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Belvidere Council Chooses Train Station Site

By David Larson

The Illinois Department of Transportation requested that Belvidere confirm its choice of a train station location in Downtown Belvidere for the Illinois Passenger Rail Chicago to Rockford Service. The purpose of the confirmation for IDOT is to take the next step in planning passenger rail. With this step, IDOT will then be in a position to request a variance from the Union Pacific Railroad if it creates a rail stop on Whitney Boulevard.

IDOT has proposed three different locations for a station in Downtown Belvidere (see drawings). Belvidere's original choice was at the same location of the Chicago and North Western Station of the 1950s between Whitney Boulevard and South Main Street. The current plan would abandon the crossing at Whitney Boulevard. According to Brent Anderson, Director of Public Works, the train platform would be 380 feet in length and centered on Whitney Boulevard (see

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Pritzker Says All Revenue Options Remain on the Table

With governor's \$1.1 billion plan in question, General Assembly considers its options

By Jerry Nowicki *Capitol News Illinois*

While the governor's office instructed its agency directors to prepare for \$800 million in potential budget cuts last week, all facets of his plan to raise \$1.1 billion in revenue to avoid those cuts remain under consideration.

Deputy Gov. Andy Manar relayed that point on the latest episode of "Illinois Lawmakers" this week, adding that the administration is also open to ideas from lawmakers. The program has been recently acquired by *Capitol News Illinois* and filmed this week on Thursday.

"The governor has said that if the legislature doesn't support one or multiple of those individual pieces of his proposal, whether that's revenue or spending, that all ideas should be welcomed," Manar told host Jak Tichenor.

There's a week left before the General Assembly is scheduled to adjourn on May 24 – and two weeks left before more votes are needed to pass an immediately effective budget – but the last-minute budgeting process is nothing new. Budget negotiations in recent years have resulted in late nights and the occasional overtime session but have ultimately ended in agreement among most Democrats, who control the legislature.

"I have no doubt this will come together in the coming week or two," Manar said. "And we will again pass now our sixth balanced budget."

Seven Belvidere Police Officers of 13 From Across Illinois Receive Law Enforcement Medal of Honor

Press Release

Governor JB Pritzker, Illinois State Police (ISP) Director Brendan F. Kelly, the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee, and law enforcement officials from across the state honored the acts of heroism performed by local and state officers during the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Ceremony today in Springfield. The Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee awarded 13 officers from four agencies the Medal of Honor in recognition of their brave and sacrificial service to the citizens of Illinois.

"Those we honor today have not only met the extraordinary obligations of their oath of office, but they have gone above and beyond the call of duty to protect our communities. We are forever grateful for their heroism," said Governor JB Pritzker. "We also mourn with those who have lost loved ones in the line of duty and we hope that today's ceremony offers families solace in knowing that Illinois stands with them. May the memory of our heroes be a blessing."

The Medal of Honor is awarded to officers who have been killed or seriously injured in the line of duty, or who have displayed exceptional bravery or heroism while performing their duties as a law enforcement officer.

"Today we recognize and thank these courageous officers for their unwavering bravery in the face

Thus far, the negotiations between the governor's office and Democratic leaders have spawned at least one likely addition to the revenue mix that could raise another \$30-\$50 million beyond what Gov. JB Pritzker had planned.

Sen. Cristina Castro, a high-ranking Democrat from Elgin, told Tichenor she's pushing a "re-renters" tax on third-party entities that resell large blocks of hotel rooms. Castro said those groups don't pay the standard hotel operator's room occupation tax, but they'd be required to do so under her plan, which she expects to be included in the final revenue package.

While other additions could be forthcoming, the ultimate revenue plan is likely to include at least some portion of Pritzker's initial proposal if state spending is to reach the roughly \$53 billion mark he proposed. **\$526 million – extending an expiring cap**

Nearly half of the governor's proposed revenue increase comes from a plan to make a corporate tax deduction more generous than it was for the previous tax year.

Corporations were allowed to carry forward \$100,000 in net operating losses for the most recent tax period. Next time they file, under the governor's plan, they'd be able to carry forward \$500,000 in net operating losses.

So how is it revenue-generating?

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of danger," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "Although these officers were in different situations, in different parts of the state, the outcome was the same – without hesitation, they prioritized the safety of the community over their own lives, and for that, we are eternally grateful."

The Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Committee was established in statute through the Law Enforcement and Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Act in 1990. Current committee members include ISP Director Kelly, Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Director Keith Calloway, Chicago Police Department Superintendent Larry Snelling, DeKalb Police Department Chief David Byrd, retired ISP Master Sergeant and St. Clair County Coroner Calvin Dye, and Lake County Sheriff John D. Idleburg.

Last year's event was the first ceremony held since 2016 and honored 136 recipients from 41 law enforcement agencies across the state, covering 2017-2022. The 2023 recipients for the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor being honored this year are:

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Officer David G. Ellingson
Officer Christopher R. Garcia
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Officer Dillon R. Rackley
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On March 31, 2023, a tornado struck the Apollo Theatre in Belvidere, causing the roof to collapse onto a crowd of people who were inside attending a concert. These Belvidere officers arrived on the scene and immediately joined in the search and rescue operation, pulling multiple patrons from the rubble.

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As Vacated Centralia Funeral Home Prepares for New Tenant, Owner Makes A Startling Find

Former funeral director surrendered his license after state regulators found deplorable conditions

By Beth Hundsdorfer *Capitol News Illinois*

In the basement of a Centralia funeral home in a dark hallway off the embalming room, tucked inside a nook behind two steel plates and a door, a visitor found three disembodied, neatly wrapped human legs, two of them marked with names and dated to the 1960s.

The discovery stunned property owner Cindy Hansen, who had been cleaning up at the site of the former Moran Queen-Boggs funeral home for weeks. After all, she'd seen her last tenant evicted, his funeral director license suspended for the home's filthy conditions – which included a dead rat in a stairwell.

