New Springfield Mayor Ken McClure took his seat at the dais after being sworn in during a noon City Council meeting in Historic City Hall April 11. Returning Council members General Seat A Councilwoman Jan Fisk, General Seat B Councilman Craig Hosmer, Zone 1 Councilwoman Phyllis Ferguson, and Zone 4 Councilman Craig Fishel were also sworn in. Zone 2 Councilman Tom Prater was out of town and was sworn in April 17.

Councilwoman Kristi Fulnecky continues to serve in the General C seat, which has two years remaining in its current term. Councilman Prater’s term will end in 2019, as he was appointed to the unexpired term vacated last year by Justin Burnett before being elected to continue in that term. Zone 3 Councilman Mike Schilling’s term continues through 2019.

“We have a real opportunity now to move our city forward in the right direction in the right way. We’ll take the time and we will exert the effort that we need to chart the course that’s transparent, strategically planned and do it in the right way,” Mayor McClure said in his first remarks.

“We are all here because we care deeply about our community and take our role as public servants and our servant leadership very, very seriously. We should, and we will have, vigorous debate. We should stand up for our principles and will have disagreements. But we must and we will do it with respect for each other and we’ll do it in good faith and we will do it civilly. We will work to make sure that our agreement with the community maintains the highest professional standards of civility and accountability and reflects the shared vision that we all have of moving the community forward.”

He went on to say he believed that one of the most positive elements that came out of the campaign process was affirming a joint commitment to public

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Council narrows field to six for open General Seat D

After receiving 19 applications, City Council has narrowed down the field of applicants for Council’s open General Seat D to six finalists after an electronic meeting Wednesday, April 26. The position became available after Ken McClure won the mayor’s seat during the April 4 election.

Interviews are being scheduled for 1 p.m. May 9. It is anticipated City Council will vote immediately following. A candidate must receive five or more votes from council members to be appointed.

The new council member will serve until the next City Council election in April 2019.

The six finalists are:
- Scott Bailes
- Diana Day
- Kent Hyde
- Richard Ollis
- Jane Sellars
- Isabelle Jimenez Walker

Their applications and resumes can be viewed at springfieldmo.gov.

City releases 2016 year in review report

The City of Springfield has released an interactive Year in Review report that highlights community activities and accomplishments during 2016.

In his opening message, City Manager Greg Burris expresses gratitude that Springfield is a city of action.

“Finally, a word to our City employees: your work, your dedication, your commitment is deeply appreciated. You’re the ones who make Springfield work and make it the community of which we are proud. Many times, you go unrecognized, so on behalf of a grateful Council … thank you.”

Springfield’s fire death rate prompts department to launch Project RED Zone

Springfield’s fire death rate is among the highest in the United States. In fact, it’s nearly triple the national average. In 2016, Springfield experienced five fire deaths. This is the equivalent of nearly 30 fire deaths per 1 million people. The national average is just over 10.

The Springfield Fire Department hopes to reduce fires and fire deaths with the launch of a new campaign called Project RED Zone, which is part of SFD’s Community Risk Reduction program. Project RED Zone – a reference to the red areas on the Springfield Fire Department’s map of fire incidents – stands for Reduce, Educate, Deliver.

During the first week of the campaign, which launched April 8, Springfield firefighters visited 256 homes in the West Central neighborhood. They tested 66 smoke alarms, installed 75 new alarms and changed 10 batteries. In 2016, there were 55 fires in West Central – the highest of any neighborhood in Springfield.

New data shows 42% of all Springfield homes in which a fire occurred in 2016 had no working smoke alarms and two-thirds of all Springfield homes don’t have enough smoke alarms to adequately protect the occupants. SFD recommends smoke alarms be installed on every level of the home, outside each sleeping area and in every bedroom.

“Community Risk Reduction is about prioritizing our risks as a community and working together to invest the time and resources necessary to reduce them,” said Interim Fire Chief David Pennington.

The multifaceted campaign began April 8 with a project to ensure every home in Zone 1 – the area of the City with the highest fire risk – has working smoke alarms.

