April 2nd Municipal Election

This year’s election is different than most. All St. John candidates are incumbents, and all are unopposed. This means that the candidates listed on the ballot for the St. John City Council are all currently in office now. They are as follows:

- Tom Halaska, Mayor
- Rachel Hayes, Ward I Councilman
- Lee Taylor, Ward II Councilman

Now, this doesn’t mean you don’t need to go vote; just the opposite. In addition to the Council candidates, there are still other issues on the ballot which you need to vote on as well.

St. Louis County has a Charter Amendment (Proposition 1): This would provide for the Office of the County Counselor to have three divisions – respectively serving the legislative, executive and judicial branches of County Government.

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (Proposition S): Shall MSD charge a Stormwater Capital Rate upon all customers, whether public or private, within the District based on the amount of impervious area on the real property of each customer for the purpose of providing revenue to fund capital improvements for flooding and erosion control, as set forth in the following schedule?

Single-family Residential (per month) for the following tiers:
- Tier 1 (200-2,000 sq. ft. of impervious area) $ 1.42
- Tier 2 (2,001-3,600 sq. ft. of impervious area) $ 2.25
- Tier 3 (3,601-6,000 sq. ft. of impervious area) $3.74
- Tier 4 (over 6,000 sq. ft. of impervious area) $6.84
- Commercial and Multi-family Residential (per month) $2.25 per 2,600 sq. ft. of impervious area.

Residents in the Ritenour School District will see the following:

DIRECTORS: Three Year Term (Vote for two)
- MARGARET S. ALBIN-WILSON
- JENNIFER LOHNES
- SHIRLEY AN0N BURTON

SO, BE SURE TO VOTE ON APRIL 2, 2019
EVERY VOTE COUNTS!!

Guidelines for Political Campaign Signs

Many people aren’t aware of what the guidelines are in St. John for posting campaign signs. Political campaign signs are allowed without a permit in any zoning district subject to the following:

a. Signs may announce the candidate seeking public office and other pertinent data or issues before the voters and other information pertinent thereto;

b. Signs shall not exceed four (4) square feet in total area for any one (1) sign or five (5) feet in height;

c. The maximum total sign area for all signs combined shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet total for each lot or each dwelling unit. Said signs shall only be placed on private property ten (10) feet or more from the street curb or curb line and only with the consent of the private property owner thereof;

d. Signs shall be removed within three (3) days after the election for which they were made.

Campaign signs may not be placed on someone else’s property without their permission. This includes the public right-of-way. The City does not allow any political campaign signs on their property; even when it is used as a polling place. This includes the City Hall, Police Department and the Public Works Grounds.

The right-of-ways are controlled by the Missouri State Highway Department and they have informed us that they do not allow signs on the right-of-ways as well.

Too often we find political campaign signs placed along the Rock Road, or Woodson Road, or on other such public right-of-way areas. This is not allowed and such signs are removed and discarded.
Our dear K9 "Vos"

By Sgt. Anderson, His Partner

It’s with a heavy heart that I’m announcing the retirement of St. John K9 Vos, DSN 193. Vos just had his 11th birthday in December and, as we all do, has started to show slight signs of his age. Overall he’s still in great health and still active. I’m extremely grateful for that. The choice to retire him while still in good health means he can enjoy his many years of retirement. And yes, Vos will absolutely be staying with me throughout his retirement.

It won’t be an easy transition for him as he still gets excited to come to work every day. He still lies in my path when he sees the uniform going on, making sure I don’t forget him. He’s going to miss the Starbucks “puppuccinos” and the DQ hotdogs, as well as the late night rabbit hunts (potty breaks) in the park…Ok, so he’s spoiled and he’s still going to get his Starbucks!!!

I feel extremely lucky to have been teamed up with such an incredible partner. It’s been an amazing 8 years and I wouldn’t trade it for the world. By far the best gig in police work.

I want to thank everyone for all the support and good thoughts and all the Officers for their cooperation and backing. And to Sgt. Rob Kolberer, thank you for all your help, advice and love for Vos. Couldn’t have done it without you, Big Rob!!! Oh, and Vos really does feel bad about biting you in the rear… kinda!!!

Thanks to all the citizens for their treats, prayers and pats on the head.

I’d like to give special thanks and a shout out to “Dogs on Duty” (https://dogsondutymo.org/) for all the support and donations of equipment. Please check out their website and help them keep their program going. They do an amazing job supporting our working dogs.

I’d like to thank the City of St. John and the Police Department for the amazing opportunity and for making this program available and hopefully continuing the program with a new K9 and handler.

