

CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

DECEMBER 2016 –JANUARY 2017



MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

December tends to make us reflect on all that has happened in the year. 2016 has been quite a year to say the least!

- Fenton ended 2015 and started 2016 with a flood of historic proportions. All repairs to City buildings and properties have now been successfully completed.
- The side roads in Olde Towne Fenton were in an extreme state of disrepair. All side road pavements in that area have been replaced, and the roads are now great!
- I have received several calls from residents complaining about the condition of the pavement on Old Gravois. With Federal funding, we will be starting phase 1 of the resurfacing on Old Gravois. We anticipate that the road reconstruction will begin in April, 2017.
- The former Chrysler Plants site was becoming an increasing eyesore, especially as it faces Interstate 44. Two significant developments have 'turned that around' in 2016. First, a TIF was granted by St. Louis County to the owners of the property, KP Development, for removal of concrete and other debris left by the razing of the plants. Second, on October 20, 2016 Fenton participated in a ground-breaking ceremony on the site, signaling the construction of Fenton Logistics Park's first building.

Sunday, December 4 was the Appreciation Dinner for all members of our various boards and committees. Friday, December 9 was the Employee Appreciation Lunch. This was a small token of appreciation to all of our employees who keep our City working, and to those volunteers on all our committees who make our City strong. It is with heartfelt appreciation to all of them that I thank them again here because it takes *all* of them to help make Fenton the best City in St. Louis County!

And, while we are on the subject, if you are interested in serving on one of our committees or boards, please contact Diane Monteleone, Fenton's City Clerk/ Manager, at 636-343-2080 to find out how to apply.

One blessing in Fenton has been here since 2002, when Jeannie Smith Braun began her career with the Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce as an Administrative Assistant. She became the Executive Director of the organization in 2004. Under her leadership, she has grown the Fenton Chamber from about 200 to nearly 500 members. Her group earned the "John Fabick Community Service Award" in 2007, and Jeannie continues to bring community, businesses, and City government together on a daily basis.

Her passion for her job and compassion for her members shows in all of her actions. She is clearly an asset to Fenton as well as to the business community. It was my great honor to proclaim December 7, 2016, as "Jeannie Smith Braun Day" in the City of Fenton. It was an extra bonus that this was presented at the monthly Chamber Luncheon (at Fabick).

I am also pleased to announce a great honor that has been given to Fenton: On December 13, 2016, Fenton, Missouri was proclaimed THE FIRST POW-MIA CITY™ in the United States! This new organization, started by the POW-MIA Museum at Jefferson Barracks, selected Fenton as the first City because of our City and community efforts to respect and honor all veterans in our area.

This has truly been a season of blessings for the City. My family, also, is blessed as I await the arrival of a new granddaughter. She will be named in honor of my mother, whom we lost at the start of 2016.

Hoping that your blessings continue in this season and into the new year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from my family to yours!

Mayor Mike

JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

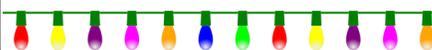


At the Monday, November 21, 2016 Board of Aldermen Meeting, Mayor Michael D. Polizzi presented the John Fabick Community Service

Award to **Kohl's Cares for Kids** for their service to the Fenton Community.

LIGHTING CEREMONY

Thank you to the Uthoff Valley Special Chorus members led by Rhonda Fischer, and to Santa and Mrs. Claus. The Uthoff Valley Special Chorus performed after Mayor Polizzi threw the switch to light the holiday lights at City Hall on Friday, November 18. A visit from Santa and his wife added to the fun and festive start to the holiday season in Fenton.



