

**Quarterly Issues Report For
WMKR (FM) Pana**

7/1/13 – 9/30/13

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City Government	8/27/13	1:22pm	1:30	City Mayor
City Government	9/3/13	2:20pm	2:00	City Council

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City Council Takes Care of Business at a Busy Meeting

The Taylorville City Council approved an ordinance at their meeting Monday night to amend sections of the City Code in regards to bills for City mowing and penalties. Alderman Bruce Jones thanked everyone who was involved in pulling together the information:

[audio:jonesmowing070213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The penalty increase for not mowing, cutting and trimming of weeds, grass, or plants will be \$250 for the first offense, \$300 for the second offense, and \$350 for the third. This is in addition to an initial \$200 fee that the City charges for haying to do the yard work.

A settlement was reached last week in the lawsuit over the Hathaway Homes Project. City Attorney Rocci Romano gave an update on the settlement at the Taylorville City Council meeting Monday night:

[audio:romanosettlement070213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The settlement agreed upon was \$30,000.

Taylorville's Fourth of July Celebration is this Thursday. Mayor Greg Brotherton tells in his update at the City Council meeting what's in store for the day:

[audio:mayorfourthofjuly070213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Line up for the Parade will be at 9 am at the Christian County Fair Ground and will begin at 10 am. No pre-registration is required.

The Taylorville City Council was presented with a motion to accept the quote of \$4,400 to perform work on the mechanical door restrictor and pit ladder for the Municipal Building elevator. However, City Attorney Rocci Romano gave 3 reasons why the Council should not take action on it for now and refer the contract back to the Public Facilities committee:

[audio:romanoreasons070213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Council decided to pull the motion from the agenda. Alderman Ray Koonce said he will work with the Mayor to gather that information and present it to the committee.

The Taylorville City Council approved the sale of self-contained bottles of air. They also approved the amending of the City Code in regards to disabled veterans being allowed free access to the handicapped accessible cabin or to an overnight camping site or tent camping site for a total of two weekends each season on a first served basis. The Council approved motions for the Christian County Genealogical Society to have their Cemetery Walk on Sunday, September 29, 2013 at Oak Hill Cemetery and for the purchase of Land Pride FDR 2572 3-point hitch mower to not exceed \$3,100.00 for the Lake Department from Tri-Co Equipment. The Council tabled the motion to allow Superintendent Dick Wiseman to seek quotes for the removal of four trees on Park Avenue so they can figure out what was approved and what wasn't approved for the removal process. The Council did approve the motion to allow Superintendent Wiseman to contact a heating and cooling company to determine if it is the air conditioner causing the leak in the Municipal Building roof over the Police Department.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

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Taylorville Park Board Hears About Tree Keepers Program and More Good News About Pool

The Taylorville Park District Board heard about a Tree Keepers program at their meeting Monday night. Barb Grabner-Kerns from Trees Forever explains what the program entails:

[audio:barbtreesforever072313.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Barb said while Trees Forever is based out of Iowa, the company recently received a grant for 1500-dollars to extend the program into Illinois. Barb added she has been in the area for about a year and was recently appointed to the Taylorville Tree Board. She will be working with them for various future projects.

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The Manner's Park Pool recently had another audit by Ellis and Associates. Recreation Director Bailey Hancock told the Taylorville Park Board that once again the staff received outstanding marks:

[audio:hancocksecondaudit072313.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Manners Park Pool is Open Daily from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Thomas McKinney asked the Taylorville Park District Board at their meeting Monday night for permission to bring his Ice Cream Truck to Manners Park. The Board approved the request as long as he just sells ice cream for now and not drinks because they do not want the possibility of money being taken away from the concession stand during little league season. The Board also heard from Maintenance Superintendent Gary Brown who told them they will be losing their Pepsi machines. Brown said with the amount of machines they had, the cost to maintain them was outweighing the money they were making from them. Brown added he talked to Pepsi about bringing back just one machine next spring and seeing how that works out.

