




Winchester Newsletter


March 2021

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

City Calendar



- MAR 10 - City Meeting, 7:30 p.m**
14 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins-
 “Spring Forward” - when you turn your
 clocks forward, *change the batteries in your
 smoke detector*
-  **17 - ST. PATRICK’S DAY**
- April 1 - Reber Park Pavilion & Gazebo** may be
 reserved for dates from April 1st - through
 Oct. 31st. *Reservations began @ City Hall
 on February 1st -must be made in person*
- 1 - Ballfield Reservation Permits begin April**
1st (Weather Permitting) **through June 30th**
- 6 - MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY**
*See Location of Polling Place → →
 City Hall Open*
- 14- City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
- MAY 12- City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.**
31- Memorial Day, City Hall Closed



NOTICE OF ELECTION

CITY OF WINCHESTER
 ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

TO: Qualified Voters of the City of Winchester,
St. Louis County, Missouri

TAKE NOTICE:
Notice of a General Election in the City of
Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri on:

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021
for the election a Mayor for the term of four (4)
years and one (1) Alderman from Ward I and one
(1) Alderman from Ward II, each to serve a two (2)
year term.

HOURS OF ELECTION:
6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Central Daylight Time

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE:
for LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP PRECINCTS 042, 044
& 045, and QUEENY TOWNSHIP PRECINCTS 026
& 027 (all of Winchester) the polling place is:
St. Joseph Catholic Church
567 St. Joseph Lane
Manchester, Missouri 63021

Given under my hand and the corporate seal of the City
of Winchester, Missouri, this February 5, 2021.

Barbara Beckett, CMC
City Administrator/Clerk

Winchester City Hall
Voice-TDD: 636/391-0600
FAX: 636/391-6365
Email: cityhall@city.winchester.mo.us

Business Hours
9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Monday through Friday
Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR
Gail M. Winham
Term Expires April, 2021
636/394-6023

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

WARD I

Joyce Davis
Term Expires April, 2021
636/391-1988

Danielle Luebert
Term Expires April, 2022
636/734-8600

WARD II

Tony DeLuca
Term Expires April, 2021
314/220-2119

Michael Schmidt
Term Expires, April 2022
314/706-8169



CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICE
APRIL 6, 2021 ELECTION

The following persons have filed for office (the names are listed in the order filed with the City Clerk):

MAYOR (Four Year Term): **Gail M. Winham***

ALDERMAN (Two Year Term):

WARD I: **Joyce Davis***

ALDERMAN (Two Year Term):

WARD II: **Tony DeLuca***

(* - Denotes incumbent)

The City of Winchester is divided into two Wards known as Ward I and Ward II. The dividing line between Ward I and Ward II shall be a line beginning at the intersection of the center line of Sulphur Springs Road and the eastern prolongation of the south rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard; thence westwardly along the south rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard to its intersection with the center line of Lindy Boulevard, thence northwardly along the center line of Lindy Boulevard to its intersection with the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard thence westward along the center line of Hillcrest Boulevard, to its intersection with the southern prolongation of the west rear property line of Lindy Boulevard, thence northwardly along said west rear property line to its intersection with the north rear property line of Hillcrest Boulevard, thence westwardly along said north rear property line to its intersection with the west city limits of the City of Winchester.

Ward I shall constitute all of the area with the boundaries of the City of Winchester that lies South of the above described line dividing Ward I and Ward II.

Ward II shall constitute all of the area within the boundaries of the City of Winchester that lies North of the above described line dividing Ward I and Ward II.



CITY MEETING NEWS

In service to the community, your Board of Aldermen took the following action during January/February, meetings:

ORDINANCE #1096 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a one year contract extension by the City of Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for snow removal within the public rights of way.

ORDINANCE #1097 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a one year contract extension by the City of

Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for street & sewer construction within the public rights of way in the City of Winchester.

ORDINANCE #1098 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a one year contract extension by the City of Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for street & sewer maintenance within the public rights of way.

ORDINANCE #1099 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a five-year contract extension by the City of Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for snow removal within the public rights of way in the City of Winchester.

ORDINANCE #1100 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a five-year contract extension by the City of Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for street and sewer construction within the public rights of way in the City of Winchester.

ORDINANCE #1101 - An ordinance providing for the execution of a five-year contract extension by the City of Winchester with L. Krupp Construction Co. for street & sewer maintenance within the public rights of way in the City of Winchester.

