

# Houston Laker



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March 2018

## March Community Calendar Events

- March 6<sup>th</sup> - Recycling Day  
March 10<sup>th</sup> - Dedication of Cowan's Cove, on the peninsula behind City Hall at 2:00pm  
March 11<sup>th</sup> - Who is ready to "Spring" forward? Daylight savings time begins at 2:00am.  
Remember to move your clocks forward 1 hour.  
March 12<sup>th</sup> - City Council Meeting, 7:30pm, City Hall  
March 17<sup>th</sup> - *Happy St. Patrick's Day*  
March 20<sup>th</sup> - Joe & Evonne Briones host in their back yard @ 5335 NW Edgewood Circle, 6:30pm  
April 1<sup>st</sup> - *Happy Easter*  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> - General Municipal Election Day and April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Recycling Day
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### Attention Cat and Dog Owners, Proof of Vaccinations Due May 1, 2018

The owner or keeper of any dog or cat in the City of Houston Lake is hereby required to have such animals vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian and to procure a certificate of such vaccination from the veterinarian and to present such certificate to the City Clerk on or before May first (1st) of each year; and the City Clerk shall register such certificate, which registration shall remain in force until the April thirtieth (30th) next following said registration. It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog or cat to permit such animal to remain in the City of Houston Lake unless vaccinated as above provided. (Section 205.020: Vaccination)

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### Venetian Gardens Homes Association



Notice: There will be NO Venetian Gardens Homes Association meeting in March. Next HOA Meeting will be the Semi Annual Meeting on Wednesday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm, City Hall.

If you would like your 2018 Lake Wristband 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.

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**Don't Forget Your Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake "2018 Wristband" when fishing**

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### TRASH CARTS

Trash carts must be curbside by 7:00 am (Tuesday) the day of pick up.

**Please be respectful and remove your cart from curbside when finished.**

Items must be inside the cart (Not on the ground, not on top – INSIDE). If

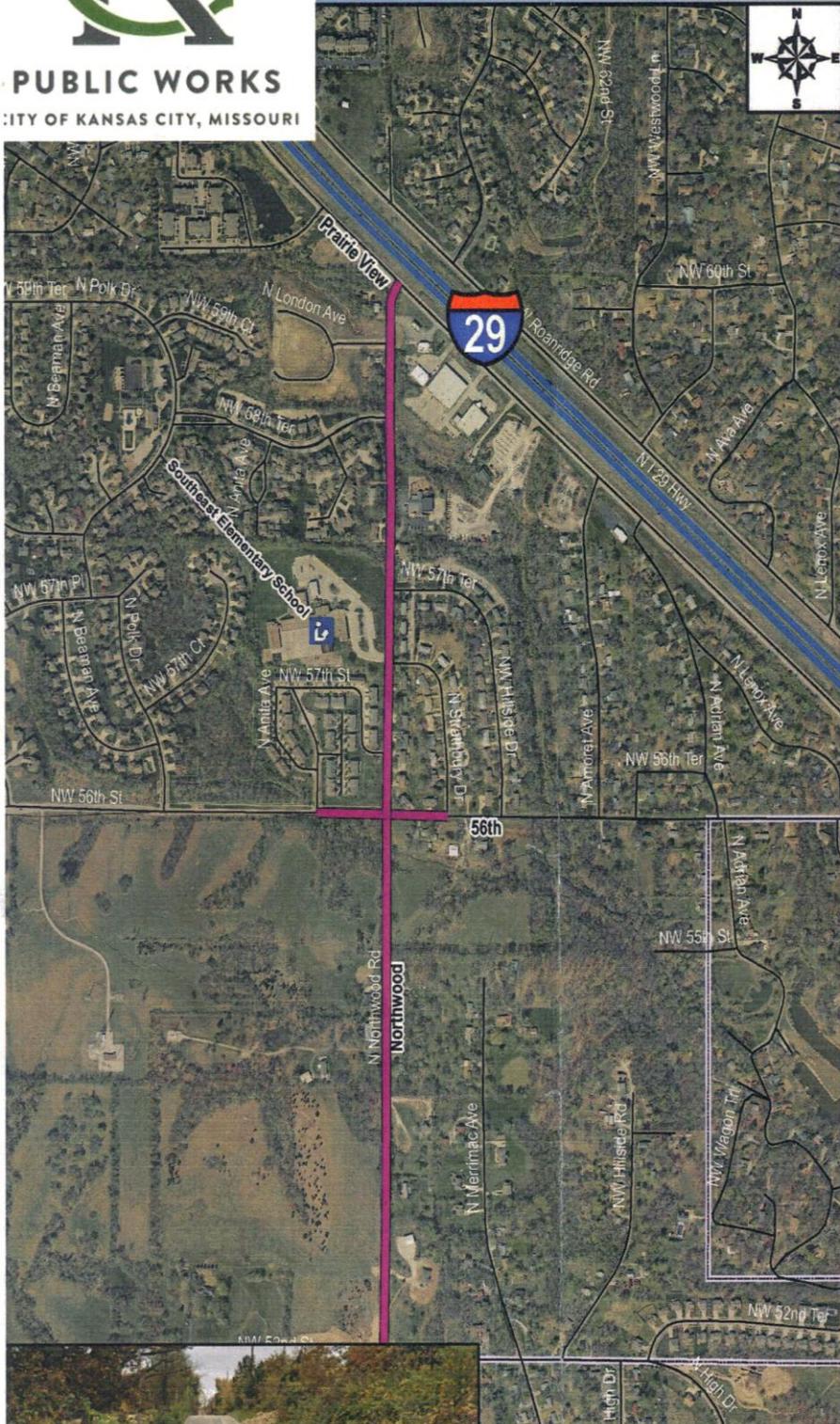
you need an extra cart, please call City Hall and leave a message with your name, address and phone number. City Hall: 816-741-0644.





