



Sikeston Scanner

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DPS Operates Traffic Enforcement Checkpoints

In an on-going effort to make Sikeston a safer community, Sikeston DPS will be conducting traffic enforcement checkpoints at undisclosed locations throughout the City. Officers will be focusing on compliance with Missouri Traffic Laws and vehicle operator/passenger safety. Checkpoint inspections will target possession of a valid operator's licenses, proper usage of seatbelts and child restraint equipment, possession of current motor vehicle insurance, proper vehicle registration, condition of drivers (DUI or impaired drivers), and possession of open containers of alcohol, illegal narcotics or other contraband in the vehicles.

DPS encourages all residents to have a safe and happy Independence Day Holiday. Remember if you drink – don't drive. If you plan to consume alcoholic beverages have a designated driver in place or take a taxi. Do your part to help save lives!

TENTATIVE AGENDA

SIKESTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:00 PM – Monday, July 6, 2009

Sikeston City Hall, 105 E. Center Street, Sikeston, MO

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE
- III. OPENING PRAYER
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- VI. PRESENTATIONS:
 - A. Employees of the Third Quarter
 - B. SEMO University – Expansion of Agricultural Programming
- VII. BUSINESS ITEMS:
 - A. Second Reading & Consideration of Bill 5794 – Request to vacate 15' East/West Alley, Original Town of Sikeston
 - B. Award of Municipal Code Recodification Services
 - C. Other items as may be determined
- VIII. CITY OPERATIONS REPORT
- IX. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL
- X. ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JULY-AUGUST 2009

Meeting dates and times are subject to change

Friday, July 3 – City Offices Closed
INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

Monday, July 6

4:30 PM – Library Board of Trustees

5:00 PM – City Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 7

7:00 PM – Planning & Zoning Commission

Friday, July 10

11:30 AM – LCRA Commission

Monday, July 13

Noon – Housing Authority Commission

4:00 PM – Board Of Adjustments

Tuesday, July 14

11:30 AM – DED Executive Board

4:00 PM – BMU Commission

4:00 PM – Tourism Advisory Board

Thursday, July 16

11:30 AM – Strategic Plan Implementation Committee

Monday, July 20

6:00 PM – DPS Advisory Board

Monday, July 27

7:15 AM – Special City Council Meeting

11:30 AM – LCRA Commission

Monday, August 3

4:30 PM – Library Board of Trustees

COMPOST SITE SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 18: 8 AM – Noon

Saturday, August 1: 8 AM - Noon

Saturday, August 15: 8 AM - Noon



City Unveils Sesquicentennial Celebration Billboard

Travelers on I-57 will not only learn of Sikeston's upcoming 150th Birthday, they will receive a preview of the many events being scheduled as part of the celebration. A year-long birthday party is great for Sikeston's residents. It also presents an opportunity to invite area residents and regional travelers to experience Sikeston's shopping districts, restaurants and festivals. The billboard, unveiled in late June, will be updated quarterly with a brief listing of events. Individuals seeking additional information are directed to the Sikeston Convention & Visitors Bureau's website, www.visitSIKESTON.com.



Amy Smith
Code Enforcement Officer



Brent Mullin
Public Safety Officer

Smith, Mullin to be honored July 6

Amy Smith and Brent Mullin will be honored as the City's Employees of the Third Quarter during the July 6 City Council Meeting.

Smith, currently a Sikeston Code Enforcement Officer, is a 10-year veteran with the City having served in a number of positions. Due to a vacancy within Public Works, she was called upon to assume the responsibilities of the DPW Administrative Assistant. Smith worked in both positions (Administrative Assistant and Code Officer), until a replacement could be obtained. Smith is being recognized for her strong sense of teamwork, as well as her dedication to the mission of Code Enforcement.

Sikeston Public Safety Officer Brent Mullin was nominated for his teamwork, positive attitude, performance and professionalism. Mullin routinely assists fellow officers by helping with bookings occurring late in the shift – boosting morale and reducing overtime costs. Officer Mullin volunteers for special details such as Council security and prisoner transport. He is also a member of Public Safety's Honor Guard, representing the Department at various events throughout the community.

Summertime

Food Safety . . .

Picnics and cookouts top the list of summer activities. But remember, special precautions need to be taken when preparing and serving food during warm weather to avoid food-borne illnesses like salmonellosis.

To prevent such illness properly wash your hands before handling any food and after handling raw poultry, meat or eggs. Thoroughly rinse fresh fruits and vegetables. Cook foods thoroughly, especially ground beef, poultry and pork. Since color is not a reliable indicator of doneness, use a meat thermometer to ensure food is cooked to the proper temperature.

*Remember: Keep hot food hot (140°F or above)
and cold foods cold (40°F or below)*

Do not leave food un-refrigerated longer than one hour at a time. Some popular cold picnic foods are potentially hazardous and require special care. Any homemade food that contains eggs, meat or poultry such as: egg, chicken, tuna and potato salads as well as deviled eggs must be kept cold.

Symptoms of most types of food poisoning include severe cramps, fever, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting and bloody diarrhea. Symptoms can begin from 30 minutes to three or more days after eating contaminated food. If symptoms are severe or last longer than two days, contact a physician.

SACC Spirit Award . . .

To encourage on-going community betterment, the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the SACC Spirit Award. This program recognizes area businesses that demonstrate superior attitude, customer service and community spirit. It also recognizes homeowners who maintain their homes in a manner that reflects positively on their neighborhood and our community.



**Business
of the
Month!**

Clearview Nursing Center

430 Salcedo Road – Sikeston, MO



**Home
of the
Month!**

**Dr. & Mrs.
Steven
Barnett**

1303 Goldenrod
Sikeston, MO