

City of Munford, Tennessee

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Mayor's Report November 22, 2021

As mentioned in the past, we have been in the process of refinancing our variable rate bonds to the historically low current fixed interest rates, we have now completed this process and the net result is a savings of \$516,032. We have also reduced the term of one bond by seven years. City Recorder Sherry Yelvington and I signed the final documents in November to complete the transactions. These bonds were utilized to finance utilities projects, our new fire truck, and other general fund purposes.

Tonight, I will administer the oath of office for our new Fire Chief, Jeremy Reeves. Chief Reeves began his career with our department as a volunteer in January 2006 and was hired as a full-time firefighter in November 2008. In March 2010 he was promoted to Lieutenant and recently was appointed acting Chief in the absence of Chief Barkelew. Chief Reeves is experienced, knowledgeable, and more than capable of leading our department into the future. Congratulations Chief!

Munford Halloween Madness, held on October 30 in downtown Munford, was an enormous success. Around thirty (30) downtown businesses and churches set up tents and opened trunks to greet costume-wearing children eager to gather candy and enjoy the gorgeous fall evening. The crowd was estimated at around 2,000 in the central business district of downtown Munford. Munford Halloween Madness was coordinated by Paula Singletary, owner of Downtown Styles at 1446 Munford Avenue and it was fantastic!!

The Annual Munford Christmas Parade will be held on December 4, beginning at 5:00 PM. The parade will begin at Doctors Drive, proceed down Munford Avenue, and turn Left at Tipton Road. As an extra feature this year, we will be having fireworks show shortly after the Christmas Tree lighting in City Park. We are asking everyone to bring an unwrapped children's gift to City Hall, to be distributed to children throughout Tipton County. The Munford Christmas Parade is always a momentous event, with many floats, bands, and civic organizations participating. Plan to join us on December 4.

During this season of Thanksgiving, I am truly thankful for this compassionate and caring community of Munford. Opportunities abound for acts of generosity and kindness, and you are always engaged, benevolent, and thoughtful. It is my honor to serve you, our citizens, along with our Aldermen as we move forward.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the citizens of Waukesha, WI during this time of grief after a driver plowed into Christmas Parade marchers and spectators, striking more than twenty adults and children. May the Lord provide Comfort as only He can?

Warm Thanksgiving regards, Dwayne Cole