

CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2021



MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,

Happy New Year! I do hope that despite the restrictions on gatherings that you all were able to spend time with your family over the holidays. And now, fortunately, the restrictions are easing a bit, restaurants are open again for limited dine-in and the vaccine is being administered with more doses available each day. Here is hoping that this all makes a difference in the reported cases and we will be getting back to "normal" this year. We are far from done with this so please wear your mask and practice social distancing to your best ability. We will get past this.

Prior to the holiday break, the Board was able to complete the 2021 Budget in a timely manner. Thank you to the Board and all the staff involved in making that happen. It is never an easy task but went very well this time. We are looking forward to whatever challenges 2021 will bring to the City and I am happy to report that even with the restrictions, loss of some major businesses and increase in online ordering, our City is on sound financial footing. As I reported in last month's Mayor's Corner, we have many new businesses moving into our City and we are always ready to welcome others.

When you receive this, the filing for the General Election on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 will have closed. The Mayor position as well as Aldermen positions in each Ward are up for vote. Also, as I previously mentioned and we are advertising on our City of Fenton website (www.fentonmo.org), the City is looking for volunteers to serve on the Parks & Recreation Committee (two from Ward 2 and one from Ward 3), Planning and Zoning Commission (one from Ward 2) and the Board of Adjustment (one from Ward 1). Volunteers are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen. All of these committees meet once a month. Meetings are currently being conducted via ZOOM. We will return to City Hall only when it is safe for everyone. Join us online for any of these meetings to see how things work. The agendas and calendars as well as volunteer application forms are available on the City website. If you would like more information on how you can serve on one of the Boards or Commissions and be a part of the City's decision-making process, please contact me or the [City Clerk](#).

As you go about your daily business, please try to shop locally. Take a break from cooking and dine in or carry out dinner from one of our many restaurants. Our businesses are struggling, they need our support. Our friends and neighbors work and manage these businesses. Together we can help each other make it through these dire times.

Bob Brasses
Fenton Resident and Mayor
MayorBrasses@Fentonmo.org
(636) 343-3503 Ext 1109



City offices will be closed
Monday, February 15
for Presidents' Day.

FENTON IS SNOW READY

With winter weather here, we would like your cooperation and assistance during snow emergencies. Please remove any obstructions in the road and refrain from parking vehicles in the street when snow advisories are announced by the media or snow begins to fall. **This is particularly important in cul-de-sacs and areas with narrow streets.** Anything that impedes snow removal equipment may result in immediate notification from the Police Department to move the vehicle or other obstacles regardless of the hour. Help us do the best job possible in clearing the streets!



VOTER REGISTRATION

REMINDER



March 10 is the last day to register to vote or change your voter registration prior to the **April 6** election. For information, contact St. Louis County Board of Election Commissioners at (314) 615-1800.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE



On **Tuesday, February 2, 2021**, 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:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ **CASE 2021-SPR-01:** A Petition by Tom Madden and Sons Construction on behalf of Fabick for Site Plan Review of a proposed Accessory Structure (storage building) at 211 Fabricator Drive. The property is addressed as 1 Fabick Drive and is zoned “BP-2” Business Park District.
- ✓ **CASE 2021-SUP-01:** A Petition by STL Automotive Group for a Special Use Permit to operate a Used Automotive Sales establishment and Automotive Service Store at 49 Gravois Road. The property is zoned “OT-1” Olde Towne District.
- ✓ **CASE 2021-TXT-02:** Consideration of amendments to Chapter 448 of the Zoning Code pertaining to outdoor dining.

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



The City of Fenton is seeking volunteers for the following appointments:

- **The Board of Adjustment, Ward 1, term ending May 2025.**
- **The Planning and Zoning Commission, Ward 2, term ending August 2024.**
- **The Park and Recreation Committee, Ward 2, term ending January 2023.**
- **The Park and Recreation Committee, Ward 3 term ending January 2023.**
- **The Park and Recreation Committee, Ward 2, term ending January 2022.**

If you have any interest in serving on any of the above, please fill out a form, available online at fentonmo.org or contact the City Clerk directly via phone at 636-343-2080.