BULKY ITEMS & APPLIANCE PICK-UP



REMINDER - *Bulky items* are

defined as household materials that are too large to fit in with your regular waste collection container and that are not bundled into 4-ft or less bundles. Examples of bulky items: furniture, carpet, old bicycles, and *some* household construction materials. Wood, drywall etc. is limited to (1)-32gallon can per pickup. (Carpet must be bundled 4ft x 2ft or less). Containers may weigh no more than 50 lbs. Bulky items will be picked up at no additional charge, but there is a 2 item limit per week.

In addition, *Republic Services still picks up "white goods" - appliances, etc.* These also have a limit of 2 items per week at a charge of \$25.00 per item, the cost of which can be charged to the account.

To order either a bulky or an appliance pickup, please call customer service at 636-947-5959 before 3 pm the business day before pickup.



NOTE: AMEREN MISSOURI is offering an additional \$100 rebate through the Ameren Missouri Heating and Cooling Program over and above the existing program rebates. The promotion is designed to make it easy

for customers to upgrade their heating and cooling equipment to a qualifying high-efficiency model. Many good rebates are available through 2021. Find more information and apply today at: www.amerenmissourisavings.com/hvac.



The following information is presented from **MSD Project Clear Phase II Storm Water** and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Reminder: Cleaning and disinfecting wipes, personal hygiene products, baby wipes... they all are “disposable”, so why not flush them down the toilet? Quite simply, because disposing of such items in the toilet, even those labeled “flushable”, instead of in the trash causes big problems, both for the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District and for homeowners.

Mounds of disposable materials clog sewer lines, pumps and lift stations. They can cause sewer backups and damage plant equipment. Clearing such materials from the wastewater stream is time-consuming and labor-intensive. Even dental floss flushed down the toilet can cause problems. Dental floss is very strong and durable. It can get tangled up in pumps and equipment, or worsen minor clogs within pipes by “binding” materials together.

These items are also a big problem for property owners’ home plumbing and sewer laterals which are smaller in diameter and more susceptible to clogs. Sewer clogs caused by these items can result in considerable cleanup expense and potential harm to our environment. Dispose of items in the trash, where they belong.



GRASS & WEEDS - The growing season is fast approaching – Please keep your yard looking neat by mowing your lawn. Property Owners or occupants who allow their grass and/or weeds to grow to a height in excess of seven inches are in violation of a City Ordinance. Be a responsible neighbor and help to promote the beauty and integrity of our City.

Municipal Code Section 215.130



FAIR HOUSING - The City of Winchester is committed to Fair Housing for all of its citizens. It is unlawful to discriminate against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, age, handicap, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation. The City of Winchester has enacted a Fair Housing Ordinance which prohibits unlawful discrimination and spells out the process for filing a complaint. If you, or anyone you know, believe that you have been unlawfully discriminated against, call the City Hall at (636) 391-0600.

PARK & RECREATION NEWS

All municipal parks in the City of Winchester shall be closed between the hours of Dusk and 7:00 AM and a person shall not be in the parks during those hours except as authorized by Pavilion or Gazebo permit.

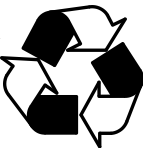


REBER PARK PAVILION & GAZEBO RESERVATIONS

Reservations for the pavilion and gazebo were available the first business day in February. The facilities may be reserved individually and/or together. Hours are from 7a.m. - 8:00 p.m., April through October. These facilities are great for special functions, family reunions, barbeques, and birthday parties. Restrooms are specifically designated for the parties reserved. **Cost to reserve the pavilion is \$45, the gazebo, \$30.** Both residents and non-residents are eligible to reserve the facilities.



2021 BALLFIELDS - not all fields have been assigned... Fields will be available beginning **April 1st** ... or when the fields are deemed usable by City Hall....until the last week of June. Each team is limited to one practice session per week.



Recycling Do's and Don'ts *from Republic Services*

Recycle 101

Resolving to be a better recycler is easy! We all start somewhere and whether you are a brand new or an on-and-off recycler, these tips will help you make recycling a simple habit all year.

Notice for All Ballfield Users

Signs will be posted on the ballfields if conditions are deemed unacceptable for use.

→Please be sure to adhere to the posted sign.←

Call the park at 636-527-5148 for a recorded message. Help keep our fields in great shape. Maintenance works hard trying to keep our fields in top shape for play.

Know what to throw. “Stick with the Six.” Republic Services collects the following recycle materials with curbside collection: Cardboard, paper, metal cans, plastic bottles and jugs and glass. Of these six materials, the ones that are considered “recycling gold” because of their ability to be remade into new products are: cardboard, paper, aluminum and plastic bottles and jugs.



