

CAMDENTON NEWS AND VIEWS

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City of Camdenton, Missouri

November 2021

MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

November

2	12:00 PM	**Storm Siren Testing
2	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
9	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
16	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
18	4:00 PM	Airport Board

December

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

January

4	12:00 PM	**Storm Siren Testing
4	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
11	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
18	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen

February

1	12:00 PM	**Storm Siren Testing
1	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
8	6:00 PM	*Planning & Zoning
15	6:00 PM	Board of Aldermen
17	4:00 PM	Airport Board

*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...

November brings us to the Holiday Season and time with family and friends. A new year is also right around the corner. November also brings my least favorite day of the year. The reason it is my least favorite is that on a Saturday night in November we have the time change back to Central Standard Time. I hate the thought of darkness around 5:00 PM every evening.

We have just closed out our fiscal year in the City. I look forward to new projects and setting new goals for another year. Sales tax revenue has been good to us and is allowing us to do more for our citizens. If you have ideas or needs we would love to hear about them.

We are experiencing growth in the City. We have several building projects going on which keeps our staff busy. One project I am very proud of is the new Veterans health clinic. This will be of great service to the veterans in our community and all of Mid-Missouri. I look forward to the clinic being open in early 2022.

I hope you have been able to be a part of the many activities in the community this fall. The City has hosted the Run for the Fallen, the 2nd Annual Chili cookoff in the park which raised funds for Special Olympics, The Fiber Festival, and the Woodcarvers show, among many others.

Our Public Works and Park Departments are preparing for the winter months and readying equipment to deal with winter storms. Our guys do a great job keeping the roads clear and everyone safe during these times. The annual leaf pick-up should be starting soon.

Most of our events at the Park have concluded for the year. The pool and ball fields had a lot of use with record numbers in the ball leagues and the pool also drew record numbers.

In the near future we have a couple of retirements coming up. Our Parks Director Larry Bennett is retiring at the end of the year after seven and a half years with us as well as forty plus years in recreation. Milton Webster will be retiring in mid-December after thirty-five years with the City. He is the crew leader for the Water Department. We will miss both of these guys and their knowledge of the City. We wish them well.

I would like to thank City staff, Administration, Police, Public Works and Parks for a great 2021 and look forward to an even better 2022.

These folks do a great job of serving the City. As always, I thank you for the opportunity to serve as Mayor of Camdenton. If I can help you in any way stop by or call.

Mayor John McNabb

BULLETIN BOARD

MAYOR JOHN McNABB

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Eric Faes

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Ward III

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Public Works Director – Bill Jeffries
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Code & Fire Official – Chasity Ivey
Parks Director – Larry Bennett
City Attorney – Phil Morgan

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For more community information visit our web site:

www.camdentoncity.com

City Hall Email: cityhall@camdentoncity.com

Police Department Email: policedept@camdentoncity.com



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 11	*Veteran's Day
November 25-26	*Thanksgiving Holiday
November 27	Shop Small Saturday
December 3	Tree Lighting on the Square
December 4	Santa Claus on the Square
December 24	* Christmas Eve
December 25	*Christmas
December 31	*New Year's Eve
January 1	*New Year's Day
February 21	*President's Day

* Indicates City Offices will be CLOSED

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION



Last Day to Register to Vote – March 9, 2022

Election Day – April 5, 2022

Filing for candidacy for one Alderman from each of the Wards I, II, III (2 year terms) and one member of the Special Road District R begins at 8 am on December 7, 2021 and ends at 5 pm on December 28, 2021. Candidates should file with the Office of the City Clerk.

For all your shopping needs

TRY CAMDENTON FIRST!

Welcome New Businesses!

