

CITY OF FENTON—NEWS & VIEWS

JULY— AUGUST 2017



MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,

Our staff continues to clean up after the flood we had in May. We are moving along a lot quicker than last time. As of writing this article, the main restrooms by the garage in Fenton City Park are open and we are working to get the electric turned back on and the concession stands open. Hopefully, they will be back up and running by the time you receive this.

Our City Hall parking lot is set to get repaved starting July 20th and will take about seven weeks to complete. We are also continuing various slab repairs and road patching throughout our City. We have our Flood Meeting on July 19th at 6 pm and we have a pretty full agenda of speakers lined up. Also, for anyone on Facebook, we have a City of Fenton, Missouri Page and a Fenton Parks and Recreation/RiverChase Page. They are both updated frequently with information pertaining to our City and activities going on in the parks and at our rec center. We also have an Olde Towne Fenton Farmers Market page that lists all of their summertime events.

We have a special event happening in Fenton – a total solar eclipse on August 21st. Fenton has not been in the direct path for over 400 years. It will be a spectacular event and those of you out traveling should be cautious as we will have total darkness for a few minutes. It will slowly start around 11:45 am, with totality starting at 1:17 pm. Please make sure you have some solar eclipse glasses if you intend to watch this awesome event. The Fenton Chamber of Commerce is hosting their annual golf tournament at Tapawingo that day and they have spots available for those who just want to come by and view the eclipse. Contact the Fenton Chamber of Commerce for more details.

Remember, it's getting hotter as summer sets in. Be cautious of heat advisories and if outside, make sure you are well hydrated and prepared. Come over to RiverChase and enjoy our pools on these hot summer days! Stay safe and continue to enjoy the summertime fun!

Keeping Fenton moving forward,

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The City Hall parking lot replacement is scheduled to begin on July 20. The project will include the removal and replacement of curbs, sidewalks and parking lot. The back lot as well as the double row of parking in front of Community Development will be closed beginning July 20. This portion is expected to take three weeks depending on weather. The remaining portion of the front parking lot as well as the parking area along Huck Road will begin once the first area is completed. The contractor anticipates the project taking seven weeks to complete. We apologize for any inconvenience and ask for your patience while improvements are taking place. Updates for the project will be posted on the City of Fenton Facebook page and website.



The mill and overlay of Gravois Road west of Highway 141 from the Best Buy development to the dead end, Skinker Lane, and Uthoff Drive as well as the chip and seal of Allen Road are planned to be in construction in August with scheduling being finalized with the contractors. Notice will be given to surrounding properties prior to the start of work and also placed on the City's website and Facebook page. Please use caution while traveling through work zones.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE



On **Tuesday, August 1, 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:

OLD BUSINESS:

- ✓ Consideration of amendments to the Zoning Code regarding outdoor storage of equipment/materials and containers.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ✓ A Petition for Special Use Permit by Scott Hussey, O.D., to operate a medical (optometrist) office at 480 Old Smizer Mill Road. The parcel is addressed as 400 Old Smizer Mill Road and is zoned “C-1” Commercial Zone District.
- ✓ A Petition by Chris Lamprecht of Vital Signs for review of a Sign Plan for a proposed Pole Sign at 14 Fenton Plaza. The parcel is zoned “OT-2” Olde Towne Family Entertainment/Commercial Zone District.
- ✓ A Petition by Gravois Bluffs South 6-G5, LLC, for Site Plan Review of a proposed exterior building remodel and drive-through facility addition at 160 Gravois Bluffs Circle. The property is zoned “C-1” Commercial Zone District.
- ✓ A Petition by Gravois Bluffs East 6, LLC, for Site Plan Review of a proposed drive-through facility addition at 672 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard. The property is zoned “C-1” Commercial Zone District.
- ✓ A Petition by Grimco, Inc., for Site Plan Review of a proposed 19,700 square-foot office building at 942 S. Highway Drive. The property is zoned “BP-3” Business Park – General Office Centers, Small Warehousing District.

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

FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Fenton Historical Society will be held on **Thursday, August 3 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.



NEW BUSINESS CORNER

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



Musselman & Hall Contractors, LLC

2440 Cassens Drive
(*construction company*)

Woodruff Consulting, Inc.

1742 Gilsinn Lane
(*accounting office*)

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR JOHN FABICK COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Mayor Josh Voyles 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.

Nomination forms are available as of July 3, 2017. To obtain a nominating form, contact City Clerk/Manager Diane Monteleone at (636) 343-2080. All nominations must be forwarded to the City Clerk/Manager at City Hall by September 29, 2017. 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.

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE
FENTON PRECINCT**



RISE OF THE SCAMS!

A successful scam relies on finding a vulnerable victim and creating a sense of urgency. Scammers are getting personal by finding and using their victim’s first names and even the names of family members. These names are easy to get and can be found in many online searches or through social media.

