

CAMDENTON NEWS AND VIEWS

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City of Camdenton, Missouri

February 2020

MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

February

4	12:00 Noon	**Storm Siren Testing
4	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
5	9:00 AM	Municipal Court
11	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
18	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
20	4:00 PM	Airport Board

March

3	12:00 Noon	**Storm Siren Testing
3	6:00 PM	Board of Alderman
10	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
17	6:00 PM	Board of Alderman
25	9:00 AM	Municipal Court

April

7	12:00 Noon	**Storm Siren Testing
7	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
14	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
21	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen

***Meeting dates are subject to change.**

****Unless severe weather is imminent**

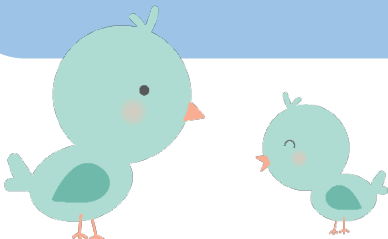
Complete calendar is available online at:

www.camdentoncity.com



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From Mayor McNabb...

Let me begin by welcoming our new City Administrator, Jeff Hooker. Jeff has many years of experience in government administration and is fitting in here nicely. I am impressed with his desire to learn what our employees do every day and how the city operates. I am sure he is going to be a great asset to our community. Please stop by and introduce yourself. Like all city employees he is here to do his best to serve the community.

Work is continuing at the Airport on the extension project. This phase includes clearing land, moving utilities, extending Opportunity Road, and filling and grading for the runway. This project should take most of the year to complete. In September we should be looking at bidding the final phase to pave the new runway.

The Community Center is still moving forward. We are trying to finalize a budget that works for the city. We continue to work towards getting a final number that our architects and construction management firm agree on. Hopefully we will all get together and come to a point where we can present a final budget to the Board of Aldermen for their approval.

I am happy to let you know that the Airshow will return this fall. The date is September 12 and the committee is working to add some additional events to the schedule. One that I am excited about is the Vietnam Wall Memorial, it will be here for several days preceding the show. We are also looking to add events to honor the veterans of that era. The Chamber of Commerce and their committee do a great job preparing and putting on the show. If you would like to help or donate time or money you can contact the Chamber at 573-346-2227.

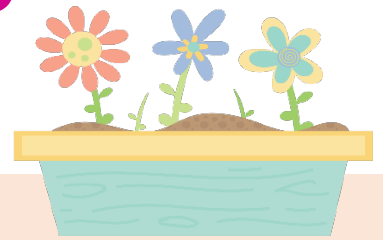
We are preparing bidding packets for all the city's annual improvement projects. We will be doing street overlays, water line and sewer line replacements, repainting a water tower, and work on lift stations throughout the summer construction season.

Finally, I want to remind everyone of the important ballot issue that comes before us on April 7. On that day residents of the Camdenton School District will vote on a levy to bring Ozarks Technical Community College to our district. This would include OTC building a comprehensive community college in our school district. Please educate yourselves on the issues involved, attend a community meeting or contact a member of the Chamber of Commerce Committee for Skilled Technical Workforce to get your questions answered. Most importantly get out and vote on April 7.

There are many exciting things happening in Camdenton. It is my pleasure to be involved in many of them. We are here to serve the community and want to continue to make Camdenton a great place to Live, Work, and Play.


Mayor John McNabb

BULETIN BOARD



Mayor John McNabb

Aldermen

Ward I	Ward II	Ward III
Bonnie Black	Sandy Gentry	Gary Shepherd
Eric Faes	Brenda Weir	Mark B. Anderson

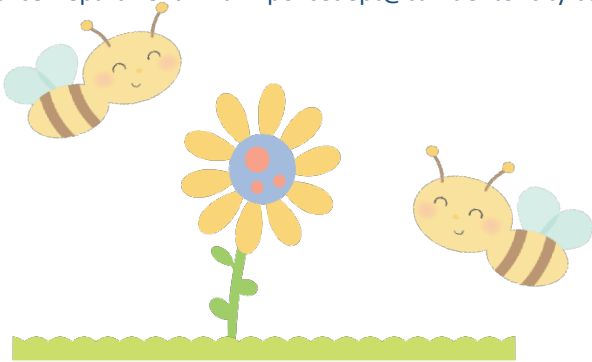
Staff

- City Administrator – Jeffrey Hooker
- City Clerk – Renee Kingston
- Police Chief – Laura Wright
- Public Works Director – Bill Jeffries
- Building Director – Dennis Croxton
- Code & Fire Official – Chasity Ivey
- Parks Director – Larry Bennett
- City Attorney – Phil Morgan
- Municipal Judge – Gene Hilton

