

Weekly Report



Week of Dec. 12, 2016

Upcoming

- City Hall will be closed Dec. 23 and 26 for the Christmas holiday. Offices will also be closed Jan. 2, 2017 for the New Year's holiday.
- Are you interested in leading our City? Candidate filings for the Raymore City Council begin Tuesday, Dec. 13 for the spring Municipal Election.

The General Municipal election for the City of Raymore for the offices of City Council will be held April 4, 2017. Filing for this election opens at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13 in the Council Chambers at Raymore City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle, continuing through Jan. 17, 2017. A \$20 filing fee is required at the time the candidate declares candidacy. One seat in each of the four (4) wards will be open to serve a two-year term. One seat in ward one (1) will be open to serve a one-year, unexpired term. To learn more, visit www.Raymore.com/CityClerk.



Administration

- Staff from various departments volunteered to collect barrels that had been used as part of the Mayor's Food Drive. Staff picked up the food collection barrels throughout the community and delivered them to the Fishes N' Loaves food pantry. Donated filled roughly a dozen shopping carts and will benefit families here in Cass County.
- Assistant City Manager Meredith Hauck and Communications Manager Mike Ekey met with Laura Lynch of Lynchpin Creative to begin the City's new branding process, which the Council approved at its Monday meeting. The meeting focused on creating a timeline for when work will begin in 2017.

Community Development

- Building Official Jon Woerner began reviewing construction plans for the Raymore Activity Center building. The building will be located at Recreation Park and is park of the City's list of projects from the no-tax increase bond issue election in April. To learn more, visit www.Raymore.com/BondProjects.
- Code Enforcement Officer Christian Neal and GIS Coordinator Heather Eisenbarth completed an inventory of entrance signs to subdivisions within the City to analyze future maintenance needs.

Police

- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad and Capt. Jim Wilson met with Pathways Community Mental Health Liaison Dawn Morris and other crisis Intervention team coordinators from Cass County to discuss any issues that needed to be addressed with area hospitals or mental health facilities. Crisis Intervention training as well as other training needs were also discussed with Morris as she provides of POST approved training in specific areas concerning mental health.
- All Raymore patrol officers, detectives and some command staff attended Legal Update Training. The class, taught at the Cass County Sheriff's Office by Detective Don Shepard, prepares officers and staff for the upcoming changes to the Revised Missouri Statutes on Jan. 1, 2017.
- Officer Cole Williams attended Instructor Development Training at the Cass County Sheriff's Office. This is a week-long course that certified Officer Williams to teach continuing education classes to other law enforcement officers. He will also be able to provide POST approved training.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad attended the Mid-America Crisis Intervention Team Council meeting at the Kansas City Police Department. Topics for the meeting included approving new bylaws for the Council as well as discussing the basic Crisis Intervention Trainings in 2017.
- Capt. Jim Wilson, Det. Sgt. Dave Billings, and Det. Earl Lancour participated in the Harrisonville Police Department's Shop with a Cop program in Harrisonville.
- Det. Earl Lancour and Capt. Jim Wilson attended the Police Department's Chaplain's meeting. Several items were discussed regarding future trainings with officers and chaplains.

Parks & Recreation

- Athletic Coordinator Mike Hedrick met with several organizations that plan and organize softball and baseball tournaments.
- Staff worked on updating policy and procedures for concessions and athletic facility rentals.
- Staff met with the farmers market manager to discuss the 2016 season and discuss suggestions for 2017 changes and improvements.
- Superintendents John McLain and Steve Rulo attended Park Board Work session on Tuesday. The meeting topics included updates on Raymore activity center, Hawk Ridge Park and shade structure projects.
- Park staff began a detailed cleaning of the maintenance building and a small remodeling project in the break-room area.
- Administrative staff worked on printing RecTrac household reports to clean up account balances in preparation for the new system migration.
- Administrative staff met with Confluence for the kick-off meeting on the Hawk Ridge Park Design project.



The intersection of Huntsman Drive and 58 Highway is now open with median and crosswalk improvements.

Public Works

- Contractors finished work on the median beautification project at Huntsman Drive and 58 Highway. The new median and crosswalk design not only visually improves the area, but also improves stormwater quality and management at that intersection. Water can flow between the bricks and drain into the ground rather than flowing down the street and into residents' yards. Later in the spring, crews will return to add plantings to the media and finish out the rest of the stormwater project.
- Director Mike Krass, Assistant Director Steve Welch, Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock and Communications Manager Mike Ekey met with operations staff to finalize messaging and other public updates to keep residents informed about the progress of the Public Works department as crews clear snow and respond to winter weather this weekend.
- Crews pre-treated streets on Thursday in anticipation of this weekend's winter weather. The forecast currently calls for freezing drizzle and 2-5 inches of snow. To learn more about the City's snow response plan, visit www.Raymore.com/Snow.