



*A Newsletter for the City of St. Paul*

**January 2008**

*Happy New Year! Welcome to the year's first edition of the City of St. Paul Newsletter. We are joining together as elected officials to continue to create an informative publication to keep all St. Paul residents up-to-date on the issues within our community.*

*St. Paul is entering an important juncture in its history. While originating as a small rural community, everyone is aware of our fast growing neighboring areas. We must be vigilant to maintain our cities historic atmosphere, larger acreage home sites, and limited government. While at the same time, we must be provided with safety and services that are necessary to a growing community...Police security, fire protection, zoning and code enforcement, sewage maintenance and disposal as well as access to great schools, good roads and general city services. So, with this goal in mind, we are kicking off this newsletter...to involve everyone in our goal to maintain our desired lifestyle.*

**ST. PAUL CITY BUSINESS**

*All residents are invited to:*

**TOWN HALL MEETING**

**Monday, March 24, 2008**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Knights of Columbus Hall**

**1270 Church Rd.**

*Mayor Reeves, City Administrator Holloway and the City Counselor will chair the Town Hall meeting addressing several important issues, which will affect our community taxes and services. The following issues will be discussed; one issue will be on the ballot for the April 8, 2008 election:*

- **2008 Property Tax Reset**

*State laws mandate the municipal tax rate be adjusted with each assessment year. As such, the City tax rate adjustments have been decreasing since 1996. Although with incoming residents to the City, our revenue will increase minimally. The state formula dictates continued actual decline in rates, resulting are increasingly needed services to provide and decreasing rates. In order to maintain our strong city services, safety and zoning protections and long term fiscal financial responsibility we need to immediately address this situation.*

*The City Board has placed a request to reset the currently declined tax rate to the 1996 level. This proposal will be on the up-coming election ballot on Tuesday April 8, 2008. Your vote is necessary to approve passage.*

*Please attend the Town Hall Meeting as it is the perfect time for all our citizens to get together and understand the need for the proposed tax reset issue.*

- **OLD Town Sewer Project Update**

*The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has finalized their study of the St. Paul sewage requirements. The engineering course design has been determined for the needed sewage project. The necessary Request for Proposal bid process will begin soon. The complete implementation of the sewer project is approximately two years. Our city engineer will provide a presentation of the Sewer Project during the upcoming Town Hall.*

*Please attend the Town Hall Meeting for complete details on these two important topics. We look forward to seeing you there, March 24th at 7 p.m.*

**Child and Citizen Protection:** *To better protect our citizens and children the City Board has passed legislation to provide for stronger restrictions on registered sex offenders residencies. This law increases the distance a registered offender is able to reside in proximity to schools, libraries, parks or public pools within our community. While we have not had an issue with these offenders in our City, safety is a top priority in our ever-changing world. This legislation is just one tool, however, we must stress, nothing can surpass strong parental guidance and supervision to ensure the best for our children.*

**NEW WEBSITE!!** *The City of St. Paul is proud to announce the unveiling of “your” new city website!*

*Everything you wanted to know about the city, this is your site! In this new site, you will find not only all our city happenings but also so much more! News, history, area businesses, schools, churches, parks, calendar of events, and links to useful sites just to name a few. SIGN UP online to receive the City Newsletter via e-mail! City and county happenings are at your fingertips. The site will be continuously updating, so*

*mark it to your “favorites” list. It’s a great way for us to keep in touch! Check it out today and come back often...*

[www.stpaulmissouri.com](http://www.stpaulmissouri.com)

*If you would like to advertise your business on this site, please contact Alderwoman, Anna White at (636) 978-6355, or City Hall (636)980-1063.*

*Special thanks to Larry Groeblichhoff of Custom Video Design for providing photography for the city website!*

*We’re Looking for All Interested Citizens! Are you interested in representing and serving your community? Being a Community Leader is a rewarding experience. The position of 1 Aldermen for Ward 1, Ward 2 and Ward 3 are open for filing in the April 8<sup>th</sup> election. Filings for Candidacy must be made at City Hall thru Jan 22, 2008 at 4 p.m. Contact City Hall to obtain filing information (636) 980-1063.*

*Thank You Friends of St. Paul: The inaugural “Community Clean Up Day” in August was a huge success. Over 100 interested residents volunteered! Thank you to everyone who came out to help beautify St. Paul. Special thanks to the O’Fallon Fire Protection District for their assistance. A very special thanks to some of our local businesses and individuals for their contributions towards making this event possible... Midtown Automotive, Dog Prairie Tavern, Hoff HVAC, SCS Ltd, Red Robin Restaurant, Costco, Jim Lawless, Lenny & Marie Schulte, Carl Hull, Phil Auchly and Ted Schulte. Our city is honored and very fortunate have such great citizens. Hats off to all of you!*

*Children’s Good Deeds Recognition: We are pleased to announce the following young citizens of St. Paul have been recognized for their efforts and good will to our community in 2007: Madeline Bathe, Michael Dyer, Ben Fields, Daniel Hawn, Gina Iannicola, Michael Iannicola, Hanna Mueller, Aileen Puscian and Kyle Puscian. These young members of our community volunteered towards clean up projects within the city of their own accord. We are very proud of them!*

*Do you know or have a child who deserves recognition for their good deeds within the community? If so, please contact Alderwoman Anna White (636) 978-6355. It would be our honor for the City to recognize and present an award to them at an upcoming City Meeting.*

*Change of Date for Board of Alderman Meetings: The Board of Alderman Meetings have been moved to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:30pm held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1270 Church Rd. Everyone is invited. We look forward to seeing you there!*

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