



CITY OF FENTON NEWS & VIEWS

March 2012

MAYOR'S CORNER

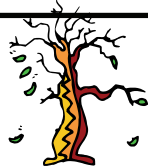
Thanks to all of you who took the time to share your opinions regarding our hiring a lobbyist last month. As always, you didn't disappoint in your response. In another development on the sales tax front, I've been asked to testify at a committee hearing in Jefferson City on March 20. The committee will be considering all the sales tax proposals that have been introduced. I'll continue to keep you apprised of this very important issue.

On Thursday, April 19, the Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce will be holding an E-Cycle event. The event will be held in the upper parking lot at Maritz from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. This is a great opportunity to recycle your old computers, PDA's, and other electronic gear. There is no cost to participate. For more information you can go to the Chamber's website, www.fentonmochamber.com, or look elsewhere in this issue of the News and Views.

We were recently notified that we were awarded a grant to build a pavilion on the property the City owns at Gravois and Old Highway 141. This structure can be used for many purposes; one that we've been discussing for some time now is the possibility of a farmers market.

We are about to start the design phase for the pavilion. If you have

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SPRING LEAF REMOVAL PROGRAM

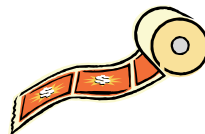
The City's Spring Leaf Program will begin April 2 and end the week of April 23. Because pick-ups start in a different part of the City each Monday, it is recommended leaves be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. Leaf removal will occur each week until all areas have been serviced once.

PLEASE DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET. Leaves should be raked to the back of curbs as leaves in the gutter could wash into, and ultimately clog the storm system during heavy rains.

Leaf piles containing debris or items other than leaves will be left and removed the following week if the unacceptable material has been removed. This includes (but is not limited to) animal feces, lawn clippings, limbs, bottles, newspapers, scrap lumber or metal, bricks and cinder blocks.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at (636) 349-8155.

FREE YARD WASTE/TRASH OVERFLOW STICKERS



The Board of Aldermen has elected to make the six (6) free Yard Waste/Trash Overflow Stickers available to residents for pickup at City Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

ALDERMAN JAMES MAULLER

I would like to thank the Ward Four residents for placing their trust in me for the last six years. I pray that I have served you well. I have not written to you via the newsletter in the past but I find it necessary to do so now. Any feedback from you on the following issue would be welcome.

Last month, the Mayor had an article in the newsletter criticizing four of the Aldermen for voting against the City hiring a lobbyist for \$20,000.00 to represent Fenton in Jefferson City regarding sales tax redistribution.

It is my understanding that the newsletter was originally started to share the facts of what goes on at City Hall with you, the residents. It was not to be used for criticism or political opinions.

At the March 1st Committee Meeting, Alderman Maurath had the "City of Fenton Newsletter" added to the agenda. After discussions on the issue, Alderman Maurath made a motion that "When an elected official puts an article together for the newsletter, that it should be reviewed by the other elected officials".

The Mayor stated that Alderman Maurath could not make that motion. Alderman Maurath appealed to the City Attorney Stan Wallach, whether or not he could make that motion. The City Attorney said,

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an idea for the design, we'd love to hear your ideas. Simply contact Nikki Finkbiner in Community Development at (636) 343-8110 or send your ideas to her at nfinkbiner@fentonmo.org.

Speaking of Nikki, she was recently promoted to the position of Director of Community Development. Nikki came to the City several years ago, and has a strong background in planning. Please join me in congratulating her on her new role.

Finally, Tuesday April 3 is Election Day. And even though there is only one Aldermanic position on the ballot, I hope you'll take the time to exercise your right to vote.

Mayor Dennis Hancock

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

On **Wednesday, April 4, 2012**, 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 Mark Sherman d/ b/a Sherman Auto Sales, Inc. for a Special Use Permit to operate an indoor automobile facility at 519-B Rudder Road. The parcel is zoned "BP-3" Business Park—General Office Centers, Small Warehousing District.

For more information, please contact (636) 349-8110.