“We are beginning this new campaign with the expansion of our free smoke alarm program because we have identified a lack of adequate warning in a fire as one of the biggest problems we face as a community,” said Pennington.

Continuing every Saturday for as long as it takes to complete the project, fire crews will canvas Zone 1 knocking on doors, offering to test smoke alarms and installing new alarms or providing batteries if needed at no charge.

The department expects the project to take around one year to complete and is funded with the help of grant dollars through FEMA’s Fire Prevention and Safety Grant and general revenue SFD funds designated for public education.

If successful and if funding is available for additional alarms and batteries, the department hopes to expand the program to other parts of the city. As always, the Fire Department offers free smoke alarms and batteries to anyone in need. To obtain a free alarm, call 874-2300.
Planning firm presents key findings in Kearney Street corridor study

The City of Springfield is nearing completion of a corridor study for a portion of Kearney Street between Kansas Expressway and Glenstone Avenue. At the April 25 City Council Lunch, PGAV Planners presented ideas for the revitalization of Kearney Street, including an identification of sites for redevelopment, placemaking strategies and recommendations for economic development tools to facilitate development along the three-mile stretch of Kearney Street.

Among the key findings was that the Kearney Street corridor has the potential to capture additional retail sales from the available $95 million in unmet household demand in the trade area around Kearney Street. PGAV recommended the development of a deep value clothing retailer such as T.J. Maxx or Ross because these discounted fashion chains have had growing sales and are opening hundreds of stores while they capture market share from flagging retailers such as Macy’s.

PGAV also recommended a food hall that would serve as a business incubator for entrepreneurs and provide a place for people to enjoy a variety of prepared foods in a social setting. Food halls have been a growing trend in urban redevelopment, filling in empty big box stores or vacant department stores. Other ideas for the food and beverage sector include a food truck court and the adapted reuse of garages or gas stations into restaurants.

To improve the corridor’s visual appeal and increase safety for pedestrians, PGAV recommended painted pedestrian crosswalks, pedestrian crossing signals and tree plantings in center medians or along sidewalks. Crosswalks could also increase residential connectivity to Doling Park, which is a major asset for the area. Wayfinding signage directing visitors and residents to Doling Park was proposed as well.

Another placemaking strategy suggested for Kearney Street was to capitalize on the corridor’s historic connection to the Route 66 Mother Road as an asset that could spur tourism and economic revitalization. PGAV suggested that the City commemorate the corridor’s heritage through historic Route 66 plaques and branding as well as capitalizing on the nostalgia for cruising, custom cars and drive-in restaurants.

**Cruising Kearney Street**

Recently, the City Council voted unanimously to support a resolution allowing cruising on the second Friday of each month.

The resolution asked for fellow Council members to “support cruising Kearney as a community tradition that brings neighborhoods together while promoting civic engagement and encouraging tourism.”

Former Councilman Doug Burlison sponsored a successful bill in 2015 that in essence, allowed cruising again, except for in designated areas and times decided upon by City Council.

Council voted unanimously (with Hosmer and Fulnecky absent and one vacant seat on Council) in support of the resolution, which promotes classic car cruising 6-10 p.m. on the second Friday of each month from April through September.

Ferguson and members of the Birthplace of Route 66 Festival committee and other local car clubs are working with Kearney Street businesses and nearby neighbors to help prepare for the possible weekend activities. Earlier this year, the City hosted a series of activities aimed at efforts to revitalize the Kearney Street corridor.

“I think the possibility of classic car cruising brings enormous opportunities to the businesses on Kearney and really all of north Springfield,” she said. She is specifically planning a special ribbon cutting/cruise event May 26 (the opening evening of the Mid-America Street Rod Nationals) to bring awareness and hopefully, many people out for the evening.

Join Ferguson and others interested in the Cruising Kearney initiative at an organizational meeting at 5:30 p.m., Friday May 5 at the Library Station, and join the nearly 1,700-member Cruising Kearney Street Facebook group.

The final PGAV study will be completed in May and will be available at springfieldmo.gov.

**REMEMBER:** Health Risk Assessment participants are eligible to receive 20% off select Park Board fees, plus 75% off Family Center memberships!

