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Mayor's Report August 28, 2023

It is our honor to host the Tipton County 9/11, 22nd Anniversary, Memorial Service. This service is to honor and remember our fallen heroes. We will gather at the Munford Fire Department and the Memorial service will begin at 7:30 AM sharp. This Memorial service is a cooperative effort between Tipton County Law Enforcement agencies and Fire Departments. I encourage all our citizens to attend.

Tonight, the Board will approve, and I will sign the contract with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation authorizing funding for Veterans Plaza in Downtown Munford. Veterans Plaza will include a performing stage, bays for food trucks and farmer's market (when in season), restrooms, and open area. We have been working on this project for several years and we are anticipating construction to begin in the coming months. I would like to thank First Citizens National Bank for their critical role in bringing this great project to fruition.

Officers working the MHS football game on August 18 were notified of a male subject possibly possessing a handgun. Officers located the male and took him into custody, locating the handgun in his possession. No one was injured, no shots were fired, and our Officers acted quickly and properly to nullify the threat. As Chief Randall Baskin said, "We will not tolerate criminals trying to ruin Friday Night Lights in Munford or Tipton County." No, we will not.

Thanks to the efforts of many, the Tipton County Veterans Office in Munford is now offering opportunities for transportation to and from doctor appointments for local Veterans. For more information, please contact 901.476.2456.

Please join me on Thursday, August 31 at Noon at the Covington Court Square to observe Overdose Awareness Day. This is a day to remember loved ones who have died from drug overdose and acknowledge the grief of family and friends left behind.

We recently received our Financial Audit for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2022. The good news is that the fiscal condition of the City of Munford is good. Additional good news is that there is no bad news. I am certainly blessed to have a conservative Board of Aldermen as well as an outstanding City Recorder, Sherry Yelvington. Together we are moving forward.

The Munford High School Cougars Football Team is beginning the season "red hot." With two victories recorded, our Cougars will seek their third victory of the season against Melrose High School on Friday night at Dr. Sid Witherington Field on the campus of Munford High School. Go Cougars!

Thankfully the triple digit heat indexes have abated, and we look forward to cooler temps this week.

Warm late Summer regards, Dwayne Cole, Mayor