

City of Munford, Tennessee 1397 Munford Avenue Munford, TN 38058 City Hall (901) 837-0171 www.munford.com Dwayne Cole, Mayor

July 22, 2024

Celebrate Independence 2024, held on July 3, was a wonderful success! The downtown area was abuzz with activities, businesses were open later, food trucks sold out of food, and the fireworks were phenomenal! As always, the Celebrate Munford Committee did a fantastic job of coordinating all the events and activities with various organizations and city departments. I want to personally thank Celebrate Chairman Cynthia Zickafoose for her leadership and committee members for their commitment in making Celebrate Independence the biggest and best ever!

The Munford Tipton County Memorial Library was recently chosen as one of four libraries by the Tennessee State Library and Archives for the "Library Spotlight"! They were recognized for their Video Relay Service for deaf and hard of hearing patrons. This is a videophone that allows patrons with hearing deficiencies. Congratulations to Librarian Lindsey Moore and her staff for their efforts in meeting the needs of our community.

Construction Bids for Veterans Plaza were opened on July 2 at City Hall with Rose Construction Company coming in as the low bidder. Our engineering firm, A2H, has confirmed the bid tabulations and has sent a letter of recommendation to award the contract to Rose Construction. This requires Board approval and is on the agenda for the July meeting.

Recently the property on Highway 51, approximately six acres previously owned by Pete Parker, was sold to BRG (Buchannan Realty Group). This development group has developed the large commercial/retail area in Millington. We are pleased to have the opportunity to work with this group for further opportunities along Highway 51.

Munford Fire Chief Jeremy Reeves was elected as President of the West Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association in July. This organization meets quarterly and consists of 40-50 departments throughout West Tennessee. Congratulations to Chief Reeves for this honor.

Please take advantage of upcoming family friendly community events:

- **August 3** Celebrate Munford 5K and Fun Run beginning at 8:00 AM at Centennial Park and Atoka Rock the Block at Nancy Lane Park in Atoka beginning 7-9 PM
- August 6 National Safe Night Out, hosted by Munford Police Department, at City Park
- August 7 First day of school for Tipton County Schools
- August 22 Cougars first football game of the season against Covington at Covington High School.

I am often told by newcomers how much they love living in Munford. They are complimentary of our welcoming citizens, safe neighborhoods, and smalltown atmosphere. My reply, "Welcome to My Kind of Town." Thank you for being you.

Warm regards, Dwayne Cole, Mayor