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Taylorville City Council Discusses Insurance Requirements for Events at Meeting

There are many events that are held on city property in Taylorville but with those events come questions about insurance requirements. The Taylorville City Council asked City Attorney Rocci Romano his opinion on what they should do at their meeting Monday night:

[audio:romanoinsurance080613.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Again, under Romano's recommendation, event sponsors would need to provide a certificate of insurance, name the City as additional insurance, and sign a document that would hold the city harmless if something happens. Aldermen Rob Heberling and Shawn Burtle said they should continue as planned with upcoming events while the system is being developed. The issue will be discussed further at the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

The Taylorville Police Department has been cracking down on lawbreakers and issuing many citations. However, there are some citations where the element of that offense is unclear. City Attorney Rocci Romano addressed this issue in his update at the Taylorville City Council meeting Monday night:

[audio:romanocitations080613.mp3]comment here[/audio]

This topic will also be discussed at the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

The Taylorville City Council approved the appointment of Kira Propst to the Tree Board. Kira will replace Adam Johnson and serve the remainder of his term. The Council also approved the payment of \$20,000 to McIntire & Company for the retainage on Ward II and Kenmore Phase 2 and 3 Storm Sewer Projects. The City Council approved several upcoming events including the Taylorville Memorial Hospital's 5k Run/Walk on October 12, the Taylorville High School Band Boosters Charitable Fund Drive for Band Tag Day on October 12, the St. Mary's Church Parish Fiesta on September 20-22, the Young Ag Leaders 5k on September 7, and the Taylorville High School Homecoming Parade on September 26. The Council approved the use of the water plant property to be used by the Soccer Club if the city's insurance says they are good to go. The Council approved the motion to allow Acting Fire Chief Mike Crews to begin the process of applying for the 2014 SAFER Grant for one firefighter. The Council also approved the motion to bid and/or advertise to fill a full time dispatcher position at the Taylorville Police Department and to do the same for a part time dispatcher if the position becomes available as they anticipate current part timers to apply for the full time spot.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

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Mayor: New Water Plant in Taylorville to be Costly

Plans are in the works for a new water plant for the City of Taylorville. Mayor Greg Brotherton says the plans are in preliminary stages:

[audio:mayornewwaterplant082613.mp3]comment here[/audio]

City officials will discuss the matter with those local businesses that use a lot of water to see what impact higher water rates may have.

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Taylorville City Council Discusses Possible Jurisdictional Transfer of Roads

The Taylorville City Council approved the motion to direct City Attorney Rocci Romano to enter discussion with the Illinois Department of Transportation about Jurisdictional Transfer of Morrison Drive from Abes Way to East Lawn Drive, Greenview Street from Pershing to Lincoln Trail, a section of Old Route 48 by ADM and Illinois State Route 48 south of the Airport. While the first three passed on an 8-0 vote, the Route 48 barely passed on a 4-3 vote with Alderman Bruce Jones abstaining. Alderman Rob Heberling explained why he was voting against it:

[audio:heberlingroad090413.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Several audience members who live in that area voiced concern about having their property annexed into Taylorville. City Attorney Rocci Romano explained how the process would work if the City took jurisdiction over those roads:

[audio:romanoroadexplanation090413.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Once the information from IDOT is gathered by Romano, the topic will be discussed at a committee meeting and the public will be able to voice their opinions again.

Often times people focus on the negative news about the City of Taylorville not having enough money or losing business. Mayor Greg Brotherton, however, pointed out some positive news at the City Council meeting Tuesday night:

[audio:mayorpositive090413.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Mayor Brotherton says he takes this as being a very good sign.

As Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton stated in the last meeting, he will be sharing a history tidbit at meetings as the 175th anniversary of Taylorville and Christian County approaches. This time he told the City Council at their meeting Tuesday night the story of how Taylorville got its name:

[audio:mayorhistorytidbit090413.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The 175th anniversary will be celebrated next year.

City Attorney Rocci Romano introduced a new associate attorney to the Taylorville City Council at their meeting Tuesday night:

[audio:romanonewattorney090413.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Council welcomed Jay after his introduction with a round of applause.