Business Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Phone: (573) 346-3600 FAX: (573) 346-2926

For more community information visit our web site:
www.camdentoncity.com

City Hall Email: cityhall@camdentoncity.com
 Police Department Email: policedept@camdentoncity.com



GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Last Day to Register to Vote – March 11, 2020
Election Day – April 7, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- February 17 *President’s Day
 - March 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins
 - April 7 Election Day
 - April 12 Easter Sunday
 - April 16-18 Dogwood Festival
 - May 26 *Memorial Day
 - May 29-30 City Wide Garage Sale
 - June 1-5 City Wide Residential Clean Up
- *Indicates City Hall Closed*

RECENT COUNCIL ACTION

Our most recent Council actions and the complete City Code are available on the City’s Web Page. The newest ordinances are available after the council meeting in which they are passed. Just go to www.camdentoncity.com, click on “Document Center”, then click on “New Ordinances” and click on ordinance you are interested in. For the complete City Code click on “City Code”.

For all your shopping needs

TRY CAMDENTON FIRST!

Welcome New Businesses!

- The Lady Dove Beauty Lounge....1000 E. Hwy 54, Ste A
- Atelier Salon & Spa.....82 W. Hwy 54
- Straight Ace Paint Shop.....269 Ha Tonka Cut Thru
- A Pinch of Happiness.....54 E. Hwy 54
- Central Fitness.....522 N. Business Rt 5
- The Almighty Club.....825 W. Hwy 54
- Irish Plumbing.....1000 E. US Hwy 54, Ste D

City Wide Garage Sale & Residential Clean Up COMING SOON!

The City of Camdenton is planning for the 10TH Annual City-Wide Garage Sale. The Garage Sale is planned for Friday, May 29, 2020 and Saturday, May 30, 2020 with the annual Residential Clean Up the following week of June 1-5, 2020 on your regular trash pickup day.

If you live in the City of Camdenton and wish to participate in this event simply call City Hall at 573-346-3600 and request that your address be added to the Garage Sale map. The map will be made available to the public on Wednesday May 27, 2020. The City will be waiving the garage sale permit requirement for May 29-30 only! This is a great way to pass on those “previously loved items” in addition to cleaning up the residential areas of our town.

Welcome New City Administrator Jeffrey Hooker



Jeffrey J. Hooker has spent most of his career in state government; spending over 27 years with Illinois Corrections and Juvenile Justice in a variety of managerial and executive/leadership positions. After retiring in late 2015 from the State of Illinois, he moved to Camdenton with his wife Rhonda. Mr. Hooker worked for a brief time in Mississippi for a private prison company and most recently managed a large private security/executive protection company in Fort Myers Florida. Mr. Hooker holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Communications and a Master’s Degree in Public Safety Administration. Mr. Hooker and his wife reside in Camdenton. Please join us in welcoming Jeff to the City of Camdenton!



**THE CITY OF CAMDENTON HAS A RE-DESIGNED WEB PAGE
PLEASE VISIT WWW.CAMDENTONCITY.COM
TO CHECK IT OUT!**

CAMDENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Camdenton Police Department is a strong supporter of the Special Olympics. On February 29, 2020 Officer Schwartze will be attending the Polar Plunge Chili Cook-off to defend 1st place from the 2019 Polar Plunge Chili Cook-off. Be sure to come out and support Officer Schwartze, he puts in a lot of work into his award-winning chili.

Also, if you want to purchase a Special Olympic Torch Run t-shirt, stop by the Camdenton Police Department Monday-Friday between 8 AM and 4:30 PM to get a t-shirt. Sizes range from small to 2XL for just \$15 or sizes 3XL-6XL for \$20. All proceeds go directly to the Special Olympics. We have set a goal of at least \$1000. For more information about the Special Olympics go to <https://somo.org/>



The Dogwood Festival is April 16-18, 2020 this year. As always, the Camdenton Police Department will have our booth set up, but we will have something a little different this year. Be sure you stop by and visit Clerk Teri to see what it is. Keep your eye on our Facebook page for the detour routes and what time traffic will be shut down for the parade.

