

Once again we find ourselves in the position that we are thankful the deadly weather has passed us by but at the same time our thoughts and prayers go out to the folks in Joplin. They are trying to recover from a terrible loss.

This past month saw the City of Troy issue five building permits with a total construction value of \$91,000. For the year we have issued sixty one permits with a total value of \$4,845,380. We are ahead of our budget estimates and that is good.

We have completed testing of every fire hydrant in the City of Troy. We hope to start painting them with each hydrant color coded to show the flow rate for that particular hydrant. This information is of the utmost importance to the fire department should they need to use a hydrant to fight a fire.

Sales and transportation tax revenues were down last month, -15% and for the year we are at -4%.

The city has begun negotiations for easements on the water line east of Hwy 61. This line will bring city water to Whitcomb Woods subdivision all the way to Journey Church. That area includes the city's industrial park which should make the park more attractive to potential buyers.

Finally, beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> Mid Rivers Asphalt will start work on resurfacing Hwy 47 from just west of Main St. to just east of Cherry St. The work will be done at night from 8 pm to 5 am. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction so be careful going through the work zone.