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HALLSVILLE NEWS & VIEWS



In November, Where do you go to Vote?

Since Boone County received good feedback during the 2024 general election when they moved the polling place to the Hallsville Baptist church to accommodate the higher turnout, they will again hold the **November 4, 2025** special election at the **Baptist Church**. This will be the **ONLY** polling place in Hallsville for November.

Boone County will also be offering **no-excuse absentee voting** in the **parking lot of the Hallsville Baptist Church** on **November 1st** so folks have a chance to vote early if they want.

In November, What is on the ballot to Vote for?

Hallsville R-IV School District

Prop 2 | Phase 2 #BuildingOurTribe

On November 4, 2025, voters in the Hallsville School District will again be asked to approve the issuance of \$6.5 million in general obligation bonds known as Proposition 2. The bond was originally approved in April 2025 with 75% voter support, but it must be re-voted on after the State Auditor's Office said that they would decline to certify the bond due to publication notices. The bond proceeds will be combined with funds saved by the district to complete Phase 2 of a three-phase plan designed to address the district's facility needs and accommodate growth. No tax increase will be required.

Phase 1, completed in 2024, added a new middle school wing, storm shelter, and football field. Phase 2 focuses on improving parking and traffic flow on the main campus, addressing growing student enrollment, and enhancing student safety. The \$6.5 million generated through bond sales will fund the following:

- **Parking & Traffic Flow Improvements:** Expanding parking and improving traffic flow on the main campus to accommodate student and guest parking.
- **New Classrooms at Hallsville Primary School:** Addressing the growing student enrollment.
- **Relocated Baseball Field & Multipurpose Field:** Constructing a new baseball field and adding an artificial surface multipurpose field.
- **Security Upgrades:** Installing additional security doors at main entrances in the intermediate, middle, and high school.
- **Refinancing Lease Obligations:** Paying off a lease-purchase agreement to reduce future financial commitments.

Proposition 2 will continue the district's efforts to enhance its facilities and ensure they meet the needs of students and staff.

4-Day School Week

State law (Section 171.028 RSMo) requires Hallsville to ask voters to approve keeping our four-day school week for a 10-year period beginning in the 2026–2027 school year. This only applies to districts that overlap a charter county or a large city. Because approximately 235 acres of Hallsville's boundaries are located within the City of Columbia, residents living within the Hallsville School District must vote on this question. Hallsville moved to a four-day school week in 2022 to help us recruit and retain great teachers, which means stronger classrooms and better learning for the students of Hallsville.

"Shall the school board of Hallsville School District adopt the provisions of Section 171.028, RSMo, establishing a four-day school week for the next ten years in the district of Hallsville?" ☐ YES ☐ NO

City of Hallsville

Proposition U

What is a Use Tax?

A use tax is similar to a sales tax, but it applies to purchases made from out-of-state vendors (often online) that do not collect local sales tax. For example, if an item is bought in Hallsville, sales tax is charged. If that same item is purchased from a seller outside Missouri who doesn't collect local tax, a use tax would apply instead.

Important to know: The State of Missouri and Boone County already collect their use taxes on qualifying purchases. The Hallsville proposal would allow the City to do the same, so that local revenue is not left out when residents shop online or from out-of-state vendors.

Key Features of the Proposal

- If approved, Hallsville's use tax rate would match the city's existing local sales tax rate.
- The tax applies only to out-of-state purchases where Hallsville sales tax has not already been collected.
- A purchase is never taxed twice — it's either sales tax or use tax, not both.
- The proposal does not increase the existing sales tax rate.

In November, What is on the ballot to Vote for? continued.....

Potential Impact Locally

If adopted, the City of Hallsville would receive revenue from online and out-of-state purchases in the same way it does from local sales. This funding would be used for general city services, such as:

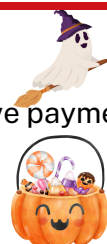
- Maintaining and improving streets and infrastructure
- Supporting police and public works
- Upkeep of parks, utilities, and community facilities

What Happens Next

- The proposal will appear on the ballot as Proposition U on November 4, 2025.
- A simple majority vote is required for passage.
- If approved, Hallsville would begin collecting a use tax on out-of-state purchases, just as the State of Missouri and Boone County already do.

