

KIRKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL **NEWSLETTER . . .**

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August 16, 2013

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DATES TO REMEMBER

August 19 – Ribbon Cutting 1201 Janeway at 9 am
August 19 – City Council Meetings – 4:30 & 6 pm Mehegan Room - 800 W. Jefferson
August 25 – Worship in the Park - Rotary Park – Hamilton Street Baptist Church
August 26 - Special Council Meeting re: Tax Levy – 4:30 pm
August 26 - Council Work Session w/ATSU President – 5 pm
August 31 – 1000 Hills Bass Club Tournament at Forest Lake
September 2 – Labor Day Holiday – No Council Meeting

AIRPORT

Much of the work has been completed at the airport including the expanded parking area, parking area behind the FBO and the resurfaced roadway. In addition, we have received notification that we have completed all requirements for compliance with our Part 139 Inspection.

PHONE CALLS

Over 120 phone calls were received by the City Clerk from Tuesday afternoon through Friday from people all over the United States, directing their message to the Mayor, and some to all the Council, to vote No on the proposed Human Rights Ordinance. The calls were generated after local Evangelist Boyd Halford was on a national radio talk program Tuesday afternoon. The list is attached.

SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next regular Council meeting date after Monday's meeting falls on the Labor Day Holiday of September 2. Council Policy has been not to meet whenever a holiday falls on a regular Council meeting day. The next meeting in September will be September 16. In addition, we are approaching budget time. Therefore a planning meeting has been scheduled for September 9th starting at 4:30 pm. Please mark your calendar. It is planned that this meeting will last anywhere from 2 to 4 hours.

STREET PROGRAM UPDATE

Much of the work was completed in time for move in day at Truman and the start of the school year for Kirksville RIII. Patterson, Davis, and portion of Normal Avenue were resurfaced. First Street from Shepherd to Jefferson was in process with milling complete and the resurfacing beginning on the south end. Franklin Street was cleaned up and the crosswalks were installed. Since the University is working on Centennial Hall there would not have been access for the students to unload on Franklin anyway. Provisions were made for students to access the facility from the backside of the building.

AQUATIC CENTER EVENT

On August 14 the Aquatic Center held a So Long Summer, Sales Promotion. For that day only patrons were able to buy a gift certificate valued at \$20 for \$15. A total of 111 certificates were purchased. Some people immediately redeemed their certificates for pool passes. With the revenue from the gift certificates and the extra money people put with them to purchase passes, a total of \$2,580 was brought in.

MML ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The annual Missouri Municipal League Conference is September 15 -18 in Branson. Hotel rooms go quickly, so if you plan to attend, please let Vickie know as soon as possible if you wish to attend this Conference. The program was emailed earlier to the Council, and can be seen at www.mocities.com.

MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION

There is a new resource on the Ethics Commission's website titled MEC Highlights! This new feature will be a series of excerpts from Frequently Asked Questions based on the most common questions being asked. The first two highlights include [Nepotism](#) and [Purchasing Policies](#). Copies of these are attached.

PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT

The Kirksville/Adair County area has been chosen by the Missouri Governor's Committee to End Homelessness as a host of Project Homeless Connect (PHC). The event will be held on Friday, October 4, 2013, at The Crossing from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All homeless individuals and families in the Kirksville area are welcome and encouraged to attend a free, one-day event to connect with and receive free services and social assistance. The goal of PHC is to reduce barriers and improve access to services and housing for homeless individuals and families. During Project Homeless Connect, homeless individuals and families will have access to free services such as: medical screenings, haircuts, a hot lunch, housing assistance, identification assistance,

food, hygiene products and much more. The PHC Committee is currently seeking service providers, volunteers, donations and sponsorships. If you would like to help change the lives of members in your community, or are looking for more information visit www.facebook.com/ProjectHomelessConnectKirksvilleMo today! In addition the Mayor has been asked to speak to the group at about 9:30 in the morning.

