



Friday, October 4, 2019

Street Director Joe York is celebrating his final day with the City of Franklin TODAY. Joe was honored for his 25 years of service to the City of Franklin at his final Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) meeting last week and with a special lunch prepared by his team on Wednesday. Joe received a well-deserved standing ovation at BOMA for his many contributions to our City. Joe said, “Every day is a good day working at the Street Department in Franklin, and I always enjoyed coming into work.” There will be a retirement event (with cake and other goodies!) today at 10:30 a.m. at Public Works. Thank you, Joe for your dedication and service to the community and for being an outstanding team member! Hope we still get to see you on “Pork Chop Tuesdays!”

At their October 8th meeting, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen will vote on an **updated Human Resources Manual**. The manual had not had a full review and update for several years. A copy of the draft HR Manual is attached for your review. Following its adoption, the HR department will be visiting various departments to review the changes and answer questions. A big thank you to HR and Law for their hard work in reviewing and updating the manual.



Franklin Mayor Dr. Ken Moore recently signed a proclamation declaring the month of **October Fire Prevention Month!** Mayor Moore, shown pictured with **Fire Chief Rocky Garzarek**, says “Franklin’s residents should make a home fire escape plan, and practice it with everyone in the household. They should also teach children to escape fire on their own in case adults can’t help them!” For home fire escape planning resources, visit <http://ow.ly/1XJB50wttEa>

Franklin Fire Engineer-Paramedic Dustin Anderson was the special **guest reader** for story time at the Academy at Seaboard Lane. He read "The Story of Sparky the Fire Dog," of course! **Firefighter Emily Nelms** did a firefighting gear demonstration. Then the kids took turns coming out to see Ladder 3, even the littlest ones! Stop by the **Franklin Public Library** anytime in October and visit the **Fire Prevention Month** display for your own Sparky the Fire Dog book, or visit FFD at the **CoolSprings Galleria Mall** to pick one up next week. We will be there **with Brentwood Fire & Rescue October 7-11 (Monday-Friday), from 10 AM – 6 PM, in Center Court** on the main level.

We have a couple thank you notes this week:

- Gentlemen, I just want to comment on the excellent way that the **Franklin City Codes Department** works. I'm a general contractor and work in a variety of jurisdictions. The interaction between contractors and Codes is fraught with potential problems that we all must deal with and I want to specifically compliment the value of being able to speak with a person like **Randy Tosh**. So many Codes Departments only have personnel that can give authoritative answers to questions either first thing in the morning or in the afternoon, at best. But, being able to speak with Randy in real time during the day has proven to be a huge advantage to our company and ultimately our clients. We all hear about our profession's problems and weaknesses and rarely about our good points, so thanks again to Randy and the Department's foresight for creating the position.—Chis Williams
- Dear **Ellen, Lance**, and the **Wonderful Staff of the Engineering Department**, thank you so much for taking the time to educate and guide me through your

comments for the Picard family garage. I appreciate your knowledge and expertise.—Scott Wilson, Architect

Welcome to the following New City Team Members this week!



Gavin Nevill - Social & Media Producer, Communications/Administration Gavin is from Coopersburg, PA and is married to wife Sarah and they have a dog named Cooper Lebron. In his spare time, Gavin enjoys spending time with family, watching sports and cooking. Gavin has a Bachelor's degree from Elizabethtown College and a Masters from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Gavin previously worked for the University of Hawaii.

Jeana Caudle - Facilities Worker, Parks Department

Jeana is from Santa Fe, Tennessee and has two sons. In her free time, Jeana enjoys going to concerts, baseball games and cheering for her favorite team, the Atlanta Braves! Jeana previously worked for Franklin Child Care.

Cody Myers - Water Treatment, Assistant Superintendent, Water Management Department

Cody is from Dickson, Tennessee and has been married to wife, Carrie for four years. They have two boys, Huck (3 years) and Mack (1 ½ years) and a dog named Drake. Cody enjoys hunting, fishing and playing outside with his boys and dog. Cody has a B.S. in Agriculture Focus in Agricultural Science. Prior to joining the City, Cody worked for the Water Authority of Dickson County.

The City is starting something new called **“Innovation Hour,”** it is a time to solve city-wide problems and get feedback on current projects! The meeting dates are below and the meetings will be held in the Development Services Conference room in City Hall. Our Management Fellow, **Holland Shellhase** will be hosting the meetings and is inviting folks to email her with ideas for discussion at the first meeting. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Dates are the following



- October 17, 1pm
- October 31, 11am
- November 14, 1pm
- December 5, 11am
- December 19, 1pm

FLU SHOT SCHEDULE at City Hall Training Room:

- **Monday, October 7, 6-9 a.m.**
- **Thursday, November 7, 6-9 a.m.**

That’s all for now. Enjoy your weekend!

Thanks for *all* you do.



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