



Friday, May 26, 2017

The **Building and Neighborhood Services Department** along with the **Sanitation and Environmental Services Department** assisted the **Franklin Housing Commission** with the **Cadet Neighborhood with a cleanup** this past Saturday, May 20. The group collected 17 gallons of oil, 52 gallons of paint and 1 gallon of Anti-freeze for a total of 70 gallons of waste fluids. They also collected about 11 tons of garbage, 1.41 tons of brush and 25 tires. Thank you to the volunteers from the City and to the Affordable Housing Commission for making this neighborhood clean-up a success.

The **Tennessee Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (TSITE)** held their Spring Meeting on Tuesday May 23 at the Drury Inn. Sixty-two transportation professionals gathered to hear presentations that included one from **Carl Baughman** regarding the application of **Flashing Yellow Arrows in the City of Franklin, TN**. Following his presentation, a TMA bus took eight of the attendees on a field tour of the two intersections (Mallory Station Road at Duke Drive/General George Patton Drive, Hillsboro Road at Fieldstone Pkwy). The Past President of TSITE provided these two images of the group at the latter intersection. **It may be worth noting that Carl's presentation was initially selected and given at the Southern District meeting of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (SDITE) that was held March 26-29 in Columbia, SC.** There he presented the material to nearly two hundred transportation professionals from throughout the southeastern United States.

Several **Franklin Firefighters and Police Officers** have recently upgraded or completed their **Child Passenger Safety Technician certifications. Engineer Tommy Alexander and Firefighter-Paramedics John Carolan and Jason Webb, along with**



Engineer Tommy Alexander	Firefighter- Paramedic John Carolan	Firefighter- Paramedic Jason Webb	Firefighter Recruit Gaby Sandage	Firefighter Recruit Hawk Wingate	Officer Rachel Gober	Officer James Grummons
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Police officers Rachel Gober and James Grummons received their Technician Proxy certifications. Technician Proxies are senior technicians who have at least three years of experience. They can review and approve seat checks by other technicians who need this approval in order to obtain recertification. Additionally **Firefighter Recruits Gaby Sandage and Hawk Wingate became Child Passenger Safety Technicians.** Both passed the 32-hour class with flying colors. I hear that Gaby even installed five seats on her first day back on shift after attending the class! The FFD has 21 technicians, including two who speak Spanish, and three are now technician proxies. These individuals help members of our community install at least 400 seats per year. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to **Mark Mayhew** our pretreatment coordinator in the **Water Management Department.** He won the **2017 Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD) Operator EXPO T-Shirt design contest.** Shirts were to be designed to highlight TAUD's 60th anniversary. Good job Mark.

City Engineer Paul Holzen spoke to the Tennessee Sustainable Transportation Awards and Forum hosted by TDEC and TDOT at the Downtown Nashville Public Library. He was on a general session panel on Mobility Planning. Paul spoke about Connect Franklin.

Assistant City Administrator Kristine Tallent recently attended the Government Finance Officers Association Debt Committee meeting. During the meeting, she was interviewed by Bond Buyer a magazine reporter about <https://www.bondbuyer.com/news/issuers-anxious-as-new-issue-price-era-begins>

Over the last month or so the City I.T. Department has been installing **video cameras in our parking garages.** The cameras are now fully operational. There are **19 cameras in the Second Avenue garage** and **28 in the Fourth Avenue garage.** The cameras cover parking areas, stairwells, and garage entrances. Video recordings will be

maintained/preserved on a 30-day basis. If you have any questions or want to report



anything seen in the garages, please contact **Jason Potts or David Copley**.

Dignitaries with our newest Sister City, Bad Soden am Taunus, Federal Republic of Germany will be visiting Franklin next week. The group arrives on Wednesday May 31. There will be a chance on Thursday June 1 from **5-6:45 to meet the delegation** at the **County Archive Building at 611 Columbia Avenue**. On Tuesday June 6, the Mayor along with the Mayor from Bad Soden am Taunus will participate in the official signing event at Eastern Flank Battlefield Park. The City will broadcast the event LIVE on Facebook for those interested.

Happy Memorial Day Weekend. Please take time over the **Memorial Day** weekend to remember the ultimate sacrifice made by men and women who gave their lives in military service to our country. Their sacrifice truly makes our freedoms possible. On Monday, the **Williamson County Memorial Day Ceremony** will take place at the Veterans Memorial park (located at Five Points) at 10am. **Mayor Ken Moore** will speak. The program will last approximately 45 minutes and seating will be provided; however, attendees are welcome to bring their own lawn chairs to the event. Participants will include the Williamson County Community Band, members of the 101st Airborne Division from Ft. Campbell, and the Tennessee National Guard. The special guest this year will be Major Retired James D. Hochstetler. A graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and University of Hawaii with his MBA, Jim spent his career with the 5th Special Forces group, where he commanded numerous missions to Jordan, Lebanon, and other areas in the Middle East before retiring from government service in late 2016.

A special thank you to the many City of Franklin team members that will be working over the holiday weekend. Thanks for *all* you do!



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