



FESTUS FOCUS

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WE NEED YOUR



City inspectors have recently noticed an alarming number of businesses and residences that are funneling storm water into the sanitary sewers. Examples of this are gutters, sump pumps, outside drains, etc that are positioned to have their run off flow into sanitary sewers as opposed to storm sewers. Storm sewers take that rain water or ground water and empty it directly into a nearby creek with no treatment of any kind being performed on it. Sanitary sewers carry all manner of waste water (water from sinks, bathtubs, toilets, or anything you put down the drain) from homes and businesses. This waste water goes to the local sewer plant to be cleaned and decontaminated. Extra water that does not require treatment yet still goes through the system forces the sewer plant to process more water than is necessary. If this is happening at your residence or place of business, please correct it immediately! Penalties for violating Section 715.050 of the City's municipal code range from fines to imprisonment.



**In celebration of
Independence Day,
all city offices will
be closed
July 4.**



Yard Sale Reminders

Lately, the Code Enforcement Office has been dealing with many signs that are not where they are supposed to be advertising yard sales, homes for sale and work done by different contractors.

610.310 – Display of Sale Property

Items for sale may be displayed within the residence, in a garage, carport and/or yard, but may not be displayed in any public street or right of way.

405.550 – Off-Premises Signs in Right-Of-Way

Yard sale signs are not allowed in the right-of-way at any time.

610.320 – Advertising – Signs

Permitted Signs: Two (2) may be displayed on the property where sale is located.

Directional Signs: No signs can be erected, placed, posted or otherwise displayed on any public property including street signs and posts, traffic signs and posts or upon public utility poles.

Time Limits: Signs can not be hung more than one (1) day prior to date of sale and must be removed at the end of the last day of the sale.

Yard sale permits may be purchased at City Hall or Public Works for \$1 each. There are two community boards where notices may be hung - one is located at the intersection of Hillsboro, Horine, N Fifth, and Cromwell and the other at S Second and Behring.

Other Sign Reminders

Other signs not allowed in right of ways or in yards are ones that advertise a business (regardless if it's a home based business at that address) or advertising a company that has done work at that address (Ex: Lawn Maintained by ____ or Custom Kitchen by ____). These signs are illegal and pose an ordinance violation subject to fines or imprisonment.

- **Council Meeting** -- July 12 and 26 at 7pm
- **Park Board** -- July 27 at 6pm
- **P & Z Meeting** -- July 20 at 6:30 pm
- **Library Board** -- July 6 at 6pm
- **Court in Session** -- July at 6pm
- **Board of Adjustment** -- July 10 at 7pm

Country Summer

Saturday, July 8 — West City Park Stage — 2 bands starting at 6pm



Country Summer is presented by the Friends of The Festus Parks with the support of the Festus Tourism Commission. This is a free event for the entire family.

NO coolers or outside concessions are allowed.

Summer at the Library



There is still time to sign up for the Summer is July 29 and the last day to turn in complet-

Reading Program! The last day of the program ed logs and be eligible for prizes is August 5.

Here are just a few programs happening in July, but pick up a full schedule of events at the library!

Heroes in Nature: (Presented by Washington State Park) Wed, July 12 at 1pm. Learn about people, plants, and animals that have shaped nature in Missouri! For ages 5-12.

Learn About Beekeeping: Wed, July 19 at 6pm. An introduction for beginners and anyone interested in beekeeping.

Big Trucks!: Thurs, July 20 at 11am. Check out some of our City's trucks and meet their drivers. For all ages.

Light up Your Life: Mon, July 24 at 3pm, Teens can take the Snap Circuit Challenge and enjoy games and prizes.

Get Ready for the Solar Eclipse: Fri, July 28 at 1pm. Make a pin-hole viewer and learn about the upcoming once-in-a-lifetime event! For ages 5-12.

Jefferson Co. Health Dept. Dental Van: "Smiles to Go" Mobile Dental Clinic will be on the library's parking lot the week of July 3.