- **Family Centers:** 75% off memberships and 20% off select programs
- **Archery:** 20% off select programs
- **Aquatics:** 20% off select programs
- **Dickerson Park Zoo:** 20% Friends of the Zoo membership
- **Golf:** 20% off select green fees and range balls
- **Lake Springfield Park & Boathouse:** 20% off kayak/canoe/paddle board rentals
- **Mediacom Ice Park:** 20% off select programs and public skating
- **Tennis:** 20% off select programs

For a full list of programs, visit City Share.
Park Board dedicates projects at Springfield Botanical Gardens, Grant Beach Park and the Dickerson Park Zoo

Due to the weather, the concert took place inside the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center atrium, where Mariachi Viva Xalisco, and special guest, Paco Padilla, all visiting from Springfield sister city, Tlaquepaque, Jalisco, Mexico, entertained the crowd with a lively mariachi concert.

Following remarks from Sister Cities officials and guests, the band led the audience in a procession to the new pavilion, where donors unveiled a new sculpture by Tlaquepaque-based sculptor Rodo Padilla, also in attendance. The sculpture, titled “Amigos,” features bronze spheres with happy smiles atop a black ceramic-covered body that serves as a reclining park bench. Part of the sculpture wraps around a dogwood tree, planted as part of the design. The sculpture has been installed in the park, but was under wraps until the unveiling.

“The sculpture comes to life expressing a true relationship of friendship and peace between people and their God-given environment,” Rodo Padilla wrote in a statement about the piece, translated from Spanish. Rodo Padilla, brother to Paco Padilla, also spoke at the event about the close friendships that have developed over the years between Springfield and Tlaquepaque.

Construction of the Peace Through People Pavilion and commission of the sculpture were funded entirely by private donations through the Springfield Sister Cities Association and Friends of the Garden. Read more about the pavilion at ParkBoard.org.

The dedication and unveiling followed the annual Cherry Blossom Kite and Piñata Festival, which was also held indoors due to rain. The events were made possible through a partnership between the Springfield Sister Cities Association, Friends of the Garden, the Springfield Regional Arts Council, the Community Foundation of the Ozarks, and the Springfield Regional Arts Council.

New Zoo Boardwalk opens April 14

The Springfield-Greene County Park Board and Friends of the Zoo hosted a grand opening ceremony for the new boardwalk at Dickerson Park Zoo Friday, April 14.

The boardwalk, accessing the zoo’s South American exhibits, replaces a 1980s-era structure that had been closed since 2015. The 310-foot boardwalk is two feet wider, incorporates a new 60-foot steel bridge and has a small covered pavilion facing a waterfall.

Zoo patrons were asked to submit their favorite zoo memory for the opportunity to be the first family to cross the boardwalk following the April 14 ribbon cutting. The zoo received more than 50 submissions, including Dameron family: Rich, Courtney, Clara and Ruby, of Springfield, who decided to forego their own birthday presents in order to purchase toys and enrichment activities for the animals. The Damerons won the contest and were proud to be the first guests to cross the new boardwalk.

Dickerson Park Zoo is a division of the Springfield-Greene County Park Board and typically welcomes more than 200,000 guests each year. During peak season, the zoo employs more than 70 people and hosts more than 100 students each year for internships, externships and job shadowing.

The new Max Jahn Depot, and the adjacent Railroad Historical Museum in Grant Beach Park, is open Saturdays, 2-4 p.m., May-October, featuring artifacts and memorabilia from the Frisco and other Missouri railroads. Photo by Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

Railroad Historical Museum depot dedication April 25

The Railroad Historical Museum is now open for the season in Grant Beach Park, where kids and adults can tour four real antique train cars.

New this season is the Max Jahn Depot, dedicated Tuesday, April 25. The depot, a replica of rural Missouri railroad offices from the early 1900s, is named for longtime museum volunteer, Max Jahn. The dedication was coordinated by the Musgrave Foundation, which provided a grant for the construction project, along with multiple private donors and contributors.

