

City of Higginsville



1st & 3rd Monday of each month!
Board of Aldermen Meeting
6:00 p.m.
City Hall Auditorium

STAFF DIRECTORY

Jeanette Dobson
City Administrator

Sheri Tieman
Administrative Asst./City Clerk

Donna Brown
Director Economic Development

Sandra Stephens
Zoning Adm./Building Official

Matthew Cushman
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Sergeant

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Captain

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Jeff Graham
Animal Control Officer

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Street Superintendent

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Librarian

Dan Rumsey
Park Director

Danny Duffey
Park Maintenance Supt.

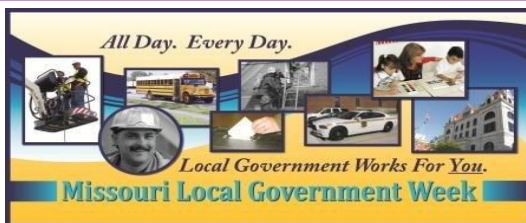
Johnathan Wallace
Electric Superintendent

Brandon Craig
Water/Wastewater Superintendent

Shane Hallowell
GIS Coordinator

We're on the Web!
www.higginsville.org

Local Government Works for You All Day! Every Day!



Missouri Celebrates Local Government Week April 14-20, 2019

Every day local government has a direct impact on each of us in Higginsville. Working together, your city, county and schools are the backbone of the community.

Missouri celebrates Local Government Week April 14-20, 2019. Please join the City of Higginsville in their recognition of local City Departments and employees!

Local Government Is...

- Clean water coming out of your tap each morning
- Your favorite local park facilities
- The first responders to a fire, traffic accident or emergency
- Law enforcement patrolling your street or county road
- The convenience of trash service right at your curb
- Reliable electric service provided by a City owned utility company
- 24/7 Dispatch center
- Public information access and reading enjoyment at your local library
- Sidewalks that provide connectivity for safe scenic walking and fitness
- A progressive community with a local Airport for business and pleasure
- Your local roads cleared of snow in winter, and potholes repaired in the spring

Local Government Week Pet Photo Contest
Bring in your pet's photo to City Hall by April 15, 2019, 5:00 p.m.
Details on back!

ANIMAL CONTROL IN YOUR COMMUNITY



Required by City Ordinance

As a dog owner within the city limits of Higginsville, it is your responsibility to ensure your dog(s) are licensed each year by **May 1st**. Please bring your dog(s) current rabies vaccination records and the appropriate license fee to City Hall to obtain the required metal license tag. The minimal license fee of (**\$2.00/Male or Spayed Female**) or (**\$5.00 Female**) is used to support the Animal Control Department in their efforts to identify and return lost animals to their owners, verify that animals within the City have been properly vaccinated against rabies and for the housing and rehoming of abandoned dogs that have been picked up within the City Limits. It has become financially challenging to maintain a safe community for our citizens and their pets and we need you and your fellow citizens' compliance in licensing your dogs. **Please license your dogs and remind your neighbors to do so, also! Thank you for your support!**

License Fees

Male and Spayed Female \$2.00

Unspayed Female \$5.00

- All dogs must be under restraint **at all times** and shall not be permitted to be at large.
- No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog within the City limits unless such dog is licensed by the City of Higginsville.
- A dog license must be renewed annually.
- No vicious animals are allowed within the City limits.
- You cannot have more than three dogs and/or cats per household without obtaining a kennels license.
- Any stray animals will be transported to our impound and will be held for a period of 7 days, at which time if unclaimed will either be placed as an adopted animal or will be euthanized. Impounds are posted on the "Higginsville Dog Pound" Facebook page. If you find yourself missing a beloved pet, please call the Higginsville Police Department at 660-584-2104 or like and follow the "Higginsville Dog Pound" or "Higginsville Police Department" Facebook page.

YOUR SAFETY IS OUR CONCERN!