City Hall Holiday Hours

Please make note of the following changes to City Hall hours:

Friday, December 23

Closed

Monday, December 26

Closed

Friday, December 30

Closed

Monday, January 2

Closed

**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

On **Tuesday, January 3, 2017** the Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. during their regularly scheduled meeting at City Hall to consider the following:



NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ A Petition by Warren Sign Company on behalf of Jim Butler Chevrolet for review of a Sign Plan for proposed signage at 759 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard. The property is zoned “C-1” Commercial Zone District.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ✓ Consideration of an amendment to *Section 400.030 Definitions* of the Zoning Code to include a definition for “Light Manufacturing” and amendments to other Sections of the Zoning Code pertaining to “Light Manufacturing”.

For more information, please call Community Development at (636) 349-8110.

ELECTION NOTICE



The City of Fenton will hold its annual General Election on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017**. Voters will elect a Mayor and four Aldermen, one each from the City’s four wards, for two-year terms.

The polling places will open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. The St. Louis County Board of Election Commissioners will notify all registered voters by mail of their respective polling place.

Candidate filing opened on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. and will close on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Forms for filing will be provided by the City of Fenton, Office of the City Clerk, 625 New Smizer Mill Road.

For more information, please contact City Clerk/Manager, Diane Monteleone, MMC/MPCC at (636)343-2080.

FENTON IS SNOW READY

With winter weather just around the corner, we would like to make our annual request for your cooperation and assistance during snow emergencies. In order to facilitate efficient and total clearing of pavement when snow advisories are announced by the media or snow begins to fall, please refrain from parking vehicles in the street. **This is particularly important in cul-de-sacs and areas with narrow streets. Parking in a manner that impedes snow removal equipment may result in immediate notification from the Police Department to move the vehicle regardless of the hour.**



NEW BUSINESS CORNER

The following businesses have applied for an Occupancy Permit and are planning on calling Fenton “home”:



Wright Medical Technology
1854 Larkin Williams Road
(office & distribution of medical supplies)

Packaging Concepts, Inc.
2140 Bowles Avenue
(warehouse for packaging supplies for theater industry)

ABC Supply Co., Inc.
2391 Cassens Drive
(wholesale and warehousing of building products)

J.W. Bommarito Construction
403 Axminister Drive, Suite 100
(office for construction company)

DAP Foam, Inc.
1645 Manufacturers Drive
(office & warehouse for aerosol company)

Merrill Marine Services, Inc.
1730 Gilsinn Lane
(commercial marine services)

J&E Office City
1589 Fenpark Drive
(office supply & products)

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

The Holiday Schedule for Board of Aldermen Committee Meetings and Board of Aldermen Meetings is as follows:

- **Thursday, January 12, 2017**
Board Committee Meeting.
- **Thursday, January 26, 2017**
Board of Aldermen Meeting.

HOLIDAY TRASH & RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Trash & Recycling schedules will run as normal for the week of Christmas and New Year’s Day.



Christmas Week
Trash: Monday, December 19 & 26
Recycling: Thursday, December 22 & 29

New Year’s Week
Trash: Monday, January 2
Recycling: Thursday, January 5

By locating your business in the city of Fenton you are a *corporate citizen* of Fenton. This is a great community to live and work in. Your business is a part of, and will make a positive contribution to, this community.

There is one Transportation Development District (TDD) located within the City of Fenton. This District was established to pay for certain transportation related costs incurred in connection with the development of the Gravois Bluffs shopping centers. This District is an independent governmental unit that is not a part of the City of Fenton. The District has established a separate 1% sales tax. This 1% sales tax will be in effect only until the transportation improvement costs related to this center have been paid. You will have to collect this additional 1% tax only if your business is located in Gravois Bluffs.

As of October 1, 2013, the sales tax rate for the majority of Fenton is 7.613% for non-food sales and 4.225% on qualified food sales. The total sales tax rate in Gravois Bluffs is 8.613% for non-food sales and 5.225% on qualified food sales. Listed below is a breakdown of each sales tax.

If you have any questions about the TDD sales tax please contact the Financial Consultant for the City of Fenton, at (636) 343-2080. We will be happy to assist you with any questions you may have.