But as the shock dissipated on what first appeared to be a grisly find, a more mundane explanation materialized – the legs were likely the result of amputations, stored away decades ago until their

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Death Notice:
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Full obituary to be posted here next week.

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Hanna Brady, 94, Formerly of Harvard, May 7
Fay Ellwanger, 79, Garden Prairie, May 12
Phyllis Huber, 86, Marengo, May 8
Orrin Kinney, 83, Harvard, May 7
Les Richter, 81, Belvidere, May 18
Shirley Shoemaker, 96, Genoa, May 5

Alice Munro, 92, Port Hope, Ontario, May 13
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**“Know-Nothing” Party
Was Built on Opposition
To Immigrants**

*Party Was Popular 175 Years Ago, and
Lincoln Hated It*

By Tom Emery

Immigration is a frontline issue in American politics today, but the debate is hardly new. One hundred and seventy-five years ago, anti-immigrant sentiment gave rise to a third major political party that Abraham Lincoln loathed.

The American Party, dubbed the “Know-Nothings,” was founded in 1849 in response to the influx of immigrants that flowed into the United States during the era. Though short-lived, the “Know-Nothings” managed to get a formidable foothold in Congress and state governments.

While the controversy rages over Latin Americans today, the concern in that period was over European immigrants, particularly from Germany and Ireland. Many were fleeing the horrific potato famine in Ireland, as well as a succession of failed German revolutions, particularly in 1848. In all, some 2.9 million immigrants landed in the U.S. from 1845-54.

The flood of immigrants clashed with changes in American socio-economic patterns, as industrial expansion boomed in the U.S., and competition for factory jobs spiked as rural Americans moved to the cities in search of opportunity. Another factor was the Great Awakening, a religious revival that ultimately pitted Protestants, the faith of many earlier Americans and immigrants, against the Catholicism that many of the 1840s immigrants observed.

The result was a rise in anti-immigrant feeling, especially among native-born American Protestants who feared the new immigrants would harm their political and economic stability.

From this discord came the Know-Nothings, which originated from many secret societies with nativist leanings. These secret groups argued that immigrants caused an array of social problems, including crime, overcrowding, and competition that drove down wages.

Protestants also worried that an increase in Catholics could cause a virtual takeover of the nation by the Vatican. Among those fearful of a Catholic conspiracy was Samuel Morse, inventor of the telegraph.

The secret societies pressured the major existing parties, the Democrats and Whigs, to only nominate American-born Protestants. The name “Know-Nothing” arose from the responses of society members, who simply said “I know nothing” when asked of their intent.

In Springfield, the *Illinois State Register* noted that clandestine image, writing in 1854 that “The Know-Nothings are suspected of being about, but no one knows anything of them or what they design.” Eventually, meeting houses for the party became known in Springfield, Quincy, and countless other cities and towns statewide.

Bolstered by the anti-immigrant fervor, the Know-Nothings became the fastest-growing political unit in the nation by the 1850s.

The Know-Nothings called themselves the party of the people, and officially became the “American Party” in 1855. By then, railroad fever was at its height, and rail companies often hired low-wage immigrants over American labor. A succession of economic downturns with high unemployment fanned the flames of anger toward immigrants.

The strength of the Know-Nothings was in the Northeast, which was more industrial than the rest of the nation, especially in Massachusetts. Many immigrants settled in large cities throughout that region.

However, the party enjoyed a startling success nationwide in the mid-1850s. The Know-Nothings captured over one hundred Congressional seats, eight governor’s races, control of six state legislatures, and mayoral elections in Chicago, Philadelphia, and Boston.

In Massachusetts—a traditional blue state today—the Know-Nothings collected two-thirds of the statewide vote. Races for governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, and attorney general went to Know-Nothings, as well as all 12 of the state’s Congressional seats, all 40 state senators, and all but three of Massachusetts’ 379 seats in the state’s House of Representatives.

Know-Nothing lawmakers, however, were ineffective in advancing nativist laws. The party was also fractured over slavery, and many supporters backed out when a pro-slavery resolution was introduced at the 1855 national convention.

The next year, the Know-Nothing platform declared that “Americans must rule America” and that the period of residency for naturalization should be extended to 21 years. The platform also stated that all state, federal, and municipal offices should be held by American-born citizens.

The Know-Nothings mounted a Presidential nominee in 1856 with former chief executive Millard Fillmore, who saw the campaign as a personal opportunity, and never fully embraced the party’s ideals. He managed to collect 22 percent of the popular vote, and carried the state of Maryland.

Many scholars believe the Know-Nothings were one of the most successful third parties in American history, but it did not last. Broken apart by slavery and disillusioned by its failure to advance its principles, the Know-Nothings virtually dissolved by 1857.

Many Northern Know-Nothings joined the new Republican Party, which proved to be a boon for Lincoln – one of the party’s biggest critics.

In 1982, Lincoln scholar Mark Neely wrote that “Lincoln despised Know-Nothing principles.” But even in the earliest days of the Republicans in the

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mid-1850s, Lincoln knew that the Know-Nothing vote was needed to defeat the Democrats, despite his disdain.

It may have caused a rift in his own home, as wife Mary Todd Lincoln had supported Fillmore in 1856, and several close Lincoln associates reportedly helped shape the party's Illinois platform.

Lincoln, however, may have earned the Republican Presidential nomination in 1860 because he was more acceptable to the Know-Nothing wing of the party than William Seward, a Know-Nothing opponent who had supported New York parochial schools.

In addition, Lincoln again realized that he needed their votes to win the Presidency in 1860 and, as a result, rarely blasted the Know-Nothings in public. Neely added that the difference between the Republican defeat of 1856 and Lincoln's win in 1860 was because of the addition of former Know-Nothings.

In the South, many former Know-Nothings ended up supporting another third-party, the Constitutional Union Party, which opposed Lincoln in the four-man 1860 campaign.

