

## WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Nov. 27, 2017

### Upcoming

- Join the Parks & Recreation Department at **T.B. Hanna Station on TONIGHT, for the Mayor's Tree Lighting!** Festivities begin at 6 p.m.

Enjoy cookies and hot chocolate, a petting zoo and photos with Santa! T.B. Hanna Station will be transformed into a winter wonderland with not only the lighting of the Mayor's tree, but with the lighting of the Christmas Tree Trail! Businesses and organizations are invited to participate by decorating a tree to add to the trail. [Details are available on our website.](#)

This event also kicks off the Mayor's Coats & Clothes Drive for Beacon of Hope, King's Closet. Be sure to bring your gently used coats and clothing to the event (or drop them off at City Hall!). [Details are available on our website.](#)

- Contractors with Google Fiber continue to work on Phase II of Google's in-ground fiber network. They are planning to connect nine additional neighborhoods. We are encouraging residents in these neighborhoods to pick up a **FREE pack of pink yard flags** to mark sprinkler systems in their front yards. You can see a full list of neighborhoods affected and what Google has planned at [www.Raymore.com/Google](http://www.Raymore.com/Google)

### Administration

- IT Manager Jim Mayberry and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with representatives from Allegiant to discuss proposed changes to the City telephone system.
- Community Development Director Jim Cadoret and Chief Jan Zimmerman, along with staff and officers from both departments, discussed proposed changes to the code regarding hoarding and parking.
- IT Manager Jim Mayberry assisted with the installation of the security cameras at Public Works and Animal Control.
- Contractors and staff finished installing holiday lights and banners around City Hall for the upcoming holiday season.



### **City Clerk**

- Jeanie Woerner participated in the Missouri Municipal League Board of Directors meeting.

### **Communications**

- Communications Specialist Melissa McGhee successfully announced the success of the No-Shave November campaign with the Raymore Police Department. The campaign, which encouraged residents to donate to various charities that fight cancer, raised more than \$2,500. You can learn more and see photos of our bearded officers on the [Police Department's Facebook page](#).
- Communications Director Mike Ekey met with artist Jacob Duncan to begin planning for the new historic mural in Memorial Park. Duncan will begin creating the new unique work of art later this summer. For more information about upcoming art projects in Raymore, visit [www.Raymore.com/Arts](http://www.Raymore.com/Arts).
- Communications Director Mike Ekey hosted a lunch meeting with all frontline staff at City Hall to discuss future lobby renovations and how managers could better support staff in the utilities, City Clerk and community development front offices. Public Works Director Mike Krass provided initial ideas on what renovations may look like. Staff will begin drafting plans based on comments received from staff in attendance.

### **Community Development**

- The Planning & Zoning Commission cancelled its Dec. 5 meeting.
- Staff completed a survey of communities in the metropolitan area regarding development fees charges associated with new residential development. The results will be shared with City Council at its Dec. 4 work session.
- Director Jim Cadoret and Associate Planner David Gress participated in the Communities for All Ages Professional Network meeting.

### **Parks & Recreation**

- The Raymore Parks & Recreation Board met in regular session on Tuesday, Nov. 28.
- The Belton-Raymore Rotary Club joined with the Parks & Recreation Maintenance Crew to plant trees along the south entrance at Memorial Park. These trees will serve as the south entrance of the new Raymore Arboretum scheduled to open in the spring of 2018.
- Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon hosted the recreational basketball coaches meeting at the Park House on Thursday. Practices will begin next week with games beginning in January.
- Recreation Coordinator Katie Pattrick and Parks & Recreation staff prepared T.B. Hanna Station for the the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 1.
- Parks & Recreation Staff were busy this week as Centerview hosted seven events including several Christmas parties and a retirement reception.

## **Police**

- The Raymore Police Department honored Master Police Officer Dale Loney for his 30 years of service as a law enforcement officer at a reception at Centerview.
- No-Shave November concluded with participating Raymore officers proudly meeting their goal of \$2,500, with a big thanks to Melissa McGhee and the Communications Department for all of their coverage of the event.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad participated in an Assessment Center panel for the Warrensburg Police Department to assist them in promoting three new Sergeants.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock attended training regarding Public/Private Partnerships at the US Department of Agriculture in Kansas City.
- Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams participated in the Public Safety Users Committee meeting at Mid-America Regional Council.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad completed phase 3 of the Building Resiliency: Surviving Secondary Trauma train-the-trainer course. Phase 3 consisted of presenting the class to a group, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, and being evaluated by the instructor of the course.
- Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams met with Cass County Communications Supervisor J.D. Shrewsbury regarding a county-wide radio patching policy.
- Lt. Steve Donahoe conducted work at Public Works to include modifications to their base and installation of a radio in a dump truck in preparation for the upcoming snow season.

## **Public Works**

- Contractors continued work on the Municipal Circle Sidewalk Project
- The curb replacement contractor completed work on Evans Street
- Staff attended the weekly Google Fiber safety meeting and discussed working hours, traffic control and work zone restoration.
- Community Development Director Jim Cadoret and Public Works Director Mike Krass completed a draft policy addressing adoption of private infrastructure to be presented at the December 4th work session.