The City Council also approved the resolution of the IDOT Construction Engineering Services agreement for federal participation between the City of Taylorville and Greene & Bradford, Inc. regarding the Spillway Bridge project. The Council also approved ordinances to amend the city code in regards to water customer activation fees and to add a section in regards to fire hydrants outside city limits and a subparagraph in regards to the annexation of contiguous subdivided or site plot land. The Council approved motions to allow: the KC Charitable Fund Drive to be held on September 27th and 28th at the intersection of West Main Cross and Webster, the United Way of Christian County "Shred Event" on September 14th on the south side outside lane of the Square, and to close off the inside parking spaces around the Square on October 12th for a "Meet the Machines" event. The Council also approved the pay request from McIntire & Company in the amount of \$120,848.62 for the Ward II-City Park Addition-Phase IV Park Avenue Storm Sewer Project.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:44pm.

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County Gov't	8/2/13	12:21pm	1:30	Sheriff
County Gov't	8/20/13	2:21pm	2:00	County Board
County Gov't	9/8/13	4:22pm	1:00	County Election Announcement

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Christian County Board Honors Retiring Security Officer At Their Meeting Tuesday Night

The Christian County Board honored Sheriff's Deputy and Courthouse Security officer Mick Moliske on his retirement at their meeting Tuesday night. Chairman Paul Schmitz read a proclamation on behalf of the Board wishing Moliske the best of luck:

[audio:schmitzmoliskeretire.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Moliske was presented with the proclamation following its reading.

The Christian County Board approved a job shadowing event that will be sponsored by the Christian County U of I Extension Office at their meeting Tuesday night. The program will be open to Christian County 4-H'ers or other students in seventh grade through high school. Chris Casey from the Extension office told the Board what they will be doing during the shadow:

[audio:caseyshadow.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Contact the U of I Extension Office at 287-7246 for more information.

The Christian County Board did not approve the proposed Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) negotiation team for the County at their meeting Tuesday night. The team would have been made up of: Bruce Engeling, Bruce Kettelkamp, Micki Ehrhardt, Fred Curtin, Jan Bland and Paul Schmitz with Attorney David Frenzia as the labor consultant. The motion failed on a 9-7 vote. The Board will address the issue at the next meeting.

The Christian County Board approved the training expenditure for department heads. The Board approved the motion for the department heads who are working on the Drug/Alcohol Policy to work with AFSCME on an agreement. The Board also approved the Affordable Care Act requirements update from Jeremy Travelstead from American Central Insurance who spoke at the Audit/Finance/Purchasing Committee meeting and approved the payment to Espy Services who looked over phone bills to see if the County was paying for things that they didn't need to pay for.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:52pm.

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Sheriff Touts Drug Court

Christian County Sheriff Bruce Kettelkamp recently returned from Washington, D.C., where he attended meetings concerning the Drug Court. The Sheriff says the Drug Court is a great alternative to sending offenders to prison:

[audio:sheriffdrugcourt071913.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Sheriff says the drug courts are not for drug dealers, but for users who are addicted to a substance.

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Sheriff: Legalizing Medical Marijuana is a Mistake

Governor Pat Quinn signed a bill yesterday to legalize medical marijuana. Christian County Sheriff Bruce Kettelkamp tells Regional Radio News that he doesn't agree with the signing:

[audio:sheriffmedmary080213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Other opponents don't like the idea of legalizing medical marijuana because they say it's the first step to legalizing the drug for recreational purposes.

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Christian County Board Addresses Enterprise Zone Fee Schedule; Hears Apology

The Christian County Board held their monthly meeting at the Courthouse Tuesday night. When it came to the approval of last month's minutes, member Lloyd Washburn spoke up and issued an apology for his vote against the Fraternal Order of Police negotiation team:

[audio:washburnapology082013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The approval of the team failed on a 9-7 vote at last month's meeting. The Board accepted Washburn's apology but no further action was taken.

The Christian County Board was told that the Buildings and Grounds Committee received an elevator report in regards to upgrades that would cost an estimated \$262,000. Board member Charles DeClerck voiced concern over the bill but Chairman Paul Schmitz said it was nothing that needs to be taken care of right away:

[audio:schmitzelevator082013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Buildings/Grounds Supervisor Zach Hicks is reviewing the bill and will report back to the Committee what he finds out.

