



STATE OF THE CITY

MOUNT PLEASANT, TENNESSEE

Departmental Reports - September 2023

Lots of Progress and Construction! *UPDATES in red.*

Most of the time, in order to get rewards, we have to go through some pain. This concept is part of several religious teachings and dates back many many years. The goal is to concentrate on the positive reward and not the painful process it takes to get to the "better place". Well, this community will be going through some growing pains over the next year. All for the better but we will need to remind ourselves often to look beyond the pain and know there is the reward.

The city is in the process this month bidding out the Downtown Revitalization Project which will span from the front of the Mount Pleasant Grille to Church Street (Post Office) on both sides of the street to include the square in front of City Hall.

If all goes as planned the City Commission will award the bid no later than June of this year. Once bids are let, contracts are signed then construction will begin.

Construction means tearing up streets and sidewalks but will done in a carefully planned manner disrupting small areas at a time. If all goes as planned all of the construction should be completed before the end of 2024 (maybe even by summer).

The new look and the new square will be so exciting for this City. Traffic patterns will change to assist motorist who continually drive in front of City Hall in the wrong direction. *The City has now bid this project out twice and both times the bids are twice what is anticipated. Right now the city is reviewing the second bid and the next step will be to talk to the State about additional funding or possibly scaling back the project. This is very frustrating since we have already been awarded money for phase 2 but cannot get phase 1 moving forward. Unfortunately, this is not uncommon in today's market.*

Next, the State (TDOT) is completely replacing the bridge on N. Main over Sugar Creek. This project is planned to be bid and let in November and December of this year (2023). Then construction will begin very quickly. The State will completely close N. Main Street here and direct traffic onto Highway 43 with signs at 1st Avenue suggesting exiting and entering there to avoid the closure. Because the road will be closed completely, this project should be completed in six months (leaving a lane open would be more like 18 months). *Right now, this project is still on target for construction to start early 2024.*

So, the summer of 2024 should show A LOT of good changes in Mount Pleasant. Remember, keep the eye on the prize and not the pain to get there!

Upcoming Events

09/11/23 - 6 PM
Board of Zoning Appeals

09/12/23 - 6 PM
Planning Commission Meeting

09/13/23 - 5:30 PM
Recreation Commission Meeting

09/14/23 - 6 PM
Commission Study Session

09/19/23 - 6 PM
Commission Meeting

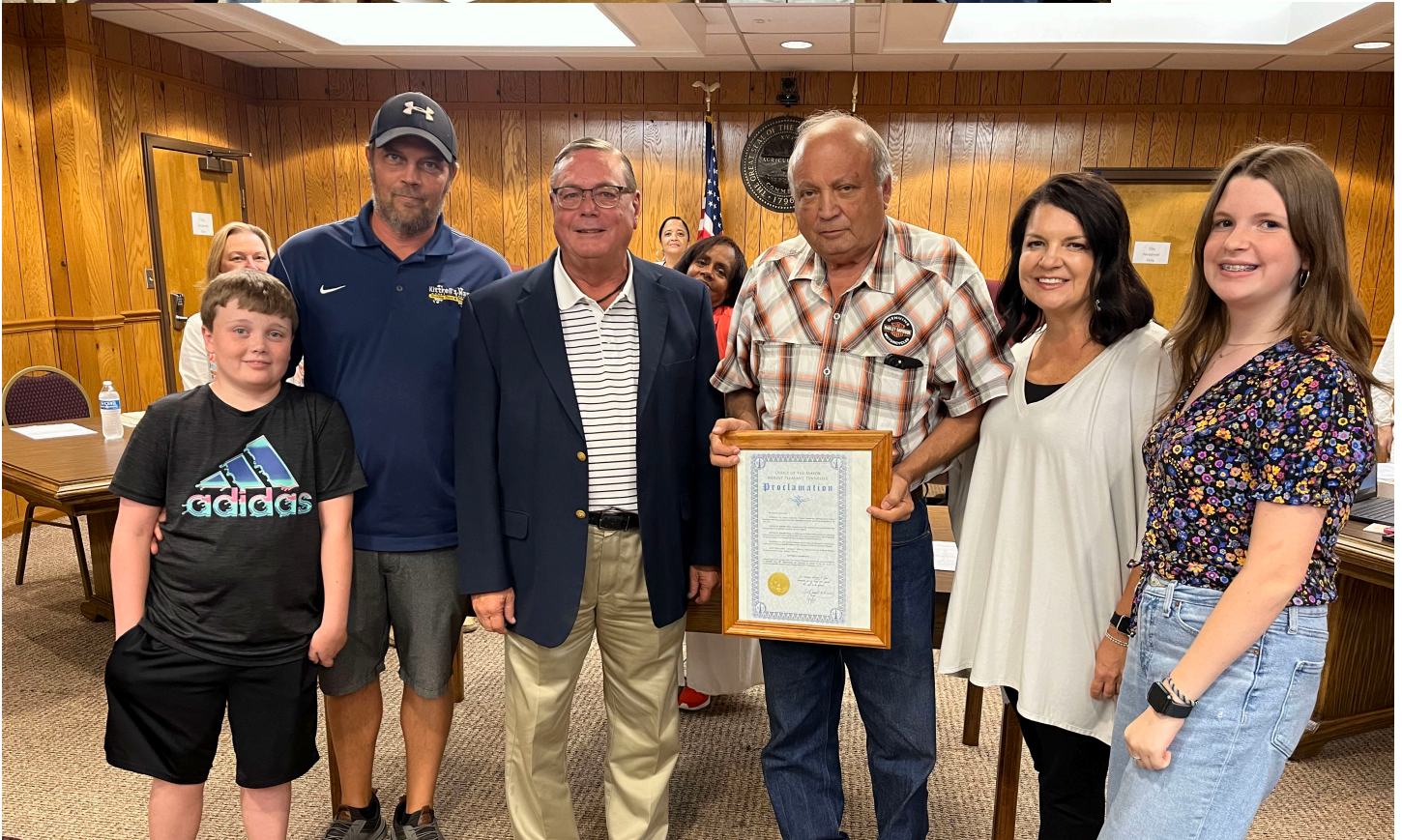
Join the City's Text Notification Program to Receive Important Alerts & Announcements