Two Brother.....43 Walnut St
Fitz Fishing.....573 W US Highway 54
Protein Barre LLC...109 E US Highway 54 Ste 101
Re/Max Lake of the Ozarks..980 E US Hwy 54 Ste A
The Turquoise Stone LLC...138 W US Highway 54
Picks-N-Sticks LOZ, LLC...399 N Business Rt 5 Ste A
D&L Furniture & More.....1079 N Business Rt 5
Elusive Studios LLC.....67 McCrory Dr
Thyme to Grow.....138 W US Highway 54
Fat Patty's.....57 McCrory Dr
Mega Paws Doggie Daycare..774 S Business Hwy 5
CGA Trucking LLC.....930 N Business Rt 5
Show Me Junk LLC.....138 W US Highway 54

RECENT COUNCIL ACTION

Our most recent Council actions and the complete City Code are available on the City's Web Page. Just go to www.camdentoncity.com, click on "Document Center". For the complete City Code click on "City Code". You can also watch our Board of Alderman Meetings Live on The City of Camdenton's Facebook Page!

CAMDENTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

HELP US HELP YOU WHEN THE SNOW BEGINS TO FALL!

When Snowfall is expected

The Public Works Department will pre-salt the street to try to keep ice from forming and to aid in the removal of snow. The department has over 25 miles of road to clear as well as City properties and parking areas on the square.

When the Snow falls

When two or three inches of snow have accumulated, or more is expected, plowing becomes more effective than salting. All main roads and residential streets will be plowed by the PWD, which assigns its crews to five plow zones. The department has five trucks for plowing. The first priority is to open the main roads to provide safe access for emergency vehicles and to maintain traffic flow, since most residents live within a few blocks of the main roads. The plows then continue to all streets in each zone until all the streets are clear. If the storm continues, the crews continue working in the same pattern until the storm abates. Then the trucks begin to widen out all roads by pushing the accumulated snow back to the edge of the asphalt and curbs and clearing the intersections. The crews will be out working throughout a storm to clear away the snow. Please do not go out during or immediately after a snowstorm unless it is necessary. Less traffic on the roads means the crews will be able to do their job more quickly and completely. Under the best conditions, it will take 8 to 10 hours after the snow has stopped falling to complete the snow removal operations. Snow removal is an arduous and time-consuming task. Please understand that the Public Works Department cannot shovel out your driveway entrance nor can it plow out any private property.

After the Storm Is Over

Crews continue to monitor all roads for icy conditions and where winds may redeposit snow onto the roadways. Usually salt is applied so that all surfaces remain safe to drive on. Residents can assist by not throwing snow into the roadway when clearing driveways and sidewalks or push snow across a cleared street. Pushing snow across the street removes the salt laid down for ice control.



Tips and Suggestions

- If snow is expected, move your cars into the driveway. Parking on the streets during a snowstorm prohibits snow removal.
- Do not park at the end of dead-end streets or in cul-de-sacs. These are needed to push the snow thru and are Fire Lanes.
- If you are shoveling out the entrance to your driveway, do not throw snow directly into the street; shovel onto the side of the driveway or other area of your property.
- If possible, finish clearing your driveway entrance AFTER the final widening pass by the snowplow, which will come about 8 to 10 hours after the snow stops falling, depending on the severity of the storm.

The Public Works Department is committed to the safety of our citizens and providing them with drivable streets.

CAMDENTON PARKS DEPARTMENT

Although we attempt to keep the restrooms open until November 15th at both the Ballpark & on Pam May Drive, they will be closed for the season whenever the temperatures drop to freezing on a regular basis to avoid frozen pipes. Once closed they will remain so until the target date of March 15, 2022.

The lights at the tennis courts will go dark the same date the restrooms close for the season and will be turned back on the same target date of March 15, 2022.

GFL Trash Company observes the following holidays (offices are closed and no trash pickup):

Thanksgiving Day-if picked up Thursday it will be Friday, if picked up Friday it will be Saturday.

Christmas & New Years- fall on a Saturday this year, will not affect trash pickup.