OCTOBER 2025

- **October 1st:** Emergency sirens are tested the first Wednesday of every month at noon.
- **October 10th:** Accounts signed up for automatic withdraw payments for City water and/or trash will have payments removed from your checking account.
- **October 13th:** A 5% penalty is added to all water and/or trash accounts that are unpaid.
- **October 13th:** The Board of Aldermen have their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall.
- **October 21st:** **A \$35 nonpayment fee will be added to all water and/or trash accounts that are unpaid. Services will be discontinued. Needing help with your bill? Call City Hall before the 21st to make a payment arrangement.**



Hallsville Area Chamber of Commerce

Friday, October 24th: Don't forget to get your nominations in to City Hall by Friday, October 24th by 5:00 p.m. for Business of the Year; Educator of the Year, and Citizen of the Year. Print off the forms on the City's Facebook page or pick up a copy at City Hall. Drop off the completed forms at City Hall or fill them out online at <https://bit.ly/Chambernoms>. Stay tuned for information on the Awards Banquet.

CITY ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS – OCTOBER

Join us in congratulating our newest **Public Works Assistant, Robbie Bradshaw**, on celebrating his one-year anniversary with the City on October 21st! If you can survive the first year, you've really proven yourself—and Robbie has done just that! And the celebrations keep rolling... last month marked **Chief Schultz's** work anniversary with the City, and this month we get to celebrate his birthday on October 28th! He's another year older (and almost the oldest employee at the City 😊). If you see him around town, don't forget to wish him a very Happy Birthday!

HALLSVILLE HAPPENINGS

Saturday, October 11th: Get ready to shout "Bingo!" with the Hallsville Historical Society at their Fall Bingo bash at the Bob Lemone Bldg. Doors swing open at 5:00 p.m., and the bingo ball frenzy kicks off at 6:00 p.m. Dive into 20 games for just \$20.00, and don't forget to snag some concessions!

Saturday, October 18th: Put on your spookiest outfit for 'Trick or Treat' in the Park! The candy fest begins at 4:30 p.m., with a Costume Contest at 5:15 p.m. on the basketball court. Enjoy games, prizes, a snack food walk, and more candy than you can carry! Feast on hot dogs, chips, and water. Join us for a frightfully fantastic time at Tribble Park!

Saturday, November 8th: Police Foundation of Hallsville will be rolling out the red carpet for the 5th Annual Brews & BBQ! It's their blockbuster fundraiser of the year, held at the Bob Lemone Bldg with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Snag a table for six at \$200 or solo seats for \$40. each. Feast on mouthwatering BBQ from Como Smoke & Fire and grab a bottomless koozie for just \$10! Dive into games, raffles, and both silent and live auctions. Feeling lucky? You might snag the winning key to a treasure chest packed with at least \$1,000! Master Rock, Paper, Scissors and pocket \$500, or correctly call heads or tails to take home half the pot! Loads of chances to strut out with cash! Come to Hallsville City Hall to purchase your table or call Kenyetta at 573-682-4584!



The ghoulish giggles have returned to Hallsville! From **Monday, October 20th to Saturday, November 1st**, get ready for the **"Spooky Potties on Parade"** fundraisr, sneaking its way through town to support the Hallsville Veterans Memorial. Watch out for four Halloween-themed thrones magically appearing in yards! If you find one haunting your lawn, simply call City Hall at 573-696-3885 or email cityhall@hallsvillemo.org to make it vanish! ***\$20.00** – Banish the Potty from your turf; ***\$25.00** – Exercise the Potty and have it delivered to someone else's haunt; ***\$35.00** – Snag "toilet insurance" to ensure the potty is spirited away, sent to a yard of your choice, and won't return to haunt you again! This is the last flush of the year, so don't be "scarily stingy"! Join the fun, spread the Halloween chills, and help honor our heroes by supporting the Veterans Memorial. **Can you guess the fourth potty?**