

**Quarterly Issues/Programs
List**

For

**WMKR (FM), 94.3 Pana,
IL**

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City government	1/27/15	8:21am	2min	Non-Bargaining City Employees To Get Raises
City government	2/3/15	7:22am	1min	Taylorville council makes quick work of business
City government	3/17/15	8:20am	2min	Taylorville Aldermen vote on Hotel-Motel Tax
City government	3/3/15	7:21am	1min30sec	Taylorville Council Hears Resident's Complaints

1/6/15 5am rjm.

The Taylorville City Council made quick work of city business in their 20-minute meeting Monday night. Among items passed was a release and global settlement agreement with Jamal Shedadeh (shuh-HAHD-uh) who filed a host of Freedom of Information Act requests with the city and other law enforcement agencies, in an attempt to defend himself from charges that ultimately landed him in prison. Shedadeh (shuh-HAHD-uh), thru the agreement presented to Taylorville aldermen Monday night, dismissed pending court cases filed in U-S District Court against the city, Christian County, State's Attorney, and several other city and county officials regarding his Freedom of Information Act requests. Mayor Greg Brotherton told Regional Radio News that the requests will now end.

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Brotherton added that Shedadeh (shuh-HAHD-uh) cost the City of Taylorville thousands of dollars in city attorney fees and time.

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Taylorville aldermen Monday night also approved a transmission line easement agreement with Ameren, and purchased a garage door for the Cemetery Machine Building at a cost of some 6-thousand dollars.

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Non-Bargaining City Employees To Get Raises

At a recent Taylorville City Council meeting, the contentious issue of raises for non-bargaining city employees came up. Mayor Greg Brotherton says most of the discussion centered around trying to even out disparities in salaries:

Key 3reason as well. (1:03)

After much discussion, aldermen voted 4 to 3 to grant the salary increases.

Start 5am 2/3/15. rjm

It was a short 15-minute meeting of the Taylorville City Council Monday night in the Council chambers.

Aldermen OK'd a lease agreement with the Taylorville Fire Protection District for leasing a 2006 Ford F450 Crew Cab Rescue Truck; they OK'd spending just over 6-thousand dollars with B-and-W Dozer Salvage of Cowden to refurbish the city's 2000 Cat Backhoe. Council members Monday night OK'd an agreement with J-B Vending for vending services with the City to receive a 10-percent commission; and they directed City Attorney Rocci Romano to prepare an ordinance to seek sealed bids for the sale of the city's 1996 street sweeper, a 1988 Ford dump truck, and 3 trench boxes.

The Taylorville City Council Monday night OK'd seeking bids for their annual concrete and sidewalk replacement program, curb and gutter replacement, fuel and trash removal services; and approved the January 20th Tree Board minutes. They OK'd the lowest bids for chemicals for the city's water treatment plant, and paid bills totaling just over 316-thousand 350-dollars.

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Start 5am 3/3/15. rjm

(((THIS IS TVL CITY COUNCIL STORY # 1.))))

The Taylorville City Council passed a number of motions and heard 3 different presentations from the public, at their Monday night meeting.

One of the public presentations was from neighbors John Adams and Mary Wetzel, who complained to the Council about their neighbor, Doug Hughes, who resides at 1001 East Stevenson. Adams and Wetzel said that Hughes operates a tree trimming business from his house, and as a result, several large trucks are parked in their neighborhood allegedly damaging culverts and blocking property. Adams cited some of the problems with the business being in their neighborhood, but Hughes allegedly told Adams he knew all the police.

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TUES KEY K 126

Wetzel added that while she was at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis with her husband for his illness, Hughes allegedly parked his trucks on her private property for 3 days.

After their presentation, Mayor Greg Brotherton directed Police Chief Dave Herpstreith and Health and Building Officer George Calvert, to investigate the complaints.

Start at 5am Tues 3/17/15. rjm

Taylorville aldermen Monday night voted a 2nd time, on a motion previously passed at their March 2nd meeting, donating 25-hundred dollars from the city's hotel-motel tax, to the Taylorville High School Band. The money will go towards their trip to play in the Independence Day Parade in Washington, D-C. Finance committee chairman Larry Budd brought the revised motion to the council Monday night. Also heard is reaction from city attorney Rocci Romano and alderman Earl Walters.

