

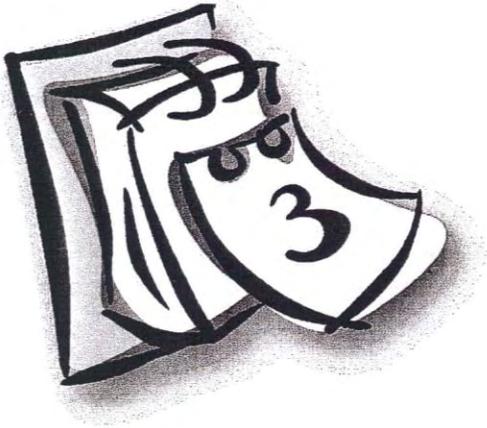
City of Houston Lake

50th Anniversary

Nov. 7th, 1960 - Nov. 7th, 2010



Houston Laker - November 2010



City Events

Sunday November 7th

At 2:00 am

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- November 2 - General Election**
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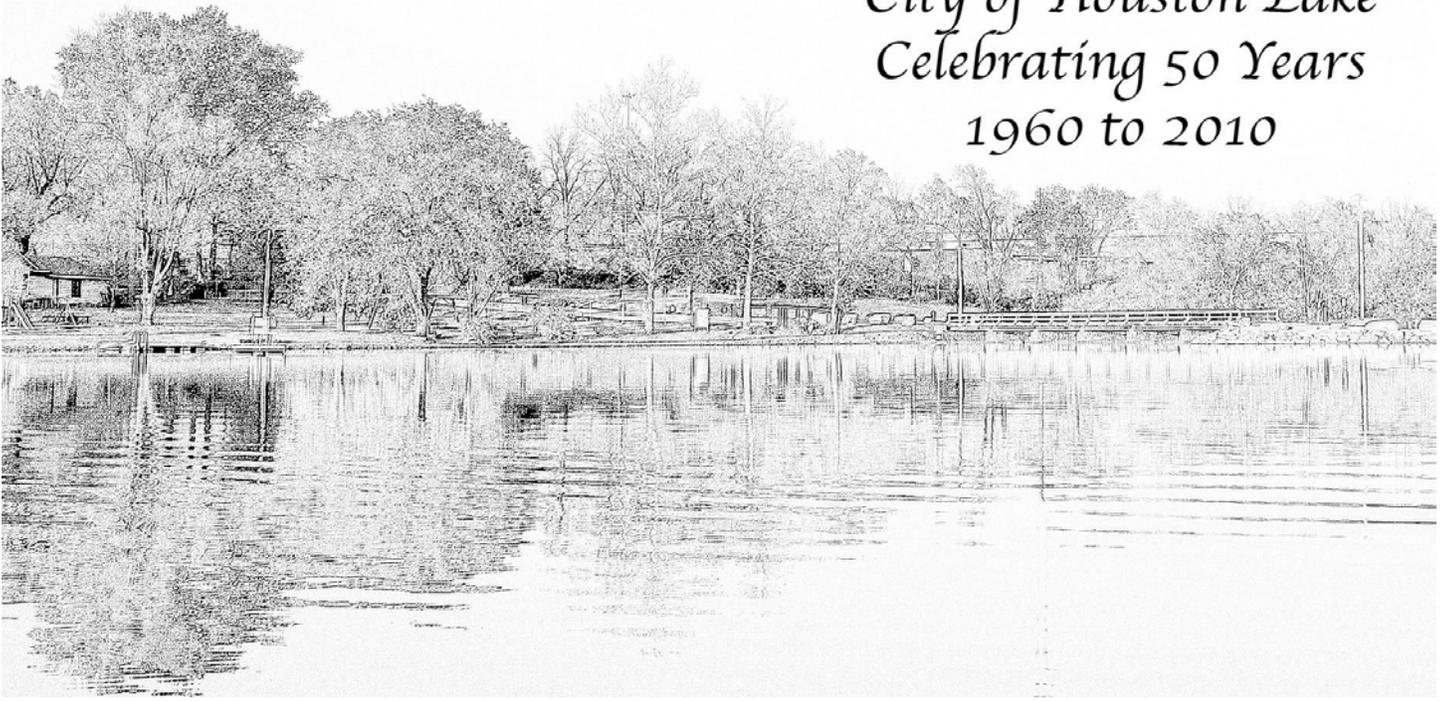
- November 13 - City of Houston Lake**
50th Anniversary
Reception - City Hall
2 pm to 5 pm

