

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Oct. 21, 2024

Upcoming

- **Paws & Pumpkins 5K, 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 26 at Hawk Ridge Park.** Join us for a spooky-themed morning of fitness and furry fun. Dress yourself and your dog in a costume to be entered into our costume contest where winners will be announced after the race. Celebrate Halloween in style with your four-legged friends as we run, walk and wag our way through a festive 5K course. Registration includes race tracking, a t-shirt for you and a dog tag for your pup! [Click here to learn more.](#)



- **Drug Take Back Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 26 at the Raymore Police Department and Raymore Price Chopper.** Safely dispose of expired and unwanted prescription medications. Raymore police will collect tablets, capsules, patches and other solid forms of prescription drugs. Liquids (including intravenous solutions), syringes and other sharps and illegal drugs will not be accepted. [Click here for more details.](#)

- **Veterans Day Salute, 4 p.m., Monday, Nov. 11 at Centerview.** Join us in celebrating and thanking our veterans at this free event. This celebration will include dinner entertainment and our new Honor Wall display. [Click here to learn more](#) about the event and for information on how to honor a special veteran in your life.



- **The Raymore Police Department will be conducting neighborhood vehicle inspections at Creekmoor Clubhouse, 1112 E 163rd St., on Oct. 28 and 29, from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.** The inspections are required for neighborhood vehicles more than two years old to obtain a permit to drive them

on certain streets in Raymore. Information on neighborhood vehicle permits can be found [here](#).

- **Cass County Transportation Summit hosted by Cass County Workforce YOU, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 29 at Centerview.** The event focuses on expansion of transportation options in Cass County. The summit is free to attend, but please [click the link to register](#).
- **Electronics Recycling, 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Nov. 2 at City Hall's front parking lot.** Responsibly dispose of old electronics at this event. Many items are accepted for free. There is a fee for CRT monitors, CRT TVs, Projection TVs, LCD, LED and Plasma TVs. Visit www.raymore.com/ewaste for more information and a list of acceptable items.



CASS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT

JOIN THE CAUSE

OCT 29 2024
CENTERVIEW RAYMORE, MO
10 AM - 2 PM

RSVP HERE

Join us in supporting the expansion of transportation options in Cass County. The event is FREE, and lunch will be provided.

The event will feature three tracks focused on three issues:

- Track A: Commercial Transportation Training & Education
- Track B: Commercial Industry Employee Transportation
- Track C: Public Transportation

Hosted by Cass County Workforce YOU

City Clerk

- [Click here](#) to view the agenda for the Oct. 28 City Council meeting.

Communications

- The Raymore Arts Commission's two-year lease of the Against the Wind sculpture on the Eagle Glen Trail near Eagle Glen Elementary ended this week. Artists Terry and Joe Malesky of Stafford, Missouri, picked up the art on Wednesday. The Commission's rotating sculpture program will bring a new piece of temporary public art to the space next spring.
- Raymore Civic Leadership academy participants met for the final session of the five-week program on Thursday. Chief Jim Wilson and Finance Director Elisa Williams shared information on the Raymore Police Department and Finance



Department. The participants will be awarded certificates of completion at the Oct. 28 City Council meeting.

- Communications Director Melissa Harmer and Community Engagement Coordinator Alex Garcia recorded and turned in 30 pounds of plastic bags this week for the Raymore Recycling Challenge, bringing the total collected for the month to 54 pounds. Dry and clean plastic bags and soft plastics may be turned in at the lobbies of City Hall, Centerview and the Police Station. Learn more at www.raymore.com/recycle

Development Services

- Development Services Director David Gress, Assistant City Manager Ryan Murdock and Building Official Jon Woerner interviewed candidates to fill the City Planner position in the department.
- GIS Coordinator Thomas Ehlinger and Development Services Director David Gress reviewed updates to the City's street name and addressing policy.
- GIS Coordinator Thomas Ehlinger attended a meeting with other Cass County communities and the Mid-America Regional Council's 911 team to review the regional 911 addressing map.
- Development Services Director David Gress attended the [Raymore Chamber of Commerce](#) Annual Pumpkin Auction, hosted by [Foxwood Springs](#).
- GIS Coordinator Thomas Ehlinger, Public Works Director Trent Salsbury, and Development Services Director David Gress met with representatives from NearMap to demonstrate an AI mapping program.

Economic Development

- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended Workforce You meetings for the Strategic Communications focus area and the upcoming [Transportation Summit](#).
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea hosted a meeting for District 3 members of Missouri Economic Development Council (MEDC).
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea and Development Services Director David Gress attended the monthly Placer.ai check in meeting.
- Finance Director Elisa Williams, Development Services Director David Gress and Economic



Development Director Jordan Lea spoke with College American Government students at Raytown South High School about their departments and local government.