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owners died and they could be reunited and interred together, said Jay Boulanger, who has operated a funeral home in Highland for decades.

"In those days, hospitals didn't treat that as medical waste and cremation wasn't popular then, so they just embalmed them and held on to them. Sometimes, people don't get them, so they just stay," Boulanger said.

The discovery was made at the former funeral home operated by Hugh Moran in recent years, but he surrendered his license in March after state regulators found his facility in deplorable condition. But the hidden nature of the room and the fact that two of the legs were dated decades before Moran operated the facility indicate he was not involved in placing them there.

Moran vacated the building last month, and Hansen began scrubbing and filling two large dumpsters with trash. After weeks of work, Hansen was seeing

progress.

Two casket salesmen came to pick up a display last week and asked her for a tour of the historic home with ornate oak woodwork and stained-glass windows. The house was built by a cigar magnate in the late 1800s at the corner of South Elm and East Second streets in Centralia.

On the tour, one salesman kept returning to that steel door in the dark hallway just off the embalming room.

"Finally, he got a pair of pliers and turned the bolt to open it," Hansen said. "There was another plate, so he opened that, too. Then, he got to the door and looked in. He backed up and said, 'There's legs in there.'"

The three stood for a moment, then closed the door, returned the plates, and pondered what to do next.

"I was completely freaked out," Hansen said.

But her shock at the situation did not raise any immediate response. She called the Illinois State Police, who called the Marion County coroner, who advised her to lock up when she left on May 7 and they would get back to her. The legs remained at the funeral home as of Tuesday, but the coroner said he will be getting them soon, Hansen said.

In late February, three days after *Capitol News Illinois* sent questions to the department about an unanswered December 2023 complaint that the embalming room looked "like something from a scary, filthy, freak show," the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation inspected the building.

Inspectors didn't disturb the steel plates blocking the nook with the legs, but they did find that Moran had maintained the embalming room in "extremely unsanitary conditions," and he agreed to surrender his funeral director license permanently. Photographs of the room submitted with the complaint depicted a water leak, piles of dirty laundry and medical waste, along with the dead rodent.

The conditions at Moran's funeral home became public within months of a discovery that a Carlinville funeral home provided the wrong ashes to at least 80 families, spawning lawsuits and legislation.

Sen. Doris Turner, D-Springfield, introduced legislation called "Reestablishing Integrity in Death Care Act" after that discovery resulted in at least nine exhumations, including five from Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield. No criminal charges have been filed against the funeral director responsible for those remains, August Heinz.

Senate Bill 2643 codifies best practices already in place by most funeral homes, mandating that a unique identifier must be put on the deceased's body and any other associated human remains. Under the proposal, a director must also document the chain of custody for all bodies and human remains.

The bill also mandates that the state must respond to complaints within 10 days and gives authority to remedy the complaints, including inspecting the funeral home premises.

That bill is awaiting a vote in the House.

Clean-up at the former Moran-Boggs continues.

But the name on the sign outside will soon change. Funeral Director Vonda Rosado will take over and change the name to Maxon-Rosado Funeral Home, the same as her other funeral home in DuQuoin. She plans to hire a professional to clean the embalming room.

"We want to restore the history and integrity of this beautiful facility," she said.

Hundreds Of Bills Pass, Including Changes to State's Biometric Data Privacy Law

Other measures regulate garbage truck littering, allow yoga in schools

By Hannah Meisel, Cole Longcor & Alex Abedduto *Capitol News Illinois*

Lawmakers passed more than 200 bills this week ahead of their scheduled May 24 adjournment.

Many of the measures will soon head to Gov. JB Pritzker, including a bill that changes how damages accrue under Illinois' first-in-the-nation biometric data privacy law.

The Illinois House on Thursday approved Senate Bill 2979 with several Republicans joining supermajority Democrats in its passage. The Senate last month also OK'd the measure on a bipartisan vote.

The measure is a response to an Illinois Supreme Court ruling last year that "respectfully suggest(ed)" lawmakers clarify the state's Biometric Information Privacy Act. That ruling found fast food chain White Castle violated BIPA each time its employees used their fingerprints in the course of performing their jobs, as the company never obtained permission under the law.

In that case, White Castle estimated it would be on the hook for up to \$17 billion in penalties, as the law provides for \$1,000 in damages for each "negligent" violation or \$5,000 for each "reckless" or "intentional" violation.

However, White Castle last month settled the case for \$9.4 million.

"That's million with an 'M,'" House sponsor Rep. Ann Williams, D-Chicago, said during House floor debate on SB 2979 Thursday, adding that the White Castle case represented a "sky is falling" scenario that didn't end up coming true.

The legislation would change BIPA's violation accrual so that each initial collection of a fingerprint or other biometric data would amount to one violation, rather than a violation occurring for each individual scan. Employees might scan their fingerprints dozens of times per shift if they're unlocking doors or cabinets with those scans.

Illinois is the only state that grants residents the right to sue over businesses' improper collection and mishandling of biometric data – whether they are an employee or a customer. A business is in violation of BIPA if it doesn't have a storage policy in place, doesn't properly protect the data, or if it does not get consent from customers or employees for the data being collected.

Under SB 2979, businesses could get that consent via an electronic signature, which the bill defines as an "electronic sound, symbol, or process."

Business groups have been clamoring for changes to BIPA in recent years as upwards of 2,000 lawsuits have been filed under the law since roughly 2018, resulting in a few high-profile settlements – including a \$650 million class-action payout from Facebook in 2020. The social media giant paid more than 1 million Illinoisans roughly \$400 each.

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Alderman Marsha Freeman, Ward 5, asked what plans and effect a passenger train would have on parking and community events that use the area across from City Hall.

Anderson responded that that would be at the discretion of Belvidere to decide. He went on to say that in the past, a parking ramp was envisioned. He added that the Whitney Boulevard location has the greatest potential for parking of the three plans proposed by IDOT.

