

# **WEEKLY REPORT**

week of oct. 9, 2017

# **Upcoming**

 Do you have questions about our community? Are you interested in learning more about the budget, parks projects or how the City is planning for the future? Your Ward 4 Council members want to hear from you!

Council members Sonja Abdelgawad and John Berendzen are hosting a public town hall where you can ask



questions and hear about all the great new projects coming to Raymore. You are invited to the **Ward 4 Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Centerview**. Contact Communication Director <u>Mike Ekey</u> for more information at 816-892-3109.

## Administration

- Insurance open enrollment meetings were conducted throughout the day on Monday.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in a workshop by Ogletree Deakins on "Managing a Workforce in 2018" at the Overland Park Convention Center.
- Flu shots were provided to city employees who were interested.

# **Communications**

- The Communications Department oversaw
  the initial installation of the newest City
  sculpture at the corner of 58 Highway and
  Dean Avenue. The Seed Pod is a kinetic
  sculpture designed and built by Raymore
  artist Chet Redmon. In the coming weeks,
  Redmond will finish construction by adding a
  Raymore sign and additional lighting to the
  sculpture.
- The Arts Commission welcomed its newest member, Commissioner Sue Campbell, during a work session on Tuesday, Oct. 10.



## **Community Development**

- The Oct. 17 meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission has been cancelled.
- Staff continued work efforts in compiling information necessary to submit an application in November for recognition as a Walk Friendly Community.

### **Finance**

- The Capital Improvement Committee met on Monday, Oct. 9, to discuss status of capital improvements and ongoing projects.
- Staff posted 1,185 penalties to customer accounts in all four billing zones for past due balances following more than 2,000 phone calls reminding customers of their upcoming due date.
- The Public Works Facility Painting Request for Proposals (RFP) is accepting bids through Nov. 2. <u>Information can be found on our website</u>.

### Parks & Recreation

- Parks maintenance crews began fall maintenance of the flower beds and landscaped areas. Crews also conducted routine mowing and prepared the athletic field for this weekend's youth leagues.
- Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Recreation Superintendent John McLain attended the Missouri Public Risk's Recreation & Parks Advisory Committee meeting on Wednesday in Independence.
- The Raymore Parks & Recreation Board met in special session on Tuesday to discuss the upcoming Memorial Park Improvement projects to begin this winter.

### Police

- Numerous officers participated in firearms training at the Raymore range in Harrisonville.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad, Capt. Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Lead Police Chaplain J.C. Beckner to discuss upcoming events, such as Shop With A Cop.
- Lt. Steve Donahoe participated in the Cass County Emergency Services Board Technical Committee meeting in Harrisonville.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in a meeting regarding funding for Cass County children's services at the Child Protection Center in Kansas City.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with South Metro Fire Chief Lee Stevens to discuss dispatch services and other police/fire issues.
- School Youth Community Outreach Officer Lance Goddard participated in the Youth Night/Cancer Awareness fundraising event for the Ray Pec boys soccer team by measuring the speed of kicked soccer balls with radar.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Traffic Safety Committee to discuss improvements in school zones.

# **Public Works**

- Weather permitting the contractor will be striping Lucy Webb Road early next week.
- This week crews installed new curb on the north side of Wiltshire Blvd in the Remington subdivision.
- Crews installed Installed sidewalk at 400 S. Sunset Ln and started work on the sidewalk gap project in Creekmoor. Contractors are planning to work on Saturday, Oct. 14 in the Creekmoor neighborhood.
- Engineering staff held a pre-construction meeting with contractors working on the 155th Street Phase I (Overlay from Kentucky to Madison) and the Silvertop Sanitary Sewer Replacement
- Contractors poured and placed footing at the Raymore Athletic Center