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TUES KEY LETTER O

The motion passed unanimously.

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Regional Radio News asked Budd after Monday night's meeting to identify the businessperson questioning the legality of using the city's hotel-motel tax to support the band's trip, and Budd said it was the owners of the local bed and breakfast.

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TUES KEY LETTER P

Budd added that Mrs. Houser indicated she would continue to fight the Council's decision thru council committees as well as thru the state.

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County government	2/17/15	7:21am	3min	Christian County States Attorney Talks Crimes Task Force
County government	2/18/15	8:22am	1min10sec	Christian County Board Approves Zoning Issues
County government	3/18/15	7:20am	1min	Christian County Board Approves Letter to Oppose Grain Belt
County government	3/25/15	8:21am	2min	Christian County Sheriff Issues Appeal in Fight Against Crime

Start at 5am 1/21/15. Written by Bryan, edited by rjm.

During the regular monthly meeting of the Christian County Board Tuesday night, Chairman Paul Schmitz shared a letter of resignation submitted by longtime District 4 board member, Lloyd Washburn of Morrisonville who was absent from the meeting. Washburn cited physical difficulties as the defining factor in his necessity to resign. Chairman Schmitz expressed his regrets in having to accept the resignation in light of the years of service that Mr. Washburn has given to the people of District 4 and all of Christian County.

In an abbreviated meeting, the board approved the 2015 fuel bids. The winning bid was submitted by Christian County FS. A bid of 8 cents over refinery price for B2 clear and B2 dyed diesel and 3 cents for winter additive was approved as well as 8 cents over refinery price for gasahol. The board also approved the purchase of a Cobra Pro MK1 gas powered post driver. 3 bids were submitted with Decker Supply turning the low bid at \$4196.18.

Also at last night's Christian County Board meeting, Marchelle Kassbaum, Regional Superintendant of Education for Christian and Montgomery counties, gave a quick update on the progress of the wife and daughter of her assistant, Greg Patrick, who were involved in an auto accident 10 days previously. Both are doing extremely well and Patrick is expected back in the office within the next few days. Superintendant Kassbaum then introduced Julie Wollerman, Regional Superintendant of Education for Bond and Effingham counties. She notified the board that everything was moving forward smoothly for the consolidation of the 2 Regional offices of Education.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50.

Christian County Board Approves Zoning Issues

The Christian County Board met in regular session on Tuesday night, February 17th. Among the items on the agenda, the amendment of the Zoning Ordinance to include the Village of Palmer. It was pointed out that the village no longer had any zoning board and had asked the county to take zoning back. The motion to amend the Ordinance was approved. Also, permission was given to reclassify an area in Ricks Township from Ag 1 to Commercial 2 for the purpose of relocating the Casey's General Store in Morrisonville. Casey's has applied to build a new facility in the rezoned location. Approval was unanimous.

In other business the Christian County Board agreed to place on the 2016 ballot for voter approval, the consideration of changing the Supervisor of Assesments position from an elected position to an appointed one. It was determined that if the position did become an appointed position, it would not take effect until 2018. If someone is appointed by the board to replace Michael Gianasi who has resigned, they will fulfill his term of office.

Several liquor licenses were approved including Burton's Tap, Blue Bell, Pana Country Club, Thunderbird, A Great Victory, Lucky Lady, South Fork Entertainment, Arpeggia Winery, Christian County Fair and Tri County Fair. Phillip Schneider was sworn in to replace the trustee position vacated by the resignation of Zenith Washburn. Schneider was sworn in by Judge Brad Paisley. Jane Workman was appointed as a trustee for the South Fork Sanitary District until the year 2018. The meeting was adjourned at around 7:15 pm.

2/17/15 1:30pm rjm

Christian County State's Attorney Mike Havera was Tuesday's guest speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Taylorville Kiwanis Club at the Taylorville Memorial Hospital auditorium.

Havera spoke about his just over 2 years of office as the county's top attorney, telling Kiwanis members about 2 specific improvements he's made since taking office. The first was the formation of the Christian County Major Crimes Task Force.

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The second is the receipt of a federal grant to establish a Child Advocacy Center in Christian County, to be located in the Taylorville office of the Department of Children and Family Services, so that child victims don't have to go to Springfield to be questioned after an abuse case.