ELECTION NOTICE



The City of Fenton will hold its annual General Election on **Tuesday, April 3, 2012**. Filing for office closed on Tuesday, January 17. The following is an updated list of candidates as they will appear on the ballot in the order they filed:

WARD 1

Carol Brennan
2 Treecrest Court

Harold Bade
747 River Hills Drive

WARD 2

Jerry Sorge
1400 Valiant Drive

WARD 3

Daniel C. Borgard
936 Villa Gran Way

WARD 4

Gary Fischer
1708 Coronita Drive

OLDE TOWNE PARK PLAZA PAVILION

Design of the new Olde Towne Park Plaza pavilion is underway. The pavilion will be located at the southwest corner of Gravois Road and South Old Highway 141.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the Community Development Department by phone at (636) 349-8110 or by email at nfinkbiner@fentonmo.org.

Alderman James Mauller

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"yes, you can make that motion". The Mayor called for a second.

I raised my hand to second the motion and the Mayor announced immediately that the motion failed for lack of a second. I verbally announced that I seconded the motion and the Mayor told me I was too late and the motion failed. The Mayor would not allow a vote with a motion and a second on the floor.

I do not know if the motion would pass. The greater issue here is the Board of Aldermen were not allowed to vote.

I would encourage you to ask others that were in attendance about this meeting and feel free to call me at (636) 343-0172 with your input.

Thank you,
Alderman James Mauller

NEW BUSINESS CORNER



The following businesses have applied for an occupancy permit and are planning on calling Fenton "home":

Gateway Composite Can Company
2022 Corporate 44 Drive
(manufacturer of composite paper cans)

International Paper
1201 N. Highway Drive
(manufacturer of corrugated shipping containers)

Welcome to Fenton. We are glad you are here!

RIVERCHASE

F E N T O N

PARKS & RECREATION HAPPENINGS

For information on these programs, including fees and times, check out a copy of the "Beacon".

SENIOR LUNCH AND BINGO

Adults, 55+, are invited to our next Lunch and Bingo at RiverChase. Join us on Wednesday, April 11th at 10:00 a.m. What's on the menu this month? Pizza Casserole.



SUMMER AEROBICS

Come and check out the new Energizing Yoga on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Session begins May 7.



2012 FENTON TRIATHLON

The Parks Department will host the first annual Fenton Triathlon on Saturday, August 4. The race will begin and end at RiverChase with all events beginning at 7:00 a.m. This triathlon will consist of a 300 yard swim in the outdoor pool, a 16.5 mile bike ride and a 3.1 mile run. This event is sponsored by Olde Towne Cyclery, Commerce Bank, SSM St. Clare Health Center and Neighbors Credit Union. For more information and registration forms go to www.fentonmo.org.



WATER AEROBICS

Come join the next session of Water Aerobics which begins April 2.



There are many classes to choose from, including *Aquacise*, *Total Body Workout*, *Water Pilates*, and *Aqua Zumba*. Call RiverChase for class times and prices. Come join the current session at any time with a Flex pass or Daily pass.

SPECIAL NEEDS SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons are geared toward each individual's needs. The lessons will be held in a small group setting with a low child-to-instructor ratio in our indoor heated pool. Lessons are held on Saturdays at 11:15 a.m. Next session begins April 14.



PARENT TOT SWIM CLASS

The Parent & Tot swim class is an interactive swim class between parent and child. Classes are available on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. Next session begins April 10.



SWIM LESSONS

Swim lessons begin again soon: Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday morning lessons are available. The next session begins the week of April 10.



SCHOOLS OUT OPEN SWIM

Are you looking for something fun to do on your Spring Break, March 19-23? The indoor pool will open at Noon - 9:00 p.m.; day fees apply without membership. Open swim will also be available on April 6.



PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS

Private swim lessons are available at RiverChase. Times, schedules and instructors can be scheduled to fit your needs.

FENTON SWIM AND DIVE TEAM



The Fenton Swim & Dive Team, for ages 6-18 years old, is getting ready to splash into our summer league. The teams compete against other municipalities. These are recreational teams that have an emphasis on developing sportsmanship, learning basic skills, and having fun! Registration will be held Saturday, April 14 and May 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

PLAYTIME IN THE POOL

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the indoor leisure pool will be available from 10:00 a.m. to noon for parents and tots to play in the water. Children \$4.00 - Adults free.



DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know that a Resident Membership to RiverChase, for a household cost about \$1.13 per day? Unlimited access to RiverChase for 362 days for the whole family. If you compare our membership rates to Gold's or the YMCA you will see they are the best around. And there is NEVER a joining fee. Find out just how enjoyable RiverChase is by stopping by and taking a tour.

You'll be glad you did! And don't forget our Value Cards for that son

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PARKS HAPPENINGS

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or daughter who is away at college so they can enjoy the pools this Summer! We look forward to seeing you!

The best way to see all that RiverChase has to offer your family, at an affordable price, is to stop by and take a Tour!

**“THE BEACON”
RIVERCHASE
PROGRAM GUIDE**

The current issue of "The Beacon" at www.fentonmo.org is available on the City of Fenton's home page. On the left tabs click The Beacon - RiverChase Program Information. Please allow time for download.

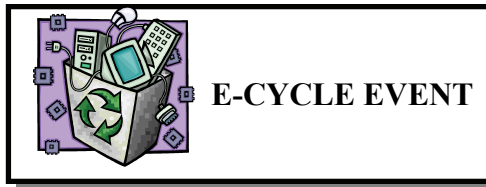
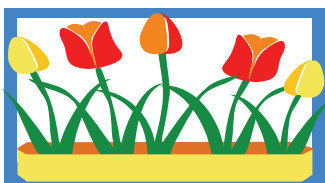
The Spring/Summer “Beacon” is in production and will be available April 9. First day to register for Programs & Classes is April 16th for Residents & Members!

**COMMUNITY
TAILGATE SALE**



Register now for the Community Tailgate Sale to be held at RiverChase on Saturday, May 5 from 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. We’ll turn a portion of the parking lot into the best flea market in Fenton. Sale is open to the public.

For information on all programs (including fees and times), contact RiverChase of Fenton at (636) 343-0067. You can also check out the Beacon at www.fentonmo.org.



E-CYCLE EVENT

The Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce along with Maritz is holding an E-Cycle event in the upper parking lot of Maritz (Entrance 7 at Bowles Ave and Horan Drive) on Thursday, April 19, 2012, from 7:00-10:00 a.m. Shoeman Water Project will also be on site to collect donated shoes.

For more information, go to www.fentonmochamber.com or contact the Chamber of Commerce at (636) 717-0200.



**ST. LOUIS COUNTY
POLICE—FENTON
PRECINCT UPDATE**

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY
OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS**

The Emergency Communications Network is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the outdoor warning siren system located throughout St. Louis County.

The outdoor warning sirens are tested monthly, weather permitting, on the first Monday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

New System currently being tested.

As you may know, both the new and old siren systems are operational. However, St. Louis County will only be activating the new sire system for tests and/or actual events. This means there will likely be a change in the pattern of coverage, and the siren tone you hear will be louder or quieter than it was previously, depending on your relative distance to previous sirens.

For most residents, there will be an increase in coverage.

What should you do when you hear the tornado sirens?



When you hear the sirens, you should **seek shelter and seek information.**

If you are outside, go to a pre-designated shelter area such as a safe room, basement, storm cellar, or the lowest building level. If there is no basement, go to the center of an interior room on the lowest level (closet, interior hallway) away from the corners, windows, doors, and outside walls. Put as many walls as possible between you and the outside. **Do not** open windows.

Once you are inside and safe, turn on a TV, radio or NOAA weather alert radio to be informed of the storm location, path and the duration of the warning.



There is no all-clear signal; once the warning has expired it is safe to leave your shelter location. Be aware, however, that the situation can change so be prepared in case another warning is issued for St. Louis County.

We strongly recommend that every residence, business and school use a weather alert radio with battery back-up. Weather alert radios automatically activate to warn and inform you whenever a warning is issued for St. Louis County.

