

HOUSTON LAKER

Young Artists Workshop June 19, 2021



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August Community Calendar Events

July 31st - Art, Life & Folks Houston Lake Arts Circle: Registration form due

Aug. 7th - Art Delivery Date at City Hall: 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Aug. 9th - City of Houston Lake Council meeting, at City Hall
7:15pm Tax Levy Hearing, 7:30pm City Council meeting

Aug. 14th - **Art, Life & Folks; Houston Lake Arts Circle, presents our
7th Annual Art Show Exhibit at City Hall: 1:00pm to 4:00pm**

Aug. 17th - Recycling and Trash pickup

Aug. 18th - Venetian Gardens Homes Association meeting, 7:00pm. This meeting might be held virtually if the Covid cases continue to increase. Members wanting to attend should email Secretary Sue Hodges at hodges.susan@outlook.com during the week prior to the meeting date for a meeting update and an invitation to the virtual meeting if necessary.

Venetian Gardens Homes Association Don't Forget Your Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake "2021 Wristband"!!

Lake Residents from the age of 16 through 64 need a Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake 2021 Wristband to fish in Houston Lake.

Residents under age 16 and residents 65 and over only need a 2021 Wristband.

ABSOLUTELY NO FISHING IN THE BEACH AREA.

ATTENTION Your Lake Dues must be paid to use the lake facilities for swimming, fishing, boating or other recreational purposes even if you have lake front property. Non-paying members may not picnic on Homes Association property (for example, the beach, Mayor's Park, or the peninsula) you must have your 2021 Lake wristband with you when using the lake.

The water test results were not yet available at the time this paper was printed.

PLEASE swim at your own risk.



Tuesday, August 3, 2021

The best way to build a safer community is to know your neighbors and surroundings. National Night Out triumphs over a culture that isolates us from each other and allows us to rediscover our own communities.

Plan a block party with your neighbors. Together we can make our community a safer more caring place to live.

Good News



The Homes Association President Kerry Hallowell announced at the July 21, 2021 meeting that any Home Owner at Houston Lake, MO. in good standing can have any of the dirt that is on the peninsula that they want.

The member will have to haul it off themselves.

We have a resident who can use most of, if not all of the extra dirt on the peninsula. If you know anyone who has a dump truck and would be willing to help us out, please let us know.

CITY OFFICIALS
CITY OF HOUSTON LAKE

Mayor Chuck Stone = 816-305-3196
(mayor@houstonlake.net)

City Clerk Sarah Schofield = 816-741-0644
(cityclerk@houstonlake.net)

Sewer Grinder Pumps
Sarah Schofield = 816-394-8828

City Collector - Kathryn Kreider
(taxcollector@houstonlake.net)

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Platte County Sheriff
Non emergency 816-858-3521
For emergencies please call 911
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VENETIAN GARDENS
HOMES ASSOCIATION (HOA)

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Dam/Watershed Officer

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City of Houston Lake City Hall (816)741.0644

ARTICLE II. PERMITS

SECTION 500.100: BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED

All persons desiring to construct, erect, alter or add to any building, boat dock, fences, road or drive or any structure in the City of Houston Lake, Missouri, must first obtain a building permit for such construction, alteration or addition from the Board of Aldermen of said City. (Ord. No. 282 §2, 10-14-02)

SECTION 500.110: PERMIT APPLICATIONS

All persons desiring to obtain such a permit shall submit an application with the complete plans and specifications and plot plan for such construction showing sizes, estimated cost and details of such proposed construction and the location of such construction upon the plot of land. No new dwelling construction or property line fence construction will be permitted until after certified surveys have been filed with the Board of Aldermen. Certified surveys will be required on all additions to old dwellings where the new construction will be closer to the property line than the old dwelling. (Ord. No. 282 §3, 10-14-02) Applications for a building permit may be obtained by leaving a message at City Hall 816-741-0644 or contacting your Alderman.

Dumpster Permit: is required for all homes in our City. (Ord. no. 359 Section 235.060).

Note: Please submit all applications for burn permit or building permit to City Hall 10 days prior to the meeting for consideration. Those applications not received 10 days prior to a meeting will not be considered until the following months City Council Meeting. Applications can be deposited in the mail box at the front of the building. Thank you for your consideration.

