

CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2020



MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Fellow Citizens,

Fall is here and finally we will get some relief from the heat. Cooler days and evenings mean more enjoyable time in the parks. I look forward to seeing you there. Speaking of parks, I am pleased to announce that our City of Parks will extend the size of Fenton City Park with the contract to purchase the Fenton Athletic Association Henderson Fields property. The Association had been promoting sports in the City since 1977 and, unfortunately, with repeated flooding in the past four years and the Covid restrictions this year, they have gone out of business. With the anticipated closing by the end of the month, Fenton City Park will be over 29 acres larger. We are excited about the acquisition and look forward to utilizing the property to its fullest potential.

We would like to welcome our newest Park & Recreation Committee members who were appointed at the August Board Meeting: Pam Phillips representing Ward 1 and Carol Tague representing Ward 2. Welcome to both of you and thank you for volunteering your time to serve the City. We genuinely appreciate all our volunteers who serve our City on various boards and commissions. It is a great way to be a part of your City government. As I have mentioned before, even if there is not an open position, I would love to hear from you if you are interested in serving.

As you know, with the current public health crisis, we are restricted from having meetings at City Hall, however, we encourage all of you to join our meetings via Zoom. It is easier than ever to join. Each agenda for our various meetings contains the Zoom meeting link, meeting ID and password. Meeting dates and agendas are available on the City website www.fentonmo.org. There is also a phone number for you to just call in to the meeting instead of using your computer. Each meeting has an option for Public Comments. We look forward to having you join us.

Remember that we are taking nominations for the John Fabick Community Service Award. The forms are available on the fentonmo.org website or by calling City Hall at (636) 343-2080. Nominations are due by September 30, 2020.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that the Missouri deadline to register to vote in the November 3 General Election is October 7, 2020. The application to request an absentee ballot for St. Louis County must be received by 5:00 p.m. on October 21, 2020 at the St. Louis County Board of Election Commissioners. Whether you vote in person or by absentee ballot, the important thing is to exercise your right to vote.

Alderman Huels, the City's Census liaison, wants to remind everyone the 2020 Census Count will end September 30. Fenton is currently at 79.9% response. Be sure to register if you have not done so since distribution of federal funds is based on population. For more information, please see the article on Page 2 of this newsletter.

Working for you, for a better Fenton,

Bob Brasses, Fenton Resident and Mayor
636-343-2080 ext. 1109
MayorBrasses@Fentonmo.org



Flu Shot Clinic at RiverChase Oct. 16

St. Luke's will be offering a flu shot clinic on Friday, Oct. 16 at RiverChase from noon until 2 p.m. Please go to fentonmo.org for more information on registering for an appointment.

The 19th anniversary of September 11, 2001 was not honored as many would have preferred due to the current pandemic. Citizens had to observe Patriots Day in their own fashion. However you remembered 9/11, the important thing is that this is a time for the entire nation to unite to commemorate and honor the sacrifices and brave acts of many Americans.



PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE



On **Tuesday, October 6, 2020**, the Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. during their regularly scheduled meeting via video/teleconference to consider the following:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ **CASE 2020-SUP-09:** A Petition by Gary Grewe of Gravois Bluffs East 8B, LLC on behalf of S&H Sports Group, LLC to operate an Indoor Unlimited Recreation Facility (volleyball facility) at 601 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard, Suite G. The parcel is zoned “OT-3” Olde Towne District.

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

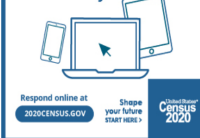
NEW RESIDENTS

If you are 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!



THE 2020 CENSUS COUNT WILL END SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Fill out your 2020 Census online today.



Almost every area of our daily lives is touched by the Census – education, housing, food, healthcare, foster care, and infrastructure are just a few. Funding is determined by population count and that count will be key to where federal dollars will be allocated. Covid-19 has hampered the Census person-to-person contact efforts so please participate as soon as possible. The Census is confidential, and will not ask about employment, banking, citizenship status or any past or present law enforcement related questions. Be assured that all information is confidential.

If you have not responded to the 2020 Census, please complete it today. Time is running out! Everyone who lived in the United States on April 1, 2020, is required to be counted – whether or not they are a U.S. citizen. **Go online to my2020census.gov or call 844-330-2020 6 a.m. to 1 a.m.**

NEW BUSINESS CORNER

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



Rock Steady Boxing, dba of Box Back Parkinsons
2275 Cassens Drive, Suite 107
Healing Arts Establishment for Parkinson's Patients

Acciva, LLC
558 Gravois Road, Suite 101
Office for CPA Business

The Cellular Connection
160 Gravois Bluffs Circle Drive
Cellular Retail

DComm, Inc.
1735 Rudder Industrial Park Road
Contractor for Spectrum Cable

Arise Community Church
639 Gravois Bluffs Blvd, D
Worship Center

GRS Appraisal and Auction Services
1505 Fenpark Drive
Commercial Auction Services