CANNADAY BUILDING

With the change in ownership of the Cannaday building next door to City Hall, there is consideration being given to tear the building down. Because of its location and size there is concern about the level of dust that will result. The Fire Chief will be visiting with the property owner to determine how we can control this with available hydrants and hoses.

BANKING INFORMATION

“The City of Kirksville’s available funds are held with the Bank of Kirksville. The City maintains separate bank accounts for the Insurance Fund, municipal court bonds, employee cafeteria flexible spending, employee vending machine proceeds, and police donations. All other funds are pooled in one account. The City funds are collateralized thru a third party bank, Finser, at an amount equal to 105% of market value over the bank balances, including the FDIC-insured limit of \$250,000. A statement is sent to the Finance Director every month to be reviewed for adequate coverage. The majority of the collateral is US Treasury Notes with the exception of a bond held by the Kirksville R-III School District. The types of collateral are acceptable based on MO State Statute 30.270, Part 1 thru Part 5.”

HOUSE BILL 253

The Missouri Municipal League has sent out information regarding opposition to HB 253. The City Council will be considering a measure on Monday regarding this. Included in this Newsletter is additional information from the League.

CEMETERY EVENT

After the Forest Llewellyn event, City Clerk Vickie Brumbaugh sent pictures to a family member of one of the Veterans, Thomas J. Ahl. This was the response received. Vickie, Thank you so much for sending me the photos. I sure wish that I could have been there. I am deeply indebted to you and the City of Kirksville for honoring my distant relative. I have not given up on trying to get out to your city and will let you know ahead of time. I still want to meet you and thank you in person for your outstanding efforts on Thomas J. Ahl's behalf. I will never forget the effort and kindness shown to me by yourself. You are a great representative of Kirksville and again, I thank you very, very much!!! Brian Ahl on behalf of Thomas J. Ahl

NEW INSURANCE

Effective July 1, the City had a new insurance provider for general liability, work comp, public buildings, etc. This was a result of a change from MIRMA to Missouri Public Risk after the City solicited proposals for coverage. As of this Newsletter, the changeover has been relatively seamless. City staff has met with MPR representatives to review their processes and discuss coverage. Jeanie Ewing, Finance Supervisor will be attending MPR’s annual training meeting in the next month.

WASTEWATER UPDATE

We continue to work with HDR, our engineering consulting firm, on our plans for the wastewater treatment plant improvements. At this point, HDR has been assisting us with permitting requirements. Once more information is in place from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, we will bring HDR back to a Study Session to update the City Council.

TOURISM WELCOME SIGN

The Tourism Office has been able to obtain permission from the Missouri Highway Department regarding the placement of a Welcome Sign along Highway 63. The location will be on the southwest corner of Highway 63 and Illinois (Highway 6). The area is on top of a hill. The sign will serve as a welcome to visitors and will include the Tourism Office web address.

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

The Commission is planning a community event on Saturday, September 14 at Shelter House #3 at 1000 Hills State Park. Members of the Commission will make brief presentations and visit with attendees about various aspects of the watershed including the activities of the Commission, the use of the lake, the recreational use and good stewardship of the lake. Pontoon rides of the lake will begin around 11 am. The event will begin at 10 am followed by the tours and a light meal of hot dogs, chips and drinks (water and soda).

Attachments

- Sales Tax Information
- Humane Society Report for July
- Mo Ethics - Nepotism
- Mo Ethics - Purchasing Policies
- Phone Calls Received re: Vote No on Human Rights Ordinance
- HB 253
- Tree Dedication Ceremony
- Ribbon Cutting Event