- November 15 - City Council Meeting**
7:30 pm - City Hall

- November 18 - Venetian Gardens Homes Association**
Board Meeting - City Hall
7:00 pm

- November 24 - Recycling Day**

*City of Houston Lake
Celebrating 50 Years
1960 to 2010*



*We wish to extend a warm invitation to all
residents of Houston Lake for a Celebration of the
City's 50th Anniversary.*

*Saturday, November 13th, 2010
2 to 5 p.m.*

*Houston Lake City Hall
5417 North West Adrian
Houston Lake, Missouri 64151*

*Please plan on taking part in this historic event. Come
meet your former and current City officials as well as
other Mayors and dignitaries from Platte County.*

*Light refreshments will be served
Souvenirs will be available*

November 15, 2010
Council Meeting Agenda
City of Houston Lake– City Hall 7:30 p.m.

1. Opening Session

2. Public Discussion

3. Minutes

4. Building Permits

5. Treasurer's report

6. Paybills – Resolution No 11-15-10

7. Collector's Report

8. Police Report/Codes Report

9. Reports from Aldermen

Mr. Cowan

Mr. Otte

Mr. Coronado

Mr. Davis

10. Old Business

11. New Business

12. Mayors Report

13. Closed Session

a. A motion to enter into Closed Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) for discussion of Legal issues, RSMo 610.021(2) for Real Estate (purchasing or selling) and RSMo 610.021(3) for Personnel issues.

14. Re-enter Open Session

15. Adjournment

City of Houston Lake

Unofficial Minutes of the Council Meeting

October 11, 2010

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on October 11, 2010 at City Hall. The following members were present: Aldermen Phil Otte , Dan Coronado, Rick Cowan, Perry Davis and City Collector Joyce Kullman.

Opening Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Hallauer presided.

Public Discussion

Mary Head addressed the Council regarding a 50th Anniversary Reception for the City. She stated that this was a once in a lifetime major event and asked the City for their support. City Clerk Marsha Duncan presented the Council with a cost estimate for appetizers, flowers, punch and souvenirs. After much discussion the Council approved funding for the reception. The Council set the date of Saturday November 13 from 2-5 pm for the event.

Minutes September 13, 2010

The minutes were approved by general consent.

Building Permit

The Council approved by general consent a building permit for a fence at 5364 NW Edgewood Trail.

Treasurers Report

Alderman Cowan moved that we accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Alderman Davis.

Motion passed.

Resolution 10-11-10 (paybills)

Alderman Coronado moved that we accept Resolution 10-11-10, seconded by Alderman Cowan.

Motion passed.

Collectors Report

City Collector Joyce Kullman's presented the collectors report to the Council. The total deposits for the City of \$3335.91 were made for the period ending 9-30-10.

Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Report

Codes Enforcement Officer Mitch Kelly presented the Council with his reports for the months of August/September 2010 and September/October 2010. A Platte County Sheriff's report for the month of August was also submitted.

Reports from Aldermen

Alderman Cowan – No report

Alderman Otte – Alderman Otte commented on how great the streets and the bridge looked.

Alderman Coronado – Alderman Coronado said the he was borrowing a metal detector to help locate the 2 lost manhole covers and finish the map of the sewer system.

