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Hoopeston City Council unanimously approves limiting rummage sales with new ordinance

Perpetual yard sales will be a thing of the past when a new ordinance takes effect.

At its May 16 meeting, Hoopeston City Council unanimously approved a new yard sale ordinance that will limit yard sales to lasting no longer than three consecutive calendar days with no fewer than five days separating events.

The approved ordinance uses the term "yard sale" to also include "garage sales," "tailgate sales," "flea markets," "house sales," and "moving sales" in residential areas and is designed to "protect neighborhood integrity," and "protect residential areas from permanent encroachment by garage sales," which "threatens to detrimentally

impact the investments homeowners have made in their residential properties and their individual neighborhoods."

Yard sales will be allowed from sunup to sunset with all merchandise removed from public view before the next day following the sale. Sales held on legal holiday weekends may add one additional day, allowing the sale to be held for four days.

The ordinance limits signs away from the location of the sale be posted no sooner than 5 p.m. the day before the sale and limits signs to four sq. ft. in area. Signs may not be posted on utility poles, traffic signals, street signs or other safety control objects and all signs shall be re-

moved within 24 hours after the sale.

The new law also prohibits some merchandise from being sold at yard sales, including alcoholic beverages, firearms, firearm ammunition, materials determined by city code as obscene, animals, or other merchandise of items which require proper licensing from state or local officials, as well as "items which are covered in mold or filth."

Upon conviction, violators will be fined \$100 per day, with a separate offense for each day the ordinance is violated.

The ordinance was approved on motion from Ald. Kellie Ferrell, seconded by Ald. Bob Porth.

From the Blotter

Chad Labaume, 45, of Paris, was arrested after police were called at 5:46 p.m. Monday to Casey's General Store, 912 S. Dixie Hwy., for someone trying to get into vehicles. Labaume was later located and arrested on preliminary charges of burglary and disorderly conduct.

He was processed at the police station and later taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.


Volunteers need to prepare for Hoopeston Memorial Day

Hoopeston American Legion members will be placing flags at the cemetery from 8 -10:30 a.m. May 22. Anyone who wants a flag to put on a family member's grave may do so at that time.

On May 24, volunteers are asked to meet at The Legion at 8 a.m. to place flags along Rtes. 1 and 9.

The Memorial Day service will begin at 10:30 a.m. May 29 at Floral Hill and will include a welcome address, prayer and honor guard salute.

Flags will be removed from the highways on May 30. Rain date for May 24 and 30 is May 25 and 31.



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Obituaries

CROUCH - James Allen Crouch Sr., 84, of Milford passed away Sunday, May 21, 2023 at Iroquois Memorial Hospital emergency room in Watseka.

James was born on October 13, 1938 in Watseka, the son of Glen and Edith (Morecraft) Crouch and they preceded him in death along with one brother, Don Crouch and one sister, Carol Yarno.

He married Judith Anne Alcorn on January 16, 1956 in Sheldon and she survives in Milford. Other survivors include four children, James A. (Anita) Crouch Jr. of Freeport, Wes Don Mel Dean (Joella) Crouch of Valrico, FL, Nathan Drew (Kress) Crouch of Watseka; and Judith Ann Foster of Woodland; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Jim worked at UARCO for many years. He was a member of Milford Christian Church and enjoyed the outdoors, deer hunting, fishing, talks on the back porch, and



JAMES CROUCH SR.

his family.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral service on Friday, May 26, 2023 at Milford Christian Church in Milford. Rev. Brent Zastrow and Ed Highfill will officiate. Burial will follow at Body Cemetery in Woodland.

Memorials may be made to Milford Christian Church.

Baier Funeral Home, Watskea, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be shared at www.baierfuneralhome.com.

Services

MILLER - In loving memory of Tony Miller 79, a celebration of life will be held on Sunday, May 28, 2023 from 4pm to 7pm at The Pump 1023 W. Main St. Hoopeston.