Enclosure

- July Rev and Exp Report

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS											
One-Cent General Sales Tax											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2013 YTD Growth/Loss				
							Comparison to				
BUDGET	2,578,240	2,584,485	2,466,000	2,476,280	2,523,820	2,588,620	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
January	241,502.73	266,740.40	259,347.52	177,293.93	231,297.39	268,619.22	16.14%	51.51%	3.58%	0.70%	11.23%
February	219,903.17	195,734.29	200,778.78	259,901.05	229,342.20	206,324.87	-10.04%	-20.61%	2.76%	5.41%	-6.17%
March	132,002.16	147,892.81	156,669.64	160,805.35	147,321.44	135,401.12	-8.09%	-15.80%	-13.58%	-8.45%	2.57%
April	253,028.44	246,130.84	232,500.31	258,496.85	288,635.98	288,365.52	-0.09%	11.55%	24.03%	17.16%	13.97%
May	220,972.61	216,847.11	233,120.21	239,462.58	216,676.28	243,679.88	12.46%	1.76%	4.53%	12.37%	10.28%
June	148,541.83	142,964.71	143,943.57	149,702.34	141,482.89	137,532.65	-2.79%	-8.13%	-4.45%	-3.80%	-7.41%
July	279,431.55	279,236.50	265,660.28	259,437.07	285,063.79		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
August	222,179.31	203,838.29	208,953.81	218,429.47	203,154.15		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
September	140,078.56	146,129.55	131,838.50	174,444.14	162,346.70		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
October	235,788.79	237,555.14	252,020.17	270,826.30	264,153.60		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
November	209,464.69	222,488.00	207,549.97	223,163.42	209,821.80		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
December	204,920.17	153,163.14	199,574.20	159,898.86	177,081.78		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
TOTAL	2,507,814.01	2,458,720.78	2,491,956.96	2,551,861.36	2,556,378.00	1,279,923.26	2.01%	2.75%	4.37%	5.23%	5.26%
VARIANCE from BUDGET											
Growth/(Loss)	(70,425.99)	(125,764.22)	25,956.96	75,581.36	32,558.00	(1,308,696.74)					

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS											
1/2-Cent Economic Development Sales Tax											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2012 YTD Growth/Loss				
							Comparison to				
BUDGET	1,212,420	1,214,550	1,208,610	1,238,140	1,261,910	1,279,163	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
January	113,937.61	122,232.45	120,629.29	85,289.72	106,319.67	123,086.03	2.04%	44.32%	2.04%	0.70%	8.03%
February	100,131.60	90,946.94	94,738.04	119,191.04	108,595.67	96,917.30	2.30%	-18.69%	2.30%	6.56%	-3.21%
March	64,680.35	70,542.11	75,660.91	75,145.16	73,294.33	66,517.25	-12.09%	-11.48%	-12.09%	-5.71%	2.84%
April	120,202.33	119,106.87	111,043.36	123,657.91	137,601.31	134,781.29	21.38%	9.00%	21.38%	13.16%	12.13%
May	105,049.44	103,701.31	113,459.81	115,552.14	104,128.45	116,088.24	2.32%	0.46%	2.32%	11.94%	10.51%
June	73,007.59	70,605.96	71,562.71	74,772.94	69,846.97	68,273.27	-4.60%	-8.69%	-4.60%	-3.30%	-6.48%
July	134,460.71	134,027.00	125,457.62	121,737.17	134,281.22		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
August	107,711.01	96,360.14	100,267.58	104,086.50	97,048.04		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
September	68,385.21	71,667.19	64,600.41	85,700.82	79,800.20		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
October	113,078.49	113,685.10	122,354.30	129,064.24	125,444.41		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
November	100,602.46	107,619.38	100,293.80	106,591.45	100,920.32		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
December	97,351.19	74,051.55	94,262.91	77,056.78	87,889.14		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
TOTAL	1,198,597.99	1,174,546.00	1,194,330.74	1,217,845.87	1,225,169.73	605,663.38	0.98%	2.03%	3.16%	4.94%	4.97%
VARIANCE from BUDGET											
Growth/(Loss)	(13,822.01)	(40,004.00)	(14,279.26)	(20,294.13)	(36,740.27)	(673,499.62)					
	577,008.92	577,135.64	587,094.12	593,608.91	599,786.40	605,663.38					

