

Houston Laker

Happy Valentine's Day



"Layered Love" by Eronne Briones

February 2018

February Community Calendar Events

Feb. 6th - Recycling Day

Feb. 12th - City Council Meeting, 7:30pm, City Hall

Feb. 14th - ♥ *Happy Valentines Day* ♥

Feb. 18th - Houston Lake Arts Circle, Rotate the Art at City Hall, 2-4:00pm

Feb. 25th - Houston Lake Arts Circle, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art at 1:30pm

Venetian Gardens Homes Association



Notice: There will be **NO** Venetian Gardens Homes Association meetings in February or March. Next HOA Meeting will be the Semi Annual Meeting on Wednesday April 18th, 2018 at 7:00pm, City Hall.

If you would like your **2018 Lake Bracelets** please call Homes Association Treasurer Susan Hodges @ 816.786.2377. Wristbands are required to be worn on Homes Association property, such as the Beach, use of Shelters, Boating and Fishing.



"Houston Lake Ice", is not thick enough to skate on.

Please do not get out on the ice.

VOTER REGISTRATION SITES, PLATTE COUNTY, MISSOURI

Are You Registered to Vote? All residents of Houston Lake whether you are Owner or Renter can register and VOTE. You must be 18 years old or older to register. You can register at any of the sites below.

Houston Lake City Hall, 5417 NW Adrian, Registrar Mary Head (816)741.5639, call for an appointment.

Mid-Continent Public Libraries:

Boardwalk, 8600 N. Executive Hills Blvd, Kansas City: (816) 741-9011

Parkville, 8815 NW Hwy 45, Parkville: (816) 741-4721

Riverside, 2700 NW Vivion Rd, Riverside: (816) 741-6288

NOTE: In addition, Missouri Voter Registration Application postcards can be completed at any license bureau.

LAST DAY to Register to VOTE for the April 3th, 2018 General Municipal Election is March 7, 2018.

Any questions call: Platte County Board of Elections, (816)858.4400

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Houston Lake Arts Circle Update

February 18, 2pm-4pm, City Hall

Time to rotate the art at City Hall! If you have a piece currently on display, or if your work is scheduled to be shown during the second rotation, please stop by on Sunday, February 18 from 2pm to 4pm. If you are unable to make during this time, please contact a member of the HLAC Board or email arts.circle@houstonlake.net.

Cover Art for the Houston Laker

We still need artists to supply cover art for July 2018 and August 2018 issues of the Laker. If interested, please email the HLAC Board at arts.circle@houstonlake.net.

Picasso at the Nelson

We are meeting at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art on February 25th at 1:30 to view the Through the Eyes of Picasso exhibit. Tickets can be purchased at the museum. We'd love you to join us!

Annual Art Show Ideas!

Deliberation for this year's art show theme is currently underway and we'd love to hear your ideas! Send them to arts.circle@houstonlake.net.

Next Meeting –April 19th

Please join us at our next meeting on Thursday, April 19th at 7pm. We'll meet at City Hall and discuss the kids' workshop, the annual art show, plus new arting-outings.

**Financial Statement
City of Houston Lake
As of December 31, 2017**

Income - Period Covered July 1 - December 31, 2017

General Fund	43,703.62	
Road Fund	5,040.94	
Grinder Pump Fund	6.32	
Fire Protection Fund	9.54	
Total		\$ 48,760.42

Expenses - Period Covered July 1 - December 31, 2017

General Fund	50,303.70	
Road Fund	146,958.58	
Grinder Pump Fund	5,576.82	
Fire Protection Fund	9,500.02	
Total		\$ 212,339.12

Total Funds as of December 31, 2017

General Fund	94,334.05	
Road Fund	19,125.83	
Grinder Pump Fund	11,375.89	
Fire Protection Fund	15,315.09	
Municipal Court Account	1,468.01	
Municipal Court Bond Account	519.75	
Transportation Sales Tax Receipts	6,229.03	
General Fund CD	23,776.87	
General Fund CD	26,214.68	
Sewer Fund CD	5,045.20	
Sewer Fund CD	10,150.64	
Mill and Overlay CD	15,577.40	
Total		\$ 229,132.44

City of Houston Lake
Official Minutes of the Council Meeting
December 11, 2017

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on December 11, 2017 at City Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Pam Freese, Alderman Joyce Kullman, Alderman Nick Jackalone, Alderman Phil Otte, Alderman Chuck Stone.