Hot topics Havera talked to the Kiwanis members about included why so many cases are continued, why certain cases are dismissed, and the continuing drug problem in the county.

Havera added that Christian County has more orders of protection per capita than any county in the state, and he sees many of those domestic abuse cases go thru his office.

Kiwanis attendance chairman Dick Wamsley presented certificates to those with perfect attendance at Kiwanis meetings. Dean Ray was honored for 12 years of perfect attendance, Herman Altman with 10 years, Dan Sneed with 6 years, and Randal J. Miller with one year.

The Taylorville Kiwanis Club is part of global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Weekly meetings are held Tuesdays at noon at the Taylorville Memorial Hospital auditorium. For information on the club, go to taylorvillekiwanis.com.

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3/18/15 5am MZ

The Christian County Board met ~~WA~~ for their monthly meeting on Tuesday night, March 17th in the Christian County Courthouse. After several months in search of a qualified and democrat party representative, Chad Coady was introduced to the Committee as the Supervisor of Assessments. Coady is currently the Chief Deputy in the Assessor's Office for almost 2 years.

Over the past few months the County Board has heard from a representative to propose a project for the Grain Belt Express Clean Line. The project is a 750-mile line from wind farms in Canada, all the way to Ohio. In Tuesday evenings' meeting, the board and citizens of Christian County expressed their frustrations once again. Many disapproved the motion to pass this project and Paul Schmitz, Chairman of the Christian County Board tells Regional Radio that finance is a big problem.

Key 7

...the end of that vote.

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Approval was made by the board to authorize Chairman Schmitz to write a letter of opposition to the Grain Belt Clean Line project, to deny eminent domain, to the Illinois Commerce Commission.

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3/25/15 5pm MZ

Christian County Sheriff Issues Appeal to Citizens in the Fight Against Crime

Sheriff Kettelkamp announced that Christian County citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association. Membership applications go out in the mail shortly and you can join at any time. Sheriff Kettelkamp thinks it is important to join the program because it will help out everyone.

Key 1 ...important for our county. (:40)

The membership program was formed to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to help local law enforcement officers protect the lives and property of citizens.

For more information you can contact the Illinois Sheriff's Association at 753-2372 or the Christian County Sheriff's Office at 824-4961.

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Economic development	2/9/15	8:20am	1min	Economic Development Educator : LEAD Program
Economic development	2/16/15	7:21am	1min	CCEDC Executive Meeting Discusses CEO Program
Economic development	2/16/15	7:22am	1min	LEADership Program looks at Small Business Development
Economic development	3/3/15	7:20am	1min15sec	6 th Street Market's Grand Opening

Public House 29 Open In Rochester

A restaurant in Rochester is now open for business. Public House 29 opened in September, and owner Vic Lanzotti says they have something to appeal to all diners:

Key 3for everyone. (2x) (:51)

Public House 29 features 24 different types of draft beer, mostly from area micro breweries. Located at 312 Satlee in Rochester, Public house is open for dinner 7 days a week, and offers lunch on weekends.

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LEAD Program Underway

This year's LEAD Program is underway. Chris Casey, Community and Economic Development Educator for the University of Illinois Extension says the group is hoping to tour the Taylorville Correctional Center this year:

Key 3 for this year. (:38)

This is the 10th class for the annual LEAD Program.

2/16/15 6:00 pm MZ

CCEDC Executive Meeting Discusses CEO Program

The Christian County Economic Development Corporation had their executive meeting on Thursday morning. A major topic of discussion was promoting the CEO program. Executive Director of the CCEDC, Mary Renner, tells Regional Radio more about the program.

Key 9 ...applications by March 2nd. (:26)

Renner said there was discussion about more projects being worked on by the organization by they cannot go public with them at this time. The next CCEDC Executive Committee meeting will be March 19th.

2/16/15 4:30 pm MZ

LEADership Program looks at Small Business Development

Members of the 2015 Christian County LEADership program participated in a panel discussion on small business development, February 10 at the Christian County Extension Office in Taylorville. The discussion was led by a group of local business leaders and moderated by Kevin Lust, Director of the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Lincoln Land Community College. Business owners included: Seth McMillan, McMillan Landscaping Co; Tammy Braye, Doc's Maytag; J.I. McDowell, Angelo's; Larry Peterson, Domino Engineering; Kris Newby, Newby Home Inspections and Construction Solutions; and, Stacy Funderburk, DVM, Countryside Veterinary Services.