There are many forms of scams going around and it would be hard to list all of them and their varieties. Most situations create a sense of urgency that make the victim feel the need to act swiftly. Most require immediate payment in electronic form, such as credit card or by purchasing a prepaid Visa card through the phone. Some request wiring money via Western Union or MoneyGram to a chosen remote location. **DON'T DO IT**, Slow down and relax before you act.

I have compiled a list of scams you generally might see or hear.

- You might receive a call stating that your utility bill is delinquent and asking for a credit card number to prevent service from being shut off. *Do not send large sums of money without verifying the information first. Call the utility company directly and verify the information from your account. Most utility companies will send an advanced disconnect notice by mail.*
- A caller might claim to be a family member, often a grandchild, who is in trouble and needs money right away. Common claims are an arrest where bond money is needed or money to replace a missing passport for a stranded family member out of the country. *Contact another family member and ask if this person is out of the country or in jail. Call their bluff. Ask a personal question that only close family would know like the name of a family pet.*
- The caller claims suspicious activity on a credit card and a Social Security and credit card number is needed to unlock the account. *Tell the caller you will call them right back after you call the credit card company to verify this information. Scammers don't want this and you will never hear from them again!*
- Be savvy when selling items through sites like Craigslist especially when buyers are unable to meet in person. Often, buyers will mail a check or money order for a large amount and “realize” they paid too much claiming an accounting error. They will ask for the funds to be deposited and the overage wired back while sometimes requesting that a few hundred dollars be kept by the seller for any inconvenience. *If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is! If a fraudulent check is deposited and funds withdrawn before it clears, you will be responsible for replacing all the money back to the bank.*

Share this information with everyone, especially the elderly. If you are ever unsure or confused about a similar situation feel free call your friendly local St. Louis County Police Precinct and they would love to help you stay safe.

Neighborhood Policing

Officer Julia Weston

Precinct Phone (636) 349-8120

DEER RESISTANT PLANTINGS

Deer are particularly fond of young, succulent leaves and they rely on their sense of smell to determine whether an area is safe and which plants are desirable. Plants with strongly scented leaves and those with coarse, rough textures are less appealing to deer. Online resources for various deer-resistant plant lists include the Shaw Nature Reserve at www.shawnature.org or the plant finder at the Botanical Garden at:

www.missouribotanicalgarden.org



SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTIONS TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR JUNE 2017

“A” Sales Tax Summary		“B” (Pool) Sales Tax Summary		Combined Sales Tax Summary	
Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed	Generated	Redistributed
\$485,616	\$232,947 (48.0%)	\$186,933	\$103,212 (55.2%)	\$672,549	\$336,159 (50.0%)

Total amount for 2017 redistributed to St. Louis County is \$1,213,886 (46.3%).

DECISIONS FROM THE JUNE 22, 2017 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

DECISIONS

- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a petition by Richard Karl for Site Plan Review of an accessory structure at 36 Gravois Road.
- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a petition by Engraphix Architectural Signage, Inc. for a review of a Sign Plan for a proposed Pole Sign for Dierbergs Fenton Crossing at 405 Old Smizer Mill Road.
- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a petition for review of a Sign Plan for proposed Wall Signs for ABC Supply Co., Inc. at 2391 Cassens Drive.
- ✓ Approved Liquor License renewals effective 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018.
- ✓ Approved new Liquor Licenses effective 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018 for the following establishments: Drury Inn and Suites and Quik Trip #642.
- ✓ Approved new Tasting Permits effective 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018 for the following establishments: Shop 'n Save, Viviano's Festa Italiano, Dierbergs Fenton Crossing, Smoke N Bottle, Here Today, LLC, Wal-Mart Supercenter #805 and Mobile on the Run #625.
- ✓ Approved Amusement Licenses for Swing-A-Round Fun Town.
- ✓ Approved request for destruction of records.
- ✓ Approved selecting the asphalt option for improvements to Woodway Circle Drive and Woodway Court and seeking proposals for design services for drainage issues.
- ✓ Approved CDBG Funds to be made available through the Home Improvement Program of St. Louis County to qualified residence until September 1, 2018.
- ✓ Approved 2016 Audit.



ORDINANCES

- ✓ **#3704** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit to K & K Supply, Inc. for outdoor storage at 555 N. Highway Drive.
- ✓ **#3705** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit to JCEC, Inc. d/b/a 026 Bar and Grill for outdoor dining at 515 Gravois Road.
- ✓ **#3706** Ord. amending Section 475.030, Subsection G, of the Municipal Code of the City of Fenton, Missouri, to include a Self-Storage Facility as a Use allowed by Special Use Permit within the "BP-3" District.
- ✓ **#3707** Ord. approving a Special Use Permit to Life Storage, LP to operate a Self-Storage Facility at 485 N. Highway Drive.
- ✓ **#3708** Ord. approving a rezoning of property described as 725 New Smizer Mill Road and 905 Gregory Lane Drive from the "PUD" Planned Unit Development Overlay District back to the "R-1" Single Family Residential Zone District.
- ✓ **Bill 17-55** Ord. authorizing the Mayor to execute a Sewer and Water Easement Agreement and Road Access and Maintenance Easement Agreement with Scott Blind relating to Fabick Nature Preserve and Huck Road AKA Fabick Lane. **Bill failed.**

