

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Feb. 14, 2022

Upcoming

- **City Hall will be closed Monday, Feb. 21, in observance of Presidents' Day. Trash routes will run on the regular schedule with no delays.**
- **The Rink at T.B. Hanna Station closes for the season Feb. 20!** Open skate runs Friday from 4-7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1-7 p.m. Skate rentals are \$5 per person (cash only) and available in sizes toddler 8 to adult 14. Private rentals are also available. The last day to skate is Sunday, Feb. 20 before we begin removing the ice to prepare for spring! Learn more about The Rink at www.raymore.com/skate.



Administration

- Congratulations to Yajaira Reed Tellez (husband Nathan Reed is the City's benefits specialist), who took her U.S. Oath of Allegiance and became a U.S. citizen on Wednesday at the Charles Evans Whittaker U.S. Courthouse in Kansas City, MO!
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in a MO/KS Prima conference planning board meeting and members meeting.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in the KS Prima quarterly members meeting.



Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer met virtually with a representative from TextMyGov to set up the TextMyGov widget for the City's website. The program will be live next

week and will allow residents to report issues and get answers to questions 24/7 via text message.

Development Services

- The Board of Adjustment met Tuesday and approved the variance request from Sean Seibert to reduce the front setback requirement for [Oak Ridge Farms Lot 30](#).
- The Planning and Zoning Commission met Tuesday and recommended approval of the [Brookside Tenth - Replat of Tract Y](#) final plat.
- Economic Development Director David Gress was invited to participate in a meeting with the Cass County Landlord Association to discuss current projects within the City.
- Economic Development Director David Gress and Mayor Kris Turnbow attended the Monthly Board meeting of the Raymore Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber Board welcomed new Executive Director Melisa Ferrari to the organization!
- City Planner Dylan Eppert met with Dr. Bryan Pettengill to discuss future growth for the Raymore-Peculiar School District.
- Development Services and Public Works staff met with a developer and engineer on a potential new phase for the Madison Creek subdivision.

Parks & Recreation

- The Parks maintenance crew worked at Memorial Park cleaning out the stormwater creek that separates the east side and arboretum.
- Two new memorial benches are now in place along the trail at Recreation Park Pond. The benches are dedicated by the Parks and Recreation Department for two special families and longtime residents of Raymore, The Don Vehige Family and Walter Buck Family.
- The Rink at T.B. Hanna Station closes for the season Sunday, Feb. 20. Parks & Recreation staff will begin converting T.B. Hanna Station for summer in March.
- Centerview hosted the Tri-County Art League's February meeting, a dinner meeting hosted by Hope Haven and the Raymore Police Department finished their training in the Gilmore Room.
- Youth Volleyball registration deadline is today, Friday, Feb. 18. Log on to our website at www.raymore.com/parks for more information.
- The Hawk's Nest All-Inclusive Playground committee met to make final plans for the playground before the construction begins later this spring.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen met with representatives from CFS Engineering and SFS Architecture discussing the plaza area at Hawk Ridge Park.
- Park Maintenance crews assisted with the snow removal on Thursday and Friday.

- BINGO! The first session of our weekly Bingo game for the 50+ Program line-up started this week. More than 16 players signed up for this weekly Wednesday game that includes food, prizes and, of course, Bingo! Call the Parks & Recreation office at 816-322-2791 for more information.

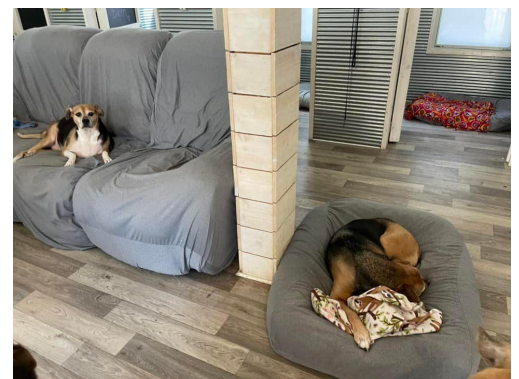
Police

- Officers Stephanie Hornbeck, Chris McGovern and Parker Pruettt attended Field Training Officer School this week at Peculiar City Hall. The course was offered by the Cass County Sheriff's Office Regional Training Academy.
- Several members of the Department participated in MILO training, the firearms simulator, at Centerview.
- Detective Sgt. Cory Miller and Capt. Jim Wilson met with members of the Cass County Career Center law enforcement class regarding patrol officers and an investigator's approach to a crime scene.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission Board Meeting via Zoom.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry participated in the Cass County Emergency Services Board meeting in Harrisonville.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Cass County Chiefs and Sheriff meeting at the Sheriff's Office in Harrisonville.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman hosted the Zoom meeting for the SAFE Advisory Board.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad met with Craig McMein, Director of the Public Safety Institute at the Blue River Metropolitan Community College, to discuss their Board of Advisors and the goals of their police academy in the future.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman and Guns N' Hoses Event Director Tami Holthus did a site visit at the Overland Park Chicken N' Pickle restaurant in preparation for the Boxer Appreciation Dinner in May.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry met with New Horizons for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at the Police Firing Range.



Animal Control

- Six cats were transported to the KC Pet Project for adoption.
- One dog was transported to Whispering Willows Senior Dog Sanctuary.
- Got mice? Adopt a barn cat! Barn cats earn their keep in your barns and outbuildings by



controlling your rodent population, reducing the need for mouse traps and saving you money on feed grain and spoilage/loss. Adopting a barn cat is free thanks to generous sponsors! Contact the Raymore Animal Shelter for more information at 816-892-3053. Learn more about sponsorship opportunities or make a tax-deductible donation at www.raymore.com/animalcontrol

Public Works

Engineering

- Engineering staff participated in a pre-application meeting for the last phase of the Madison Creek Subdivision
- Director Mike Krass and Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey attended a teams meeting with FHWA staff to discuss our RAISE grant application for I-49 widening.

Operations and Maintenance

- Crews made preparations for the snow event on Thursday. Snow shifts started on Wednesday night and continued until streets were clear of snow and ice. Thanks for everyone's patience as the crews dealt with a record setting snow event.