**TEXT: MPCITY
TO: (931) 340-7700**



Kittrell's Kars recently celebrated 40 years of being in business. The Kittrell family not only does business here, they are also a huge supporter of anything going on in Mount Pleasant!



Mayor
Bill White
(931) 379-3762



Vice Mayor
Jacqueline Grandberry
(931) 334-1691



Commissioner
Willie Alderson
(931) 398-8383



Commissioner
Mike Davis
(931) 698-6581



Commissioner
Pam Johnston
(931) 334-8014

PARKS & RECREATION

ALYSHIA BUSBY

As the school started back and the chaos of pick up, homework, and daily routine started, the Parks and Recreation board hosted a Movie Night. We set up on the splash pad which made for the perfect spot for the screen. A Huge Thank you to the MP Bass Team for coming over and cooking hot dogs for us and thank you to our amazing senior citizens for cooking and boxing up popcorn. Only a handful of folks ventured out that night to enjoy not only free hot dogs and popcorn but a super cute movie but we had a great time none the less.



Our Splash Pad has been a busy place all summer with kids have a great time and making some great memories there. There have been a few technical issues this year but our maintenance team has worked really hard to correct any problems that arise in a timely manner.

We want to Thank Mrs. Brittney Howell and all the teachers with the CDC Class and MPES for bringing your babies over to have a wonderful day! And even though we might have had to be rescued by the Fire Dept, they got us up and running so those babies could have the best day!

