

CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

DECEMBER 2015 – JANUARY 2016



MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends and Family,

I know many Fenton citizens are concerned about the situation at Highway 30 and West Watson. I have written a letter to MoDOT about this situation. I will advise you of the reply and any developments regarding this intersection.

I started my holiday season on the evening of November 20 at Fenton City Hall with the annual 'lighting' event. What a wonderful time that annual event is! I was happy to see so many familiar faces among the attendees, and was delighted to hear the great Uthoff Valley Elementary School Choir kick off our Christmas season with their holiday songs.

Unfortunately in this day and age, we have to be more careful than our grandparents – or even our parents – did. This amplifies during the holiday season. Giving to charities during this holiday season is noble. Please remember though, to make sure the charity is legitimate, and never give your personal information or credit card number over the phone.

Stay in the moment and do not get distracted when you are out this season in stores or at crowded holiday events. An unzipped purse, a wallet on the dashboard, or packages visible in an unattended car are prime targets for criminals this season.

As we say good-bye to this year of 2015, we cannot help but look forward to 2016 with its promises and hopes. As we move to the end of the year, let us not lose sight of the most important thing: our loved ones. Whether family or dear friends, the people in our lives are what make the season special.

Thank people and wish them well with a smile. Often that can change their day (and yours, as well) for the better. Be kind. Be considerate. Be compassionate. These 'gifts' cost nothing, yet bring you much in return.

Charles Dickens, in his 1843 classic tale, [A Christmas Carol](#), was one of the first authors to write about the true spirit of Christmas, and how the true spirit of the day could transform even the cynical miser Ebenezer Scrooge. Tiny Tim Cratchit addresses his father's boss and his new behavior in awe. "God bless us, every one!", Tiny Tim proclaimed after seeing the change in Scrooge. Acts of kindness change both the giver and the recipient.

From my family to yours: have a happy, wonderful, and kind holiday season. See you in 2016!

Mayor Mike

CITY HALL HOLIDAY HOURS

As the holidays approach, please make note of the following changes to City Hall hours:

Thursday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

Closing at Noon

Friday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

Closed

Thursday, December 31 (New Year's Eve)

Closing at Noon

Friday, January 1 (New Year's Day)

Closed

LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Uthoff Valley Special Chorus provided a fun and festive start to the holiday season at our annual Lighting Ceremony at our City Hall on Friday, November 20. Thank you to the chorus members and their leader, Rhonda Fischer!

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you!

CITY OF FENTON, MISSOURI ELECTION NOTICE



The City of Fenton will hold its annual General Election on **Tuesday, April 5, 2016**. Voters will elect 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, 2015, at 8:00 a.m. and will close on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 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, contact City Clerk/Manager Diane Monteleone, MMC/MPCC at (636) 343-2080.

**PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

On **Tuesday, January 5, 2016**, 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:

- ✓ A Petition by BC Construction, on behalf of Thirty & 141, LP, for Site Plan Review of a proposed private commercial driveway and graded site pad at 199 Gravois Bluffs Plaza Drive and 198 Gravois Bluffs Circle, located in the City of Fenton, St. Louis County; and on a parcel as identified as 02-2.0-03.0-1-002-001 located in Unincorporated Jefferson County. The parcels located within the City of Fenton, St. Louis County, which are the only parcels subject to this review, are zoned “C-1” Commercial Zone District. **CASE 2015-SPR-05 HAS BEEN CONTINUED TO THE NEXT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ Consideration of amendments to the Zoning Code pertaining to Sign Regulations.
- ✓ Consideration of a Resolution of Intent to amend the Zoning Code pertaining to Accessory Buildings, Structures and Uses and related definitions.
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- ✓ Consideration of a Resolution of Intent to amend the Zoning Code pertaining to Site Plan Review requirements for non-residential uses in residential districts.
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- ✓ A Petition by Hoener Associates, Inc. on behalf of Rockwood School District for a Special Use Permit for a building expansion to Uthoff Elementary School. The property is addressed as 1600 Uthoff Drive and is zoned “R-1” Single-Family Residential.

