

TITLE VI PUBLIC NOTICE

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The Fun on the Farm Jamboree – Every Third Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

The Dixie's 6th performance season is bringing fun, drama, and great musical classics to Huntingdon, Carroll County, and West Tennessee. From coveted fine art performances to the locally produced Fun on the Farm Jamboree, The Dixie is the venue for adults and youth alike to enjoy an impressive array of talent. Children's school performances bring students to The Dixie from all areas of West Tennessee to experience the fun and magic of contemporary and classical productions. For more information on the Sixth Season Performance Schedule, go to www.dixiepac.net or call The Dixie Box Office at 731-986-2100.

Mayor:	Dale R. Kelley	
Vice-Mayor:	John Sanders	
	Town Council:	
	Nina Smothers	Jeff Bailey
	Tim Tucker	Gary Hatch
Director of Public Safety:	Joe W. Parker	
Director of Public Works:	Jerry G. Nolen	
Recorder/Director of Finance:	Martha Taylor	
Administrative Assistant:		
Executive Director of The Dixie:	Lori Neal Nolen	

*If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions related to the Huntingdon Newsletter, please call (731) 986-2900 or email huntingdoncityhall@huntingdonch.com
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Message from the Mayor . . .

As 2010 draws to a close and 2011 opens before us, there is much to be thankful for, much to remember, and much to consider in preparation for a successful New Year. As always, I'm thankful for my hometown and for the privilege of serving as mayor for the past 18 years. There is no better place than Huntingdon, Tennessee.

As the news media has already reported as of December 20, 2010, I will be serving as Senior Advisor for Legislation as Governor-elect Bill Haslam begins his administration in Nashville on January 15, 2010. I am grateful that this position will allow me to continue as part-time Mayor of Huntingdon. My dedication to the growth and welfare of Huntingdon will remain constant.

Jeal Atwood, my Administrative Assistant for 17½ years, will join my staff in Nashville at the Capitol. She and her husband, Steve, have a home in Eagleville, Tennessee, near their children and grandchildren. They will be permanently relocating, and she will be commuting to Nashville from there.

I look forward to working in the Haslam Administration. There are challenges and opportunities ahead for both the State of Tennessee and for the Town of Huntingdon.

Also, I am ever grateful to our town employees for their hard work during the year. Our employees use their talents and skills to dramatically stretch our grant dollars for many of the projects that take place here in Huntingdon. We are able to accomplish so much more when our capable employees execute the project plans, rather than contracting outside our workforce.

To all our citizens and friends near and far, we wish you the merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year!

**HUNTINGDON
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Over 550 people joined the Huntingdon Alumni Association (HAA) during our inaugural year. We are so pleased with this response. With the beginning of a new year, it is time to renew (or start) your membership. If you are a Charter Member, you will receive a letter with a membership renewal form enclosed. To join the HAA by mail, please send the following information: name (maiden name), graduation year, address, e-mail, phone number/cell number, along with the \$10 membership fee to: Huntingdon Alumni Association, c/o Jessica Carlton, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1111, Huntingdon, TN 38344.

If you attended Huntingdon schools, or if you merely support our efforts, we invite you to join and take part as we contact, connect, and continue our tradition of excellence. Membership is not limited to graduates. HHA Officers for 2011 are: Scott Carter – President, scottdcarter@charter.net; Jonathan Kee – Vice President; Jessica Carlton - Treasurer; Shawna B. Smith - Secretary; Cindy Cole - Reporter.

**RICHARD PEARSON
RETIRES**

We congratulate Richard Pearson upon his retirement from the Huntingdon Public Works Department. Richard began his employment with the Town of Huntingdon on September 17, 1982. We commend him for 28 years of service and wish him many enjoyable years in retirement.





COURT THEATER

We are so proud to watch the progress on the renovation of the Court Theater, located on the Square in Huntingdon. The picture in this article was taken before the renovation construction began. Watch for the completion of the project. It'll be a beauty! The new owners and renovators, Jackie and Dixie Atkinson have compiled a short history of the theater as follows:

The Court Theater has been a part of Huntingdon and Carroll County for over 80 years. The building dates back to 1920. The original owner was Lewis F. Johnson. He sold the building to Linnie McCracken Carter in 1923. John Carter (age 96) remembers Linnie Carter operating the theater in the 1930s and 1940s. He said they called her "Boss" and she always wanted to show the newest movies, even though they cost more. In 1940, Linnie sold the theater to Rockwood Amusments, Inc. In 1986 Carl and Letha Holland purchased the theater. The Hollands sold the theater a short time later to Rayburn and Brenda O'Brien in 1987. The O'Briens sold it to Leslie E. Curtis (known to most of us as "Mr. Les") in 1995. Mr. Les ran the theater for 15 years until selling it to the current owners, the Atkinsons, in 2010.

