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2020 Fourth Quarter Newsletter

From Alderman Stephen McLane



Greetings from Ward 1. First, I want to say thank you for your support during the last election. The turn out was way more than expected during the upside-down year we have had. I guess I should take a minute to introduce myself to those who don't know me. I am a third generation

Hallsville High School graduate and have lived my whole life in the same 6-mile circle that my dad and grandfather lived their lives. I have been serving the community as a member of the Boone County Fire District for over 30 years and currently in my 26th year of state government service. This is my second tour as City Alderman.

One of the many tasks the Board of Aldermen do every year is, of course, spending your tax dollars as efficiently and judiciously as possible. Like many of you the budget seems to get tighter every year with the cost of materials going up and we try to reward city staff with wages that are competitive and fair. Also, like many of you we sometimes must find ways of boosting our income to offset these rising costs.

One-way we can offset these costs is to cut spending. Every year we look at our goals and the projects that need completing. The list of what we can afford to do and stay within our budget just keeps getting smaller. The other way is by raising taxes or creating new taxes. No one likes this idea, but sometimes it just makes the most sense. After much discussion and investigation, we discovered a tax that many neighboring communities have that we are not using. A Use Tax.

What is a Use Tax? Well, it is a tax applied to the purchase of goods, by Missouri residents and businesses from out-of-state vendors. This is typically applied to online, catalog and direct market sales from out-of-state vendors. This tax is applied to out-of-state purchases where no sales tax is currently charged. This tax does not apply if the purchase is from a Missouri retailer and is already subject to local sales tax. The revenue from this tax can be used to support many city functions such as infrastructure improvements, public safety, or park maintenance.

Internet sales are estimated at 12% to 15% of all retail sales in the United States. On-line purchases should be collecting the same tax for the betterment of our community as our local brick and mortar stores. Items purchased from Missouri vendors would not be subject to this tax as the goods are taxed elsewhere. We are hopeful that if this tax passes we can complete some additional city projects starting next fiscal year.

If you have any questions about Question #1 (the Use Tax) that will be on the November ballot please don't hesitate to reach out to any of the Aldermen, the Mayor, or City Administrator.

Stephen McLane, Alderman Ward 1

From Alderman Tony Lindsay



I would like to thank all of you for allowing me the privilege to serve my community as Alderman – Ward II. I have enjoyed my time serving on the Planning & Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustments but look forward to what is ahead in my new role. Working for a better tomorrow is something I am very passionate about. We are seeing great growth and new opportunities in our growing town. With this growth, comes some growing pains.

High speed internet will be great once installed and operating but getting through the construction phase of installation can be trying to say the least. Neighborhoods under construction can be aggravating at times but enjoyed greatly when completed. We have many issues still before us and I am eager to do all I can to resolve as many as possible. I intend to be available as much as possible to discuss issues with my townspeople as you find necessary to discuss. While I may be Alderman Ward II, I feel I serve all of my greater community in the decisions we make.

Please reach out to me if you have concerns or issues with our wonderful community. I hope to make it better for all of us today, tomorrow, and in the future. Thank you!

Tony Lindsay, Alderman Ward II

October 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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November 2020						
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29	30					
December 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

*Highlighted trash pick-up: Regular trash pickup; Saturday dumpster pickup; Bulky trash pickup

Trash



- Trash pick-up is Wednesday and should be set out at the curbside the night before.
- No yard waste or brush is allowed in your trash collection.
- Dayne's will pick up trash on all holidays except Christmas Day.
- Bulky trash day is the third Wednesday of every month.

RECYCLING BIN INFORMATION



You do not need to use any bags when using the recycling bin at the Community Center.

They expect all material in the dumpster to be recyclable. Please keep in mind that plastic bags are not recyclable, so they encourage using a cardboard box or reusable plastic tub to help transport your material to the bin location. If you decide that plastic bags are more convenient, at this time you can still throw the bag of recycled material in the bin.

There is still littering citations being issued for leaving recyclable items and/or trash on the ground around the bin. If the bin is full, please do not leave your recycling outside of the recycling bin.



HALLSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Police Foundation of Hallsville and Hallsville Police Department have partnered for the month of October to raise funds for the fight against breast cancer and help with #BreastCancerAwareness! *Proceeds raised in the month of October will be donated to the Ellis Fischel Cancer Center at the University of Missouri Hospital. The money will be used to pay for mammograms for Hallsville community members!* We hope each year this will grow into a bigger month of October event!

