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Pullen, Teachout, and Hedrick to run Unopposed



With the filing period for City Council candidates now closed, incumbents Mayor Jerry Pullen, Ward 2 Councilman Tom Hedrick and Ward 3 Councilwoman Kathy Teachout will have no opposition on the April 3, 2012 ballot. Each will serve another three-year term in their respective positions. For more information about these elected officials visit www.sikeston.org.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

SIKESTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2011

Noon - 105 East Center Street, Sikeston, Missouri

- A. Vision for Tomorrow, Strategic Plan Commission Request to Proceed with Recommendations
- B. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5865, Amending Title IV, Articles III and VI of City Code, amending filing requirements associated with building permit applications, plat and subdivision approvals
- C. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5866, Amending Title III, Chapter 300 to record City's adoption of the Missouri Uniform Traffic Code
- D. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5868, Calling for April 3, 2012 Municipal General Election
- E. Authorization to Solicit Bids for completion of the 2012 Street and Stormwater Drainage Improvement Program
- F. Bid Award: Purchase of Park Division 1-Ton Truck
- G. Bid Award: Purchase of Outdoor Emergency Warning System
- H. Authorization to renew Employee Health Insurance Coverage
- I. Other items as may be determined.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

DECEMBER 2011 – JANUARY 2012

Meeting dates and times are subject to change

Monday, December 5

Noon – City Council Meeting

4:30 PM – Library Board of Trustees

Monday, December 12

Noon – Housing Authority Commission

4:00 PM – Board of Appeals

Tuesday, December 13

11:30 AM - DED Executive Board Meeting

4:00 PM – BMU Commission Meeting

4:00 PM – Planning & Zoning Special Mtg.

Thursday, December 15

11:30 AM – Strategic Plan Implementation Commission

Monday, December 19

Noon – City Council Work Session

Friday, December 23

City Offices Close at Noon

Monday, December 26 - City Offices Closed

Monday, January 2 - City Offices Closed

Tuesday, January 3

4 PM – Planning & Zoning Commission

Monday, January 9

Noon – Regular City Council Meeting

COMPOST SITE SCHEDULE

Saturday December 3 - 8 AM - Noon

Saturday, December 17 - 8 AM - Noon

Sikeston City Council Legislative Update

The following issues will be considered by the Sikeston City Council during their Noon, December 5 meeting:

A. Vision for Tomorrow, Strategic Plan Commission Request to Proceed with Recommendations

Based on needs identified by local residents during the “Vision for Tomorrow” process, members of the Strategic Plan Implementation Commission have developed a series of recommendations. Commission members will be presenting this information to the City Council and seeking authorization to proceed with creation of a leadership development academy and the development of a job training coalition with local educational institutions.

B. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5865, Amending Title IV, Articles III and VI of City Code, amending filing requirements associated with building permit applications, plat and subdivision approvals

This bill seeks to streamline operations and reduce the amount of paperwork submitted with building permit applications, and plat and subdivision approvals.

C. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5866, Amending Title III, Chapter 300 to record City’s adoption of the Missouri Uniform Traffic Code

In 2004, the City adopted the Model Traffic Ordinance for Missouri Municipalities, and updates City Code annually to maintain compliance with the State guidelines. During the recodification process, reference to the actual adoption of the Model Traffic Ordinance was deleted. City Prosecutor Daniel Norton has requested this language be reinstated into to City Code.

D. Second Reading and Consideration of Bill 5868, Calling for April 3, 2012 Municipal General Election

The adoption of this bill will finalize the ballot for the April 3, 2012 Municipal Election.

E. Authorization to Solicit Bids for completion of the 2012 Street and Stormwater Drainage Improvement Program

The Planning & Zoning Commission has submitted a list of street and stormwater drainage improvements to be completed during 2012. Staff is seeking authorization to go to bid for \$724,000 in repairs (see below). To date the Transportation Sales Tax has funded \$16.6 million in street and stormwater drainage improvements.

PROPOSED 2012 STREET & STORMWATER DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	
ASPHALT OVERLAY PROJECTS	
Alberta (Harry to Kinder)	\$10,000
Broadway	\$346,000
City Parking Lot (Downtown, across from Kirby's) includes striping and curb	\$40,000
Lake (Lillian to Main)	\$64,000
Mont Circle	\$15,000
Sports Complex (Little League Ballfield, Parking lot) includes striping	\$90,000
Subtotal	\$565,000
CONCRETE PROJECTS	
Carroll (Ruth to Murray Lane) Spot repair and crack seal	\$21,000
Malcolm (William to Ruth) Spot repair and crack seal	\$18,000
Kennedy at N. Main (60' to the east)	\$15,000
Taylor (Wakefield to dead end)	\$55,000
Taylor & Wallace (Intersection only)	\$25,000
Taylor & College (Intersection only)	\$25,000
Subtotal	\$159,000
Anticipated Total Cost	\$724,000

F. Bid Award: Purchase of Park Division 1-Ton Truck

The Park Division is seeking to replace a 2000 Ford F-350 one-ton dump truck. Seven bids were received from dealers throughout the State. Staff is requesting Council award the purchase to Sikeston Ford/Lincoln for \$34,837.

Sikeston City Council Legislative Update, Continued

G. Bid Award: Purchase of Outdoor Emergency Warning System

At Council's request City Staff has sought bids for the purchase of a new outdoor emergency warning system. Three firms have submitted bids. DPS staff is currently evaluating the proposals and will request action during the December 5 Council meeting.

H. Authorization to renew Employee Health Insurance Coverage

The City and BMU have completed an analysis of employee health insurance proposals. Based on these findings, staff will be requesting Council action on the renewal of this insurance coverage.

