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Remembering Our Veterans



Eddie Crouch of American Legion Post 79 played taps in memory of the veterans who had passed away in the past year. A bell was rang as the name of each deceased veteran was called out during a ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in Ravenna on Saturday afternoon. More Photos on Page 13.

Grand jury returns fifteen indictments

Fifteen indictments were returned by the Estill County Grand Jury on October 23. An indicted person is not guilty until proven so in a court of law. Those indicted include:

Joseph Lambert, 47, of Lamar Drive, Irvine, was named in a seven count indictment in connection with incidents on August 7.

Lambert was charged with fourth degree assault (domestic violence) no visible injury, first degree fleeing or evading police (on foot), resisting arrest, two counts of third degree assault of a police officer, third degree criminal mischief, and cultivating marijuana (5 plants or more).

The indictment states that Lambert intentionally caused injury to the inves-

tigating officer, Deputy Chris Coffey. He struck him on the top of the head and kicked him in the thigh.

The indictment adds that Lambert hit a vehicle and caused damage to it.

Fred Rogers, 41, of Sweet Lick Road, Irvine was indicted for receiving stolen property under \$10,000 and being a first degree persistent felony offender.

On March 28, the indictment says that Rogers had in his possession a stolen utility trailer from TC Energy which was valued at \$5,500.

According to the indictment, Rogers has been convicted of at least two prior felony offenses.

Sheriff Chris Flynn conducted the investigation.

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Man charged with trafficking following an overdose

Irvine Police arrested a man Thursday for trafficking in drugs after a woman overdosed.

Chief John Sturniolo said that Charles Hamilton, 42, of Main Street, was seen by witnesses leaving the scene of where a woman had overdosed. He left the female unattended and failed to render aid.

About 20 minutes later

at 4:30 p.m., Irvine officers went to an apartment at 108 Main Street to talk to Hamilton and Shelena Stone in reference to the overdose.

The police chief said in plain view from the front door were multiple syringes, two digital scales, and a glass meth pipe on a small table.

Officers were given permission to enter the

residence. The chief said when they started to enter the door, Hamilton attempted to throw a purple bag into the bathroom, but it landed at his feet.

The citation states that Hamilton stated the heroin in the bag was not his. A baggie of white powder and another baggie of brown powder were found in the bag.

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Estill Co. Covid-19 #s

Active -- 44

Recovered 317

Deaths -- 10

(As of 11/10/20)

Obituaries

William Bledsoe, 73

Daniel Martin, 65

James Townsend, 54

Allen Wiser, 66

Billy Wilcox, 88

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Estine Tipton, Mayor of Ravenna, resigns; council to select her successor in 30 days

by Cathy Dawes Tribune Staffwriter

Mayor Estine Tipton shocked members of the Ravenna council on Monday night by submitting a letter of resignation. The letter stated that after consulting with her family and doctors she felt like it was in her best interest as well as the best interest of the city to resign from her position.

Tipton recently underwent back surgery and has also been diagnosed with a heart and a lung condition.

The letter went on to say that even though she will miss working with the council and her position as Mayor she will continue to be an advocate for the city of Ravenna and will serve the city even after her term is over.

According to the Kentucky League of Cities' website when there is a vacancy of an elected official, the council will have 30 days after the resignation is official to fill that position.

If the council fails to appoint someone to finish the term, then the power will fall to the Governor of Kentucky to appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

In other news, Sherry Kraus, a long time resident of Ravenna spoke to the council about the blacktopping that had been completed on 5th, 7th, and 8th Streets.

Kraus said that she lives on 7th Street and that the current situation with the curbs and drainage system is going to

pose a huge problem for residents along those three streets when spring gets here.

She said she has been in contact with Rueben Turner who is the project manager for Hinkle and discussed the situation with him. She stated Turner told her that when they begin blacktopping on Elm and Poplar Street they have come up with an idea to keep the water from running into the residents' yards by digging a trench.

Councilwoman Tammy Howell said she felt like the problem on the three streets that had already been paved should be fixed before any of the other streets were paved. The council agreed and put off opening a sealed bid for the repaving of Daniel's Addition, 2nd Street, and 9th Street.

Resident Buford Powell said that the new blacktop in front of his home is flush with the curb and is causing major drainage issues. He added that his wife has health issues and is currently using a walker and would like to see the streets fixed as soon as possible because the water in his yard will prevent him from getting his wife in and out of the house safely once winter sets in.

The council approved the purchase of Christmas lights and decorations for the park. The money will be taken from the Van Huss account and they set a budget of \$5,000 to be spent on decorations.

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Ravenna Mayor Estine Tipton announced her retirement at Monday's Council meeting due to health reasons. She is almost halfway through a four year term. The person appointed as mayor will serve the remainder of Tipton's term. File Photo