Wright Building Systems
1728 West Park Center Drive, Suite C
Contracting Company

FALL LEAF PICKUP PROGRAM



The City's Fall Leaf Pickup Program will begin the week of **October 19** and will run through the week of **December 14**. Leaf pick ups will start at 7:00 a.m. on Mondays and should take 2 to 5 days depending on the amount of leaves being removed. **PLEASE DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET.** Leaves should be raked to the back of curbs to avoid washing into the storm sewer system. Leaf piles containing debris or items other than leaves including, but not limited to, animal waste, lawn clippings, trash, tree limbs, etc. will NOT be picked up. If the unacceptable items are removed, the leaf pile will be picked up the following week. If you have questions, please contact Public Works at (636) 349-8155.



**ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE
FENTON PRECINCT**

**DECISIONS FROM THE AUGUST 27, 2020
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**



Free Bicycle Helmets

As Fall approaches, many children and adults will be riding bicycles in area parks and streets. Bicycle helmets are an essential element to bicycle safety. Together with “Helmets First” we will be giving away helmets to anyone in need. Contact Officer Dilks at the Fenton Precinct for further details.

Radar Trailer

Do you think cars are driving a little too fast on your subdivision street? You can request Fenton Police’s radar trailer to be deployed to give your neighbors a friendly flashing LED reminder to slow down. Contact the Precinct with your request.

Open Garage Doors

With darkness coming earlier, we want to remind everyone to close their garage doors at night. This will help reduce the potential for crime in your neighborhood. When officers patrolling your neighborhood discover an open garage door, we will contact you by letter and ask that you take the time to safeguard your family and property by keeping your garage door closed. If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact the City of Fenton Precinct.

Neighborhood Policing Officer

P.O. Aaron Dilks 3219 / (636) 349-8120

FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Homemade masks are available for \$3 each at the Museum or at Fenton Feed Mill. Soon 2021 Calendars will be available for \$5 each. For more information, call (636) 326-0808 or visit www.fentonhistory.com.



DECISIONS

- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a petition by Fenton Land Investors for Site Plan Review of a proposed 148,800 square-foot building (distribution facility) at 655 Assembly Parkway. The parcel is addressed as 2055 Fenton Logistics Park Boulevard and is zoned “PID” Planned Industrial Development.
- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a petition by Fenton Land Investors for Site Plan Review of two proposed private driveways connecting Assembly Parkway to undeveloped parcels of land within Fenton Logistics Park. The parcel is addressed as 2055 Fenton Logistics Park Boulevard and is zoned “PID” Planned Industrial Development.
- ✓ Appointed Pam Phillips, Ward 1, to the Parks and Recreation Committee with a term expiring January 2021.
- ✓ Appointed Carol Tague, Ward 2, to the Parks and Recreation Committee with a term expiring January 2021.
- ✓ Re-appointed Bill Voorhees, Ward 1, to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term expiring August 2024.
- ✓ Approved the 2020/2021 Holiday Schedule and 2021 Budget Hearing.
- ✓ Approved amendments to Chapter 205, Offenses of the Municipal Code, to be included in the recodification of the Municipal Code.
- ✓ Approved to surplus equipment at Public Works.
- ✓ Approved credit card for Public Works Director.



ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#4062** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit for Arise Community Church to operate a Church at 639 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard, Suite I.
- ✓ **#4063** Ord. amending Ordinance 4026 and approving an amended Master Final Plat Five for Fenton Logistics Park to remove certain landscape buffers.
- ✓ **#4064** Ord. approving a contract between the City of Fenton, Missouri and SC Engineering, LLC d/b/a Cochran for engineering design services for the Larkin Williams Road Project
- ✓ **#4065** Ord. amending the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget.

FAILED BILLS

- ✓ **Bill 20-65** Ord. amending Section 400.030, Definitions, and Section 476.010, Land Use Matrix, of the Zoning Code to define Blood/Plasma Collection Center and establish the same as a use allowed by Special Use Permit in the “OT-2” Olde Towne District.
- ✓ **Bill 20-66** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit for BioLife Plasma Services L.P. to operate a Blood/Plasma Collection Center at 55-58 Fenton Plaza.

SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR AUGUST 2020

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$433,389	\$227,317 (52.5%)	\$159,634	\$104,206 (65.3%)	\$593,024	\$331,523 (55.9%)

Total amount for 2020 redistributed to St. Louis County is \$2,170,936 (53.2%)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020
6:45 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Board of Aldermen will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the estimated allocation of \$20,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds which will become available after January 21, 2021. The Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2020, 6:45 p.m. at Fenton City Hall, 625 New Smizer Mill Road, Fenton, Missouri via video/teleconference.