“To All Residents of Houston Lake”:

If any resident needs a **trash container** or a **recycling container**, call City Hall 816-741-0644 and leave your name, address, phone number and the containers will be delivered to your home.

Parking: No vehicle shall be parked on any street within the city limits of Houston Lake, MO. (Chapter 300 - Schedule II, Municipal Code)

All-Terrain Vehicles: No person shall operate an All-Terrain Vehicle upon the streets of this city.(Section 340.110 Municipal Code)

Open Burning Permit for Recreational Purposes

All residents of Houston Lake wishing to apply for an open burning permit can do so by downloading the application on our website Houstonlake.net or you may call city hall and leave your name and phone number. After you have filled out the form, please slip it through the mail slot on the door at City Hall for review and approval by the City Council. (Ordinance 334, Section 230.025)

Fire Danger: Over the years, Kansas City has issued several Red Flag Warnings to alert residents against starting fires. Please pay attention to the local news and refrain from starting any fires.

Fishing: It shall be unlawful for any person to pursue, take, transport, ship, buy, sell, possess or use any fish from any body of water within the City without possessing a valid fishing permit issued by the Missouri Department of Conservation. This section shall not apply to any person 65 years of age or older or is 15 years of age or younger. (Section 210.690 Municipal Code)

DISCHARGING AIR GUN, ETC.Any person within the limits of this City who shall discharge any BB gun, spring gun, paint gun or air gun or shall shoot any pebble, bullet, slug, arrow or other hard substance by means of a sling, crossbow, rubber band or bow or any other means shall be deemed guilty of an ordinance violation; provided however, that this Section shall not apply to any person or organization authorized by the City of Houston Lake to possess and discharge such devices for the purpose of waterfowl pest control. (Ord. No. 303, 9-12-05) (Section 210.285)

Mask

Call to Artists



Art, Life & Folks Houston Lake Arts Circle

Registration Dates: May thru July
Art Delivery Date: August 7, 2 - 4pm
Exhibit: August 14, 1 - 4pm

Houston Lake Arts Circle is honored to announce a call for entries to our 7th Annual Art Show **Mask**

This is a call to residents for their handmade creations in any medium. Let your art be inspired by the theme, **Mask**. Whether your art is modern, traditional, still or kinetic.

Entry Guidelines

Open to all Houston Lake Residents. All works must be made by the artist. Floor works must be firmly stable and less than 3 sq ft. Wall mounted pieces are limited to 20 lbs, and must be ready to hang. Limit 2 entries per artist.

Exhibit

Performance works performed only at the exhibit opening.

Physical art remains on display after the opening. Selected pieces displayed Aug - Feb, remaining pieces displayed March - July.

Mask Registration Form (due 7/31/2021)

Please print clearly

Artist:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

Art Work

Title:

Approximate size:

Medium (watercolor, yarn, etc):

May we post you and your works on Facebook / Instagram? Yes/No:

The Arts Circle will care for your art, however we aren't responsible if damaged

Mask Artwork Form (attach to back of art)

Artist:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

Art Work

Title:

Medium (watercolor, yarn, etc):

The Arts Circle will care for your art, however we aren't responsible if damaged

VENETIAN GARDENS HOMES ASSOCIATION BOARD APPLICATION

NAME _____ DATE OF FILING _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

You must be a member in good standing of the Venetian Gardens Homes Association. This means that you must be current on dues payment.

We have three vacancies on the Homes Association Board in the Annual October Meeting. Two Elected Board Member will serve a two year term and one will serve one year term.

Anyone interested in becoming a Board Member, please complete the application on this page and return to Homes Association Secretary Sue Hodges by email at hodges.susan@outlook.com or call her @ 816.786.2377 by September 15, 2021.Thank you.

AUDITORS NEEDED

Three volunteers are needed to “audit the books” (review the check book and other financial records) for the Venetian Garden Homes Association.

As required by the bylaws, an audit of the books must be completed prior to the Annual Meeting which will be held in October.

It is not an overwhelming task, probably an hour or two.

The Treasurer, Susan Hodges, will meet with the volunteers to get this job done.

So, would you like to help the Homes Association? And, if you have done an audit before, you can offer your services again!

Call Susan Hodges 816.786.2377 or email = hodges.susan@outlook.com and offer your services. It would be greatly appreciated.

