

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Jan 7, 2019

Upcoming

• **Jim's Disposal will be picking up Christmas trees** from the curb on regular trash days through the month of January. All tinsel, lights and ornaments must be removed and trees must be cut in half if longer than 8 feet.

Are you interested in leading our City? Candidate filings for Mayor and City Council for the April 2, 2019, Municipal Election 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
 www.Raymore.com/CityClerk. Candidate filings to date are:

Mayor
 Kristofer Turnbow

Council Ward 1
 Dale Jacobson, Jeffrey Stevens-withdrawn
 Joseph William Burke, III, Loren Jones, II

Council Ward 3 Kevin Barber

o Council Ward 4 John P. Berendzen, Kathy L. Eaton

City Hall's front entrance is 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. Please park in the rear lot to access City Hall. 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, Asst. City Manager Mike Ekey and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with MPR President & CEO Terry Norwood and other members of his staff to discuss organizational changes within the City.
- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey, Public Works
 Director Mike Krass and Assistant Public Works Director Greg Rokos met with
 South Metro Fire Chief Lee Stevens and Battalion Chief Victor Adkins. The Fire
 District and City of Raymore formalized a partnership to add an emergency
 traffic signal in front of the South Metro Station on 58 Highway that will stop
 traffic as fire trucks and ambulances are exiting the station on an emergency.

- Human Resources Manager attended the IPMA-HR-GKC monthly lunch and learn.
- Human Resources Manager attended IPMA-HR-GKC board meeting.

City Clerk

 If your business is located in the City limits or you are a contractor performing work in the City limits and have not renewed your occupational license, those licenses expired December 31, 2018. To renew your license, please contact the City Clerk's office at 331-3324 or email cityclerk@raymore.com

Communications

 The Winter 2019 edition of The Review was delivered to Raymore mailboxes this week. Read The Review for the latest community news and information on upcoming events. Free copies may be picked up at City Hall and Centerview, or you can read and download the online version here.

Development Services

- Tenant finish construction plans are under review for a proposed FedEx office inside of Walmart.
- Building Official Jon Woerner is reviewing plans to remodel the Freedom Stop convenience store located at 503 E. Walnut Street.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 15 to consider the proposed <u>Dean Commercial Plat</u>, a 9-lot commercial subdivision proposed for the southwest corner of 58 Highway and Fox Ridge Drive.
- Cooper Land Development filed a request for final plat approval of <u>Cunningham at Creekmoor 3rd phase</u>, a 46-lot single family subdivision located on the east side of North Madison Street, south of Turnberry Lane.
- Associate Planner David Gress met with several representatives of the Community for All Ages recognition cities to discuss modifying the checklist utilized by communities completing an assessment for silver level recognition as a Community for All Ages by adding one or more policies and action that address emergency preparedness.

Finance

- Finance staff met with a Core & Main representative to begin training on Sensus Analytics Software.
- Staff completed February utility billing for water, sewer and trash for zones 1 & 2. There is a memo included on the bill with the new trash rate of \$12.77 effective Jan. 1, 2019. For more information regarding trash service, visit Raymore.com/trash.

Parks & Recreation

- Registrations have been pouring in for the first Spring Craft Show scheduled for March 9 at the Raymore Activity Center. For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Office or log onto our website at www.raymore.com/parks
- Park Maintenance staff have started preparations at the maintenance complex to install a new french drain along to foundation of the shop to prevent flooding.
- Park Maintenance staff mowed the natural areas at Moon Valley Park and trimmed trees at Memorial Park.
- Recreational youth basketball league games are scheduled to begin this Saturday. Raymore teams will be playing home games at the RAC and the South Middle School. Teams received their uniforms this week.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen attended the Kansas City Metro Area Parks and Recreation Directors Association winter meeting at the Longview Community Center.
- The Parks and Recreation Board met in Work Session. Topics of discussion included a request from the Sunset Garden Club, a review of bids for several CIP projects coming up this spring and setting the agenda for a future "Visioning Session" in February.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey met regarding the Buildings and Grounds Department.
- Recreation Superintendent John McLain and Communications Specialist Melissa McGhee met on Parks and Recreation marketing.
- The Parks and Recreation Winter Program Guide arrived in homes across Raymore this week.

Police

- The members of the Raymore Police Department would like to give a special thanks to the citizens and businesses in our community who brought food and cards in honor of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.
- A tour of the Police Department was given to Reverend Al Smith and members of the Little Professors Daycare, who also contributed a barbecue luncheon for on-duty personnel.
- A special welcome back to Officer Nick Jones who returned from reserve to full-time status.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad served as an assessor for the Corporal's Promotional Process at the Liberty Police Department.
- Capt. Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in a meeting at the Justice Center in Harrisonville with Cass County Presiding Judge William

Collins, the Sheriff and other area Chiefs to to discuss bonds and other court procedures.

- Communications Officer Corinne Daut attended MULES training at the KCPD Regional Academy.
- Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams and Lt. Steve Donahoe participated in the Cass County Emergency Services Board Technical Committee in Harrisonville.
- Capt. Roger Mayberry participated in the MODOT STEP Grant award meeting the KCPD South Patrol Division Station.
- Officer Rebekah Badgett attended DWI Bootcamp training at the Lee's Summit Police Department.
- Capt. Jim Wilson participated in Youth Court in Belton.
- Numerous members of the Police Department met with the new REJIS representative Stefan Smith.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with the Crime Commission Event and Marketing Directors to discuss the SAFE Program.
- Capt. Jim Wilson and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with other members of the Park Safety Committee to discuss safety protocols for the upcoming season.
- Congratulations go out to Capt. Wilson for his recruiting efforts and for finding someone with less hair.



Public Works

- Operations and Maintenance Staff made preparations for the weekend snow event.
- 155th Street was opened to traffic.
- Work is continuing on Hawk Ridge Park. The contractor placed concrete around the south restroom. The steel for the north shelter and amphitheater were delivered to the site.
- Director Mike Krass and Assistant Director of Engineering Greg Rokos attended the monthly meeting of the MARC STP Committee.