HOME IMPROVEMENT FUNDS AVAILABLE

St. Louis County Home Improvement Program is now accepting applications for our municipality.

- Up to \$5,000 at NO COST for eligible home repairs
- Owner-occupied residential dwellings only
- Household income must be at or below certain income limits based on family size
- Real estate taxes must be current and no tax liens
- Applications processed on first come, first served basis

**Check out the information at
fentonmo.org or call 314-615-4025 for more information.**



NEW BUSINESS CORNER

The following businesses have received an Occupancy Permit and are calling Fenton “home.”



Brotcke Well & Pump, Inc.
731 Merus Court
Tenant expansion

Ten Healthcare (a dba of 1636-1638 Headland, LLC)
1636 Headland Drive
Medical laboratory for diagnostic toxicology testing services

Larry Hughes Basketball Academy (a dba of Basketball Training Systems)
639 Gravois Bluffs Blvd, Suite H
Basketball training center

OVERFLOW TRASH REMINDER

Remember, trash that does not fit into the 64-gallon trash bin needs to be in trash bags (maximum weight 40 pounds and maximum size 30-gallons) **with an Overflow Trash Sticker on the bag.** In addition, residents are allowed to place one bulk item, up to 75 pounds, out for pickup with the regular weekly trash, **but you must call Waste Connections a day in advance at 636-321-2100 to schedule bulk item pick up.**



ELECTION NOTICE

The City of Fenton will hold its annual General Election on **Tuesday, April 6, 2021**. Voters will elect one Alderman in Ward 1 for a one-year term, and the 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 15, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and closed on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Forms for filing were provided by the City of Fenton, Office of the City Clerk, 625 New Smizer Mill Road.

The following is a list of candidates, as of January 15, 2021, that will appear on the ballot in the order they were filed:

MAYOR

Bob Brasses
911 Woodway Circle

**ALDERMAN—WARD 1
ONE YEAR**

Ralph Cruts
4 Forest Oak Court

ALDERMAN—WARD 1

Andrew Sobey, Jr.
734 River Hills Drive

ALDERMAN—WARD 2

Brian Wisbrock
415 Courtney Estates Drive

ALDERMAN—WARD 3

Chris Clauss
886 San Sebastian

ALDERMAN—WARD 4

Peter Dubois
1223 Woodridge Trails Dr.

Thomas L. Byron
1620 San Simeon Way

Susan Jokerst
1412 Uthoff Farm Trail

For more information, please contact Jane Hungler, City Clerk, at (636) 343-2080.

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE
FENTON PRECINCT**



CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFTS

With the current high prices for precious metals, the theft of catalytic converters in the area has increased. Most thefts occur in the overnight hours and in the industrial parks or at businesses that have multiple parked work vehicles. Targeted vehicles are larger vehicles such as box trucks, vans and work trucks; these vehicles are easier to gain access to the vehicle’s undercarriage and the catalytic converters. If you or someone you know could be a potential victim, please spread the word and take steps to protect your property. Keep your vehicles in a well-lighted or fenced in area. Consider adding real time video surveillance to your work fleet or redirecting cameras to target your vehicles. If you become a victim, please report the incident so the police are aware of the criminal activity in the area.

Snow Birds

Don’t forget to let us know when you are going south for the winter. We will place your house on the Vacation Inspection Program. Once on the list, officers will conduct multiple checks of your home ensuring everything is in order and undisturbed as you peacefully enjoy your time away.

Farewell Parks Officer Parsons

January 9th, 2021 was Officer Parsons’ last day assigned in the City of Fenton. Officer Parsons has worked in the Fenton Precinct for 10 years. During his last 2 years he has been assigned as the Fenton Park Officer. You may have seen him zipping through the park on an UTV or bicycle. He has enjoyed assisting at RiverChase and the Fenton Parks with multiple programs that have resulted in him making numerous positive connections with our Residents. One memorable incident during his time with the Parks was untangling a buck from a soccer net — not an easy task. Officer Parsons is moving on to another assignment in the St. Louis County Police Department as he begins preparing for retirement.