The Railroad Historical Museum is dedicated to the preservation of the Frisco and other railroad history, and is staffed and operated entirely by volunteers. The bulk of the museum is inside four antique train cars, including a 1943-era Frisco Locomotive No. 4524, installed at Grant Beach Park in 1953. The museum also includes a Burlington Baggage Car, a Chicago and Northwestern Bilevel Commuter Car and a Burlington Northern Caboose. All cars are connected and full of photos and artifacts. The museum exhibits are also inside the new depot.

The Railroad Historical Museum is located on the southeast corner of Grant Beach Park, 1300 N. Grant Ave., Springfield. The museum is open Saturdays, 2-4 p.m., May through October. Admission is always free.

For more information on the Railroad Historical Museum, call 417-833-0994, or visit rrhistoricalmuseum.zoomshare.com.

Peace Through People Pavilion dedication concert and sculpture unveiling April 22

Despite April showers, the Springfield Sister Cities Association and Friends of the Garden dedicated the new Peace Through People Pavilion with a concert Saturday, April 22, at Springfield Botanical Gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park.

Donors and friends of the Springfield Sister Cities Association unveil “Amigos,” a new sculpture by Tlaquepaque-based sculptor Rodo Padilla, at far left, wearing a vest. The sculpture is installed near the new Peace Through People Pavilion at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park. Photo by Louise Knauer.

Kickapoo High School Japanese Language Club and the Springfield-Greene County Park Board. For more information, visit peacethroughpeople.org.
With 25 years of service each, three Springfield police commanders retire

After 25 years of service to the City of Springfield, three commanders from the Springfield Police Department retired April 14. Major Jim McCulloch, Captain Shawn Williams and Lieutenant Scott Umbarger graduated together from SPD’s 36th Police Academy in April 1992 and worked in a variety of positions throughout their careers.

After spending the first two years of his law enforcement career with the Wichita Police Department in Kansas, Major Jim McCulloch joined the SPD where he served in areas including patrol, narcotics and criminal investigations. He also was assigned to several task forces including COMET (Combined Ozarks Multi-jurisdictional Enforcement Team). McCulloch served on numerous community boards in the Springfield area including the U.S. Attorney’s Office Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee, the Salvation Army Advisory Board and the Salvation Army’s Red Kettle Committee. McCulloch is a graduate of Leadership Springfield Class 29, the 251st Session of the FBI’s National Academy and Police Executive Research Forum’s Senior Management Institute for Police.

During his SPD career, McCulloch held the ranks of officer, corporal, sergeant, lieutenant, captain and is retiring as the Major overseeing the Department’s Investigations and Support Services Bureau.

Captain Shawn Williams began his law enforcement career at the SPD in 1992. He served in patrol, on the Special Response Team, in the Criminal Investigations Section, Special Investigations Section and in Support Services. Williams also attended the Greater Ozarks Leadership Development Program in 2012. In his time with the SPD, he has held ranks of officer, corporal, sergeant, lieutenant and is retiring as the Captain in the Support Services Division of the Investigation and Support Services Bureau.

During Lieutenant Scott Umbarger’s 25-year career with the SPD, he has served in several units including patrol, the Special Response Team, Community Services Section, Criminal Investigations Section and Training Section. He is retiring as the Lieutenant overseeing the Training Unit of the Investigations and Support Services Bureau. Umbarger attended the Greater Ozarks Leadership Development Program in 2014-2015, and he received two Command Commendations from the SPD in 1997 for his role in the capturing of several violent suspects and for his actions when a fellow officer was shot in the line of duty that year.

“These three men have done incredible police work over the course of their careers with this department,” said Springfield Police Chief Paul Williams. “They have worked long hours, made many sacrifices and often put themselves in danger to protect the community. It’s difficult to lose a combined 75 years of knowledge and experience, but I am confident that each of them helped mentor many fellow officers throughout the department over the years, leaving us well positioned for the future.”

Bike to Work Week, May 15-19

Leave your car behind at least one day that week - use your bike, take the bus, carpool, walk, or any combination to get to work. All registered participants will receive a voucher for a free bagel or cookie and coffee from Panera Bread.

Additional prizes include Ozark Greenways stickers, T-shirts, and 3 lucky random participants will each win a one-night stay for two (including breakfast) at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Springfield! Also, anyone traveling with a bike during Bike to Work Week rides for free on the city bus!