Freeman asked of Anderson if there would be two tracks, one incoming and one outgoing and, if so, how would that impact the area.

Anderson said that originally a second track was planned to begin near 5th Avenue, but now only a single track is planned, although some preliminary planning is being done for a second track north of the existing line. He also stated with the present platform plan, some modifications to West Pleasant Street would occur.

Alderman Matt Fleury, Ward 4, asked if the passenger train would block South State Street. Anderson said, that stopped trains would not block State Street, but would for short periods on South Main Street.

Mayor Clint Morris characterized this step as learning to crawl before we can walk, meaning that this is just a part of the planning process. It is not a final step. The Belvidere City Council showed little, if any, interest in the other two proposed downtown locations, and the motion to place the passenger rail station at Whitney Boulevard passed unanimously.

Medal of Honor from page 1

Chicago Police Department

- Officer Reynol Cuéllar De La Cruz
- Officer Maximo Mora
- Officer Julio Zavala

On October 7, 2023, these Chicago Police officers were riding together in a squad car, responding to a call of a “person shot” and a fleeing suspect

vehicle. As the officers’ squad car approached the suspect’s vehicle, the suspect swerved into the squad car, striking it head-on. All three officers suffered extensive injuries that required lengthy recoveries. Assisting officers were able to take all the suspects into custody and recover multiple firearms.

Illinois State Police

- Trooper Timothy W. Harper
- Sergeant Boguslaw H. Kramarz

On May 9, 2023, Trooper Harper stopped to assist a vehicle on Interstate 64 in Jefferson County. The two occupants falsely identified themselves multiple times and Sergeant Kramarz arrived as back-up. Officers determined the male suspect had an active warrant for a firearms offense, and the officers attempted to take him into custody. The suspect violently resisted the officers attempts before

producing a firearm and shooting Sergeant Kramarz in the head. Trooper Harper returned fire, ending the threat, and then rendered aid to Sergeant Kramarz.

Lake County Sheriff’s Office

Deputy Andrew T. Martini

On October 18, 2023, Lake County dispatch received a 9-1-1 call from a woman who stated her husband had attempted to kill himself with a knife and needed medical attention. Deputy Martini arrived on scene and attempted to provide medical aid to the injured suspect when the suspect suddenly grabbed a knife and attacked Deputy Martini. The Deputy retreated and began to direct the family to safety when the suspect advanced on them again. Deputy Martini fired at the suspect to stop the threat, and then provided aid to the man until paramedics arrived.



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Stephon Harris (Father), All whom it may concern

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Take notice that on APRIL 16th, 2024, a petition was filed under the JUVENILE COURT ACT by Atty. Tricia Smith, State's Attorney, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, in the Circuit Court of Boone County entitled "In the Interest of Willow Delgado, minor; and that in the County Courthouse in Belvidere, Illinois, at 1:30/2:30 P.M. central daylight time on 06/06/2024 & 07/18/2024; or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the Court under that Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH THE POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

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BOONE COUNTY

JOSEFA CALDERON, Plaintiff

-VS- CASE # 2024-DN-5

ERIKA ROSA ORGANDO, Defendant

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given to you, ERIKA R. ORGANDO, Defendant that this cause has been commenced against you in this Court asking for DIVORCE and other relief.

Unless you file your response or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Boone County, Boone County Courthouse, 601 N. Main St., Belvidere, Illinois, 61008 on or before the 17th day of JULY, 2024 a Judgment or other relief as prayed for by the Plaintiff may be granted.

Dated: 5/1/2024

Pamela Coduto

Clerk of the Circuit Court

17th Judicial Court

Boone County, Illinois

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the operating purposes of Boone County Fire Protection District No. 2 in the County of Boone, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2025 will be on file and available for public viewing during business hours

(8:00 AM - 5 PM) at the station at 1777 Henry Luckow Lane, Belvidere, IL.

Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday June 19th, 2024 at Boone County Fire Protection District at 1777 Henry Luckow Lane, Belvidere, IL. and that final hearing and action will be taken at that time.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2024

Brian Kunce, Fire Chief

Published in the Boone County Journal May 16, May 23, May 30 of 2024

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

-v.- 2023 FC 74

PAMELA J. BOHLMAN et al, Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 16, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on June 11, 2024, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT FIVE (5) IN FREDERICK W. CROSBY'S THIRD ADDITION TO BELVIDERE, AS PLATTED AND RECORDED IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 318 KISHWAUKEE ST, BELVIDERE, IL 61008 Property Index No. 05-26-406-018

The real estate is improved with a residence.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876
THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

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Attorney File No. 14-23-05937

Attorney ARDC No. 00468002

Case Number: 2023 FC 74

TJSC#: 44-111

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2024-2

**TENTATIVE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
OF THE BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #2
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING MAY 1, 2024, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2025**

On May 6th, 2024, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Boone County Fire Protection District # 2, Boone County, Illinois, the said Trustees adopted as a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the Boone County Fire Protection District #2 for the General Fund for the period May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025, the following:

GENERAL FUND

ANTICIPATED REVENUES AND RECEIPTS

Estimated Cash Balance on hand as of April 30, 2024

Checking Account & Capitol Reserve \$1,017,413.29

Anticipated Revenues and Receipts:

Property Taxes to be received in FY 2024-2025 \$ 1,147,900.00

Illinois Replacement Tax \$ 45,000.00

Interest Income \$ 5,000.00

Non Resident Billing \$ 65,000.00

Illinois Municipal League \$ 25,000.00

Grants \$ 2,530.00

Miscellaneous \$ 0.00

Total Anticipated Revenues and Receipts \$1,290,430.00

Total Cash Balance May 1, 2024 and Anticipated Revenues & Receipts \$2,307,843.29

Less Anticipated Expenditures May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025

\$1,260,250.00

\$1,047,593.29

Anticipated Cash Balance April 30, 2025

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION

The following amounts shall be tentatively budgeted and appropriated for the General Fund purposes of the Boone County Fire District #2 for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025.