1. Opening Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:32p.m. by Mayor Freese.
City Clerk Megan Micek sworn in
City Administrator Craig Sovereign sworn in

2. Public Discussion

A representative from Spire was in attendance
Please contact Spire directly any time there are questions regarding gas lines.
Will attend January meeting with acceptance of the ordinance (PUT IN NEXT MINUTES if he is attending)

3. Minutes November 13, 2017

Mayor asked for an approval of the November minutes. Mayor asked for an approval of tonight's agenda
Alderman Jackalone motioned, Alderman Kullman seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Stone Opposed: None Motioned passed

4. Building/Burn Permit

No report at this time

5. Treasurer's Report

Mayor asked for motion to approve the Treasurer's report showing a balance of \$235,492.01
Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Stone
Opposed: None
Motion passed
Error in naming of the CD's asked her to correct the naming – need that information

6. Collector's Report

No concerns with report. Report included with meeting packet
Ms. Anderson is present for any questions – There were no questions

7. Resolution 12.11.17 (Paybills)

Barkley – Amount approved to redo Wagon Trail.
Mayor asked for a motion to approve Pay bills 12.11.17
Alderman Stone motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Stone
Opposed: None
Motion for Resolution 12.11.17 passed.

8. Emergency Management-Fire Department

Mr. Shelton – Nothing significant to report. We are heavily advertising burn conditions – no burning allowed. There have been no significant events in our area.
Fire – 1 fire call, 1 was in KC with Houston Lake address. 1 medical call in our city in November, 1 in October
12 calls YTD 2017
Fire Dept – 4 minute 58 seconds is the average response time

Ambulance called was 9 minute response time

Goal is 4-6 minute range.

Mr. Shelton will double check that reports are being emailed to Mayor Freese correctly

9. Police Report

Questions will be held until January when an officer is present

10. Codes' Enforcement Report

Cathy Grove, Code Enforcement Report presented the codes report November 2017. Report included with meeting packet

3 violations – all abated

Recommend that residents call Fire Department directly when they see any open burning

11. City Administrator Report

HOA Presentation next Wednesday

12. Venetian Gardens' Homes Association Report

None

13. Old Business

None

14. New Business

None

15. Reports from Alderman

Alderman Jackalone-None

Alderman Kullman-Thank you to Craig and Katie for decorations.

Index of the ordinances will be provided to Jean Anderson.

Alderman Otte-Thank you to Joe and Amber for service.

Application for permit to open burn – has been updated to put it on the website for download – final draft.

Resident reported feeling that the police visibility was down in the area. Will check the resolution - # of hours they should be present.

Alderman Stone-Finished CERT training – certificate is on file.

16. Mayors report

Looking into cable phone and internet – would like to set up the city hall as a hot spot for local student use. All Park Hill District Mayors are looking into this as a way to improve students' access to internet services if they are not available at home.

Thank you again for decorations.

Road work is amazing, looking forward to working with HOA.

Custom Survey done – report will be shared – Alderman will review and come prepared to discuss next meeting. Will begin following the meeting. Survey is a part of the year plan push direction of the citizens of HL.

17. Adjournment

Mayor Freese asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Stone Opposed: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04p.m.

Next Council Meeting

January 8, 2017 at 7:30pm.

MISSOURI VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Use this application to:

1. Register to vote in any election in Missouri.
2. Register to vote when you move from one jurisdiction (St. Louis City, Kansas City, or any county) to another jurisdiction (St. Louis City, Kansas City, or any county) within Missouri.
3. Change the address on a current voter registration when you move within a jurisdiction.
4. Change the name on a current voter registration.

Other information:

1. You must be 18 years of age by the day of a particular election to be eligible to vote in that election.
2. If mailed, this form must be postmarked by the 4th Wednesday preceding an election to be eligible to vote in that election. If delivered in person, it must be received in the office of the election authority by the 4th Wednesday preceding an election. (See reverse for election calendar.)
3. Submitting this application to an individual other than the election authority does not insure timely voter registration.
4. After the election authority receives your voter registration application, you will be sent confirmation within 7 business days. If you do not receive confirmation, contact the election authority.
5. If you wish to serve as an election judge on election day please contact your local election authority and mark the box at the bottom of this form.
6. Optional—If registering by mail for the first time, please submit a copy of one of the following forms of identification: current or valid photo ID, current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows your name and address, birth certificate, Native American tribal document or other proof of United States citizenship. (You will be required to present identification when you vote.)