The Christian County Board was presented with an amendment to the Enterprise Zone fee schedule. Board member Fred Curtin told the Board what the change would be:

[audio:curtinterpisezone082013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Board member Joe Marley was opposed to the change saying they should further review how much money the zones are making before they lower the amount of money they can receive. Curtin said there would have to be a 16 million dollar project to even come close to that \$50,000 max. Marley still voted against it but the Board approved the amendment on a 15-1 vote.

The Christian County Board approved the increase of the septic fee from \$100 to \$150. They also approved the motion on a 15-1 vote to begin charging an annual food permit fee for facilities such as schools, churches, and senior centers who currently pay nothing to a standard flat fee of \$100 which would allow them to hold as many dinners as they wished. Board member Tim Carlson voted against this fee. The Board approved the low bid of \$274,493.53 from Yamnitz & Associates for the Greenwood Bridge. They approved a preliminary engineering agreement with Kuhn & Trello for Ricks Bridge and approved a contract with Atlas Soils for the soil borings that are required for the Ricks Bridge Project. The Board also heard of several ideas for the 175th anniversary celebration next year that included a beard contest, a county float for the parade, and an open house at the courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00pm.

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Mense Announces Run for Christian County Clerk

Chief Deputy of the County Clerk Laurie Mense has announced that she will be running for Christian County Clerk. Mense tells Regional Radio News what makes her a good candidate:

[audio:mensecandidacy.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Mense thanks current Clerk Linda Curtin, who will be retiring at the end of her term in November 2014, for the opportunity to serve as Chief Deputy and to be involved at the office.

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Econ Development	7/22/13	9:21am	1:30	New Business
Econ Development	8/6/13	11:20am	1:00	Transportation System
Econ Development	8/28/13	1:22pm	1:00	Business Expansion
Econ Development	9/19/13	3:21pm	1:45	New Business

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Lake Lot Rental a Plus for Taylorville

The summer season is in full swing. The City of Taylorville rents lots on Lake Taylorville for the season every year, but because of various expenses in maintenance, the city doesn't realize a profit. In fact, lake lot rental is a money loser for the city, but Mayor Greg Brotherton says the losses are made up in other ways:

[audio:mayorlake071513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The lake lot rental program has been in operation since Lake Taylorville was created more than 50 years ago.

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New Tattoo Store Opens in Taylorville

"To the Moon Tattoos" recently opened on the Taylorville Square. Owner Jeff Graham of Stonington says tattoos are becoming more socially accepted:

[audio:grahamtothemoontattoos072313.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Graham says he got into the business because he likes art:

[audio:grahamtothemoon2072313.mp3]comment here[/audio]

To the Moon Tattoos is located on the north east corner of the Taylorville Square in the old Geroge's Candy Shop building.

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Rural Transportation Project is in Final Stage

The Christian County Senior Citizens Center is close to finalizing their rural transportation project. Jerry Mahr from the Senior Center tells Regional Radio News what they will be able to provide to Christian County when the project is approved:

[audio:mahrruraltrans080613.mp3]comment here[/audio]

There will be a public meeting for the project on Tuesday, August 20th from 12:30-4:30pm at the Taylorville Municipal Building. Mahr says anyone is welcomed to attend.

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Second Location Allows Central Illinois Foodbank to Store More Items Locally

The Central Illinois Foodbank expanded their operation last month after opening a second location in Springfield. Kaleigh Friend, Public Relations Manager for the Foodbank, says the second location gives them more room to store food especially fresh or frozen items:

[audio:friendmoreroom.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The second facility is located at 1937 East Cook in Springfield. For more information, visit their website at www.centralilfoodbank.org.

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Goody's Adds Sign at Taylorville Location

The move-in continues to progress well for Goody's Taylorville location. The store has added its name to the Grand Plaza sign on Bidwell Street. Goody's is part of Stage Stores which operates department stores under 5 different names. Goody's sells brand name apparel, accessories, footwear, cosmetics and more. Their mission statement is "to be America's leading small town and neighborhood retailer dedicated to delivering desirable brand name family apparel with exceptional value and service." The store's projected opening date is November 14. You can visit their website goodysonline.com for more information.

