

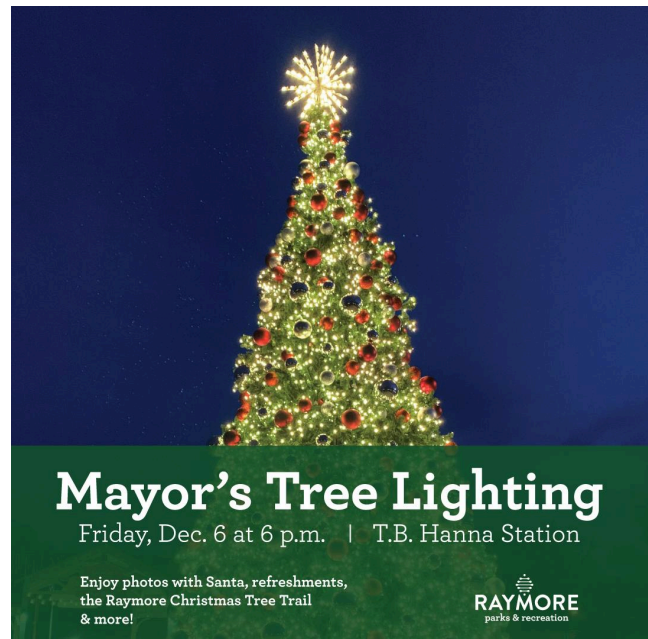
## WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Nov. 18, 2024

### Upcoming

- **City Hall will be closed Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29 for Thanksgiving.** Trash service will not run on Thanksgiving and will be delayed by one day for all Thursday and Friday Constable Sanitation customers Thanksgiving week.
- **Small Business Saturday, Nov. 30.** Shop small, shop local, shop Raymore! Join us in celebrating small business this holiday season. Whether you're shopping for gifts or treating yourself, remember that every purchase at a small business makes a difference. Support our local entrepreneurs who bring so much value to our community!
- **Holiday Sing Along, 3:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 2 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1111 W. Foxwood Dr.** Join the Raymore Arts Commission as we sing all your favorite Christmas carols! Raymore-Peculiar Choir Director Stephen Rew will lead all of the singers and we'll hear a few songs from the high school choir as well. Refreshments will be provided after the sing along, compliments of St. Paul's, at this free event.
- **Mayor's Tree Lighting, 6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 6 at T.B. Hanna Station, 214 S. Washington St.** Enjoy the Mayor's Tree Lighting and Raymore Christmas Tree Trail, refreshments and photos with Santa at this annual community event to kick off the holiday season.
- **Raymore Police are growing out their Santa beards for their annual Shop with a Cop fundraiser!** Learn more about Shop with a Cop and **how you can participate at [www.raymore.com/shop](http://www.raymore.com/shop)**

**RAYMORE**  
small business saturday



- **Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI):** Residents within the City of Raymore’s water district received letters this week about the EPA’s mandated Lead Service Line Inventory inspections. The City was required to send letters to every residence within our water district. If your home was built after 1989 or you’ve already completed your interior service line inspection, no further action is needed. Visit [www.raymore.com/serviceline](http://www.raymore.com/serviceline) for more information on this initiative.

### Administration

- On Monday, Mayor Kris Turnbow attended the second executive roundtable meeting of area leadership, a series of meetings that will take place over the next year. Their mission is to explore public/private opportunities to help organizations and residents of our area to divert materials from the landfill to sustainable waste reduction, reuse and recycling. This meeting focused on best practices by other municipalities to manage solid waste. Future meetings will address technological opportunities that can be used to reduce waste directed at landfills.

### City Clerk

- [Click here](#) to view the agenda for the Nov. 25 City Council meeting.
- Occupational license renewal notices have been mailed to 2024 license holders. Please visit our website for [occupational license renewal information](#) or contact City Clerk Erica Hill at 816-331-3324 or [cityclerk@raymore.com](mailto:cityclerk@raymore.com).

### Communications

- 26 units of blood were collected at the Badges & Boots Blood Drive Wednesday, impacting up to 78 KC area hospital patients! Thank you to all of the blood donors. Donors voted for the Raymore Police Department or South Metro Fire in a friendly battle for bragging rights, and Raymore Police won the votes this time! We look forward to continuing the friendly rivalry with South Metro Fire next year.



- Raymore Public Works snow plow operators have selected their snow plow names from more than 240 submissions. Be on the lookout for Plow Force One, The Yeti, Cousin Eddie, Fast & Flurrious, Taylor Drift, Snowsquatch, Edward Blizzardhands, Darth Blader and Patrick MaSnowmes during this winter season. Thank you to all for the wonderful community involvement in submitting very creative entries – it was hard to choose!

- Communications Director Melissa Harmer and Community Engagement Coordinator Alex Garcia worked on the content and design for the Winter/Spring issue of *The Review and Parks & Rec Program Guide*, scheduled to hit Raymore mailboxes in early January.

### **Development Services**

- Development Services Director David Gress participated in the regional Technical Forecast Committee meeting with other Cass County communities. The committee is responsible for reviewing residential growth and economic job growth projections for the Mid-America Regional Council forecast models.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission met on Tuesday, Nov. 19 to review a request to vacate a portion of right-of-way in the Original Town Neighborhood. The meeting and public hearing were continued to the next meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 3.