Don't forget to go to <https://midmoshirtshack.com/> Click EVENTS/BUSINESS – Click Cuffin' For A Cure and order your very own t-shirt or hoodie with Chief Schultz's smiling face! (Now available on the front or back) **Shirts and hoodies are available to order online until October 6th!** You can pay shipping to your house or pick up at Shirtworks in Hallsville for no shipping cost.

We are also selling the patches for \$10.00 and window stickers for \$12.00 at City Hall the month of October.



#pinkpatchproject

Chamber Nominations



The Hallsville Chamber of Commerce nomination forms are out for their annual awards for Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, and Educator of the Year. Forms can be

printed from the City of Hallsville's website Hallsvillemo.org or picked up at City Hall. All forms need to be returned by **Wednesday, October 28, 2020** to City Hall. You can drop them off inside City Hall, put them in the drop box, mail them to P.O. Box 170 Hallsville, MO 65255 or email them to cityhall@hallsvillemo.org. Winners are announced at the Hallsville Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet in December.

Election Day



November 3, 2020 – The 39th precinct (west of Hwy 124 and Route B) polling place will be at the Baptist Church located at 115 Elizabeth Street and the 16th precinct (east side) polling place will be at the Community Center located at 324 E. Hwy OO from 6:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.

Veterans Day



City Hall will be closed **Wednesday, November 11th** in observance of Veterans Day.

Daylight Saving Time Ends



Sunday, November 1, 2020, 2:00 a.m. clocks are turned backward 1 hour to Sunday, November 1, 2020, 1:00 a.m. local standard time. Sunrise

and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on November 1, 2020, than the day before! There will be more light in the morning.

Thanksgiving Holiday



City Hall will be closed **Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th** to observe the Thanksgiving holiday. However, there will be no change to trash pickup that week.

Hallsville Chamber Awards Banquet



The Hallsville Chamber of Commerce will have their Awards Banquet on **Monday, December 7, 2020**. Awards will be presented for the

Chamber's Citizen, Business, and Educator of the Year. Look for upcoming announcements on how to R.S.V.P. to the banquet held at the Hallsville Community Center. Current Chamber Board members are Terri McHugh (President), Cheri Reisch (Vice President), Hanna Rustemeyer (Secretary/Treasurer), John Downs (Board member), Kenyetta Ridgway-Sample (Board member).

Hallsville Christmas Angels



Starting October 15th, sign-up sheets will be out at City Hall to sign up for Christmas assistance getting gifts for your little ones. Deadline to sign up will be December 4th. You can sign up by coming into City Hall or

calling 573-696-3885.

Angels will be available to adopt for Christmas at the Hallsville Chamber Awards Banquet or from the City Hall Christmas tree.

Christmas Holiday



City Hall will be closed **Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th** in observance of the Christmas holidays.

New Year Holiday



City Hall will be closed **Friday, January 1, 2021** in observance of the New Year's holiday and **Monday, January 18, 2021** in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday!

Utility bill payment options

ONLINE Payments



On the City's website Hallsvillemo.org you can choose Payment Options – Click the red "Pay Your Bill Now" button and have your account number handy. You can pay your bill 24/7. We accept Visa, MasterCard, and Discover.

Payments by Mail



If paying by check or money order, you can mail your payment to City of Hallsville P.O. Box 170 Hallsville, MO 65255. Do not forget your payment coupon or to put your account number on your check.

ACH Payments



The City will automatically withdraw the City utility bill amount from your bank account on the 10th day of each month. This will help to avoid late fees that are posted on the 11th. You will continue to receive your monthly statement showing the amount due and your bill will state 'DO NOT PAY'. Come into City Hall to get an ACH application or call to have one emailed or faxed to you.

Payment Drop-off Location

You may pay your bill in person at City Hall. We accept cash, check, money orders, and credit/debit cards. To pay after hours there is also a drop box for your payment.

City of Hallsville bills are due by the 10th of each month. A 5% late fee is assessed on the 11th. Accounts not paid by the 20th will be assessed a \$35.00 nonpayment fee and service will be subject to disconnection.

Check out all the City Ordinances online at <https://www.ecode360.com/HA3555>

Recent Ordinances Passed

The newsletter will spotlight ordinances passed each quarter.

Ordinance 382 An Ordinance Adding To The Ballot a Use Tax for General Revenue Purposes At The Rate of One and Six Two Five Percent (1.625%).