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



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”:



Burger King — 653 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard
(Burger King Restaurant located inside Wal-Mart)

Central Stone Company — 1195 Smizer Mill Road, Suite A
(administrative office for a quarry company)

Filtexx Living Walls — 23 Cassens Court
(office headquarters and warehouse for living wall construction)

Get Exposed Graphics — 781B Rudder Road
(vinyl graphics design, production for advertising materials)

Sourcing Solutions Manufacturing, LLC — 1856 Larkin Williams Road
(precision manufacturing of customer-specific parts and assemblies)

SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR NOVEMBER 2015

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$309,120	\$169,611 (54.9%)	\$168,564	\$164,278 (97.5%)	\$477,684	\$333,888 (69.9%)

The total amount of sales tax redistributed to St. Louis County for 2015 this far is \$3,907,805 (65%).

FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Fenton Historical Society will be held on Thursday, January 7 at 7:00 p.m.

The Fenton Historical Society is located at #1 Church Street in Olde Towne Fenton. For more information, contact us at: (636) 326-0808 or visit www.fentonhistory.com.

HOLIDAY TRASH AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE

REMINDER Due to the holidays each year, the pickup schedule has to be modified. Please note that the trash and recycling schedules are unaffected for December this year.

Christmas Week

Trash: Monday, December 21

Recycling: Thursday, December 24

New Year's Week

Trash: Monday, December 28

Recycling: Thursday, December 31

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

Just a reminder that Fenton Public Works will pick up your live Christmas trees after the holidays. In order for us to be able to take the tree, you **MUST** remove all decorations including tinsel. The trees are sunk in our lakes to provide a healthy habitat for the fish and we don't want to harm the fish or lakes. You can place it at the curb on your normal yard waste schedule. You do not need to have an orange sticker on it, but all decorations must be removed or it will not be picked up.



JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

At the Thursday, November 19, 2015 Board of Aldermen Meeting, Mayor Michael D. Polizzi presented the John Fabick Community Service Award to **Virginia Lee Goede** for her service to the Fenton community.



ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE FENTON PRECINCT

Are you prepared if your vehicle were to break down in the snow today? Could you walk to a stranger's house or to the closest store? What if you're in a desolate area and your car runs off the road. Packing an Emergency Kit for the trunk of your car can make your grim situation a little more bearable.



Emergency Kit:

- Flares, reflective triangle or cones
- Flashlight and distress sign
- First aid supplies and basic tools
- Change for pay telephone and/or a fully-charged cell phone
- Inflated spare tire and proper tools for changing

Other recommended items are:

- Warm clothing like coat, gloves, hat and boots
- Jumper cables
- Carpet strips, sand or kitty litter for traction
- Ice scraper and brush
- Blanket
- Food

Neighborhood Policing Officer Aaron Dilks

Precinct Phone (636) 349-8120, ext. 1123

RECYCLABLE ITEMS REMINDER

Fenton makes it easy for residents to recycle all their items in one container. The City of Fenton provides a 65-gallon cart and/or 18-gallon recycle bins to each resident. Free, additional 18-gallon bins are available by contacting City Hall. To make it easier to recycle, you can now co-mingle all your recycle items. Paper, plastics and tin cans can be placed in the same container.



Unacceptable items include:

- Gas, oil and antifreeze containers
- Styrofoam, Pyrex and plastic bags
- Hoses, large metal items (example: car parts)
- Toys and hard-bound books
- Panes of broken glass and ceramics

'TIS THE SEASON ...

... for **Styrofoam and cardboard boxes!** During the holidays, it's easy to accumulate cardboard boxes and polystyrene packing materials (commonly known as Styrofoam.) Boxes can be flattened or broken down and stacked at the curb with your recycling cart if too big to fit. Styrofoam, however, isn't economical to recycle curbside due to its low scrap value. Fortunately, there are drop-off options. Packing "peanuts" can frequently be returned to a mail store for reuse. *Call the location before dropping off.* Residents can drop off foam and polystyrene packing material at EPC. Contact them directly for instructions, address and hours. (314) 344-0096 or go to www.epcusa.com for more information.