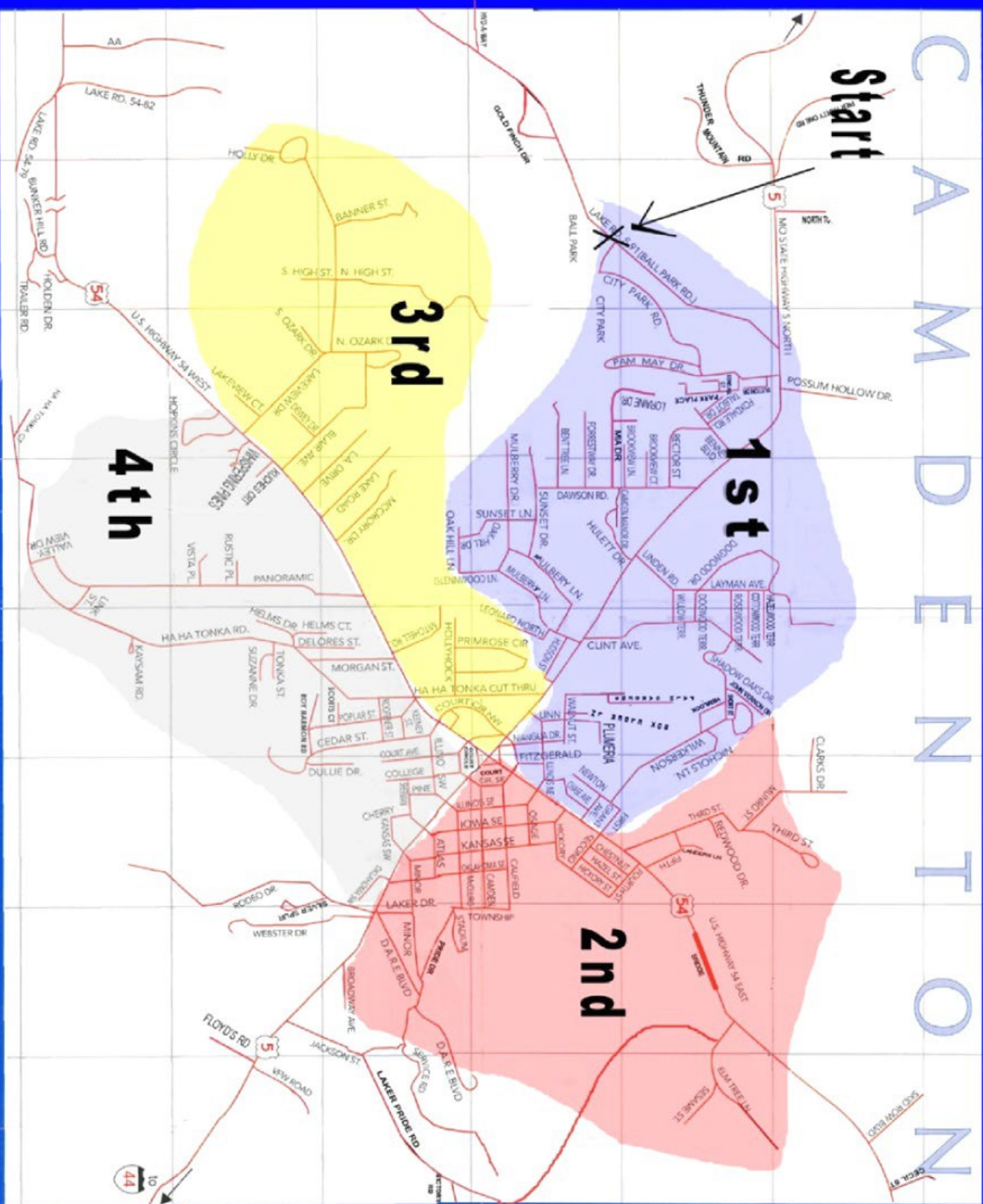
IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR FALL LEAVES.....