Most of all I’d like to thank Vos for being an amazing partner, always having my back and always there to make the days a little better. You taught me a lot, but most of all you taught me to…

“Handle every situation like a dog…If you can’t eat it or play with it, just pee on it and walk away”.

Happy Retirement,
Buddy.
U.S. Census Bureau Employment Opportunities

St. Louis, MO

OPENINGS AVAILABLE IN YOUR AREA!

POSITIONS OPENING SOON

- Clerk – $15.00/hr.
- Census Field Supervisor – $21.50/hr.
- Census Takers – $19.50/hr.
- Office Operations Supervisor – $20.00/hr.

APPLY ONLINE! FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY ONLINE:
1-855-562-202 • 2020Census.gov/jobs

UNITED STATES Census Bureau

Do You Need a H.E.R.O.?

In 2017 the City of St. John and the Missouri Clean Energy District joined forces to provide funding opportunities for energy efficient and renewable energy projects.

Unfortunately, when residents started calling these organizations, they were told that they didn’t qualify and to call their City Hall.

We apologize to those of you who weren’t able to obtain information or assistance at that time. We had applied for the program, we had passed an Ordinance, but unfortunately the Ordinance didn’t get to the organization in a timely manner. On top of that, the program didn’t go live until December 27th due to the updating of their technology platform which resulted in the delayed launch for St. John residents.

TAKE 2 – NOW JUMPING FORWARD TO 2019. The City of St. John has been up and running all of 2018. During that time, there have been 5 approved project applications; with 4 of them now completed. These completed projects have improved the value of the local housing stock by $19,300.

So, the program is still available to St. John residents. HERO, which stands for Home Energy Renovation Opportunity, is the largest residential Property Assessed Clean Energy Program (PACE) in America. HERO provides homeowners the opportunity to make energy improvements to their homes and pay for them over time through their property tax bills.

HERO has helped thousands of homeowners lower their energy bills by replacing HVAC systems, upgrading windows and doors, adding insulation, and going solar. HERO funds up to 100% of the home improvement and HERO interest rates are fixed and competitive with other lending providers. HERO interest rates may even be tax deductible and terms are based on the useful life of the product up to 20 years.

Homeowners interested in learning more about the HERO Program should visit www.heroprogram.com or call 855-HERO-411.

Missouri Clean Energy District

MCeD.mo.gov
UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

SPRING CLEAN UP AND LAST RUN OF LIMB CHIPPING  
April 22-26

This year the week of April 22-26 is designated Spring Clean-Up Week. This is your opportunity to clean out the basement or garage and set out all the items you wish to discard for Republic Services to pick up on your regular trash day. The drivers of the trucks know that it is our clean-up week so they will take the extra items which means that you don’t have to call for the bulky items; you can just put them out. In addition, keep in mind that Republic will not take car tires, batteries, paint, or any electronics during this pickup. They will pick up appliances, construction materials & some electronics by appointment only but there will be a charge for the construction materials and electronics.

On Monday and Tuesday the following week (April 29-30) the Street Department will run the limb chipper through the City one last time. Please gather all your limbs and branches that are 3” in diameter or smaller and set them out at the curb with the fat ends pointed toward the street. Remember not to block the sidewalk or set the limbs in the street. We will pick up all limbs on the east side of the City (Ward 1) on Monday, April 29, and all the limbs on the west side (Ward 2) on Tuesday, April 30. Once that work is completed, we will put the limb chipper away until the first week of November.

CITY OF ST. JOHN 2019 RABIES CLINIC  
April 27

Join us for the 2019 Annual Rabies Clinic!! Rock Road Animal Hospital veterinarians will be offering vaccinations for dogs and cats at a reduced rate on Saturday, April 27, 2019. Our Annual Rabies Clinic will be held on the lower level of the Public Works Garage, located at 8920 Bristol Avenue (behind City Hall). Vaccinations will be administered from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. City of St. John Animal Licenses will be available at the clinic for $2.00 each for spayed/neutered animals and $20.00 for unaltered animals. As a reminder licenses are due by May 1st and must be renewed annually for all pets 6 months of age and older.

As a matter of public safety, all animals are REQUIRED to be in a crate or on a very short leash to avoid contact with other individuals or animals. If your dog has a tendency to bite, be sure to muzzle them before entering the premises.

Please remember, bringing your pet to a strange place with a lot of other dogs, cats and people they do not know can be very stressful for them. Although your dog/cat may normally be very friendly, the stress of this type of situation can sometimes change that.

