

# City of Maryville Newsletter



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## City Officials

Mayor—Chad Jackson  
 City Council Member—Carole Coutts  
 City Council Member—Pat Cummings  
 City Council Member—Ron Moss  
 City Council Member—Mike Thompson  
 City Manager—Matt LeCerf  
 City Clerk—Sheila Smail  
 Finance Director—Denise Town  
 Human Resources Manager—Amy Strough  
 Parks & Recreation Director—Rod Auxier  
 Public Safety Director—Keith Wood  
 Public Works Director—Greg Decker

## Capital Improvement Tax Projects to Begin Shortly

by Matt LeCerf, City Manager

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you! On April 8, 2008 you as citizens spoke in support of the proposed referendum for a ½% sales tax for Capital Improvements. As pledged by the elected officials, the planned sales tax will run for ten (10) years and will go towards the following items:

1. \$1,000,000 Water/sewer and storm water repairs
2. \$4,800,000 Street program
3. \$300,000 Emergency siren system
4. \$700,000 Trail development leveraged with grants only
5. \$200,000 City parking lot resurfacing projects
6. \$200,000 PW Snow Truck Replacements

7. \$130,000 PS Fire Brush Truck 1989
8. \$200,000 Fire Truck Pumper Truck

The initial improvements are being identified now and funding will be provided by a Certificate Of Participation Bond in the amount of \$1.7 million. The revenue from the tax will be used to pay this debt back over 7 years while still allowing for other revenue to come in to achieve other objectives of the tax. Initial plans for the COP will be used to improve South Main Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Halsey Street as well as West Thompson and West Jenkins from Main to Buchanan Street. The proposal will also involve improvements of the poor drainage in this area and possible

waterline replacement which will eliminate old and inadequate water mains. This project is currently out for proposals. All submitted bids will be opened on May 30 with an intended award date of June 9<sup>th</sup>. The project will be broken into phases and the City hopes to have portions of this project completed in time for the return of university students. Factors determining this schedule will be based on submitted bids and the always unpredictable weather in Northwest Missouri.

Other initial street projects which are being considered include, but are not limited to: South Depot, White Ridge Subdivision, North Main Street, and Public Parking Lots which are all in desperate need of improvements.

## Summer Golfing Season is Just Around the Corner

by Rick Schultz, Golf Professional

Summer will soon be here and the time is right to start golfing on the course. League play for the men's, ladies, and senior golf leagues will be starting up very soon during the end of May and first of June, with the Junior Golf program expected to take off with great guns shortly after. The start of league play, along with the annual Tobin/St. Francis Hospital tournament seems to formally announce that the golf season has officially begun. With winter trying to hang on

well into spring this year, it has taken a hardy golfer to play so far this spring. Luckily, warmer days have finally started to arrive. Beginning in June you can keep your competitive juices flowing with the Rotary tournament, the Lions tournament and the Bearcat Classic which play a friendly scramble format. The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Mozingo Open is held June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> for those who like to challenge themselves in an individual medal play event. For those

who would like to improve their game or learn the fundamentals, golf lessons from P.G.A. Professional Rick Schultz are always available. Club fitting/golf lessons are also available as Mozingo Lake is also an official Nike club fitting golf facility.

If you are ready to kick off summer and enjoy a round of golf, put on your shorts and short sleeve shirt, apply some sunscreen and head on out to Mozingo Lake Golf Course.



This seal is 1 of 5 possible options being considered by the City to become our official seal.

Please weigh in with your thoughts on our website and vote on your favorite.  
[www.maryville.org](http://www.maryville.org)

## Planning & Zoning

by Greg Decker, Public Works Director

The Planning and Zoning Commission is one of the various citizen boards administered by the City to offer citizens assistance in planning future development within the City and to address zoning concerns and changes allowed within the City. The City of Maryville Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the third Wednesday of every month and is open to the public. Many zoning issues can easily become confused and misunderstood. The commission meetings offer citizens an open forum to discuss their ideas and differences, while keeping the best concerns for the City in mind. Zoning issues can sometimes become frustrating in that the request for a

possible zoning change may not be in the best interest of the neighborhood or could devalue adjoining property. All aspects of property impact are thoroughly investigated and presented to the commission in the open forum discussion and resolution if warranted. City staff assists the planning and zoning commission members with guidelines, rules of order, and the vision of the City as we head into the future. Many new developments and subdivisions are presented to the commission for review. These developments receive extensive review for code compliance and general fit into the community as part of the presentation to the Planning and Zoning Commis-

sion. While many aspects of planning and zoning within the City are discussed at these meetings, the Planning and Zoning Commission is not the final step in these processes as this commission is only a recommending board. Their recommendation is forwarded to the City Council where the final decision is made and the recommendation becomes a city ordinance, or gets defeated and discharged. City staff encourages citizens to become involved and participate in the planning and zoning process with the City of Maryville. For more information contact the City Clerk's office or the Public Works Department at City Hall.