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Education	7/8/13	9:20am	1:30	Taylorville School Board
Education	7/16/13	6:20am	1:00	Superintendent Fuersteneau
Education	8/5/13	9:21am	1:30	Teacher Awarded Grant
Education	8/22/13	11:20pm	1:30	Taylorville Curriculum Committee
Education	9/9/13	1:22pm	1:00	Taylorville School Board

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Taylorville School Board Decides to Cut Early Bird Classes at Busy Meeting

The Taylorville School Board made a decision at their meeting Monday night to cut Early Bird classes at the High School due to financial restrictions. Junior Brent Frump made one last attempt to change the Board's mind:

[audio:frumpearlybird070813.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Board member Katie Fraley told Frump a tough choice had to be made:

[audio:fraleydecision070813.mp3]comment here[/audio]

After hearing arguments from several other parents, the Board stood by their decision and said this could just be the start of cuts at the high school if the state doesn't right itself. Several Board members recommended going to Lincoln Land Community College or taking classes online to fulfill those extra classes.

The Taylorville School Board was presented with the 2013 General Supply List. Superintendent Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau says they received a donation from Tenaska that helped cut the costs of some supplies:

[audio:feurstenautenaska.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Tenaska pulled out of their for the Taylorville Energy Center project last month.

The Taylorville School Board was shown a proposal by High School Principle Robert Richardson for a Code of Fan Conduct Policy. The Board is looking to crack down on unacceptable behavior at sporting events after being contacted by the IHSA. Board Member Jim Andruch says they have to be careful on where to draw the line:

[audio:andruchline.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Board plans to take action on the policy at their meeting next month.

The Taylorville School Board approved the recommendation of a diploma being awarded to David Foster after fulfilling the requirements to graduate. Foster was unable to attend the meeting on Monday night. The Board also approved a resolution for allowance of Inter-Fund transfers. The Board accepted the 2013-2014 Elementary Textbook Order and the renewal of the Memorial Sports Medicine Coverage Agreement. The Board agreed to invite Ameresco back after they took several proposals for the performance contract for energy conservation and facility projects. The Board will have a special meeting with them before next month's regular board meeting. The Board approved Director of Music Chris Gunn's request to present a clinic at the Illinois Music Education Association's 2014 Music Education Conference that will feature the High School Jazz Band and Gunn's request for the traditional band trip that occurs every two years. The Board accepted the contracts with the Taylorville Education Association and the Taylorville Education Supports Personnel and also approved the non-bargaining salaries.

The meeting adjourned around 9:11pm.

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Fuerstenau: School Buildings Ready for Students

School starts again for Taylorville in about a month. Taylorville Schools Superintendent Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau says despite the closing of South School and the extra work that entails, the school buildings were ready ahead of schedule:

[audio:fursteneaready071713.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The first day of student attendance will be Friday August 16th.

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Consolidated Awards Grant to Local Teacher

Consolidated Communications recently awarded a grant for \$1,700 to Taylorville first grade teacher Karen Kuntzman to purchase Chrome books for reading and math lessons. Kuntzman tells Regional Radio News what the Chrome books will be used for:

[audio:Kuntzmanchromegrant.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Kuntzman submitted the grant proposal through Consolidated's Earning for Learning (EFL) program. The EFL program has donated more than \$3.2 million to local schools to use for teacher grants, computer and software purchase and other items and projects not included in typical school budgets. Visit Consolidated Communications' Web site at www.consolidated.com to learn more about the EFL program.

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Taylorville Schools Curriculum Committee Discusses Building Trades at Meeting

The Taylorville Schools Curriculum Committee met Thursday night to discuss the Building Trades Program. Superintendent Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau started off by saying that their top priority is to provide the best education they can:

[audio:feurstenautoppriority.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Dr. Fuerstenau once again reiterated that the program will remain intact this year with the exception of building a house. They are only cutting the house for now while they further evaluate the program.

Member Jim Andruch says it all comes down to the funding that is available:

[audio:andruchfunding.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Andruch added some possibilities for future house projects:

[audio:andruchsuggestions.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Member Katie Fraley pointed out that the \$200,000 they have been putting into houses could go towards more pressing needs at the moment such as updating textbooks. Fraley brought in an English textbook that is currently being used by 4th graders that has a copyright of 1989 and is falling apart. She also recommended they send the petition to legislators urging them to address school funding especially in rural areas.

