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Committee hears request for Hoopeston Police K9 officer

The Hoopeston Police Committee has been asked to consider adding a canine officer to the police department.

Ald. Carl Ankenbrand, police committee chairman, announced the request at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Ankenbrand said the committee met on December 26 with Officer Clayton Cahoe, who is requesting the city purchase a German shepherd dog and equipment necessary to have a trained police dog.

Cahoe estimated the cost of the dog, six weeks of training, books and testing at \$15,000. A vehicle designated for the K9 program could range from \$48,500

for a new vehicle to \$10,000 to \$15,000 for a used model.

Watseka, which is adding a K9 program, budgeted \$65,000 for its first year, Cahoe said.

Unknown costs will include mandatory overtime for officer, salary costs to cover for the officer while he is in K9 training and a mandatory minimum fee for the officer and dog to be called out, Ankenbrand said.

Currently, Hoopeston calls Vermilion County for K9 assistance during traffic stops. Cahoe said the response is roughly 80 percent, when a K9 team can get to Hoopeston and still maintain a reasonable time

See K9 on other side



Lights out

Volunteers work Saturday to take down Christmas light displays from McFerren Park. Most of the displays have been tucked away until it's time for them to come out for Christmas 2020.



Bring in your Church Bulletin after Service on Sundays for a free beverage with your meal at the

Rossville Family Restaurant

715 S. Chicago St., Rossville - 217 748 6201

Here's what's showing this weekend at the

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- Thursday:** Swiss Steak or Popcorn Shrimp
- Friday:** Cod sandwiches or dinners or Rib eyes
- Saturday:** Lunch: grilled or breaded Tenderloins
Dinner: Prime Rib and Rib eyes
- Sunday:** Lunch: Swiss Steak

Open Bowling

Tues. 12-close, Friday, 12-close, Sat., 10-close, Sun. 10-4

8-9-10 Doubles Tournament

7 p.m. Sat. Karen Eighner & Devan Varner for \$1,000!
 Coming Sunday, Jan. 19 at 10 is a High-Low Tournament!

K9 continued from other side

for the stop.

Along with detecting drugs in vehicles, Cahoe suggested a dog could be used to search for missing children, as well older citizens with dementia.

Ankenbrand said the total cost needs to be determined before a decision is made. "It's not that I'm opposed to it," he said, "but we have to figure out where this money is going to come from."

Ald. Alex Houmes said he is "behind this program 100%," but Ald. Bill Goodwine said the spending list must be prioritized and already includes taking down dangerous trees and catching up on police pensions.

In other discussion, the committee talked about police pensions, vehicle purchases, and how to fund increased utilities for the expanding Hoopeston Animal Rescue Team (HART) shelter, Ankenbrand said.

In other business:

• Ald. Jeff Wise said about 80 trees have been taken down and 78 stumps need to be ground out. Wise and Houmes discussed the possibility of parks employees learning to use the stump grinder to help the street and alley department.

Wise said residents have expressed interest in plant-

ing trees to replace those taken down, but advised it is not recommended to plant new trees directly where the old ones were.

• Wise also said that although it is not the season for it, some alleys will be graded to fix some issues and that there have been issues at the city slab which will need to be addressed.

• Ald. Robin Lawson announced a new fire truck will be here in July or August and that Cash Bash tickets are available from firemen.

• Mayor Bill Crusinberry announced that Tracy Fullen, engineer with Donohue & Associates, will be leaving. Friday will be her last day.

• Crusinberry also warned residents about people who go door-to-door selling electric aggregation programs, claiming they are cheaper when they are not. He reminded residents that the city solicitation ordinances were changed and now require solicitors to register with the city. No aggregation solicitors are currently registered.

• Crusinberry said he will contact Justin Acton's attorney on the status of the former Essex building.

Obituaries

ALLEN - Ella Mae (Ware) Allen, 85, of Rossville, died at 3:01 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020, at home. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Friday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. She will be cremated; no burial will be held. Memorials are suggested to Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL

WEINER - Vicki Leonna (Olsen) Weiner, 56, of Watseka, died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020, at home. Visitation will be 2 p.m. until the 4 p.m. celebration of her life Saturday at Trinity Church, Watseka. Memorials are suggested to Iroquois County Animal Rescue or Iroquois Memorial Hospice. Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka, is handling arrangements.

Weather

FLOOD WATCH from noon Friday until 3 p.m. Saturday.

Heavy rain today, tonight. High 56, low 41. Tomorrow heavy rain, then rain/snow likely, breezy. High 44, low 23. Sunday, partly sunny. High 36, low 28.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Acton, who owns the building, was to turn it into retail space. That effort was halted when asbestos was reportedly found on the property, resulting in the need for an asbestos abatement plan.

Court Dispositions

December 5

Kayla Petty, Hoopeston, two cases sent to state for further enforcement.

Kenneth Dale II, Hoopeston, failed to appear for breach of peace, found guilty by default, fined \$180; status check January 2.

Larry Lane, Hoopeston, status check January 2.

Classifieds

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

1 bedroom apartment at Princess Theater. Rent is \$450 per month and includes utilities and appliances. Application and deposit required. Applications can be found online: b2lpropertymanagement.com/

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Briefly

At the library

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Tech Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. HPL tech guys will help patrons set up new digital devices and learn how to read and listen to books from online libraries. This is not a repair clinic.

Stitchin' Time, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Crochet instruction provided. Other needle crafters welcome to make new friends with similar interests.

Homeschool Happenings, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday. For all homeschool parents and children. Crafts and other activities for kids of all ages included.

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Saturday, January 25, 2020
Hoopeston American Legion
Silent Auction 4-6 p.m.
Meal serving begins at 4:30 p.m. (free will donation)
Live Auction 6 p.m.
Auctioneers: Craig Lee and Jon Mowrey