Tax Type	General Sales Tax	Qualified Food Sales Tax
State of Missouri		
General Fund	3.000%	0.000%
Education	1.000%	1.000%
Conservation	0.125%	0.125%
Parks and Soil	0.100%	0.000%
Total - State of Missouri	4.225%	1.125%
St. Louis County		
Local Sales Tax	1.000%	1.000%
Transportation	0.500%	0.500%
Metro Transportation Tax	0.500%	0.500%
Metro Link Tax	0.250%	0.250%
Special Sales Tax	0.250%	0.250%
E - 911 Sales Tax	0.100%	0.000%
Metropolitan Park Tax	0.288%	0.100%
Total - St. Louis County	2.888%	2.600%
City of Fenton		
Parks/Storm Water Tax	0.500%	0.500%
Total Rate - Non TDD Areas	7.613%	4.225%
Gravois Bluffs TDD	1.000%	1.000%
TOTAL SALES TAX RATE FOR GRAVOIS BLUFFS SHOPPING CENTER	8.613%	5.225%

ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE FENTON PRECINCT



WINTER WEATHER AHEAD

With the cold, icy and snowy weather arriving, please make sure you are prepared for a weather emergency.

Home preparations include a portable AM/FM radio with spare batteries, flashlights, ice melt, a furnace check-up, and a tone-alert weather radio.

Preparations for vehicles include winterization by a competent mechanic and a winter car kit for the trunk. The kit should include a portable AM/FM radio with spare batteries, flashlight, first-aid kit, blankets, non-perishable snacks, jumper cables, a shovel and sand. Schools and business are encouraged to have a safety kit as well as a tone-alert weather radio.

Remember the difference between Winter Storm Watch and Winter Storm Warning. Winter Storm Watch means that hazardous winter weather may occur over the next 12 to 48 hours. Winter Storm Warning means that severe winter weather is imminent or in progress. This includes forecasts of six inches of snow within 12 hours or ice accumulation of 1/4 inch or more. SKYWARN severe weather observers are encouraged to report heavy snow and ice accumulations. Pay attention to the weather and stay safe!

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

The City of Fenton and West County Precincts will be hosting a Citizens Police Academy in early 2017. We have planned an exciting agenda concerning activities that affect the residential and business communities. We invite everyone 18 years and older to take advantage of this opportunity. You will see first-hand the resources available to police officers and how they do their jobs to serve and protect the public. If you would like to sign up for the Citizens Police Academy or find out more information, please contact Officer Julia Weston at the Fenton Precinct, (636) 349-8120.

Neighborhood Policing Officer Julia Weston
Precinct Phone (636) 349-8120

SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR NOVEMBER 2016

"A" Sales Tax Summary		"B" (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$303,312	\$166,704 (55.0%)	\$188,486	\$184,430 (97.8%)	\$491,798	\$351,134 (71.4%)

Total amount for 2016 redistributed to St. Louis County is \$3,972,884 (65.5%).

DECISIONS FROM THE NOVEMBER 21, 2016 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

DECISIONS

- ✓ Presented the John Fabick Community Service Award to Kohl's Cares for Kids for their service to the community.
- ✓ Approved with conditions, a petition for Site Plan approval for a building addition to the existing O'Charley's Restaurant & Bar at 190 Gravois Bluffs Circle.
- ✓ Approved exercising the option to renew the existing contract with Lifeguards Unlimited, Inc. for January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, pursuant to the terms and conditions of Ordinance 3480 for aquatic services.
- ✓ Approved City snow removal policy.
- ✓ Approved exercising the option to renew the existing contract between the City of Fenton and Holloran Contracting, January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 pursuant to the terms and conditions of Ordinance 3508 for concrete slab and sidewalk replacement.
- ✓ Approved request for employees that "Exceed Expectations" on their annual 2016 Performance Evaluation to receive a 4.5% pay increase, those that "Meet Expectations" on their annual 2016 Performance Evaluation to receive a 3% pay increase, employees receiving a promotion after July 1, 2016 to receive a 1.5% pay increase and new hires employed July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016 to receive a 1.5% pay increase.
- ✓ Approved record retention policy.
- ✓ Approved City participation in the 2017 Lifestyle Magazine, published by Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$1,500 to promote RiverChase and the City and to authorize the City Clerk/Manager to take action necessary to participate in said Magazine.
- ✓ Approved City Attorney working with the Community Development Director on an update to the City's right-of-way regulations.

ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#3638** Ord. repealing Chapter 485 and enacting a new Chapter 485 – Sign Regulations of the Zoning Code of the City of Fenton, Missouri.
- ✓ **#3639** Ord. repealing Addendum A – Fee Schedules and enacting a new Addendum A – Fee Schedules, to Title IV of the Fenton Municipal Code.
- ✓ **#3640** Ord. amending Ordinance No. 2989 as amended by Ordinance 3066 relating to the Common Ground Easements for the Shadow Creek Subdivision.
- ✓ **#3641** Ord. approving the Final Release of escrowed funds for the Shadow Creek Subdivision and granting further authority.
- ✓ **#3642** Ord. approving a replacement Letter of Credit Deposit Agreement and extending the term thereof for Plat One of the Fenton Logistics Park.
- ✓ **#3643** Ord. authorizing the City to enter into an Agreement with The Brain Mill, Inc. for Network Services/IT Management for one (1) year with a City option to renew for an additional two (2) one-year terms.



- ✓ **#3644** Ord. approving a Contract with Kadean Construction Company, Inc. to repair the damage to the City's Heroes Memorial in Fenton City Park caused by the December 2015 Flood.
- ✓ **#3645** Ord. of the City of Fenton, Missouri, approving a license to access and provide certain services on Hays Hill Drive.
- ✓ **#3646** Ord. approving a Contract with D H Pace Company, Inc. d/b/a Overhead Door Company of St. Louis for the purchase and installation of garage and man doors at the Public Works Building, 700 Rudder Road.
- ✓ **#3647** Ord. approving a first amendment to the Police Service Agreement with St. Louis County, Missouri to provide Police Protection Services for the City of Fenton by and through the St. Louis County Police Department and add an additional officer and extend the agreement option terms to terminate December 31, 2021.

PENDING BILLS

- ✓ **Bill 16-77** Ord. amending Ordinance 2193, as amended by Ordinance 2365, of the City of Fenton, Missouri relating to property at 1501 and 1509 Ocello Drive zoned "BP-1" Business Park – Corporate Office Center District by amending and restating the first amended restated stipulations and agreements to authorize a light manufacturing and office building at 1501 Ocello Drive. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval, with conditions, of a petition by Stock & Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc., on behalf of WJB Enterprises, LLC/CoreLink, for Site Plan approval of a proposed 60,000 square-foot office/light manufacturing building at 1501 Ocello Drive. The property is zoned "BP-1" Business Park – Corporate Office Center District. ***Bill 16-77, as well as the petition for site plan approval, was sent back to Committee for further discussion.***

FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Fenton Historical Society will be held on **Thursday, January 5th at 7:00 p.m.** The Fenton Historical Society is located at #1 Church Street in Olde Towne Fenton.

For more information, call (636) 326-0808 or visit our website:

www.fentonhistory.com

PARKS & RECREATION

UPCOMING PROGRAM OFFERINGS

For detailed information, including program fees and registration requirements, please call RiverChase of Fenton at (636) 343-0067 or visit our website at www.fentonmo.org



SENIOR (55+) LUNCH AND BINGO

Join us at 10:30 a.m. on January 11. Bingo is played for an hour followed by Shepherd's Pie for lunch. Fee: \$6.50/person; registration required by Sunday, January 8.

