

FEBRUARY 2025

SMITHVILLE NEWSLETTER



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Holiday Closures

City Hall will be closed on February 17 in observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

Senior Center Extended Hours

Exciting News from the Smithville Senior Center! Starting in February, the Senior Center will be open five days a week, adding Tuesdays and Thursdays to its current schedule.

This expansion means more opportunities for seniors to enjoy new programs and fitness classes, with a wider range of topics and times to fit their schedules.

For full details on hours of operation and programs, check out the event calendar and lunch menu online at smithvilleparksrec.com. The Senior Center proudly serves Clay County residents aged 60 and over. We look forward to welcoming you!

MEETING DATES:

BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETINGS
1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSIONS
Scheduled as needed, generally prior to regular meetings

PLANNING COMMISSION
2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
Quarterly on the 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm

To sign up for public comment please contact the City Clerk at 816.532.3897

Meetings are held at City Hall Council Chambers
107 W. Main Street.

Times and dates are subject to change.
Meetings are subject to be held virtually
with proper notice.

Message from Mayor Damien Boley

Dear Smithville Voters,

I believe it is the City's responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of every individual in our community. We are proud of the Police Department's efforts to meet and exceed citizen expectations for service. Our police officers play a crucial role in maintaining peace, protecting our neighborhoods, responding to emergencies, and making our city a wonderful place to live, work, and raise families.



Currently the Police Department is facing challenges to meet the demands for service. These challenges include staffing, safety, recruitment, and retention of officers. On January 21, the Board of Aldermen voted to approve placing a ½ cent Public Safety Sales Tax on the April 8, 2025, ballot.

If approved, the sales tax will be paid by retail consumers who make purchases in our city regardless of whether they are city residents. If approved, the revenue generated from this sales tax will go directly for police services, such as officer compensation and benefits, necessary public safety equipment and staff to support community growth, and the implementation of a full-time animal control program.

Your voice matters in this decision, and I encourage you to engage in upcoming discussions and share your thoughts with others concerning this ballot measure. I hope you will take a moment to review this information so that you can make an informed decision at the polls on April 8, 2025.

Sincerely,

Damien Boley
Mayor of Smithville, MO

WINTER STORMWATER TIPS

What you put on your driveway can impact our waterways. Excess salt and deicers often wash into storm drains, flowing into rivers and streams where they harm aquatic life and ecosystems. This winter, take simple steps to deice responsibly and protect the environment.

LESS SALT CAN BE BETTER

Most ice melt blends include recommended usage amounts on their packaging, which are often smaller than expected. In many cases, carefully spreading just one coffee mug's worth of salt is enough to effectively cover an entire driveway.



ACT BEFORE THE STORM

The golden rule is that it's usually easier to prevent ice than to remove it once it has settled. Before an expected storm, apply a thin layer of your chosen deicer proactively. After clearing snow, add more treatment as needed, following standard plowing or shoveling practices.

CONSIDER THE TEMPERATURE.

As temperatures drop, chlorides (e.g., salt) become less effective. If salt isn't working, avoid adding more; instead, consider using an alternative mixture or applying sand for better traction. To find the appropriate temperature range, check the instructions on the product label.





#9PMROUTINE



REMOVE VALUABLES
FROM VEHICLE

LOCK YOUR VEHICLES

TURN ON OUTSIDE LIGHTS

SET YOUR SECURITY SYSTEM

CITY DIRECTORY

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE

(816) 858-3521

ANONYMOUS TIP LINE

(816) 474-8477

ADMINISTRATION, CITY CLERK, FINANCE

(816) 532-3897

DEVELOPMENT

(816) 866-2056

PARKS & RECREATION

(816) 532-8130

SMITH'S FORK CAMPGROUND

(816) 532-1028

STREETS

(816) 532-2080

WATER & WASTEWATER

(816) 532-0577

WEBSITE

smithvillemo.org

GFL Residential Trash & Recycling Customer Service

kccustomercares@gflenv.com

OR

816-380-5595



MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- NEED** Shifts for volunteers are Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays. Volunteers are also being accepted for a substitute driver.
- TIME** 1.5-2 hours, one day per week during assigned month(s)
- SUPPLIES** Volunteers are responsible for using their own car and gas, insulated delivery bags are provided.
- WHERE** All Meals on Wheels recipients live within the Smithville city limits. Drivers pick up meals at St. Luke's Hospital in Smithville by 11:45am and deliver meals on their route.

SPRING SPORT

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Youth T-Ball

MARCH 25
or until full

Youth Baseball &
Softball

MARCH 16

Youth Soccer

FEBRUARY 2

AYSO PLAY 4-WEEK
Soccer Clinic

UNTIL FULL

AYSO PLAY 1-DAY
Soccer Clinic

UNTIL FULL



SMITHVILLEPARKSREC.COM/SPORTS

FREE!

Adult Pick Up BASKETBALL

AGES 18+

6-7:30PM | FEB 18

Maple Elementary Gym

YOUTH Gardening CLUB

Wednesdays in March

SMITHVILLE
PARKS & RECREATION

APRIL PICKLEBALL LESSONS

4 WEEK SESSION

BEGINNER	5:30-6:30PM
INTERMEDIATE	6:30-7:30PM

Dates
April 4, 11, 18, 25

Location
Smith's Fork Pickleball Courts

Get Involved!

Do you have a love of community and an interest in serving? Have you considered ways to become more active in Smithville's future? Our volunteer Commissions and Committees are a vital part of Smithville's success.

If you are interested in volunteering please visit smithvillemo.org/getinvolved and complete the application. All Commission and Committee members are appointed by the Mayor, with approval by the Board of Aldermen.



CITY OPENINGS

To apply for a job with the City, please visit our website at www.smithvillemo.org/jobs

Employment:

- Wastewater Plant Operator
- Police Officer
- Senior Services Assistant

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