Spring is Around the Corner and it’s Time for Budget Already

The City starts the budget process well before the start of the next fiscal year (July 1, 2020). The City starts reviewing departmental budgets in February and March. A budget calendar is created to assure the City can pass the budget by ordinance by June 30th. Revenues are estimated and expenses are determined by previous year expenses, capital needs as well as short and long term plans. The goal is always to be great stewards of the City funds and at the same time reach the goals set out by the City Commission. Sometimes it can be a bit of a juggling act but all the departments pitch in until a solid budget can be submitted to the City Commission.

Remember, all meetings are always open to the public and the City welcomes your input. Notices for the meetings will be on the City website www.mountpleasanttn.org, the Facebook page and in the Columbia Daily Herald.

New Public Works Director!

The City is pleased to announce that we have a new Public Works Director! The position has been open since October of last year. Keith McCafferty has accepted the position and is excited to start this month.

Keith is currently the Chief Operator at the City of Columbia Wastewater Plant. Prior to that, he spent 10 years with the Lawrenceburg Utility District as well. Along with his Military experience in the Air Force he has a BS degree from Middle Tennessee State University. He also holds the following certifications: Class 4 Wastewater License, Class 2 Collection License, Cross Connection License and a Voluntary Pretreatment Certification. In addition, he has a wealth of training in Utilities and Management.

In the Air Force Mr. McCafferty was a Environmental Support Specialist/Water and Wastewater Operator working at several bases across the USA. He also worked for the City of Tampa managing an Activated Sludge Wastewater Plant years ago. He has a small business where he assists other small utilities in maintenance and technical operational issues. His customers include Summertown High School, Cities of Loretto, Hohenwald and Crossville. He also assists homeowners and real estate agents by testing well water and installs Ultraviolet units. Keith is from Lawrence County and is married to Michelle. They have two children, one son in college at East Tennessee University and a middle school son at Summertown High School.

The Public Works Department is the largest department of our City. It also has the largest budget. Residents here know that our Water and Sewer utilities have suffered problems in the past and are on the way to where the City needs the utilities to be. This is a very important position to the City and we are proud to have Keith McCafferty on board!
Thunder Over Maury to be a County Wide Event!!

The last two years Mount Pleasant has hosted two successful Thunder Over Maury events. The events have had music, food trucks, remote control airplanes, kid zones, FIREWORKS, etc. Anyone who attended these events also knows they were VERY HOT on the last Saturday in July. So, the first change to the event is the timing. This year the event will be May 16th which is also Armed Forces Day in the USA! The goal is to turn the attention to the Military and honor them with this event.

The event will be put on by the City of Mount Pleasant Parks and Recreation Department, City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department and Maury County. This will be a great cooperative effort for all of Maury County!

In the initial meetings with all of the officials some of the ideas are as follows:

- Kid section with inflatables and games
- FOOD Trucks
- Craft vendor area
- Recreational Controlled (RC) model aircraft display with Buddy Boxing and flying shows through the day!
  (Buddy Boxing is a profession RC flyer working with an inexperienced flyer to make it safe.)
- Rolling Thunder motorcycle brigade on site to display their bikes
- Life Flight
- Fireworks!
- Music all day
- More of the Armed Forces will be present

National Guard activities to include:
- Military aircraft
- Military Band
- Military Equipment
- Military Skydive

As you can see with all of the County cooperating and working together this will become a much bigger event! Stay tuned for more details on the bigger and better Thunder Over Maury event but mark your calendars now for May 16th, 2010!!

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Vice Mayor Delores Blankenship (931) 379-3003
Commissioner Jacqueline Grandberry (931) 334-1691
Commissioner Mike Davis (931) 388-7821
Commissioner Bedford Smith (931) 797-6218
December is the sixth month of the fiscal year. December is the one of the months where we collect property taxes. We are slightly below the expected revenue for the general fund at 43.92% of budget. We expect this to increase in the months of January and February.

At the end of December, we have collected 43.82% of the budgeted total revenues totaling $1,361,855. Expenditures are at 44.99% of budgeted amounts totaling $996,488.

Cash in checking and certificates of deposit in the general fund total $1,433,379. The Gas Fund has checking, savings, and certificates totaling $4,275,976. The water operating account is up to $1,214,852 and total cash and certificates of deposit, excluding loan deposits, total $2,330,484.