St. Louis County also has a handy web guide for managing the extra recyclables generated this time of year:

www.stlouisco.com/HealthandWellness/RecyclingandSolidWaste/HolidayRecycling

DECISIONS FROM THE NOVEMBER 19 AND DECEMBER 3, 2015 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS

DECISIONS

- ✓ Presented the John Fabick Community Service Award to Virginia Lee Goede for her service to the community.
- ✓ Approved a Site Plan submitted by UniGroup, Inc. for a new 1,200 square foot storage structure at 1 Premier Drive.
- ✓ Approved amended 2016 Capital Plan.
- ✓ Approved adjusting the user fees for rental of rooms at RiverChase and at the park pavilion as presented and discussed at the November 5, 2015 Board of Aldermen Committee Meeting.
- ✓ Approved declaring as surplus and removing the greenhouses/outbuildings in the Fabick Nature Area.
- ✓ Approved exercising the option to renew the existing contract with Lifeguards Unlimited, Inc., January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 pursuant to the terms and conditions of Ord. 3480 for aquatic services.
- ✓ Approved replacing 10 PCs, upgrading software and purchasing 24" monitors in an amount not to exceed \$8,800 in accordance with the contract between the City and The Brain Mill.
- ✓ Approved exercising the option to renew the existing contract between the City and The Grounds Guys, March 28, 2016 to December 31, 2016 pursuant to the terms and conditions of Ord. 3496 and Ord. 3512 for grass mowing services.
- ✓ Approved exercising the option to renew the existing contract between the City and Holloran Contracting, January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 pursuant to the terms and conditions of Ord. 3508 for concrete slab and sidewalk replacement.
- ✓ Approved job description for Code Enforcement Officer.
- ✓ Approved holding the Annual Appreciation Dinner at RiverChase, catered by Andre's, on the first Sunday in December 2016.
- ✓ Approved DEKA to repair the AC compressor in the Dectron HVAC unit located in the indoor pool at RiverChase in an amount not to exceed \$6,330 as outlined in the quote on file with the City and in accordance with the terms, conditions, and warranties of the HVAC contract between the City and DEKA approved via Ord. 3556.

ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#3551** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit for Luby Shoring Service, LLC to have a temporary modular/prefabricated structure for a temporary office facility at 2300 Cassens Drive.
- ✓ **#3552** Ord. amending Section 470.070, Subsection A of the Municipal Code relating to Site Plan Requirements and Review.
- ✓ **#3553** Ord. formally accepting Fleetwood Drive located in the City.
- ✓ **#3554** Ord. approving a one-year Maintenance Agreement with Office Source, Inc. for the Canon copier at RiverChase.
- ✓ **#3555** Ord. approving an agreement with Frederic Co., Inc. for replacement of the roof on the main pavilion at Fenton City Park.
- ✓ **#3556** Ord. approving an agreement with DEKA Corporation for

HVAC Maintenance and Repair for City-owned buildings.

- ✓ **#3557** Ord. approving an agreement with Kerber, Eck & Braeckel, LLC for Auditing Services for fiscal years 2015 and 2016, with an option to renew for one additional year.
- ✓ **#3558** Ord. amending Sections 300.010, 100.060, 135.135 and 135.240 of the Municipal Code relating to penalties, court procedures, court costs and traffic violations.
- ✓ **#3559** Ord. authorizing and directing Missouri-American Water Company to install a fire hydrant near 1415 Uthoff Drive.
- ✓ **#3560** Ord. authorizing the Mayor to execute an Assignment of the City's Judgement in accordance with the City's Owners Policy of Title Insurance.

PENDING BILLS

- ✓ **Bill 15-72** Ord. amending Addendum A, Fee Schedules, to Title IV of the Municipal Code. **Bill 15-72 was read one time only.**
- ✓ **Bill 15-78** Ord. approving a Full-Service Contract with St. Louis County to provide police protection services for the City by and through St. Louis County Police Department for a five-year period beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2020. **Bill 15-78 was read one time only and sent back to the December Committee Meeting for further review and discussion.**



CHANGES TO THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING DATES:

Due to the Holidays, the Board of Aldermen approved holding Committee Meetings and Board Meetings as follows:

Thursday, January 14:
Board Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 28:
Board of Aldermen Meeting

FROM ST. LOUIS COUNTY

St. Louis County's Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program offers NO-COST home improvements to help keep your children safe. For information regarding qualifications, income guidelines, improvements available, etc. please contact Bradley Waller at (314) 615-4428 or bwaller@stlouisco.com.