DRUG DISPOSAL OPTION AVAILABLE 24/7

We would like to remind you that the Ballwin Police Department, now serving Winchester for policing needs, does sponsor a drug drop box in the lobby of their station at 300 Park Drive, Ballwin, that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The box looks like a white postal drop box and has the letters P2D2 on the side.

Prescription medications (including controlled substances, all over-the-counter medications, pet medications, vitamins and supplements, medicated ointments, lotions, creams and oils, liquid medication in leak-proof containers, homeopathic and herbal remedies and suppositories will be accepted.

Illegal drugs, needles/sharps syringes with needles, thermometers, IV bags and tubing, bloody or infectious waste, personal care products, empty containers, hydrogen peroxide and aerosol cans and inhalers will not be accepted.

Empty, clean and dry. These are the three magic words of recycling. Every item in your recycling bin should be free of liquid and food residue. When items are soiled, they can contaminate other perfectly good recyclables and those contaminated materials will end up in the landfill. Give your recyclable containers a rinse, then tap out the excess water, leaving no more than a teaspoon.

When in doubt, throw it out! There will be times when you just aren't sure if something should be recycled or not. It's best to toss the item in the waste bin when that happens.

Don't bag it! *While it might seem to make sense to place recyclables in a bag, it's a big no-no.* Materials must stay loose so they can easily be sorted and separated at the recycling center.

Remember - plastic bags are not recyclable via your curbside program. Most grocery stores have plastic bag collection bins near their entrance.

Visit www.recyclingsimplified.com for more information on how to become an avid recycler.

Reuse  Recycle
Naturally!



PLAN NOW and BE PREPARED for STORMS AHEAD

from Ameren Missouri

Do You Have An Emergency Kit?

Weather can be unpredictable in Missouri and so it's always a good idea to be prepared for emergencies. Here are some items you can gather now to prepare your family for any emergency, at any time:

- Emergency telephone numbers
- Flashlights and fresh batteries
- Extra keys for your garage and home
- Battery-powered radio
- Battery-powered or wind-up alarm clock
- Supply of bottled water (one gallon per person per day)
- Non-perishable foods that don't require heating
- Blankets, bedding or sleeping bags
- First-aid kit, medications and household bleach
- Hand-Operated can opener, plastic utensils and paper plates
- Special items for infants, the elderly or family members with special needs
- Hand tools, such as a screwdriver, scissors, duct tape and waterproof matches
- Identification and copies of important family documents
- Extra cash. An extended power outage may prevent you from withdrawing money from automatic teller machines or banks

If bad weather is on the way, you may want to take these additional steps:

- Turn your refrigerator to its coldest setting and leave the door closed.
- Turn off and unplug any unnecessary electrical equipment - especially sensitive electronics.
- Place important documents in a safe box or other waterproof storage space.
- Bring lawn furniture and other loose, lightweight objects inside.
- Fill your vehicle's gas tank.

Don't forget your pets!

- Make sure you have plenty of food and water, fresh litter and clean newspaper, leashes and collars and a carrier for each pet!



SAFETY TIP FROM WEST COUNTY EMS and FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Fire strikes a home in the United States about every minute. Are you prepared for that threat? Your best chance of surviving the horrors that can come with a fire in your home is to have E.D.I.T.H. in place (Exit Drills in the Home).

- Spend some time with your family to make a plan.
- Learn two ways out of every room.
- Designate a meeting place out of the home. Your meeting place can be as simple as the mailbox.
- The final step is to practice the plan to make sure everyone is aware of the plan.

A few steps taken now can make a world of difference when an emergency happens.

Saint Louis
COUNTY
HEALTH



(Information from St. Louis County website)

HOME FOOD SAFETY - MYTHBUSTERS

Myth: Cross-contamination doesn't happen in the refrigerator— it's too cold in there for germs to survive!

Fact: Some bacteria can survive and even grow in cool, moist environments like the refrigerator. In fact, *Listeria Monocytogenes* grows at temperatures as low as 35.6 degrees F! A recent study from NSF International revealed that the refrigerator produce compartment was one of the "germiest" places in the kitchen, containing Salmonella and Listeria. In your refrigerator, keep fresh fruits and vegetables separate from raw meat, poultry, seafood and eggs. Clean your refrigerator regularly with hot water and soap and clean up food and beverage spills immediately to reduce the risk of cross-contamination in your refrigerator. Don't forget to clean refrigerator walls and undersides of shelves!