

# **Quarterly Issues/Programs List**

**For  
WMIKR (FM) 94.3 Pana, IL**

**October 1, 2016 –  
December 31, 2016**

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City government	07/23/16	9:22 am	1 min 50 sec	City Council Approves Brian Hile as Police Chief
City government	08/02/16	11:22 am	2 min 00 secs	City Council Debates Over MFT Funds
City government	08/02/16	9:22 pm	1 min 15 secs	Video Gaming Ordinance Modified
City government	08/16/16	9:22 pm	1 min 45 secs	City Adds Ordinance to Code on Cannabis
City government	09/19/16	9:22 pm	1 min 35 secs	Tax Questions And Annexations Clarified

11/22/16

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The Taylorville City Council voted and passed a motion to adopt proposed ordinances amending the city code pertaining to Video Gaming and Liquor License Classifications at Monday nights Taylorville City Council meeting. In the ordinance, a business who wants video gaming has to have a certain percentage of their business come from a particular revenue stream. City Alderman Ernie Dorchinecz (Dor-Shin-Ez) asked the council, who exactly monitors those revenue streams?

TUE            4                            Gaming1                            :34

Alderman Bruce Jones explained that the businesses when they report their quarterly numbers will give that information to the mayor, who will then monitor the figures.

TUE            5                            Gaming2                            :33

Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton said the businesses will sign something saying the numbers they're reporting are true, and the Mayor's office won't look further into the matter unless it's brought to the city's attention.

TUE            6                            Gaming3                            :25

Mayor Brotherton said most cases are no-brainers, and there is only a handful of businesses who's numbers may need closer attention.

TUE            7                            Gaming4                            :23

The motion to adopt the proposed ordinances passed 6-2, with the motions to accept the changes to the ordinances passing 7-2.

10/18/16

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The Taylorville City Council have approved the mayor's recommendation to appoint Brian Hile as Chief of Police for the city of Taylorville. Hile said that he had spoken with several of the aldermen before the meeting so they could better judge whether or not they felt he was a good fit. Hile said many of those conversations revolved around things the Taylorville Police Department can continue to do and improve in the future.

TUE 5 CCouncil4 :25

Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton shared why he recommended Hile for the position.

TUE 6 CCouncil1 :24

The Council also voted on a trio of motions on Monday night regarding several properties around the city. The properties are all heavily damaged, and a cause of blight for Taylorville. Mayor Brotherton said the ordinances are part of a movement from the city council to get problem properties torn down.

TUE 7 CCouncil2 :37

Mayor Brotherton explained that the ordinances will mean that the city will reimburse the property owners the initial costs of tearing the properties down.

TUE 8 CCouncil3 :41

After approving the payment of bills, Monday nights meeting of the Taylorville City Council adjourned at 7:48 pm.

11/25/16

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The Taylorville City Council voted on and approved a motion to add an ordinance to the Taylorville City Code to mirror the Village of Edinburg's ordinance regarding the use of Cannabis. Alderman Bruce Jones explained what the ordinance does.

FRI            4                            Cannabis1                            :24

City Attorney Rocci Romano commented on the motion stating Alderman Ernie Dorchinecz had pointed out a small error that had to be corrected in the ordinance, and had another, lighter hearted suggestion.

FRI            5                            Cannabis2                            :32

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

11/8/16

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The Taylorville City Council met in their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday night at the Taylorville Municipal Building. The council approved Police Chief Brian Hile's appointment of Vince Childers as his Deputy Police Chief, in a unanimous vote. Childers took his oath of office, and shook hands with the council.

Another item on the agenda regarded a resolution for maintenance to city streets. The resolution got tricky when it came to where the funds will come from for the projects. Alderman Larry Budd was against the resolution, saying how money the city would get for projects such as this through the motor fuel tax funds the city receives from the state, would not reimburse funds used from the city's general fund on the projects.

TUE        3                    council1                    :33

Alderman Rob Heberling said how funding projects the way the resolution funded them was simply allowing the city to skip a step of transferring funds across various city bank accounts.

TUE        4                    council4                    :33

City Attorney Rocci Romano attempted to explain the resolution in further detail.

