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News Letter

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As we look around at our city ... it would be an understatement to say that Moscow Mills is growing. Housing permits are being issued at a record rate and the city services required by that growth demands planning by local governments.

- The voters of the City were astute enough to help with long term planning by granting the city a 3Million dollar bond issue in 2014. The demands of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on cities across the nation have left many municipal sewer departments scrambling to keep up with the Clean Waters Act. Our city was not exempt. Our North West Facility in Tropicana was constantly out of compliance with Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The resolution was to shut down the Northwest Treatment Facility and the city signed an Order of Compliance with the EPA. This resulted in the city asking for the 3Million dollar of bonds to pay for a lift station and pipeline to move the waste to the Crooked Creek facility.

To date those bonds have not been issued. The city has been working on the engineering, routes, easements and environmental issues. The city will be issuing the bonds soon to pay for construction.

Everyone wants to know what this means to them. Yes...the sewer bills will be going up. In 2014 when the voters passed the bond issue they were told that the increase would raise the average bill by \$15.57 per month. We are in the process of finalizing the rates and it appears that we will stay in the realms of that figure maybe less. We have added many more homes and that helps spread the cost among more users.

- The city has joined many cities across Missouri and become a Purple Heart City. Take note of the Purple Heart signs at our city limits on Highway 61 and Highway C.

- Street maintenance is in progress. We have an outside contractor waiting on three concrete projects (Eldorado Drive, Progress Ct., and Tropicana Village Dr. at Industrial Ct.). The project on Tropicana Village requires a temporary road and we are waiting on a temporary easement from the property owner. The annual asphalt project for this year will be the repaving of Second street between Highway C and Byrd Street. In addition, Humphrey Drive will be overlaid and part of Wheeler Drive will be repaired. All of these projects will begin soon so please be aware of the workers out on the road when traveling about our city ... We want them to go home safe every evening.
- The Community Building has been leased to an investment group. The city is currently working on finding a buyer for the property.
- Bi-Centennial planning for the City of Moscow Mills is here. The city is currently looking to seek Grants to provide money for that purpose. If you are interested in the rich heritage of Moscow Mills and would like to participate in helping with that celebration please contact City Hall and talk to the Mayor
- The 2020 Census is coming soon. The data extracted from the Census is vital to our city. Many grants or other funding is based on good data that comes from the census. Please take proper care to fill out the census. Moscow Mills wishes to get it's fair share of Federal & State funding's.
- Don't Forget ... The Lion's Club Moscow Mills Parade and Picnic on October 14th. If you have questions contact Sandy Glass

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- City Hall will be sponsoring the William Cappel Elementary PTO (Parents Teacher Organization) on October 19th with a Fund Raiser including a Live Band, Food Trucks, Fright Night at the movies and Trunk-Or-Treat at City Hall ... Come Join Us.

Patrick Flannigan, Mayor
 City of Moscow Mills