Venetian Gardens Homes Association
Meeting
Minutes
July 23, 2021

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Roll Call: Mary Head Present:

Kerry Hallowell, President, Susan Hodges, Secretary/Treasurer, Mary Head, Board Member, Teresa Olson, Board Member Absent: Joe Briones, Vice President

Treasurer's report:

Susan Hodges provided the amounts of deposits and expenditures from June 1, 2021, to July 21, 2021

Meeting:

Kerry Hallowell advised the members that other than the HOA Board and the City Mayor and Alderman, that there were only 4 members that volunteered to help with the HOA projects. She said that some members say they pay their dues so why should they volunteer. She reminded the members that the HOA Board of Directors also pay their HOA dues and volunteer their time to serve on the Board as well as volunteering for other projects. Then, she addressed the fact that it would take at least \$5,000,000 to drain the lake and dredge it which would take a number of years to accumulate that amount of money. Everyone needs to pitch in, or the lake will die.

Recently 100 grass carp were released into the lake.

The HOA is looking for a list of contractors to request bids as an alternative to volunteers.

The meeting was then opened to the members for suggestions. Teresa Olson suggested using goats to initially clean the weeds off the peninsula. This was discussed at some length and is a viable option if the Board of Adjustments allows a special permission to have farm animals in Houston Lake for a short period of time, (most likely applicable to a specific place and purpose.) Teresa volunteered to transport the goats.

With the weeds gone, it will be easier to remove the dirt. The members were then advised that they could have any dirt that they wanted to come and get. The members were reminded to put up a silt fence to mitigate the dirt from washing back into the lake and to not put the dirt in any natural drain location.

Another member suggested that K & S Construction be contacted to get a bid on moving the dirt.

Chuck Stone let the Board know that the aerator motor is not working and Brendan is trying to fix it.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Susan Hodges, Secretary

Community Members,

As you all know, we put out a plea for volunteers to help us try to slow down the deterioration of our lake. Out of 125 households, we received 4 volunteers (not including HOA members and City Council). After the hard work of a handful of people, the lake does look better than it has in the last few years. Can you imagine what we could accomplish with a little more help? If you care about our community and the health of our lake, please step up.

With Teresa Olson's help and the approval of the city, we want to put goats on the peninsula to eat the excessive vegetation. There will be 0 cost for this endeavor.

We have a resident who can use most of, if not all of the extra dirt on the peninsula. If you know anyone who has a dump truck and would be willing to help us out, please let us know.

As discussed in our meeting, the aeration is not working. The motor is "frozen". If it cannot be fixed we will have to purchase a new aeration system, which will cost the HOA thousands of dollars.

For the community members that have NOT fulfilled their legal obligation to pay their HOA dues (some for many years) legal action is being taken. If you want to avoid having to pay legal fees in addition to the possibility of losing your house, you need to get current on your dues NOW.

Kerry Hallowell; President Venetian Gardens Homes Association

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PLEASE REMEMBER to fill out your “Missouri Department of Economic Development a Community Development Block Grant Program. FY2018 application: FORM R – LMI SURVEY INSTRUMENT”.

Attached is the LMI survey, 2021 income limits and filled out example of survey. The Income Limits page is to help fill out the “Income Limits” table on the survey. If you have any questions, please contact me, Joe at 574-315-5176.

Please drop off filled out surveys to the HOA mailbox at Houston Lake City Hall on the front porch, 5417 NW Adrian, Houston Lake, Mo. 64151.

Sincerely; Joe Briones, Vice President Venetian Gardens Homes Association

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
 FY2018 APPLICATION: FORM R – LMI SURVEY INSTRUMENT

(MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION IF SURVEY CONDUCTED)