TUE        5                    council2                    :28

Romano went on to say that if funds are used out of the general fund for projects that could use motor fuel tax money, the general fund can be reimbursed through money from the motor fuel tax.

TUE        6                    council3                    :31

Ultimately the resolution passed by a vote of 5 to 2 with 1 abstain.



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County government	08/10/16	9:22 am	30 secs	Payment Issues Discussed At County Board Meeting
County government	08/15/16	9:22 am	1 min; 50 secs	Results Tight in County Board Election
County government	08/17/16	9:22 am	1 min; 20 secs	Tim Carlson Voted As New County Board Chair
County government	08/17/16	9:22 am	1 min; 45 secs	New County Board Chair reflects on his first meeting.

10/19/16            5p            mp

Questions were asked at Tuesday nights Christian County Board meeting about why the county was paying multiple people for several audits for the county, as well as the implementation of office bookkeeping methods for the County Clerk's office. County Board member Aaron Allen said he was tired of paying multiple accountants.

THU            3                            Pay1                            :25

Board member Jack Pierce agreed with Allen, saying how although the county did need to pay the accounting firms, they needed to take a look at ways to potentially streamline operations to keep issues like this from happening in the future.

THU            4                            Pay2                            :21

The motion to pay the accounting firms ultimately carried with no clear solution to the problem brought up by board members Aaron Allen and Jack Pierce.

10/12/16

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The Christian-Shelby County Joint Emergency Telephone Systems Board held their monthly meeting on Monday at the Pana Police Department. Mickie Ehrhardt, Christian County 9-1-1 Administrator said the meeting allowed the board to get an update on the progress towards the consolidated Christian and Shelby County 9-1-1 board.

THU

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Erhardt1

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One question that had come up at the Christian County Board when board members were being discussed for the joint board, was whether or not former Taylorville Police Chief Dave Herpstreith could continue to serve on the consolidated board. Ehrhardt said that Officer Herpstreith will remain on the consolidated 9-1-1 board.

THU

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Erhardt2

:07

11/23/16

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The votes have been counted and with absentee and mail in ballots counted, one race for a Christian County Board seat can be finalized. Christian County Clerk Laurie Mense explained how in one county board district, only three people ran for office instead of the usual four.

THU 3 Election1 :24

Mense said as of election night, Mike McClure and Jack Pearce Jr were only separated by a handful of votes, with enough absentee ballots still needing to be counted that the unofficial results could have been altered.

THU 4 Election2 :35

Once the votes that were received were counted, no gains were made by Pearce, which meant that the unofficial results, became the official results of the race.

THU 5 Election3 :29

12/8/16`

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The Christian County Board has a new chairman. Tim Carlson was voted unanimously Monday night by the new Christian County Board to serve as Chairman of the Board. Carlson said it's an honor to be voted Chairman, and he felt it was the right time to throw his name in for the position.

FRI

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Carlson1

:27

One issue Carlson hopes to tackle is the current deficit the county has. He says it will take some hard work, but has some ideas to help eliminate expenses.

FRI

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Carlson2

:32

Carlson said his time already serving on the county board gave him a better understanding of the various cuts that could be made to county spending to help fight the budget deficit.

12/20/16

5p

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The Christian County Board held their final meeting of 2016 Tuesday Night at the Christian County Courthouse. It was the first meeting for the newly elected board, and first meeting chaired by the newly appointed County Board Chairman Tim Carlson. Carlson spoke with WTIMTV after the meeting, and shared his thoughts on how the meeting went.

MON 1 Tim1 :13

One of the issues discussed was motions voted on at the meeting was a motion to appropriate money from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for payment of the salary and expenses of the County Engineer for the 2017 fiscal year. Per County Board resolution the salary for the position is set at the state recommended amount of \$108,500. Although the motion had to be done due to it being a county board resolution, it did draw a no vote during roll call. Carlson commented on the salary, saying it was a reasonable increase.

MON 2 Tim3 :13

Another issue to generate discussion surrounded new pictometry imaging equipment for the County Assessor. The new process would involve a county land fly-over, that would then take those images and put them in a GIS system for county assessment. Carlson said he voted no to the flyover process, due to privacy concerns from his constituents.