BUDGETED

APPROPRIATED

A. Administration:

1. Insurance \$ 96,000.00 \$ 144,000.00

2. Office Operations \$ 48,850.00 \$ 73,275.00

3. Professional Fees \$ 11,200.00 \$ 16,800.00

4. Training \$ 32,500.00 \$ 48,750.00

5. Trustee Compensation \$ 2,000.00 \$ 3,000.00

6. Utilities \$ 15,650.00 \$ 23,475.00

7. Labor \$537,500.00 \$ 806,250.00

8. Miscellaneous/Contingency \$ 8,500.00 \$ 12,750.00

9. Unemployment Fund \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00

TOTAL ADMINISTRATION: \$752,200.00 \$ 1,128,300.00

B. Equipment

1. Repairs, Maintenance \$ 29,000.00 \$ 43,500.00

2. Firefighters' Equipment \$ 62,600.00 \$ 93,900.00

3. Other New Equipment Purchases \$ 84,200.00 \$ 126,300.00

TOTAL EQUIPMENT \$ 175,800.00 \$ 263,700.00

C. Station Expenses

1. Building and Grounds \$ 151,250.00 \$ 226,875.00

TOTAL STATION EXPENSES \$ 151,250.00 \$ 226,875.00

D. Apparatus Expense

1. Operation (Gas and Oil) \$ 30,000.00 \$ 45,000.00

2. Vehicle Maintenance \$ 91,000.00 \$ 296,500.00

TOTAL APPARATUS EXPENSE \$121,000.00 \$ 341,500.00

E. Capital Reserve

1. Apparatus Replacement \$ 60,000.00 \$ 90,000.00

2. Apparatus Upgrades \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00

3. Fire Station \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00

TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE EXPENSE \$ 60,000.00 \$ 90,000.00

RECAPITULATION

Total Administrative and Operating Expense \$ 752,200.00 \$ 1,128,300.00

Total Equipment Expense \$ 175,800.00 \$ 263,700.00

Total Station (Building) Expense \$ 151,250.00 \$ 226,875.00

Total Fire Apparatus Expense \$ 121,000.00 \$ 341,500.00

Capital Reserve Apparatus, Building \$ 60,000.00 \$ 90,000.00

TOTAL TENTATIVE BUDGET \$ 1,260,250.00

TOTAL TENTATIVE APPROPRIATION-GENERAL FUND \$ 2,050,375.00

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING

Plaintiff,

-v.- 23 FC 85

KEVIN M RIVERA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, CANDLEWICK LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 21, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on June 26, 2024, at the NLT Title L.L.C, 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT FORTY-EIGHT (48) AS DESIGNATED UPON THE PLAT OF CANDLEWICK LAKE, UNIT NO. 2, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PORTIONS OF SECTIONS 26 AND 27, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, THE PLAT OF WHICH SUBDIVISION IS RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NO. 71-2919 IN THE RECORDER OF DEEDS OFFICE IN BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS. Commonly known as 105 LIVERPOOL DRIVE SOUTHEAST, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065

Property Index No. 03-26-351-003

The real estate is improved with a single family residence with a two car garage.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certif-

icate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL, 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088.

THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION

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You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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Attorney File No. 23-16765IL_997769

Case Number: 23 FC 85

TJSC#: 44-398

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Case # 23 FC 85

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ORDINANCE NO. 2024-2

**TENTATIVE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
OF THE BOONE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #2
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING MAY 1, 2024, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2025**

On May 6th, 2024, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Boone County Fire Protection District # 2, Boone County, Illinois, the said Trustees adopted as a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the Boone County Fire Protection District #2 for the Ambulance Fund for the period May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025, the following:

AMBULANCE FUND

ANTICIPATED REVENUES AND RECEIPTS

Estimated Cash Balance on hand as of April 30, 2024

Checking Account & Capitol Reserve \$ 0.00

Anticipated Revenues and Receipts:

Property Taxes to be received in FY 2024-2025 \$ 1,900,000.00

Illinois Replacement Tax \$ 0.00

Interest Income \$ 10,000.00

Non Resident Billing \$ 300,000.00

Illinois Municipal League \$ 0.00

Grants \$ 0.00

Miscellaneous \$ 0.00

Total Anticipated Revenues and Receipts \$2,210,000.00

Total Cash Balance May 1, 2024 and Anticipated Revenues & Receipts \$2,210,000.00

Less Anticipated Expenditures May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025

\$2,203,150.00

\$ 6,850.00

Anticipated Cash Balance April 30, 2025

AMBULANCE FUND BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION

The following amounts shall be tentatively budgeted and appropriated for the General Fund purposes of the Boone County Fire District #2 for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025.

BUDGETED

APPROPRIATED

A. Administration:

1. Insurance \$ 96,000.00 \$ 144,000.00

2. Office Operations \$ 44,800.00 \$ 67,200.00

3. Professional Fees \$ 11,200.00 \$ 16,800.00

4. Training \$ 15,000.00 \$

NON-RECORD LIEN CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure heretofore entered by said Court in the above entitled cause, Duane Wirth, Sheriff of Boone County, Illinois will on Wednesday, the 26th day of June, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Main Entrance of the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash and all singular, the following described premises and real estate in said judgment mentioned, situated in the County and State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment to wit:

LOT SIX (6) IN BLOCK TWENTY ONE (21) OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF CAPRON, BEING A PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 45 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED ON JUNE 11, 1862 IN BOOK X OF DEEDS, PAGE 119, IN BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS. SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF BOONE AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 335 WEST GROVE STREET, CAPRON, IL 61012 PIN: 04-11-107-005

Together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

This property is commonly known as 335 WEST GROVE STREET, CAPRON, IL 61012, Boone County, Illinois, and is residential property. This property will not be open for inspection. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Terms of Sale: This real estate is being sold in an "As Is Condition" for cash and the successful bidder is required to deposit 10% of the bid amount at the time of the sale with the Boone County Sheriff and the balance to be paid within twenty-four hours of the sale.

