

Weekly Report



Week of Jan. 16, 2017

Administration

- Communications Manager Mike Ekey met with the Pleasant Hill assistant city manager and parks and recreation supervisor to discuss partnering in the East Metro Municipal Challenge. The EMMC brings local government employees from Eastern Jackson and Cass counties together to compete in a variety of sports and athletics events. It is an opportunity to meet with other government employees from other Cities. This is the second year Raymore employees have participated.

City Clerk

- The General Municipal election for the City of Raymore will be held April 4. Filing for this election ended on Jan. 17.

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 1: Joseph Wells (two-year term)

*Ward 2: Joseph W. Burke, III**

Ward 2: Ronnie Brightwell

*Ward 3: Kevin Barber**

Ward 4: John P. Berendzen

Ward 4: Roland E. Scanlan

Ward 4: Melodie Armstrong

Ward 4: Bryan Harris

**incumbent City Council Member*

***appointed Council Member*



- City Clerk Jeanie Woerner participated in a webinar on building trust provided by Mike Mowery of Strategic Government Resources.
- City Clerk Jeanie Woerner delivered the ordinance calling for the April 4 Municipal Election and ballots to the Cass County Clerk.

Community Development

- Sean Siebert filed an application to [reclassify the zoning](#) of 9.29 acres of property known as Heritage Hills Lots 136 thru 157 from “R-1” Single Family Residential District to “R-2” Two-Family Residential District. The property is located between Pine Street and Foxwood Drive, east of North Madison Street. A “Good Neighbor” informational meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Jan. 25 in the City Council Chambers.
- Associate Planner David Gress commenced work on the Community for All Ages plan for the City. Completion of a comprehensive plan of action is the next step in the initiative to make the city a community where individuals of all ages will want to live, work and play.

Parks & Recreation

- Park Staff and the Missouri Department of Conservation Fisheries Division stocked Johnston Lake at Hawk Ridge Park with 1,340 trout as part of the new Community Assistance Program. You can read more about the [project and future improvements on our website](#).
- Parks & Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with Confluence and SFS Architecture to review the presentation of the Hawk Ridge Park Improvements projects funded through the annual capital improvement program and 2016 G.O. Bond funds. The presentation is scheduled to be presented to the Council and Park Board on January 30th.
- The Mayor's Christmas Tree at T.B. Hanna Station has been taken down and stored for the year.
- Park Superintendent Steve Rulo attended the South Grand Watershed River Alliance meeting on Jan. 18.
- Recreation Coordinator Michael Hedrick attended the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association's Regional Meeting in Liberty, MO.
- Recreation Coordinator Jerri Keith booked the band “Interstate 49” for the upcoming Friday Food Fest event on March 31.
- Recreation Coordinator Michael Hedrick prepared for the opening day of the youth basketball season scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 21. This is a rescheduled date due to an inclement weather cancellation last week.



Police

- Numerous department members participated with the Cass County Tactical Team in the execution of a search warrant on South Adams in Shadowood.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Arson Task Force meeting at the Cass County Prosecutor's office in Harrisonville.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Kansas City Police Department's Narcotics Division members to discuss drug trends and changing enforcement protocols.
- Officers Nick Hill and Travis Jobes participated in Tactical Team training at the Cass County Sheriff's Office in Harrisonville.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Cass County Child Abuse Response Team case review process and separate steering committee meeting at the Prosecutor's Office in Harrisonville.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the annual Spouse and Family Endowment Fund Board meeting at the Greater Kansas City Crime Commission office.

Public Works

- The Public Works street crew completed pothole patching throughout the city.
- Engineering staff met to finalize the 2017 Street Preservation Project. This project analyzes all of the roadways and streets in the city and allows engineers to determine their level of disrepair. Those roadway graded as needing repair, will be included in the first round of road improvements this coming summer.
- Water utility staff worked on water meter conversions throughout the city.
- General cleanup and repairs were made to snow removal equipment.