STATE OF THE CITY

— Mount Pleasant, Tennessee — Departmental Reports - May 2023



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To the left and below you will see a new placard created by the Mount Pleasant Main Street program highlighting shops, restaurants and businesses along Main Street. This was originally created by Donna Morency for the Tennessee Leadership visitors who were in town last month.

#### **Upcoming Events**

5/09/23 - 6 PM Planning Commission Meeting

05/10/23 - 5:30 PM Recreation Commission Meeting

> 05/11/23 - 6 PM Commission Study Session

05/16/23 - 6 PM Commission Meeting



#### **RESTAURANTS AND DRINKS**

Mt. Pleasant Grille Towne Coffee Pizza Place Mayan Riviera Mexican Restaurant Twisted Copper Brewery Mt. Pleasant Nutrition



#### SHOPPING

Bellissima Boutique Blue Hydrangea Breckenridge Baby Boutique Pinch of the Past Antiques & Gifts Pleasant Home & Gifts Poiema Studio Gallery



#### CULTURE AND ARTS

Mount Pleasant Museum Poiema Studio Gallery Mount Pleasant Library

### Lot's of Progress and Construction Coming Soon!

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 motorists who continually drive in front of City Hall in the wrong direction.

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).

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!





## PARKS & RECREATION



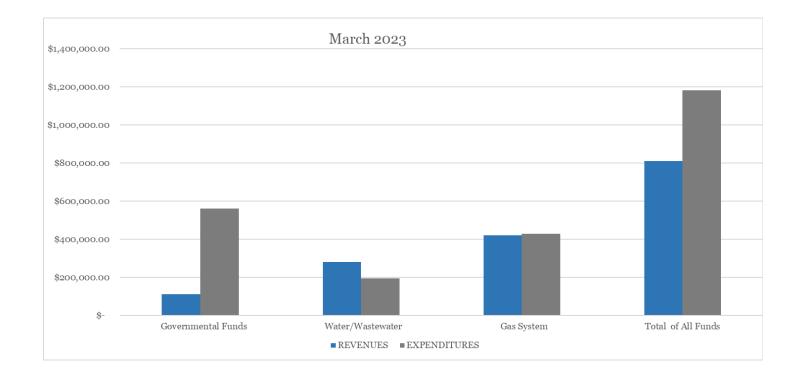


## FINANCE

### SHIPHRAH COX

March is the ninth month in the fiscal year. At the end of March, revenues are at 63.13%. Total expenditures are at 58.08% of budgeted amounts. Budget preparation for the 2023-2024 fiscal year is in full swing in the finance office.

Cash in checking and certificates of deposit in the general fund total \$3,016,138. The Water Fund has operating funds, including savings and certificates of deposit totaling \$2,830,616. The water/wastewater construction funds account has a balance of \$2,561,370, ARPA funds of \$1,462,265, and customer deposits regular & savings in the amount of \$579,187. The gas fund has cash and certificates of deposit total \$4,654,894. The customer deposits in gas total \$1,031,721.





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**

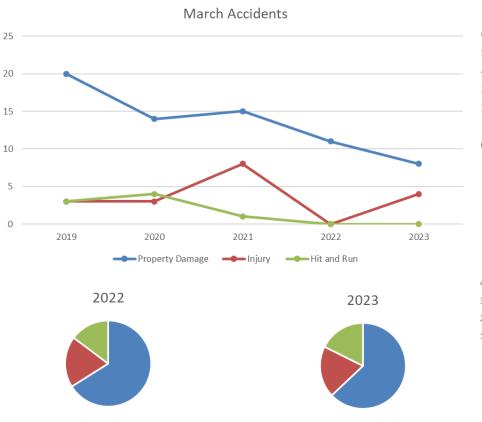
### MICHAEL HAY

The Mount Pleasant Police Department participated in career day at the Mount Pleasant Elementary School. There are approximately 560 students at the Mount Pleasant Elementary School. Officer Cory England spent the day displaying police equipment, talking to the children, and letting them look at the equipment on exhibit. We are honored to be invited every year. Officer England did a fantastic job interacting with the children.

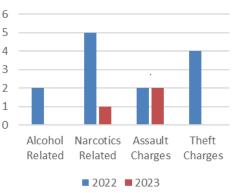
The officers responded to two calls of shots fired in two (2) separate residential areas this month. The investigation concluded two residential houses suffered some property damage during the shootings. Luckily, no one was injured during the incident.

Our department assisted a bonding agency in apprehending a suspect that was in our community. The officers discovered meth and drug paraphernalia on the female suspect. The suspect was apprehended and will be facing additional charges. Also, we received a complaint of a stolen gun from an automobile that was parked at a local commercial building. We urge everyone who stores a gun in vehicles to make sure the vehicle is kept locked at all times. Whether your vehicle is parked at your home or during a quick stop at a convenience store, make sure your gun is not visible through the window and the doors are locked.