THE CITY/COUNTY OF <u>Houston Lake</u> IS CONDUCTING A SURVEY TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS IN PUBLIC FACILITIES, HOUSING, AND SERVICES. SOME OF THE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING. THIS SURVEY IS AN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT FOR SUCH FUNDING. YOUR SURVEY ANSWERS WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.					
1. PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES (PERSONS RELATED BY BIRTH, MARRIAGE, OR ADOPTION) LIVING AT THIS ADDRESS (AN UNRELATED INDIVIDUAL IS CONSIDERED A ONE-PERSON FAMILY, WHETHER LIVING ALONE OR WITH ANOTHER FAMILY).					
NUMBER OF FAMILIES:			TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS:		
2. HOW MANY IN EACH FAMILY:		#1	#2	#3	
3. FOR EACH FAMILY INDICATED ABOVE, PLEASE CHECK WHETHER YOUR TOTAL FAMILY INCOME IS ABOVE, BETWEEN, OR BELOW THE INCOME FIGURES PROVIDED FOR YOUR FAMILY SIZE.					
Family Size	Income Limits			FAMILY #1	FAMILY #2
	A (30%)	B (50%)	C (80%)		
1	_____	TO _____	TO _____	FAMILY SIZE: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Income Above Column C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column B & C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column A & B <input type="checkbox"/> Income below Column A	FAMILY SIZE: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Income Above Column C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column B & C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column A & B <input type="checkbox"/> Income below Column A
2	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
3	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
4	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
5	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
6	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
7	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
8	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
4. HOW MANY PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS ARE:					
FEMALE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD?			CHILDREN AGE SIX YEARS AND UNDER?		
OVER THE AGE OF 62?			HANDICAPPED/DISABLED?		
5. TO HELP DETERMINE THE POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT AREA, PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS THAT ARE:					
HISPANIC OR LATINO:					
NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO:					
6. TO FURTHER HELP DETERMINE THE POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT AREA, PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS THAT ARE:					
WHITE:			ASIAN & WHITE:		
BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN:			BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN & WHITE:		
ASIAN:			AM. INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE & BLACK/AFRICAN AM.:		
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE:			ASIAN & NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER:		
NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER:			ALL OTHERS:		
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE & WHITE:					
7. DATE:		TELEPHONE NUMBER (If survey conducted by telephone):			
		SIGNATURE (OPTIONAL):			

EXAMPLE

(MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION IF SURVEY CONDUCTED)

THE CITY/COUNTY OF <u>Houston Lake / Platte County</u> IS CONDUCTING A SURVEY TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS IN PUBLIC FACILITIES, HOUSING, AND SERVICES. SOME OF THE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING. THIS SURVEY IS AN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT FOR SUCH FUNDING. YOUR SURVEY ANSWERS WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.					
1. PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES (PERSONS RELATED BY BIRTH, MARRIAGE, OR ADOPTION) LIVING AT THIS ADDRESS (AN UNRELATED INDIVIDUAL IS CONSIDERED A ONE-PERSON FAMILY, WHETHER LIVING ALONE OR WITH ANOTHER FAMILY).					
NUMBER OF FAMILIES: 1			TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS: 6		
2. HOW MANY IN EACH FAMILY:		#1 6	#2	#3	
3. FOR EACH FAMILY INDICATED ABOVE, PLEASE CHECK WHETHER YOUR TOTAL FAMILY INCOME IS ABOVE, BETWEEN, OR BELOW THE INCOME FIGURES PROVIDED FOR YOUR FAMILY SIZE.					
Family Size	Income Limits			FAMILY #1	FAMILY #2
	A (30%)	B (50%)	C (80%)		
1	_____	TO _____	TO _____	FAMILY SIZE: <u>6</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Income Above Column C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column B & C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column A & B <input type="checkbox"/> Income below Column A	FAMILY SIZE: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Income Above Column C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column B & C <input type="checkbox"/> Income between Column A & B <input type="checkbox"/> Income below Column A
2	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
3	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
4	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
5	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
6	_____	TO _____	TO <u>X</u>		
7	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
8	_____	TO _____	TO _____		
4. HOW MANY PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS ARE:					
FEMALE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLD? 0			CHILDREN AGE SIX YEARS AND UNDER? 2		
OVER THE AGE OF 62? 0			HANDICAPPED/DISABLED? 0		
5. TO HELP DETERMINE THE POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT AREA, PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS THAT ARE:					
HISPANIC OR LATINO: 0					
NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO: 6					
6. TO FURTHER HELP DETERMINE THE POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROJECT AREA, PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS AT THIS ADDRESS THAT ARE:					
WHITE: 6			ASIAN & WHITE: 0		
BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN: 0			BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN & WHITE: 0		
ASIAN: 0			AM. INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE & BLACK/AFRICAN AM.: 0		
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE: 0			ASIAN & NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: 0		
NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: 0			ALL OTHERS: 0		
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE & WHITE: 0					
7. DATE: 06/04/2021		TELEPHONE NUMBER (If survey conducted by telephone):			
		SIGNATURE (OPTIONAL):			



FY 2021 INCOME LIMITS DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM

HUD.gov [HUD User Home Data Sets](#) [Fair Market Rents](#) [Section 8 Income Limits](#) [MTSP Income Limits](#) [HUD LIHTC Database](#)

FY 2021 Income Limits Summary

Selecting any of the buttons labeled "Explanation" will display detailed calculation steps for each of the various parameters.