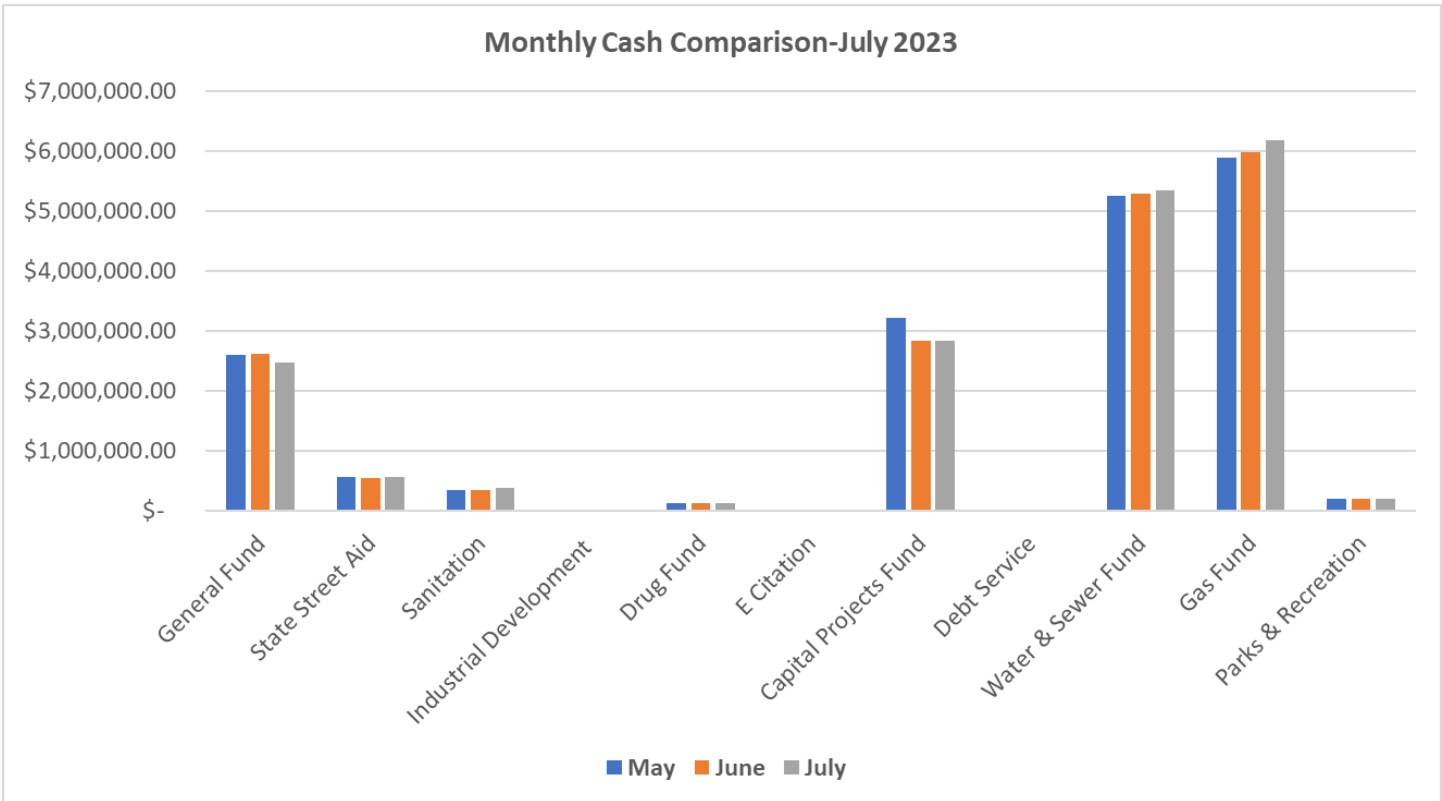


FINANCE

SHIPRAH COX

During the month of July, the 2023-2024 Budget for the City of Mount Pleasant was approved by the Comptroller’s office. The budget has capital improvement plans for some paving & park projects, along with the Waste Water Plant to complete construction.

Cash in checking and certificates of deposit in the general fund total \$2,458,786.52. The Water Fund has operating funds, including savings and certificates of deposit totaling \$1,326,685.38. The Water/Wastewater construction funds account has a balance of \$1,896,140.72, ARPA funds of \$1,485,829.73 and customer deposits regular & savings in the amount of \$624,218.36. The gas fund has operating funds, including savings and certificates of deposit totaling \$5,489,398.66. The customer deposits in gas total \$680,838.51.



The City of Mount Pleasant now has an E-Bill Program.

This program will allow our water, wastewater, gas, and sanitation customers to have their monthly bill sent via email, replacing the monthly postcard you receive now.

Visit the city’s website to sign up for this service.

