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Vermilion County tentative multiplier again set at 1.0000

SPRINGFIELD—Vermilion County has been issued a tentative property assessment equalization factor of 1.0000, according to David Harris, Director of the Illinois Department of Revenue.

The property assessment equalization factor, often called the "multiplier," is the method used to achieve

uniform property assessments among counties, as required by law. This equalization is particularly important because some of the state's 6,600 local taxing districts overlap into two or more counties (e.g. school districts, junior college districts, fire protection

See MULTIPLIER on other side



Paving the way

An employee of A Gooden Concrete, of Paxton, clears away asphalt from the former Pizza Hut parking lot Wednesday morning. Two areas of broken asphalt were to be replaced with concrete Wednesday, said Adam Gooden, company owner. The building, recently purchased by Mark and Joshua Garrell, of Paxton, is expected to reopen as a new pizzeria.

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districts). If there were no equalization among counties, substantial inequities among taxpayers with comparable properties would result.

State law requires property in Illinois to be assessed at one-third (1/3) of its market value. Farm property is assessed differently, with farm homesites and dwellings subject to regular assessing and equalization procedures, but with farmland and farm buildings assessed according to standards based on productivity.

The equalization factor is determined annually for each county by comparing the sales price of individual properties sold over the past three years to the assessed value placed on those properties by the county supervisor of assessments/county assessor.

If this three-year average level of assessment is one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be one (1). If the average level of assessment is greater than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be less

than one (1). And if the average level of assessment is less than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be greater than one (1).

Assessments in Vermilion County are at 33.47 percent of market value, based on sales of properties in 2017, 2018, and 2019.

The equalization factor currently being assigned is for 2020 taxes, payable in 2021.

Last year's equalization factor for the county was 1.0000.

The tentative factor is subject to change (1) if the County Board of Review takes actions which significantly affect the county assessments or (2) if local officials or others can present data showing that the Department of Revenue's estimates of the average level of assessments in the county should be adjusted.

A public hearing on the tentative multiplier will be held between 20 and 30 days after the tentative factor is

published in a newspaper of general circulation within the county.

A change in the equalization factor does not mean total property tax bills will increase or decrease. Tax bills are determined by local taxing bodies when they request money each year to provide services to local citizens. If the amount requested by local taxing districts is not great-

er than the amount received in the previous year, then total property taxes will not increase even if assessments may have increased.

The assessed value of an individual property determines what portion of the tax burden a specific taxpayer will assume. That individual's portion of tax responsibility is not changed by the multiplier.

Obituaries

CRAWFORD - Tamera Sue "Tami" Crawford, 58, of Hoopeston, died at 11:58 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8 2020, at OSF Sacred Heart Medical Center, Danville. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

MONTEZ - Antonio "Toney" Montez Sr., 81 of Hoopeston, died at 6:20 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020, at

Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Graveside service will e at 11 a.m. Saturday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Those who attend are asked to wear face masks and socially distance. Memorials are suggested to the family. Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.anderson-funeral-home.com.

From the Blotter

Police are investigating a burglary reported at 2:24 p.m. Monday at Ross-Leemon Construction, 325 S. Dixie Hwy. Someone forced entry into the secured section of the property, police reported.

Josh Edwards, 43, of Hoopeston, was ticketed after a traffic stop at 3:16 p.m. Tuesday at North Third St. and Thompson. He was cited for driving while license revoked and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

Court Dispositions

September 9

Due to Hoopeston City Hall being closed, October cases were rescheduled for November.

Linsey M. Warner, Hoopeston, failed to appear for trespassing, battery; sentencing hearing October 14.

Terry L. Williams, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for trespassing; case sent to state for further enforcement.

Donald E. Underwood Jr., failed to appear at status hearing for trespassing; case sent to state for further enforcement.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 1:23 p.m. Tuesday to a brush fire that got out of control at the cattle pens in the 1300 block of West Orange. No injuries or damage were reported.

Weather

Sunny today. High 55. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 31. Tomorrow, sunny. High 43, low 28.

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