

# City of Maryville Newsletter



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**Don't forget to cast your vote on Tuesday, April 3**

## City Seeks Voter Approval of Waterworks & Sewage Bond Issue

by Greg McDanel, City Manager

The City of Maryville has been able to use the least expensive sewage treatment method for many years with a lagoon system. Those days are fading fast as the City will be asking voters for approval of a \$13.75 million Combined Waterworks and Sewage System Revenue Bond issue on April 3rd. Bond proceeds will be used to construct a new mechanical sewer plant that will allow the City to meet new regulations for ammonia removal and disinfection. The Environmental Protection Agency has required the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to implement new regulations forcing the City to look for alternative sewage treatment methods. In order to comply with the requirements within the operating permit, the City must proceed with upgrading the lagoon system. The City has analyzed various options to finance the upgrade, but revenue bonds carry the lowest interest rate and therefore will have the least financial impact on the citizens of Maryville. An increase in sewer rates will be necessary to help pay for the principal and interest on the bonds plus additional operation and maintenance.

"We are just trying to keep the rate increase as low as possible for the citizens and by utilizing the revenue bonds it would allow for the lowest interest rate and in turn cost the city less," Maryville Public Works Director C.E. Goodall said. "The lower the interest rate we can get the less we will have to pass on to the citizens."

The City is currently looking at an estimated net increase of 25

-30% to a customer's combined water/sewer bill. These improvements impact the sewer portion of the bill, which is the smaller amount, and it may be necessary to increase the sewer rates approximately 45% to obtain the amount of funds needed.

"Even though we are raising the sewer side of the bill approximately 45% it will only raise the overall bill by 25-30%," Goodall said. "It is tough to increase bills at all, but it is something that has to be done to allow the City to make the mandated improvements to the existing lagoon system."

The City has hired HDR, an engineering firm, to design the new facility. The proposed design utilizes the existing lagoon system for storm water flow and sludge storage. HDR, Geosyntec, and Lathrop & Gage, were all instrumental in assisting the City to reach an agreement with DNR.

The agreement between DNR and the City provides the City with an extension on the project completion deadline. As a result of the agreement, the new facility must be online and meeting new permit limits by July 2015. The new deadline allows the City ample time to ensure proper financing and construct the project. The bond issue is the first key component to reaching the goal of a new treatment facility. If the City of Maryville is unable to meet the DNR deadline, it could trigger the assessment of potential fines.

"It is definitely within the City's best interest to make sure we meet the proposed deadline," Goodall said. "We do not want

to have to incur money for fines. That is just a waste of money and it would be an additional expense to the money required for the sewer system upgrades."

The proposed project at the wastewater treatment facility also increases the total capacity by 300,000 gallons per day for future economic development purposes. Recent flow data has shown that the lagoon system was reaching near capacity at 1.7 million gallons a day. The new capacity will be 2.0 million gallons a day.

The City also had HDR look at additional anticipated regulations to ensure that this project encompasses current and future requirements. The design plan for the treatment facility will leave room to allow for future treatment basins for nutrient removal.

"We have tried to plan ahead with the design allowing for additional capacity and also the future regulations that will be coming at some point," Goodall said. "We just want to encompass everything now so we don't have to come back and seek additional money in a couple of years. It is better to just plan for it now."

More information can be found on the city's website at [www.maryville.org](http://www.maryville.org) and citizens are encouraged to call C.E. Goodall at 660-562-8025 if they have any questions. "April 3rd will be a very important day for the City of Maryville and its citizens. We just want our citizens to have all the information possible so they can make an informed vote," Goodall said.



Greg McDanel, City Manager

## Greg McDanel Hired to Serve as Maryville's City Manager

by Amy Strough, Human Resources Manager

The City began the process to hire a new City Manager in early November 2011 following the resignation of former City Manager, Matt LeCerf. Sixty-six applicants from across the nation applied for Maryville's top position. Five of those applicants were chosen to visit Maryville for interviews with the City Council, City Staff, and a group of Community Leaders. Following the interviews and a complete background check, the City Council unanimously elected to offer the position to Greg McDanel.