To join the meeting via website:

- (1) Go to Zoom at <https://zoom.us>
- (2) Select Join a Meeting
- (3) Enter Meeting ID: 831 4228 6032
- (4) Enter Password: 677116

To join the meeting by phone call (audio):

- (1) Call 1-312-626-6799
- (2) When prompted, enter the **Meeting ID** and **Password** provided above.

To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Fenton has enacted and/or enforces the following:

- A Fair Housing Ordinance prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;
- A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;
- A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;
- A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above.

Andrea N. Finkbiner, City Administrator
625 New Smizer Mill Road, Fenton, MO 63026

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Instructions for providing public comments: Persons interested in making their views known on this matter will be able to speak during the video/teleconference meeting under “Public Comments.” However, if you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may provide written (mailed) comments to the City Clerk, Jane Hungler, at 625 New Smizer Mill Road, Fenton, MO 63026 or may send an email to jhungler@fentonmo.org by no later than Wednesday, October 21, 2020 by 4:30 p.m. All comments received will be entered into the public record and publicly read as time allows. All written comments will also be distributed to the entire Board at or before the meeting. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we all try to get through these unprecedented times.

If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 636-343-2080 or Missouri Relay TDD 1-800-735-2966 at least two (2) working days prior to the meeting.



**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

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

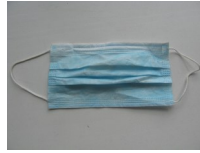
- **Monday, November 23, 2020
Board of Aldermen Meeting**
- **Thursday, December 3, 2020
Board Committee Meetings**
- **Thursday, December 10, 2020
Board Committee Meetings**
- **Monday, December 21, 2020
Board of Aldermen Meeting**
- **Thursday, January 14, 2021
Board Committee Meetings**

PARKS & RECREATION

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

To enter the facility members must:

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



Hours of Operation Effective September 14:

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.

The hours have been changed on both Fridays and Sundays due to low attendance numbers. These hours will be re-evaluated in the future.

Programs being offered at this time:

- Silver Sneakers: Monday — Friday: 10:30 a.m.
- Personal Training: Monday — Friday
- Tae Kwon Do: Tuesday — Thursday 5:45 p.m.
- Group Exercise Classes: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 5:45 p.m.



Programs not being offered at this time:

Rentals
 Stay-N-Play
 Summer Camps
 Swimming Lessons
 Aerobics Classes

Drinking fountains and handheld equipment will be unavailable during this time. The showers, locker rooms, family changing areas, gymnasium, jungle room, multipurpose room, aerobics room and the rain forest playground are closed.

The indoor and outdoor pools will remain closed until further notice.

If you have any questions, please call RiverChase at 636-349-8155.

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

RiverChase has the following employment opportunity:

**Recreation Supervisor — Camp
Front Desk**

Employment Applications and additional information on the positions are available on our website at fentonmo.org. Please contact City Clerk Jane Hungler if you have any other questions.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



Mayor Bob Brasses and the Board of Aldermen are officially requesting nominations for the annual “John Fabick Community Service Award”. This award was named in memory of Mr. Fabick for his dedication to our community and his corporate leadership.

The City of Fenton recognizes that many of its residents, businesses and civic organizations contribute in a significant manner to the City each day, without reward or recognition. These include those that have brought honor upon themselves and the community through some outstanding accomplishment as well as service-minded volunteers who simply want to be involved in the community by serving on a City Board or Commission.

To that end, the City has established a process that will allow for appropriate recognition of an individual, business or civic group, Board or Commission that has contributed a significant and useful service to the community.

Actions being recognized must benefit the City of Fenton or its residents in some manner. The individual must live or be employed within the Fenton City limits and the business or civic group must be located within the City limits.

To obtain a nominating form, contact City Clerk Jane Hungler at (636) 343-2080. All nominations must be forwarded to City Hall by September 30, 2020. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet to review all nominations for a final decision. The award will be presented at the November Board of Aldermen Meeting.

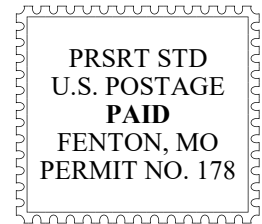
A Reminder from Public Works

Yard waste bags should be at the curb on Mondays by 7:00 a.m., not weigh more than 50 lbs. and must have an orange sticker.



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

Deliver by September 25, 2020



OCTOBER

Thurs	Oct 1	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings *
Thurs	Oct 1	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Oct 5	6:30 PM	Park Committee Meeting*
Tue	Oct 6	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission *
Thurs	Oct 8	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meetings *
Mon	Oct 12		Municipal Court—Plea Date via video or phone
Tue	Oct 20	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment *
Thurs	Oct 22	6:45 PM	Public Hearing — Community Development Block Grant*
Thurs	Oct 22	7:00 PM	Board of Aldermen Meeting *

***All meetings of the Board, Committees 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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