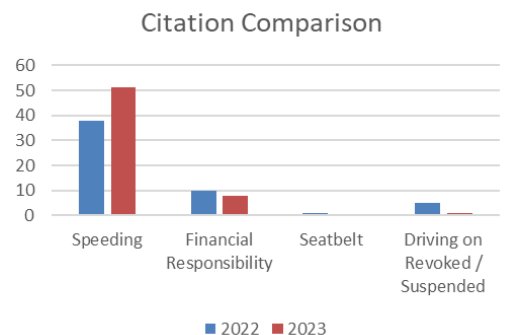
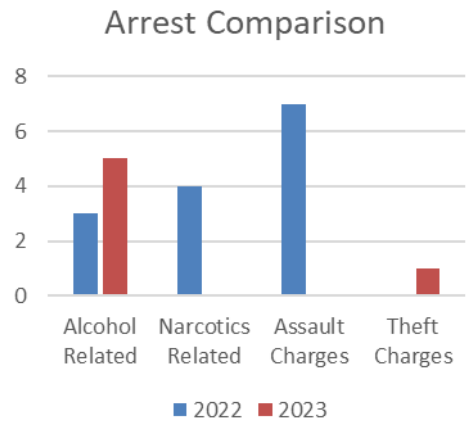
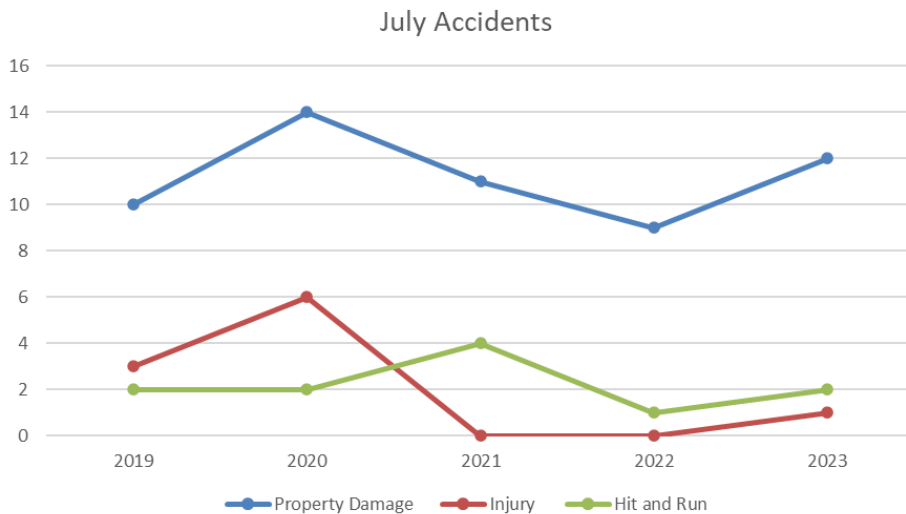
POLICE DEPARTMENT

MICHAEL HAY

Sergeant Koger and Officer Dickey apprehended an individual for criminal trespassing. The suspect had warrants out of the county for attempted murder in the first degree, aggravated assault, firearm charges. The officers also made an arrest of a female for harboring a fugitive and filing false reports.

The officers are investigating an aggravated robbery at a local convenience store. The suspects absconded with cash and cigarettes. Luckily, the store employee was unharmed during the incident. Anyone with any information that can help us apprehend the suspect, please contact the police department. We also have a silent witness link on the City's website, www.mtpleasant-tn.gov. You may also call the silent witness number at 931-379-3381 and leave your information. We appreciate the public's help in bringing the person(s) to justice.

The police department received a call of a child being left alone in a parked vehicle. Once the officers arrived an adult had returned to the vehicle and the child was unharmed. We want to remind you that leaving your child/children in a vehicle is not only dangerous but it is against the law.



PLANNING DEPARTMENT

CHRIS BROOKS



A new 12,480 square foot Dollar General Market at 725 South Main Street is under construction. The foundation footings have been placed and the in-ground plumbing is currently being developed.

