



Winchester Newsletter

April, 2020

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

City Calendar



April 1 - Reber Park Pavilion & Gazebo may be reserved for dates from April 1st through Oct. 31st. *Reservations must be made in person - residency not required*

1 - Ballfield Reservation Permits begin (Weather Permitting) through June 30th

Postponed - **MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY**
See Location of Polling Place → →

New Election Date - June 2, 2020

in accordance with Missouri Governor Michael Parson's Executive Order No. 20-03.

8 - Community Development Public Hearing, 7:25 pm

8 - City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

24 - Court, 5:30 pm- CANCELLED

to be rescheduled. When it is rescheduled you may see it at www.municourt.net Call 636-227-9468 with any questions.

** Both meetings on April 8th may be held by teleconference.*

If you wish to attend the meetings, please call City Hall no later than Tuesday, April 7th and we will make arrangements for you to participate.

May 13 - City Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

25 - MEMORIAL DAY observed,
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 **REVISED**

TAKE NOTICE:

Notice of a General Election in the City of Winchester, St. Louis County, Missouri on:
TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020 has been postponed in accordance with Missouri Governor Michael Parson's Executive Order No. 20-03. The new election date shall be **TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020** for the following offices:
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., CDT

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. John United Church of Christ, 332 Old Sulphur Springs,
Manchester, Missouri 63021

Given under my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Winchester, Missouri this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Barbara Beckett, CMC
City Administrator/Clerk

NOTICE

IN ORDER TO FOLLOW ST. LOUIS COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDER 15 TO HELP MITIGATE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, WE ARE DOING BUSINESS BY PHONE, FAX OR E-MAIL. CITY HALL IS CLOSED TO ALL FOOT TRAFFIC.

PHONE: 636-391-0600

FAX: 636-391-6365

E-MAIL: cityhall@city.winchester.mo.us

The City Hall Number, 636-391-0600, is being monitored during business hours. If you leave a message, we will respond to you as soon as possible. We will try to assist you in any way possible.



**CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICE
JUNE 2, 2020 ELECTION**

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

ALDERMAN (Two Year Term):

**WARD I: Carol J. Kraft*
Danielle Leubbert**

ALDERMAN (Two Year Term):

WARD II: Michael Schmidt*

(*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.

**WHERE TO GET LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH
CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION**

If you are concerned that you may have been exposed to coronavirus, contact the St. Louis County COVID-19 Hotline 24/7 at 314-615-2660.

Visit St. Louis County's dedicated COVID-19 webpage at www.STLcorona.com for current information and updates.

If you would like to follow St. Louis County Department of Public Health social media for updates:
www.facebook.com/stlouisco/

**United States Dept. of Commerce
Economics and Statistics Administration
U.S. Census Bureau - hiring for 2020
Census Jobs**



*(Various sources, especially from
the St. Louis County Website)*

Earn extra income

In advance of the 2020 Census, the U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people for a variety of temporary jobs including census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff, and supervisory staff.

These positions provide the perfect opportunity to earn some extra income while helping your community.

Candidates must complete an online job application, including assessment questions about your education, work and other experience.

For more information go to: www.2020census.gov/jobs

CITY MEETING NEWS



In service to the community, your Board of Aldermen took the following action during their March, 2020 meeting:

ORDINANCE # 1088 - An ordinance revising parking fines to be subject to order of the Municipal Court, presiding judge of the Twenty-First Judicial Circuit or by Operating Law Missouri Supreme Court Rule.

ORDINANCE #1089-An ordinance changing the Municipal Code for the City of Winchester moving vehicle equipment and equipment related use violations from several sections of code to one section of code, Chapter 380.

**REPUBLIC SERVICES - ADJUSTED
SERVICES NOTICE**

Due to ongoing concerns related to COVID-19, Republic Services is suspending bulk and yard waste service beginning Monday, March 30th until further notice.

Drivers will not pick up any debris or bags outside of the carts. Therefore, trash and recycle material will be limited to cart only.



