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City Council Meetings Now On Mondays

City Council meetings have moved back to Monday at 5:30 p.m. effective immediately.

The City Council meets twice a month in Regular Session to conduct formal business on the first and third Mondays in the City Hall Council Chambers. Regular Sessions are a formal time for the Council to consider and take action on matters on the agenda. Citizens are encouraged to attend. For individuals who wish to address an item not on the agenda, you may make limited comments. Citizens are also invited to participate in the discussions for those items on the agenda.

The agenda and supporting documents are posted on the City's website and made available prior to each Regular Session.

The City Council also conducts two Study Sessions each month on the second and fourth Monday in the City Hall Second Floor Conference Room.

Study Sessions provide a time for the City Council to discuss and share ideas on future agenda items. Citizens are encouraged to attend and listen to the information discussed at these meetings. The Council may choose to invite guests to attend these

Sessions to speak to and visit with the City Council.

Study Session agenda packets and supporting material will soon be available on the City's web site.

Visit our website at www.kirksvillecity.com and click on "agendas and minutes" for more information.

We look forward to seeing you at a future meeting. City Hall is located at 201 South Franklin Street.

No meetings are held on a fifth Monday.

Your Input is Needed!

Tell us what you Think!

The Kirksville Area Community Relations Working Group at Truman State University is composed of members of the Truman and Kirksville communities. The Working Group's goal is to identify ways Truman and Kirksville can work together to make our community more attractive and to more effectively meet the needs of students and permanent residents of the town. We ask for your help in taking this survey. The results will be shared with the Community Relations Working Group, the Kirksville City government, the Chamber of Commerce, and various other agencies and interested parties.

We estimate this survey will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete. Your answers will be completely anonymous. If you have any questions about this survey, please call Heidi Templeton at 785-4016. Thank you for your participation.

The survey is located on the Web at <http://communitysurvey.truman.edu>

2008–2009 City Council Members

On April 8, 2008, the citizens of Kirksville selected three individuals out of a candidate pool of nine to serve as members of the Kirksville City Council. Todd Kuhns and Martha Rowe were elected to each serve a three-year term and Richard L. Detweiler was elected to serve a two-year term.

One of the first actions taken by the new Council was the selection of the Council leadership. Martha Rowe was selected to serve as Mayor and Jill McCord was selected Mayor Pro Tem.

Members of the City Council, left to right, front row: Todd Kuhns, Mayor Martha Rowe, Mayor Pro Tem Jill McCord. Back Row: Richard L. Detweiler and Aaron Rodgerson.

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Municipal Court	627-1237
Parks & Recreation	627-1485
Police Department	785-6945
Public Works	627-1291
Water/Sewer Bills	627-1251

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MOWING SEASON REMINDER

It doesn't seem that long ago that we were mowing grass. It is growing quickly now and we will be cutting weeds and mowing grass any day. HERE is a friendly reminder of what the city's ordinances are concerning weed and grass maintenance. City Ordinance states that all grass and weeds on all property in the City must be maintained by being mowed, cut down, removed, or under control, whenever they shall extend more than 8" above the ground. This would include all portions of any property, including those parts in front of any structure, at

the side of any structure, and at the rear of a structure, all to the way to the property line, and along any alley way and along any curbside. It includes that portion of property up to twenty (20) feet from a stream bank, if there is a small stream on the property.

If anyone knows of a location where weeds and grass are not being maintained, please call the Codes Department at City Hall at 660-627-1272.

We will attempt to make contact with the owner or manager of the property and have it taken

care of. The City has the right to have any property mowed and maintained if we can not find an owner or agent to do the work, and to have the cost of this maintenance added as a lien on the property.

To those of you who keep your properties clean, mowed, and maintained, we thank you for taking pride in your property and in your community.

The Codes Department will continue to work to enforce the grass and weeds Ordinance. We *want* to make Kirksville a better place to live.

2008 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The City is gearing up for the 2008 construction season. Take a look at some of the projects planned for this year.

STREETS: Two major street projects will be done this year. The first street is Cable Street. This project will provide improved access to our industrial site and improved traffic flow to and from Baltimore. The budgeted cost for this project is \$260,000. Jefferson Street Reconstruction is the second street and the first street improvement as part of the Downtown Improvement and Streetscape program. This project will realign Jefferson Street from High (the Post Office) to First Street (ATSU campus), providing a consistent driving pattern, increasing green space, and aligning storm drainage inlets with the driving lanes. Construction is expected from June 1-September 1 with an estimated construction cost of \$651,000.

The annual Street Repair and Overlay program provides for the resurfacing of selected streets based on a pavement condition. This program provides for the resurfacing and repair of 3 to 5 miles of street per year. The annual Curb, Gutter and Storm Drainage Construction project provides for the construction or replacement of 5000 feet of curb and gutter and storm drainage improvements.

Public Works crews will be working on crack sealing joints and cracks in the concrete pavements to reduce water seeping into the base and increase the life of streets and curbs. The goal for this year is to seal at least 5 miles of street each year. Crews will also expand the concrete pavement repair work by concentrating on the smaller repairs which drive up the cost of contract work. Crews will clear storm drainage channels on Jamison and Emmett Streets, Pheasant Run Subdivision and the North Park complex. Repairs will be

made to the drainage and base on Rye Creek Road and Brooke Drive before planned asphalt work. Plans are in place to replace the storm inlets and grates at the Elson-Illinois intersection, improve storm drainage near the old Washington School, and correct drainage problems on Illinois from Franklin to Marion. Workers will continue to make spot repairs to asphalt streets with the patching machine and hot mix asphalt when available.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND COLLECTION: The Route P Sewer Extension will be completed this season. This is the final project of the 2001 Annexation. Urgent repairs and upgrades to the sanitary sewer collection system will be made in the southwest part of the City. This project will include replacing 2928 feet of 8 inch main, replacing 2187 feet of 15 inch main, and lining over 9670 feet of pipe. The bid for this project was \$797,413. This project will start around June 1.

Unsewered areas of the City have been identified. It is planned to determine which properties need immediate attention, and to design sewer extensions to serve them. Design will be done in house, and most construction will be by City forces.

WATER MAIN REPLACEMENTS: City crews will complete water main replacements using designs and specifications prepared by City staff. Work planned includes: replacement of old mains in Northtown Road, a main in Halliburton from Randolph to Normal, a main on Smith from First to Wabash, a main on Wabash from Michigan to George, a main on Gardner from Osteopathy to Boundary, and mains on Decker, Olive, Oakland, Ewing, and Boundary from Gardner to Missouri. \$290,000 is included in the budget for these projects.

Please take caution around these sites for your safety and the safety of our workers.



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call 627-1224 or visit <http://www.kirksvillecity.com> and click on "Airport"

Summer Theatre Programs Offered

Tiny Tots Theatre Troop

Mondays 10-11am June 2nd - June 30th. This class for children ages 3-5 years old. The class will focus on 5 elements of acting: voice, movement, props, story and concentration. Sign ups begin May 1st. Class is limited to 12 students. Registration fee is \$25.

4th Annual Children's Theatre Camp

Monday-Friday 1-3pm June 16th - July 3rd. This is an intense two week program where the kids will learn elements of the theatre to use towards a play performed the night of July 3rd. Sign ups begin May 1st. Registration fee is \$45.

2 scholarships are available.

Into the Woods

Join us for Stephen Sondheim's full musical *Into the Woods*. Auditions will be held on Tuesday June 3rd at 7pm at the Rotary Park Amphitheatre. Actors must be at least 16 years of age. Performances will be held on July 11th, 12th and 13th.

For More information on these and other programs:

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