

# CLAYCOMO NEWSLETTER – WINTER 2015 EDITION



## **2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY EVENT DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> COMMUNITY BUILDING 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, the Fire Department will escort Santa on the fire truck around the Village starting at approximately 9:30am visiting the neighborhoods and passing out treats. This year, Santa will conclude his Village tour at the Community Building around 3:00 pm.

At that time, Santa will be hosting all Claycomo residents and businesses at our **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Claycomo Holiday Event from 3:00 – 6:00 pm**. Santa will visit with all the children to have them share their Christmas wishes. Pictures of the children with Santa will be provided for every family.

At 4:00 pm, staff from the Public Library will share a story time for the children which will include their participation in acting out the story. Choirs from McMurry Church (3:00 pm) and Claycomo Baptist Church (5:30 pm) will provide musical entertainment. Other activities will include cookie decorating for the children (and older kids too!), creating ornaments, writing letters to Santa, and several games.

### **Holiday Event – Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> (continued)**

Food and beverages will be provided along with activities for all ages in the Community Building! Take some time to visit with your neighbors and wish them a Happy Holiday! Come join in on the fun!!

## **TAXES DUE DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup>**

**REMEMBER:** 2015 Taxes are due by December 31, 2015. You may mail in your payment to the County mailing address or go to the County Office in Liberty to make payment.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEE FILING DECLARATION**

Interested in becoming a Trustee for the Village? If so, **the filing declaration opens on Tuesday, December 15, 2015**. There will be two (2) seats open for the Board of Trustees on the upcoming ballot.

**To have your name placed on the April 7, 2016 ballot, an application must be completed and delivered, in person, to City Hall by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.**

## **ELECTION DAY – APRIL 5, 2016**

If you have not registered to vote, you must do so by March 9, 2016. To get more details, go to the Village website home page and click on “Register to Vote” under the Quick Links section.

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## **VOTING FOR NEW VILLAGE LOGO NOW OPEN!**

The Village has received six (6) designs for a new logo to represent Claycomo. These designs are now on display in the lobby of City Hall and at the Public Library along with being posted on the Village website at ([www.claycomo.org](http://www.claycomo.org)).

The objective of the new “logo” is to assist in establishing an identity for the Village which will be used to help promote our image and provide a unique branding opportunity to capture what the Village has to offer.

Voting is now open to all residents and businesses within the Village at the above locations. Voting will conclude on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> following the Holiday Event. Take a moment and cast your vote!!

## **PLANNING/VISIONING MTG. MON, DEC. 14 6:00 PM**

Two meetings have occurred discussing future priorities for the Village. The Village’s next meeting to further develop a long-range plan will be on Monday, December 14 at 6:00 pm in the Community Building. The purpose of these meetings is to develop a "Road Map" which will retain our current residents and businesses, attract new businesses and residents, and identify revenue opportunities to ensure the long-term health and prosperity of the Village.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Winter is almost here again, so I just want to remind you of our Snow Removal parking ordinance.

### **Sec. 27-207. Prohibited parking during snow emergencies.**

*Whenever snow has accumulated or there is a possibility that snow will accumulate to such a depth that snow removal operations will be required, the chairman of the board of trustees or such other person as shall be designated by the board of trustees, may declare a parking emergency, and until such an emergency is terminated and the snow removed from the streets, no vehicle shall be parked on any street or the right-of-way of any street in the village. All vehicles parked on such street at the time of the declaration of such emergency shall be moved. Provided, however, that the village shall take reasonable action to notify owners/operators of motor vehicles that such emergency has been declared.*

Crime is always on the increase during the holiday season. With these economic times the increase could be more than normal. Please do not hesitate to call us if you see something suspicious occurring in your neighborhood. As always feel free to contact me at City Hall if you have any questions or concerns.

Business number – 452-4613  
Dispatch non-emergency –329-0964  
Emergency - 911

Matt Coonce  
Chief of Police

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## **WELCOME! FIRE & POLICE DEPT NEW HIRES**

Residents may have seen a couple new faces patrolling the Village recently. Welcome **Firefighter/Medic Scott Pelc** as our newest full-time member to the Fire Department and **Officer Cole Rush** to our Police Department!!