SNOOPING IN THE TRASH

The United States Supreme Court has ruled that once trash is placed near the curb for disposal, all expectation of privacy has been forfeited by the resident and anyone may legally examine the contents, including taking any items if they so desire. *In other words, it is legal for someone to go through your trash after you place it near the curb for disposal.* Therefore, police officials warn residents to be attentive to what they throw away (credit card statements, bank statements, other private information) so that they do not become a victim of identity theft.

REVIEWED & REVISED RECYCLING GUIDELINES

from Republic Services

How much do you know about metal recycling?

Is It Larger Than a Credit Card? Small materials on their own can get stuck in recycling machines. A good rule of thumb: if it's larger than a credit card, it's in the clear. If it's smaller than a credit card, like a bottle cap, either reattach the lid to the bottle and recycle it together, or toss the lid in the waste container.

Is it Empty. Clean. Dry?

You just strained some canned beans and corn for dinner. Both cans have residue. Don't recycle them as is! Rinse them out in the sink and tip them upside down to dry before you place them in your recycling container. This way, they don't contaminate all the other materials in your recycling container.

Metal / Aluminum Recycling

- Metal cans from vegetables, fruit or beans
- Metal cans from meat, fish or pet food
- Aluminum soda cans (do not crush)
- Aluminum foil (unsoiled)

Metal you shouldn't recycle

- Aluminum foil (soiled with food)
- Pop tabs (on their own)
- Bottle caps (on their own)
- Razor blades

You Can Recycle Plastic...

But this doesn't mean everything made of plastic is recyclable. Here's a quick guide to determine if your heap of plastic recycling is actually recyclable.

Plastic bottles, jars and jugs are great candidates for recycling. Just **make sure they're empty, clean and dry** before you place them into your recycling container. *A bottle of ketchup that's not quite empty can contaminate a whole truckload of recyclables!*

Does It Pass the Poke Test?

If you can push your finger through the plastic, it's too flimsy to recycle. Grocery bags, sandwich bags and bubble wrap, for example, all need specific handling, so *don't* put them in your curbside bin. You should bring your plastic grocery bags back to the store. Toss sandwich bags and bubble wrap in the trash instead.

Plastics You Can Recycle

- Detergent containers
- Water bottles
- Milk jugs
- Peanut butter jars
- Ketchup bottles

Plastics You Shouldn't Recycle

- Grocery & sandwich bags
- Polystyrene foam
- Bubble wrap
- Toys
- Garden hoses

Cardboard recycling

Leftover food residue — like the grease and cheese on last night's pizza box — *makes that box waste rather than recycling.* If cardboard is clean, break it down flat and give yourself a pat on the back! If it's soiled, toss it. If it's cleanable, in the case of milk and juice cartons, rinse them out before you place them in your recycling bin.

When you get a box in the mail full of your online shopping spree items, it's also full of other materials — bubble wrap, packing peanuts, maybe even plastic wrap. Separate out the materials. The box itself is recyclable, so break it down and put it in your recycling bin. Reuse the packing materials, or toss them in your waste container.

Oftentimes, food packaging also has mixed materials, like a bag of cereal inside a cardboard box. Finish the cereal, toss the plastic and break down the box for recycling.

Contamination has become an immense problem with current recycling efforts. Please take note of procedures you can adopt that help us to:

Reduce ♻️ Reuse ♻️ Recycle ♻️
Naturally!



\$\$ PAVILION INSPECTORS NEEDED \$\$

Part-time inspectors are needed to open and close the restrooms at the beginning and end of reservation hours and check the pavilion after party has gone. If interested contact City Hall at 636-391-0600.



The following information is presented from MSD Project Clear and the U.S. E.P.A.

MSD alone cannot keep the region's waterways clean. They need the support, resources and actions of concerned citizens, businesses and municipalities to improve local water quality. Since waterways and sewers are shared public resources, there are many steps that you can take to help maintain both. Stormwater runoff carries pollutants into our local streams and rivers, damaging local ecosystems and watershed health and threatening our public health and quality of life. "Going green" can help. Green infrastructure is cost-effective, sustainable and environmentally friendly because it captures and reuses stormwater to maintain or restore natural hydrologies. Examples of green infrastructure include rain gardens, porous pavements, green roofs, infiltration planters, trees and tree boxes and rainwater harvesting (rain barrels). For more information see www.stlmsd.com.

