

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Oct. 26, 2020

Happy retirement to Jeanie Woerner, Steve Donahoe and Boyd Fields! All of us at the City of Raymore extend our thanks for their combined 84 years of service to the City! Learn more about our retirees [here](#).



Upcoming

- **Annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off, 8 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Oct. 31 at Yeokum Center, 613 Mill Street, Belton.** Safely dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW), including items such as household cleaners, lawn and garden products, automotive fluids, paints and other chemical products. These flammable, toxic, corrosive or reactive items are labeled with danger, warning or caution. Participants must be a resident of a Regional HHW Collection participating community. [Visit our website](#) for additional details, restrictions and other important information to know.
- **Voting on Tuesday? Make a plan to be prepared for Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3.** Elections are administered through the Cass County Clerk's office, but City staff and the Raymore Police Department will provide assistance with traffic control and parking at each of Raymore's polling locations. Find your precinct and polling location and view helpful parking and traffic maps on our [website](#).
- **Chiefs Blood Drive, 1-6 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 18 at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle.** Blood donations save lives! Help us reach our goal to collect 35 units of lifesaving blood for area hospital patients. All presenting donors will receive a free Chiefs hat in the mail 4-5 weeks after the blood



drive. Make an appointment [online](#) or contact Communications Manager Melissa Harmer at mharmer@raymore.com or 816-892-3002.

Administration

- The City of Raymore participated in the Raymore Chamber of Commerce Halloween scavenger hunt with selfie stations at Centerview and the Raymore Activity Center.
- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey and Police Chief Jan Zimmerman, along with staff and elected officials from Belton and Cass County, met with Congresswoman Vicki Hartzler to discuss the proposed I-49 widening project, how the federal government might assist with funding or grant money and law enforcement issues in our communities.
- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey participated as a board member in the Finance Advisory Committee meeting with Midwest Public Risk. The meeting focused on the municipal insurance pool's annual audit.

City Clerk

- City Clerk Jeanie Woerner participated in the Missouri Municipal League's Board of Directors meeting via Zoom.
- Occupational license renewal notices were mailed to all Raymore businesses.

Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer and Parks Worker Gus Boos facilitated the free performance by the American Legion Band of Greater Kansas City Wind Ensemble at Hawk Ridge Park's amphitheater on Wednesday evening. The event was sponsored by the Raymore Arts Commission.
- The Raymore Arts Commission met in a special meeting on Wednesday and approved a temporary art installation for T.B. Hanna Station. A sculpture will be installed in the park in November and will remain on display until September 2022.



Development Services

- Building Official Jon Woerner participated in the Missouri Association of Building Codes Administrators fall seminar.

- Code Enforcement Officer Drayton Vogel participated in the American Association of Code Enforcement Officers virtual annual conference.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission cancelled its Nov. 3 meeting.
- GIS Coordinator Heather Eisenbarth assisted the Raymore-Peculiar School District administrative staff in acquiring housing data for each school facility boundary area within Raymore.
- A Good Neighbor meeting has been scheduled to discuss the preliminary plat for the [Park Side](#) Subdivision, proposed for 155 acres located west of North Madison Street and generally south of the future extension of 163rd Street, on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Centerview.
- Director Jim Cadoret participated in a webinar sponsored by the Mid-America Regional Council on "Understanding Shared Services."

Parks & Recreation

- The Parks and Recreation Board met this week in regular session. Topics of discussion included a review of the Adopt A Trail policy and the Student Internship Program. The Board also approved an upcoming Eagle Scout Project at the Memorial Park tennis court and thanked Parks Maintenance Worker Boyd Fields for 22 years of service.
- City staff said goodbye to long time employee Boyd Fields of the Parks Department after 22 years of service to the City.
- Parks and Recreation staff and Communications Manager Melissa Harmer met to discuss upcoming community events including the Veterans Celebration and the Mayor's Tree Lighting.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Recreation/Facilities Superintendent Jimmy Gibbs met with representatives of Cass County in preparation for election day at Centerview and the RAC.
- Recreation staff worked on the 2021 program and event calendar.
- Parks maintenance staff painted the parking lines in the overflow parking lot on Municipal Circle in preparation for Election Day. Staff also moved several tables to the RAC to be used for voting booth stations on Tuesday.
- Staff cleaned out several old vehicles in the maintenance fleet as new models were received this month.
- Park Maintenance Worker Gus Boos assisted Communications Manager Melissa Harmer on Wednesday as the American Legion Band of Greater Kansas City Wind Ensemble held a small concert at the Hawk Ridge Park amphitheater.

Police

- Raymore Animal Control worked with the Pet Resource Center of Kansas City and conducted a howlingly successful drive-thru vaccination clinic at Centerview. The Vets saw 207 pets and made home visit appointments for 20 more. Many residents commented how appreciative they are for this service.



- New Communications Officers Hillary Jennings and Lindsay Smith started their employment and training in the Raymore Communications Center. Congratulations and welcome!
- Congratulations to SRO Lance Goddard who was selected to fill a vacant detective position and to Officer Rebekah Burns who is our new school resource officer (SRO)!
- Capt. Jim Wilson and Detective Lance Goddard staffed the Raymore locations of the National Drug Take Back, where residents safely and securely disposed of nearly 370 pounds of medication.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman hosted a Zoom meeting of the Surviving Spouse and Family Endowment Board of Directors.
- Numerous department members participated in Election Day training via Zoom with Cass County Clerk Jeff Fletcher and Director of Elections Amber Larkey.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriffs conference call to discuss election planning in area jurisdictions.
- Capt. Jim Wilson met with students at Ray-Pec to discuss the Senior Drive Project.
- Congratulations to Detective Lance Goddard for his win at the Employee Relations Committee's Pumpkin Contest, which was a tribute to Eddie Van Halen!



Public Works

- Public Works staff received a draft of the 58 Highway/North Cass Parkway Traffic Study this week. It is currently being reviewed by Development Services and Engineering staff.
- Work has started on the North Foxridge Sidewalk project.
- Stormwater Specialist Lori Crandell participated in a webinar from Forester University, *Maintaining Environmental Compliance*.
- **Operations & Maintenance Division**
 - 32 City Hall Work Orders
 - 3 Driveway Approach Inspections
 - 10 Final ROW Inspections
 - 113 Line Locates
 - 61 Fire Hydrants Flushed
 - 2 Meter Conversions
 - 14 Potholes Patched
 - 2 Sewer Inspections
 - 20 Service Requests Completed
 - 1 Water Meter Radio Replacement
 - 40 Water Service Shut Offs
 - 4 Water Inspections
 - 1 Water Tap
 - Hooked up snow plow equipment
 - Winterized the water and sewer facilities
 - Had our first snow event
 - Repaired water meters
 - Patched potholes
 - Repaired a sink hole on Heritage
 - Unhooked plows and spreaders from trucks
 - Cleaned the trucks after the snow event
 - Made a list of ADA ramps that need replaced