To our knowledge, the Court Theater has been in continuous operation over these 80 years, with exception of the current closing for reconstruction and renovation. During the 1920s and through the 1940s, the Carroll County Fair was held at Huntingdon's Court Square. Talent shows and other events were held at the Court Theater during the county fair. In the 1950s, the Court Theater had Amateur Night with a picture show afterwards.

If anyone has old pictures or details of the theater's history, please contact us by email at djatkinson@bellsouth.net.

2010 PROPERTY TAXES

For owners of property within the corporate limits of the Town of Huntingdon, property taxes for calendar year 2010 are currently due and payable without penalty through February 28, 2011. Property taxes will be delinquent and penalties added on March 1, 2011. If you have any questions regarding your property taxes, please call us at City Hall at 731-986-2900.



CHRISTMAS ON BROADWAY AT THE DIXIE

Approximately 650 people enjoyed the annual performance of Christmas On Broadway at The Dixie. Special guests on the second night were Hal Holbrook and friends. It is exciting to have a great relationship with the staff, singers and performers from Bethel University in McKenzie. Bethel Renaissance recently performed their Christmas Musical on campus. We appreciate their willingness to share their amazing musical talents with us at The Dixie. Special thanks to Dr. Beth Everett and Brian Hill for their talented work in the production of Christmas on Broadway. Dr. Everett is Chair of the Division of Music, assistant professor of music and associate conductor of Renaissance at Bethel University. Bryan Hill is the founding director of the Renaissance Theater Program at Bethel University.

For information about up-coming performances, visit The Dixie website at www.dixiepac.net.



CODES ENFORCEMENT

Randy Crossett was recently appointed Codes Enforcement Officer for the Town. Randy has been a valuable employee in the Public Utility Department since 1997 and has already assumed these additional duties. The Town has formally adopted the 2009 edition of the International Building Codes. With changes in the state laws, and the need to insure quality workmanship for our citizens, there is now a need for building inspections. These inspections will include, but are not limited to plans review, footing and foundation, framing, plumbing, mechanical, and final inspections. We are currently in the process of updating our fee schedule to reflect these inspections. It is our intention to keep these fees reasonable. New construction, additions, and major repairs will require inspection under these new rules. If you have any questions or need a permit, contact Randy Crossett at (731) 986-2900 or by e-mail at huntingdoncodes@aol.com.

Sewer Line Additions and Sewer Improvements Since 1992

Mayor Kelley's administration began with his election in November 1992

- 8" Gravity Sewer Main - Angel Cove - 1360 feet
- 8" Gravity Sewer Main - Westwood Drive - 4945 feet
- 8" Gravity Sewer Main - Cotton Lane I Buena Vista Rd. - 13840 feet
- 8" Gravity Sewer Main - Veterans Drive South - 240 feet
- 15" Gravity Sewer Main - Williams Street - 285 feet

- Williams Street Pumping Station installed in 1998.
- Force Main from Williams Street Pumping Station, installed in 1998 (approximately 7450 feet).
- Hwy 22 Bypass Pumping Station 2000.
- Cotton Lane Pumping Station 1995.
- Aerators Barnett Street Lagoon 2006
- Approximately 88 Grinder Pump Stations have been installed.
- Approximately 68,725' of Force Main Lines have been installed.

- Carroll County Lake Area Pumping Station - Approximately 675' of 8" gravity line and approximately 25,900' of 8" force main line.

Sewer Rehabilitation Projects:

- 2002 approximately 9,364' of gravity main.
- 2004 approximately 8,306' of gravity main.
- 2006 approximately 1,151' of gravity main.
- 2008 approximately 6,330' of gravity main.
- 2010 approximately 6,000' of gravity main.