FY 2021 Income Limit Area	Median Family Income <input type="button" value="Explanation"/>	Persons in Family							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Kansas City, MO- KS HUD Metro FMR Area	\$86,600								
	Very Low (50%) Income Limits (\$) <input type="button" value="Explanation"/>	30,350	34,650	39,000	43,300	46,800	50,250	53,700	57,200
	Extremely Low Income Limits (\$)* <input type="button" value="Explanation"/>	18,200	20,800	23,400	26,500	31,040	35,580	40,120	44,660
	Low (80%) Income Limits (\$) <input type="button" value="Explanation"/>	48,550	55,450	62,400	69,300	74,850	80,400	85,950	91,500

Houston Lake Planning and Zoning Commission
Regular Meeting - Agenda
June 8, 2021 at 6:00pm

City Hall – 5417 NW Adrian Houston Lake, MO

1. Opening Session

- a. Cell Phones silenced.
- b. Roll Call:
Teresa Olson, Kerry Hallowell, Tom Gay, Sharon Potter, Carolyn Carey, Lori Scarborough, Randy Sims, Dave Williams, Brendan Brousseau, Johnny Nava
- c. Agenda approved.

2. Public Discussion - none

3. New Business

- a. Each member introduced themselves and shared their ward, how long they have lived on the lake, their background and strengths, and what they value about Houston Lake.
- b. Review of Houston Lake Municipal Code
 - i. Chapter 400; *Planning and Zoning Commission*
 - ii. Chapter 405, Section 100; *Zoning Regulations, Changes and Amendments*
- c. Officers
 - i. Chairman
Brendan Brousseau volunteered; the Commission unanimously approved.
 - ii. Secretary
Lori Scarborough volunteered; the Commission unanimously approved.
- d. Terms
 - i. 1 year (3)
Sharon Potter
Kerry Hallowell
 - ii. 2 years (3)
Dave Williams
Teresa Olson
Carolyn Carey
 - iii. 3 years (3)
Brenden Brousseau
Lori Scarborough
Randy Sims
 - iv. 4 years (3)
Tom Gay
Evonne Briones
- e. Sunshine Law
Review and discussion about:
 - i. [Missourisunshinelaw.pdf](#)
 - ii. [MO Chapter 610](#)
- f. Schedule of Regular Meetings

- i. Frequency - quarterly.
- ii. 2021 Meeting Dates
Sept 14th 6pm
Dec 14th 6pm

g. Land Use Resolution

- i. Distribute Resolution
- ii. Public meeting set for July 13, 2021 at 6pm.
- iii. The Commission voted to have another meeting prior to the public hearing. The date was set for June 23, 2021 at 6pm.
- iv. The Commission was reminded of Sunshine Law.

4. Member Reports - none.

5. Adjournment

Houston Lake Planning and Zoning Commission

Meeting - Agenda

June 23, 2021 at 6:00pm

City Hall – 5417 NW Adrian Houston Lake, MO

1. Opening Session

a. Roll Call:

Kerry Hallowell, Tom Gay, Sharon Potter, Carolyn Carey, Lori Scarborough, Randy Sims, Dave Williams, Brendan Brousseau, AnneMarie Murphy, Evonne Briones

Absent: Johnny Nava, Teresa Olson

b. Agenda approved.

c. Minutes from June 8, 2021 meeting approved.

2. Public Discussion

Planned for July 13, 2021 where the a) opinions of the interested Houston Lake residents will be heard and b) updates made by at he attorney to the Houstke Lake Municipal Code section 405.070 Distruit R Residential code will be reviewed and the PZC will them make their recommendations to the City Council for vote.