So PLEASE keep your dog/cat on a very short leash/crated and a good distance from others while at the clinic. We want this to be a good experience for everyone.
UFMCING COMMUNITY EVENTS

STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE May 6

On May 6th, the Street Department will once again begin sweeping the streets. We need to coordinate our sweeping with Republic Waste’s trash pick-up schedule. Republic Waste collects trash from a designated zone of the City every day of the week so we have configured our sweeping zones based on their trash pick-up schedule. The streets in each zone and the day of the week that zone will be swept are as follows:

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<th>Zone 1 Monday</th>
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<td>Zone 1 is comprised of: Hume, Hilleman (off of Hume), Walton, Ridgeway, Kincaid, Endicott, Renz, Melody, Betty Lee, Ramona, Connor, Outerbelt Ct. and Wood.</td>
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<td>Zone 2 is comprised of: Havenbrook, Belhaven, Belcrest, Hagner, Ardelia, Moran, Hilleman (between North &amp; Ardlelia), North Ave. (between McKibbon and Valleywood), Ginger, Loyd, Markdale, Valleywood, Norman, Debbie Ct., Engler, Hilleman (off of Engler), Thomas, Kitchell Ct., Chaney Ct., Rosalind, Madeline, Engler Park Ct.</td>
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<td>Zone 3 is comprised of: St. Charles Ln., Eminence, Charlack, Roy, Lindscott, Janet Ct., St. Louis Ave., Rosemore, North Ave. (Brown Rd. to Boswell), Patrice, Pallardy, Patrick, Herbert, McNulty (Brown to dead end in cul-de-sac), Killarney Ct. and Bobb (from Brown to Boswell).</td>
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<td>Zone 5 is comprised of: Boswell, Ritenour Ct., Gordon, Jonell Ct., Francis Ct., Frann Lynn Ct., Central, Leenora, North Ave. (Woodson to Edmundson), Bobb (Brown to west City limits), Marvin, Marvin Gardens, Calvert, Dix, Joel Ct., Edmundson, Burdella, Roslan, and Edmund.</td>
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Please look carefully at the schedule and determine which zone you live in and on which day your street will be swept. Please do not park your cars on the street on the day your street is scheduled to be swept. Also please remember that we are not a yard waste pick-up service, so please don’t rake leaves or grass into the street. You could be cited for illegal dumping if you deposit yard waste in the street.

Finally, if the weather is rainy or otherwise inclement, and if your regular sweeping day falls on a holiday, we will not sweep your street that month.
UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

SENIOR CITIZEN UTILITY TAX REBATES  Feb 1 – April 30

Utility tax rebates for the year 2018 will be issued February 1, 2019 – April 30, 2019. The rebate is $30.00 per household. In order to qualify for this rebate, residents must:

1) Have turned sixty-five (65) years of age or older at some point during the year 2018;
2) Currently reside in the City and have previously resided in the City for the entire calendar year of 2018;
3) Apply on forms provided by the City for a rebate on 2018’s taxes.

Qualified residents need to provide the following documentation to the City Hall in order to collect the rebate:

1) Picture identification;
2) Identification showing current address and date of birth;
3) One utility bill for January 2018 and one bill for December 2018 reflecting the address which they reside at and are requesting the rebate for.

If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 427-8700, ext. 3.

GARAGE SALES  June 1, 8, 15, 22

The dates for this year’s sales are:

• **East of Brown Road (including homes on the East side of Brown Road)** the first & second Saturdays in June (June 1st and 8th).

• **West of Brown Road (including homes on the West side of Brown Road)** the third and fourth Saturdays in June (June 15th and June 22nd)

The following lists the standard information for the sale:

The sales will be held on their respective Saturday from 7 am - 3 p.m. For these days only, no garage sale permits will be required unless:

1) You want to hold your sale earlier than 7 am or later than 3 p.m. on the sale date(s); or
2) You want to hold a sale on a date other than those already set for your respective side of town.

Then, you will need to obtain a permit from City Hall provided you have not already had three sales for the year. There is no charge for the permit.

To sign up for this year’s sale, you can come into City Hall, starting the week of May 1st, and sign up for your sale. You will also be able to pick up a sign for your yard while you’re there. If you don’t want a sign for your yard, you can just call City Hall and give them your name, address, phone number, date(s) of sale(s) and any specific items you want to list that might draw people to your sale. Please limit your “draw” items to just a few. This will be what is listed with your address on the printed sheets and website.