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS											
1/4-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2013 YTD Growth/Loss				
							Comparison to				
BUDGET	638,115	639,660	636,140	619,070	630,955	621,790	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
January	56,977.54	61,226.84	60,321.62	42,654.08	53,168.78	61,555.22	15.77%	44.31%	2.05%	0.54%	8.03%
February	50,068.09	45,520.89	47,373.58	59,595.62	54,297.80	48,458.31	-10.75%	-18.69%	2.29%	6.45%	-3.22%
March	32,296.20	35,294.84	37,830.34	37,572.42	36,646.97	33,258.85	-9.25%	-11.48%	-12.08%	-5.77%	2.98%
April	60,175.98	59,580.80	55,521.89	61,828.87	68,800.89	67,390.34	-2.05%	8.99%	21.38%	13.11%	11.99%
May	52,524.95	51,886.50	56,725.39	57,776.21	52,064.46	58,047.79	11.49%	0.47%	2.33%	11.87%	10.51%
June	36,504.33	35,332.27	35,781.46	37,386.59	34,923.47	34,136.51	-2.25%	-8.69%	-4.60%	-3.38%	-6.49%
July	67,230.26	67,042.64	62,729.01	60,868.81	67,140.45		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
August	53,855.58	48,207.69	50,134.10	52,043.23	48,524.12		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
September	34,194.01	35,843.40	32,300.12	42,850.45	39,900.26		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
October	56,539.23	56,842.83	61,177.23	64,532.14	62,722.37		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
November	50,301.03	53,809.77	50,146.96	53,698.45	50,460.08		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
December	48,675.38	37,025.73	47,131.61	38,528.47	43,944.70		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
TOTAL	599,342.58	587,614.20	597,173.31	609,335.34	612,594.35	302,847.02	0.98%	2.03%	3.17%	4.85%	4.96%
VARIANCE from BUDGET											
Growth/(Loss)	(38,772.42)	(52,045.80)	(38,966.69)	(9,734.66)	(18,360.65)	(318,942.98)					

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS											
1/2-Cent Transportation Sales Tax											
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2013 YTD Growth/-Loss				
							Comparison to				
BUDGET	1,276,230	1,279,320	1,272,280	1,238,140	1,261,910	1,239,620	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
January	113,955.17	122,453.83	120,637.22	85,308.17	106,337.62	123,110.89	15.77%	44.31%	2.05%	0.54%	8.03%
February	100,135.90	91,041.61	94,746.83	119,191.19	108,595.52	96,917.27	-10.75%	-18.69%	2.29%	6.45%	-3.21%
March	64,592.11	70,589.85	75,661.05	75,145.01	73,294.29	66,517.15	-9.25%	-11.48%	-12.09%	-5.77%	2.98%
April	120,351.14	119,161.44	111,043.15	123,657.82	137,601.32	134,781.30	-2.05%	9.00%	21.38%	13.11%	11.99%
May	105,049.27	103,773.48	113,451.22	115,552.90	104,128.69	116,095.57	11.49%	0.47%	2.33%	11.87%	10.52%
June	73,008.24	70,664.70	71,562.61	74,773.02	69,846.79	68,273.27	-2.25%	-8.69%	-4.60%	-3.38%	-6.49%
July	134,460.59	134,084.90	125,457.80	121,737.11	134,281.29		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
August	107,711.16	96,415.03	100,268.06	104,086.49	97,047.92		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
September	68,387.66	71,686.79	64,600.41	85,700.82	79,800.32		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
October	113,078.38	113,685.64	122,354.25	129,064.29	125,445.04		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
November	100,602.42	107,619.35	100,293.67	107,396.30	100,920.34		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
December	97,351.22	74,051.52	94,262.96	77,056.53	87,889.24		-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%
TOTAL	1,198,683.26	1,175,228.14	1,194,339.23	1,218,669.65	1,225,188.38	605,695.45	0.98%	2.03%	3.17%	4.85%	4.96%
VARIANCE from BUDGET											
Growth/(Loss)	(77,546.74)	(104,091.86)	(77,940.77)	(19,470.35)	(36,721.62)	(633,924.55)					

