

## City of Munford, Tennessee

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Mayor's Report August 22, 2022

Tipton County Schools began on August 2 with all the excitement of the new year. I am pleased to report that all three Munford schools had School Resource Officers on the first day. This is a cooperative effort between Tipton County Government, Tipton County School Superintendent Dr. John Combs, and the City of Munford. Our School Resource Officers (SRO) are Munford Elementary School - SRO Josh Byars, Munford Middle School - SRO Lance Willis, and Munford High School - SRO Chris Atkinson. These highly trained officers are on site daily to interact with and protect our children.

As always traffic on the first few days of school is chaotic, to say the least. Chief Randal Baskin has committed several officers to direct traffic at the school and various intersections to improve traffic flow. Thank you, Chief Baskin. We will continue to consider various other alternatives.

I am ecstatic to announce that our Intersection and Sidewalk Improvement project has been approved and funded by TDOT and we have scheduled our pre-construction meeting with Ford Construction Company on August 31. This project includes turn lanes at Beaver Road and Munford Avenue, Munford Avenue at Doctor Drive, sidewalk rehabilitation from Park Street to College Street, and curb and gutter from Chance to College Street. Let us get it started!

Recently we performed emergency sewer repairs on West Main Street (Drummonds Road) and, in doing so, had to open cut some areas of the road. These have been patched and we are now planning to repave the affected area very soon. We will announce the schedule and do our best to reduce inconvenience as much as possible.

As well as West Main Street, we will also be performing additional street repair and paving. Each of the streets to be paved are listed in our recent Street Maintenance Survey as 'critical' and are only a part of our paving plan for the current fiscal year.

The Munford High School football team got off to a great start with a huge win (28-7) against perennial power and in-county rival Covington on August 18 at Covington Athletic Field. Please join me Friday night at Dr. Sid Witherington Field in Munford (Munford High School) as our Cougars take on the Millington Trojans. Congratulations Cougars and we look forward to a magical season!

Warmest late summer regards, Dwayne Cole