FRANKS, GERKIN, PONITZ & GREELEY, P.C.
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 P. O. Box 5
 Marengo, Illinois 60152
 815-923-2107
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BELVIDERE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
 Notice is hereby given that the City of Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, Belvidere City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008 upon the following:

Application of the property owner, Tanner Industries, Inc., 735 Davisville Road, Southampton, PA 18966 for a map amendment (rezoning) on approximately 2 acres commonly known as 2211 Hawkey Drive and 2193 Hawkey Drive from the RH, Rural Holding District (pending annexation) to the PI, Planned Industrial District pursuant to the Belvidere Zoning Ordinance Section 150.903 Amendment to Official Zoning Map. The subject property is legally described as:

The East 132 feet of lot 12 of Belford Industrial Park, as Subdivision in part of the East Half (1/2) of Section 32 and the West Half (1/2) of Section 33, Township 44 North, Range 3 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Boone County, Illinois as recorded on April 10, 1974 in Book 12 of Plats on Page 30 and 31 as Document No. 74-738 in the Boone County Recorder's Office AND the West 135 feet of Lot 14 of the replat of Lot 14 of Belford Industrial Park, a Subdivision in part of the East Half (1/2) of Section 32 and West Half (1/2) of Section 33, Township 44 North, Range 3 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Boone County, Illinois as recorded December 23, 1974 as Document No. 74-2773 in the Boone County Recorder's Office, the above described property contains 2.023 acres, more or less, subject to all easements, agreements, county codes and/or ordinances of record, if any, all situated in the Township of Belvidere, the County of Boone and State of Illinois. PINs: 05-33-100-024 and 05-32-200-033

All persons interested in the petitions may attend and be heard at the stated time and place.

Carl Gnewuch, Chairman,
 Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission
 Published in *The Boone County Journal* May 23, 2024

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 Notice is hereby given that the City of Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, Belvidere City Hall, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008 upon the following:

Application of William Hupperich (Manhard Consulting, LTD), 1 Overlook Point, #290, Lincolnshire, IL 60069 on behalf of property owner, Wal-Mart Stores East, LP, 702 SW 8th Street Mailstop 0505, Bentonville, AR 72716 for a special use to amend the previously approved planned development (Ordinance 609H) in the HI, Heavy Industrial District in the Crosslink Business Park No. 2 Subdivision. The amendment will allow for the following additional departures: Section 150.105(C)(9)(G) (2)(B) reducing the required minimum street frontage from 40 feet to zero feet, Section 150.707(E)(1) allowing for the maximum luminaire height to be increased from 30 feet to 42 feet; Section 151.41.f.3 reducing the required frontage along a street from 40 feet to zero feet and 150.904 Special Use Review and Approval Procedures. The planned development amendments are being requested in order to allow security cameras to be placed on the light poles and to revise the photometrics plan to be more efficient. The reduced road frontage will allow for a landlocked parcel accessible by cross access easements. The subject property is legally described as:

Lots 1 and 2 as designated upon the Final Plat of Crosslink Business Park No. 2 Subdivision, being a subdivision of Part of the Northeast Quarter, Southeast Quarter and Southwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 44 North, Range 3, East of the Third Principal Meridian according to the Plat thereof recorded September 11, 2023 in Plat File Envelope 403-B of Plats as Document No. 2023R03635 in the Recorder's Office of Boone County, Illinois; situated in the County of Boone and State of Illinois. PINs: 05-34-400-013 and 05-34-326-005.

All persons interested in the petitions may attend and be heard at the stated time and place.

Carl Gnewuch, Chairman,
 Belvidere Planning and Zoning Commission
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Proposals for the MFT Thermoplastic Striping Project in Belvidere, Illinois will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois until 10:00 AM local time, on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, and will be publicly opened and read at that time.

Specifications and Proposal forms will be available in the office of the Director of Public Works, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Suite 200, Belvidere, Illinois 61008.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to waive any technicalities.
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Proposals for the MFT Street Overlay Project in Belvidere, Illinois will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, until 10:00 AM local time, on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, and will be publicly opened and read at that time.

Specifications and Proposal forms will be available in the office of the Director of Public Works, 401 Whitney Boulevard, Belvidere, Illinois 61008. Proposals will be issued only to those contractors who present their IDOT Eligibility Certificate.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to waive any technicalities.
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Notice

Flora Township will hold its Budget Hearing on June 18th at 6:00 pm. Budget is being held for a 30 day layover. Public Hearing and vote will be taken at that time.

Kenneth Freeman
 Flora TWP Supervisor
 Donald Banks Flora TWP Clerk
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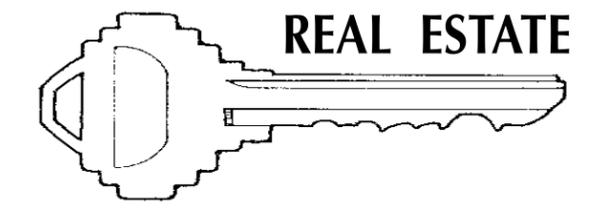
NOTICE

Belvidere Community Unit School District #100 is requesting bids for Copy Paper districtwide for the 2024-2025 school year.

All bids are due by 1:00 p.m., Monday, June 3, 2024. All bids must be submitted through SECURE BIDS. Link to CUSD 100 website with SECURE BIDS - <https://colbsecurebids.com/agency/bcusd100>.

Bid specifications may be obtained via the SECURE BIDS website, by email at Purchasing@District100.com or by phoning 815/544-0301.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids Jorge Herrera, Clerk
 Board of Education
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING Plaintiff, -v- 23 FC 85 KEVIN M RIVERA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, CANDLEWICK LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC. Defendant

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Commonly known as 105 LIVERPOOL DRIVE SOUTHEAST, POPLAR GROVE, IL 61065
 Property Index No. 03-26-351-003
 The real estate is improved with a single family residence with a two car garage.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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MCCALLA RAYMER LEIBERT PIERCE, LLC Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL, 60602. Tel No. (312) 346-9088.

