

# **WEEKLY REPORT**

Week of Dec. 3, 2018

## **Upcoming**

- Help the Raymore Police
   Department take even
   more children holiday
   shopping for Shop with a
   Cop on Dec. 19 just by
   eating at Buffalo Wild
   Wings in Belton! Dine in at
   BWW any time until Dec. 19
   and show this card to your
   server before you pay. A
   portion of your total will be
   donated to the police for
   Shop with a Cop.
- p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 11 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1111 W. Foxwood Dr. Join the Raymore Arts Commission for a sing-along! Bring your voice and holiday cheer as we get a lesson from a local instructor and Ray-Pec High School choir members and sing our favorite Christmas carols. Admission is free! Learn more at raymore.com/arts.





- Are you interested in leading our City? Candidate filings for Mayor and City Council will begin Tuesday, Dec. 11 for the April 2, 2019, Municipal Election. Filing will close Tuesday Jan. 15. Declaration of candidacy can be made from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle. A \$20 filing fee is required. The term of Mayor (at large) is a three-year term, and one seat in each of the four wards are two-year terms. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.Raymore.com/CityClerk">www.Raymore.com/CityClerk</a>.
- Starting Jan. 2, City Hall's front entrance will be closed for construction. City Hall will be accessible through the Police Department entrance on the back (south) side of the building and City Council Chambers, Utilities, City Clerk, Court and other offices will still be accessible throughout the construction process. Residents wishing to avoid City Hall during this time are invited to make utility payments over the phone or online. For more information, visit www.raymore.com/pay or call 816-331-5182.

#### Administration

- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, Communications Director Mike Ekey and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Crime Commission President Rick Armstrong and Vice President Barry Mayer to discuss the SAFE Program.
- Human Resources Manager, Shawn Aulgur participated in a webinar presented by Validity Screening on "Employment Screening Trends for 2019".
- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, Police Chief Jan Zimmerman and Communications Director Mike Ekey met with City Managers and Police Chiefs from various Cities in Cass County to discuss pending legislation before the Cass County Emergency Services Board that could affect first responders and dispatchers in our community.

#### Communications

- Communications Specialist Melissa McGhee attended the Mid-America Regional Council's 2018 Sustainable Success Stories celebration at the Kauffman Foundation Conference Center.
- The Public Art Committee of the Arts Commission met on Thursday morning to discuss an upcoming survey about the arts in our community. The Commission is looking to garner feedback on programs and events from the past three years.
- Communications Director Mike Ekey met with directors and staff to give an
  update on the upcoming lobby renovation. Starting Jan. 2, the front entrance
  to City Hall will be closed a crews make much-needed repairs. To enter City
  Hall for Utilities, the City Clerk and Municipal Court, visitors will need to enter
  through the Police Department entrance on the lower level. The project
  should be completed later in February.

## **Development Services**

- David Gress participated in the annual meeting of the Mid-America Regional Council Solid Waste Management District Board.
- Director Jim Cadoret attended the Kansas City Missouri Planning and Zoning Commission meeting where the Commission recommended approval of the deannexation of the 155th Street right-of-way between Kentucky Road and Kurzweil Road.
- Staff held a Good Neighbor meeting for the proposed Dean Commercial Preliminary Plat, a 9-lot commercial subdivision proposed for land south of 58 Highway and west of Fox Ridge Drive. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider the request on Dec. 18.

### **Parks & Recreation**

- Recreation Superintendent John McLain, Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon met with the Raymore United Soccer Club Advisory Committee.
- Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon and the South Metro Youth Sports Group met at Centerview to schedule the 2019 Recreation Youth Basketball League. Practices started this week and games begin in January.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Recreation Superintendent John McLain and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with consultants for the improvement projects at T.B. Hanna Station.



- Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Rulo met with Parks & Recreation Board Member Eastwood to discuss future changes in the disc golf course at Recreation Park to accommodate the Raymore Activity Center and construction for upcoming projects.
- Park maintenance staff continued building shelving units at the RAC for athletic equipment and summer camp storage. Staff also planted tulip bulbs on Municipal Circle for the spring bloom.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Recreation Superintendent
  John McLain and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with other city staff to
  develop a job description and a daily work plan for the Assistant Building
  Maintenance Technician position.
- Two bid openings were held for FY 2019 park projects. The Ballfield Lights at Recreation Park and the Recreation Park Pond Rehabilitation projects are scheduled for construction in the spring.
- Congratulations to Haley Rhule our new Park Maintenance I Worker. Haley was a park seasonal this past summer and is a 2018 graduate of Northwest Missouri State with a degree in horticulture.
- Congratulations to Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Parks Maintenance Worker Gus Boos on becoming Certified Playground Safety Inspectors (CPSI). The CPSI certification program provides the most comprehensive and up-to-date training on playground safety issues including hazard identification, equipment specifications, surfacing requirements and risk management methods.

#### Police

- Chief Jan Zimmerman attended the Missouri Police Chiefs Conference in Jefferson City.
- Communications Officer
   Adrienne Koehn married her
   long-time love, Brendan
   Rinehart. Congratulations to Mr.
   and Mrs. Rinehart!
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Greg Vincent, President of the West Peculiar Fire District Board to discuss dispatch services.
- Communications Officers
   Britany Wilson and Amelia
   Mullins attended a Tactical
   Interoperability
   Communications Plan/Rambis
   Training at MARC.



- Communications Officer Richard Hedrick attended the quarterly Peer Support Training at MARC.
- Officer Oliver stopped by the Raymore Police Department with ornaments, snacks and hugs for everyone. Thank you, Officer Oliver!
- Capt. Jim Wilson attended the Cass County Officer Involved Shooting Team meeting at the Sheriff's Office.
- Officers Maurice Lang and Gary Cochran attended the Basic Crisis Intervention Team training at the Kansas City Regional Police Academy.



- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the City of Raymore lobby construction logistics meeting.
- Officer Matt Huff attended "Mindfulness Training for First Responders" at the Johnson County Mental Health building in Mission, Kansas.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in the Cass County Youth Court in Belton.

## **Public Works**

• The City of Raymore was recognized by Mid-America Regional Council at a

celebration at the Kauffman Foundation Conference Center as one of eight 2018 Sustainable Success Stories honorees for the installation of permeable paver crosswalks at multiple streets intersecting 58 Highway. The permeable paver crosswalks provide safe, defined crossing areas and aid in the prevention of intersections icing in cold weather. The pavers also aid in managing stormwater by reducing runoff, resulting in cleaner waterways in our community. Stormwater Specialist Lorie



Crandell was a presenter at the event.

- Operations Crews pre-treated roadways in advance of Thursday's snow event.
- Work continues on Hawk Ridge Park. The contractor has completed installation of the foundation piers for the boardwalk. We anticipate delivery of the south restroom next week.