Court Dispositions

April 12

Aria H. Toquica, Hoopeston, appeared at trial for dangerous dog, found guilty, fined \$180 plus \$53.35 restitution; status hearing May 10.

Aria H. Toquica, Hoopeston, appeared for dangerous dog, found guilty, fined court costs only of \$80; status hearing May 10.

Natasha R. Longest, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance, default entered, case sent to state for further enforcement.

Clarence Callahan IV, Hoopeston, appeared at initial appearance for general nuisance. He complied and was fined court costs only of \$80; status hearing May 10.

Terri L. Hackney, Hoopeston, failed to appear at initial appearance for general nuisance, default entered. She complied and was fined court costs only of \$80, paid in full, case closed.

Patricia A. Booker, Chicago, failed to appear at initial appearance for theft, found guilty by default, fined \$180; status hearing May 10.

Tristen L. Baker, Hoopeston, failed to appear at status hearing for general nuisance, default entered, abatement order of \$100-per-day issued; status hearing May 10.

Weather

Sunny today. High 84. Tonight, partly cloudy Low 46. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 70, low 45.

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

Briefly

At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Coffee, Craft & Conversation** 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays. Crochet, knit, sew and other needlecraft, along with those who do other portable handcrafts are inviting to bring their projects and enjoy a morning of fun and conversation!

Kids STEAM Lab 3:30 p.m. Thursday. For kids of all ages. This week, Engineering Zippy Zoomers. This is the last session of the school year.

HPL is looking for a 1933 Hoopeston High School yearbook (Picayune) to complete its collection. Also, the archive would like to add copies of Hoopeston City Directories (NOT phone books) which were published in years past. The library has City Directories from 1908, 1911, 1914, 1926-27 and 1955. It's not known if or when other editions were published.

For more information on library programs, call (217)

283-6711 or visit 110 N. Fourth St.

HMA activities

Women's Morning Donut Group meets at 8:15 a.m. every Wednesday in the large room at Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Come join us!

Card group meets Wednesday for euchre starting 12:30.

For more information on Multi Agency programs, call (217) 283-5544 or stop by 206 S. First Ave.

Resident reminders

Hoopeston will begin weekly flushing of hydrants on Fridays through the summer months beginning June 2. Flushing improves the overall water quality by cleaning mains of rust and corrosion and assures hydrants are in working order.

Residents are urged to not do laundry on Fridays. The water is safe to drink but residents should let faucets run for a short time if they notice discoloration.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is seeking applications for a seasonal position with the Cemetery and Parks departments. The applicant must have a valid driver's license and have the ability to run and lawn mower and weed eater. Applications may be picked up at City Hall, 301 W Main St. or found on our website at cityofhoopeston.com/employment/. Questions, please call 217-283-5833.

The Pit Stop at Fast Lanes is looking for a breakfast cook and waitress. Hours 5:15-10 a.m. Mon.-Fri. Apply in person at 719 W. Elm.

Hubbard Trail Golf Course is accepting applications for a part time bartender. Daytime, evening and weekends. Must have basset and food handlers or obtain within 120 days after employment. Applications can be picked up at Hubbard Trail or send resume to hubbardtrail.1925@gmail.com

Hubbard Trail Golf Course is looking for a part time golf course attendant approximately 20 hours a week. If interested call Justin Davis @ 765-299-9651

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Silgan Containers is hiring an Electrician - Industrial/Maintenance Technician. Please apply online at: silgancontainers.mua.hrdepartment.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/13392

City of Hoopeston Police Department is taking applications for certified police officers/part time certification is recognized. Applications ongoing; no deadline applies for certified officers

NOTICES

The City of Hoopeston is seeking sealed bids for the sale of a lot located at 1009 W Main St. The bidder is required to include a monetary bid and the specific intended use of the property. Bid specs can be obtained from the Administration Office at City Hall, 301 W. Main St. Bids are due by Friday, June 16, 2023 at 10:00 am. Bid openings will be held at City Hall at 10:00 am on Friday, June 16, 2023.

Gail Lane, City Clerk

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