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 Case Number: 23 FC 85
 TJSC#: 44-398

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HOME STATE BANK, Plaintiff,
 vs. Case No.: 2023 FC 59

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF) ERIC L. JOHNSON, DEBORAH JOHNSON, CYNTHIA SUTHERIN, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT IN HER CAPACITY AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ESTATE OF ERIC L. JOHNSON, JAMES JOHNSON, LANCE JOHNSON, TIMOTHY TISCHENDORF, DANIEL TISCHENDORF, WENDY BORSZOWSKI, MATTHEW SORENSON, JENNIFER SHERFIELD, JACLYN CHEEVER AKA JACLYN SHERFIELD, HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, if any, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD LIEN CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure herein entered, the Sheriff of Boone County, Belvidere, Illinois, or his deputy, will on Wednesday, the 26th day of June, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Main Entrance of the Boone County Courthouse, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder the property commonly known as 335 WEST GROVE STREET, CAPRON, IL 61012, Boone County, Illinois.

The property is residential property. This property will not be open for inspection.

Terms of Sale: This real estate is being sold in an "As Is Condition" for cash and the successful bidder is required to deposit 10% of the bid amount at the time of the sale with the Boone County Sheriff and the balance to be paid within twenty-four hours of the sale.

Dave Ernest
 Sheriff of Boone County
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,
 -v- 2023 FC 74
 PAMELA J. BOHLMAN et al, Defendant
 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 16, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 1:00 PM on June 11, 2024, at the NLT Title L.L.C., 530 S. State, Suite 201 (Logan Avenue entrance), Belvidere, IL, 61008, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 318 KISHWAUKEE ST, BELVIDERE, IL 61008
 Property Index No. 05-26-406-018

The real estate is improved with a residence.
 Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information.

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g) (1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876

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You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.tjsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

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 Case Number: 2023 FC 74
 TJSC#: 44-111

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF BOONE COUNTY ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

No. DBA4195 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a LAWN CARE business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of A CUT ABOVE LAWN CARE that its location is or will be 9633 BEAVER VALLEY RD, in Belvidere, in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 815-262-7978
 Daniel Joseph Hardt, 9633 Beaver Valley Road, Belvidere, Illinois 61008

I, Julie A. Bliss, County Clerk And Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do the hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: May 17, 2024

Julie A Bliss, County Clerk and Recorder
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STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF BOONE COUNTY ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION

No. DBA-4194 - The undersigned person(s) do hereby certify that a ECOMMERCE business is or is to be conducted or transacted under the name of THREAD START that its location is or will be 611 PEARL STREET APT 1 in Belvidere, in the County of Boone County, State of Illinois, and that the true or real name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting, or transacting the same with the post office address or address of said person(s) is shown below.

Phone Number: 815-988-9104
 Zachary Charles Lynde, 611 Pearl Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008
 Joshua David Lynde, 6234 Abington Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61109

I, Julie A. Bliss, County Clerk And Recorder of Boone County, in the State aforesaid, do the hereby certify that the within is a true and correct copy of an Assumed Name Certificate on file in my office. Dated: May 15, 2024

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The \$100,000 cap was set to expire this year, meaning there would be no cap in place if lawmakers take no action on the measure. So putting the cap in place – and allowing corporations to claim more operating losses – would increase revenue by \$526 million.

\$200 million – upping the tax on sportsbooks

Right now, Illinois sportsbooks – or those who take the bets, such as DraftKings, FanDuel and state casinos – pay a 15 percent tax on their net revenues. When sports betting became legal with the passage of a 2019 law, those revenues were earmarked to fund bond debt taken out to support the state's building infrastructure.

Pritzker has proposed hiking the tax rate to 35 percent, with everything beyond the previous rate going to the General Revenue Fund – or the state's main spending account. While sportsbooks have said they'd offer fewer profit boosts and other enticements to bettors if the measure passes, Pritzker emphasizes it's not those making the bets, but those taking them that will bear the brunt of the tax hike.

\$175 million – shifting some expenses to the Road Fund

Some labor unions and road builders oppose another facet of the plan – an accounting measure that moves some public transit spending to the Road Fund and frees up General Revenue Fund space.

The Road Fund would send \$175 million to the Public Transportation Fund – an expenditure that falls in line with the 2016 “lock box” amendment to the state's constitution that limits taxes collected on motor fuel as well as transportation-related fees to be used only on transportation-related projects.

As a result of that move, an extra \$175 million would remain in the General Revenue Fund.

While at first blush it appears to be an accounting trick, such a move faces opposition from certain labor unions – a powerful Democratic constituency that opposes the redirection of any dollar from road- and bridge-building.

\$101 million – cap on the “retailers discount”

Another proposal would generate \$101 million by capping Illinois' so-called “retailers discount.” Illinois retailers receive a discount of 1.75 percent of the sales tax they collect as reimbursement for their efforts to collect them. The governor's change would cap the amount claimed at \$1,000 per month.

Illinois Department of Revenue Director David Harris said in March the proposed cap would affect only “2 to 3 percent” of retailers – but would have a “significant” impact on the largest retailers.

The Illinois Retail Merchants Association – a powerful lobbying group in Springfield – opposes a reduction to the credit. During a House committee hearing this week, IRMA President Rob Karr said Illinois retailers do a lot of work to administer the tax – including reading food labels to determine ingredient makeup so they know which tax to apply on each specific item among several other bureaucratic requirements.

All that costs time and money to administer, Karr said, noting: “1.75% is a partial reimbursement for our costs of serving as the state sales tax collector.”