After the panel discussion ended, Mary Renner, with Christian County Economic Development, presented information on community and economic development initiatives taking place throughout the County.

At the previous meeting, held on February 3, the group toured health care and education facilities in Taylorville, which included Lincoln Land Community College, Taylorville Memorial Hospital, and Taylorville High School. This coming week the group will tour the Christian County Mental Health Association's Developmental Center.

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The 6th Street Market in Morrisonville is putting on the ritz this weekend with their grand opening. 6th Street Market is the new grocery store in Morrisonville, replacing the old store that closed over 2 years ago. The new store was built in the same location. There is free food tasting from the deli and the bakery as well as \$1 pork burgers both days. A new gas grill, a child's bicycle and a \$50 gift card are items to be given away. The store features a complete meat department, a small meeting area, daily hot breakfast and lunch items and local delivery, just to name a few of the many services offered. Lela Ferrel takes advantage of 6th Street Market on a regular basis and spoke highly of the convenience.

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Everything in the store has been marked down as part of the celebration that will run through 6:30 Saturday, March 21st.

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Education	1/19/15	12:22pm	1min	Lincoln Land College Taylorville Advisory Comm. meets
Education	2/10/15	7:20am	2min	Taylorville School Board meets about Budget
Education	2/12/15	7:21am	1min30sec	Superintendent Hopes For The Best
Education	3/11/15	12:22pm	2min	School Board Still on a "Wait and See" Regarding Budget

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Fursteneau Warns School Board About Declining Enrollment

At the latest Taylorville School Board meeting, Superintendent Greg Fursteneau told members that declining enrollment may cause the district to make changes. Dr. Fursteneau says the changes may include some job cuts:

Key 9going to continue. (:58)

School principals have been asked to provide the superintendent with a staffing plan by next month.

1/19/15 Noon MZ

Lincoln Land Community College-Taylorville is holding an information meeting ^{tonight} ~~(tomorrow)~~ Friday, Jan 20 regarding its Professional Accelerated Career Training (PACT) and Higher Education Academic Transfer (HEAT) programs. The meeting is scheduled from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in room 1126 at LLCC-Taylorville, 800 S. Spresser St. High school freshmen, sophomores and juniors along with their parents or guardians are invited. Student qualifications, program costs and program content will be presented on both programs. Student planning also will be discussed. The programs are designed to offer area high school students early enrollment opportunities to experience college, enhance the current high school curriculum, and improve the transition from high school to college.

For more information contact Diane Clark at 786-4508.

2/10/15

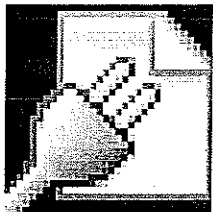
The Taylorville School Board, during their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, heard a detailed report from Superintendent Fuerstenau on the changes that may be necessary to bring the 2015-2016 school year budget into a semblance of balance. Dr. Fuerstenau cited the perfect storm of prorated general state aid being funded at 2010 levels and prorated at 89%, as well as declining enrollment and the uncertainty of categorical payments as contributing factors in the future financial shortcomings of the district. To put the problem in a nutshell, state aid is going to continue to decrease and expenditures increase to a level in which the district will see its savings cushion depleted and the district will be operating in the red.

It was proposed by Dr. Fuerstenau that restructuring would alleviate approximately \$515,000 in the FY2016 budget. The restructuring would come in the form of restructuring grades K-2 from 8 sections to 7, restructuring the Junior High and High School schedules to an 8 period day and restructuring district support personnel. With the proposed restructuring, the district would see 5 certified staff positions reduced, 3 positions not filled and support staff positions reduced to equal a savings of \$514,557. It was agreed that, unfortunately, it was not possible to cut programs or supplies and still provide the quality of education that is expected in the Taylorville School District. Dr. Fuerstenau noted that even should the District see an unexpected increase in State Aid Funds, these changes are needed with larger deficits looming in FY 2017. The proposed changes will be voted on during the regular board

meeting in March.