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS					
Local Use Tax					
	1%-City	.5% Eco Dev	.25% CIST	.5% TST	2013
BUDGET	0	0	0	0	0
January	7,300.82	3,649.59	1,824.79	3,649.59	16,424.79
February	9,857.40	4,927.59	2,463.79	4,927.59	22,176.37
March	17,318.44	8,657.27	4,328.64	8,657.27	38,961.62
April	17,666.43	8,831.22	4,415.61	8,831.22	39,744.48
May	20,096.96	10,046.22	5,023.11	10,046.22	45,212.51
June	15,683.81	7,840.14	3,920.07	7,840.14	35,284.16
July					0.00
August					0.00
September					0.00
October					0.00
November					0.00
December					0.00
TOTAL	87,923.86	43,952.03	21,976.01	43,952.03	197,803.93
VARIANCE from BUDGET					
Growth/(Loss)	87,923.86	43,952.03	21,976.01	43,952.03	197,803.93

FY 2013	
Budget	90,000.00
Actual Collections:	
January	12,422.40
February	6,001.12
March	3,000.71
April	9,346.36
May	8,879.82
June	1,407.58
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	
Total Tax Collections	\$41,057.99
Variance Growth/(Loss)	(\$48,942.01)

ADAIR COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

P.O. Box 481

Kirksville, Missouri 63501

August 7, 2013

City Manager
TO: Kirksville ~~City Police Dept~~
FROM: Adair County Humane Society
RE: July Shelter Report

Brought to Shelter	Dogs	17
	Cats	48
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	17
Reclaimed by Owner	Dogs	1
	Cats	0
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	0
Euthanized from City	Dogs	7
	Cats	35
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	2
Brought to Shelter Dead	Dogs	1
	Cats	5
	Puppies	0
	Kittens	0
	Other	13

Jackie Eaton
Jackie Eaton, Treasurer



Conflict of Interest – Nepotism

Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)

▶ **What is nepotism?**

Nepotism is when any public officer or employee in Missouri, who by virtue of his office or employment, names or appoints to public office or employment any relative within the 4th degree by consanguinity (blood) or affinity (marriage or adoption). (*Article VI, Section 6 of the Missouri Constitution*). In addition, the political subdivision's own policies and procedures should be consulted.

▶ **How do I know if someone is related within the 4th degree?**

There are numerous charts which outline degrees of family relationships available or you may use the *Relationship Chart* found on MEC's website.

▶ **What is the penalty for nepotism?**

The penalty for nepotism is automatic forfeiture of office. Legal action may be pursued (by the appropriate prosecuting attorney or disciplinary authority) to remove the individual from office or employment.



View our other Conflict of Interest Resources

[Conflict of Interest Guide](#)

[Conflict of Interest FAQs](#)

[Relationship Chart](#)



Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)

helpdesk@mec.mo.gov

800-392-8660 or 573-751-2020



Conflict of Interest – Purchasing

Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)

➤ **What are the bidding requirements that apply to political subdivisions?**

The political subdivision should look at their adopted purchasing ordinance and policies for specific requirements as well as Chapter 50 RSMo (county purchasing), Chapters 71.80 RSMo (cities, towns, villages) and Chapter 105 RSMo (public officials).

In the absence of a specific statute or rule, MEC recommends that notice be given either through a newspaper advertisement, public notice placed in areas designated for such, or notice given during an official meeting. It is important that the public be made aware of the notice.

➤ **What do purchasing policies require?**

Most purchasing policies require:

- Bid requirement collar threshold
- Public notice of the bid criteria & bid consideration criteria
- Sealing of bids
- Acceptance of lowest or lowest and best bid.

NOTE: For requirements on bid acceptance see pg 15 of our *Conflict of Interest Guide*.



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Phone calls received for the Mayor: Please Vote NO on the Human Rights Ordinance
(The following calls started Tuesday afternoon, August 13. Some callers asked that the message go to all the Council.)

Ron Burns

Mike Wood

Andrew Shawk of Blair, Nebraska – Please prayerfully consider voting against the proposed ordinance.

