Bill would legalize unpasteurized milk sales

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A bill filed for consideration would make it legal to sell unpasteurized cow's milk in Kentucky.

House Bill 86 is sponsored by Rep. T.J. Roberts, a Burlington Republican. The bill, if approved, would amend current law to prevent cities and counties from passing regulations or ordinances that prohibit the sale of unpasteurized milk.

Unpasteurized milk, also known as raw milk, has been in the news since November, when president-elect Donald Trump nominated Robert F. Kennedy Jr., to be Secretary of Health and Human Services. Kennedy is an advocate for unpasteurized milk, and is previously quoted as saying he only drinks raw milk.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention's website says raw milk

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maintenance. It was suggested that the city develop a snow ordinance to address those issues and to also address vehicles parking in the streets and property owners pushing driveway snow into the streets as private drives are plowed.

While the Commissioners agree that snowfall and temperatures this winter have been unusual, it makes sense to have such an ordinance in place for the future.

In another matter related to cold weather, the Commission meeting was conducted in a cold meeting room since wall heaters at the Morgan Community Center are currently inoperable. It was agreed that since the Community Center building is a designated "warming center" in the event of power outages in inclement weather, the faulty heaters need to be repaired or replaced. In other reports, following last month's meeting, the county's alcohol beverage control office has instructed the city to withdraw the alcoholic beverage sales license for Dollar General, located on the north end of the city limits near Trimble County High School. The alcohol sales permit had been granted to Dollar General when the store was located about a mile south on U.S. 421 and well within the city limits. However, Dollar General closed that location and relocated to a new building that sits right on the city limits as determined by a survey conducted while addressing annexation discrepancies. It has been determined that the Dollar General property is both in the city and in the county. The parking lot is within the city limits but the actual store is in the county so the actually sales area is not eligible for a Bedford alcohol sales license. The city has attempted to reach an agreement with the landlord and DG management to resolve the issue, but short of that taking place, Bedford must withdraw the alcohol sale license since alcoholic beverages cannot be sold in the unincorporated county. The next Bedford City Commission meeting is 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 18.

products made with raw rior to pasteurized milk," milk, can cause exposure to Salmonella, E. coli, Listeria, Brucella and Cryptosporidium.

'Some groups, such as children under age 5, adults over 65, pregnant (women) and people with weakened immune systems are at a higher risk of serious illness from those germs," the CDC website says.

nizations such as the Raw Milk Institute, argue unpasteurized milk has health benefits pasteurized milk does not, such as probiotics, naturally occurring vitamins and bacteria that reduces lactose intolerance.

however, says, "raw milk raw milk," Horton said.

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consumption, or eating is not nutritionally supedoes nothing to enhance the immune system or curb lactose intolerance, and says, "Children are typically more vulnerable than adults to the pathogens that can occur in raw milk."

Health officials in the Owensboro region say consuming raw milk is risky.

"We've seen this for Some people, and orgaa year, with legislation or attempts to roll back some of the milk safety laws," said Clay Horton, public health director for the Green River District Health Department. "We've seen that in other states as well.

"Pasteurized milk is The Food and Drug very safe; there are sig-Administration's website, nificant risks to drinking

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Bethel, public health officer for the Muhlenberg County Health Department said, "Based on my knowledge, there isn't any reliable scientific evidence to support any health benefits" to consuming raw milk.

"Unpasteurized milk, in my opinion, can present some serious health risks, and may cause illnesses," Bethel said.

Horton said of efforts to legalize the sale of

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James Mayse, 270-691inquirer.com



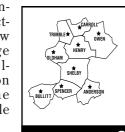


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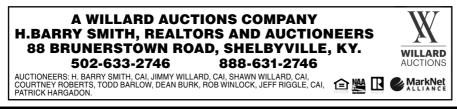
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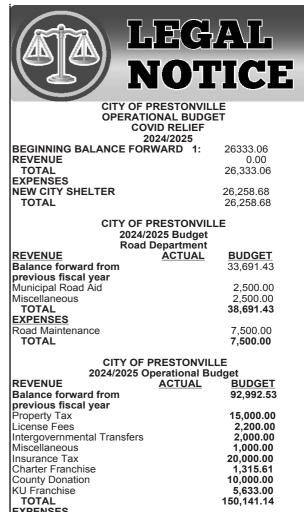
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