Neighborhood Policing Officer Aaron Dilks
Precinct Phone (636) 349-8120

SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR NOVEMBER 2020

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$402,539	\$ 225,433 (56.0%)	\$179,825	\$ 65,659 (36.5%)	\$582,364	\$291,092 (50.0%)

SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR DECEMBER 2020

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$518,077	\$ 295,066 (57.0%)	\$229,626	\$78,653 (34.3%)	\$747,703	\$ 373,719 (50.0%)

Total amount for 2020 redistributed to St. Louis County is \$3,430,427 (50.0%)

DECISIONS FROM THE DECEMBER 2020 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS

DECISIONS



- ✓ Approved \$1,200 annual pay increase for eligible employees.
- ✓ Recognized Ryan Bevard, Maintenance Worker III, for 15 years of service.
- ✓ Approved temporary reorganization adjustment for Public Works.
- ✓ Approved full page ad within Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce Lifestyle Magazine.
- ✓ Approved going out to bid for Fountain Beverage Services.
- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a Petition by Travis Spicer of Lowe's for Site Plan Review of a proposed building addition at 1 Gravois Bluffs Plaza Drive.
- ✓ Approved request for partial escrow release for Fenton Logistics Park Plat Five (Lot F).
- ✓ Approved to extend Midwest Pool Management of America, LTD Aquatic Services Contract for an additional 1-year term and approve amended chemical budget.
- ✓ Approved re-opening the indoor pool.
- ✓ Approved Liquor License for Cracker Barrel Old Country Store #150.
- ✓ Approved request for record destruction.
- ✓ Approved Liquor License for Shreeji of Fenton, LLC (Phillips 66).
- ✓ Approved to execute an understanding of services letter in conjunction with the City's Auditing Service Agreement.

ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#4087** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit for Shreeji of Fenton, LLC to operate an Automotive Convenience Store at 600 Gravois Road.
- ✓ **#4088** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit for 1636-1638 Headland, LLC d/b/a Ten Healthcare to operate a Medical Facility at 1636-1638 Headland Drive.
- ✓ **#4089** Ord. amending Ordinance No. 3238 to amend the site plan approved with a Special Use Permit issued to Commerce Bank to operate a freestanding ATM Facility at 539 Gravois Road.
- ✓ **4090** Ord. approving the 2021 Budget for the City of Fenton, Missouri.

ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS!

Are you a new resident in the City of Fenton? Be sure to call City Hall at 636-343-2080 to receive your new resident packet. It has helpful information about the services available to you. Welcome!



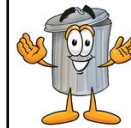
SNOW SEASON IS HERE

With winter weather upon us, here are a few things to keep in mind:

- * Shoveling snow can be good exercise, but be sure whoever is shoveling is not putting themselves in danger. If you have heart problems, you may want to hire the job out.
- * When shoveling snow, be sure to dress warmly and wear shoes with good traction. Push the snow rather than lifting it whenever possible. Take breaks and hydrate.
- * Do not pile snow in the street. Drivers are not expecting sporadic mounds of snow and it could cause vehicle damage or an accident.
- * It is the responsibility of the business landlords and owners to provide snow removal from parking lots and private streets without depositing the material in City-owned rights-of-way. Also, each household is responsible for snow removal on their property.

NOTE: 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.

FREE YARD WASTE/TRASH OVERFLOW STICKERS



Your complimentary Yard Waste/Trash Overflow Stickers for 2021 are now available. You can call City Hall Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to have them mailed out to you. Please remember that the complimentary stickers are **only** available from City Hall, but additional stickers can be purchased for \$1.00 each at RiverChase or by mailing a check made out to "City of Fenton" to City Hall, 625 New Smizer Mill Road. If you have questions, please contact City Hall at 636-343-2080.