The participant lists for each sale will be cut off at 12:00 noon the Thursday prior to the sale. A printed list of all participants for that week’s sale will be created and posted on the City’s website on Friday for all to view/print. Printed copies of the lists will also be available at City Hall for anyone to pick up. Due to budget cuts for 2018, advertising for the sale will be done via the City’s website and flyers in City Hall.

Should you have ANY questions, please do not hesitate to contact City Hall at 427-8700, #3.
**2019 TRASH RATES**
The new 2019 rates for Republic Services will take effect April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020. They are as follows:

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<td>$51.63/quarter for seniors*</td>
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<td>$101.22/semi-annually for seniors*</td>
<td>$126.42/semi-annually all other customers</td>
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These rates include once a week trash, recycling and yard waste pickup along with a trash and recycling cart, weekly bulky item pickup** and monthly appliance pickup***.

Optional Services Available At Additional Cost:
Additional Trash/Yardwaste Carts are $10.50/each/quarter
Construction Material Pickups*** – This is based on the quantity and type of items. There is a $50 minimum pickup fee.
TVs & Monitors*** – There is a $75 trip charge for first item and $25/for each additional item.

** In order to qualify for the senior rate:
- You must be 65 years of age or older
- You must live at a St. John residence and the account must be in your name (not a landlord’s name)
- You must notify Republic Services of your qualifications by mailing a clear, legible copy of your Drivers’ License or State ID to:
  Republic Services
  12976 St. Charles Rock Road
  Bridgeton, MO 63044
  Attn: Customer Service

*** Limit two (2) free items per week (every Monday) You must call Republic Services (636-947-5959) no later than 3 p.m. the Friday before to schedule for that pickup.

** You must call Republic Services (636-947-5959) no later than 3 p.m. the day before the electronic/appliance pickup day (Thursday) to schedule for that pickup.

**ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS. . .**
Republic Services recently implemented a new policy of charging customers for delivering trash cans to their residence. However, this charge does not apply to new residents with new service. If you were charged by Republic Services to have your trash cans delivered to your home when you moved in to St. John you need to contact them at (636) 947-5959 and request a refund as you should not have been charged for that. This only applies to new residents when they first moved into their home.

**ELECTRONIC RECYCLING / SHREDDING EVENT**
**Saturday, June 15, 2019**
~ Rain or Shine ~
Check our website closer to the time for details
VECTOR CONTROL

As the days get warmer we will see mosquitoes begin to become a problem. As many of you know, the City does not provide mosquito spraying itself but contracts out that service to the St. Louis County Health Department. St. Louis County provides a two-phase approach to mosquito control; adulticiding and larviciding. Adulticiding is the most familiar form of mosquito control. This is where the “fogger” runs through the City and dispels a smoky mixture of chemicals that is intended to kill adult mosquitoes. The problem with this form of control is that the droplets in the smoky cloud must drop directly on the adult mosquito to kill it. As you may recognize, this is not a very efficient way to kill mosquitoes.

Larviciding is most effective form of mosquito control because it is focused on eliminating breeding sites and mosquito larva. Larviciding allows vector control chemicals, which can be effective up to 45 days, to be placed directly on standing water where mosquitoes breed. This greatly increases the chances of these chemicals coming into contact with and killing mosquito larva before they have the chance to mature in to the nuisance adults.

The most effective means of mosquito control is “source reduction”. Since mosquitoes breed in standing water it is critical that residents manage the standing water on their property. You can do this by not letting water stand in bird baths, tires, swimming pools, ponds, etc. Water in outdoor dog bowls should be changed daily. Keep gutters cleaned out so that water flows properly and make sure pools and ponds have a properly functioning filter to keep water clean and moving.

Remember, spraying with the fogger is the least effective and most expensive way to manage the mosquito population, so don’t expect to see it out very often. Please do your part to help control this bothersome nuisance and make everyone’s outdoor experience a little more enjoyable this summer.

176 SPECIES
of mosquitoes breed in backyard water

ELIMINATE STANDING WATER
THAT COLLECTS IN COMMON PLACES

Dog Bowls
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Checking on Our Residents (COORS)

The City of St. John cares about the residents of our community. We especially try to look out for senior citizens and residents with special needs. However, before we can help, we must identify these residents.

If you fall into one of the above categories, or know someone who does, please stop by City Hall and pick up a Project COOR registration form, call by phone (314-427-8700, ext. Number 5) and a form can be mailed to you, or access the form on the City’s website (www.cityofstjohn.org).