MON 3 Tim2 :30

Tuesday night's meeting of the Christian County Board adjourned at 7:28 PM. To view the complete interview with Christian County Board Chairman Tim Carlson, click on the WTIMTV icon at [TaylorvilleDailyNews.com](http://TaylorvilleDailyNews.com)

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Economic development	08/18/16	9:22 am	1 min, 45 sec	TCCU Scholarship Program Back for Third Year
Economic development	08/18/16	9:22 am	1 min, 30 secs	Rebeccas Antiques Celebrates Grand Opening
Economic development	9/22/16	9:22 am	1 min, 50 secs	CTI Celebrates Gimmie Fiber Day
Economic development	9/23/16	9:22 am	1 min, 40 sec	President of Frey Farms Stresses Importance of Locally Grown



11/1/16

12p

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Taylorville Community Credit Union's Scholarship Program is back for its third year, and has also expanded. This year the awards for students have increased from \$500 to \$1000, and will be presented to six graduates from Taylorville, Litchfield, and Hillsboro High Schools. Several new businesses have also come on board for the program.

From November 9<sup>th</sup> through February 28<sup>th</sup>, tri-county residents are encouraged to "stop, shop, and vote", in participating businesses. For every \$10 a shopper spends in a participating business, they can cast one vote for any of the registered students featured on the posters on the store's windows.

The program is designed to benefit both area students as well as businesses. A list of businesses that are participating in the Scholarship Program can be found online at [TaylorvilleDailyNews.com](http://TaylorvilleDailyNews.com).

11/7/16

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CTI celebrated "Gimmie Fiber Day" on Friday with a celebration at their offices that included activities such as laser tag, food and more. CTI also recently won an award from the Fiber to the Home Council. Heather Gold, President of the Fiber to the Home Council was on hand for the festivities and said why CTI won the award.

MON

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CTI1

:27

Gold said the award was presented to CTI at a previous event, and how it celebrates how CTI has been able to provide fiber internet services to Taylorville.

MON

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CTI3

:18

Bobbie Durbin, General Manager of CTI shared what CTI was doing to celebrate both the award and Gimmie Fiber Day.

MON

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CTI2

:18



11/4/16

5p

mp

A local business in Taylorville celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday (today). Rebecca's Antiques on the southeast corner of the Taylorville Square recently moved to the new location on the square, and renovated the location. Rebecca Steiner, owner of Rebecca's Antiques told a crowd of local officials how the renovation process wasn't easy, especially when it came to the original tin ceilings.

WKN        1                                Rebeccas1                                :35

The store also received some help from the City of Taylorville due to Steiner's decision to renovate the location inside and out.

WKN        2                                Rebeccas2                                :21

It was a community effort to get the new location up and running. Steiner said how even the local Taylorville Tornado football team helped with the move.

WKN        3                                Rebeccas3                                :29

Rebecca's Antiques can be found on the southeast corner of the Taylorville Square at 100 West Market Street, and is open Monday through Saturday.

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Education	07/12/16	9:22 am	1 min; 10 sec	Repairs Needed for THS West Gym
Education	07/13/16	9:22 am	1 min	THS Debating Proposed Limiting Rate Increase
Education	08/04/16	9:22 am	55 secs	Taylorville School District Reviews Illinois District Report Card
Education	08/09/16	9:22 am	1 min, 10 secs	Taylorville Schools Yet to Receive Any State Money

10/17/16

6a

mp

The Taylorville School Board heard about repairs that are needed at the Taylorville High School West Gym at last weeks meeting of the Taylorville School Board. School Board Member Seth McMillan shared how the issues with the gym were discovered, and what the issue is.

MON        3                                  Gym1                                  :34

McMillan said the issues with the gym were unexpected, and how hopefully no additional problems with the gym are discovered once the repairs are being made.

MON        4                                  Gym2                                  :25

Taylorville Superintendent Dr. Greg Fuerstenau assured the school board that the gym is safe to use however, and said how design flaws with the building when it was built lead to the issue.

MON        5                                  Gym3                                  :35

Dr. Fuerstenau shared how some issues with the windows in the gym will also need to be addressed once the repairs to the gym are made.