3. Old Business

- a. Land Use Resolution - several members of the board are still requesting an opportunity to review the bylaws of Venetian Gardens Homeowners Association. Kerry reports they should be available online. Questions were raised about the wording as it applies to other businesses currently operating in Houston Lake. Due to the amount of discussion this issue initiated, it was determined that this topic could be more adequately addressed in future meetings and that our focus this date was to ensure all members had a working understanding as it applied the short term rentals proposed amendment in 405.070 (A)(6) so as to be prepared for the public hearing.
- b. Distribution of notice of Public Hearing - legally the notice of public hearing needs to be distributed to every Houston Lake household no later than 15 days prior to the public hearing. The City was divided into sections and there were volunteers who agreed to ensure this task was completed in their designated areas.

4. New Business

Anne Marie Murphy volunteered to head the Board of Adjustments which it was learned needed to be formed as a forum for residents to present their grievances and/or complaints relating to the PZC. Her involvement in this board presents a conflict of interest if she retains her seat on the PZC, therefore she will from hereon be vacating her seat on the PZC.

4. Member Reports

Some of the members independently researched the impact of other STRs in the KC area and reported their findings were not wholly negative and in some cases have been a source of revenue for the cities in which they are located. Evonne Briones and Kerry Hallowell pointed out that in their respective administrative capacities they can report first hand that the city of Houston Lake neither has the resources or budget to

adequately regulate the running of STRs. Furthermore, even the larger lake communities in the area already have city ordinances in place disallowing the operation of STRs in their respective communities.

5. Meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm. The next meeting will be the public hearing on July 13 at 6pm.

Houston Lake Planning and Zoning Commission

In April, the Board of Aldermen voted to form the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Commission held its first meeting on June 8, 2021, where it selected terms and appointed members to chairman and secretary positions. Minutes to this meeting were approved at the second meeting, on June 23, 2021 and are included in this issue of the Laker. Minutes to the June 23rd meeting were approved at the July 13th public hearing and are included in this issue of the Laker, as well.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on July 13, 2021 at City Hall to consider whether to recommend to the Board of Alderpersons if Ordinances 405.010 and 405.070 should be modified as proposed or otherwise and to help clarify the prohibition of Short-Term Rentals and that the entire City is zoned only for single family dwellings and to modify the City's sign ordinance to comply with a Supreme Court Decision.

After hearing from residents and the City's legal counsel, the Commission voted 10:1 to recommend to the Board of Alderman that Ordinances 405.010 and 405.070 be modified as proposed, with minor adjustments to the proposed updates of accessory use.

The Planning and Zoning Commission's next meeting is set for September 14, 2021, 6pm, at City Hall.

Houston Lake Planning and Zoning Commission Members

Brendan Brousseau – Chairman

Lori Scarborough – Secretary

Evonne Briones

Carolyn Carey

Tom Gay

Kerry Hallowell

Johnny Nava

Teresa Olson

Sharon Potter

Randy Sims

Dave Williams

CITY NEWS

The following excerpt is the key part of a change to the city ordinance that the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended for the City Council to vote on at the August 9th Meeting. To Summarize: Restrictions on Short-Term Rentals, signs, and tutoring.

6. Accessory uses, including automobile parking areas, customarily incident to the above uses and located on the same lot therewith, not involving the conduct of a business or industry.

a. No store, trade, business, industry, practice or a profession shall be permitted as an accessory use in this district except as follows:

(1) The office of a surgeon, physician (including osteopaths and chiropractors) or dentists located in the dwelling used as a private residence of such surgeon, physician or dentist and attended only by members of the immediate family, provided no window or other display or sign may be used except if attached to the house, an unilluminated sign not to exceed eighty (80) square inches is permitted. No clinic shall be allowed.

(2) Education lessons are permitted within the dwelling for no more than six (6) students at one time if attended only by members of the immediate family, provided no window or other display or sign may be used except, an unilluminated sign not to exceed eighty (80) square inches if attached to the house, is permitted.

(3) Home occupations located in the dwelling and carried on only by members of the immediate family of the person occupying such dwelling as his/her private residence, provided no window or other display or sign may be used except an unilluminated sign not to exceed eighty (80) square inches if attached to the house, is permitted.

(4) No power other than electric and of not more than one-fourth (14) horsepower is used in anyone (1) machine and not more than one (1) horsepower total is to be used in any home occupation.

