

CITY OF
EUREKA

NEWSLETTER

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CITY NEWSLETTER FORMAT CHANGE

Following the closing of the sale of the City water and sanitary sewer systems to Missouri American Water, the City will be transitioning our newsletter to an email format. To ensure you receive City news and information you may find to be of interest, please provide your email address to Communication Director Julie Wood at jwood@eureka.mo.us. If you provided the City with your email address upon signing for utilities we already have it on file. If your email address has changed since signing up, please provide it to her. A printed version can be provided to you at City Hall if you do not have an email address or Internet access.

APRIL 5TH ELECTION CANDIDATES

As of the official filing deadline, the following individuals are seeking elective office: Alderperson; Ward 1 Candidate - Jerry Diekmann (unopposed), Ward 2 Candidate - Kevin Kilpatrick (unopposed), Ward 3 Candidate - Jerry Holloway (unopposed). The election will be held on Tuesday, April 5th from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. To vote in the upcoming election, one must be registered by March 9th.

Please note that Windswept Farms residents may register to vote by visiting the Jefferson County website (www.jeffcomo.org) or the County Clerk's office at the Jefferson County Government Center located at 729 Maple Street, Hillsboro, MO 63050. The voter polling location is at St. Joseph's Hill Infirmary, 265 St. Joseph's Hill Road, Pacific, MO 63069. For additional information, please call the Jefferson County Clerk at 636-797-5486.

PROPOSITION U

On April 5th residents will be given the opportunity to decide whether the City shall impose a local use tax on-out-of state purchases, including online purchases at the same rate as the total local sales tax. Approval of this measure will allow the funds generated from the use tax to fund projects and services that benefit the community. For additional information regarding Proposition U, please visit the City's website at www.eureka.mo.us

TRASH CONTRACT EXTENSION

Pursuant to a recent agreement with Waste Connections, Inc., the City's trash contract has been renewed for one (1) year with no increase to the current rate of \$25.03 for trash, recycling, yard waste, "white goods" and bulky waste collection.

SEWER RATES

Based on the City's sewer rate structure, your annually adjusted rate may change based upon your January, 2022 water usage. The new sewer rate will appear on your March, 2022 utility bill.

SNOW REMINDER

During winter storms, it is a great help to the City's Public Works Department if vehicles are parked in driveways. City snowplow crews are able to do a more thorough job if they do not have to plow around parked vehicles on streets.

TRASH GUIDELINE REMINDER

Occasionally large quantities of construction materials or materials from home remodeling projects are put out for trash pickup. As these items are not normal household waste, they are not included in your weekly trash pickup. Our trash contract states that items to be picked up must be from normal household waste and construction materials do not fall within this category. You may contact Waste Connections at 636-321-2100 or a hauler of your choice to arrange for the pickup of these items for an additional fee. Depending on the type or volume of waste, a construction dumpster may be required.

2022 HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Applications are being accepted for the St. Louis County Community Development Block Grant money awarded to the City for home improvements. The purpose of this program is to provide financial assistance to low or moderate income homeowners with home repairs which will correct Code violations and safety hazards. If you have any such projects and feel you could possibly qualify, please call 314-615-4025.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTION

Adopted the following by Ordinance:

- Authorized Entering into an Agreement for Pickleball Instructional Services
- Amending the Municipal Code relating to Certain Zoning, Structure and Fencing Regulations
- Authorized Use Tax Proposition on the April 5th Ballot

SENIOR CITIZEN TAX ASSISTANCE & BENEFITS

For senior citizens who qualify for the Missouri "Circuit Breaker" Program, free trash service and reduced water and sewer rates can be obtained by furnishing City Hall with a copy of your 2021 Form MO-PTC or Form MO-PTS tax return. Please be advised that even those who do not file a tax return may qualify for the "Circuit Breaker" Program. The Mid-East Area Agency on Aging offers a program that provides information and services on a range of assistance for older adults and those who care for them. If you need assistance with the "Circuit Breaker" Program, please call the Community Options and Services Department at 636-207-0847.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

If you lose power during a winter storm, remember the following:

- Turn off lights and unplug appliances to prevent damage and overloading circuits once the power is restored.
- Keep faucets on at a drip to prevent pipes from freezing.
- Dress warm and in layers.
- Close doors to unused rooms.
- Be cautious when using alternative heat sources and keep rooms properly ventilated.
- Block cold air from coming in by stuffing towels underneath doors.
- Ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) for electrical outlets can help prevent injuries and electrocutions when installed in areas that may be affected by melting snow or ice. You can also purchase portable GFCIs for your emergency supply kits.
- Keep an emergency kit available with supplies on hand; flashlights, radios, batteries, non-perishable food, water and blankets.

If you must leave your home, please be careful and drive cautiously!

COMMUNITY EVENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH - 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.

Important Trash Billing Information

Changes in Billing Beginning April 2022

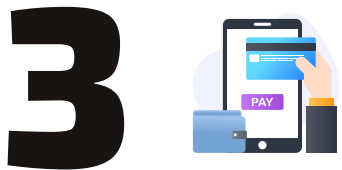


Beginning in April, Eureka Residents will be billed directly by Waste Connections for trash service. Water and sewer services will continue to be billed by the City until the Utility System is sold.



In March you will receive two separate bills.

- One bill from the City of Eureka for March trash service which will be billed with water and sewer as in the past.
- One quarterly bill from Waste Connections that covers April - June for trash service.



While there will still be a City-wide contract with Waste Connections and your rates will remain the same, due to the change they will consider you to be a new customer. Your first bill from them will arrive by US Mail. Payment must be made directly to Waste Connections. Once your account is set up with them, you can visit their website to see available payment options.



Waste Connections Contact Information

For questions, concerns or issues contact Waste Connections directly:

Phone: 636-321-2100
Website: www.wasteconnections.com/st-louis
Mobile App: WasteConnect

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