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Hoopeston's Edward Jones office has temporarily moved to 1006 W. Chestnut after its downtown office was condemned.

Edward Jones temporarily relocates after condemnation

Edward Jones Financial Advisor Lance Raver and his office administrator, Traci Jones, moved. The business' temporary address is 1006 W Chestnut St., Hoopeston, located behind the former Hoopeston Express Lube in Hoopeston Plaza.

At 209 E. St. for many years, Raver had to find a new location after his building and the neighboring 211 E. Main were affected by the downtown demolition project. Raver's office has been closed since January 30.

According to county records, 211 E. Main is owned by Patricia Doyle and was the former home of her travel agency and her husband, Richard Doyle's, law practice.

At its meeting Tuesday, Hoopeston City Council approved, 5-2, condemning both addresses, which Mayor Jeff Wise said are one building.

Council members Kellie and Michael Ferrell voted against the measure. Ald. Bob Porth was absent.

Wise said owners would pay the 2023 property taxes, with the city picking up the tab for demolition, landfill fees and paying two months of 2024 taxes.

"Be aware," Wise said, that any future building will be offered the same deal.

The only other building currently affected by nearby demolition is at 310 E. Main, and is owned by Gail Lane. It is next to the former Chronicle office at 308 E. Main.

During the public comment section of the meeting, Lane was asked if she wanted to comment about the situation.

"I'd rather not say anything tonight," she answered, saying she wanted to talk to an alderman first.

Wise said he spoke to a structural engineer who said the building would have to be repaired to be safe. "It is unsafe as it stands right now," he said. "It either gets repaired or it will be condemned. There is no middle ground."

Lane seemed surprised by his comment and responded with "Oh."

Also during public comment, several residents spoke for and against the planned Invenergy Musketeer wind farm plan. Those speaking against the proposal cited the sound of "blades swishing" and that the wind turbines would limit possible Hoopeston expansion.


The council later approved, 5-2, a redrafted wind ordinance specifying the measure must be approved by the council and Vermilion County officials.

In discussion before the vote, Ald. Joe Garrett asked for clarification that the vote was just for the ordinance and not the siting agreement. Wise assured it was just for the ordinance but wondered why anyone would vote for the ordinance but not the siting agreement.

Saying Hoopeston schools look to get \$1.5 million per year from the windmills, "Let me state my peace here," Wise said. "If we want the county to approve this, we, as a city, need to approve this." When the issue goes to the county, "this \$1.5 million will be on the line," and if it

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Briefly

Floral Hill cleanup

Cleanup of Floral Hill Cemetery will begin soon. Please remove winter decorations by Thursday, March 8. Items left after that date will be disposed of by cemetery staff.

Addiction recovery group

Men's addiction recovery group meeting, 6 p.m. Sundays in Rossville. Call or text 217-304-4211 or 217-260-1361 for details.

Relocates continued from other side

fails to be approved, "we will not make up that \$1.5 million loss. There is nothing that will happen in this city that will increase that amount of money."

Garret and Kellie Ferrell voted against approving the ordinance.

Weather

Showers today, tonight. High 59, low 38. Tomorrow, chance of showers. High 41, low 27. Sunday, sunny. High 46, low 29.

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

Resident reminders

Residents are reminded that blue garbage totes are to be placed five feet away from vehicles, buildings and each other to allow trucks to pick up quickly and safely.

From the Blotter

Craig I Stevens, 45, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 5:11 p.m. Tuesday in the 500 block of West Maple, on preliminary charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful use of a weapon by a felon (ammo) and possession of ammunition without FOID. He was processed at the police station, then taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Stevens was also charged in a March 3 burglary, reported at 1:16 p.m. to the 600 block of West Orange. He was arrested on preliminary charges of residential burglary, criminal damage over \$500, and possession of stolen property, after police said he was in possession of the stolen items.

Celia Arteaga, 44, of Watseka, was cited for speeding after a traffic stop at 4:29 a.m. Wednesday at Rtes. 1 and 9. She was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Traffic Court.

Death Notices

SMOCK - James T. "Jack" Smock, 97, of Rossville, died at 5:39 a.m. Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at Heritage Health, Hoopeston. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston Police Department is accepting applications to hire one police officer for the May Academy. Application deadline will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Testing will be held Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 9 a.m. Apply in person at the Hoopeston Police Department, 301 W Main St. or online at www.cityofhoopeston.com/employment/. Applicants will be contacted with testing information and procedures before April 13. Contact the Hoopeston Police Department for questions at 217-283-5196.

City of Hoopeston Police Commission

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