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Dwayne Cole, Mayor

Mayor's Report
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Aldermen:

As we turn the page and begin 2020, it is worth noting that 2019 was an exceptional year for the City of Munford. We were recognized as one of the safest towns in Tennessee and Chief Baskin announced a major reduction in most categories of crime. All three of our schools were identified as Level 5 and Reward Schools for outstanding student achievement over the past three years.

In 2019, we welcomed Las Margaritas to the business community and said goodbye to cornerstone business, Fred's of Munford. We approved construction plans for Carwash USA, due to open very soon, and Breakfast Cove on Highway 51 at Watson Road, which should open in the second quarter of 2020. And we added over \$9M of new construction residential and commercial project values within the City Limits! We enter 2020 with considerable momentum moving forward.

Ms. Jerry Trobaugh joined the Munford Municipal-Regional Planning Commission on May 15, 1989 by appointment of Mayor John Chorley. Having served for over 30 years, Ms. Jerry has proven invaluable in the growth of our area. Over the years, she has served ably as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary of the Planning Commission. She is a delight to work with and takes Planning Commission work very seriously. Due to health issues, Ms. Jerry resigned at the December PC meeting. I personally appreciate her service and dedication to our community. Thank you, Ms. Jerry.

Tonight, I am pleased to announce that John Moren has accepted my invitation to serve on the Munford Planning Commission, filling the vacancy left by Ms. Jerry Trobaugh. Also, Janice Bomar has agreed to serve on the Municipal Board of Zoning Appeals.

As you recall, when the State Legislature reduced sales tax on food a few years ago, cities across the state lost revenue from state shared dollars. I have contacted Senator Paul Rose and Representative Debra Moody to ask them to support legislation to restore those dollars to cities. I am NOT asking for the sales tax on food to be reinstated, rather that the loss of revenue to cities be restored. Hopefully this can be accomplished during the current session.

Thank you for your service to our community as we continue to move forward.

Warm regards,

Dwayne Cole