

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Oct. 29, 2018

Upcoming

- **Ward 3 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 at Centerview.**
Council members Jay Holman and Kevin Barber will host a town hall with residents to talk about major projects and answers questions from residents. To learn more, call Communications Director Mike Ekey at 816-892-3109.
- **Veterans Celebration, 4 p.m., Friday, Nov. 9 at Memorial Park, 400 Park Lane.** Celebrate our veterans as we honor all who have served with special guest speakers, the Ray-Pec High School choir, South Metro Honor Guard and refreshments! Learn more: <https://bit.ly/2EKB25g>
- **Ward 4 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Centerview.**
Council members Sonja Abdelgawad and John Berendzen will host a town hall with residents to talk about major projects and answers questions from residents. To learn more, call Communications Director Mike Ekey at 816-892-3109.
- **City of Raymore Blood Drive, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14 at Centerview.** Will you help us get to our goal of collecting 45 units of blood on Nov. 14? When you donate blood, you help save lives. The Community Blood Center relies on donors to collect approximately 600 life-saving units of blood daily to meet the needs of area hospital patients. [Make an appointment now.](#)
- **It's that time again!**
Raymore Police are getting scruffy for a good cause by raising funds for **No Shave November** to support cancer prevention, research and education. Follow their progress on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). [Donate to the team or in your favorite officer's name!](#)



Administration

- Human Resources Shawn Aulgur completed a webinar on *Resiliency: Building an Indestructible Workforce*.

City Clerk

- Deputy City Clerk Erica Hill recently completed International Institute of Municipal Clerks webinars on Effective and Strategic Communication, Workplace Conflict, Problem Solving, and Ethics.

Communications

- Communications Director Mike Ekey and Communications Specialist Melissa McGhee met with Nate Soldano from Donning Publishing to discuss feasibility of publishing a photo artists book featuring the community and local artwork.

Development Services

- Several City staff members celebrated Monique Lewis being recognized as one of the honorees of the 70 over 70 award program sponsored by The Shepherd Center of Kansas City. The luncheon



- recognized the contributions that 70 individuals over 70 years of age provided to the Kansas City area. Congratulations Monique!
- GIS Coordinator Heather Eisenbarth participated in the Southwest Missouri GIS Workshop in Carthage.
- Director Jim Cadoret and Associate Planner David Gress provided an overview of the duties of the Planning & Zoning Commission to newly appointed Commissioner Jim Petermann
- Staff prepared reports and materials for the Nov. 6 meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Commission will consider a request to allow a sign on property located at 1000 E. Hubach Hill Road and will consider the 29th amendment to the Unified Development Code concerning increasing the minimum width of sidewalks to 5-feet.
- Rick Frye, representing [Brookside Builders](#), filed a request to reclassify the zoning of an 80-acre tract of land located north of Hubach Hill Road, east of Stonegate Subdivision, from "R-1P" Single-Family Planned Residential District to "R-2" Two-Family Residential District to allow for 97 two-family townhome buildings to be constructed. A Good Neighbor meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The developer will be present at the meeting to discuss the project.

Parks & Recreation

- Park Maintenance staff prepared the sites for several memorial benches purchased through the Parks and Recreation Legacy Program. The benches will be permanently installed along the trail system at Recreation Park and at the Arboretum at Memorial Park.
- Park Maintenance staff attended the annual Snow Plow kick-off meeting in preparation of the upcoming winter season.
- Soccer nets have been removed and stored for the season.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Recreation Coordinator Katie VanKeulen attended the 70 over 70 award program sponsored by The Shepherd Center of Kansas City with other City staff celebrating former Park Board and City Council Member Monique Lewis.
- Parks & Recreation Director Nathan Musteen attend the monthly Cass County Parks & Recreation Directors meeting at the High Blue Wellness Center in Belton.
- Office Assistant Greta Naab continued training part-time office attendants.

Police

- The National Drug Takeback in Raymore was a huge success with 17 boxes of expired and unwanted drugs collected and turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency.
- A special thanks to the Fall Festival Committee who presented a \$500 check to the Raymore Animal Shelter, in part as proceeds from the "Pies for Paws" event and as a direct donation from the committee.
- The Communications/Command Vehicle Task Force met to discuss next steps in the process and included South Metro Fire Chief Lee Stevens.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman gave a brief presentation and tour of the Police Department to the Sunrise Optimists Club.
- Capts. Jim Wilson and Roger Mayberry and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with local tow service providers regarding the updated contract for tow rotation that begins on November 1.



- Chief Jan Zimmerman served as an assessor for the Blue Springs Police Department Captains promotional process.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock served as a facilitator for the Integrated Warning Team winter meeting at the National Weather Service Training Facility.
- Testing was conducted for a vacant police officer position.
- Detective Earl Lancour and Officer Nathan Rogers attended the NRA Pistol/Shotgun Instructor training in Sugar Creek.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad attended the Youth Court Graduation ceremony in Harrisonville.
- The Drone Deployment Team met, welcoming two new members from Patrol and conducted a night flight training operation.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock met with Clint Dunning to discuss the volunteer CERT Coordinator role.
- Master Patrol Officer Josh Giacone and Officer Zach Collins attended a neighborhood watch meeting in Alexander Creek.

Public Works

- A pre-construction meeting was held for the Public Works Roofing Project.
- Crews completed mudjacking in the Lakeshore Area.
- Public Works Director Mike Krass and Assistant Director Greg Rokos attended a meeting regarding Proposition D hosted by the Mid-America Regional Council. Prop D will appear on the Nov. 6 ballot and could impact funding for roads and highways throughout the state. To learn more about Prop D and all other statewide ballot propositions, visit the [Missouri Secretary of State's website](#).
- Work continues on 155th Street. Crews have cleared the trees and graded for the expanded roadway. To learn more about the project and to see the latest updates, visit www.Raymore.com/155th.