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# Northwood Road Improvements



## Project Details:

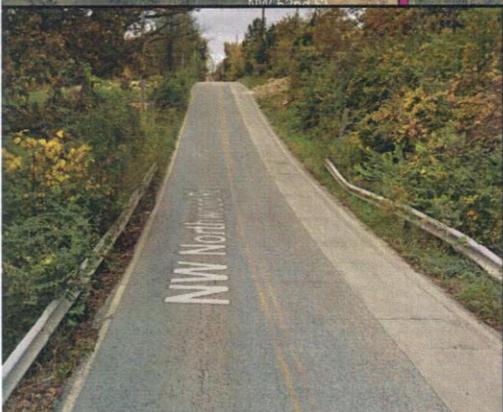
- Road, curb and gutter reconstruction from NW 52nd Street to NW Prairie View Road
- Roundabout installation at NW 56th Street
- 14' wide lanes with "share the road" signage for bicycles
- Multi-use trail on west side of road (directly in front of the school)
- School driveway shift to line up with N. Strathbury Drive directly across the street.

## Timeline:

Construction starts March 2018 and should complete by end of summer 2019.

## Additional Details:

- Construction begins south of 56th Street, then moves north
- Access to the school will be available during construction — may not be the normal route that you are accustomed to using.
- Includes construction of new water lines — will be occasional water outages during the construction.

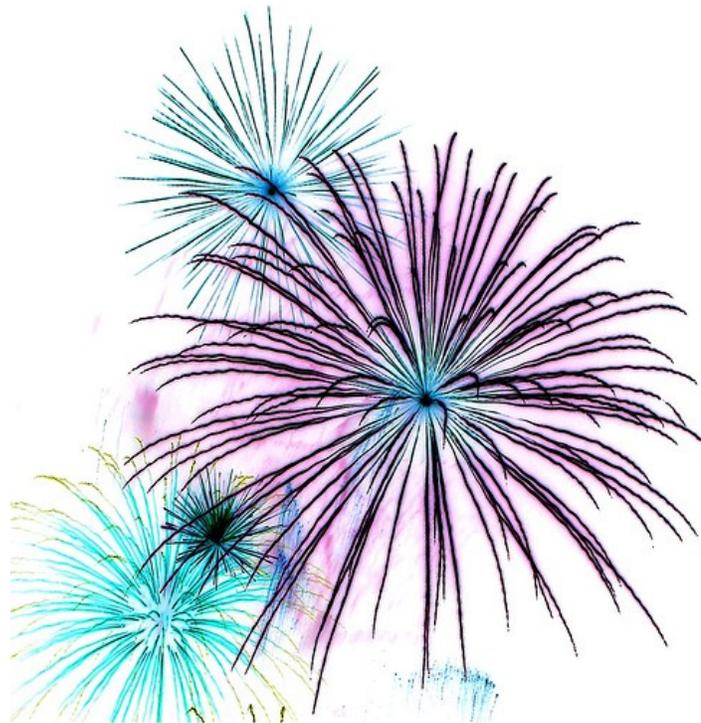


For additional information or questions, contact:

**Stacey Lowe, Project Manager**

Public Works Department— City of Kansas City, Missouri

Phone: 816-513-2737



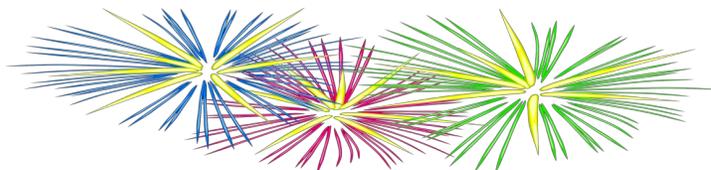
## You are invited to join us for the Dedication of Cowan's Cove

*A marker will be placed on the peninsula to commemorate the service of Rick Cowan to the City of Houston Lake and officially name a small portion of the lake in his honor. The ceremony will be held at the site. Refreshments to follow in City Hall.*

**Where:** Houston Lake  
(on the peninsula behind City Hall)  
5417 NW Adrian, Houston Lake, Mo 64151

**Time:** 2:00 pm

**Date:** Saturday March 10, 2018



# **Art, Life & Folks; Houston Lake Arts Circle**

## **Announcements & Updates**

### **Annual Art Show Theme Announcement**

We are thrilled to announce, after community input and careful deliberation, the 2018 Art Show theme is “**Seasons of the Lake**”.

Let your creative wheels start turning! We are excited to see what our talented and passionate community creates this year.

### **New Art in City Hall**

This past month, we rotated the art from our 2017 Art Show. Please take time to enjoy the spring selection next time you are at City Hall!

### **Bringing Back Balance Drum Circle**

To celebrate the Spring Equinox, with the thought of Bringing Back Balance, we are coming together on Tuesday, March 20 at 6:30pm for an evening of drumming. Joe and Evonne Briones will host in their backyard at 5335 NW Edgewood Circle. Plan to bring a lawn chair and anything that can make sound (drum, tambourine, shakers, pots/pans/lids, etc.).

RSVP to Evonne at 901-596-6704 (text or call) or [evonnebriones@hotmail.com](mailto:evonnebriones@hotmail.com).

### **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 ALF;HLAC Board at [arts.circle@houstonlake.net](mailto:arts.circle@houstonlake.net).

### **Next Meeting –April 19<sup>th</sup>**

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

**City of Houston Lake**  
**Official Minutes of the Council Meeting**  
**January 8, 2018**

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on January 8, 2018 at City Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Pam Freese, Alderman Nick Jackalone, Alderman Phil Otte, Alderman Chuck Stone.

**1. Opening Session**

- The meeting was called to order at 7:33p.m. by Mayor Freese.
- Spectrum Cable – Presentation – asked permission to speak with residents about the new services, but not soliciting to the residents.
  - They will not be given permission to go door to door per city ordinance, but if any residents of Houston Lake would like to speak to the account manager about their internet, they are able to reach out.
  - Mary Head will be putting his information into the paper.

**2. Public Discussion**

- None

**3. Minutes December 11, 2017**

- Mayor asked for an approval of the December 11, 2017 Minutes. Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Stone seconded the motion.
  - Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Stone
  - Opposed: None
  - Motioned passed

**4. Building/Burn Permit**

- Alderman Otte has inspected Chuck Stones fire pit. It can't be approved by the board this evening as Mr. Stone is not able to vote, board will pend vote on the permit until next Council Meeting in February.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

- Mayor asked for motion to approve the Treasurers report showing a balance of \$235,492.01
  - Alderman Jackalone motioned, Alderman Stone seconded the motion.
  - Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Stone
  - Opposed: None
  - Motion passed
- Mayor indicated there is a concern about late fees due to bills not being paid on time in December. These were late due to the transition in the City Clerk position.

**6. Collector's Report**

- No concerns with report. Report included with meeting packet

**7. Resolution 01.08.18 (Paybills)**

- Mayor asked for a motion to approve Paybills 01.08.18
  - Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Stone seconded the motion.
  - Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Stone
  - Opposed: None
  - Motion for Resolution 01.08.18 passed.

## **8. Emergency Management-Fire Department**

- No calls in the month of December

## **9. Police Report**

- Deputy Mountain – 10 items listed, 3 of which were traffic stops.

