



HALLSVILLE NEWS & VIEWS

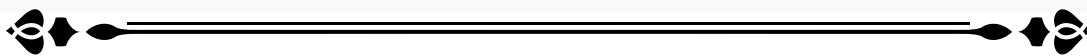


Mayor Logan Carter

Happy New Year Hallsville! As you have noticed by now, we have made a significant change to our monthly billing. This change allows the City of Hallsville to include more substantial communication compared to the old post card style billing. Be on the look out for newsletters, updates, and events to be included in the coming months.

Spring is right around the corner and warmer weather is sure to follow! One major change you will notice as you get out to Tribble Park is the placement of new restrooms. I would like to thank all that have worked on accomplishing this goal, City Administrator Kenyetta Ridgway-Sample, our Park Board Members and volunteers, and last but not least our great crew in the Public Works Department. There is still some work to be done in the area but look forward to the finished project this spring.

The City of Hallsville was recently informed of the Department of Natural Resources' Lead and Cooper Rule Survey, in this newsletter and further communications, you will learn how you can assist the City in completing this task. It is vital this information is collected from each homeowner or resident in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 573-696-3885.



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RECENT BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTION

Ordinance 406: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION. - *Passed January 9, 2023*

Ordinance 407: AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF HALLSVILLE, AT A GENERAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE CITY SHALL IMPOSE A GENERAL SALES TAX OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLIC SAFETY. - *Passed January 9, 2023*

Ordinance 408: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 230.100 (A) (TRASH) SERVICE CHARGES - *To be passed February 11, 2023*

Ordinance 409: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 210. OFFENSES; ARTICLE V. OFFENSES CONCERNING PUBLIC PEACE; SECTION 201.750. NOISE RESTRICTIONS - *To be passed February 11, 2023*

Ordinance 410: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 205 ANIMAL REGULATIONS, ARTICLE I. CONTROL OF ANIMALS (C)(1), SECTION 205.193 DESIGNATION OF DANGEROUS ANIMAL - PRECEDURE (B) (4), SECTION 205.197 DESTRUCTION OF DANGEROUS ANIMAL (A)(1)(2)(B), SECTION 205.200 IMPOUNDING OF ANIMALS BITING OR ATTACKING PERSONS (B)(1)(C), SECTION 205.210 CONFINEMENT OF DOGS, AND SECTION 205.300 ANIMAL NEGLECT (B)(C)(D)(E) - *Passed January 9, 2023*

Ordinance 411: AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A SALES TAX AT A RATE OF THREE PERCENT (3%) ON ALL TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY RETAIL SALES OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA SOLD WITHIN THE CITY OF HALLSVILLE, MISSOURI - *Passed January 17, 2023*

ORDINANCE 408

There is hereby imposed for the collection and disposal of solid wastes and for the improvement of general public and environment a service charge for each dwelling unit to which such service shall be provided under the provision of this Chapter. Said service charge shall be **\$15.80** per dwelling unit.

At the January 9, 2023 Board of Aldermen meeting it was unanimously voted to increase trash service for residential and commercial by 5% following an increase in trash service from Dayne's Waste Disposal due to the drastic changes in fuel prices.

The trash increase will be on your bill due March 10, 2023

FEBRUARY 2023

- February 1st: Storm Siren Testing at Noon
- February 9th: Mayor's Birthday
- February 10th: ACH Payments
- February 13th: 5% penalty added to utility bills
- February 13th: Board of Aldermen meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- February 14th: Valentine's Day
- February 20th: City offices closed
- February 21st: \$35.00 non-payment fees added to utility bills
- February 21st: Water shut offs

A reminder from Missouri American Water – Your sewer provider.



Business Hours

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Staff

City Administrator-Kenyetta Ridgway-Sample

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Public Works Superintendent-Dan McCaleb

Public Works Assistant - Christopher Lowhorn

Public Works Assistant - Tyler Spears

Police Chief-Bryan Schultz

Police Sergeant-Jeffrey Voss

Police Officer-Myron Woodson

SRO/Police Officer-Justin Cummings

Proposition 2

A Sales Tax on Retail Sales of Adult-Use Marijuana APRIL 4 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

The City of Hallsville was one of the latest in a large number of municipalities that opted to place a marijuana sales tax on the April 4, 2023 ballot. The Hallsville Board of Aldermen on Tuesday, January 17th passed an ordinance that would put a 3% sales tax on recreational marijuana sold within Hallsville city limits, subject to the approval of voters. The item will appear as **Proposition 2** on the April ballot.

There are currently no dispensaries with plans to open in Hallsville, but passage of the tax would position the city to capture additional revenue if or when a dispensary does open in Hallsville.

Last November, Missouri voters approved Amendment 3, which legalizes recreational, adult use of marijuana in Missouri and imposes a 6% state tax and regular sales tax, in addition to the optional 3% tax local governments can impose.



Proposition 911

A Public Safety Sales Tax

APRIL 4 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

Working to improve Public Safety



On April 4, 2023, Hallsville voters will be asked to consider establishing a sales tax to improve funding for the Hallsville Police Department. Recognizing that Hallsville residents expect dependable, quality, and effective public safety services, the Hallsville Board of Aldermen has identified increasing funding for public safety will help with staffing recruitment, retention, and safety as a priority.

The Mayor, Board of Aldermen, and staff have worked for several years to obtain State authorization to put a Public Safety Sales Tax on the ballot for Hallsville voters to consider but unfortunately it never passed through the Senate as other cities did. This is why the Board of Aldermen decided to add a General Sales Tax to the ballot and would earmark it for Public Safety.

If approved, how will the City use the Public Safety Sales Tax?

The operation of the Hallsville Police Department, including:

- Purchase of needed equipment to increase emergency response capability and capacity
- Compensation to recruit quality candidates and retain experienced personnel
- Training

How can you know funds will be used as promised?

Revenues from this sales tax will be placed in a dedicated Public Safety Sales Tax fund. These funds will be audited during the City's audit. The sales tax is intended only to be used to fund the operations of the police and cannot be commingled with non-public safety City funds.

Who will pay this sales tax?

Everyone that shops in Hallsville, both residents and non-residents who rely on public safety while in Hallsville.

How much revenue will be generated by this sales tax?

If approved, it is estimated that the Public Safety Sales tax will generate \$120,000.00 each year.

How will this affect the City's sales tax rate?

The current total sales tax rate is 7.61% of which the City receives 1.63%. Voters will be asked if the City can increase the City's sales tax rate to 2.63% resulting in a total sales tax rate of 8.61%

What does a 1-cent sales tax mean to you?

It will add **6 cents** to the cost of a \$6.00 stop at the convenience store.

It will add **30 cents** to the cost of a \$30.00 stop at a local store.

It will add **\$4** to the cost of a \$400.00 shopping spree in town.

What will happen if voters don't approve the 1-cent sales tax?

The Hallsville Police Department will continue to provide the best services possible with the resources available. Recruitment and retaining will be increasingly difficult.

In a recent survey, 98% of those that responded felt like Hallsville was a safe community. Additional funding will allow the Hallsville Police Department to continue providing excellent service to residents, meet future demands and protect a high quality of life.

When is the election?

The Municipal General Election is Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

What is the deadline to register to vote?

The last day to register to vote is **March 8, 2023**. Early voting period: March 21, 2023 thru April 3, 2023.