## Did You Know?

By Sheila Smail, City Clerk

### Did you know that...

- **garage/yard sale signs now have limitations in the City of Maryville?** A maximum of 5 signs may be displayed, with each sign being no more than four (4) square feet (24" x 24"). Signs are limited to three (3) feet from the ground to the highest point of the sign. Signs cannot be affixed to stop signs, street signs, utility poles, speed limit signs or any other object permanently existing in the City right-of-way. Signs must be placed in the ground utilizing a pole, stake, rod, etc. Signs may be placed in the City of Maryville street right-of-way provided they are not obstructing the view of traffic from any direction and are at least one (1) foot from the curbing of the road. Garage sales, yard sales, and the like shall be limited to operating hours of 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM on any given day. All garage/yard sale signs shall be

removed from the locations within 24 hours from the time the sale ends.

- **in order for a for-profit individual or organization to sell door to door or at a temporary location, within the city limits of Maryville, they must obtain a solicitor's permit from the City, in advance?** If you come in contact with such, this person should be able to provide you with a solicitor's permit, signed by the Director of Public Safety and the City Clerk.
- **if you want to hold an event on city property or close down a portion of a city street for such things as neighborhood block parties or parades you need to contact the City Clerk to make application for the proposed special event?** Depending on the nature of the event, the City Council may determine whether or not the event will be allowed. It may be necessary to provide the City with

insurance, naming the City as additional insured.

- **if you wish to put up a temporary sign such as an arrow sign, you need to make application with the Public Works Department for approval of placement of the sign?** Signs of this nature are allowable for a 30 day period, four times in a calendar year.
- **a temporary liquor license for the sale of malt liquor or non-intoxicating beer, for consumption on premises where sold, may be issued to any church, school, civic, service, fraternal, veteran, political or charitable club or organization for the sale of such malt liquor at a picnic, bazaar, fair or similar gathering?** Such permit shall be issued only for the day or days indicated on the application made, not to exceed seven days in any fiscal year. Application may be made at the City Clerk's office.



## Not on our mailing list?

Call Sheila Smail at  
 562-8001  
 or email her at  
[ssmail@maryville.org](mailto:ssmail@maryville.org)

## Applying for a Job at the City

by Amy Strough, Human Resources Manager

Looking for a job? If so, you should consider checking into the opportunities available at the City. Normally the City employs 85 full-time employees and approximately 45 part-time employees. During the peak summer months we gain an additional 110-120 seasonal part-time employees, mostly through the Parks and Recreation department and out at Mozingo. In order to provide quality services to our citizens and to ensure the City operates smoothly, we employ a variety of positions such as: office workers, clerks, code inspectors, meter readers, equipment operators, maintenance laborers, mechanics, police officers, firefighters, dispatchers, an airport manager, a GIS Tech, a

golf pro, cart attendants, concession workers, golf course maintenance specialists, information center/front desk attendants, custodians, housekeepers, recreation supervisors, fitness specialists, fitness instructors, lifeguards, umpires/officials, and daycare workers.

Anytime a position with the City becomes available, it is posted on the City's website, [www.maryville.org](http://www.maryville.org), and advertised in the local newspapers. Underneath the Human Resources section of the City's website, you can find a list of all current job openings, a complete list of employee benefits, as well as printable job applications. The City will accept appli-

cations for current job openings only.

When a prospective candidate is considered for employment with the City they must meet several requirements. First, they must be able to meet the requirements for the specific job they are applying for. Secondly, they must be a resident of Nodaway County. Thirdly, they must successfully pass a physical capacity profile exam and drug test. And finally, they must be able to provide written documentation of their eligibility to work in the United States.

If a career in public service is something you are interested in, please consider the City of Maryville as your next employer. It truly is a great place to work.



### City Offices Are Closed

Friday, July 4  
in Observance of  
Independence Day



## Youth Camp Continues to Expand

by David Middleton, Lake Maintenance Superintendent

2007 was a busy year at Mzingo Park, with activities at the youth camp being no exception. The youth camp is located in the Mzingo Recreation Area and was created to provide youth groups and organizations such as schools, churches, and scouts a place to recreate. The majority of funding for this camp came through private and group donations as well as through sales tax money. Additional funding for the camp was awarded to the City through the Gladys M. Rickard Charitable Trust, which awards funding to nonprofit and youth organizations in Nodaway County. In 2007, the City applied for and was awarded its second youth camp grant from the Trust for approximately \$37,000. This grant money has enabled the City to build a 16 person sleeping cabin with heat and air con-

ditioning, plus make upgrades to the four existing cabins, each able to accommodate 12 people. The upgrades will include putting on new cedar siding and installing air conditioning in each sleeping unit as well as putting new cedar siding on the bathhouse.