- ✓ **#3709** 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 Bay Doors at the Public Works building, 700 Rudder Road.
- ✓ **#3710** Ord. declaring the 2017 Flood as an emergency and authorizing the emergency expenditure of funds to repair damages.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALES TAX HOLIDAY

For the first time this August, the City of Fenton will be participating in the 2017 Missouri Sales Tax Holiday. By state law, the sales tax holiday begins on the first Friday in August and continues through the following Sunday. In 2017, the three-day holiday begins at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 4, and runs through Sunday, August 6. Certain back-to-school purchases, such as clothing, school supplies, computers, and other items as defined by the statute, are exempt from sales tax for this time period only.



MOSQUITO CONTROL

Summer is here! Here are some ways to reduce the mosquito population in your neighborhood.



- Eliminate standing water sites where mosquitoes can breed.
- Clean out clogged rain gutters and downspouts so they won't hold water.
- Empty, clean, and refill birdbaths on a weekly basis.
- If you have a pool, make sure the cover isn't holding water and breeding mosquitoes.
- Keep in mind that mosquitoes nest in vegetation and other protected places; keep the grass cut and bushes trimmed.

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 **Wednesday, August 9** for an hour of bingo followed by chicken and rice for lunch. Fee: \$6.50/person; registration required by Sunday, August 6.

GROUP CYCLING

Classes are Monday morning starting at 9:00 a.m. or Tuesday and Thursday evening at 6 p.m. The new session starts the week of July 24th. Spots fill up fast! **Fee is \$39 for Resident/Members and \$47 for Non-Residents.**



OLDE TOWNE FENTON FARMERS MARKET

The Olde Towne Fenton Farmers Market is now **OPEN!** The Market is open every Saturday through October from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Olde Towne Pavilion

located at 200 Gravois Road. Visit our Facebook page for a list of vendors and special events throughout the season.

www.facebook.com/FentonFarmersMarket

NO COST HOME IMPROVEMENT FOR FENTON LOW/MODERATE INCOME RESIDENTS

St. Louis County Government's Home Improvement Program may be able to help you with up to \$5,000 worth of repairs to your home at **NO COST TO YOU**. Eligible items would be concrete, tuck-pointing, roofing, tree trimming or removal, electric, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and foundation work. To be eligible, your property taxes have to be current and you must meet the adjusted gross income guidelines of 2016:

Family of 1—less than \$39,400
 Family of 2—less than \$45,000
 Family of 3—less than \$50,650
 Family of 4—less than \$56,250
 Family of 5—less than \$60,750
 Family of 6—less than \$65,250
 Family of 7—less than \$69,750
 Family of 8—less than \$74,250



The Home Improvement Program is federally funded and operates through St. Louis County Government's Department of Planning in conjunction with the City of Fenton. **To apply, please call at (314) 615-4025. TTY (314) 615- 4001.**

PUBLIC WORKS

YARD WASTE

Please note that all yard waste must be at the curb by 7 a.m. on Monday mornings. Keep in mind that no matter the weather, Public Works Employees start yard waste pick-up at 7:00 a.m. and continue throughout the City until completion. At times, pick-up may carry over to Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

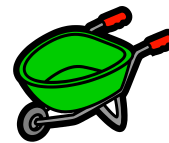
Yard waste cannot be included with the regular trash. Please utilize the City's Yard Waste Program for grass clippings and other yard waste. A sticker that can be purchased at City Hall or RiverChase must be put on all yard waste bags to be picked up. Please follow the City guidelines by having all bags tagged and all bundles tied with twine no longer than four (4) feet in length.



Your cooperation is appreciated as we keep Fenton a great place to live and work.

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING

- Please rinse all containers
- No containers for motor oil, insecticide, herbicide, or hazardous chemicals.
- No plastic bags of any kind. Please recycle shopping bags at the store.
- No #6 plastics. These include Styrofoam and polystyrene.
- No paper towels, tissues or wipes.



FREE MULCH! FREE COMPOST!

On a first-come basis, residents of the City may take advantage of free mulch and compost located in Fenton City Park behind the parking lot right off the River Road. The available mulch and compost material is the end product of our lawn debris and leaf removal programs from the previous year. Many residents utilize this material in their vegetable and flower gardens. Help us complete our recycling process by utilizing the mulch and compost.



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AUGUST

Tue	Aug 1	7:00 PM	Planning & Zoning Commission
Thurs	Aug 3	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meeting
Thurs	Aug 3	7:00 PM	Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church Street)
Mon	Aug 7	6:30 PM	Park Board Meeting (City Hall)
Thurs	Aug 10	7:00 PM	Board Committee Meeting
Mon	Aug 14	5:30 PM	Municipal Court—Plea Date
Tue	Aug 15	7:00 PM	Board of Adjustment
Thurs	Aug 24	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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