But negotiations continue on that plan. House Bill 5844, sponsored by Rep. Will Guzzardi, would increase the percentage of the discount to 2.5 percent but lower the cap to \$500 monthly.

\$118 million – other, less publicized proposals

The governor's revenue plan also contains a pair of less publicized – and likely less popular – proposals.

That includes a \$25 million redistribution of real estate tax revenues to GRF instead of the Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Fund, which funds parks and recreation projects.

Groups like the Illinois Association of Park

Districts have been maneuvering to block the move – and prevent such “fund sweeps” moving forward. House Bill 4502, which would prevent sweeps of OSLAD revenues, cleared the House 108-0 and awaits action in the Senate.

The final \$93 million leg of the governor's revenue plan pertains to individual taxpayers. It increases the state's standard deduction – an amount most taxpayers can claim against their taxable income – to \$2,550, up from \$2,425.

In the same vein as the corporate net operating loss cap – it's considered revenue-generating because the deduction was slated to increase to \$2,775 under statute, due to inflation. In other words, the governor wants the deduction to increase, but in a less generous fashion than it would have if lawmakers simply did nothing.

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Some business groups are still opposed to SB 2979 because it wouldn't be applied retroactively and doesn't specifically shield data centers from liability for storing biometric information on behalf of companies who may have violated BIPA.

Juvenile human trafficking victim records

Legislation that would allow human trafficking victims to have their juvenile disciplinary records expunged has now passed both chambers of the General Assembly.

House Bill 5465 would make it easier for former human trafficking victims to have those records sealed or expunged for offenses they were involved in while they were being trafficked. The bill is an expansion of a law passed last year that allows adults to have their criminal records pertaining to being trafficked sealed or expunged.

Read More: House GOP advances 2 human trafficking victim protection bills as others remain in limbo

The bill is part of a package of human trafficking-focused legislation House Republicans are pushing this year. House Bill 5467, which would remove the statute of limitations for a victim to press charges from being trafficked as a minor, is the only other bill to pass the House and is waiting to be assigned to a committee in the Senate.

Foster care regulations

The House passed two bills amending foster care policies this week.

House Bill 4781, known as the Kinship in Demand (KIND) Act, would allow the Department of Children and Family Services to use a “kin-first approach” to foster placement by considering placing children with relatives before other foster or guardian options.

Sponsor Rep. Marcus Evans, D-Chicago, said the bill would provide permanence to children, reduce instances of family separation and “make that disruptive process less traumatic.”

The bill unanimously passed the House Wednesday and is waiting to be assigned to a committee in the Senate.

Senate Bill 2824 passed the House unanimously this week after also clearing the Senate unanimously. The measure would allow foster children to attend school in their former district and not be charged with nonresident tuition if they were moved out of the district by DCFS as part of a safety plan.

Rep. C.D. Davidsmeyer, R-Jacksonville, said the aim of the bill is to allow DCFS to decide what is best for the child and to not force guardians to pay tuition to school districts for children to “stay in that stable environment.”

Homeowner landscaping rights

House Bill 5296, dubbed the Homeowners' Native Landscaping Act, would prohibit homeowners associations from restricting residents from planting native plants on their property.

Associations would still be able to mandate that properties be free from weeds, invasive species and trash. The homeowner would also need to keep the plants from growing onto common areas or neighboring properties.

Sen. Jil Tracy, R-Quincy, said the bill is “an intrusion on what a homeowner's association can do.” She said homeowners know what the association's rules are when they buy the property, and that any regulation would be best left up to local levels of government.

Last month's vote in the House was partisan but two Republicans – Minority Leader John Curran and Sen. Sue Rezin – voted in favor of the bill this week in the Senate. It passed 42-17 and needs only a signature from the governor to become law.

Garbage truck littering

Garbage trucks that lose trash because they are not properly covered could soon be fined after a bill unanimously advanced out of both chambers.

House Bill 4848 would create a specific violation for law enforcement to cite when garbage or other debris falls from a truck and litters highways. Each infraction would result in a \$150 ticket.

Sen. Donald DeWitte, R-St. Charles, said the legislation is an attempt to eliminate unsightly waste.

Mindful classrooms

A measure allowing educators to provide students with time for mindful stretching and movement during the school day cleared both chambers as well.

Nothing prevents schools from implementing these practices now, but Senate Bill 2872 codifies that educators may provide students with at least 20 minutes of relaxation activities, like yoga and meditation, each week. It would also allow them to partner with an outside institution to provide the activities.

During House debate, supporters of the bill said practicing soothing techniques, like breathing exercises and stretching, is essential for helping students manage their mental health – especially as students deal with leftover trauma from the COVID-19 pandemic's interruption of their education.

But those opposed expressed concern with potential programming interfering with classroom learning time and religious freedoms.

Rep. Blaine Wilhour, R-Beecher City, specifically cited a recent class-action lawsuit filed by former Chicago Public Schools students against the Chicago Board of Education. Students allege the board forced them to participate in a meditation program that students argued was actually a Hindu ritual that violated their religious beliefs.

The House sponsor, Rep. Laura Faver Dias, D-Grayslake, reiterated during debate that the bill is not a mandate and parents could air any concerns about specific programs with local school boards.

The bill cleared the Senate 36-19 in April and the House 71-40 this week along party lines.

Food grants

A pilot program that has given nearly \$2 million to local farms would be expanded into a permanent fund under a measure that received unanimous approval in the House.

Senate Bill 3077, which also got a unanimous vote in the Senate last month, would create a special fund for the Department of Agriculture to administer the Local Food Infrastructure Grant Program. In its pilot phase, the state awarded \$1.8 million to 19 local farms for a variety of projects, like building a meat processing center and a new kitchen.

Under the measure, the IDOA would be able to work with a partner nonprofit and grant money from the newly created Local Food Infrastructure Grant Fund to select small farms for things like food processing and cold storage. Grant amounts could range from \$1,000 to \$75,000 for an individual project and up to \$250,000 for a collaborative project.