Pastor Steve Houser

Pastor Cole, Des Moines, IA

Donna Whaley, Des, Moines, IA

Pastor Larry Flint

Dee Wampler, Lawyer in Springfield, MO

Josh Friend, Artville, MO

Reg Kelly, Norwood, MO – Protect our children – Refuse the Ordinance

John Bartels, Gibbs, MO

Evonne Olson, Princeton, MN

Carol Young, Idaho

Alice Martin, FL

Kelly Wilks, Wisconsin

Susan Murray, KS – Vote yes

Dall Calahan, FL

Rose Temple, PA

Hosea Mafcareahas, FL

Frank Kiefer, FL

Randy Roeder, WI

Daniel, Bregant, WI

Mike Groff, FL

Barbara Thompson, WI

Jaennine Fournier, WI

Mrs. Sack, FL

Voice mail message, WI

Wife & Mother of MN

Voice mail message, WI

Voice mail message, NY

Mr. & Mrs. Brown, WI

Shawn, TN

Sandra Kiser, WI

Brenda South

Teacher & Parents, WI

Sharon, MN

Clarissa Dodson

Ida Kleinsasser, Montana

Lavonne Williams, Wash state

Eloise Flowers, Alabama

Daniel Hickman, WI

Tom Wedeven, Idaho
Jeanne Parker, Oregon
Nancy Russ, Alabama
Shirley Nickel, WI
Kathy Goney, TN
Ray Woody, TN
Lonnie Messer, KY
Don Koonce, WI
Jerry Walls, OH
Rick Oberlin, MI
Goldie Stevens, KY
Ginger Jones, WI
Jerald Anderson, WI
Ann Connor, WI
Clarissa Dodson – Stay true to families
Tim Young, TN
Dalen Kaisercalrek, NH
Brian Smith, GA
Stan Pawlowski, WI
Voice mail, FL
Sam Takis, FL
Rosemary Hall, WI
Paul Baker, FL
Thoreoun Davis, MD
Pat King, KY
Deborah Schmidt, WI
Voice Mail, GA
Voice Mail, WI
Voice Mail, MI
Rick of Kirksville
Barbara Solberg, KS
Rafella Hernandez, Parkville, MO
Emily Wells, Alabama
Mike Larson, WI – Read Ephesians 6
Jean Petrusso, MI
Mary Chaney, OH
Patsy Prah, WI
Phyllis Fehrenbacher, PA
Maxine Morgan, FL
Brenda Chandler, TX
Ida Lee, WI
Robert Stehr, WI
ElJanine Fredrickson, WI
June Cole, OH
Inez McCleese, OH
Shirley Russin, NH

Maurene Patterson, KY
Evaline Watson, KY
Stephen Patterson, KY
Dee Pearson, O'Fallon, MO
Mr. Daily, Southwest Missouri
Leon Fowler, Unionville, MO
Tom Medlock, Mountain Grove, MO
Ronnie Reissig, Kirksville
Jane James, Kirksville
Shirley Chadwell, Norwood, MO
Joanne Foster, Kirksville
Bob Chadwell, Southern Missouri
Mary Falwell, Kirksville
Linda Matthews, Missouri
Donna Gilley, Mountain Grove – Homosexuals feel they are a minority race, and they use that lie. They are targeting Kirksville, and will move on if they don't win. People need to take a stand. Think of our children and grandchildren's future.
Barry Ruckman, Mountain Grove, MO - His family moved here from South Dakota and they love Missouri. This is picking up steam across America and it's ridiculous. If you let it in here it will spread to the rest of Missouri. He hopes the Mayor stands strong against it because it could also spread into the schools like the California law that was just passed. Please vote this ordinance down.
Tim Wyatt, TN
Donna Preheim, SD
Eva Jancz, Butler, MO
Edith Jones, KY
Frank Woods, Mountain Grove, MO
Mary Woods, Mountain Grove, MO
Delma Bledsoe, KY
Stacy & James Burks, KY
Kaylee Ford, KY
Debbie & Jackie Ferguson, KY
Lisa Chapman, KY
Garnett Kellty, Douglas County, MO – Landlords should be able to rent to whom they wish.
Carson Brower, Carthage, MO – Retain Constitutional freedom for our children.
Mary Lee, TN
James Osborn, KY
Dan Friend, Wright County, MO – There are State Laws.
Loretta Soller, WI

Myths and Facts

Myth: House Bill 253 will create more revenue for the state through economic growth.