Alderman Davis – No report

Old Business

a. Mayor Hallauer told the Council that the Venetian Bridge had been completed but he had received several calls from some residents that seemed to be confused on the cost of this project. The guardrail was installed per the plan. But one section of the rail was too long and was corrected. Mayor Hallauer broke down the cost to be noted in the minutes. The original estimate for the bridge was for \$78,000.00. The actual cost after completion was \$75,393.21. The City received a grant for this project of \$69,890.00. This left a balance of **\$5503.21** as the **City's portion of the total cost**.

b. The mill and overlay project has been completed but they ran into some unforeseen problems. After they milled the streets and took the top 2 inches off it started raining for a week which halted work. When they resumed they noticed extreme soft spots that were not there before. Some of these spots had to be tore out and fixed because there was no solid surface to pave. This was on Edgewood, Edgewood Circle, Wagon Trail and Wagon Trail Circle. If these areas had not been detected and paved over, they would have presented a problem in the future. This extra work added another \$12,000.00 to the cost. The Council, after much discussion, approved a payment of \$8,000.00 toward this bill.

New Business

Mayor Hallauer presented the Council with Bill No. 101110-1, an ordinance authorizing the sale of real estate and the execution of a deed. Alderman Otte made a motion to put Bill No. 101110-1 on its first reading by title only, seconded by Alderman Cowan.

The City Clerk read Bill No. 101110-1 by title only.

Alderman Davis made a motion to place Bill No. 101110-1 on its second reading by title only, seconded by Alderman Coronado.

The City Clerk read Bill No. 101110-1 by title only.

Alderman Cowan made a motion to place Bill No. 101110-1 on its final passage, seconded by Alderman Otte.

Roll call:

Davis - Aye

Cowan – Aye

Coronado – Aye

Otte – Aye

Bill No. 101110-1, Ordinance 332 was passed.

Mayors Report

- a. Mayor Hallauer told the Council that the brush pick-up is scheduled for October 18th and some residents have already put their brush at the road.
- b. The second City Truck is in the shop. It was discovered that some of the spark plugs would not come out without breaking. It was taken into a shop. One of the estimates to correct this problem was to replace the engine. Mayor Hallauer took it to another shop for another estimate. Depending on the cost, the Council will decide what the next step will be.
- c. Mayor Hallauer gave a copy of a legal opinion to the Council for discussion at next months meeting of a possible revision of the ordinance.
- d. Mayor told the Council that the correct procedure for approving building permits is critical for the sake of liability to the City.
- e. Mayor Hallauer thanked the Aldermen for all of their accomplishments this year with the new roads, bridge work and new City signs.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

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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)

FYI

SECTION 230.025: OPEN BURNING

No person shall dispose of trash, refuse or leaves by open burning or cause, allow or permit open burning of trash, refuse or leaves unless the same is authorized by Federal or State permit.
(Ord. No. 176 – 1, 5-9-88)

No burning leaves or tree limbs is allowed!

Please do not dump limbs, leaves, lawn waste or any other kind of refuse in or around the many culverts we have. By doing this we only speed up the process of the lake filling in.

October 21, 2010 VGHOA Meeting Minutes

The venetian Gardens Home Association meeting was called to order at 7:00. In attendance was Bill Gay, Pam Freese, Evadene Judge and Kerry Hallowell.

The board went over the year in review.

The books audit was reported on.

New members were elected, Nick Jackalone and Al Horine.

The president was voted as Bill Gay who accepted and Nick Jackalone accepted the vice president position. The remaining positions will be assigned at the November 18th meeting. The board consists of Bill Gay, Nick Jackalone, Kerry Hallowell, Evadene Judge and Al Horine.

The ballot measure to increase the fireworks fund failed, the fund remains at \$500 for the homes association contribution.

The board neglected to pass a budget, a special meeting of the homes association will be held on Thursday November 18, 2010, for the purpose of budget approval.