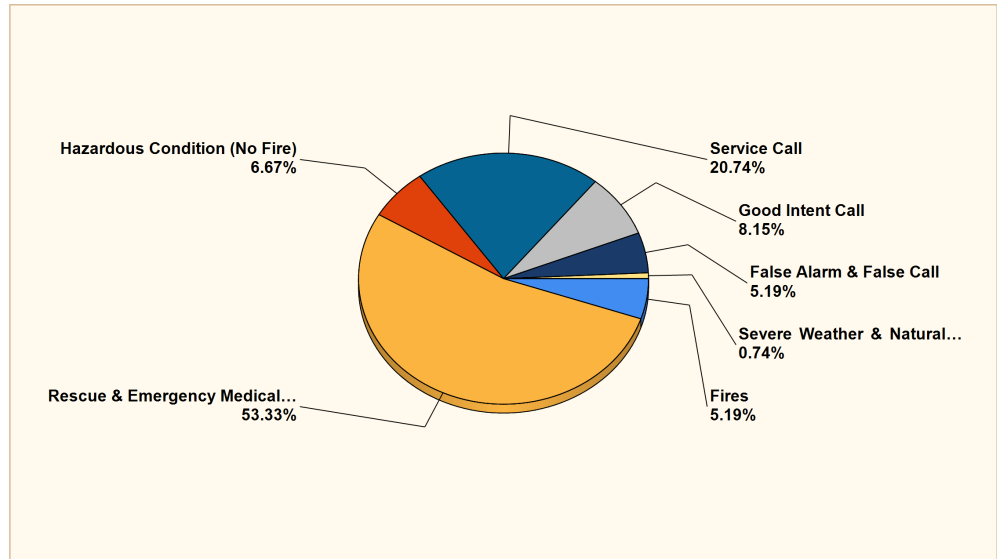


FIRE DEPARTMENT

PHILLIP GROOMS

The Mount Pleasant Fire Department (MPFD) responded to a total of (135) calls for service. Calls for service included: seven (7) fires; seventy-two (72) emergency medical responses; nine (9) hazardous conditions; thirty-nine (39) public service and good intent calls; and seven (7) false alarms: seven (7) burn permits were issued in the city. Community risk reduction activities

included thirty-nine (39) fire prevention inspections at local business and industry. In addition, firefighters installed ten (10) smoke alarms in residential homes. Lastly, two open burning permits were issued in the city.



Firefighter Deon Hardison attended the annual Tennessee Public Fire Educators Conference in Murfreesboro, TN. The conference focused on community engagement and knowing your audience to aid in building fire and life safety education programs.



MPFD conducted several CPR and First Aid classes for Smelter Corporation employees. MPFD personnel have several fire safety, first aid, and CPR classes scheduled in the community in the coming months.

MPFD continue to complete fire hydrant maintenance that includes painting and color-coding hydrants. The project should be wrapping up over the next few weeks. In addition, the department has completed all fire apparatus maintenance, that included annual fire pump testing, ladder testing, fluid, and filter changes.

OCCUPANCY	DATE	INSPECTOR	RESULTS	NOTES
Inspection Type: Fire Inspection				
Pleasantwood Apartments	07/17/2023	Willard, Ben	Correction Notice Issued	2018 IFC 604.6 - Open junction boxes/open wire splices; 2018 IFC 1031.10 Emergency Lights Reinspection in 30-days 8/17/2023
Mount Pleasant Marathon	07/20/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Heritage Bank and Trust	07/20/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Dollar General	07/21/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Mount Pleasant Community Center	07/21/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
4-Sixes Basement	07/21/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
4 Sixes Liquor and Wine	07/21/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Mid-South Cabinets	07/24/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Crews Connection	07/24/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
High Forest Releaf	07/24/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	2018 IFC -1031.10 Emergency Lighting needed at front exit. 2018 IFC - 505.1 Addressing - Numbers shall be visible from the street and 4 inches high.
Normans Body Shop	07/25/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Weld Right	07/25/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Towne Coffee	07/25/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Sonoco	08/03/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	2018 IFC 604.3 - Remove tape from (2) electrical panels. 2018 IFC 604.5 Unplug all extension cords when not in use. 2018 IFC 901 - Provide copies of annual and 5 year sprinkler system inspections.
Sonoco #2	08/03/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	2018 IFC 901 - Provide copies of annual and 5-year spinkler system inspection to Fire Inspector.
RAE Products	08/03/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
IB Tech	08/04/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Murillo's Catering, LLC.	08/08/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
UST Tile / Landmark Ceramics	08/08/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
101 Haylong	08/09/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	Maximum occupancy not to exceed 45 persons. 2018 IFC 1031.10 - Lighted emergency light not working properly. 2018 IFC 906 - Fire extinguishers need to be present for small fires. 2018 IFC 505.1 Address shall be visible from the street.
Pinch of the Past	08/10/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	2018 IFC 906 Extinguishers must serviced annually. 2018 IFC 604.5 Extension cords can not be used for permanent wiring or plugged into each other; unplug when not in use.
Mount Pleasant Tire	08/10/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed with Comments	2018 IFC 906 - Extinguisher shall be serviced annually. 2018 IFC 604.3 - Electrical panel with missing breaker should be provided with blank cover.
Rose's Shell	08/15/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
			Total # Inspections for: Fire Inspection: 23	