Neighborhood Policing Officer

(636) 343-2080

P.O. Aaron Dilks-Ext. 1123

Precinct Phone

(636) 349-8120



FENTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Annual Spring Luncheon and Antique Appraisal

Saturday, April 28, 2012
Sunset Lakes
Banquet Center
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Cost: \$17.50

You don't want to miss a wonderful afternoon of fun, food and relaxation. In addition to the much anticipated antique appraisal, there will be a silent auction and a quilt raffle. This year the quilt includes two pillow shams and a dust ruffle. Members are working to make this a very special event for our guests and we hope you can join us, **all tickets must be purchased no later than April 20.**

To make a reservation you may contact us by email at fentonhistory@hotmail.com or by phone at (636) 326-0808 or (636) 343-1699.

DECISIONS FROM THE FEBRUARY 2 AND 23 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS

Decisions



- ✓ Approved the re-appointment of Christine Simino (Ward 1), Michael Lucas (Ward 2), Audrey Wattler (Ward 3), and Ronald Ramspott (Ward 4) to the Park, Beautification & Recreation Committee with a term ending January 2014.
- ✓ Approved, with conditions, a Site Plan by Horan Group, LLC,

for the addition of solar panels to the roof of an existing building addressed as 855-877 Horan Drive (Parcel address: 851 Horan Drive). The parcel is zoned "BP-3" Business Park - General Office Centers, Small Warehousing District.

- ✓ Approved the release of escrow in the amount of \$115,558.80 for the Shadow Creek Subdivision.
- ✓ Declared the Community Development copier as surplus.
- ✓ Approved the transfer of \$30,000 from the City funded budget under the Old 141/Fenton Creek Bridge Project to the Federal funded budget under the Old 141/Fenton Creek Bridge Project.
- ✓ Approved Invoice 44056 in the amount of \$5,632.71 and Invoice 43998 in the amount of \$3,340.96 to Sungard Pentamation for the maintenance of financial software.
- ✓ Approved the City Clerk's request to attend the McCCFOA 2012 Master Academy and Spring Institute at Lake Ozark, Missouri on March 4-8.
- ✓ Approved for the Project/Code Enforcement Manager to attend the 2012 Missouri Floodplain and Storm Water Managers Annual Conference at Tan-Tar-A Resort April 18-20.
- ✓ Approved allowing the Fenton Fire Protection District to access the old Police Station and use the exterior facilities around City Hall and the Community Development Department on February 25, 2012 from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. for their Community Emergency Response Training.
- ✓ Approved the distribution of six

(6) free trash overflow/compost stickers to each City of Fenton household.



Ordinances

#3245 Approves a Special Use Permit petitioned by Sprint Spectrum, L.P. to modify an existing Telecommunication Facility at 700 Rudder Road.

#3246 Approves a Special Use Permit petitioned by Orthodontic Centers of Missouri to operate a Medical/Dental Facility at 596 Old Smizer Mill Road.

#3247 Approves a Grant Agreement between the City of Fenton, Missouri and the Municipal Park Grant Commission for a Multi-Use Pavilion within Olde Towne Plaza Park.

#3248 Amends Ordinance No. 2791—Financial Policies Manual.

#3249 Provides for the lighting by electricity of the streets, avenues, alleys, and other public places in the City of Fenton in the State of Missouri, and other electric service requirements of the City, by contract, setting forth the terms of the proposed contract therefore between the City and Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, its successors and assigns, and permitting said company to erect, operate, and maintain poles, lines, wires, cables, transformers, and other appliances in the streets and all other public places, necessary for and appreciate to the performance of said contract as described herein.

#3250 Approves the First Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement with St. Louis County, Missouri for an Emergency Communications System pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance No. 3168.



Mon Apr 2 6:30 pm Park Board
Tues Apr 3 6:00 am Election Day
Wed Apr 4 7:00 pm Planning & Zoning Commission
Thur Apr 5 7:00 pm Historical Society/Swantner House (#1 Church)
7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings
Mon Apr 9 5:30 pm Municipal Court—Plea Date
Thurs Apr 12 7:00 pm Board Committee Meetings
Tues Apr 17 7:30 pm Board of Adjustment
Wed Apr 18 8:00 am Municipal Court—Pay Dat
Sat Apr 21 9:00 am Meet the Mayor
Mon Apr 23 5:30 pm Municipal Court—Trial Date
Thur Apr 26 7:00 pm Board of Aldermen

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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