The information on the form will be used to identify and contact our residents during times of power outages and/or natural disasters. Once contacted, we can provide you with water, transportation to climate-controlled shelters, and notify your relatives of your whereabouts and needs. Be assured that your personal information will not be provided to anyone outside of the St. John City Hall.

SAVE THE DATE
FREE
Annual Community Health Event
Saturday, August 3, 2019
Noon - 3 p.m.

West Side General Baptist Church
3545 Wismer Ave., St. Ann, MO 63074
(Behind Commerce Bank located at 9850 St. Charles Rock Rd)

Working Together for a Healthier Community

Children’s Corner • Gift Cards
Raffles • Refreshments

Free Health Screenings
• Blood Pressure
• Cholesterol
• Diabetic
• PSA information
• Mammography
• Dental Safety
• Education
• and many more

Resources
• Nutrition demonstrations
• Kid IDs - Recycling
• and much more

PRESENTS OUR ANNUAL COMMUNITY SHRED EVENT

SATURDAY
APRIL 13, 2019
10:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.
hosted at
Shepard Funeral Chapel
9255 Natural Bridge Road at I-70
Saint Louis, MO 63134
(314) 426-6000

Suggested donation of $5 per box
Proceeds Benefit Lighthouse Baptist Church Youth
Men, make informed decisions about prostate cancer.

Talk to your doctor about the possible risks and benefits of prostate cancer testing, so you can decide if testing is right for you. Before you get tested, know the facts and your choices for testing and treatment.

Ask about testing when you are:
- **Age 50**, if you are at average risk of prostate cancer and expect to live at least 10 more years
- **Age 45**, if you are at high risk of getting prostate cancer because you are African American, or you have a family member (father, brother, or son) who had prostate cancer when they were younger than 65
- **Age 40**, if you are at even higher risk because several family members (father, brother, son) had prostate cancer when they were younger than 65

To learn more about prostate cancer, visit the American Cancer Society’s website at cancer.org or call us at 1-800-227-2345. We want to help you stay well.
FREE Prostate Cancer Screening

Bring this Certificate to:
BJK People’s Health Centers
5701 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63112
Must be aged 40 + and St. Louis metropolitan area
For more information, call (314) 367-7848 ext. 1246
This certificate will expire 04/30/19

A Prostate Cancer Advocacy Organization Serving the St. Louis Area
6000 West Florissant Ave.
St, Louis, MO 63136
314-385-0998 – Office
314-802-8788 – Fax

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Did You Know...

The City’s website has a language drop down menu at the top of the home page that will allow you to choose the language you wish to view the site in.

Senior Utility Tax Rebate
February 1st through April 30, 2019

Drug Take Back Initiative
April 27th, 10 am – 2 pm

Annual Rabies Clinic
April 27th, 1 – 2:30 pm

City Wide Garage Sales
June 1st & 8th – East Side of Town
June 15th & 22nd – West Side of Town

Electronic Recycling/Shredding Event
Saturday, June 15th, 9am - Noon

City Council
Mayor, Tom Halaska
9221 Central • 427-8700 #3

Ward I
Pam Hollenberg
8401 Madeline • 429-5251
Rachel Hayes
8638 Hume • 637-7797
Mark Stief
8551 Ginger • 800-5715

Ward II
Curt Pierce
3535 Gordon • 681-9659
Mary Halaska
9221 Central • 427-8700 #3
Lee Taylor
8917 McNulty • 423-9349

Administration
John R. Morris • 427-8700 #5
City Manager/Police Chief
Connie Poteet • 427-8700 #3
Asst. City Manager
Robert Connell • 427-8700 #5
Police Captain
James Phillips • 427-8700 #3
Public Works Director
Julie Vetter • 427-8700 #3
Finance Officer
Linda Elder • 427-8700 #6
Court Administrator
Bobbie Zimmermann • 427-8700 #211
Municipal Prosecutor’s Clerk

Police Administrative Offices
427-8700, #5 (Mon-Fri, 8 am - 5 pm)
Non-emergency Police Dispatcher
636-529-8210 (after office hours)

City Hall Administrative Offices
427-8700, #3 (Mon-Fri, 8 am - 5 pm)

Municipal Court Offices*
427-8700, #6 (Mon-Fri, 8 am - 5 pm)
Municipal Prosecutor’s Office*
427-8700, #211 (Mon-Fri, 8 am - 5 pm)

*Office closes at 3 pm on days night court is held and reopens at 6:30 pm. There is no telephone service during day or night courts. See website for a list of court dates.

Regular council meetings held 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7 pm, 2nd Floor Council Chambers

Newsletter can be interpreted upon request.