

## WEEKLY REPORT

Week of July 16, 2018

*We are deeply saddened this week to hear of the passing of former Councilman Derek Moorhead.*

*Mr. Moorhead officially joined the City Council in 2013, but his contributions to our community spanned his entire life. He served as a tireless advocate for our residents and community as a whole throughout the Kansas City Region.*

*As a second generation Council member and lifelong Raymore resident, he has always been proud of where he came from and continuously worked to push our community to the very edge of innovation and growth.*

*Outside of our community, Mr. Moorhead proved himself to be a tireless fighter at the County and State level as well.*

*As Mayor Pro Tempore, Mr. Moorhead was an incredible mentor not only to past Mayors, but to every Council member who joined one another on the dais to lead our City.*

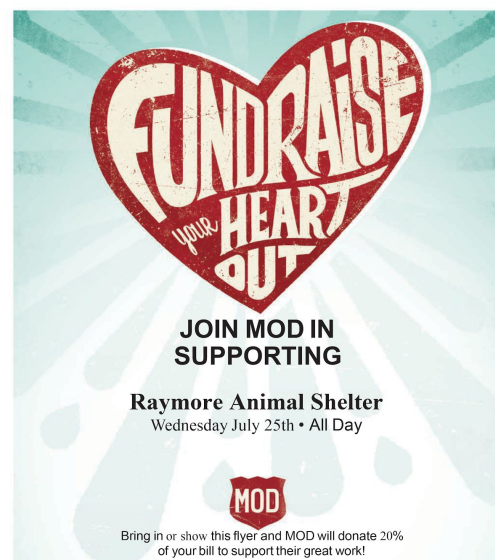
*Our City's slogan, "Come home to more," was truly made possible through Mr. Moorhead's work and dedication to Raymore.*

*Our thoughts are with his wife Tasha and everyone in the Moorhead family.*



### Upcoming

- Join your neighbors for a **fundraiser benefiting the Raymore Animal Shelter at MOD Pizza** all day Wednesday, July 25. Dine in at the Raymore MOD Pizza, 1937 Foxwood Drive, and they'll donate 20% of your bill to the Raymore Animal Shelter when you mention the shelter at the register!



## **Community Development**

- Officials announced this week that Raymore was one of 129 communities in the country to receive the AARP Community Challenge Grant Through this grant, a new paved and stamped ADA crosswalk will be added to Municipal Circle in front of the Centerview event space to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists, and to increase connectivity between nearby businesses and City Hall. [Read more about the project and grant on our website.](#)
- The Planning & Zoning Commission met Tuesday and recommended approval of ten of the twelve changes suggested by staff as part of the 28th amendment to the Unified Development Code. City Council will consider the amendments on Aug. 27.
- Associate Planner David Gress participated in the Mid-America Regional Council Solid Waste Management Board meeting.
- The Board of Appeals met Wednesday and voted to uphold the determination made by the Building Official regarding a code provision applicable to the construction work being done at 103 S. Washington Street.

## **Information Technology**

- IT Manager Jim mayberry and Network Technician Noah DaMetz competed installation of the City's new telephone system.

## **Parks & Recreation**

- Administrative staff worked with Straub Construction on warranty items at Centerview.
- Staff and the IT Department installed a new time-keeping system for Parks & Recreation Department part-time staff. This new system will allow employees to digitally keep track of work hours on location at all Parks & Recreation facilities.
- Recreation Staff have been finalizing the upcoming fall program guide. The guide will be delivered to all Raymore households in September with new programs, new instructors, new facilities along with our traditional programs and leagues.
- Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon and Recreation Superintendent John McLain met with the Ray-Pec Foundation on developing a program that provides athletic equipment to families with financial burdens so that all children can play sports.
- Raymore Summer Camp visited the College Basketball Experience at the Sprint Center this week.
- Park Staff have been working with contractors at the Raymore Activity Center to install the trees and plantings in the landscape areas.

**Police**

- Recruit Officer Zachary Collins began his field training following his recent graduation from the Blue River Police Training Academy.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad and Capt. Jim Wilson attended training in "Quota-Free Police Productivity Systems" at Centerview.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Cass County Child Abuse Response Team case review in Harrisonville.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad taught "Building Resiliency" training for local officers in Warrensburg.
- Officer Molly Brackeen attended a Bipolar Support Group meeting in Belton.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry participated as the Treasurer in the Cass County Emergency Services Board in Harrisonville.
- Testing and processing was conducted for two police officer applicants.

**Public Works**

- The Johnston Drive extension was opened to traffic this week.
- Weather permitting, the 155th Street bridge is on schedule to be opened to traffic by the end of the month.
- Staff performed erosion control inspections throughout the City after Tuesday's rain fall event.