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 park during those hours except as authorized by permit.



The Pavilion and Gazebo at Reber Park is available for use from **April through October** of each year, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

for special functions, family reunions, barbeques, and birthday parties. The City offers both a pavilion and gazebo available to be reserved individually and/or together. **The cost to reserve the pavilion is \$45, the gazebo, \$30.** Reservations **must** be made in person; fees are non-refundable. You are encouraged to call City Hall to inquire whether a specific date is available. Both residents and non-residents are eligible to reserve the facilities.

LAFAYETTE OLDER ADULT PROGRAM (L.O.A.P.)



NOTICE: MEETINGS AND TRIPS ARE, AS OF THIS PRINTING, CANCELLED THROUGH THE END OF APRIL. *Hopefully the 2020 season of LOAPs will be starting up in May.* If you are 55 or older and

interested in making new friends, hearing great speakers, going on exciting trips, and playing cards? The group meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays at Ballwin Golf Course, 333 Holloway Road, Ballwin, MO from 10 am - 2 pm. Cost \$2 per meeting. Please bring your own sack lunch. Coffee, soda and dessert provided. **Special luncheons may involve separate fees.*

Meetings of the Lafayette Older Adult Program (LOAP) are open to residents of Ballwin, Chesterfield, Ellisville, Manchester, Wildwood and Winchester as well as the Parkway and Rockwood School Districts. For more information, call the City of Manchester at 636-391-6326 ext 401.



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.

Saint Louis COUNTY PLANNING

APRIL IS FAIR HOUSING MONTH
Fair Housing is Everyone's Business - It applies to both public and private housing. The 1968 Act was amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act in 1988. Effective 1989; provided additional protected classes. Title VIII means "Don't Discriminate." The Fair Housing Law prohibits discrimination in all housing regardless of ownership or management. Therefore, housing providers should offer the same, require the same, and inform all persons regardless of their race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familiar status (children under 18 years of age) or handicap. If you feel you have been the victim of housing discrimination, please telephone the **HUD Office at 1-800-743-5323 (Voice) & 1-800-669-9275 (TDD)**

**** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **** (Followed by Board of Alderman Meeting at

Publication Date Winchester Newsletter April 2020 7:30 p.m.)

The City of Winchester will hold a public hearing to discuss the estimated allocation of \$ 20,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds which will become available after January 1, 2021. The public hearing will be held at

** 7:25 am pm on Wednesday, April, 8, 2020,
at Winchester City Hall, 109 Lindy Blvd. Winchester, MO. 63021.

To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Winchester has enacted and/or enforces the following:

A Fair Housing Ordinance prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;

A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;

A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;

A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above. Additionally, if you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may provide written comments regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program to the following municipal official:

<u>Barbara Beckett, City Administrator</u>			
NAME/TITLE			
<u>109 Lindy Blvd. Winchester, MO. 63021</u>			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
<u>636/391-0600</u>			
PHONE			

If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact City Hall no later than 48 hours in advance.

***Both meetings on April 8th may be held by teleconference.**

If you wish to attend the meetings, please call City Hall no later than Tuesday, April 7th and we will make arrangements for you to participate.

For More Information Call:
636/391-0600 VOICE
1800-735-2966 TDD
1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI VOICE
1-800-735-2966 RELAY MISSOURI TDD
Equal Opportunity Employer



**CITY OF WINCHESTER
109 LINDY BOULEVARD
WINCHESTER MO 63021-5299**

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BALLWIN MO 63011**

BE COUNTED



April 1st marks Census Day; however the U.S. Census Bureau will be sending census mailings from mid March to mid April. Every household will have the option of responding online, by mail or by phone.

The Census Bureau is bound by a code called Title 13 which outlines protections for the information collected. Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure, and protected by federal law. The census counts every person living in the U.S. once, only once, and in the right place.

Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets. The distribution of federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities are based on census data. That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other vital programs.

After each decade's census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in their states to account for population shifts.

Completing the census is mandatory: it's a way to be counted in our democratic republic form of government.

For information on temporary jobs with the Census Bureau, see page 2