Motor Vehicle Crashes:

Good news! Our motor vehicle crash statistics show that from 2018 to 2019 we had 11% decrease in accidents. The 3 top reasons for accidents within the City of Camdenton is following too close, failure to yield and distracted driving. I believe if we put our phones down, stopped for the yellow lights and gave ourselves some space between the car in front of us, we could make 2020 more of a decrease in accidents. For more information about roadway safety go to <http://www.savemolives.com>

As we have seen in January, winter is here. If you need information about the road conditions go to <https://traveler.modot.org/map/> and check out the roads before you leave.

Welcome Officer Dowell and Officer Jenkins to the Camdenton Police Department. Also, Officer Gideon has accepted a position as a School Resource Officer. Congratulations to all!

The Dangers of Vaping



In October 2019, Missouri Governor Parsons signed an executive order regarding the use of vaping devices among the youth in Missouri. **“People across the country are being hospitalized, some even losing their lives, with links to vaping. This is truly an epidemic and it is critical that action be taken to protect the health and welfare of Missouri’s youth”.** He wants the Health Department, Schools and Public Safety to work on a campaign to educate, warn & deter the use of vaping devices among Missouri’s youth.

The press release mentions 1,080 lung injury cases and 18 deaths across the country associated with vaping products. Missouri has had 22 vaping related illnesses, including one death. According to the Center for Disease Control, use of vaping devices increased 78% nationally between 2017 and 2018. Despite laws prohibiting use of vaping devices among persons under the age of 18, surveys show a drastic increase in use by middle school and high school students.

The City of Camdenton has several ordinances in place on this issue:

- Ordinance 210.2105 prohibits the **sale or distribution** of tobacco or vaping products to persons underage. Employee can be charged and face a fine of \$250 to \$500 for each violation.
- Ordinance 210.2120 prohibits **purchase or possession** of tobacco or vaping products by persons under-age. Tobacco or vaping products may be confiscated for first offense and youth charged on the second offense.
- Ordinance 605.130 sets the procedure for the Board of Aldermen to **revoke a business license** upon satisfactory proof that licensee has violated the ordinance or other ordinances relating to the business done under the license.

The age to purchase tobacco and vaping products had been 18 however recent changes to federal regulations increased the age to 21. Most stores locally have already made this adjustment.

The Camdenton Police Department has been working on this issue. Officers have seized vaping devices from several youth, but this has had little impact due to the huge increase in vaping popularity. School Resource Officers (SRO’s) and Camden County Health Department will do a presentation in March 2020 to Parents as Teachers group about the health risks of vaping and what to look for. They hope to repeat the presentation later at other meetings and forums.

Chief Wright encourages citizens to educate themselves on this issue. There is a lot of false information out there, but the truth is, vaping can be dangerous. It can be just as addictive as smoking and can cause “popcorn lung”, an irreversible lung condition. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) is still analyzing the impact of the toxins in the vaping products and youth are now using the vaping devices to ingest drugs as well. SRO’s have had to call an ambulance for at least three students that involved vaping; 2 for marijuana oil and the third was such a high dose of nicotine that caused a seizure. The CDC is calling this an epidemic and we need to work on this for the health and welfare of our youth.

HAVE YOU LICENSED YOUR PET FOR 2020?

Public safety for the citizens of Camdenon is our number one priority. This is the reason it is so important for all citizens to license their pets. Section 210.090 of City Code requires all pet owners residing in the city to license all dogs and cats over six months of age. Licenses shall be effective from January 1st to December 31st of each year. Camdenon does have a leash law which is enforced.

You may come to City Hall during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8am until 4:30pm to obtain your licenses. You will need to bring proof of current rabies vaccinations and spay/neuter information. The license fee is \$10.00 for spayed/neutered pets and \$25.00 for non-spayed or neutered pets.

Your pet is an important part of your family and City Officials understand that bond. For the safety of your pet and the safety of your neighbors it is important to license your animals. This allows us to identify animals and to return them to their owners if they are lost. We understand that they can escape your home or yard and we want to assist in getting them home.