Greg was currently serving as the City Administrator of Cherryvale, KS, a town of 2,500.

Some of the highlights of his 2 year career serving as the City Administrator include: organization of a public campaign for 2 major ballot issues, initiating growth in the local tax base by fostering economic development, administration of grant funds, and the design and implementation of public infrastructure improvement projects. Prior to serving as the City Administrator of Cherryvale, Greg worked as a Land Acquisition Manager and Engineering Technician for the City of Independence, MO for 5 years.

Originally from Marshall, MO, Greg moved to Maryville in 1999 to attend NWMSU, where

he completed a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geography, with a minor in GIS in 2002. He completed his Master of Public Administration Degree with an emphasis in Urban Administration in 2009 from the University of Missouri—Kansas City.

Greg officially began his duties as Maryville's City Manager on February 29 and has been diligently working to get up to speed on all of the various projects and issues the City is involved in.

We at the City are excited for Greg to join our team and hope that Maryville gives him a big welcome.

## Beautification Award

Nominations for the Beautification Award are now being accepted. The award is given out monthly from April to October to residences or businesses. To nominate a property, contact Amy Strough at 660-562-8002 or [astrough@maryville.org](mailto:astrough@maryville.org)

## Garage Sale Signage Regulations

by Sheila Smail, City Clerk

Spring often brings that desire to get rid of those excess items and make a few dollars in the process. Yes, I'm referring to holding garage sale. It seems a lot of time is spent preparing the items to be sold, but keep in mind that the City has regulations for signs displayed to advertising your garage sale. Section 555.085: Garage Sale Signs, of the Maryville Municipal Code, defines regulations as follows:

### SECTION 555.085: GARAGE SALE SIGNS

Signs for public or private temporary sales located in residential districts (e.g., garage, yard or porch sales) shall be subject to the following provisions:

1. A maximum of five (5) signs may be used for notifying the public of temporary garage sales and yard sales.
2. Each sign shall be no more than four (4) square feet (24" x 24") and each sign

shall contain the following information:

- General statement of a "garage sale" or "yard sale";
  - Location of the garage or yard sale;
  - Dates and times which garage/yard sale shall be occurring.
3. Sign height is 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 (R-O-W).
  4. Signs must be placed in the ground utilizing a pole, stake, rod, etc.
  5. Signs may be placed in the City of Maryville street R-O-W provided they are not obstructing the view of traffic from any direction and must

be at least one (1) foot from the curbing of the road.

6. Garage sales, yard sales and the like shall be limited to operating hours of 6:00 A.M. –7:00 P.M. on any given day.
7. All signs from said garage/yard sale sign(s) shall be installed no more than twenty-four (24) hours prior to start of sale and shall be removed from the locations within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the end of the sale.
8. All signs must be non-illuminated.
9. No person shall post a sign in violation of this Section. Each violation of Subsections (1) through (8) of this Section shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each day said violation occurs.



City offices will be closed Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

## City Officials

Mayor—Ron Moss

City Council Member—Jim Fall

City Council Member—Chad Jackson

City Council Member—Glenn Jonagan

City Council Member—Shawn Wake

City Manager—Matt LeCerf

City Clerk—Sheila Smail

Finance Director—Denise Town

Golf Course General Manager—Ron Darnell

Human Resources Manager—Amy Strough

Parks & Recreation Director—Rod Auxier

Public Safety Director—Keith Wood

Public Works Director—C.E. Goodall

Airport Manager—Kevin Rankin

## Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year

by Amy Strough, Human Resources Manager

Paul Palmer has been selected as the Employee of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of 2011. The other nominee was Chris Bird.

Paul began working for the City in October 1996 as a mechanic for the Mozingo Lake & Golf Course departments, a title he held until September 2011. In 2011, following the retirement of his father, John Palmer, Paul was named the Fleet Services Mechanic, and became responsible for maintaining and repairing almost all of the City's mechanical and automotive equipment. He keeps the equipment operating smoothly for the Public Works & Public Safety departments as well as at Mozingo.

