

CITY OF WAYNESVILLE

601 Historic Route 66 West, Waynesville, MO 65583

JANUARY 2016



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council Meeting, Third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
 Municipal Election, April 5
 Planning and Zoning, January 12, 5:30 pm at City Hall



COUNCIL CONTACTS

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Tim Mann 774-3436 Anne Roach 586-9301	Ward 2
Ed Conley 774-2890 Alan Clark 855-5660	Ward 3
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YEAR IN REVIEW FOR 2015

2015 was an eventful year for the City of Waynesville. We were saddened in March by the unexpected death of long time Councilwoman, Diana Stanford.

The City welcomed hundreds of visitors to the National Speleological Society in July. In the fall, the Czech Route 66 group and the Kelly Miller Circus stopped by.

After the flood of 2013, the Council determined to mitigate many of the issues that were problems for many years. This year we have removed the Roubidoux Lift Station from the creek bed of the Roubidoux, moved the Kiwanis Baseball Fields to higher ground, relocated our Street Department to the new City Hall and purchased a mobile RV shower house. We are removing the old street buildings and creating pavilions there to allow the Farmer's Market to have a permanent home. With ample parking and bathroom facilities, it will be a visible location for the Market.



The City continues to focus on cleaning out Mitchell Creek, removing over 320 tons of debris from the creek bed, and in 2016, we will install a gravel trap near Tiger Bridge to stop debris and gravel from collecting there.

A highlight of the year was the dedication by the National Park Service of the Trail of Tears exhibit in Laughlin Park. A ceremony was held to officially open and dedicate this site to the memory of the Native Americans lost on this infamous trek. We are proud to be a stop on the National Historic Trail.

Another dedication this year was the completion and opening of the Roubidoux Park Stage, funded by the Dial family. The Park also saw the resurfacing of the Walking Trail, using grant funds. We continue to raise funds for the new Little Heroes Playground and hope to begin construction in 2016.



Several businesses opened in Waynesville during 2015, among them were the Waynesville Medical Plaza, Sinks Pharmacy, Burger King, and Flat Branch Home Loans. The revitalization of the downtown square continued with Nona's Kitchen and Lamb's Donuts joining the downtown neighborhood.

Other highlights are the partnership in animal care with St. Robert and Fort Leonard Wood, redrawing our City Ward boundaries to make elections more equal. We have installed 600 new automatic reading water meters in the Hunter's Point area and have begun the process in the City neighborhoods, installing 1000 automatic electric readers. We have begun a Master Plan for the Regional Airport, using grant funds. The City signed a letter of intent supporting a solar farm in the city limits. We have continued the work clearing trees from our utility right of ways, improving reliability.

"We don't see things as they are; we see things as we are." Anais Nin

CITY COUNCIL NOTES

- *heard from Aaron Espinoza and the Bank of Newburg on concerns for sewer service in the Buckhorn area
- *heard from Brian Hazelwood, announcing the Jan. 2 opening of The Retro-Plex, a new Skating Rink, located in St. Robert, and welcoming the community
- *announced the new street sweeper has arrived and in service
- *announced progress on renovating the old Street Department buildings for the Farmer's Market
- *updated the progress at the new Municipal Center
- *updated FEMA reimbursement, with expected 75% share of expenses, totally \$476,000

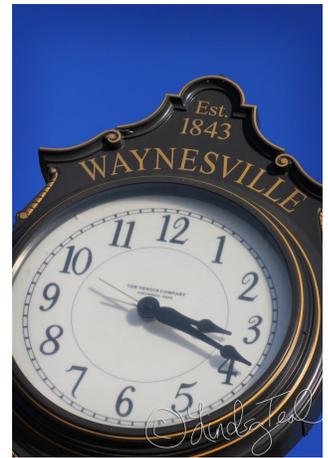
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- *announced fund balances of over \$3.87 million
- *adopted new conflict of interest laws concerning elected officials
- *discussion of a proposed ordinance to discontinue the avoidance of local taxes on motor vehicles
- *adopted the Multi Jurisdiction Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan
- *reviewed projects and accomplishments of 2015 and remembered long-time Councilwoman Diana Stanford
- *adopted a resolution for the grant process of the Dyer Street Bridge project
- *recognized the "Gone to Pieces" Quilt Guild for their work decorating Croaker for the holidays

2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

April 5th is the date for municipal elections in Waynesville. The office of Mayor and City Council seats for every Ward will be open for registration until January 19 at 5:00 pm.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age, residents of the City for a period of 6 months and have their personal and real estate property taxes paid in full. You must register with the City Clerk.



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AROUND TOWN

Christmas on the Square brought over 4000 people to Waynesville for holiday cheer and the lighting of the Nativity Scene on Bell Bluff.



The Annual Kiwanis Christmas Parade brought Santa to town and thousands lined the route.



CROAKER IS DECORATED

The "Gone to Pieces Quilt Guild" decorated Croaker for the holiday season with a special hat, featuring quilt squares.

The Guild was created in 2015 and has had a busy year. They donate to veterans, the JROTC and the Senior Center. Many donated quilts go to raffles and fund raisers.

The Guild participates in local events, such as Old Settler's Day and the Community Expo at FLW. They support local non-profits, donating to the Genesis House and the FLW Hospital.



DANNY GRAVES TO RETIRE



Long time City employee, Danny Graves, retires in December after 26 years with the City Water Department. Danny is well known by citizens for his helpful and honest approach to working with utility issues.

Danny is an ordained minister and will be busy as the full-time pastor at the Idumea Baptist Church in Buckhorn.

Danny set a high standard for all of his peers and he will be sorely missed!

Important Numbers

- City Hall
774-6171
- Police Department (Admin)
774-2414
- Emergencies 911
- Fire Department
774-5449
- Utility Office
774-5217 and
Emergency After Hours
774-6341
- Airport
329-4216
- Building Department
774-6009
- Municipal Court
774-6158
- Animal Shelter
774-6509