VENETIAN GARDENS HOMES ASSOCIATION DEPOSITS

Oct. 09

500 (transfer)
162.5
662.5 total
1.02 interest

10-Jun
1330.95
1330.95 total
2.11 interest

Nov. 09

843.95
843.95 total
0.57 interest

10-Jul
2.01 interest

Dec.09

7965
7965 total
0.61 interest

Aug. 10
1.95 interest

Sept. 09

Jan. 10

5635
7375
13010 total
0.8 interest

649
649 total
1.88 interest

TOTAL DEPOSITS 35279.9
INTEREST 18.41

Feb. 10

1.23 interest

Mar. 10

6583.5
6583.5 total
1.89 interest

Apr. 10

4235
4235 total
2.11 interest

10-May

2.23 interest

EXPENDITURES AGAINST BUDGET
 VENETIAN GARDENS HOMES ASSOCIATION OCT 09 - SEPT 10

KCPL BEACH LIGHTING/AERATION		500
OCT	66.56	
NOV	29.61	
DEC	40.29	
JAN	65.43	
FEB	34.33	
MAR	25.16	
APR	24.87	
MAY	62.23	
JUNE	78.51	
JULY	73.97	
AUG	78.99	
SEPT	75.95	
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	655.9	

WATER		150
OCT	11.35	
NOV	11.35	
DEC	11.35	
JAN	11.35	
FEB	11.35	
MAR	11.35	
APR	11.91	
MAY	11.35	
JUN	11.91	
JULY	13.56	
AUG	13.48	
SEPT	13.48	
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	143.79	

SANITARY UNIT		500
MAY	67.5	
JUN	67.5	
JULY	67.5	
AUG	67.5	
SEPT	67.5	
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	335.5	

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE		7500
UNN	696.55	Repair foot bridge - Gil Hughes

JULY	493.46	City of Houston Lake - gravel
SEPT	82	No swimming (ecoli) signs - Pam Freese
SEPT	13.49	Shadow box - Gil Hughes
SEPT	42.91	breaker for aeration - Mike Hallauer
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	1328.41	
INSURANCE		3000
JUNE	3000	
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	3000	
SUPPLIES/POSTAGE/WELCOME BASKETS		500
NOV	31.58	postage & envelopes - Kerry Hallowell
DEC	27.87	welcome baskets - Marie Boehm
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	59.45	
PAPER DELIVERY		200
POTLUCKS & MISC		600
OCT	30.1	Potluck meeting - Pam Freese
MAR	15	Univ. of MO Seminar - Evadene Judge
APR	41.71	Potluck meeting - Mary Head
MAY	50	Appreciation gift card - Bill Gay
MAY	62.84	Appreciation gift card and certs - Pam Freese
SEPT	33.39	July 4th party favors - Pam Freese
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	233.04	
FIREWORKS		500
NOV	500	
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	500	
ATTORNEY FEES & PROFESSIONAL SERV.		2000
NOV	31.91	Witt,Hicklin & Snider - legal fees
MAR	253	IRS - taxes
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	284.91	
WATER TESTING		100
FINISH ROCKPLACEMENT/RE-SEED		7500
OCT	5000	Houston Excavating - Rock

DEC	1500	HiBoy - Seeding
JULY	485	HiBoy - Seeding
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	6985	
CREATE/BOWL OUT		3000
FINISH DREDGING		15000
OCT	7200	Critchfield - Dredging
DEC	7200	Critchfield - Dredging
TOTAL ACTUALLY USED	14400	
TOTAL ACTUALLY SPENT	27926	
BUDGET	41050	

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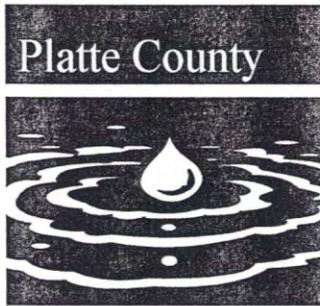


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Stormwater Management

September 30, 2010

City of Houston Lake
Attn: Mike Hallauer
5417 NW Adrian Avenue
Houston Lake, MO 64151

Re: 2010 Platte County Stormwater Grant

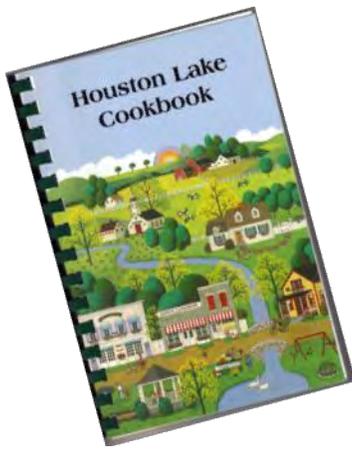
Dear Mike,

Enclosed is a check for \$69,890.00 for the 2010 Platte County Stormwater Grant that you were awarded earlier this year to assist the City of Houston Lake with the Venetian Drive Bridge project. The County is very pleased we could assist the City of Houston Lake with this project, and we encourage you to apply for another grant this winter. If you have any questions, please call me at (816) 858-3473.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nate Baldwin", is written over a large, irregular oval shape that serves as a placeholder for a stamp or seal.

