**City of Hoopeston**

**FINANCE/POLICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**5:30 p.m., October 9, 2017**

**CITY HALL, HOOPESTON, ILLINOIS**

In attendance were Mayor Bill Crusinberry, Bill Goodwine, Brandon Hamilton, Ryan Anderson and Lourdine Florek of the Finance and Police Committees. Also in attendance from the City were Jim DeWitt, Chad Yaden and Dawn Layden.

The committees went into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. A speaker phone conversation with Jill Leka (Labor Relations attorney for the City) was held concerning the “working spouse rule” grievance.

Finance Chairman Goodwine discussed the upcoming tax levy and how errors in the listing of retired officers and spouses of deceased officers significantly understated the needed tax levy since 2012 (and before). To make up for the errors our needed tax levy now requires a large increase.

The extensions in time of expiration of TIFs 1 and 2 were discussed. Mayor Crusinberry will call Vermilion Advantage to see if they have templates for letters from the other taxing bodies that have been used for TIF expiration extensions.

The request by Teasdale Foods to close Lincoln Street at the railroad tracks was discussed. Teasdale Foods wishes to expand and connect their warehouses on opposite sides of the street.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Bill Goodwine, Finance Committee Chairman