(5) Short -Term Rentals Prohibited. Nothing contained in 405.070(A)(6) above shall be deemed to allow or permit any Short -Term Rental. Short-term rentals shall be prohibited within the City of Houston Lake. The Owner and/or Transient Guest may each be liable for violations of this section. Each and every day during any portion of which a violation of this section is committed, continued or permitted, shall be a separate offense. As used herein the term "Owner" shall mean the person(s) having an ownership interest in the single-family home, structure, or dwelling.

Please contact one of the Aldermen in your ward to communicate if you are in favor of this change. As always, the public will be allowed to comment directly to the board prior to the vote at the August 9th City Council Meeting.

Chuck Stone
Mayor, Houston Lake

**Financial Statement
City of Houston Lake
as of June 30, 2021**

Income - Period Covered January 1 - June 30, 2021

General Fund	138,379.87	
Road Fund	36,742.16	
Grinder Pump Fund	17,769.07	
Fire Protection Fund	19,009.60	
Total		\$ 211,900.70

Expenses - Period Covered January 1 - June 30, 2021

General Fund	134,473.80	
Road Fund	1,720.73	
Grinder Pump Fund	4,287.16	
Fire Protection Fund	9,500.02	
Total		\$ 149,981.71

**Total Funds as of
June 30, 2021**

General Fund	82,590.56	
Road Fund	61,044.94	
Grinder Pump Fund	25,155.71	
Fire Protection Fund	24,880.02	
Municipal Court Account	1,468.01	
Municipal Court Bond Account	519.75	
Transportation Sales Tax Receipts	21,880.79	
General Fund CD	24,083.97	
General Fund CD	26,730.40	
Sewer Fund CD	5,106.19	
Sewer Fund CD	10,511.43	
Mill and Overlay CD	16,309.01	
Total		\$ 300,280.78

Notice of Public Hearing

City of Houston Lake, Missouri

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Citizens may be heard on the property tax rates to be set **for general revenue**, in order to comply with Article X, Section 22 of the Missouri Constitution and Section 67.110 and 137.073 of the Missouri Revised Statues.

The proposed tax rate information is expected to become available the last week of July and will be provided to the public as it becomes available by posting at City Hall and on Houston Lake Website.

POST – BOE

Date: July 25, 2021 Sarah Schofield, City Clerk

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Animal Regulations

The City of Houston Lake City Codes states the following:

Section 205.030. Running at Large Prohibited — Impoundment.

It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog or cat to permit the same to run at large within the City of Houston Lake at any time. Any dog or cat found without the registration provided in Section 205.020, and any dog or cat found running at large, shall be impounded.

Section 205.040. Vicious Dogs Prohibited — Exceptions.

A. It shall be unlawful to own, keep or harbor a vicious dog in the City of Houston Lake except in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Leash and muzzle. No person shall permit a vicious dog to go outside its kennel or pen unless such dog is securely leashed with a leash no longer than four (4) feet in length. No person shall permit a vicious dog to be kept on a chain, rope or other type of leash outside its kennel or pen unless a person is in physical control of the leash. Such dogs may not be leashed to inanimate objects such as trees, posts or buildings. In addition, all vicious dogs on a leash outside its kennel or pen must be muzzled by a muzzling device sufficient to prevent such dog from biting persons or other animals.
2. Confinement. All vicious dogs shall be securely confined indoors or in a securely enclosed and locked pen or kennel, except when leashed and muzzled as above provided. Such pen, kennel or structure must have secure sides and a secure top attached to the sides. All structures used to confine vicious dogs must be locked with a key or combination lock when such dogs are within the structure. Said structure must have a secure bottom or floor attached to the sides of the pen or the sides of the pen must be imbedded in the ground no less than two (2) feet. Also, such structures must be adequately lighted and ventilated and kept in a clean and sanitary condition.
3. Confinement indoors. No vicious dog may be kept on a porch, patio or any part of a house or structure that would allow the dog to exit such building on its own volition. In addition, no such animal may be kept in a house or structure when the windows are open or when screen windows or screen doors are the only obstacle preventing the dog from exiting the structure.
4. Signs. All owners, keepers or harborers of vicious dogs within the City shall display in a prominent place on their premises a sign easily readable by the public using the words "Beware of Dog". In addition, a similar sign is required to be posted on the kennel or pen of such dog.

The Animal Regulations code in its entirety can be requested by contacting the CityClerk@houstonlake.net .

****As Always, be a good neighbor and clean up after your pets, disposing of waste in a proper receptacle.**

Sarah Schofield
City Clerk
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