- Mayor Kris Turnbow, Development Services Director David Gress and Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the ribbon cutting celebration for Omar's Famous Popcorn! [Omar's Famous Popcorn](#) is located at 1284 W. Foxwood Drive (in Willowind). Stop in and check out their 20 different delicious flavors of popcorn.



Emergency Management

- Emergency Management Director Tim Baldwin attended the National Weather Service's Integrated Warning Team meeting in Kansas City.
- Emergency Management Director Tim Baldwin attended a winter weather forecasting meeting with several City staff members.
- The Raymore Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) met for its bi-monthly meeting. The topic for the evening was utility safety and included presentations by the safety representatives from Spire and Evergy.

Parks & Recreation

- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook held a South Metro Sports Group meeting to discuss the 2024–2025 youth recreational basketball season.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook met with part time staff to discuss the plan for storing athletic equipment in the storage space at the Raymore Activity Center.
- Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther met with Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon, Park Foreman Jeff Schmill and Park Maintenance employee Cody York to discuss the [Paws & Pumpkins 5k](#) scheduled for this Saturday at Hawk Ridge Park.
- Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther finalized details for an upcoming dance clinic that will be held this winter at the Raymore Activity Center. The clinic will be instructed by the Ray-Pec Prowlers.
- Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther put race packets together for the Paws and Pumpkins 5K.
- Park maintenance poured concrete pad at T.B. Hanna Station for an art sculpture.

- Park maintenance removed the bike rack from Hawk Ridge Park playground due to vandalism.
- Park maintenance repainted lines for the flag football and soccer fields at Recreation Park. This is the final weekend of the fall youth athletic season.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with contractors for a progress meeting on the landscaping project behind Centerview.

Police

- Command Staff attended the annual Kansas City Crime Commission Law Enforcement luncheon at the Marriott Hotel in Kansas City.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended the yearly MARC Addressing Update Meeting for the Cass County Communities at the Cass County Assessor's Office in Harrisonville.
- Officers participated with Trunk or Treat at Raymore Elementary, Creekmoor Elementary, Eagle Glen Elementary and Stonegate Elementary schools.
- Detective Sgt. Nate Rogers and School Resource Officer Stephanie Hornbeck will be collecting prescription drugs for the National Drug Take Back Day on Saturday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Price Chopper and the Police Department lobby.
- Chief Jim Wilson participated in the final session of the City of Raymore's Civic Leadership Academy.
- Animal Control Officer Caleb Waller will attend the Paws & Pumpkins 5K at Hawk Ridge Park Saturday morning.

Public Works

Engineering

- VF Anderson is continuing to install the trail along the east side of Ward Road. The surface asphalt was installed on Ward Road this week.
- Hettinger Excavation wrapped up the Washington Street waterline project this week and will begin restoration work next week.
- A pre-bid meeting was held for the debris removal project from the Public Works Operations and Maintenance facility.
- The 2024 Street Preservation project also wrapped up this week with the mill and overlay of Brompton Lane and Young Circle.

Public Works

Operations and Maintenance

- 21 City Hall Work Orders
- 4 Driveway Inspections
- 30 Final ROW Inspections
- 152 Locates
- 28 Service Requests
- 6 Sewer Inspections
- 2 Sidewalk Inspections
- 1 Curb Inspection
- 1 Water Inspection
- New Hire Training - Christian Ferrel
- MDNR Water Disinfection Class - Chantz Thomas, Bud Wilson and Guy Howard
- Flagger Certification training - Guy Howard
- Osha Competent Persons Excavation and Trench Safety training - Guy Howard
- Continued on hydrant flushing program
- Entered completed backflow tests into our system
- Mowed firing range
- Routine mowing throughout city
- Meter activations
- Ran camera on sewer line in Oak Ridge Farms and Point Lane subdivision
- Ran camera on sewer line at 1506 Horseshoe Dr.
- Responded to a sewer backup at 622 Pointe Lane and jetted multiple lines in the area
- Miscellaneous water and sewer service requests
- Customer service training
- Completed pothole patching throughout city
- Completed some street repairs on Falcon, Star and Mercury
- Pulled readings for water stations
- Lead Service Line Inventory for MDNR / EPA
- Replaced 5 Sidewalk panels
- AT&T Line Locates (2 separate crews in town)
- Comcast Line Locates
- Installed street signs and made ID Signs
- Curb Patching Service Requests
- Hydrant Flushing Program
- Roadside Mowing
- Equipment Maintenance
- Station Readings
- Hooked up, tested and serviced snow plows and spreaders on trucks
- MDNR Disinfections By Products Water Samples
- Water Turn Offs / Ons
- Clean out Valves at Gore Rd / N. Madison for Redford Construction
- Repaired Gate at Owen Good Pump Station
- Street Repair on Star Drive
- Sign Repairs
- Replaced Alternator and Belt on 388 Dump Truck
- Repaired Truck 225 Snow Plow