*Share a picture with inBalance and be entered to win an inBalance fleece – five chances to WIN!*

Sign up and log participation to get prizes!

1. Click: ozarkscommute.com/s/city-of-springfield-btww- to Login or Register to Join
   • Login if already a member of Ozarks Commute
   • Register to join if new to Ozarks Commute.
   Create an individual account for yourself.
2. Click on “Join City of Springfield BTWW 2017”

From the Dashboard
1. Click on the date (calendar)
2. Set your Departure Times (if one way, click “No Return Trip”)
3. Log miles for the day
4. Select Mode of Travel: Bike, Carpool, Transit, Walk
5. Click “Log Trip”

Visit ozarkgreenways.org/resources/bike-to-work-week-in-may for more information and tips to get involved!

For questions regarding the City of Springfield Bike to Work Week team, please contact Julie Viele at 864-2077 or jviele@springfieldmo.gov.
Why do you do what you do? “I do this job because like most police officers, I enjoy helping people. One rewarding experience where you help someone in need can wash away a lot of the negativity that comes with law enforcement today. I try to base my work on how I would want someone to treat my family members or myself – with respect and understanding.”

What’s the coolest thing you’ve done in your career? “That’s difficult to say after 23 years, but one thing that comes to mind was spending time shadowing and training with the German police. They are hardworking, friendly and fun guys. It’s amazing how cops act so similar to each other no matter what country they come from.”

Do you work to live, or do you live to work? Why? “Well, I think if you get into a law enforcement career it definitely is not for the money or recognition. You probably will not get rich and you’re probably not going to get famous. You will, however, feel rich through the friendships you make, famous with your fellow officers through your dedication, hard work, willingness to help and ability to face fear and danger to help others and cover your fellow officers.”

What do you admire about this organization? “Law enforcement in today’s society really seems like a thankless job with little respect. I admire how my fellow officers maintain a positive outlook despite this and how our organization understands and is there to support us.”

What’s something that Springfield as a city should strive for? “Unity, realize that no one is perfect, not everyone see things the same way or understands in the same way. Let’s be more compassionate to others. One good deed can change a life.”

Stan Horton
Police Officer, Airport
Stan has worked for the City for 11½ years.
City Pools open for the Season May 27

Pools open for the season at 1 p.m. the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend and follow a weekly schedule until school starts in August. City pools are at Fassnight, Grant Beach, McGee-McGregor Wading Pool, Meador Pool, Silver Springs Pool and Westport Pool. Enjoy discount Splash & Sizzle admission daily after 5:30 p.m., and all day on holidays and special weekends (select locations). Pool maintenance (closed) days are staggered throughout the week. Check ParkBoard.org/Aquatics for schedule. Summer schedule also includes Chesterfield and Doling indoor aquatics admission for outdoor pool prices, Mon.-Thurs. only. Rates are:

- Youth (Ages 3 – 17) $2.50
- Adult (18 – 59) $3.00
- Senior (60 – above) $2.50
- Children (2 – under) Free

- All ages are $1/per person or free admission with canned food donation every day after 5:30 p.m., and during Splash & Sizzle events, including Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day (select locations only).

First Friday Art Walk Shuttle

Fri., May 5, 5:30-9 p.m.

Enjoy downtown Springfield’s First Friday Art Walk without having to look for parking. Enjoy free shuttle service from the Springfield Art Museum to First Friday Art Walk locations. Hop on, hop off service until 9 p.m. Perfect for anyone with mobility issues.

Curator’s Talk: American Impressionism

Thurs., May 25, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

The Reading Public Museum’s Curator of Arts & Civilization, Scott Schweigert will present a program on the current special exhibition “American Impressionism: The Lure of the Artists’ Colony.” The exhibit is open until July 2. This event is free and open to the public.

