



Access Forsyth

Fall 2015

The Public Works Department Needs Your Help

Forsyth's sewer system collects wastewater from homes and businesses all over town and transports it to the treatment plant. Part of the system is below ground (lines, manholes, etc) and part of the system is above ground.

The visible parts are lift stations that pump wastewater over the hills to get to the plant. Many have a light that flashes and a buzzer that sounds when the lift station needs emergency attention.

If the light is flashing or

the buzzer is sounding, please call city hall at 546-4763 to report it.

If it's after business hours, the Taney County Sheriff's Department will forward the message (546-7250).

Fire Sales Tax Provides Updated Equipment

The sales tax passed by voters in 2013 has allowed the Fire Department to update equipment and begin planning for vehicle replacement.

Improving volunteer safety and fire fighting capability were identi-

fied as priorities for the use of the tax.

Several sets of gear were purchased to better protect the volunteers and a replacement program to update aging fire hose, nozzles, and equipment for medical calls

has been established.

Chief Bower has also developed a large vehicle replacement schedule that will assist the City in maximizing the impact of the fire tax and reduce the need for long-term financing.

When Is a Building Permit Required?

The building code requires building permits for residential and commercial building projects, whether it is for new construction, demolition, or renovation. Alterations to electrical, mechanical, plumbing, or structural systems also require a

permit.

The purpose of the code, building permit, and inspection process is to improve building and fire safety and to maintain our ISO rating which affects insurance rates.

Applications are available at city hall or at www.cityofforsythmo.com

Our inspector is available to review the application and answer general questions Monday through Friday at City Hall.

Construction Ahead!

Forsyth's sidewalk project is *finally* ready to begin. The City has selected Kenney-Hall Construction to build the sidewalk along Hwy 160. Construction will begin September 8th.

During the construction, driveways and side streets along Hwy 160 will be inaccessible for short periods of time during the day. The contractor will be directed to keep these closures as brief as possible, but there will be some inconvenience.

The good news is that the sidewalks should be complete by early November.

Smoke Detectors Available

Free smoke detectors are again available to Forsyth residents thanks to a grant from Lake Taneycomo Elks Lodge #2597.

Residents can contact Chief Bower at 546-3074 for more information

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Mayor's Message

Hello everyone, it's the Mayor. I want to discuss some things. First, the sidewalk project will be starting to take shape soon and, by the time you get this, I hope the water is out of the park so we can continue with our summer projects.

Next, the mural project has taken a short break. We have the next mural picked out, but need community donations in order to get it done. Anyone

who wishes to contribute to the project can do so at City Hall.

Finally, it's been our desire to have an urgent care center here in Forsyth. A possible location has been determined, but we need Cox Health Branson to agree and move forward. We are thinking that if the people in Forsyth show their support for the project, the people at Cox Health would agree to bring an urgent care to town. If you're interested, please

tell them Forsyth needs an urgent care.

If anyone has suggestions concerning how we can make Forsyth better, please share your ideas. Thanks for all the kind things you are telling me about. We all want to make Forsyth a better place to live.

God Bless.

Eddie Coleman, Your Mayor

Stuff you need to know....

* The annual water quality report is available from city hall or at www.cityofforsythmo.com.

* Holidays observed by Republic Services:

Labor Day	Thanksgiving
Christmas	New Year's Day
Memorial Day	July 4th

Trash pickup will be delayed by one day if the holiday occurs prior to normal pickup day.

* School is back in session. Watch for school buses and mind your speed in the school zone.

* Storm sirens are tested the second Wednesday of the month at 10 am unless there is weather in the area.

* Animal license is due every January. Bring proof of rabies vaccination and \$2 to purchase your tag.

* The last day to register to vote in the April 5th municipal election is March 9, 2016. Contact the Taney County Clerk's office regarding registration questions —546-7203.