OCCUPANCY	DATE	INSPECTOR	RESULTS	NOTES
Inspection Type: Fire Prevention Inspection				
Mount Pleasant Community Center	07/15/2023	Cockrell, Brent	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violaions found during pre-fire plan survey
Hamilton Court Apartments	07/31/2023	Kelly, Sean	Pre-Plan Only	Exterior plan only recommend annual inspection of fire extinguishers on site.
Heather Pope Dog Training	08/01/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No hazards or violations found during the pre-plan and fire prevention inspection.
National On Demand, Inc	08/02/2023	Garcia , Michael		No Obvious hazards or violations found during pre fire survey.
Mattress Direct	08/02/2023	Garcia , Michael	Pre-Plan Only	No Obvious hazards or violations found during pre fire survey.
J & L Welding & Fabrication LLC	08/02/2023	Garcia , Michael	Pre-Plan Only	No Obvious hazards or violations found during pre fire survey.
Hoover Mason Recycling	08/07/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No Violations or Hazards were found during the Pre-plan and Fire Prevention Inspection.
Kiddie Cottage	08/08/2023	Hardison, Deon	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-fire plan survey.
Kittrell Kars	08/08/2023	Hardison, Deon	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-fire plan survey.
Property owned by MCI	08/09/2023	Chatman, Jimmy	Pre-Plan Only	Exterior pre-plan only. Could not get a hold of the manager. No obvious hazards found.
Property owned by MCI	08/09/2023	Chatman, Jimmy	Pre-Plan Only	Exterior pre-plan only was unable to get a hold of manager. No obvious hazards found.
True Rail	08/10/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No hazards or violations found during the fire prevention inspection and pre-plan update.
Huggin Arms	08/10/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No hazards or violations found during Fire Prevention Inspection and Pre-Plan Survey
Ergon Asphalt & Emulsion	08/15/2023	Counts, Phillip	Pre-Plan Only	No oblivious hazards or violations found at the time of survey.
Cowley Container Corp	08/15/2023	Counts, Phillip	Pre-Plan Only	No oblivious hazards or violations found at the time of visit.
			Total # Inspections for: Fire Prevention Inspection : 15	
Inspection Type: Reinspection				
El Indio Mexican Restaurant	08/15/2023	Willard, Ben	Second Correction Notice	2018 IFC 607 Cooking hood and duct cleaning must be performed every 6 months. 2018 IFC 604.3 Electrical Panel - Missing breakers shall be covered with approved black plastic blank covers. Re-Inspection in 14-Days. 8/28/23.
			Total # Inspections for: Reinspection: 1	
			TOTAL # INSPECTIONS: 39	



DID YOU KNOW MOUNT PLEASANT FIRE OFFERS FREE SMOKE ALARMS?

Yes it's true! In cooperation with the State of Tennessee Fire Marshall's office, we are able to offer free smoke alarms AND installation to Mount Pleasant City Residents. If any resident would like their smoke alarms checked or replaced, contact the Mount Pleasant Fire Department: (931) 379-3939

STREETS

TED HOWELL

Municipal Solid Waste
171 Tons

Aluminum Recycled
N/A

Bulky Brush Pickup
Call: (931) 325-5701



Potholes Repaired

Polk Lane
Canaan Road
Mt Joy Road
Haylong Avenue
S. Locust Street

UTILITIES

TED HOWELL

Wastewater Plant/Lagoons

Plant July 2023 - 16.86 MG Plant July 2022 - 11.93 MG
Rain July 2023 - 6.72 inches Rain July 2022 - 4.21 inches

Lagoons

Upper Lagoon (25%)
Bottom Lagoon (25%)

Water Treated / Water Sold

Water Treated July 2023 - 42.20 MG
Water Sold July 2023 - 18.65 MG
Water Treated July 2022 - 41.55 MG
Water Sold July 2022 - 18.31 MG

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44.19%

44.06%

Tennessee One Calls
July 2023 - 103



Utility Distribution System

Water Leaks Repaired (16)
Water Meter Changes (19)
Gas Meter Changes (01)

Spray Field - 7.78 MG

HUMAN RESOURCES

LAYTOYA ALDERSON

The City of Mount Pleasant employs 75 Full-time and 15 part-time employees. The City had two worker comp claims and one property damage claims for the month of August.

We are happy to present the following employees whose employment anniversaries were in August.

Teresa Davis (Administration Department) 44 years
Marshall Hopkins (Community Services) 11 years
Jeremy Brewer (Water Department) 2 years
Joseph Thomas (Water Department) 1 year
Victoria Poindexter (Administration Department) 5 years
Phillip Counts (Fire Department) 18 years



September Birthdays

April Toombs, Charles Webster,
James Dye, Joelton Nutt, Joseph
Thomas, Brent Cockrell, Phillip
Grooms, Blake Staggs, Jason
Cogdill, Dominique Green

Thanks to all of our City employees for making the Mount Pleasant a better place to live, work, and play.