

A possible ordinance that would make possessing small amounts of cannabis a city code violation will be postponed for some time.

At a special Jacksonville council meeting Tuesday, Police Chief Tony Grootens told city officials

Grootens, City Attorney Dan Beard and State's Attorney Chris Reif will continue their discussions, though it will probably take awhile before the matter will come before the council again.

After hearing this, council

Grootens said one item being discussed concerns offenders simply receiving a city ticket without being booked into jail.

"One of the other things is if you have multiple charges, and you charge one in city court and

There's all kinds of issues we have to take seriously and look at. We have to make sure we're doing it right.

The intention would be to have first-time offenders charged with a violation of the code if they are found to possess 2.5 ounces of marijuana or less receive a city code violation. Those offenders

# ISD/ISVI head leaving the state

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After more than three decades working with deaf and visually impaired students in Jacksonville, Marybeth Lauderdale is leaving.

Lauderdale, superintendent of both the Illinois School for the Deaf and the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired, will move to Pittsburgh as the director of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.

Her last day here will be July 31.

Hands down, it's the students that she will miss the most, she said.

As a MacMurray College worker 35 years ago, Lauderdale lived in a dorm at the Illinois School for the Deaf and worked on campus her junior and senior years.

When she became superintendent of both schools two years

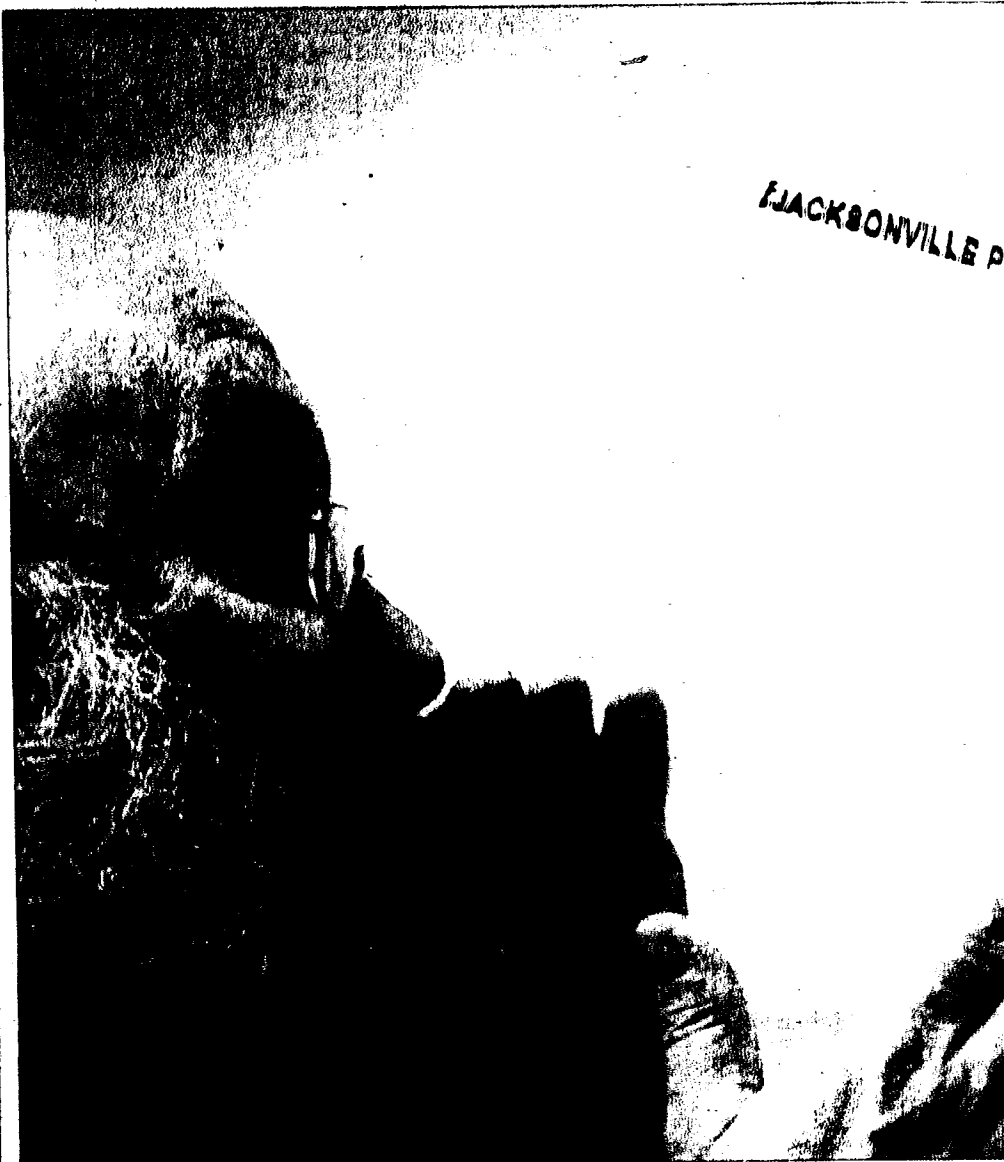
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# Bluffs School District hires superintendent

Blankenship begins July 1

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Bluffs School District's new superintendent plans to "hit the ground running" when he begins



