

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Feb. 24, 2019

Upcoming



Statewide Tornado Drill, 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 3. Missouri's annual Statewide Tornado Drill is part of Severe Weather Preparedness Week, March 2-6. Residents are encouraged to participate in the statewide tornado drill by taking cover in your designated tornado shelter at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3. This is an excellent opportunity to test your planning and readiness to be able to quickly seek appropriate shelter in case of a real severe weather emergency. Follow [Raymore Emergency Management on Facebook](#) and visit stormaware.mo.gov for more information on severe weather safety.

- **Spring Craft Show, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, March 7 at Raymore Activity Center, 1011 S. Madison St.** Shop from local crafters, artists and direct sales vendors at Raymore Parks & Recreation's second annual Spring Craft Show at the RAC. Contact Recreation Coordinator Corinne Daut for vendor inquiries at cdaut@raymore.com or 816-322-2791.



- **Annual Raymore Litter Cleanup, 8:30 a.m., Saturday, March 21 at Linear Park and Hawk Ridge Park.** Pick up litter and remove invasive Japanese bush honeysuckle from the stream at Linear Park or pick up litter around Johnston Lake at Hawk Ridge Park. Both groups will meet at 8:30 a.m. for coffee, donuts and information. Cleanup starts at 9 a.m. and hot dogs will be served at 11:30 a.m. after a successful cleanup! The event is

sponsored by South Grand River Watershed Alliance, Missouri Stream Teams, Missouri Department of Conservation and the City of Raymore. [Learn more and sign up online.](#)

Administration

- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey met with members of the Blue Springs planning department and students with the UMKC School of Urban Planning and Design. The meeting was to discuss Blue Springs' recent development of its Comprehensive Plan.

Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer became a member of the Rural Region A Incident Support Team as a public information officer. The designated team of representatives from emergency management, fire/rescue, emergency medical services, law enforcement and communications train to provide support in various roles during the first six to 12 hours of a major incident or event that would overwhelm local resources.

Development Services

- Director Jim Cadoret and City Planner Katie Jardieu participated in the monthly meeting of the Cass County Non-Profits.
- Will Nulton, representing Husch Blackwell LLP and property owner American Retirement Corporation, filed a request to reclassify the zoning of 5 acres located directly north of the [Foxwood Springs](#) development from "A" Agricultural District to "PUD" Planned Unit Development District. The 5 acres contains the maintenance building for Foxwood Springs. The rezoning of the 5 acres to PUD will match the existing zoning of Foxwood Springs. A Good Neighbor meeting will be held on March 11 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- John Velasquez filed a request for a variance to build a [privacy fence](#) at the lot line at 712 Meadow Lane. The Board of Adjustment will consider the request on March 11 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- Staff updated the City [Development Guide](#), created for developers, builders, contractors, property owners, and homeowners as a guide to the development process in the City.

Parks & Recreation

- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Daut and Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon met with representatives with the U.S. Special Olympics to discuss future programs and collaborations for community events.
- The food trucks are booked and ready to go for the upcoming Friday Food Fest on March 27.
- Over 40 vendors are slated to invade the Raymore Activity Center for the Spring Craft Show on March 7. [Learn more.](#)

- The South Metro Competitive Basketball tournament was held on Thursday Feb. 27 at the RAC. Teams from Raymore, Pleasant Hill and Harrisonville competed.
- Park maintenance staff painted the restrooms in the RAC, aerated and overseeded the soccer and baseball game fields and repaired the baseball portable pitching mounds.
- Park maintenance staff worked with Recreation Coordinator Corrine Daut to make giant yard games, such as Jenga, Yahtzee and cornhole, for the summer camps.
- The Parks and Recreation Board met in work session and held their regular monthly board meeting this week.

Police

- Allen Prodoehl was sworn in as a new Raymore Police Officer and began his field training.
- New Communications Officers April Sands, Dawson Farris and Riley Bridgers began employment and training in Dispatch.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Crime Commission Board meeting at KPMG in Kansas City.
- Communications Officers Amber Kuns, Jacob Keltner and Donna Spry attended Emergency Medical Dispatch training at the Cass County Sheriff's Office in Harrisonville.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with JC Beckner to discuss the future of the Chaplains Program.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended the PSAP Supervisors meeting at the Cass County Emergency Services Office in Harrisonville.
- Animal Control Officers Jamie Hasenyager and Bailey Romi, Capts. Roger Mayberry and Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Peculiar Chief Harry Gurin to discuss operational procedures for Peculiar animal services.
- Capt. Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman attended Marijuana Investigation training at Midwest Public Risk.
- Officers Matt Huff and Cole Williams attended the Heartland Tactical Officers Association Conference in Olathe.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Greater Kansas City Public Safety Credit Union meeting in Kansas City.



- Capt. Jim Wilson gave a presentation about personal safety and active shooters at Lilly's House Battered Women's Shelter in Adrian.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with South Metro Fire Chief Lee Stevens to discuss areas of mutual interest to both departments.
- Representatives from the Police Department, IT and Emergency Management met to discuss the placement of telephones and other equipment in the Communications/Command Vehicle.

Public Works

- Bids were received for the West Gate/Kentucky Road project and will be presented to the City Council in the near future.
- Public Works staff completed street repairs at various locations.
- Operations Worker I Isaac Jones passed his Class B CDL license test this week. Congratulations, Issac!

