

The Troy Board of Alderman met on May 20, 2019 and took the following actions:

Hershel Higgins, Hershel's Custom Signs, 212 N. Lincoln Dr., discussed the use of graphics by a different sign vendor designed by Hershel's Custom Signs for the Troy Police Department. After some discussion, the board agreed that the City would not use any graphics on police vehicles that were developed by Hershel's Custom Signs.

Rachel South, Executive Director of the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, addressed the board with ideas for a weekend celebration of the City's 200th Anniversary. Three specific events were discussed. On September 16th at 10:30am, a time capsule buried in 1994 would be opened. On Friday September 20th there would be a concert in the park with food trucks, etc. and then on Saturday the 21st, there would be a family friendly event with rides, food trucks, etc. The board was excited about the ideas, with the details to be worked out between the Parks Director and the Chamber.

The Lincoln County Health Department discussed a proposal for the City of Troy to assist in emergency mosquito control (fogging and /or briquette placement) in flooded areas of Lincoln County.

The board approved two conditional use permits for fireworks stands as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission; one located at 12 Frenchman Bluff Road and the other located at 101 Highway 47 East.

The board awarded the Third St. Water Main Relocation Project to Wehmeyer Farms, Inc. in the amount of \$243,599.00.

Approved and authorized the Mayor to sign Croghan & Croghan, P.C. engagement letter for the period ending June 30, 2019.

The board approved the 2019-2020 budget for wastewater treatment plants as submitted by Woodard & Curran.

In the Police Department, we received two grants, one from Walmart for the K-9 unit in the amount of \$5,000.00 and one from the Cuivre River Electric Community Trust for Operation Round Up in the amount of \$680.77.

The department is writing numerous warning tickets for ordinance violations all over town for tall grass and other nuisance violations.

In Public Works, when it is not raining we are making more permanent repairs to streets, both asphalt and concrete. We used 31 yards of concrete in the last month.

Monthly water production was 35,923,000 gallons with a daily high output of 1,400,000 gallons.

We are constantly cleaning storm sewer catch basins to keep them open. If they get plugged up, then the storm water will not flow into them freely, causing backups. If you see someone throwing trash on the street or in the storm drains, please suggest that they don't do that.

Wastewater utility crew treated sewer for fats, oils and grease. We have a bid to clean the sewer line that collects most of the restaurants along Hwy 47. They are clogged with FOG to the point where a 24"

sewer main is 95% plugged. That condition will cause sewer backups and we are looking at more than \$200,000.00 clean those lines out. We have similar issues in other parts of town, so I ask that you not put oils and grease down your home drain. If it backs up in your basement, I guarantee that you will not be happy. The crew brush hogged almost a mile of sewer right of way and jetted 8,250 feet of sewer line in Whitetail Crossing.

All eight storm warning sirens were tested, and all were in working order.

Sales tax deposits for May of 2019 were 15.17% higher than deposits for May of 2018. The 1% Local sales tax was 15.04% higher, the ½% transportation tax was 15.09% higher, the ½% Capital Improvement Tax was 15.5% higher than may of 2018. May's deposits would be for March's collections. For the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, our sales tax deposits are 4.53% higher than the same period in FY 2018.

The Board has been through two budget workshops so far this year as they try to iron out the budget for the next Fiscal Year. There have been several intense discussions on a variety of topics, and we hope to have it all ironed out to pass a budget by the June 30, 2019 deadline.

In the Building Department, we had six new housing starts in May which brings our total new housing starts to 62 for this Fiscal Year, and that is ahead of the 54 that were budgeted.

The aquatic center is open and off to a fast start, attendance wise. For your information, you can now purchase season passes online and at the pool.

In the Administrative Department, City Clerk Jodi Schneider, along with Marie Eggering and Connie McCord from the billing department, attended a TOPS Software training so that the city can soon begin emailing water bills to customers. Stand by for further details.

As the trustees of the employee benefit plan, Tonya Hawkins, Jodi Schneider and I must attend training/updating every year. We attended the Trustee University presented by Retirement Plan Advisors to satisfy statutory education requirements.

That is all I have for this month. Be kind to one another and God Bless you all.