Summer Junior Golf Membership

May 15-Aug. 15; Mon.-Fri., Noon to close (Mon. only at Rivercut)

Juniors age 17 and under may purchase a Summer Junior Golf Membership for $99, good for unlimited free weekday golf after 12 p.m. at Horton Smith, Bill & Payne Stewart and Rivercut golf courses. Membership is good for golf only and does not include range balls, carts or amenities. Eligibility may require golf staff approval, golf instructor approval, letter from school golf coach, or passing of an orientation clinic arranged with golf staff. Visit ParkBoard.org/Golf for more details.

Southwest Missouri Senior Games

May 31-June 4. Time: Varies, call Northview Center 837-5808 for details

For athletes age 50 years and up. Events include track and field, bowling, golf, swimming, basketball skill events, table tennis, washers, baggo, card games, horseshoes, bocce, archery, 8-ball and electronic darts. Serves as preparation for the 2016 Missouri State Senior Games. Register by May 15, although some events may have space to register day-of.

Fee: $10/Athlete (some events have additional facility fee)

MAY EVENTS

Dirt Day at Lafayette Park

Sat., June 3, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Get your hands dirty at the 4th Annual Dirt Day in historic Lafayette Park. The Woodland Heights neighborhood presents this free garden-themed event with activities and demonstrations from garden professionals and clubs, plant exchange, green living, interactive garden art, kids’ dinosaur dig and birdhouse painting.

36th Annual Kids Fishing Fun Day at Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park

Sat., June 3 (Rain date: Sat., June 10) Times: 8, 9:15, 10:30 or 11:45 a.m.

Preregister for one of four sessions by May 31 at ParkBoard.org. A morning of learning and fishing for bluegill and catfish from the stocked pond. Participants must provide their own bait and pole. Kids may catch and keep up to three fish. After the catch, kids weigh their fish and learn how to clean them from the Mo. Dept. of Conservation. Space is limited. No event day registration. Ages: 3-15 yrs.

Miracle League Ball Field Buddies Needed

The Miracle League makes it possible for youth and adults with disabilities to achieve their dream to play ball. Sign up to be a buddy at ParkBoard.org/MiracleLeague or call 837-5808.
**Promotions**

Joshua Barratt  
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Jeffrey Butler  
Rescue & Salvage Specialist – Fire

Cadmiel Ghinga  
Senior Engineering Technician – Public Works

Stephanie Pearce  
License Inspector – Finance

Tina Treat  
Senior Paralegal – Law

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911 Telecommunicator  
Emergency Communications – 26 years

Danny Dudley  
Legal Investigator  
Risk Management – 14 years

David Hutchison  
Professional Engineer  
Public Works – 31 years

Sharyn Jones  
Police Services Representative  
Police – 5 years

Brenda Sanders  
Custodian  
Airport – 25 years

Brian Schafer  
Rescue & Salvage Specialist  
Fire – 22 years

Grant Selvey  
Police Officer  
Police – 11 years

Timothy Spoon  
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Public Works – 28 years

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2Bd/2Ba Garden Level Condo in northern Branson behind Walmart, Kohl’s, and Bed Bath and Beyond. All appliances stay and will leave some furniture. In the process of painting entire unit and putting down new vinyl in kitchen and baths. If I finish $70,000, if you finish (I’ll leave paint and flooring) $68,000. Call Mary at 573-747-8705.

Computer desk in like new-condition. Asking for $600 (New $850-$900). Contact Suzanne at 417-425-2294 or Randy at 417-425-2293 (evenings Fri - Mon) or days otherwise.

Large L-shaped simulated cherry office desk with beautiful matching hutch from office depot ($200). Solid oak entertainment center with pull-out swivel television holder, including a 31” TV, and lots of cabinet space and built to last a life time ($250). Contact Joe at 343-3117.

20/29 Gallon Aquarium with filter, heater, black deluxe full hood with fluorescent light, and miscellaneous. 24 ¼” w x 12 ½” D x 16 ½” H. $80 OBO. Contact Marcia at 417-379-8459.

New & still in original box. Black NuWave Oven Pro Plus with Extender Ring Kit. Digital power head, cool to touch base, durable shatter-resistant BPA free power dome, 12” non stick liner pan, 1”/3” reversible cooking rack, and dome holder. Extra “Pro Plus” Extender Ring Kit includes a 2” cooking rack, 10” non stick baking pan, and 3” stainless steel extender ring. $100. Call Marcia at 417-379-8459.