Make sure you sign up for the city's text message alerts!! You will get information on events, weather alerts, major traffic issues, and other city news.

SEND TEXT TO 36000
MESSAGE MPCITY

The County Clerk's vehicle registration kiosk is one of the fastest way to renew your vehicles registration. Simply bring the registration form from the Clerk's Office and your debit card. Within two minutes, the kiosk will provide a new decal for your license place. Its fast and easy!
Community Center Floors: We work hard to maintain the Community Center Facility! The foyer floors have been stripped and waxed and the West Hall floors have been scrubbed! Thank you to those who put in the extra time and hard work for this much needed maintenance task!

Dog Park: Our Dog Park at Howard Field has been a very welcomed addition to the community! This mild winter has produced many beautiful days for local dogs to enjoy the park!

Scout Hut: Lots of progress made on the Hut! Expected completion is later on this year.

Daddy/Daughter Dance: February 15th is the date! Daddy’s bring your daughters to the MP Community Center from 5pm-7pm for a fun filled evening of dancing! This event is FREE of charge and pictures will be offered on site for $10 for 2-5x7’s

Teen Center: There is lots of fun to be had after school at the Teen Center! Come on over and play some Basketball or Pickleball! Or just relax and catch up on some homework! See you kids there!
The Mount Pleasant Police Department, along with other surrounding agencies, has noticed an increase in stolen trailers. The reason why thieves target trailers is because they are hard to track and easy to sell or trade. The best way to avoid being a victim, is for owners to purchase hitch locks from just about any auto parts store. We also advise owners to add some type of distinguishing mark or initials in a concealed area of the trailer such as the frame or underneath the deck. This will help you identify your trailer in case it is ever stolen. We also recommend you take pictures of your trailer and any property on the trailer. These suggestions also work for all lawn equipment, tools, and other items of value. Not only should you take pictures, but you should write down any serial number that is on each piece of equipment and keep in a safe location. As you are aware, weapons are always a temptation for thieves. We highly recommend you take a picture of each weapon and keep the serial number in a safe location as well. We hope you never become a victim of crime, but if you should, these simple tips will help with the recovery process.

The Mount Pleasant Police Department, along with some helpers, delivered Christmas gifts to some of the elderly shut ins at the Mount Pleasant Housing Authority this month. Sergeant Odom oversees this project each year. We want to thank him for his hard work and dedication to this project.

Chief Hay and Assistant Chief Burgett presented a check to the director of Center of Hope from proceeds of “No Shave October.” The Police & Fire Department also donated a few of the 2019 Cancer Awareness T Shirts to the center to help provide clothing for some of the residents.
The Mount Pleasant Fire Department responded to a total of ninety-three (93) calls for service. Calls for service included: three (3) fires; forty-five (45) emergency medical responses; two (2) hazardous conditions; thirty-nine (39) public service and good intent calls; and four (4) false alarms. Additionally, the department issued three (3) burn permits in the city.

Fire prevention activities included one (1) smoke alarm install in a residential home. The fire department evaluated Mount Pleasant High School (MPHS) during a fire drill. All students and staff evacuated and established accountability within permissible time limits. Good job MPHS!

Chief Grooms, Assistant Chief Stewart, and Captain Chatman attended the annual fire inspector conference in Murfreesboro, TN. Twenty-four hours of continuing education units (CEU’s) were awarded to each that applies to their State of Tennessee Fire Inspector License renewal. Lastly, Chief Grooms assisted Zach Brawner with Mount Pleasant Power System in re-certifying all their employees in First Aid and CPR.
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<td>Mac's Service Station</td>
<td>12/04/2019</td>
<td>Chatman, Jimmy</td>
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<td>Had some old fire extinguishers. Owner stated he would get some new ones.</td>
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<td>Charlie's This N That</td>
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<td>Lovely Lane Beauty</td>
<td>12/17/2019</td>
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<td>Correction Notice Issued</td>
<td>Electrical panels blocked (IFC 605.3) Extinguishers should be mounted near exit and visible (IFC-906.6)</td>
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<td>Tennessee Aluminum Processors</td>
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<td>Chris Gibson</td>
<td>12/26/2019</td>
<td>Howell, Rodney</td>
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<td>Andeson Machining LLC.</td>
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<td>Star Construction</td>
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<td>Mt. Pleasant Group Home</td>
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<td>Doug Jeffords Spice Company</td>
<td>12/27/2019</td>
<td>Cockrell, Brent</td>
<td>Correction Notice Issued</td>
<td>Emergency lights do not work properly. (IFC 1024.2.6.1) Extinguishers should be mounted near exits and readily visible/accessible. Covers should be on all outlets, switches and electrical boxes. Address numbers should be visible from the street. (IFC 505.1)</td>
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<td>Tennessee Southern Railroad</td>
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<td>Tomlinson Construction</td>
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<td>Victory Supply</td>
<td>12/31/2019</td>
<td>Cockrell, Brent</td>
<td>Passed with Comments</td>
<td>Passed with comments exits lights out, covers should be on all outlets, switches and electrical boxes. Lighted exit signs do not operate properly. Operations manager stated that they remodeling and replacing emergency lights and exits signs. They are fixing all the violations during the remodeling stage.</td>
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Total # Inspections for: Fire Inspection: 17