FENTON POKERFEST 5K RUN/WALK

This is a fun, non-competitive event on **Saturday, February 18**. Each participant will receive 5 playing cards during the run/walk and the person with the best poker hand will win a free night's stay at River City Casino along with a \$50 voucher to use at any River City Casino Restaurant. There is no official timing, but the top 3 overall male and female finishers will be recognized. Snacks and drinks will be available after the race. Participants must be registered by **February 10** to be guaranteed a race t-shirt. Register online at www.fleetfeetstlouis.com. Check-in starts at 9:00 a.m. and the race starts at 10:00 a.m. **Cost is \$25 per person.**



GROUP CYCLING

Sessions start on January 2. Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m. **Fee is \$39 for Resident/Members and \$47 Non-Residents.**

OLDE TOWNE FENTON FARMERS MARKET

Interested in becoming a vendor at the Olde Towne Fenton Farmers Market? Want to share your great locally-produced products with Fenton, Missouri? We are looking for a variety of local producers, artists, bakers and makers of crafts. There are numerous opportunities to get involved at the market through music, special events and sponsorships. Please attend our informational meeting on **Saturday, February 11 from 9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.**

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Create memories that will last a lifetime. Dads (and father figures) and their daughters are invited. This special night will include a DJ, dancing, photos, crafts, appetizers and more. There will be a special visit from a princess! The dance takes place on **Friday, February 3 from 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.** **Fee is \$25 per couple and \$14 for each additional child.**

COMMUNITY INDOOR GARAGE SALE

Calling all bargain hunters and collectors! Register to be part of the largest sale of the year at RiverChase! Sell anything from toys to crafts. **Saturday, February 25 from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.** **Fee for 6'X3' table is \$19 for Resident/Members and \$22 for Non-Residents.**

RIVERCHASE HOLIDAY HOURS

Christmas Eve, December 24:

8:00 a.m.—Noon

Christmas Day, December 25:

Closed

New Year's Eve, December 31

8:00 a.m.—Noon

New Year's Day, January 1:

Noon—5:00 p.m.

WINTER WEATHER SAFETY

As colder temperatures sweep through the area, Fenton is urging people to use caution when near any body of water. As ice forms, the surface thickness on these bodies of water is variable and should be avoided. It is extremely dangerous!

- * Please do not venture onto the ice.
- * No ice should ever be considered safe.
- * Remember to keep your dog on a leash this time of year.
- * Watch your children near bodies of water or ice.

'TIS THE SEASON TO RECYCLE

Don't forget to recycle your wrapping paper and cardboard boxes from gifts received during the holidays.

The following items should **NOT** be recycled:

- Styrofoam, Pyrex and plastic bags
- Hoses
- Scrap metal (car parts, metal poles, bbq grills, etc.)
- Toys and hard-bound books
- Panes of broken glass and ceramics
- Medical items including syringes, needles, etc.

If you have any questions, please call Meridian Waste at (314) 291-3131.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Fenton Public Works will collect and dispose of your live Christmas trees after the holidays. Curbside recycling will take place with regularly scheduled yard waste pickups. Please remove **ALL** decorations and tinsel or it will not be picked up.



@FentonParks



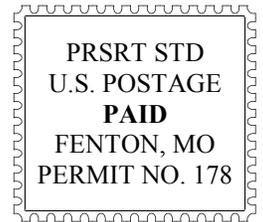
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Deliver by December 23, 2016

JANUARY

Mon	Jan 2		City Offices—Closed
Tue	Jan 3	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission
Thurs	Jan 5	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Jan 9	6:30 PM	Park Board (RiverChase)
Mon	Jan 9	5:30 PM	Municipal Court—Plea Date
Thurs	Jan 12	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meeting
Tue	Jan 17	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment
Thurs	Jan 26	7:00 PM	Board of Aldermen Meeting

All meetings of the Board and Commissions in the City of Fenton are open to the public. The City will provide reasonable accommodations for any meeting when requested to do so 48 hours in advance.

To request assistance contact:

(636) 343-2080 (VOICE) or Relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966 (TDD).

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