dispersed to districts based on each district's resident pupils living in the county collecting the tax divided by the total number of resident students in the county.

In March 2018, a similar request was defeated by 639 votes. Locally, the measure was approved in Grant 4 and Ross 2, but lost in Grant 1,2,3,5 and 6, Ross 1, South Ross and Butler.

Unruly fans may face discipline under spectator code of conduct

Hoopston Area will be cracking down on foul language, graphic hand gestures and other offensive behavior at sporting events.

At its meeting Thursday, the board unanimously approved a Spectator Code of Conduct, compiled from pieces of codes from other districts, said Supt. Robert Richardson.

Disciplinary measures range from a verbal warning to suspensions from games from time periods starting at 10 days up to one year after an administrative hearing for a

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Friday: Cod sandwiches or dinners or Rib eyes
Saturday: Lunch: grilled or breaded Tenderloin
 Dinner: Prime Rib and Rib eyes
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Fans continued from other side

third offense. "Our thought process is if someone gets to the second or third offense, they're probably going to keep rolling," Richardson said.

Infractions will be tallied by a form listing the names of the event supervisor and person committing the infraction; the date, time and location of the event and the disciplinary action taken.

Board President Dave McFadden said the code is meant to provide "a good atmosphere at sporting events," both home and away.

The policy will be enacted in time for winter sports and will be printed on a large banner to be placed at sporting events in the gym, will be read before each game and printed in programs.

From the Blotter

A set of Ford keys and several other keys was left on the water office counter at city hall on Wednesday. The owner may claim them at the police department.

Sarah Hoover, 37, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 3:36 p.m. Thursday at West Penn and Eighth Ave. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, she was released on a recognizance bond with a new court date.

Kayla Wilson, 32, of Danville, was arrested after a traffic stop at 4:29 p.m. Friday at North Market and Honeywell. She was charged with driving while license suspended and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 7:03 p.m. Friday for a brush fire on the east side of the road at Rt. 1 and 4000 North Rd. No injuries were reported.

Obituaries

CRAWFORD - Joan L. (Putman) Crawford, 91, of Potomac, died at 10:50 p.m. September 17, 2019 at Hawthorne Inn, Danville. Visitation was 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Blurton Funeral Home, Potomac. Celebration of her life will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Middlefork United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Mann's Chapel Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the church or Potomac Public Library.

LONGFELLOW - MaryAnn (Regan) Longfellow 67, of Leesburg, Fla., formerly of Hoopeston, died September 19, 2019 after a courageous battle with cancer. There will be no local services.

In unrelated action, the board unanimously approved spending \$30,000 on athletic trainer services from Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center starting July 1.

This is a change from the past 10-12 years, when CHRHC has provided an athletic trainer at no cost to the district.

This year, HA asked the healthcare facility to also provide a licensed clinical social worker. Carle agreed to provide the social worker at no cost but imposed the fee for the trainer, Richardson said.

The board approved a memorandum of understanding for CHRHC to provide LCSW services to the district. Richardson said Carle Hoopeston is looking for someone to fill the position but has had difficulty finding qualified applicants, he added.

In unrelated business, the board:

Briefly

Food cupboard needs

Grant Township Food Cupboard is in need of the following items: cereal (any kind), Jiffy Cornbread mix, canned peas, peanut butter, spaghetti and sauce, bath soap, toilet tissue. Items may be taken to the township office at the corner of East Maple and Market from 9-3.

PEP Potluck

Everyone is invited to the free People Enjoying People potluck party at 5 p.m. Monday at Hoopeston United

• Approved the 2019-20 budget with \$400,000 more in expenditures than last year, McFadden said. The increase includes \$78,000 more in building expenses and increased personnel costs, including the four percent increases for administrative staff and salaries under the recently-negotiated contract with non-certified employees.

"(Mark) Eighner and...Richardson have given us a balanced budget," McFadden said, but Eighner, district business director, said some changes may be needed depending on health insurance costs, which, he said, could increase 15-20 percent or more.

• Approved disbanding four middle school activity accounts which have not been used for several years. Money in the funds will be transferred to other school activities and the accounts closed.

Methodist Church, 403 E. Man. Main dish, drinks and table service provided - please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Koffee & Konversation

Come join us at Hoopeston Methodist for Koffee & Konversation! We start at 8:30 a.m. every Tuesday with coffee and donuts or rolls. There is always laughter and sometimes some very interesting conversation. All are welcome.

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Mini corn dog, baked beans, Sunset Sip juice, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Cheese pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Chicken pot pie, biscuit, celery sticks, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Ravioli, Max Stix, salad, baby carrots, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Fish sandwich, fries, cucumber slices, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken strips, broccoli/cheese, salad bar, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Biscuit & gravy, scrambled eggs, tri-tater, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk

WEDNESDAY: Cheese quesadilla, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Fettuccini Alfredo, Max Stick, salad

bar, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area High School

MONDAY: Chicken strips or ham & cheese, broccoli/cheese, salad bar, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Biscuit & gravy or Hot Pocket, scrambled eggs, tri-tater, salad bar, mandarin orange, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Cheese quesadilla or pork BBQ, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Fettuccini Alfredo or cheeseburger, Max Stick, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

Weather

Sunny today. High 74. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 54. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 78, low 60.

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Hoopeston Multi-Agency is accepting applications for a part-time position in our thrift shop. Please stop by 206 S. First Ave. and pick up an application in the front office. HMA is also looking for volunteers to assist in the thrift shop. You can earn HMA bucks that you may use to purchase items in our thrift shop.

Part time fall help at Ravens Livestock. Call (217) 304-1943.

Looking for a housecleaner. Once a week. 5 hours. If interested, please email your name, phone number, hourly rate, and 3 references to cleaner60942@yahoo.com

Someone to clean house, run errands, approx. 2 hours per week. Pays cash. (217) 495-0162. Ask for Jules.