During his tenure with the City, Paul has earned the respect of everyone that has had the pleasure of working with him. He has been willing to help out any department that has asked, even if it was during his off duty time. Paul has not limited his expertise to only wrenching, he has often been called on to assist or ramrod concrete pours, construction projects, and earth moving. Paul's

job responsibilities have increased dramatically since he started his new position. He now has to prioritize, schedule, and maintain more accurate records and juggle his work load between 2 locations. Paul has also unselfishly given of his personal time and knowledge to help many city employees with their personal automotive problems. He has even been spotted in the parking lot after work hours, helping a seasonal worker with their car and never ever taking any compensation for his efforts. His ability to effectively manage new tasks and his extra efforts off the job exemplify the type of personality traits we look for in public servants for the citizens of Maryville.

Sheila Smail was selected as the Employee of the Year 2012. The other quarterly winners who were up for the nomination were Mitchell Lager, Jim Wiederholt, and Paul Palmer.

Sheila began working full-time for the City on June 4, 1996 as a full-time secretary in the Public Works Department. After 10

years in that position, she was hired as the City Clerk on May 15, 2006.

Sheila has been a dedicated employee throughout her entire tenure with the City. Beyond coordination of meetings with Council, ensuring accuracy of records, and joint-oversight of the cemetery inventory, she goes above and beyond the call of duty. Specifically it is the little things such as spending time to ensure that the first impression of the City is a positive one by cleaning and maintaining the flower beds in front of City Hall which she does on her own time (during the weekend) and coordination of the alcohol licensing among the various departments. Her dedication outside of standard work hours to maintain the flower beds is a job most have shied away from.

We are proud to have to have such dedicated employees on our staff. Thanks for all of your hard work Paul and Sheila and congratulations on your nominations!!

## Mozingo Lake Equestrian Park Under Construction

by Grant Evans, Mozingo Lake Park Manager

Last fall construction began at the Mozingo Lake Equestrian R.V. park, located on the west side of the lake on 220<sup>th</sup> St. near the boat ramp. Plans for the facility include 20 R.V. pads suited for patrons with horses, as well as a bath and shower house for campers. Horse tie ups will also be added at each R.V. site and horse trail improvements will be made.

So far, construction on the new bath and shower house and new R. V. sites is progressing nicely. Connections for water have been made for the bath house and the hy-

drants at the R.V. sites have been installed. Currently, construction on the bath house is approximately 85% complete with a few finishing touches needed for completion. The bath house will include two bathrooms with full shower facilities and a separate bathroom for use if both showers are occupied.

Thirteen of the proposed twenty R. V. pads have been constructed and electrical connections made. The remaining sites are scheduled for final completion later in the year. When the weather allows, new gravel

will be put on the roads and pads as well as seeding of grass.

The construction of the new bath house and R.V. sites was made possible with a grant from DNR thru the recreation trails program. This new site will be primarily for equestrian use and is slated to be open for use by the public this summer.

Staff has done an excellent job in the construction of this facility and have exhibited a lot of knowledge and skill. It will be a very nice facility for patrons to enjoy for many years to come.

## Financial Highlights

by Denise Town, Finance Director

The financial summaries presented in the following tables have been extracted from the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended September 30, 2011. Please go to the City's website at [www.maryville.org](http://www.maryville.org) to view the entire document.

Governmental activities include general government, municipal court, finance, public safety, street maintenance, code enforcement, GIS, Parks & Recreation, Capital Improvement Fund, Debt Retirement Fund, and the TIF Fund.

Business-type activities include Solid Waste, Water & Sewer, and Mozingo Recreation.