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Total # Inspections for: Reinspection: 1
The Mount Pleasant Planning Commission met for a special-called December session. Items on the agenda are as follows:

• Site Plan Review Request – Landmark requested a site plan review for an outdoor exterior storage project at 1427 N. Main St. A review of the proposal was discussed and reviewed by the planning commission, and received unanimous approval.

• Site Plan Review Request– Landmark requested an additional site plan review for a demolition and replacement of a showroom located on their property at 1427 N. Main St. A review and discussion on the proposed site plan was held by the planning commission, and received unanimous approval.

BOARD OF ZONING AND APPEALS

The Board of Zoning Appeals did not meet in December.

HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION

The Historic Zoning Commission met for their regular meeting in December where Mrs. Jane Cottone presented a training session for the board.

312 S. MAIN ST.

Construction on Zingarelli’s Market is moving along. The interior build is almost complete, and the exterior brick veneer has been placed. This project is an improvement to the corridor of Mt. Pleasant’s main thoroughfare

188 S. CROSS BRIDGES RD.

Acts Family Church is preparing to break ground at their new location, 188 S. Cross Bridges Rd. They have received approval to construct a 4,800-sf facility. This will prove to be an asset to our community.
The Community Service Department (CSD) is responsible for solid waste (garbage) pick-up, Monday thru Friday, some large item pick-ups, recreational parks, ball parks, brush pick-up, vacant lots, street sweeping, street signs, street drains, the community center, mowing, weed eating and keeping the town beautiful.

### PUBLIC WORKS

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<td>Plant Dec 2019 - 14.82 MG</td>
<td>Water Treated Dec 2019 - 33.84 MG</td>
<td>Upper Lagoon 80% Full</td>
<td>Leaks Repaired (07)</td>
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<td>Lagoon Dec 2019 - 23.96 MG</td>
<td>Water Sold Dec 2019 - 14.83 MG</td>
<td>Bottom Lagoon 20% Full</td>
<td>Water Meter Changes (15)</td>
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<td>Rain Dec 2019 - 6.26 inches</td>
<td>Water Treated Dec 2018 - 36.36 MG</td>
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<td>New Service (00)</td>
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<td>Water Sold Dec 2018 - 14.90 MG</td>
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<td>Spray Field - 303 TG</td>
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<td>Sludge to Landfill - 0.00 Tons</td>
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Municipal Solid Waste: 208.79 TONS  
Aluminum Cans: 000 lbs  

### HUMAN RESOURCES

The City of Mount Pleasant employs 73 Full-time and 18 part-time employees. The City had one (1) workers comp claim and no property damage claims for the month of December.

We are happy to present the following employees whose employment anniversaries were in December.

- Kari Daniels (Dispatch) 8 years  
- Ashley Simpson (Customer Service) 1 year

All available job positions and employment applications are available on the city’s website. Be sure to check often if you are interested in working for the city!

Thanks to all of our City employees for making the Mount Pleasant a better place to live, work, and play.
Mt. Pleasant Parks & Recreation Dept.

DADDY daughter

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For girls up to 8th grade

February 15, 2020 5-7pm

Mt. Pleasant Community Center

Light refreshments will be served

Pictures available to purchase

***no cost to attend***