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Company	Price	Change
Alcoa	31.25	+0.12
Amgen	42.12	+0.18
Boeing	68.75	+0.25
IBM	112.50	+0.50
Microsoft	27.12	+0.10
Oracle	21.50	+0.15
Twitter	14.25	+0.10
Facebook	30.75	+0.20
LinkedIn	12.50	+0.10
Twitter	14.25	+0.10
Zynga	28.20	+0.15

**NYSE most active**

Name	Volume	Last	Chg.
Bank of Am	241,635,443	8.11	+0.35
S&P500 ETF	123,800,135	135.70	+1.30
SPDR Fincl	63,143,669	11.50	+0.24
ISHVUS2K	60,300,404	78.65	+1.34
ISHEMIX	49,466,399	39.70	+0.53

Commodity	Price	Change
Crude Oil	92.50	+0.25
Natural Gas	3.15	+0.05
Gold	1200.00	+10.00
Silver	18.50	+0.10
Copper	3.50	+0.05
Platinum	1500.00	+20.00
Palladium	1200.00	+30.00
Iron Ore	60.00	+1.00
Wheat	5.50	+0.05
Corn	3.50	+0.02
Soybeans	11.00	+0.10
Soybean Meal	320.00	+5.00

**Grain futures**

Commodity	Open	High	Low	Settle	Change
WHEAT	5.50	5.55	5.45	5.50	+0.05
CORN	3.50	3.55	3.45	3.50	+0.02
SOYBEANS	11.00	11.10	10.90	11.00	+0.10
SOYBEAN MEAL	320.00	325.00	315.00	320.00	+5.00
SOYBEAN OIL	45.00	45.50	44.50	45.00	+0.50

**Livestock futures**

Commodity	Open	High	Low	Settle	Change
CATTLE	116.00	117.00	115.00	116.70	+0.50
HOGS	65.00	66.00	64.00	65.50	+0.50
PORK	117.00	118.00	116.00	117.50	+0.50
FEEDER CATTLE	155.00	156.00	153.00	153.60	+2.50
HOGS LEAN	150.00	151.00	149.00	150.20	+2.50

**STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST**

Company	Price	Change
ALTRIA GROUP	31.15	+0.10
AMEREN	33.65	+0.15
ADREN	58.70	+0.20
ARCELORMITTAL	48.24	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	35.47	+0.15
ARCELORMITTAL	54.68	+0.20
ARCELORMITTAL	68.64	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	17.18	+0.05
ARCELORMITTAL	75.74	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	24.68	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	25.04	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	46.25	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	77.00	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	12.18	+0.05
ARCELORMITTAL	0.53	+0.01
ARCELORMITTAL	84.48	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	72.45	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	20.00	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	52.67	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	50.39	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	198.93	+0.10
ARCELORMITTAL	27.51	+0.10

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**LAUDERDALE: Taking job as director of Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf**

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 ago, she wasn't sure if she could do it. But the stories of students at the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired — stories about how they felt like they didn't fit in or weren't getting the services they needed in their school district — were the same as those at Illinois School for the Deaf and she became inspired, she said.

She had a plan for the schools that included a director of instruction at each school, but that plan never came to fruition.

"I could have done this job so well the way it's designed if I'd had a director of instruction at each school," Lauderdale said, "but it didn't happen."

When she inquired about someone she thought she knew who was retiring from Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, the search agency asked if she wanted the position. She said no a couple times, but finally sent her resume and everything "just kind of happened," she said. "It fell into place."

"It feels sad," she said. "It's not what I expected to do, but it just seems like the timing is right, like it's something I should do. I think that things will change now for the better."

Interim administrators will be named for each school, said Annie Thompson, press secretary for the Office of the Governor. Following that, Gov. Pat Quinn will consider

ideas and conduct a formal search for superintendents.  
 Lauderdale is familiar with Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf; Illinois School for the Deaf students have competed against them the last several years and she attended a conference there a few years ago. It's a familiar environment that is significantly smaller than Illinois School for the Deaf, she said.

"It's kind of odd to be this old and starting over," she said, "but I'm not done with deaf education. Thirty-five years has gone by really fast. It's been a good ride — a little bumpy — but I've had all kinds of opportunities that I wouldn't give [up] for anything."

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**Senate defeats proposal to trim food stamp program**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Tuesday began plowing through 73 amendments to a \$500 billion bill that will set farm policy and fund the food stamp program over the next five years. One of its first votes was to reject a proposal to trim food stamp spending.

The farm bill, one of the last major pieces of legislation that could clear Congress before the election, carries out major changes to the federal safety net for farmers, replacing their direct payments, even when they don't plant crops, with greater emphasis on crop insurance and a new program to protect farmers from revenue losses.

The Senate is expected to vote on all the amendments and pass the bill by the end of the week. It then goes to the House, where it could run into resistance from fiscal conservatives. An early amendment in the Senate dealt with the price of the food stamp program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, which now totals \$80 billion a year, about 80 percent of the bill's spending. Food stamp rolls have doubled over the last eight years to 46 million people, driven by the recession.

The Democratic-led Senate defeated 56-43 a proposal by Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., that would have restored strict



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