Water Line Additions Since 1992

Size Line	Street Name	Approx. # of Feet	Size Line	Street Name	Approx. # of Feet
8"	Northwood Drive, past Norandal Dr.	400	2"	Crossroads Church Rd.	5,200
6"	Westwood Drive, Tate School Road	2,800	2"	Lone Oak Lane	5,700
2"	Tate School Road	1,200	1"	Lone Oak Lane	2,400
8"	Mustang Drive	2,300	2"	St. Paul Church Road	1,500
6"	Stone Ridge Cove	400	2"	Tank Range Road	3,100
6"	Hwy 77/ McLey Hwy	13,000	2"	Bethel Church Road	3,700
4"	Hwy 77/McLey Hwy	2,500	2"	Abbott Lane	2,550
6"	Angel Cove	1,350	2"	Browning Hwy	3,000
6"	Old Stage Road	4,800	2"	Buena Vista Road	1,500
4"	Old Stage Road	13,500	2"	Cedar Tree Lane	800
2"	Old Stage Road	6,000	6"	Cedar Tree Lane	175
2"	Stephanie Road/ Lisa Lane	5,800	2"	Darnall Lane	4,700
2"	Michael Lane	1,250	2"	Green Allen Springs Rd.	1,150
2"	Steven Lane	1,300	6"	Green Allen Springs Rd.	1,650
2"	Noles Lane	1,700	2"	Holmes Mill Road	5,800
2"	Hwy 22 North	4,900	6"	Lexington Street	800
4"	Kelley Park	1,000	6"	Lookout Drive/ Skyview Circle	1,500
			12"	Industrial Park South	16,200
			8"	Industrial Park South	1,400
			2"	Renfroe Road	2,800

Total Feet 129,825

UPDATES ON CURRENT PROJECTS

Safe Routes to Schools - \$250,000 GRANT – NO MATCH REQUIRED - Construction of 11,100 linear feet of sidewalks within the vicinity of Huntingdon Primary and Middle Schools. Town employees are doing the construction for the entire project.

Huntingdon Pedestrian Lighting Enhancement Project – (TEP Project) \$735,420 grant amount for installation of approximately 500 pedestrian lights along 25,000 linear feet of sidewalks. The sidewalks include the sidewalks being constructed in the Safe Routes to Schools grant project as well as sidewalks that were constructed by prior TN Department of Transportation (TEP) grant projects. Town employees are also doing the construction; therefore our in-kind labor qualifies for the required 7% match for the project.

Sewer Force Main from Lake to Lagoon – The lake sewer project is being funded as a portion of funds received under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The construction of a 6-inch sewer force main to provide sewer to the Carroll County Lake Planning Area was one of three projects funded under the approximate \$3,000,000 of ARRA projects. (The two other projects were the Lake Clearing and Industrial Park South Water) The bids received for the lake sewer project came in at much less than originally estimated which has allowed us to increase the project by approximately 23,250 linear feet. The addition adds a new 6-inch force main on Baker Road, Leach Road, Reedy Creek Road and Highway 70.

FastTract Infrastructure Development Program (FIDP) – Bids for the state funded pilot project providing water and sewer to Industrial Park South also came in much less than estimated. The lower construction cost allowed us to add the replacement of two of the three sewer lift stations on Lexington Street that were damaged in the May flood. The \$257,400 cost for the replacement of Lift Stations #2 & #3 was approved to be added to the FIDP Project. The \$750,000 FIDP grant project requires a 17% match by the Town.

The Public Utility Department has bid and ordered a pump for the replacement of Lift Station # 3 which will be installed by PUD employees. This cost, including labor and equipment is being filed through the town's insurance with TN Risk Management Pool.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) – The project area for the \$500,000 CDBG sewer rehabilitation project includes areas past Mebanewood Drive along Browning Avenue, Forrest Hill Drive, Quail Street, Jamison Drive and an area of Veterans Park. The \$500,000 grant requires a 19% match by the Town. Construction is in progress.

CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT – Applications are due by January 10, 2011 for equipment related to disaster recovery from the May 2010 flood and storms. We are applying for a ladder truck, turn-out gear, radio communication equipment for the Fire Department, and a generator for the Utility Department.

FEMA/TML INSURANCE CLAIM FOR FLOOD DAMAGES - Claim has been filed with FEMA for reimbursement of costs for emergency repairs and with TN Risk Management to recover property damages as a result of the flood.

CITY HALL # 2 – (Dilday Property) The project is on hold, waiting on getting the \$100,000 Energy Grant contract in place. The Energy Grant is a 100% grant, requiring no match by the town.

We were unsuccessful in the application we made to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for a grant for building renovations. We are consulting with them on USDA's 40-year loan program for town needs.

TRAFFIC CAMERAS - The traffic cameras are now operational at the intersection of U.S. Highway 70 and the Bypass on the west end of town. We are working hard to modify our driving patterns to the safer speed of 40 mph approaching this intersection from both directions on the bypass. Old habits are hard to break, but this incentive will result in a much safer intersection, where fatalities have already occurred.