

Houston Laker

Houston Lake dredging project in the Cove 2019.

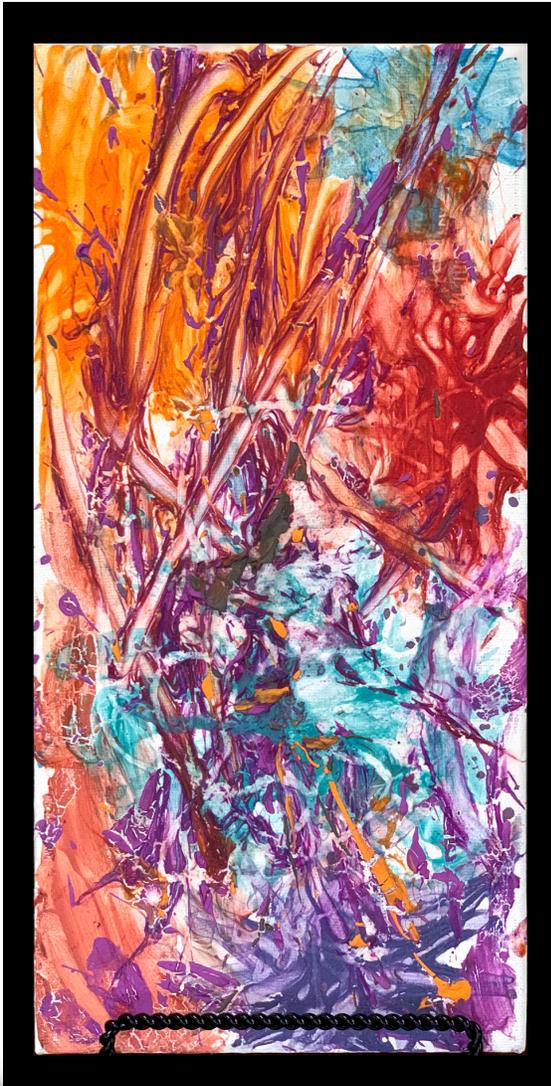


Look how beautiful the cove is!!!

It has been 35 years since there has been any dredging done in the cove.

October 2019

HOUSTON LAKER



Exploding Star by Sydney Strubbe (6 years old). Part of the Web of Life - Interlacing Threads exhibit. Sydney's painting is on display in City Hall through Feb 2020.



The Sleeping Pony by Maddox Strubbe (4 years old). Part of the Web of Life - Interlacing Threads exhibit. Maddox's painting will be on display in City Hall beginning Feb 2020.

October Community Calendar Events

Oct. 9th - Annual Brush Pick-Up

Oct. 10th - "Sixth Annual Pumpkin Festival" 6:30pm City Hall

6:30 Scary Scavenger Hunt

7:00 Pumpkin Feast Potluck

7:45 Sing-a-long and Raffle Prize Drawing

8:00 Bonfire to toast marshmallows



Oct. 14th - City Council Meeting, 7:30pm - City Hall

Oct. 15th - Recycling Day

Oct. 16th - Venetian Gardens Homes Association Annual Membership Meeting, 7pm - City Hall

"Approval of 2019/2020 Budget, New Board Members & Lake Dues"

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Oct. 31st -



ANNUAL BRUSH PICK-UP

The tree service will be in our area on Wednesday Oct. 9th, 2019. Limbs and brush should not be put out before September 23rd, 2019. Bring your limbs and brush to the edge of the street no later than 4:00 pm, Monday October 7th, so that it can be tagged for pick-up. Please note: if your limbs and brush is not placed street side by then, it will not get picked up. The tree service employees will not go into your back or side yards to retrieve your brush.

Please do not block access to mailboxes or fire hydrants!

Please place the larger ends of the branches toward the street as this will help speed up the process. If you have any questions, please call: Alderman Chuck Stone @ 816.305.3196.

**Venetian Gardens Homes Association Annual
Membership Meeting**

Wednesday October 16, 2019

7:00pm City Hall

**“Voting on approval of 2019/2020 Budget,
Voting on 2 new Board Members,
Voting for President and Vic-President
and voting on Lake Dues”.**

HOUSTON LAKE'S ANNUAL

Pumpkin Festival

The title "Pumpkin Festival" is written in a large, bold, yellow font with a dark shadow. It is surrounded by several orange pumpkins of various sizes and some autumn leaves.

October 10, 2019

6:30 pm at Houston Lake City Hall

Time for more Fall Fun!

6:30 Scary Scavenger Hunt for the kids, (12 & under.) Teenagers welcome to help.



7:00 Pumpkin Feast Potluck — Let's enjoy the fruits of the harvest and the talents of our neighborhood cooks! Bring your favorite fall dish to share, *along with a copy of the recipe. **You'll get an extra raffle ticket for that!



7:45 Sing-a-long and Raffle Prizes Drawing**

8:00 Bonfire to toast marshmallows and listen to some spooky stories! We'll supply the marshmallows, you bring a roasting stick and something to sit upon! (weather permitting, of course)***

So, mark your calendar —

**October 10th at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7 pm
and don't forget to bring your friends and family!!**

Venetian Gardens Homes Association
Meeting
Minutes
September 11, 2019

Call to order: Kerry Hallowell called the meeting 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: Jeff Lister, Vice President

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the August 21, 2019 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurers report:

Susan Hodges provided the members with current financial statements, cash balances and collections.

Meeting:

Kerry updated the members on the dredging project. The cove looks very nice. Critchfield moved the available rock around the lake and placed it along the cove. The ground has been graded behind the A frame, laid seed and straw.