Completing this form (All information is required unless indicated as optional):

Boxes 1 and 2 -- Citizen and Age Requirements

Federal Law requires voter registration applicants to answer these two questions.

Box 3 -- Type of Application

Check appropriate box if this is a new registration or if you are changing a name or address on your current voter registration.

Box 4 -- Name

Put in this box your full name (Last, First, Middle). DO NOT use nicknames or initials. For name changes, Box 12 should contain your old name.

Box 5 -- Home Address

List your home address. DO NOT put your mailing address if it differs from your home address.

Box 6 -- Mailing Address

If you get your mail at an address other than your home address in Box 5, put that address here in this box.

Box 7 -- Driver's License Number

Required for registration unless you do not have a Driver's License. (§115.158, RSMo.) If you do not have a Driver's License, leave blank.

Box 8 -- Last Four Digits of Social Security Number

Required for registration unless you do not have a Social Security Number. (§115.155, RSMo, §115.158, RSMo.) If you do not have a Social Security Number, leave blank.

Box 9 -- Date of Birth

Place your date of birth in this box (Month, Day, Year). DO NOT USE TODAY'S DATE!

Box 10 -- Place of Birth (Optional)

List your place of birth (city/county/state).

Box 11 -- Daytime Phone Number (Optional)

Please list a number at which the election authority may contact you for clarification of information.

Box 12 -- Last Voter Registration Information

If you are currently registered, please list the name and address of your last registration including county and state.

Box 13 -- Signature

Review the information. If you meet the requirements and all is correct, sign your full name or make your mark and print today's date.

Box 14 -- Rural Voters

If you live in a rural area without a street address, please supply information which may help in placing you in the proper voting district.

YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE CONFIRMED BY MAIL WITHIN SEVEN (7) BUSINESS DAYS OF ITS RECEIPT BY THE ELECTION AUTHORITY. PLEASE CONTACT THE ELECTION AUTHORITY IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE NOTIFICATION.

(DETACH HERE - KEEP TOP PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS) This card is not proof of registration.



MISSOURI VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

USE PEN - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

1 ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		2 WILL YOU BE 18 YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
If you checked no in response to either of the above questions, do not complete this form.			
3 <input type="checkbox"/> NEW REGISTRATION <input type="checkbox"/> ADDRESS CHANGE <input type="checkbox"/> NAME CHANGE		FOR OFFICE USE ONLY REGISTRATION NO.	
4 LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	SUFFIX (JR, II, ETC.) <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
5 ADDRESS WHERE YOU LIVE (HOUSE NO., STREET, APT. NO. OR RURAL ROUTE AND BOX - NO PO BOXES)		CITY	COUNTY
6 ADDRESS WHERE YOU GET YOUR MAIL (REQUIRED IF DIFFERENT FROM #5 ABOVE)		CITY	STATE MO
7 DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE, PLEASE LEAVE BLANK.		8 LAST 4 DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER* IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, PLEASE LEAVE BLANK.	
9 DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)	10 PLACE OF BIRTH (OPTIONAL)	11 DAYTIME PHONE NO. (OPTIONAL)	
12 NAME AND ADDRESS ON LAST VOTER REGISTRATION NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ COUNTY _____ If currently registered in another state or county please complete this box.		13 I hereby certify that I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the state of Missouri. I am at least seventeen and one half years of age. I have not been adjudged incapacitated by any court of law. If I have been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor connected with the right of suffrage, I have had the voting disabilities resulting from such conviction removed pursuant to law. I swear under penalty of perjury that all statements made on this card are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I register to vote knowing that I am not legally entitled to register, I am committing a class one election offense and may be punished by imprisonment of not more than five years or by a fine of between two thousand five hundred dollars and ten thousand dollars or by both such imprisonment and fine. Date _____ Signature _____	
14 RURAL VOTERS: COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF YOU LIVE OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF ANY CITY. I live _____ miles _____ (N S E or W) of _____ (landmark or junction). Section, Township and range _____. My neighbors are _____.			

Check here if you are interested in working as an Election Judge

Warning: Conviction for making a false statement may result in imprisonment for up to five years and/or a fine up to \$10,000.

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**Platte County Election Board
2600 NW Prairie View Rd.
PO Box 560
Platte City, MO 64079**

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