

CITY OF
EUREKA

NEWSLETTER

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AMEREN SAFETY TIPS FOR SPRING

Spring brings perfect winds for kite flying, home improvements and tree planting, but also ushers in a season when people face increased risk of injury from spring activities near power lines. Following are some seasonal safety tips: Use only non-conductive materials for kites. Wire, tinsel and metal conduct electricity when they touch electric wires or are struck by lightning. Fly kites in wide-open places far away from power lines. If your kite gets caught in a power line, leave it there. Avoid flying kites in stormy weather. Wet kite strings can conduct electricity from power lines and lightning. When climbing trees, check to make sure there are no power lines hidden among the limbs. If you are painting or making repairs to your house, be careful where you carry and place your ladder. Avoid contact with wires running overhead. Avoid planting trees in locations that will cause problems with power lines once the trees have matured. April is considered Safe Digging Month throughout the Nation. Before digging in your yard, call the Missouri One Call System (MOCS) at 1-800-DIG-RITE (1-800-344-7483), or just dial 811 and you will be connected to the One Call center for your area to make sure you do not strike underground power lines, natural gas, water or sewer mains, telephone and fiber optic cables. In Missouri, such notification is required by State law. For additional power line safety information, visit Ameren's website at www.ameren.com or the Safe Electricity website at www.safeelectricity.org

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Eureka will hold a public hearing to discuss the allocation of \$20,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant funds, which will become available after January 1, 2021. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 5, 2020 at Eureka City Hall or by teleconference if COVID-19 protocols are still in effect on that date. To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Eureka has enacted and/or enforces the following: (1) A Fair Housing Ordinance prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin; (2) A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities; (3) A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin or political affiliation; (4) A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded to low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above: City Administrator Craig E. Sabo, 100 City Hall Drive, P.O. Box 125, Eureka, MO 63025, cesabo@eureka.mo.us or 636-938-5233. If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact City Clerk Julie Wood at jwood@eureka.mo.us or 636-938-5233 no later than 10:00 a.m. on May 5, 2020. For more information call: 636-938-5233 - RELAY MISSOURI VOICE 1-800-735-2466 or RELAY MISSOURI TDD 1-800-735-2966. The City of Eureka is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

ADDRESS NUMBERS

As required by City Code, all residential property located within the City limits must have address numbers, a minimum height of four (4) inches, affixed to each residence or placed on the property so as to be clearly visible by emergency and City vehicles from the street in front of the residence.

SANITARY SEWER BACKUP INSURANCE

As a reminder, you need to protect your home against potential sanitary sewer backups. Check with your insurance carrier regarding sewer backups to see if a rider is required for coverage. The City is not liable for these occurrences; therefore, individual coverage is needed.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTION

Adopted the following by Ordinance:

- Approving the Ridge Pointe at The Legends Final Plat
- Approving an Approximately 16.9 Acre Parcel at 5901 Hunters Ford Road
- Authorizing Entering into a Contract for Pool Management Services
- Authorizing Entering into a Contract for Underwriter Services
- Amending the Municipal Code Relating to Ward Boundary Adjustments

AFTER-HOURS SEWER AND WATER ASSISTANCE

To obtain assistance for water and sewer problems after 5:00 p.m. on weekdays, and on weekends and holidays, please call the Police Department at 938-6600. Calls at these times will be automatically forwarded to St. Louis County for dispatching, at which time you need to inform the dispatcher of the problem and that you are a Eureka resident. Be sure to inform the dispatcher that Eureka has its own water and sewer systems and is not served by the Missouri-American Water Company or the Metropolitan Sewer District.

STORMWATER QUALITY - YOU CAN HELP

As stated in previous newsletters, the City is enhancing stormwater management measures to protect our waterways. One of these measures is to educate everyone on improving stormwater quality within the City and areas downstream. All stormwater runoff within the City eventually drains to the Meramec River. Following are several things you can do to help keep our water resources clean:

- Keep lawn fertilizer off your driveway and street as it will run directly into the storm drain and surface water systems.
- Keep grass clippings off your driveway and street and never dump leaves and grass clippings into ditches as they not only cause clogging of the drainage system, but impair water quality.
- If you are doing any kind of building addition or landscaping work, keep dirt off your driveway and street where it may collect in the stormwater system. If dirt spills onto the street, sweep it up and contain it on your property. If soil erosion is a problem, installation of a silt fence may be required to contain the soil on the site.
- Never dispose of used motor oil, antifreeze, paint, etc., into stormwater inlets, ditches or ponds. Please recycle or properly dispose of these items at a hazardous waste site. If you observe someone improperly disposing of such items, please report it to the City at once. You may email stormwater@eureka.mo.us or contact Building Commissioner John Boggs at 636-938-5233.

FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE

The City of Eureka is committed to fair housing for all of its citizens. It is unlawful to discriminate against any person because of race, gender, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin. The City has enacted a Fair Housing Ordinance which prohibits unlawful discrimination and sets forth the process for filing a complaint. If you, or anyone you know, believe that you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact City Hall. For additional information, call 636-938-5233 or 1-800-735-2466 (Relay Missouri).

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM

According to a National Survey on Drug Use and Health, more Americans abuse prescription drugs than the number of those using cocaine, hallucinogens and heroin combined. In addition, research indicates that usual methods of disposal, such as flushing them down the commode or throwing them in the trash pose potential safety and health hazards. In an effort to clear homes of potentially dangerous, expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs, the Eureka Police Department is collecting these items 24 hours a day 7 days a week at 120 City Hall Drive. A receptacle is available to the public in the Police Department building lobby. The City is focusing on enhancing the health and wellness of the Eureka community. For additional information, you may visit the Missouri Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal website at www.missourip2d2.org or contact the Police Department at 636-938-6600.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO COVID-19 THESE EVENTS MAY BE CANCELLED

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND - ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

The Eureka Masons host a breakfast the first Saturday of each month from 6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge (across from Farmers and Merchants Bank). Adults are \$9.00 and children are \$4.00 (ages 5 and under are free). Eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast, pancakes, home fries and biscuits & gravy will be served. Proceeds from the breakfasts are used for Eureka High School Scholarships and Shriners Hospital.

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

National Day of Prayer will be held at Eureka City Hall on Thursday, May 7th, by the flagpole from 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. The theme this year is "God's Glory Across the Earth!". Please come and join with the people of this community as we pray for our City, our State and our Nation. In case of rain it will be held in the City Hall meeting room.