11/15/16

5p

mp

The Taylorville School Board reviewed their Illinois District Report Card at their monthly meeting on Monday night. Although much of the report card showed the effects of things like budget cuts that the district has underwent, there were positive areas where Taylorville Schools have done well. One of those areas was in teacher attendance, where Taylorville far exceeds the state averages.

WED

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ReportCard1

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Another area where Taylorville Schools have done well is in state PARCC (Park) testing, showing increases in test scores over the past two years in several different grades. That progress however didn't carry to the high school students who took the PARCC test, where scores were abysmal. Taylorville School District Superintendent Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau explained why that was.

WED

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Report Card2

:26

Dr. Fuerstenau pointed out that those in attendance shouldn't be alarmed by the scores, saying how many of the students who scored poorly on the PARCC test scored very well on their ACTs.

10/12/16            5p            mp

The Taylorville School Board voted on Tuesday night to reinstate the girls' soccer program. Jim Andruch with the Taylorville Athletic Committee explained how the program was never formally canceled. Just shut down due to a previous lack of participation.

THU            4                            Soccer                            :35

The vote to reinstate the program passed unanimously, with the result pleasing many Taylorville students in attendance who were interested in reinstating the program. After the vote, Board President Stephen Milling gave the girls several words of encouragement.

THU            4                            Soccer2                            :18

The girls soccer program at Taylorville High School will resume activity for the 2017-2018 school year.

12/13/16            12p            mp

The Taylorville School District met in their regular session Monday night at the Taylorville School Administration building. An issue the school district is facing is the lack of categorical payments to the school district from the state. Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau spoke with WTIMTV after the meeting, and said the school district was short one categorical payment from the state for the FY16 financial year.

WED            1                            Sboard1                            :28

Dr. Fuerstenau said the missing payment from FY16 would become the first categorical payment for FY17. However the alarming thing is that the school district has yet to receive that payment.

WED            2                            Sboard2                            :25

Dr. Fuerstenau mentioned that the district has always budgeted conservatively when it comes to categorical payments, however the current situation is still concerning.

WED            3                            Sboard3                            :33

The Taylorville School District may also have to dip into their cash reserves to help offset the hit the district would take should they not receive any categorical payments.

WED            4                            Sboard4                            :13

Monday nights Taylorville School Board meeting adjourned just past 8 pm.

11/15/16            6a            mp

The Taylorville School Board met for their monthly session on Monday Night at the Administration Education Center in Taylorville. The meeting started off on a light and positive note, with discussion on the Taylorville FFA Chapter and their accomplishments. The Taylorville FFA Chapter just recently attended the National FFA Convention. A Taylorville FFA Administrator as well as several Taylorville FFA students thanked the school board for the opportunities they've had this year.

TUE            1            SchoolB1            :30

The discussion turned towards more serious matters, with the School Board reviewing the proposed 2016 Tax Levy for local funding. School Board Superintendent Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau laid out the proposed Tax Levy, and said under the current tax formula and rates, and with uncertain state funding, the school district cannot sustain itself.

TUE            2            SchoolB2            :25

One proposed solution to this problem that has come from both the suggestions from the School Board as well as the local Citizens for Education group is an increase in the property tax rate, with the money going to fund the education system in Taylorville. The board had to come up with a suggestion on how many cents on the dollar that increase would be, so they can put together a proposal to be placed on the April election ballot. Board member Bruce Barry said he disagreed with the proposed rate from Citizens for Education.

TUE            3            SchoolB3            :34

Board Member Dennis Atteberry pointed out that even at the suggested rate from Citizens for Education of 85 cents, Taylorville residents would only see a minor per month increase in their taxes. Atteberry also said he thinks the citizens of Taylorville would vote for or against the increase regardless of how much the increase was.

TUE            4            SchoolB4            :29

A motion for a proposal to be written for a limiting rate increase based on the 85 cent rate increase passed with only one no vote. The school board also said to members of Citizens for Education in the crowd that the task is now on them to get the citizens of Taylorville behind the rate increase.