PARKS & RECREATION

RiverChase has reopened to members only at a 25% maximum occupancy.

To enter the facility members must:

- Always wear a mask **including when exercising**
- Answer a series of questions about COVID-19
- Have their temperature taken

Hours of Operation:

Monday – Thursday: 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Friday: 7:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SILVER SNEAKERS

Open Monday through Friday, 10:30-11:30 a.m..

FREE to Silver Sneakers/Renew Active/Silver & Fit, \$4 per class for all others.



PERSONAL TRAINING

First time client special 3 sessions for \$69.

Personal training with a friend! Small Group Training Special 3 sessions for \$41 per person.

Personal Training can be done in-person or virtually.

GROUP EXERCISE CLASSES!

Single Class Fee: \$8 or 20 Punch Card Fee: \$100 Residents/Members/\$120 non-members

Space is limited. Please pre-register at www.fentonmo.org or call 636-343-0067.

CIRCUIT TRAINING

Combo strength & endurance.

Tuesday/Thursday

9-9:45 a.m.



PILATES

Strengthen core and flexibility

Mondays

9:15-10:15 a.m. or 5:30-6:30 p.m.



BUTI YOGA

High intensity yoga with a tribal dance feel

Wednesdays

5:45-6:45p.m.

If you have any questions, please call RiverChase at 636-343-0067.

PARKS & RECREATION continued

T-BALL League (ages 3-5)

Fee: \$65 - Resident/Members; \$75 - Non-Members

COACH PITCH League (ages 6-8)

Fee: \$70 - Resident/Members; \$80 - Non-Members

Both Leagues: Six-game schedule held at Fenton City Park on Saturday mornings/afternoons. Practices will be held once a week, Monday — Friday, between 5 and 6:30 p.m. The day and time are dependent upon the coach. All league information will be emailed via Head Coach in late April.

Deadline to register: April 11

Start Date: May 8

Parent coaches are needed. They will receive a FREE registration credit at the end of the season.

ADULT SOFTBALL

- ◇ Men's leagues are offered Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday. Coed leagues are offered on Tuesday.
- ◇ All leagues are double headers with playoffs. League games will begin April 4th.
- ◇ Registration is now open for returning men's teams, and all coed teams. (New teams can register beginning February 15th.) Registration fee is \$585 for men's and \$520 for coed teams.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Fenton is seeking qualified individuals for the positions of:

Maintenance Worker I
Building and Grounds Worker
Administrative Assistant—Public Works
Recreation Associate 1—Front Desk
RiverChase
Recreation Supervisor — Youth and Adult
Sports/Rentals
Park and Recreation Supervisor — Camps/
Front Desk/Special Events

Employment applications, job description, and a summary of employee benefits can be found on the City's website at fentonmo.org, or by calling City Clerk Jane Hungler at 636-343-2080.

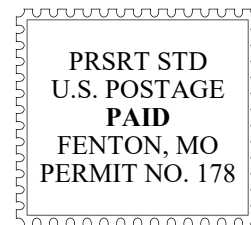
FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Fenton Historical Society will be held on **Thursday, February 4 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.



CITY OF FENTON
625 NEW SMIZER MILL ROAD
FENTON, MO 63026

Deliver by January 25, 2021



FEBRUARY

Mon	Feb 1	6:30 PM	Park Committee Meeting *
Tues	Feb 2	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission*
Thurs	Feb 4	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings*
Thurs	Feb 4	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swanter House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Feb 8		Municipal Court—Plea Date via video or phone
Thurs	Feb 11	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings*
Tue	Feb 16	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment*
Thurs	Feb 25	7:00 PM	Board of Aldermen Meeting*

***All meetings of the Board and Commissions in the City of Fenton are open to the public via video/teleconference.**

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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 MayorBrasses@Fentonmo.org

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 Fenton Precinct**

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Director of Public Works

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