In other business, the board approved a resolution providing for the issue of \$800,000 in school bonds for the safety improvement to the schools including a new roof and weatherproofing for Memorial grade school along with replacing windows at Taylorville Junior High. The board also accepted the resignation of Maureen Appleton, Junior High, Jon Bagby, Spanish at THS and Roy Roberts, English at THS. Request for leave of absence was granted to Lori Oyler and Tracy McCallister and the board agreed to hire Julie Lilly as Library Aide at the High School. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Comments



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Superintendent Hopes For The Best

We are in uncertain times concerning school funding in Illinois. Taylorville School Superintendent Dr. Greg Fursteneau says they hope for the best with a new Governor in place, but still plan for the worst:

Key 1legislative process. (:44)

Dr. Fursteneau has proposed a restructuring plan for the School Board to consider, which would save the district over a half a million dollars.

3/11/15 5am MZ

School Board Still on a "Wait and See" Regarding the Budget

The Taylorville School Board held their monthly meeting on Tuesday night. Superintendent Dr. Greg Fuerstenau started the meeting off discussing the proposed changes that were going to be made to help trim the budget. He said they are still in a wait and a see mode and there are no answers on where they'll be going due to the waiting game on the state budget. Fuerstenau urged all members to think positive but they still must be cautious.

Dr. Fuerstenau did congratulate the 2014 Yearbook Contest winners. Taylorville High School, led by advisor Steve Steele, captured two firsts, two seconds, on third and on honorable mention in the eight categories. The first place honors came in "Best copy" and "Best Sports Coverage". Second place honors came in "Best Divider Pages" and "Best Use of Photography", while the third place honor came in "Best Layout and Design". The honorable mention came in "Best Theme Development".

In other business, the board approved the Taylorville High School Spanish overnight ~~Spanish~~ trip to Chicago. They also approved an 8-period schedule at the Taylorville High School and Junior High School. The board then approved the calendar for the 2015-2016 school year that will start on Wednesday, August 19th.

The board accepted the resignations of Barbara Chase, Business Education at THS, Chris Norris, Junior High, Kimberly Pembroke and Melody Wagner, Poms Coaches at the Junior High. Request for leave of absence was granted for Brina Boldig, Stephanie Leonard and Heidi Durbin, and the board agreed to employ Stile Smith, Meredith Bollinger and John Christian. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Health	2/9/15	8:21am	1min30sec	Be Realistic With Resolutions
Health	3/20/15	7:22am	1min30sec	March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month
Health	3/26/15	7:20am	1min10sec	Gluten-Free Diet Not for Everyone
Health	3/27/15	8:21am	2min	Medicare Part B Enrollment Period Ending

1/19/15 3:00 MZ

Taylorville High School Host Blood Drive

Central Illinois Community Blood Center is having a blood drive at Taylorville High School on January 30th. Donor Relations Consultant Lanie Cooper tells Regional Radio why you should donate.

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...at Taylorville High School (:37)

To make an appointment to give blood, call 1-866-GIVEBLOOD. That's 1-866-448-3253.

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Be Realistic With Resolutions

Planning to lose weight as a New Year's resolution is a good idea, but to be successful, you should keep your goals realistic. That's according to Lisa Peterson, Nutrition and Wellness Educator for the University of Illinois Extension:

Key 3sure they're timely. (:54)

Not only is gradual weight loss more likely to be effective, it's also healthier for you.

3/20/15 SW 11:00

March Brings Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

When most Americans think of cancer, rarely does colorectal cancer immediately come to mind. However, colorectal cancer is the number two culprit in nationwide cancer deaths.

Mellisa Rybolt with Pana Community Hospital tells Regional Radio that when dealing with colorectal cancer, early detection is critical.

Key *U* “...something you want to get screened for.” (:51)

For more information on colorectal cancer awareness month, contact Pana Community Hospital at 217-562-2131.

3/27/15 1:00 SW

Medicare Part B Enrollment Period Ending March 31st

Individuals looking to enroll in Medicare Part B have very little time to do so before the current enrollment period ends.

Jack Myers, a Public Affairs specialist with Social Security Administration tells Regional Radio that this deadline is important for anyone who already has Medicare Part A, but chose not to enroll in Part B and was not covered by active group health insurance.

Key 1

“...on your list of things to do this spring.”

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For more information on General Enrollment Period deadlines contact the SSA Springfield field office at (877) 279-9504.