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Health	08/26/16	9:22 am	1 min; 30 sec	Pana Community Hospital Nears Fundraising Goal
Health	09/05/16	9:22 am	1 min; 10 sec	HSHS St. Johns Hospital Giving Newborns Pink Blankets
Health	09/07/16	9:22 am	40 secs.	DMH Set to Open New Shelbyville Facility
Health	09/22/16	9:22 am	1 mins, 20 secs	Pana Community Hospital Foundation Exceeds Fundraising Goal

10/11/16

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The Pana Community Hospital Foundation is continuing their efforts to raise \$200,000 to help offset the cost of the new 3D Mammography machine at Pana Community Hospital. The Foundation held their Bowl for Cancer event on October 1<sup>st</sup> to help with those efforts. Kim Rogers with the Pana Community Hospital Foundation said the event was a huge success.

WED

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Rogers2

:19

Rogers said the overall fundraising efforts are going well. She hopes that by the end of the month, the Foundation will have met or exceeded their \$200,000 fundraising goal.

WED

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Rogers4

:35

If you'd like to purchase a ticket for the quilt raffle, they can be bought at the Foundation office. Donations are also being accepted online at [give.panahospital.com](http://give.panahospital.com).

10/20/16

12p

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SHSH St. Johns Hospital in Springfield is participating in Breast Cancer Awareness Month by providing pink blankets for October babies. All babies born in October are receiving pink blankets as a way to help increase awareness of the disease. More than 9,000 women in Illinois are diagnosed with breast cancer each year.

St. Johns Hospital also encourages women to take proper precautions to prevent breast cancer, and catch it early. Mammograms are recommended biennially after the age of 50. Doctors use a mammogram to look for the early stages of breast cancer, and regular mammograms can help find breast cancer early.

You can also lower your risk of breast cancer by keeping a healthy weight, exercising regularly, getting a full nights rest, and limiting your alcohol consumption. Sharing your family history with your doctor also helps with early detection. St. Johns Hospital urges those at risk of breast cancer to talk with their doctor about breast health, and breast cancer screenings.

10/27/16            5p            mp

The new Decatur Memorial Hospital facility in Shelbyville is set to open it's doors on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Tim Stone, Decatur Memorial Hospital and CEO said the new facility will bring Shelby County more access to healthcare.

FRI            1                            DMH1                            :21

Stone went on to say that the new DMH Shelbyville Medical Center is a collaboration between many different organizations all aiming to improve healthcare in Shelby County.

FRI            2                            DMH2                            :22

The new facility will include several physicians and specialists. Stone highlighted some of the physicians who will be practicing at the new facility.

FRI            3                            DMH3                            :36

The facility will also offer x-rays, CT scans, 4D Ultrasound, mammography, and Tomosynthesis abilities, as well as several other services. You can find the new facility at 415 North Cedar Street in Shelbyville.

10/10/16

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The Pana Community Hospital Foundation is nearly at their goal of \$200,000 to help offset the costs of a new 3D mammography machine at Pana Community Hospital. The Foundation has held a series of fundraising events to help with the effort, with the next one taking place Tuesday evening as Volly for the Cure takes place at Pana High School. Kim Rogers with the Pana Community Hospital Foundation said the girls vollyball team makes a big effort to help the hospital.

TUE

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Rogers1

:32

The teams make several extra efforts as well to help raise funds for fighting breast cancer.

TUE

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Rogers3

:23

If you'd like to donate, donations are being taken online at [give.panahospital.com](http://give.panahospital.com).

11/10/16            5p            mp

The Pana Community Hospital Foundation have announced that the 3D Mammography Fundraising Campaign has surpassed their goal of raising \$200,000. Kim Rodgers with the Pana Community Hospital Foundation said the fundraising started last year.

FRI            1                            PCHF1                            :23

Rodgers spoke on the many fundraising events the Foundation put on to help with the 3D Mammography campaign, and mentioned the campaign ended up exceeding their goal.

FRI            2                            PCHF2                            :33

Rodgers said the businesses and individuals in the community were very welcoming and ready to help the fundraising campaign.

FRI            3                            PCHF3                            :16

For more information on Pana Community Hospital or the PCH Foundation, visit online at [panahospital.com](http://panahospital.com).