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## Mitigation committee to finalize plan, seek public comment

DANVILLE—Projects and activities to prevent injuries and fatalities while maintaining vital services for Vermilion County residents will be the main topic at the Vermilion County All Hazards Mitigation Planning Committee meeting.

County officials, as well as those from communities throughout the county, will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday Aug. 16, at the Courthouse Administration Building, 2nd Floor, 201 N. Vermilion St., Danville.

The committee began work in October 2022 to update the county's All Hazards Mitigation Plan. This plan details the past severe weather events that have impacted the county and identifies mitigation projects and activities that can be taken before a severe weather event occurs to protect residents and critical services and infrastructure.

"There has been at least \$128 million in verified property and crop damages, seven fatalities, and 39 injuries caused by severe weather events in the county," according to Russell Rudd, Vermilion County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) director.

"Obtaining FEMA's approval of our updated Plan will

make all of the participants eligible to receive federal grant money for mitigation projects and activities," he said.

Projects identified by committee members at this meeting will become part of the Vermilion County All Hazards Mitigation Plan. While the committee has provided input on portions of the plan, the entire plan will be presented for public review and comment before it is submitted to the state and federal government for approval.

"A public forum will be conducted later this fall for interested persons to review the plan update and ask questions of committee members," Rudd said.

A two-week public comment period will be held following the public forum to accommodate interested people who are unable to attend. "We want to make sure that anybody who is interested has an opportunity to review and comment on the draft Plan update," added Rudd.

Those interested submit questions and comments to the committee members or directly to the Vermilion County EMA Office, 201 N. Vermilion St., Danville, Illinois 61832.

## From the Blotter

**Dana Breeling**, 60, of Hoopeston, was stopped at 3:26 a.m. Thursday at South Fourth St. and East Maple. He was charged with operating when registration suspended and no insurance and was released on notices to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

**Dylan Shoulders**, 19, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 12:28 a.m. Saturday at West Penn and South Second Ave. He was charged with driving while license suspended and operating an uninsured vehicle.

Shoulders was processed at the police station before being released on notices to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

**Paul Odom Jr.** 27, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 4:11 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of North Fourth St.

Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant, he was processed at the police station, then taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of bond.

**Joshua D. McKinnie**, 23, of Danville, was arrested after a traffic stop at 4:40 a.m. Sunday on West Orange. He was charged with driving while license revoked and released with a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

A set of keys was found Sunday in the area of South Fourth St. and East Lincoln. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

A 17-year-old Potomac boy was stopped at 1:03 a.m. Thursday for a traffic violation at West Orange and South Dixie Hwy. on July 27.

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# Summer Snaps

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June 20-September 20

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## Briefly

### At the library

**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!

**City Chat**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday. A monthly informal gathering with Mayor Jeff Wise.

For information on Hoopeston Public Library programs, stop by 110 N. Fourth St., or call (217) 283-6711.

### HMA activities

**Women's Morning Donut Group** meets at 8:15 a.m. every Wednesday. 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.

### Moms' group

Moms, come meet other moms and their children at 10 a.m. the first Friday of each month at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. The goal is to build friendships for moms and their children. For information, call/text Somer at (309) 242-5017.

### Bulk garbage day

Bulk garbage day, for Hoopeston residents only, will be held from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston City

### Blotter continued from other side

Police said he was given several days to produce proof of insurance and failed to do so and on Monday was mailed a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court on the infraction.

**Jeff Chandler**, 46, of Hoopeston, was arrested after officers alleged they saw him digging through a dumpster at 4:12 a.m. Monday at Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

After the manager said she would like to press charges, Chandler was found, charged with tampering with containers or contents, and released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

The set of keys found Sunday were claimed Monday.

### Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 83. Tonight, mostly cloudy, chance of showers. Low 64. Tomorrow, chance of showers, partly cloudy late. High 83, low 66.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit [justthefacts.net/weather/](http://justthefacts.net/weather/).

Hall parking lot.

Residents are limited to one load per bulk day and must unload their own load or bring some-one to help.

Dumping of electronics, appliances, paint, liquids, tires, batteries, yard waste, construction/demolition material or anything that fits in the provided blue totes is not allowed. Items from apartments with a dumpster will not be allowed and items from businesses and contractors will not be permitted.

### Class reunion

Rossville-Alvin class of 1968 will have its 55th class reunion August 4 at Rossville Hubbard Trail Country Club. Any Rossville-Alvin graduate or family member of a graduate is welcome to come to Hubbard Trail Country Club at 6 p.m.

## Classifieds

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### NOTICES

The City of Hoopeston is accepting bids for the 50/50 sidewalk program. Bid specs are available at City Hall, 301 W Main St., or the Street and Alley Department, 434 W Penn St. and on the City of Hoopeston Facebook page and website, [www.cityofhoopeston.com](http://www.cityofhoopeston.com). Bids must be dropped off at City Hall and are due by 10 am Monday, August 14th, 2023. Bid openings will be held at City Hall on Monday, August 14th, 2023 at 10 am. For questions, please call City Hall at 217-283-5833.