



Winchester Newsletter

October, 2020

City of Winchester - 109 Lindy Blvd., Winchester, MO 63021-5299

City Calendar



OCT

- 1 - **Business Licenses Due**
Licenses are due and payable the first business day in October
- 3 - **Electronic E-cycle event, 8AM-11 AM**
See p 5 for details
- 6 - **National Night Out with the Ballwin Police Department, 6 pm to 8pm**
- 14 **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m**
- 31 - **HALLOWEEN at Reber Park, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

- NOV 1- Daylight Savings Time Ends, Turn your clocks back 1 hour
- 11 - **City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
- 26 - **THANKSGIVING, City Hall Closed**
No trash service today
- 27 - **City Hall Closed**
Holiday trash pick up TODAY!



**The City of Winchester
Welcomes the
BALLWIN POLICE DEPT. in
observing National Night Out**

October 6th is National Night Out. This is an annual, community-building campaign that promotes strong police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live and work. Together, we can make that happen.

National Night Out showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and *citizen involvement*. This year due to Covid-19, the police are encouraging people to turn on their porch light and have family BBQs in their driveways and to engage in communication with their neighbors . . . at a distance.

Officers of the Ballwin Police Department will be patrolling the neighborhood during the evening (6pm to 8 pm) to engage in conversation with any residents wishing to do so.

Business Hours

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Monday through Friday

Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

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Danielle Luebbert

Term Expires April, 2022

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Term Expires April, 2021

314/220-2119

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Term Expires, April 2022

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Website: www.city.winchester.mo.us



TRICK OR TREAT - Halloween is almost here and this year, due to the Covid-19 situation, the City along with Ballwin Police Officers *will not* be hosting a “Safety Center” event on Halloween. The current plan is for the police to be handing out packaged treats but they will be unboxing them and placing them on the hoods of the patrol vehicles. The trick or treaters may come to Reber Park (6pm - 8pm) and retrieve the items off the hoods of the cars. This is the current plan; however, changes on the County level may cause conditions to change by Halloween. If they do, particulars will be posted on the City website.



CITY MEETING NEWS

In service to the community, your Board of Aldermen took the following actions during **Aug. - Sept., 2020:**

Liquor Licenses were approved for the following business:

SareFood, LLC, 14560 Manchester Road, #37, Original Package Liquor and Sunday Original Package Liquor Licenses.

NOTICE OF NEW RATES
BEGINNING OCT. 1, 2020

Allied Waste Services (Republic Services) is Winchester’s Solid Waste Collection Services Contractor. The contract provides the following basic services to every home in Winchester at a cost of \$20.88/month billed quarterly **beginning October 1st**. There is a 10% discount (\$18.79/month) for Senior Citizens 65 and older with proof of age presented to City Hall. Trash, yard waste and recycle collection are all on Thursday.



IMPORTANT NOTICE!
TO KEEP INFORMED OF ANY CHANGES IN SERVICE BY REPUBLIC SERVICES in yard waste, trash or recycle collection, make sure that Republic Services has your current phone number. They will

make a robo call to keep you informed of Holiday schedules and any other updates in necessary information that affects your service. Their phone number is: 636-947-5959.



IMPORTANT NOTICE!
FROM REPUBLIC SERVICES
ON RECYCLE INFORMATION

Trash haulers are noticing an increase of **food waste** mixed in with recycling contents from the residential recycling routes. COVID-19 is probably the reason due to increased carry-outs, more meal prep at home, etc. *Remember, no food waste or containers with food remnants are recyclable.* Coupled with ongoing contamination of plastics, there have been some pretty unfavorable recycling streams dumped on the floor of the Material Recovery Facilities. If a recycling route in our municipality has a high percentage of contaminants, the City will be notified by Republic and they will try to formulate a plan to educate residents how to develop acceptable recycle habits. Please visit www.recyclingsimplified.com for more information.



The following information is presented from the library of MSD Project Clear, a municipal public education project. *(Reminder)*

PROPER LEAF DISPOSAL - Falling leaves announce Autumn’s arrival; however, they can create problems.... problems that the City needs your help in preventing. We ask residents to consider the following:
Leaves and/or other debris filling storm sewers cause the sewers not to function well and can lead to unnecessary flooding. This is the reason why *placing leaves out onto the street is strictly prohibited.... leaves end up in storm sewers!*

Leaf disposal is available through Republic Services and costs are included with your Solid Waste bill. All you have to do is rake or gather the yard waste, put it in marked containers or yard waste bags, and set out at the curb no sooner than 24-hours before pick up day.

Municipal Code Section 210.680



MSD is offering a customer assistance program for qualified low-income, elderly and disabled customers who receive sewer service

from MSD. You must own and/or reside as a tenant in the property for which you are applying to receive a rate reduction.

Customers will receive a rate reduction equal to 50% of the current charges for wastewater services on their monthly sewer bill.

Customers who wish to apply for the program must complete an application and return it to MSD's Accounts Receivable Department. To request an application, call 1-866-281-5737 or if you wish to *preview stipulations*, go to www.stlmsd.com and look under their customer service link to customer assistance program. Approved applicants shall begin on the first full month following approval of the application. Rate reduction will remain in effect for a period of two years from the date of approval. All applicants must reapply bi-annually.

**Saint Louis
COUNTY
PLANNING**



OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

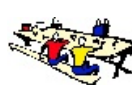
The Home Improvement Program (HIP) is a federally funded program to provide technical and financial assistance to qualified homeowners for a variety of home repairs. Funds for this calendar year are still available. The program is administered by St. Louis County's Department of Planning, Office of Community Development. **APPLICANTS ARE NEEDED.** Do not assume you are not eligible to participate. Contact St. Louis County Department of Planning, Office of Community Development at 314-615-4025.

PARK & RECREATION NEWS

At this time, Reber Park and the playgrounds are open. Since the new playground and the adult exercise equipment have opened, many children and adults are seen taking advantage of the beautiful new equipment made possible through a grant from St. Louis County.

Please note that each playground area is restricted to a given number of persons using the equipment at any given time. Signs are posted and we ask you observe the instructions.

The park is closed between the hours of Dusk and 7:00 AM. No person shall be in the park during those hours.



**REBER PARK PAVILION &
GAZEBO RESERVATIONS**

With the ever changing County Covid regulations, the City has decided not to take any reservations for the pavilion and gazebo for the remainder of the season (through October 31st.)



TREE TRIMMING

It's a good time to check on whether or not your property could use tree trimming. In Winchester, property owners with trees along the right-of-way should have branches *no lower than 10'* above the pavement. *Winter, when the trees are dormant,* is the best time to trim. With spring growth following soon after, fresh wounds are exposed for the shortest time. It is good to remove the lowest branches that interfere with streets or routine yard maintenance. Try to maintain a trunk without branches for the first 10-15 feet. Remember to keep those shrubs and hedges in the front yard trimmed so they do not encroach into the right-of-way and block the view of traffic. Any limbs should be bundled in sections *no longer than four feet* and put at the curb for yard waste pick-up.