

Mayor's Report - June 27, 2022

Everyone is invited to join us as we "Celebrate Independence" on July 4th at Poplar Park in Munford. Fireworks will begin around 8:50 PM on Monday night, July 4. As always, Munford Fire Department will take safety precautions by watering the fireworks launch area, positioning emergency response vehicles strategically, and engaging additional support from other local departments. Citizens may view the spectacular fireworks from downtown and surrounding areas as well as live on Facebook. Celebrate Independence is a cooperative effort between the City of Munford and the civic organization Celebrate Munford and is an annual highlight of community life in our town.

It is my privilege tonight to administer the oath of office to our newest Law Enforcement Officer Zayla Adair. Officer Adair recently graduated from the Tennessee Law Enforcement Academy in Donelson TN and received her Tennessee Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T) certification upon graduation. She is a graduate of Brighton High School, and we are excited to have her join our patrol division. Congratulations and welcome Officer Adair.

We have received our Pavement Management Study and Recommendations from Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS). We certainly appreciate MTAS Consultants Ronnie Neill and John Chlarson for their tenacity in completing this study for us. Included in this report is a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) and usage estimate for every street in Munford. Public Works Director Sherry Bennard and I will be working on a 5-year plan in the near future as well as a funding proposal to accomplish these goals.

City Hall was recently closed for several days due to cases of Covid and several positive tests among administrative employees. I am happy to report that everyone is back at work and City Hall is now operating at full capacity. Our employees are fine and clear of the virus. I apologize for the inconvenience caused during this time. Please continue to take common sense precautions to protect yourself from this virus.

After some delay, we received our 2021 Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021. I am pleased to report that the fiscal condition of the City of Munford is strong. The City's total net position increased by \$603,610. Many thanks to City Recorder Sherry Yelvington for her hard work to prepare the required reports for our auditors. The audit is performed by Watkins Uberall, Certified Public Accountants in Memphis, Tennessee.

Please take care in these ridiculously hot days of Summer and may God bless you and keep you.

Warmest regards, Dwayne Cole