Important Notice

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 on Wednesday, January 13. Bingo starts at 10:30 a.m. and lunch follows at 11:30 a.m. We will be serving Sheppard's Pie. Fee: \$6.50/person; registration required by the Sunday prior.

DROP IN PICKLEBALL (ADULT)

This fast-paced, indoor sport will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays through May 1. Information on open play times and fees can be found by calling RiverChase.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (AGES 8 – 10)

This five (5) week, recreational/beginner league starts on February 27. Games are held on Sunday afternoons in the RiverChase gymnasium. For more registration details/fees and information on becoming a coach, please call RiverChase at (636) 343-0067.

NEW FITNESS CLASSES AVAILABLE!

Contact RiverChase for availability and registration.

POUND®

Full-body cardio jam session, combining light resistance with constant simulated drumming. Through continual upper body motion using lightly weighted drumsticks, Ripstix®, you'll turn into a calorie torching drummer, POUNDing off pounds as each song flies by. Hurry, space is limited.

BOOM MUSCLE

This is a 30-minute functional training and strength conditioning class. We will focus on a variety of strength-based training techniques, and movement patterns borrowed from popular sporting activities plus total body muscle conditioning.

BOOM MOVE IT

This 30-minute class combines a great workout with dances of the 60's through the 90's! This fun, high - energy dance fitness class is achievable for beginners, experienced and everyone in between! From The Stroll to the Electric Slide, get ready to hit the dance floor!

Both the Boom Muscle and Boom Move It classes are a part of the aerobic session card classes. You can also pay \$8 and drop in for either class. Both classes are free to Silver Sneakers Members.



HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT RIVERCHASE

Information on these events can be found by calling RiverChase at (636) 343-0067 or by visiting www.fentonmo.org.

HOLI-DAY CAMP

Week 1: December 21, 22, 23 and Week 2: December 28, 29, 30. Campers will participate in all things holiday with crafts, games, activities plus indoor swimming! Call for details and prices.



NOON YEAR'S EVE

December 31, 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Preschoolers, midnight is just too late for us to stay up! So join us for our very own Noon Year's Eve Party! We will have story time, snacks, make our own party kit and even have our own countdown! We will celebrate the new year early, but it will be just as fun! Cost is only \$10 per child (parents are free.) Registration required.

RIVERCHASE HOLIDAY HOURS

During the upcoming Holiday Season, RiverChase will maintain normal hours except for the following days:

Christmas Eve, December 24:
5:30 a.m.—Noon



Christmas Day, December 25:
CLOSED



New Years Eve, December 31:
5:30 a.m.—Noon

New Years Day, January 1:
Noon—5:00 p.m.

*"Snow is diamonds for a faery's feet;
Blithely and bonnily she trips along,
Her lips a-carol with a merry song,
And in her eyes the meaning... Life is sweet!"*

— Ruby Archer



@FentonParks



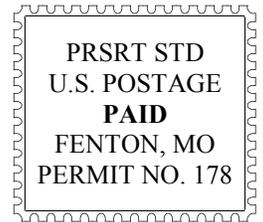
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CITY OF FENTON
625 NEW SMIZER MILL ROAD
FENTON, MO 63026



Deliver by Monday, December 21, 2015

JANUARY

Thur	Dec 31		City Offices Close at Noon
Fri	Jan 1		City Offices – Closed
Mon	Jan 4	6:30 PM	Park Board (City Hall)
Tue	Jan 5	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission
Thur	Jan 7	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Jan 11	5:30 PM	Municipal Court – Plea Date
Thur	Jan 14	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings
Tue	Jan 19	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment
Thur	Jan 28	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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