It will soon be the time of year when the air begins to chill and leaves begin to fall. That means the City will be filled with the sights and sounds of leaves being raked, mower's mulching up leaves and, in some cases, the smell of leaves being burned. If you do plan on burning leaves, please be sure to call Mid-County Fire Protection District at (573) 346- 3262 to make sure conditions are favorable for burning. One of the best methods for ridding your yard of leaves is to mulch them into the yard with your lawn mower. It not only provides a good nutrient base for next year's growth cycle, it takes less time than raking and is easier on the body.

For those of you who are not going to mulch, burn or rake your leaves into the woods behind your house, the Camdenton Public Works Department will begin the annual leaf pick-up starting late this fall. Use the map on page 7 to locate what section your property is in and what week your leaves will be picked up. For pick-up, please place your leaves in a pile next to the ditch (**NOT IN THE DITCH OR STREET**) and be sure there are not any limbs, rocks or other debris mixed in with the leaves. Please ensure your leaves are out the week of your area. We plan on working only on the week specified for your area. **The exact start date of the leaf pick-up & map will be posted at www.camdentoncity.com and the City of Camdenton's Facebook Page as we get closer to fall – last year it was the end of November before this began.** The leaf pick-up schedule may be adjusted for weather or other unforeseen circumstances as needed. Due to limitations in personnel and equipment, we will only pick up leaves once a year.

CAMDEN TOWN

Start





Renew your Dog & Cat Licenses Today!

Cat & Dog licenses must be renewed by December 31st to avoid penalty. Please bring in your current Rabies vaccination slip to City Hall or contact Sgt Richard Sansom at 346-3604 or email policedept@camdentoncity.com

THINK
— BIG —
SHOP
— SMALL —

Small Business Saturday and the Camdenton Shop Hop endorsed by the Camdenton Chamber

The Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce is an official supporter of Small Business Saturday® taking place on Saturday, November 27th, 2021. Small Business Saturday® is a day to support the local businesses in the community and encourage residents and visitors to get out and Shop Small® - with small businesses. Along side of the Small Business Saturday campaign, the Camdenton Area Chamber is heavily involved with the annual Camdenton Shop Hop, which is a local campaign that rewards shoppers for visiting participating businesses during the holiday season. The Camdenton Shop Hop will run November 27th until December 17th, 2021.



A few words from your Building Official.

Since this is my first entry into the newsletter, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Mike Wackerman and I have been a part of this community for over 36 years. Many of you know me as Mr. Wack the shop teacher at Camdenton Middle School, where I taught for 27 years. I retired in 2011 and enjoyed working with my son building structures around this area. In 2020, I was asked if I would be interested in the Building Officials job with the City. The job was open due to Dennis Claxton retiring and a great big thanks for the 14 years he served our City. They felt that I knew and had a good relationship with many of the builders in the area and the background to allow me to be able to review codes and verify they are being followed. It is my objective to help builders build to code by being on the site as much as I can to answer questions as well as ask them about what processes they are using and then checking them with the different codes that apply. This has been the most gratifying part of the position as together (builders and I) are able to communicate and understand what the code is trying to do. To say I know the code thoroughly will never happen, but I assure you I will find what the code allows and explain how I interpret it. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at City Hall and I will be glad to answer any question you may have. I may need a little time to research it, but it will be an answer that you know was not just off the top of my head. Look forward to working with you.

Community Partners coordinate efforts to bring broadband coverage to Camden County

Camden County, MO- Several community partners are working together to roll out **Connect.CamdenMO.org**, a campaign created to collect internet accessibility data within our county. With participation from our community members, the data collected can be used to pursue broadband coverage in Camden County.

County representatives, local chambers of commerce, as well as the University of Missouri Camden County Extension are asking the community to take a few minutes and participate in the internet speed test available at **Connect.CamdenMO.org**. Compared to other states, Missouri ranks low in connectivity and speed, with rural Missourians (including Camden County residents) at a particular disadvantage in accessing vital online services, information, and opportunities.