Net assets represent assets less liabilities.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT					
For the Year Ended September 30, 2011					
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Capital Leases	\$ 32,428	\$ ---	\$ 26,397	\$ 6,031	\$ 6,031
General Obligation Bonds	4,145,000	---	165,000	3,980,000	185,000
TIF Revenue Bonds	2,440,000	---	60,000	2,380,000	70,000
Certificates of Participation	1,540,000	---	230,000	1,310,000	240,000
Compensated Absences	154,765	146,141	134,961	165,945	165,945
	<b>\$ 8,312,193</b>	<b>\$ 146,141</b>	<b>\$ 616,358</b>	<b>\$ 7,841,976</b>	<b>\$ 666,976</b>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>					
Revenue Bonds	\$ 2,860,000	\$ ---	\$ 310,000	\$ 2,550,000	\$ 330,000
Certificates of Participation	---	2,795,000	---	2,795,000	100,000
Capital Leases	992,575	---	207,310	785,265	216,204
Note Payable	61,645	---	16,757	44,888	17,791
Landfill Post-Closure Liability	1,879,370	18,042	---	1,897,412	---
Compensated Absences	67,081	47,067	46,076	68,072	68,072
	<b>\$ 5,860,671</b>	<b>\$ 2,860,109</b>	<b>\$ 580,143</b>	<b>\$ 8,140,637</b>	<b>\$ 732,067</b>

# Maryville Community Center Activities & Events



**Working hard at the Maryville Community Center:** These girls are feeling the burn in their thighs during a muscle mix class. For the latest fitness class schedule check out our website at [www.maryville.org](http://www.maryville.org) or stop by the Community Center today!

Maryville Parks and Recreation office is located at the **Maryville Community Center**  
 1407 N. Country Club Rd. - Suite 200  
 Maryville, MO 64468  
 Phone: (660) 562-2923  
 Website: [www.maryville.org/mpr](http://www.maryville.org/mpr)

### 250 Club

No need to register for this club, all you need is a MCC pass and remember to swipe in at the front desk every day. We generate weekly reports to see who our most frequent members are. If members reach a goal of visiting the community center 250 times, they will receive a Maryville Community Center T-shirt! Here are some of our most frequent members...

1. Olav Lipiec
2. Sharon Dredge
3. Don Dredge
4. Rose Duty
5. Jessica Monahan
6. Leslie Hubner
7. Steve Miller

**Keep working hard Maryville Community Center members!**

## BOOT CAMP

Watch for details for this 4 week fitness program starting in May! It is open to community center members as well as non-members. Additional fee is required. Days and times T.B.A.

For the latest news sign up for **Text Alerts** at our website and "like" our **Maryville Community Center Facebook Page!**

### Youth Baseball/ Softball Registration

Maryville Parks & Recreation is still accepting youth baseball and softball registrations! This program is offered to boys and girls ages 5-16. Volunteer coaches will coach each team. Teams will be divided evenly through a coaches draft. Full uniforms will be provided for each participant. Games will take place on weekday evenings at Donaldson Westside Park Sports Complex. The fee is \$30/participant.

## AQUAFINA PITCH, HIT, & RUN

FREE event for kids ages 7-14 years old! All competitors must bring a birth certificate for age verification. Registration is on Saturday, April 21st from 12:30PM-1:00PM. The program will take place that day at 1:00PM. Registration and event will take place at Donaldson Westside Park.

## Sizzling Hoops

Area 3rd-12th graders will use this summer to keep up their basketball skills in the off-season. Must register as a team and games will last seven weeks and be played during weekday evenings. Registration is from March 26th-April 6th! \$34/player and games begin May 29th.

## New Year's Challenge

The 7th Annual New Year's Challenge began Tuesday January 10th and will wrap up Wednesday April 4th. This twelve week weight loss challenge drew 188 participants who have lost over 1,200 pounds after nine weeks of weekly weigh-ins! Participants involved have received a t-shirt, weekly newsletters and motivational tips, chances to track points and win weekly drawings as well as opportunities to attend special events including NYC Boot Camp, NYC Zumba and a Couch to 5K training plan to prepare participants for the Speedy Spoohound 5K April 21st. The top three teams as well as the top male and female with the largest percentage of weight lost will earn prizes donated by over 40 community sponsors!

## Adult Slow-Pitch Softball

Men's and Women's softball games will be held Monday-Thursday evenings. After completion of the twelve game season, there will be a post-season single elimination tournament. Must be at least 16 years of age. Registration is from March 26th-April 13th. Individual player fee is \$25/player or \$22/MCC member and the team fee is \$160.