## **10. Codes' Enforcement Report**

- November – 6 codes reported – 4 were abated, 1 addressed with Riverside Fire Dept. is now being monitored
- December – Staff wrote a total of 5 violations will be monitored through the month of January

## **11. City Administrator Report**

None

## **12. Venetian Gardens' Homes Association Report**

None

## **13. Old Business**

None

## **14. New Business**

- Swear in All Horrinc City Maintenance
- Vehicle Tax Measure – Mayor explained that when a car is purchased, the tax will go to the city currently. In order to keep this, we will need to put the measure on the ballot for April. A copy of the ballot question is not currently available but will be provided.
  - Alderman Stone Motioned to allow the vehicle tax measure onto the ballot.  
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Stone      Opposed: None

## **15. Reports from Alderman**

**Alderman Jackalone**-Thank you to those that organized the salting of the roads

**Alderman Kullman**- Absent

**Alderman Otte**-No report

**Alderman Stone**-No report

## **16. Mayors report**

- December – Mayor attended a transportation workshop – they are discussing a 15 cent tax increase on diesel fuel. Registration fees being increased.
- Alderman Kullmans father passed away, as a community, please reach out to her with your support.

## **17. Adjournment**

- Mayor Freese asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Alderman Stone motioned, Alderman Otte seconded the motion.  
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Stone  
Opposed: None  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:05p.m.

## **Next Council Meeting**

February 12, 2018 at 7:30pm.

To apply for absentee ballot: print this application form, complete and mail to Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City, MO 64079 or FAX to 816-858-3387

## REQUEST FOR PLATTE COUNTY ABSENTEE BALLOT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby request an absentee ballot for the \_\_\_\_\_ Election.

For Identification purposes, the last four digits of my social security number are \_\_\_\_\_.  
If the election is a primary election, please print the name of the political party ballot you wish to receive \_\_\_\_\_. If you registered by mail and this is your first time voting you must provide a copy of current valid photo identification or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document that shows your name and address.

Reason for requesting an absentee ballot:

- \_\_\_\_\_ (1) Absence on Election Day from the jurisdiction of the election authority in which registered to voter;
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2) Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability, including a person who is primarily responsible for the physical care of a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability;
- \_\_\_\_\_ (3) Religious belief or practice
- \_\_\_\_\_ (4) Employment as an election authority, as a member of an election authority, or by an election authority at a location other than your polling place;
- \_\_\_\_\_ (5) Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained
- \_\_\_\_\_ (6) certified participation in the address confidentiality program established under sections [589.660](#) to [589.681](#) because of safety concerns.

Current Residential Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address where ballot is to be mailed, if different than above:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I do solemnly swear that all statements made on this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Voter

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Mail completed Absentee Ballot Application to **Platte County Board of Elections, PO Box 560, Platte City, MO 64079, or FAX to 816-858-3387**. All requests must be received by the Board of Election's office no later than 5:00 p.m., the Wednesday prior to election day.

# Official Ballot

General Municipal Election  
Platte County, Missouri  
April 3, 2018

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Judges' Initials

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### Instructions

Completely fill in the target next to the candidate or question response of your choice like this:

If you do not see the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote, darken the target opposite the write-in line and print the name of the candidate on the write-in line provided.

If you are in favor of the question, completely fill in the target opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, completely fill in the target opposite "NO".

NOTE: The ballot reading device in use is designed to only record votes cast as a filled in target. There can be no erasures, stray marks, check marks, or cross outs on the ballot. If you make an error marking the ballot, see an Election Judge to receive a replacement ballot.

City of Houston Lake

For Alderman North Ward 2

Vote For One

Chuck Stone

WRITE IN

## HOUSTON LAKE RESIDENTS

Cast Your Official Ballot of the  
"General Municipal Election"  
Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at the

## WEXFORD PLACE

From I-29: west on Hwy 45 (64<sup>th</sup> St.) to N. Cosby Ave. Turn right on N. Cosby Ave., then left into the entrance to Wexford Place. The poll site will be set up in the Stafford Room, just past the reception desk.

Time 6:00a.m. to 7:00p.m.

Any Questions please call:

Platte County Board of Election (816) 858-4400  
or Mary Head (816) 741-5639

If you live on

NW Houston Lake Drive,  
NW Venetian Drive,  
NW Venetian Circle,  
NW Adrian or  
NW 56<sup>th</sup> Street

You vote from this page.



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City of Houston Lake

For Alderman South Ward 1

Vote For One

NO CANDIDATES

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If you live on

NW Edgewater Trail,

NW Edgewood Trail,

NW Edgewood Circle,

NW Wagon Trail,

NW Wagon Trail Circle or

NW Johnson Trail

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Best wishes,  
Marlene