Every citizen has the right to ensure that the home they are living in is safe. If you have any concerns about your home, there are resources to educate you. The Missouri Attorney General website (www.ago.mo.gov) provides an online publication regarding Missouri Landlord-Tenant Law which outlines the responsibilities of tenants and landlords. The following is a list of conditions which should be met in your rental unit:

- ◆ Working appliances
- ◆ Working smoke detectors in each bedroom
- ◆ Working plumbing fixtures that do not leak and are in good repair, including hot and cold running water, handles on all fixtures
- ◆ No leaking or broken windows
- ◆ No holes in walls, doors, crumbling plaster or peeling paint
- ◆ Permanently installed working furnace, no portable space heaters
- ◆ Deadbolt locking mechanism on entry doors
- ◆ Doors, floors, stairs, porches, handrails in good repair
- ◆ Safe and secure steps with handrail if the stairs have more than 3 risers
- ◆ Roof that does not leak
- ◆ Working utilities: running water, trash, electricity and sewage disposal system. If the utilities are in your name, you must keep your account current with the City. You cannot occupy a dwelling without utilities.

These are just some of the requirements from the International Property Maintenance Code which the City has adopted to ensure homes are in a safe and sanitary condition. If you have a concern about your rental property and have not gotten a timely response from your landlord, please do not hesitate to contact our Building Official at City Hall. Remember, as a tenant, it is your responsibility to maintain your landlord's property in good condition, both inside and outside. Do not let waste accumulate and be sure to keep the grass mowed and vegetation removed.

Take pride in your home and your community!



PARK, POOL AND PARK RECREATION

The Higginsville Parks and Recreation Department has had a very busy 2018 and 2019 so far. The department opened a new **beach volleyball** court area in the summer of 2018. This project immediately saw action by recreational players in the park and league play as well. League play is slated to begin again in mid May. Youth sports camps for **tennis** and **volleyball** were held last summer. The department also brought back **softball** last year and plans are to play Adult Coed and Men's league again in the fall. The department once again hosted the annual **Rodeo** in September. **Youth Volleyball** participated in a fall league and then 26 **basketball** teams from Kindergarten to 7th grade participated this winter in the Parks and Recreation league. Over 230 **soccer** participants and 19 teams from Pre-K to 6th grade are slated to play spring soccer this season. A sales tax question is on the April ballot for the renewal of the 1/4 cent sales tax for general operations at the park. The Park Sales Tax Information Committee reminds everyone to exercise your right to vote on April 2nd, 2019.

Pool Pass fees remain unchanged from 2018. An individual summer pass is \$100.00, a family pass (includes 4 passes for family residing in same household) is \$225.00. Additional family members can purchase a family pass for \$25.00/per additional family member. Daily Admission fees remain at \$5.00 per person with a discounted rate after 5pm of just \$1.00 per person. Additional information on pool party rates, swimming lessons, and special events will be posted at www.higginsvilleparksandrec.com the first of April.

For additional information, please contact Dan Rumsey Director, Higginsville Parks and Recreation at 660-584-7313.



Cookies & Milk Storytime

May 2nd at 6 pm

Explore the universe at the
Robertson Memorial Library

19 W. 20th St.

Aliens save the World!



Summer Reading Program 2019

Reading is out of this world!



Local Government Week Pet Photo Contest



Bring your "Higginsville Pet" photo in to City Hall by April 15, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. to be entered into the Local Government Week Pet Photo Contest. Photos will be displayed in City Hall for the week of April 15—19 and will be judged by City Officials. A winner will be announced at noon on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. The winning "Pet" will receive a \$25.00 Chamber Gift Certificate, 2nd Place "Pet" —\$15 and 3rd Place "Pet" —\$10. Entry rules:

1. Photographed Pet must be a Higginsville Resident
2. Pet must have proper licensing
3. Photo must have name and contact number placed on back
4. No professional photographs will be accepted
5. Photo must not be of an inappropriate nature

**Please join us on Tuesday, April 16, 2019,
11 am –1 pm for a celebratory Hot "Dog",
drink and cookie in observance of the
announcement of the Pet Photo Contest
winners.**



If you have an
emergency, always

CALL

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