Nate Baldwin, P.E.
Platte County Engineer



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November Garden Tips

Protect your roses during the cold winter months. Place bark mulch around the base so that the first part of the stem (nearest the ground) is completely covered.

Here is a great garden gift idea! Use a soap recipe to make your own herbal soaps and cut out flower shapes once soap is hard. Fill a flower pot with assorted bath products then put the soap flowers on barbecue skewers and decorate with imitation leaves. Place them into the pot and adorn with a holiday bow.

Tips for bulbs

If your Lily-of-the-valley have become overcrowded and are blooming poorly, dig them up and replant a plant them a foot apart from each other.

Now is the time to start those forced bulbs that were placed in a cool area in August or September.

Dig up gladiola bulbs after the foliage has turned yellow. Store them in a crate or bucket filled with sawdust.

If you've decided to store your bulbs indoors for the winter, try storing them in a pail filled with sawdust after they have off dried from being in the ground.

Tips for flowers

Add shredded leaves to the base of your Ferns to protect the growing tips. Remove when new growth appears in the spring.

October, NOVEMBER and March are the three best months for planting Azaleas, Rhododendron, Camellia and other hardy broad leafed ever greens.

Roses that have been badly affected by disease this year should be pruned severely now.

Fall flowers, like Sedum and Chrysanthemum, should be dead-headed before the first killing frost.

Water perennial primrose deeply, when rains are scarce. Cover plants with a one inch layer of organic mulch; (fir boughs in colder areas) to protect from severe wind and weather.

Plant new Peonies outdoors. Dig up and divide mature clumps, lifting entire root mass. Use a sharp knife to separate Paint fences with wood preservative now that leaves have fallen and plants are not obstructing them.

Clean all garden tools and wipe metal surfaces with an oily rag. (lawn rakes, edging-shears, spades and hoes)

Peony roots into sections with at least three to five eyes. Re plant.

Take cuttings from Geranium to enjoy indoor blooms over the winter. Tips for Lawns and ground cover

Lawn cutting is probably over for this year, so clean the mower thoroughly . Scrape off soil and old grass. Cover all metal parts with a thin layer of oil or grease, then store mower in a dry area.

When digging borders alongside lawns, place a plank on the turf to prevent lawn edges from being broken.

If you were not able to repair worn patches of lawn in the early fall, use erosion mats to stop soil from washing away and to keep the problem from getting worse.

Harvest and dry remaining Straw flowers before the first hard frost. After they have died, compost Strawflower plants.

Tips for vegetables

Cut down faded asparagus foliage and compost or burn it. Mulch beds with Do not install lawn edging after long periods of rain. The ground may be swollen with moisture, and any edging you install may move once the ground dries. If your soil holds together loosely without clumping, it is safe to install lawn edging.

You can still reshape cool-season lawns, but it is best to do it earlier in the fall. Earlier reshaping will give your

lawn roots a chance to adjust before they stop growing in the winter.

chopped leaves to protect crowns over the winter

Feed Rhubarb plants with one inch of organic compost. Remove leaves after they are killed by frost then mulch roots with straw.

Dig up winter cabbages. Cut off stumps and place their heads on shelves in a dry, airy shed.

Clear old runner bean stems and leaves and place on a compost heap.

Protect late cauliflower from frost by bending one or two leaves over the curds.

General yard care

Rake up all leaves and place them on a compost heap. If left on paths they become a hazard when the colder weather comes.

Greenhouse paths should be repaired now from general wear and tear.(reposition tilted slabs)

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time of year already! I hope in your busy, busy weeks
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Best Wishes,

*your neighbor,
Marlene*