If you know of an animal running loose in your neighborhood, please call City Hall at 573-346-3600 and report the information. Please protect our pets and help us to keep our neighborhoods safe. As always, we are here to assist you in any way we can, call if you have questions or concerns.

HELP US KEEP CAMDENTON BEAUTIFUL!



You can help keep Camdenon beautiful by alerting Community Service Official Shannon Boller about nuisance and property maintenance violations by calling 573-346-3600 ext. 222 Monday – Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm.

For more information of the City Ordinances, please visit <http://www.camdentoncity.com/> then by clicking on Municipal Ordinances. To read the ordinance on Property Maintenance go to Chapter 225 and for Nuisances go to Chapter 235.

New Artwork on Display at City Hall

The City of Camdenon is proud to announce that students from the Camdenon R-III Schools are displaying their artwork at Camdenon City Hall. Please stop by anytime between 8 am and 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday to view the artwork of these talented students! Artwork will rotate every 3 months.



ANNUAL LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Businesses within the City of Camden are required to renew their business license each year by June 1. Renewal notices for businesses are mailed out in early April each year and are due by June 1 each year. A penalty will be applied for license renewals received after June 1 each year. As a friendly reminder, **ALL BUSINESSES** (new & those renewing) are **REQUIRED** to have an **ANNUAL LIFE SAFETY INSPECTION APPROVED BY THE CODE & FIRE OFFICIAL BEFORE THEIR BUSINESS LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED!**



IT IS THE BUSINESS OWNERS RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT CODE & FIRE OFFICIAL CHASITY IVEY TO SCHEDULE THEIR ANNUAL LIFE SAFETY INSPECTION, 573-346-3600 ext. 233 or civey@camdentoncity.com. Your business license/renewal will not be valid until the Annual Life Safety Inspection is completed. This inspection is for the protection of you and your customers.
SO DON'T DELAY – CALL TODAY 573-346-3600 ext. 233!

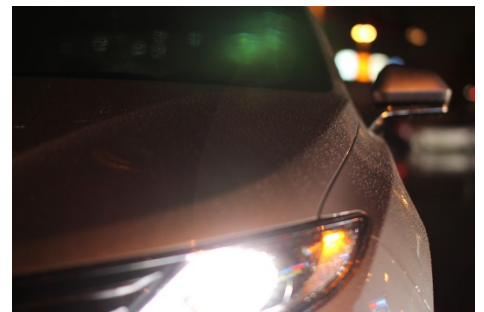
CAMDENTON PARKS DEPARTMENT



Camdenton Parks Department is gearing up for summer and is taking applications for all seasonal positions. We currently have positions available for Admissions, Ballpark Concessions Manager, Concessions, Lifeguards and Seasonal Park Laborer. Lifeguards must be 15 years old; while Admissions and Concessions workers must be 14 years old. Lifeguard Certification is available for those who need it. Applications are available at www.camdentoncity.com or at Camdenton City Hall, 437 W. US Hwy 54. Please contact Park Director Larry Bennett with any further questions, 573-346-3600.

When are Headlights Required?

"When lighted lamps are required" means at any time from a one-half (1/2) hour after sunset to one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance of five hundred (500) feet ahead. Lighted lamps shall also be required any time the weather conditions require usage of the motor vehicle's windshield wipers to operate the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner as defined in Section 304.012, RSMo. The provisions of this Section shall be interpreted to require lighted lamps during periods of fog even if usage of the windshield wipers is not necessary to operate the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner.





EXPO 2020
HOME · BUSINESS · LAKE LIVING

DON'T MISS IT!!!

Lodge of Four Seasons

Friday, February 28

3 PM to 7 PM

Saturday, February 29

9 AM—5 PM

- **FREE** Admission
- **FREE** Parking
- Over 100 Exhibitors under one roof
- Drawings for \$500-\$300-\$200 vouchers to be used with any EXPO Exhibitor
- Exhibitor giveaways and booth specials.

For more information call
Camdenton Chamber
573-346-2227





70th Annual Dogwood Festival

April 16-18, 2020 • Camdenton, Missouri at the Lake of the Ozarks

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
573-346-2227
www.camdentonchamber.com

The harbinger of spring in the Lake area featuring a Carnival, parade, food and craft booths, historic play, pancake breakfast, pageants, and entertainment on stage are just some of the activities associated with this annual Dogwood Festival.