The bathhouse is located centrally to the four cabins and has two showers, two lavatories, and two stools on each side. A 40' x 80' multi-purpose building with a gravel parking lot is also located close to the youth cabins. This building is equipped with a commercial kitchen, two bathrooms, a dining area able to accommodate 134 people, and central heat and air conditioning. Each of the cabins rent for \$30.00 per night and the multi-purpose building rents for \$50.00 for the first day and \$20.00 for each additional day

to help off-set the utility bills. In addition to the cabins and multi-purpose building, tent camping is also available at \$1.00 a day per person for the group. The tent camping has fire rings at each site, plus a council fire ring at the site and beside each cabin.

The entire youth camp was created as an alcohol and smoke free facility and since its opening in 2001, it has continually become more and more popular. In 2007, the months of June thru August were very busy with many youth groups taking advantage of the facilities. We continually receive positive responses from people who have used the facility and our hope is that more people will learn about the facility as campers spread the word about the good time they had at the camp.



Re-siding a youth cabin



Framing a new youth cabin



The Multi-purpose building at the Youth Camp



Pictured at the planting from left to right are, Linda Girard, Brian Haeflinger from the Horticulture Club at NWMSU, and Johanne Fairchild.

## Tree Board Replaces Trees at the University

by The Maryville Tree Board

On April 18, 2008, the City of Maryville Tree Board celebrated Arbor Day, along with several others citizens who participated in the Plant-A-Tree Project at Northwest Missouri State University. The project was originally scheduled for April 11, 2008 but due to rain it had to be rescheduled. The project was a direct result of the devastating ice storm in December 2007 which affected numerous trees on campus. Northwest is

designated as Missouri's State Arboretum. The project for that day was to plant 70 trees, however, plans had to be somewhat modified due to the weather conditions encountered. President Hubbard acknowledged the Tree Board members and their efforts at the ceremony and Mayor Jackson signed a proclamation declaring April 11, 2008 as Arbor Day in Maryville.

Donations have allowed the

University to replace many of the trees lost to the ice storm. The new trees will have plaques to acknowledge donations and/or memorials. This was truly a great project and an opportunity for the City and the University to work together. Members of the Tree Board are Linda Girard, Johanne Fairchild, Lezlee Johnson, Earl Baker, Dennis Dau, and Carolyn Schroeder.

## Phone Numbers

City Hall	562-8001
Airport	582-2233
Animal Shelter	562-3333
Code Enforcement	562-8027
Court Clerk	562-3526
Finance/Water Bill	562-8005
Transfer Station	562-8018
Mozingo Golf Maint.	562-2638
Mozingo Golf Course	562-3864
Mozingo Lake Maint.	562-2089
Public Library	582-5281
Community Center	562-2923
Park & Rec Maint.	562-2636
Swimming Pool	562-2663
Public Safety	562-3209
Public Works	562-8012
Street Dept.	562-8012
Water Maint. Dept.	562-8019

## Leadership Maryville Begins Preparations for Class 23

by The Leadership Maryville Steering Committee

Leadership Maryville is a leadership program sponsored by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce and governed by a board of volunteers who are responsible for preparing the annual program. It provides education and leadership development for active, civic-minded individuals. Participants will attend an opening "get acquainted" social followed by weekly informative sessions leading up to a legislative trip in Jefferson City, known as "Great Northwest Days". A hometown tour and scavenger hunt will prelude graduation. The curriculum helps participants gain an in-depth awareness of all facets of Maryville life, encourages self-development and relationship building, and gives a better perspective of civic, business and general community needs and issues.

Classes will begin on September 30, 2008 and end with graduation on February 17, 2009. Class meetings will be weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated. Meeting

location sites will vary based on topics. The curriculum will pertain to the Maryville area and include information on the following topics: County Government, City Government, Historical Society, Tourism, Library, Health Care, Recreation, Emergency Services, Law Enforcement, Corrections, Education, Industry, Service Organizations, Community Services, Media, Agriculture, and NW MO Regional Council of Governments.

Leadership Maryville seeks individuals who are committed to the well being of Maryville and are interested in assuming greater responsibility for the future leadership of our community. The Leadership Maryville program is seeking applicants who: live or work in the Maryville area, are not seeking public office at the time of application, are interested in a leadership role in the community and/or building upon their leadership experience, possess high standards of personal integrity, ethics, and a commitment to working with others to become involved in issues af-

fecting the community and to help solve problems, and are willing and able to commit the time necessary to participate actively in the entire program and fulfill the requirements.

The tuition fee for the entire program is \$125. This fee includes the hotel accommodations for the Great Northwest Day Legislative Trip. Enrollment applications can be obtained from the Maryville Chamber of Commerce. Both the enrollment forms and tuition fees are due at the Maryville Chamber of Commerce Office by Monday, September 15, 2008. To ensure quality interaction among the group, only the first 25 applicants are guaranteed a spot in the class. Local businesses are encouraged to sponsor interested employees. For further information contact the Maryville Chamber of Commerce (660-582-8643) or the Leadership Maryville steering committee members: Becky Feuerbacher (660-541-4212), Alice Schieffer (660-582-5121), and Amy Strough (660-562-8002).

If you are interested in becoming a guest columnist in upcoming newsletters, please contact either Sheila Smal or Amy Strough at 562-8001.