



## City of Munford, Tennessee

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Dwayne Cole, Mayor

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Mayor's Report  
July 27, 2020

Aldermen:

Great News! We received our monthly sales tax receipts report on May 2020, and I am very pleased to report that May was the highest month of receipts we have ever had for Local and Local option sales tax. May 2020 is up over 19% from May of last year and local and local option sales tax is up 13% for the year over last fiscal year (\$94,000). This is a result of our citizens shopping local and the strong growth of our business community in the last few years. And all of this during uniquely challenging times. Local sales tax is a large component of city revenues which are used to provide essential services such as public safety, street repairs, public works, and recreational opportunities. Again, THANK YOU for shopping local.

We have spent considerable energy in the past several weeks dealing with issues related to our trash pick-up service with Waste Pro. Service has been poor, and our volume of calls has increased dramatically. Due to the lack of adequate response from Waste Pro, I requested a review of the contract by Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) with intent to terminate the contract and move to another vendor. The termination clause of our contract requires a written notice to the vendor and a 15-day period to allow them to cure all breaches. If the issues are not resolved, we will terminate the contract and give them a 30-day notice of our intent. This letter was mailed by our attorney on July 24, 2020.

In addition to contacting legal services, we also interviewed two trash vendors who are capable of providing the service we require, and our citizens deserve. The best possible outcome is that Waste Pro will step up their game, serve our citizens, and fulfill the requirements of our contract. I hope this is the result of our discussions but if not, we are prepared to terminate and move on.

On July 17, I had the privilege to "cut the ribbon" and officially welcome Colorful Latte into the Munford business community. Located at 16 Beaver Road, Colorful Latte offers a full-service espresso bar, smoothies, hot and cold teas, fresh pastries, and homemade hand dipped ice creams. Heather Hyslip is the owner and we wish her great success in "my kind of town."

Celebrate Independence, sponsored by Celebrate Munford and the City of Munford, was held on July 2 with a fabulous fireworks show. This year's event was unique in that there were no concessions or activities, and everyone was encouraged to watch from parking lots, parks, and individual homes while observing proper social distancing. The crowd was well spaced and very large. I had many people express gratitude for the show and that it gave some sense of normalcy in an otherwise abnormal time.

As summer heats up, please remember our Firefighters, Law Enforcement Officers, Public Works Employees, and Parks and Recreation workers as they serve us in extreme conditions. Please thank them for their hard and hot work.

God bless you and keep you safe,

Dwayne Cole, Mayor