### **Economic Development**

- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the Workforce YOU Executive Committee meeting and the partners meeting.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended Wonderschool's Carepreneur Workshop in collaboration with Workforce YOU.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended United WE's Research Release webinar on Childcare Licensing in Missouri.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea met with Placer.ai.
- Mayor Kris Turnbow and Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the monthly Raymore Chamber of Commerce board meeting.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the monthly Marketing Advisory Committee meeting for the International Economic Development Council (IEDC).
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea and Human Resources Director Shawn Aulgur attended an Open House at Cass Career Center.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the Transit Funding 101 event hosted by Way To Go and Mid-America Regional Council.
- The Missouri Economic Development Council (MEDC) published a Community Profile on Raymore in the November edition of their monthly newsletter. [Click here to read the profile.](#)

### **Emergency Management**

- Emergency Management Director Tim Baldwin attended the International Association of Emergency Managers Conference in Colorado Springs, CO. Among the topics discussed in the breakout sessions were the National Weather Service, active shooter threats, emergency preparedness in local schools, mobilizing houses of worship in disaster recovery, shelter operations, stakeholder engagement, and more. Mr. Baldwin was also one of seven emergency managers from across the country invited to share a presentation during the conference's "EM Vision Talks" session.

### **Human Resources**

- Human Resources Director Shawn Aulgur participated in an oral board process for Police Officer.
- Human Resources Director Shawn Aulgur attended a webinar on Maternity, Paternity and Childcare Leave Policies.

### **Parks & Recreation**

- Park maintenance began winterizing water fountains and the restrooms at Memorial Park.
- Park maintenance began working on the area where the honor bricks will be located. People can still sign up for an honor brick by completing the paperwork linked [here](#). The honor bricks will be unveiled to the public in the summer of 2025.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook finalized game schedules for the upcoming youth basketball season.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook met with the Concessions Manager to prep the RAC concession stand for the upcoming basketball season.
- Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther, Park Foreman Jeff Schmill and Park Maintenance Worker Cody York mapped out the Christmas Tree Trail at T.B. Hanna Station.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon and Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther met with Chamber of Commerce Director Melisa Ferrari.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen served as one of five mentors and speed coaches during the Fall 2024 Emerging Leaders Academy on Wednesday, Nov. 20, through the University of Kansas Public Management Center.

- Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen attend a preconstruction meeting for the walking bridge replacements at Memorial Park and a weekly project meeting for the Centerview Detention Landscaping project.

## **Police**

- Chief Jim Wilson, Capt. Aly Abdelgawad and Capt. David Billings participated in a meeting with consultants brought on to assist with the CentralSquare transition project in Harrisonville, Missouri.
- Capt. Abdelgawad attended an informational Drone as First Responder training held by Flock Safety at Children's Mercy Park in Kansas.
- Members of the department interviewed one applicant for an open police officer position.
- The Communications Unit welcomed Elizabeth Campbell as the newest Communications Dispatcher.
- Dispatch Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart and Chief Wilson attended the Emergency Services Board Meeting at Stafford and Stafford in Harrisonville.
- Dispatch Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended a CentralSquare training session and the Cass County Dispatch Supervisors meeting at the Harrisonville Police Department.
- Chief Wilson met with Walmart management for evidence discussions.

## **Public Works**

- Congratulations to Grahm Kobel and his wife Liz on the birth of their first child, Harper!
- Congratulations to Bud Wilson for getting his Water Distribution System II Certification!
- The sidewalk replacement project continues to progress throughout town. They will start work in the Shadowood neighborhood next week.
- VF Anderson is continuing to work on the grading for the final phase of Sunset Lane.
- 163rd Street will be open to traffic in the next couple of weeks, pending the weather. The contractor is working to complete waterline work and electrical work before opening the street to traffic.



## **Public Works**

### **Operations and Maintenance**

- 39 City Hall Work Orders
- 138 Locates
- 24 Service Requests
- 5 Driveway Inspections
- 2 Sidewalk Inspections
- 5 Curb Inspections
- 2 Water Taps
- 8 Water Inspections
- Line locate machine training
- GIS Training on locate machine
- Calibrated new 388 dump truck spreader and pre-wet system
- Radio Installation on new 388 Dump Truck
- Prep for new backhoe arrival / cleaned old backhoe
- Repaired a water main break at 1423 Young Circle
- Winterized stations
- Performed lead service line inventory (LSLI) inspections
- Replaced both 5-head traffic signal back plates at Westgate and 58 Highway
- Sign repairs
- Street sweeping / Leaf clean up city wide
- Sidewalk repair on Kodiak
- Mowed Recreation Park ditches
- Performed winter meter lid inspections
- Entered completed backflow tests into our system
- Meter activations
- Miscellaneous water and sewer service requests
- Customer service training
- AT&T line locates (2 separate crews in town)
- Comcast line locates
- Installed street signs and made ID signs
- Performed routine equipment maintenance
- Station readings
- Hooked up, tested and serviced snow plows and spreaders on trucks