## **COMMUNITY SURVEY**

The Village Economic Development Committee (EDC) continues to work on attracting new businesses to the Village. Over the past year, the EDC has received several suggestions from resident's on what businesses you would like to see be established in the Village. The EDC continues to seek input from each of you. If you have a specific business you would like to have in the Village, stop in and see Dennis King at City Hall. You may also contact him at 452-5539 or email him at [d.king@claycomo.org](mailto:d.king@claycomo.org).

## **DOG TAG LICENSES DUE DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>**

Your 2016 dog tag licenses must be purchased by December 31<sup>st</sup>. To obtain your 2016 dog tags, and make payment, please come to City Hall, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

Interested in becoming involved in your community? The Village is looking for interested residents, and business owners, who would like to get involved in Claycomo's future. We currently have volunteer openings on our Park Board; EDC, and newly formed Events Planning Committee. This committee will coordinate

all the various events the Village hosts each year like the Car Show, Halloween Fun-Fest and Holiday Event. If you are interested or want more information, contact Dennis King at City Hall (452-5539) for all the details!

## **HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CLAYCOMO**

The *Historical Society of Claycomo* (HSC) has been formed to research artifacts and historical information of the Village to archive and display. To date, the CHS has interviewed a number of people who have lived in the area as far back as the 1930's. What memories do you have when you hear: Greenwood, Munger, or Oak Ridge schools, Saddle Club, Lions Club, Bena's, the Pixie, Claycomo's roller rink, and the annual Fun Fests? If you have been associated with the Village, gone to school here, held an office, served on a board, or just want to walk down memory lane, please call to set up a time convenient to meet (see the contact information below). If you have any pictures, news articles, or memorabilia that you can donate, loan for display, or allow us to photograph, please let us know. If your parents and/or grandparents lived in the Village, see what they might have to add to the project. An additional goal is to be able to present a detailed history for the 70th anniversary of our incorporation in November, 2016.

In addition to sharing your memories, if you would like to join us to research and organize materials, compile the book, help with displays, or make a tax deductible donation to help us in our preservation efforts, we welcome you.

To set up a time to meet or obtain information about CHS, please call Linda Powell at 452-8483 or email to [themompowell@hotmail.com](mailto:themompowell@hotmail.com).

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## POE STREET RE-OPENED!!

Poe Street north of E. Whittier and south of E. Longfellow is now re-opened for through traffic!!! Thank you for your patience during MoDOT's construction this summer.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- December 8 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
December 12 Santa Rides on Fire Truck – 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM  
**VILLAGE HOLIDAY EVENT -**  
3:00 – 6:00 PM  
December 14 Visioning/Planning Meeting – 6:00 pm  
December 14 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
December 15 Filing Declaration Opens for Board of Trustees  
December 16 Zoning Board – 2:00 PM  
December 17 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
December 21 Park Board Meeting – 6:30 PM  
December 22 **WINTER BEGINS**  
December 25 **Christmas Day – City Hall Closed**  
December 28 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
December 31 Village Taxes & Dog Tags Due  
January 1 **New Years Day- City Hall Closed**  
January 5 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
January 7 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
January 11 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
January 12 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
January 18 **M.L. King Day – City Hall Closed**  
January 18 Park Board – 6:30 PM  
January 19 **Filing Declaration Closes for Board of Trustee Candidates**  
January 20 Zoning Board Meeting–2:00 PM  
January 21 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
January 25 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
February 2 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
February 4 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
February 8 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
February 9 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
February 14 **Valentine's Day**  
February 15 **President's Day – CH closed**

- February 15 Park Board – 6:30 PM  
February 17 Zoning Board Meeting-2:00 PM  
February 18 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
February 22 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

## VILLAGE NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED FIRST WEEK OF MARCH

- March 1 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
March 3 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
March 5 **Daylight Savings time begins**  
March 8 Municipal Court – 5:00 PM  
March 9 **Last Day to Register to Vote**  
March 14 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM  
March 16 Zoning Board Meeting-2:00 PM  
March 17 EDC Meeting – 7:00 PM  
March 21 Park Board – 6:30 PM  
March 26 **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
March 28 Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

## April 5 ELECTION DAY

## VILLAGE PHONE DIRECTORY

Village Offices	452-5539
Fire (non emergency)	452-4612
Police (non emergency)	452-4613
Police Supervisor (on duty)	500-8665
Dispatch (non-emergency)	329-0964
<b>Emergency</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>(identify yourself as Claycomo resident)</b>	

**Happy Holidays  
&  
Best Wishes for a  
Prosperous New Year!**