

WEEKLY REPORT

week of aug. 28, 2017

Upcoming

- Want to learn more about what it takes to keep our community safe?

Join the Raymore Police Department at the fall **Citizen's Police Academy**. This eight-week class (**6:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 13 - Nov. 1**) will teach residents all about the department and give an in-depth look into the day-to-day operations of officers and detectives.



[For more information, visit our website](#) or contact Officer Lance Goddard at 816-892-3041 or LGoddard@Raymore.com.

- Looking for a fun, creative evening out?

Join the Raymore Arts Commission for its first **Paint & Sip Party on the patio at Centerview**.

Bring your favorite libation and paint your own creative masterpiece on **Thursday, Sept. 28 from 7-9 p.m.**



The class will be led by artist Marilee from [Moscatto's Masterpiece](#). Her engaging and entertaining class shows how people who have never even touched a paintbrush can create an incredible work of art.

The class is limited to 30 participants. Sign up early as it will fill up fast. To register, contact Communications Director Mike Ekey at 816-892-3109 or at MEkey@Raymore.com. Registration is \$15 for one seat or \$25 for two. Must be 21 to register. Refreshments will be provided.

Administration

- City Manager Jim Feuerborn conducted employee forums to provide details to the members about the proposed budget, which included but was not limited to; salary, benefits, personnel changes and capital projects.
- The Communications Department officially launched the new City branding and marketing initiative. This process represents nearly nine months of research, community forums and City Council deliberation before we selected our new look. [To read more about the process and how it reflects our community, visit our website.](#)
- Communications Director Mike Ekey, Communications Specialist Melissa Mcghee and members of the Raymore Arts Commission held their final check-in with artist Chet Redmon before he being final preparations for the new sculpture at the corner of 58 Highway and Dean Avenue. To read more about the Commission and their efforts to bring more works of art to Raymore, visit www.Raymore.com/Arts.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with representatives from Holmes Murphy at Centerview to discuss the upcoming renewal of the employee benefit packages.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur assisted with interviews of candidates for the vacant Recreation Coordinator position.
- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, Public Works Director Mike Krass and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with several Raymore residents to discuss recent incidents of flooding in the community.



Community Development

- Building Inspector Ty Erickson attended the 2017 Annual Conference of the Missouri Association of Code Enforcement at Lake Ozark.
- The Planning & Zoning Commission cancelled its Sept. 5 meeting. The next meeting will be held on Sept. 19.
- Staff filed special assessments with the Cass County Collector on properties wherein the City abated a property maintenance code violation but the invoice remains unpaid.
- Raymore achieved Silver Level recognition under the Solsmart program, a national program recognizing communities that are "open for solar business". Raymore is one of only 58 communities in the Country that have received recognition. Staff continues efforts to achieve Gold level recognition.



Finance

- The Capital Improvement Committee met on Monday, Aug. 28, to discuss the status of capital improvements and ongoing projects currently funded in the 2017 fiscal year.
- Staff posted a request for proposals for Memorial Park Improvements rebid.
- Staff opened and reviewed bid proposals for 155th Street Reconstruction training Project.
- Staff opened and reviewed bid proposals for Municipal Circle Lighting Project.

Parks & Recreation

- Recreation staff held coaches meetings this week for the baseball/softball and girls volleyball leagues.
- Recreation staff worked on player placement, sponsorships and uniform orders for the fall sports leagues.
- Recreation Superintendent John McLain and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with Midwest Sports Productions (MSP) to tour the Recreation Park baseball/softball complex and discuss future tournament rentals. MSP is a regional competitive baseball/softball tournament provider. Upon conclusion of the tour, they reserved the complex at Recreation Park this fall for two girls fastpitch tournaments and one boys baseball tournament.
- Park Staff added field drying agent to the baseball fields in preparation for the fall baseball/softball season.
- Staff cleaned and weeded the butterfly gardens at T.B. Hanna Station.
- Administrative Staff and Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur assisted with interviews of candidates for the vacant Recreation Coordinator position.
- Parks & Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo attended the Raymore Activity Center construction progress meeting.



Police

- Capts. Jim Wilson and Roger Mayberry and Lt. Aly Abdelgawad conducted testing and interviews for police officer candidates throughout the week.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Greater Kansas City Public Safety Credit Union Board Meeting in Kansas City.
- Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams attended training at the South Metro Fire District station for their new computer software program with CAD integration.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad, Capt. Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman attended POST-certified training "Homicide in America" by nationally recognized expert Phil Chalmers, sponsored by Midwest Public Risk at the Blue River Academy.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock participated in a meeting of the MARC Integrated Warning Team, which included a discuss recent severe weather events and a tour of Channel 4.
- Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams and Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the PSAP Managers Committee meeting at the Cass County Emergency Services Board office in Harrisonville.
- Representatives from the Missouri State Highway Patrol conducted a mock audit of procedures in the Communications Unit.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock conducted the regular meeting of the Cass County Community Emergency Response Team volunteer group at City Hall.

Public Works

- Public Works Director Mike Krass, Assistant Director Steve Welch and Administrative Assistant Melissa Paithe attended the National American Public Works Association conference and received recognition for becoming the 127th agency accredited. Raymore's Public Works Department became the eighth agency in the state to receive such a designation. To read more about this award and what it means for Raymore, [visit our website](#).
- Bids were received for the 155th Street Reconstruction Project.