“To be effective in our mission we need heavy participation from both our residents and the businesses community” stated K.C. Cloke, Executive Director of the Camdenton Area Chamber of Commerce. “Even if you have no internet, we still need you to participate. In fact, it’s crucial to have those members participate (Connect.CamdenMO.org) to specifically identify our challenges. We’ve got to be able to clearly paint the picture of where Camden County currently stands with internet accessibility so we can work towards improving our broadband service which in return, improves our economy, educational access, and healthcare and well-being. The more participation we receive in our county the more precise our data will be to pursue funding opportunities”.

The speed test (Connect.CamdenMo.org) will be administered until the end of the year. To learn more about Connect.CamdenMo.org contact Tammy Mayer at tammy_mayer@camdenmo.org



TELEMEDICINE

CONNECT.CAMDENMO.ORG

With YOUR help broadband could be coming soon!

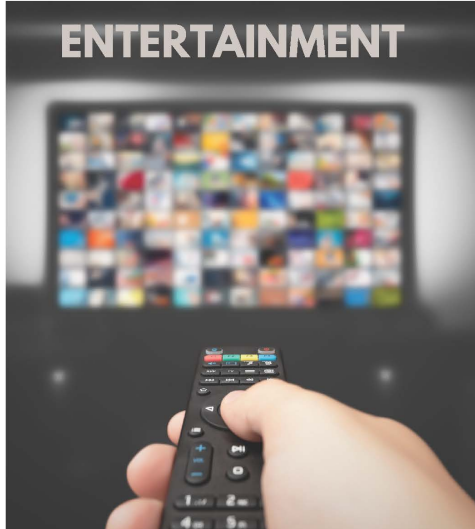
Community partners are working towards bringing broadband coverage to Camden County and here's how YOU can help:

Visit [Connect.CamdenMo.org](https://connect.camdenmo.org) and complete the questionnaire and participate in the speed test by December 31st, 2021 to identify your level of internet availability (or lack there of) at your home and business.

Data received through submissions will be used to pursue broadband funding opportunities.



EDUCATION



ENTERTAINMENT



EMPLOYMENT

Camdenton Police



Shop With a Cop

December 4th, 2021 is Christmas on the Square. Bring the kids out to make ornaments with Clerk Teri. For more information about Christmas on the square go to <http://camdentonchamber.com/>



Winter is around the corner and snow will be here soon. Below are a few driving tips to remember for winter weather driving.

- If possible postpone travel until roads have been plowed, treated, and cleared.
- Slow down and adjust your speed to the conditions. Leave with plenty of time.
- Give snowplows plenty of room and don't pass them.
- ALWAYS wear your seatbelt.
- Remember driving is most dangerous when temperatures are near 32 degrees.
- Keep mirrors, windows and lights clean; keep your lights on.
- Don't pass other vehicles on or near bridges.
- Keep your fuel tank at least half full.
- If you don't feel comfortable driving, pull off the highway and park at the first safe place.



For road conditions you can call the MoDOT's Customer Service Center at 888-275-6636 or download the app on your phone. Go to <https://www.modot.org/winter-driving-tips> for more driving tips.

With the holidays coming up, think ahead of who will be your designated driver. Call a sober friend or cab. Its better then the back seat of a patrol car or an ambulance. **DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE.**

Christmas on the Square



Located at the Camden County Courthouse



Christmas Tree Lighting December 3, 2021 5:30-7:00pm

LIVE REINDEER DISPLAY - PHOTOS WITH MRS. CLAUS
HOT CHOCOLATE & MULLED CIDER - BELL CHOIR

Christmas on the Square

December 4, 2021 10:30am - 1:00pm



Santa arrives at 11:30am

GAMES & PRIZES - PETTING ZOO - MUSIC
NATIVITY SCENE - CRAFTS - GIVEAWAYS
HOT DOGS - COOKIES - HOT CHOCOLATE

**Enter to win
a holiday
meal!**



Can Do Challenge

bring your can goods to
help LAMB House provide
for those in need.