



Friday, November 12, 2021

It has been a busy week! We had a great event at **Harlinsdale Park** called **Fun on the Farm** this past Saturday. The Parks Department did a great job and estimate 2,500 people attended the event.

On Tuesday, we said goodbye to the outgoing **Aldermen Margaret Martin, Dana McLendon, Scott Speedy and John Schroer** and swore in the newly-elected **Aldermen Gabrielle Hanson (at-large), Matt Brown (Ward 2), Jason Potts (Ward 3), Patrick Baggett (Ward 4)** and the re-elected **Ward 1 Alderman Beverly Burger**. Plus the following Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) meeting went after 10 p.m., so we got our “new” board “hit the ground running”! We are so grateful for those who have served and those who are now stepping up to serve the community.



Yesterday, we were able to have our **Veterans Day Parade** back on Main Street and the rain did not put a damper on the event. It was a great parade with many attending and marching in the parade. **Thank you to our team that helped make it happen!** You can see the parade on our Facebook and YouTube pages.



Congratulations to **Cathy Gardner in our Streets Department** who was recently **promoted** from **Administrative Assistant to Fleet Office Manager**. Cathy has been with Streets for a little over two and a half years. She is married (35 years) and has two adult children and one granddaughter.

Welcome to the following new City Team members!



Tim Minor, Building and Neighborhood Services, Municipal Inspection Officer I

Tim is originally from San Jose, CA but now lives in Murfreesboro. Tim has three daughters and one son. In his free time, he enjoys fishing and volunteering for the Arrington Fire Department. Tim has a degree in Criminal Justice and previously worked for the City of San Jose.

Steve Zelows, Parks Department, Program Specialist

Steve is originally from Whitesboro, NY. Steve has a Bachelors in Recreation Management and previously worked for the Boy Scouts of America. In his free time, he enjoys hiking, camping and is a big New York Giants fan.

Joseph Irvin, Streets Department, Maintenance Worker

Joseph is from College Grove. He has one daughter who he enjoys spending time with and a pet named Lizzy.

Jeremy Henderson, Parks Department, Turf Specialist I

Jeremy is from Los Angeles, CA. In his free time, Jeremy enjoys golfing, riding mountain bikes and watching his favorite team, USC. Jeremy previously worked for Florida State University.

David (Andrew) Sisk, Parks Department, Maintenance Worker

Andrew is from Santa Fe, TN. He is married and has 2 kids. Andrew enjoys hunting and fishing. He previously worked for Nissan.

From the **Human Resources Department**:

FSA Open Enrollment is OPEN NOW through November 30! FSA and dependent care are not automatic enrollments. Your 2021 account will terminate if you do not re-enroll.

A flexible spending account (FSA), is a benefit offered to all full time employees. This benefit allows you to use pre-tax dollars to pay for eligible health care expenses for you, your spouse, and your dependents.

During open enrollment, you decide on an estimated amount of money that you plan to use in **2022** on eligible medical expenses. Your contribution for your FSA account will be deducted in equal amounts from each paycheck, pre-tax, throughout the plan year. (24 pay periods) You will receive a Visa card, loaded with the full amount you elected during open enrollment. You can then use your pre-tax dollars to pay for eligible healthcare expenses throughout the year.

The maximum amount you can elect is **\$2,750 per year with up to \$550 in carryover funds**. Anything carried over into the next plan year must be used by March 31, 2023, or [the previous year's funds](#) will be lost.

Please see the attached enrollment directions.

The Human Resources Department is accepting **nominations for the 4th Quarter of the Employee of the Quarter 2021 Program**. You can submit paper nominations by coming into the Human Resource Department within City Hall or via email by filling out the attached nomination form.

As a reminder, the guidelines are as follows:

- Any employee can be nominated
- HR will accept unlimited nominations during the nomination window for each quarter
- Nomination forms are attached and will be available on *Inside the City*
- Two employees will be selected per quarter by a committee made up of your peers!
- Completed nomination forms can be emailed to nomination@franklintn.gov

The deadline for submitting nominations for the 4th Quarter is December 1st!

Here is the COVID-19 case update for Wednesday (11/10/21)

Key Changes

Up 2,073 More positive cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (1,292,195 total positive cases)

Up 315 More active cases day over day in the State of Tennessee (11,240 total active cases)

Up 53 More positive cases day over day in Williamson County (40,067 total positive cases)

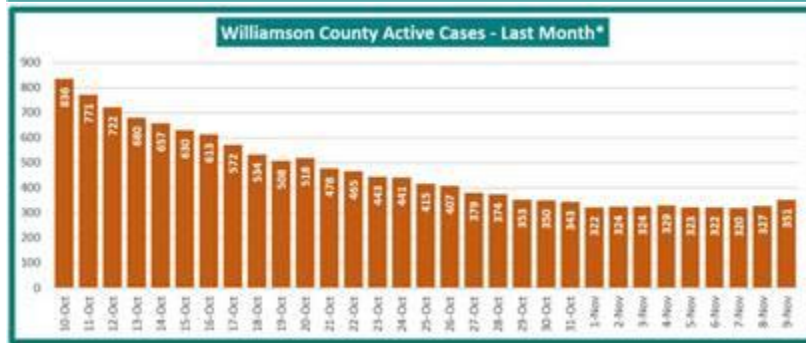
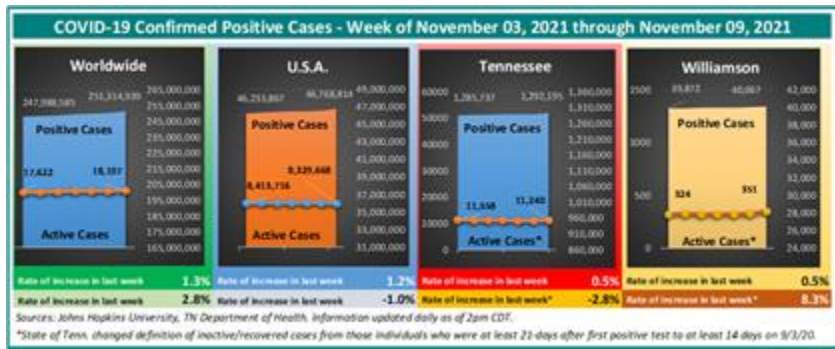
Up 24 More active cases day over day in Williamson County (351 total active cases)

Level Williamson County share of total positive cases within Tennessee at **3.1%**

Level Percent Positive / Total Tested at **11.91%**

Level Williamson County **Sixth** highest # of positive cases in Tennessee

Level One New death in Williamson County (273 total deaths)



That's it for now. Have a great weekend. Thanks for all you do!
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