Member David Cowell says they need to look into how to get the most out of the program:

[audio:cowellremodel.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Several audience members, including contractor Alan Collebrusco and two former Building Trades Program teachers, pointed out that remodeling a house is actually tougher to do than building one. They said you need to understand the building aspect in order to remodel a house.

Member David Driskell suggested that the first course serve a pre-req to the building portion:

[audio:driskellprereq.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Committee agreed that in the future they would look into building a smaller house that would cost much less than the \$200,000 they have been spending over the last several years. They also agreed to reinstate an advisory committee that would include school board members, contractors, plumbers, electricians, etc. to help plan future builds.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

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Taylorville School Board Discusses Ameresco Project Funding

The Taylorville School Board is finalizing the contract with Ameresco for the School Energy Conservation Project. One aspect that is being put together is the funding mechanism. David Pistorius with First MidState told the Board at their meeting Monday night that bonds are the way to go:

[audio:pistoriusbond091013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Pistorius said the firm will walk step by step with the Board through this process if they decide to go that route and hire them.

Jeff Quimby addressed the Taylorville School Board at their meeting Monday night about the lack of communication he experienced with bus services:

[audio:quimbybus091013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

While his situation was resolved, Quimby wanted to voice his concern for future situations. Quimby said he had a conversation with Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau some time prior to the meeting about signing up for bus services at registration to avoid future problems.

The Taylorville School Board noted that Taylorville High School student Rhett Warner was selected to join the Illinois State Board of Education's Student Advisory Council for the 2013-2014 school year. The Board also noted that the High School Girls Track & Field Team received the HIS Team Academic Achievement Award. The Board was presented with the 5 year review of Board Policy and was told that everything is up to date. The Board was presented with a review of district student achievement scores. Reading and math scores for the District have dropped from last year but the state average also dropped. PSAE scores for the 11th grade have steadily increased over the last few years. The Board was also presented with a short overview of the Common Core Standards that will be implemented next school year. The state of Illinois adopted Common Core Standard Testing so the District has to make the necessary changes in the curriculum to accommodate those standards. The Board also approved the list of District administration evaluators which consists of Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau, Anita Brown, Robert Richardson, Matt Hutchison, Kirk Kettelkamp, Beth Vincent, Brandi Bruley, and Nancy Ganci.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:48pm.

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Health	8/22/13	11:22pm	1:00	Relay for Life
Health	9/20/13	2:21pm	1:30	Ovarian Cancer

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Pana Community Hospital Welcomes New Physicians

There are some new faces to see at Pana Community Hospital. Marketing Coordinator for PCH Melissa Rybolt tells Regional Radio News one new doctor will join them next month, while another did so just recently

[audio:ryboltnewdocs071613.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Pana Community Hospital is at 101 East 9th Street in Pana.

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3 Local Groups Team Up with Alzheimer's Association for Educational Sessions

Gowin Parc, Christian County Triad and Taylorville Police Department are teaming up with the Alzheimer's Association to put on three free educational sessions on Alzheimers at the University of Illinois Extension Office in Taylorville. Jenni Stephens, Director at Gowin Park, tells Regional Radio News what will be going on:

[audio:stephenssessions072513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Again the first session is Thursday, July 25 from 7:00-8:30pm. You must register for the free sessions and can do so up to the start time by calling 726-5184.

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American Diabetes Association Planning Several Events

The American Diabetes Association has a couple of events in the pipeline. Vanessa Wiseman, Fundraising and Special Events Director for the organization, says the first event is this weekend:

[audio:wisemansafeschool080113.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Wiseman says they have another event next month:

[audio:wisemandiabetes2080113.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Again, if you'd like to RSVP for either of these events, call 875-9011.

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Relay for Life a Big Success

This years' American Cancer Society Relay for Life was a big success in Christian County. Steve Turner if ACS says they exceeded their goal by quite a margin:

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The Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's biggest fundraiser of the year.

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Ovarian Cancer: The Silent Killer

Ovarian cancer will affect 22,000 American women this year and yet many women know nothing about it. Survivor Jennifer Bertoldo says she is passionate about warning people about ovarian cancer:

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Early detection is the key to fighting the disease which claims 14,000 American lives a year. After treatment, Jennifer Bertoldo has a good prognosis.