The news about Platte County and the school and the silt they are putting in our lake is that we may be in luck. There is a watershed committee that includes Jeff Lister, Pam Freese, Shelly Broll and Joe Chepren. They met last week, and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is very actively involved. Apparently, they have been citing Platte County for their indiscretions and wrong doings for more than a year. The DNR is heavily involved in fighting for us. Kerry read Jeff's update on the committee's progress. The committee has filed under the Sunshine Law to get access to the DNR records and have been able to get all their communications concerning the project so we can go forward and plan the next step. Kerry said this is hopeful and maybe we can get funds to help us move forward on the next lake project.

The annual audit was discussed, and the Board was advised that three members, Jean Harris, Lori Scarborough and Deitri Ellis had volunteered.

It was confirmed that the annual meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2019.

An update on the light at the beach was given. Mary and Sue met with KCPL. Sue signed a contract with KCPL to replace the light at the beach and the Mayor's Park. Previously the plan was to replace the beach light with an LED light but that was upgraded to a directional LED flood light, which increased the previously estimated monthly cost slightly. The replacement of the Mayor's Park light with an LED flood light will decrease the cost for that light. Overall the monthly cost will increase about ten dollars a month. Jewel Head and Loren Head removed the old light at the beach and that is appreciated. KCPL would not remove the light because it was not owned by KCPL.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Susan Hodges, Secretary

City Council Meeting
August 12, 2019
City Hall – 5417 NW Adrian Houston Lake, MO 64151

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on August 12, 2019 at 7:30pm at City Hall – 5417 NW Adrian Ave Houston Lake, MO 64151.

Opening Session: Mayor Freese called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

The following members were present: Alderman Nick Jackalone, Alderman Sarah Farsace ,Alderman Phil Otte, Alderman Chuck Stone, Mayor Pam Freese

Public Discussion – None

Minutes 07.08.2019

Edits to minutes made to reflect changes to CD at a better rate and the current Aldermans names to be reflected on the bank accounts. Minutes are needed to make changes at the bank and must reflect this information.

Motion to approve minutes with edits to 07.08.2019 made by Alderman Stone, Second by Alderman Otte.
Yes: Jackalone, Otte, Stone, Farsace No: None Motion carries.

Building /Burning Permits – None

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 mailbox at the front of the building.

Treasures Report

Motion to accept treasures report for August 12, 2019made by Alderman Otte, second by Alderman Farsace.
Yes:Otte, Farsace, Stone, Jackalone No: None Motion carries

Collectors Report

City Collectors report is included with the official packet
County Collectors report is not included with the official packet

Paybills – Resolution 08.12.19

Motion to approve Resolution 08.12.19made by Alderman Stone, second by AldermanOtte
Yes:Jackalone, Otte, Stone, Farsace Motion carries

Emergency Management

Fire Department – Jeff Taylor – No Report available – No incidents month of July 2019 –

- MARC Hazardous Mitigation plan due 2020, we participated in 2015 and will need to review and update our information. Training is 9-6-19 and the city will be updating 9-13-2019. We are requesting anyone who participated in 2015 and can assist, please reach out to the City Clerk.

Police Department – Report Included with the official packet – A representative of the sheriff’s department was present.

Codes Report – Codes officer gave presentation; report is included in the official packet.

Letters will be going out in the next week regarding the proper marking of house numbers.

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Venetian Garden Homes Association Report –Next meeting 8-21-2019. The dredging project has started.

Old Business

They will be coming to pick up tree limbs that have been taken down, AL is checking on exact date.

New Business : None

Alderman Reports

Alderman Jackalone – On corner of Edgewood and Edgewater –trees need to be cleaned up.

Alderman Farsace – Concerned about a rotting board on the bridge and pedestrian traffic. Al will look into this and will work to get it replaced.

Alderman Otte – Has been reviewing sewer ordinances, gave information on the ordinances, but is continuing to look

Alderman Stone – Has been in contact with Scott, who is working on the lake, showed him sewer lines that run under the dig site, but observes that he is being very careful, and Alderman Stone has no concerns.

Removed a dead deer from a resident’s house today.

Has had complaints about stray cats – Mayor Freese explained that the person handling the capture and release of stray cats after spay/neuter has moved off the lake.

Mayors Report

Mary Head was honored at the MML Citizens awards for her contributions to the lake for her years of work for the City and all she continues to do.

Has been working with the bank to get all of our financial documents in order and tracking CDs to be sure we know when they are expiring

There was a suspicious charge on an account, upon review it was for the City Clerks Microsoft Update

Arts Circle had their opening this weekend and new art is up in City Hall

Adjournment -

Alderman Otte motioned to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Stone second.

Yes: Jackalone, Farsace, Otte, Stone. Motion Carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm by Mayor Freese.

Next Meeting will be held Monday September 9, 2019 at 7:30pm

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Future additions will be a recipe, an exercise and a healthy hint for the month

Carrot Cake Overnight Oats

Prep time 10 minutes, 2 servings

1 cup rolled oats

1/2 cup finely grated carrots

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon allspice

1 tablespoon chia seeds

3 tablespoons raisins

1 teaspoon vanilla

3 tablespoons maple syrup

1 1/4 cup almond milk unsweetened

Blend all ingredients in a glass jar

Cover for at least 2 hours or

Overnight in the refrigerator

Stir well before serving

1 serving 340 calories, Sugars 32, Fat 4

Carbs 70, Fiber 9, Protein 8

Breath Easier

No more procrastinating with these important papers:

1. Last Will and Testament
2. Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care & Health Directive
3. Living Trust
4. Beneficiary of Deed
5. Deed of Gift

During the past 3 months I have known several people under the age of 60, who either died or had a tragic surgical outcome.

They did not have their paperwork in order. Their loved ones are challenged to manage the estate or the health directive when they cannot speak for themselves.

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*Best wishes!
Marlene*

↓ The Cove before the dredging 2019 ↓



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