2011 Leaf Collection Program

Northwest Section
Nov. 28-Dec. 9

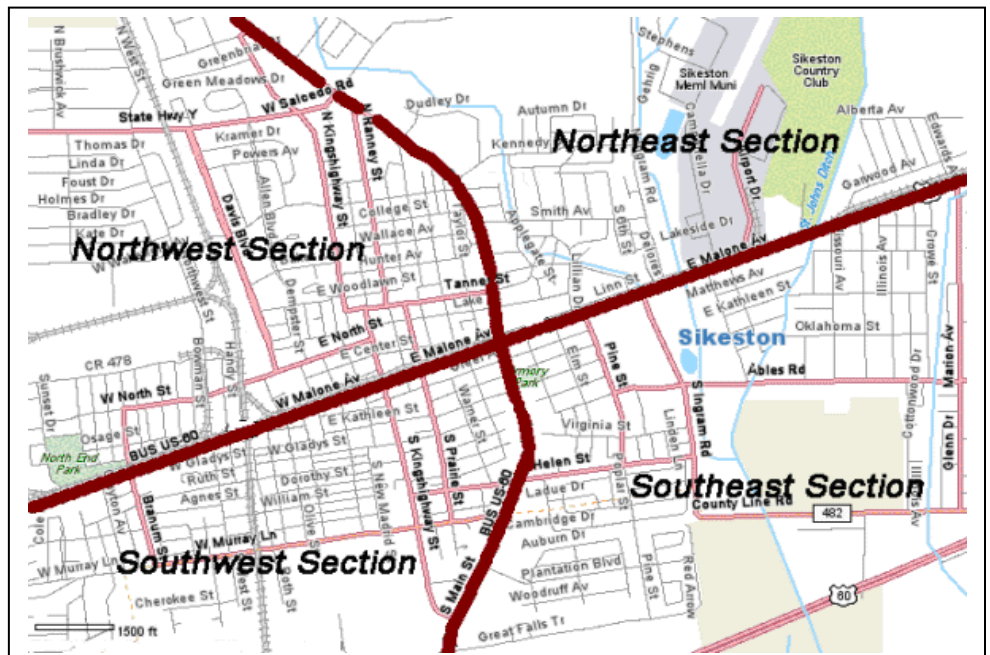
Northeast Section
Dec. 12-22

Southwest Section
Nov. 28-Dec. 9

Southeast Section
Dec. 12-22

Place leaves next to curb, but not in the street. No limbs or trash should be mixed with leaves.

*Dates subject to change due to
Severe weather or mechanical difficulties*



Holiday Safety Tips

During this festive season of the year our thoughts turn to giving and receiving gifts, visiting friends, relatives, and delightful culinary experiences. However, there are others who think about unoccupied, appliance filled houses, distracted shoppers with extra cash in a purse or wallet, or they're planning their next "charity scam." Don't give a thief a chance this year. Please exercise extra caution during this special season. Trust your instincts; if something does not look or feel right, it probably isn't. Remember, being safe doesn't take a holiday.

WHILE SHOPPING:

- Park in a highly visible well-lighted space.
- Lock your vehicle both when driving and parked.
- Have your car keys in your hand and be ready to open the car door immediately.
- Place all shopping bags, packages and gifts out of sight.
- Always know where you are parked, so you don't spend unnecessary time walking around the parking lot.
- Look inside and under your car before entering.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash – use a check or credit card.
- Don't overburden yourself with packages. This will help deter pickpockets or purse snatchers.
- Don't park next to a van or truck where people can hide.

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 1** **Fourth Annual SPS Foundation Holiday Party**
5 PM, 111 Greenbriar, Hosted by Randy and Charlotte York
Tickets \$25. Proceeds benefit the Sikeston Public Schools Foundation
- Dec. 2** **Santa at the Depot**
Sikeston Depot Museum, 116 W. Malone Sponsored by Historic Downtown Sikeston
Have your photo taken with Santa while listening to Christmas carols and warming up with free hot chocolate and cookies. Downtown merchants will be open late for your holiday shopping. Sponsored by Historic Downtown Sikeston, 573-380-3801, www.downtownsikeston.org
- Dec. 3** **Sikeston Night at the SEMO Redhawks' Basketball**
Women's Game - 5:30 PM, Men's Game – 7:30 PM
Show-Me Center, Cape Girardeau
- Dec. 4** **Sikeston Community Choir Concert**
2 PM, First United Methodist Church, 1307 North Main Street, No admission fees
- Dec. 8-11** **Little Orphan Annie - "Hard Knock Life"**
The Broadway musical "Annie" has been adapted for young performers. Children grades 3 thru 6 will be singing and dancing their way into your hearts. Presented by the Sikeston Little Theatre
Shows: 7 PM – December 8, 9 and 10; 2 PM – December 11. Tickets go on sale November 29.
Albritton-Mayer Cultural Center, 506 S. Kingshighway, www.sikestonlittletheater.com
- Dec. 18** **10th Annual Christmas Community Sing-Along**
2 PM, St. Paul Episcopal Church, 1010 N. Main St.
Performance will include selections from Handel's Messiah and traditional carols.
For rehearsal or performance information contact Harry Howard, 573-471-3859
- Dec. 31** **MDMC Hospital Benefit Ball "An Evening on the Square"**
8 PM cocktails with heavy hors d'oeuvres, Dancing until 1 AM
Sikeston Armory, 300 S. Main Street, Dress is black tie optional
Tickets sold in advance. Contact Sarah – 573-472-7222 or Sharon - 573-472-7329
Email: sgardner@missouridelta.com



*Wishing you & your family
A very Happy and safe
Holiday Season!*

Sikeston City Council and Staff