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To: Denise Ruble, 9-1-1 Telecommunicator and Officer Justin Goings

(Officer Goings was dispatched by Denise Ruble 9-1-1 Telecommunicator in regards to a suicidal male. After an hour of diligent work from Officer Goings and Denise Ruble (in conjunction with the Webster County Sheriff’s Department), the male was located and safely taken into custody to get further assistance.)

The meticulous and compassionate attention to duty by Officer Goings and 9-1-1 Operator Ruble in this case, brought great credit to themselves, their organizations and the combined law enforcement communities.

Sergeant Steven Pratt

To: Joel Holdman & Jillian Wokurka, 9-1-1 Telecommunicators

It has been a privilege to be on the same phone line many times with Joel and Jillian. They are consistently the most patient, encouraging, helpful, and caring individuals that the residents of Springfield-Greene County 9-1-1 have. I have seen them in difficult circumstances overcome problematic situations to achieve the best possible results for people on their worst day. These sorts of habits of excellence cannot help but influence others around them. Joel and Jillian are to be commended for their service, example, and camaraderie.

Matthew Lyons, Communications Specialist with Cox Health

To: Terry Hedden, 9-1-1 Shift Supervisor

Two small children (ages 1 and 2 years old) were playing in the trash behind a motel under construction by a homeless camp at the cross streets of Evergreen and Kearney. The adult was not monitoring the small children well and 9-1-1 began receiving calls. SPD was sent for a ‘check well being’ from several anonymous citizen calls to ensure the children’s safety. One of these citizens called back to thank Terry Hedden for his help and sending assistance to the scene!

Springfield Citizen

To: Officer Michael Carney and Officer Aaron Cottengim

Officers Carney and Cottengim came to an apartment where we were having a very difficult time getting a young lady with many mental issues who is not doing well to leave the apartment so we could move her to her new home in Bolivar. She flatly refused. Once the officers got there and began talking with her, she softened her position and agreed to pack up some clothes and go with us. They accompanied us out to the car to make sure she was safely in. They were very gentle with her but firm about her having to leave.

I appreciate the service they gave me and one of my deputies today in this situation. They were very polite and kind and are a credit to your office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

With kindest regards,

Lee Ann Walker, Greene County Public Administrator

To: Planning & Zoning Department and Building Development Services

I just wanted to thank the Planning and Zoning Department for its outstanding service.

I first reached out to your staff late last summer to inquire about the feasibility of opening a microbrewery in the Rountree neighborhood.

Regardless of who I talked with, your staff was professional, knowledgeable, friendly and most importantly, patient.

As someone who had not previously gone through this experience, the information available on the City’s website as well as guidance from your staff proved more than adequate in navigating the process.

I specifically want to thank Bob Hosmer, Alyssa Ahner, and Mary Lilly Smith in Planning as well as Rick Garner and Chris Straw in BDS.

You have a great team and I would gladly work with them again.

Regards,

Curtis Marshall, Tie & Timber Beer Co.

To: Officer Thomas Gross

Yesterday I was taking my son to soccer practice at the Cooper Complex. I drove up on an accident on Chestnut Expressway at North Cedarbrook Avenue. This accident apparently was a hit-and-run involving a person using a power wheel chair who was transported to the hospital. This left a heavy, non-operating power wheel chair at the accident scene.

Traffic was diverted on to Cedarbrook Avenue causing a major back-up due to after work traffic and a stop sign controlled intersection. As we navigated north on Cedarbrook Avenue at a snail’s pace, we were passed by Officer Gross physically pushing this wheel chair back to the patients apartment. He pushed this wheel chair almost four-tenths of a mile.

This chair could have been left for someone else to take care of – probably not the officer’s responsibility – but Officer Gross took ownership of getting this expensive mobility resource to a safe location.

He also took time to visit with a couple kids along the travel to the apartment (probably a short rest from pushing a heavy wheel chair)!

Officer Gross demonstrated GREAT customer service provided by the Springfield Police Department!

Be Safe!

Ted Martin, Fire Chief, Branson Fire Rescue