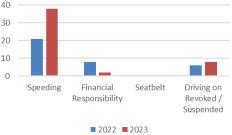




#### Arrest Comparison







Calls for Service Traffic Stops Escorts



# PLANNING DEPARTMENT

### **RODNEY HOWELL**

#### Sugar Creek Subdivision



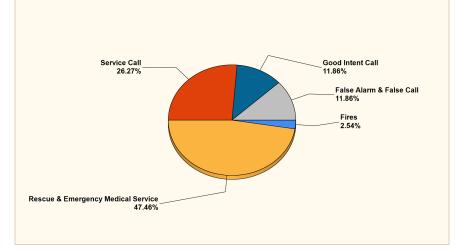
Construction continues on the expansion of Landmark Ceramics

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### **PHILLIP GROOMS**

The Mount Pleasant Fire Department (MPFD) responded to a total of (118) calls for service. Calls for service included: three (3) fires; fifty-six (56) emergency medical responses; fortyfive (45) public service and good intent calls; and fourteen (14) false alarms: eleven (11) burn permits issued in the city. Community risk reduction activities included twenty-two (22) fire inspections at local business and industry.

his future endeavors.



The department had the honor to attend career day at Mt. Pleasant Elementary School (MPES). Firefighters spent time showing students fire trucks and equipment. Thank you, MPES for allowing the fire department to participate. The department taught a fire extinguisher class for employees of GCP products. Firefighters presented different types of extinguishers, the intended uses & hands on use for incipient stage fires.



OCCUPANCY	DATE	INSPECTOR	RESULTS	NOTES
Inspection Type: Fire Inspection				
The Barn Restaurant	03/15/2023	Willard, Ben	Correction Notice Issued	<ul> <li>2018 IFC 904/904.12.5.2 &amp; 607 - Cooking hood and duct extinguishing system cleaning and servicing.</li> <li>2018 IFC 604.5 Extension cords used for permanent wiring.</li> <li>2018 IFC 604.6 Open Junction boxes. Re-inspection is 30-days 4/17/2023</li> </ul>
Chavers Funeral Home	03/16/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
By Pass Market	03/20/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Nashville Grading and Drainage	03/20/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Dari Gem	03/21/2023	Willard, Ben	Correction Notice Issued	2nd Notice - 2018 IFC 607 Cooking Hood and Duct Cleaning. Should be cleaned at 6 mo. intervals to prevent the accumulation of grease. Re Inspection in 30-days 4/24/2023.
Mount Pleasant Grille	03/27/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Towne Coffee	03/27/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Elmwood Apartments	04/03/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
The Juicy Egg	04/04/2023	Willard, Ben	Correction Notice Issued	2018 IFC - 607 Cooking Hood and Duct Cleaning. Re inspection 30-days 5/3/2023
Miller's Discount Groceries	04/06/2023	Willard, Ben	Correction Notice Issued	2018 IFC 604.3 Electrical Panels and 2018 IFC 604.5 Electrical Wires. Reinspection in 30-days 5/8/2023.
Kay's Diner	04/10/2023	Willard, Ben	Passed	No violations found during fire inspection.
Total # Inspections for: Fire Inspection: 11				
Inspection Type: Fire Prevention Inspection				
Lighting Barber Shop	03/15/2023	Counts, Phillip	Passed	At this time no obvious hazards were found.
Discipleship House	03/21/2023	Cockrell, Brent	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan fire survey.
Mount Pleasant Community Center	03/24/2023	Counts, Phillip	Passed	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Locust St. Church of Christ	03/27/2023	Counts, Phillip	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Haylong Hall LLC	04/04/2023	Garcia , Michael	Passed	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Faith Works	04/04/2023	Garcia , Michael	Passed	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Miller's Discount Groceries	04/06/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Referred to Code Enforcement	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Mount Pleasant City Hall	04/06/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Mount Pleasant Community Center	04/06/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Maury Regional Medical Group	04/06/2023	Duncan, Nathan	Pre-Plan Only	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Mount Pleasant Group Home	04/11/2023	Jennings, Keith	Passed	No obvious hazards or violations found during pre-plan survey
Total # Inspections for: Fire Prevention Inspection : 11				
TOTAL # INSPECTIONS: 22				

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

### **TED HOWELL**

Municipal Solid Waste 210.40 Tons

Aluminum Recycled N/A



**Bulky Brush Pickup** 

#### **Potholes Repaired**

Bluegrass Ave Valley Dr 3rd Ave

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

#### Wastewater Plant/Lagoons

Plant March 2023 - 20.61 MG Rain March 2023 - 5.21 inches

Water Treated / Water Sold

Water Treated March 2023 - 42.25 MG

Water Sold March 2023 - 16.90 MG Water Treated March 2022 - 40.32 MG

Water Sold March 2022 - 17.46 MG

MG Plant March 2022 - 20.50 MG hes Rain March 2022 - 5.33 inches

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Tennessee One Calls March 2023 - 99



#### Lagoons Upper Lagoon (80%) Bottom Lagoon (70%)

**Utility Distribution System** 

Water Leaks Repaired (03) Water Meter Changes (09) Gas Meter Changes (03)

Spray Field - 10.37 MG Sludge to Landfill - N/A

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

### LAYTOYA ALDERSON

The City of Mount Pleasant employs 73 Full-time and 15 part-time employees. The City had no worker comp claims and one property damage claim for the month of April.

We are happy to present the following employees whose employment anniversaries were in April. Charles Webster (Community Services Department) 42 years George Armstrong (Community Services Department) 6 years James Dye (Community Services Department) 2 years Laytoya Alderson (Human Resource Department) 27 years Debie Marshall (Public Works Administration Department) 22 years Brent Cockrell (Fire Department) 11 years Ted Howell (Community Services Department) 1 year



#### **May Birthdays**

Charles Collier Holly Cole Shiphrah Cox Benjamin Willard

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