Fact: 500,000 new jobs would have to be created to make up for the revenue loss from HB 253.

Myth: House Bill 253 provides broad based tax relief for Missourians.

Fact: The average Missouri household of four, making \$48,277 will see a tax cut of \$6 per year in 2014.

Myth: Many businesses are leaving Missouri to relocate in Kansas due to their new tax scheme.

Fact: There were 15,000 new business filings in Kansas over the last year, but there were nearly the same number of business dissolutions, showing that businesses in the state are changing their filings to take advantage of the new tax incentives, not new businesses moving to the state.

Myth: The \$100 million "trigger" will ensure that state revenue grows before tax cuts are implemented.

Fact: The so-called "trigger" only applies to some of the tax cuts, and represents growth of less than one-half of the rate of inflation. Even in Fiscal Year 2009, the very depths of the recession, General Revenue grew by more than \$100 million.

Myth: The loss of revenue is not as great as reported, because the General Assembly cannot reduce taxes retroactively due to restrictions on ex post facto laws.

Fact: Ex post facto refers to retroactive penalties, not benefits like tax cuts. HB 444, passed in 2007, sponsored by then Rep. Will Kraus retroactively eliminated taxes on retirement income.

More Reasons to Oppose HB 253

The State's Bond Rating: By maintaining Missouri's AAA bond rating, Missouri elected officials have saved the state, and school districts, millions of dollars in interest costs. Standard and Poors, Fitch Ratings and Moody's have all warned that an override of the veto on HB 253 could result in a lowering of Missouri's long-standing AAA bond rating. In Kansas, after passage of their tax scheme, and resulting cuts to general obligations, their bond rating dropped by two grades, costing the state and school districts millions of dollars.

Funding Basic State Services: For the last decade, Missouri has been making consistent cuts to every state department. The Department of Mental Health currently serves only 20% of the need, often pushing costs off to corrections, including county jails. Medicaid eligibility for parents is at the lowest level allowable by federal law and doesn't provide any coverage for non-disabled childless adults and non-elderly adults whose children have left home. The school funding formula is currently underfunded by more than \$600 million per year. Higher education has taken serious cuts, especially since the start of the recession, causing program cuts and drastic tuition increases.

The Hancock Amendment: Unlike Kansas, Missouri's General Assembly cannot go back and make changes to the tax scheme without a vote by the people. Even changes to fix minor errors will violate the Hancock Amendment. Any legislative fixes to House Bill 253 would either not fix the revenue shortfall or make the shortfall even worse.

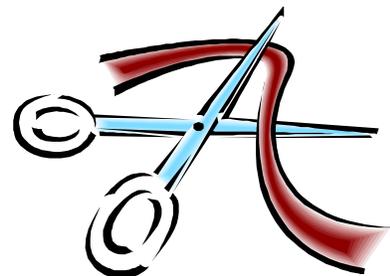
AT&T TREE DONATION

(Kirksville, MO) -- Craig Felzien, Regional Director-External Affairs of AT&T – Missouri, presented a \$1,000 check to Mayor Richard L. Detweiler and Friends of the Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery. The money was used to assist with planting trees along the roadway in Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery. Pictured standing in front of one of the purchased trees, from left to right: Council Member Glen Moritz; Vickie Brumbaugh; Friends Member Larry Olson; Craig Felzien; Mayor Richard L. Detweiler; Friends Members Jason Haxton and Dwight Buckingham.



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August 8, 2013



Board of Directors, Ambassadors,
and Community Supporters:

Please join us for a ribbon cutting for:

D & H Automotive
1201 Janeway
Kirksville, MO 63501
Monday, August 19th
at 9:00 am.

Come join the Chamber, Claude &
Deanna Devolld in a ribbon cutting at
their new business location.