

Weekly Report



Week of Jan. 9, 2017

Upcoming

- Are you interested in leading our City? Candidate filings for the Raymore City Council are now open for the spring Municipal Election.

The General Municipal election for the City of Raymore will be held April 4. Filing for this election will continue through Jan. 17. Interested candidates must file at City Clerk's office at City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle.

A \$20 filing fee is required at the time the candidate declares candidacy. One seat in each of the four (4) wards will be open to serve a two-year term. One seat in ward one (1) will be open to serve a one-year, unexpired term. To learn more, visit www.Raymore.com/CityClerk.

Current filings (in order) to date are as follows:

Ward 1: Reginald Townsend (one-year unexpired term)
*Ward 1: John Seimears** (one-year unexpired term)*
Ward 1: Kevin Kellogg (two-year term)*
Ward 1: Peter J. Schultz (two-year term)
*Ward 2: Joseph Burke, III**
Ward 2: Ronnie Brightwell
*Ward 3: Kevin Barber**
Ward 4: John Berendzen
Ward 4: Roland Scanlan
Ward 4: Melodie Armstrong

**incumbent City Council Member*

***appointed Council Member*



Administration

- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, Police Chief Jan Zimmerman, Lt. Aly Abdelgawad, Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock, Public Works Director Mike Krass and Communications Manager Mike Ekey met to review the City's response to the forecasted winter weather this weekend. To learn more about the City's snow and ice control plans, visit www.Raymore.com/Snow.

Community Development

- Staff welcomed David Gress as the new associate planner. Gress is a recent graduate of the Urban Planning and Design Program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. You can read more about [Gress on our website](#).
- Staff prepared notification to the owners of six undeveloped lots that met the threshold requirement for sidewalk to be installed in order to create a continuous sidewalk network. Affected property owners will have until September 1, 2017 to secure a building permit to construct a home or install the sidewalk.
- Cooper Land Development filed a request for approval of [Westbrook at Creekmoor Twelfth Plat](#), a 33 lot single family development to be constructed along Creekmoor Drive. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider the plat at its Feb. 7 meeting.



Parks & Recreation

- Director Nathan Musteen and Recreation Superintendent John McLain met with Raymore-Peculiar School Assistant Superintendent Bryan Pettentill and Maintenance Supervisor Scott Dobson to discuss Memorial Park and Raymore Elementary improvement projects.
- The Parks & Recreation Board held a work session on Tuesday, Jan. 10, to discuss the Raymore Cemetery.
- Recreation Coordinator Jerri Keith sent sponsorship letters to former sponsors of programs and events.
- Recreation Staff met with the 2016 Summer Camp director. Topics included revisions to the parent handbook and summer camp operations manual.
- Recreation Coordinator Jerri Keith started lining up staff for the Spring Break Comic Craze Camp. Learn more about the camp at www.Raymore.com/Parks.
- Recreation Coordinator Mike Hedrick distributed youth basketball team uniforms and made preparations for league games beginning on Saturday, Jan. 14.
- Park maintenance staff worked on the remodeling project in the parks maintenance shop break room.
- Parks Director Nathan Musteen, Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Parks Maintenance Worker Jake Powers attended the Shadetree Conference in Topeka, Kansas.

Police

- Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock and Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Council Strategic Planning meeting at the Platte County Resource Center. The discussion focused on future initiatives in training, exercise and resource sharing for the affected jurisdictions and disciplines within the Mid America Regional Council area.
- Detective Don Shepard attended Metro Squad Homicide Investigation training at the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department Training Academy. The certification of Detective Shepard will provide tremendous benefits to Raymore investigations and allow for him to be utilized in the event of a Metro Squad activation.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in Computer Voice Stress Analysis training in Orlando, Florida. Capt. Wilson is one of two department members who are certified in this technique of truth verification, utilized in pre-employment examinations and investigations.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry participated in the Missouri Department of Transportation's Safety Traffic Enforcement Program grant application meeting at the Kansas City Police Department's South Patrol Division to discuss awards for the next fiscal year.
- Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock participated and Chief Jan Zimmerman served as the Co-chair of the Metropolitan Emergency Management Committee at the Mid America Regional Council.
- Officer Nick Hill participated in tactical team training at the Cass County Sheriff's Office in Harrisonville.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in an emergency management exercise scenario planning workshop at the Mid-America Regional Council.
- Communications Officers Britany Wilson and Rachel Lloyd participated in Emergency Medical Dispatch certification training at the Police Department.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry attended the Safety Traffic Enforcement Program grant meeting in Harrisonville.
- Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock and Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Raymore Peculiar School Safety Task Force meeting at the Administration Building in Peculiar.

Public Works

- Crews mobilized in response to the winter weather. Crews spent Thursday and Friday ahead of the ice storm pre-treating streets. Public Works Director Mike Krass worked with Communications Manager Mike Ekey to ensure the public was aware of the City's efforts and published updates throughout the duration of the storm.