



# CITY OF ST. ROBERT

## Meetings and Closures

### January 10

Board of Alderman Meeting

### January 16 Closed

Martin Luther King JR

### January 24

Board of Alderman Meeting

### February 7

Board of Alderman Meeting

### February 20 Closed

Presidents Day

### February 28

Board of Alderman Meeting

## Utility Emergency After Hours

If there is a power outage or you notice water bubbling out of the ground please contact the St Robert Police Department 573 451 2000

## City Hall Phone Numbers

573-451-2000

Dept.	Extension No.
City Administrator	1112
City Clerk	1110
City Collector	1100
Human Resource	1110
Finance Officer	1107
Accounts Payable	1105
Utility Billing Clerk	1305
Building Inspector	1127
Land Use Admin.	1128
Permit/Land Use Clerk	1120
Public Works Clerk	1144
Park Facility/Community Center	(573) 451-2625
Court Clerk	1150 or 1103
Fire Dept.non-emergency	3102
Police Dept non-emergency	1501
Transfer Station	336-5155



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Hello, Residents and Businesses of St Robert,

I hope everyone had a fantastic time visiting with family and friends during the holiday season. I know some citizens had issues over the holidays with electricity and water, my hope is the problems did not impact your holiday too much. As I watched the news channels during the storm I kept seeing all the impacts from the winter storm across half the country. The extreme cold weather and blowing winds impacted our electric system. The electric crews went to work and walked or drove the effected main line for over six hours. They were looking for blown fuses or transformers, or lines blowing and hitting each other. The wind-chill was minus 30-40 degrees as they walked the lines looking for problems. Over the last several years we have rebuilt all three of our main feeder lines for the city. Only feeder B was giving us a problem. Finally, our electrical engineer was reached by phone and talked our crews through checking the substation for the electrical controller for feeder B. The controller is in the substation and not something our crews normally work on. What was found is the electrical controller was shutting down each time the demand on feeder B reached the peak set amount. The engineer talked them through raising the shut off limit and it cleared up the flickering. So the demand for electricity was at its highest in over 20 years. In the last 20 years' new controllers are made that alert the crews when demand exceeds the setting and we will be ordering new controllers and having them installed when they come in.

The city also had some frozen water issues with pipes and wells in the Ridge Creek subdivision. Our crews did great repairing them and getting them back into service. Ridge Creek has 22 small wells with 7-10 houses are on each well. Last year we had submitted a request for a grant to replace their water system, but the grant was not approved. In 2023 we will be looking at financing a new system and getting this issue resolved.

Lastly, the city hall fire suppression system, froze and busted which flooded the hallways, council chambers, and some of the offices. It is a real mess with ceiling tiles, carpeting, and floor tiles, all being destroyed. It will take a while to get repairs assessed, bids, and construction started. Please be careful when coming to city hall with all the damages and repairs going on.

Our public works department did a get job working several days cleaning up city hall water issues. I really appreciate them coming in over the holidays. Along with Electric crews and water crews, police and fire departments were also very busy over the holidays with major wrecks on the interstate and rerouting traffic. The Transfer Station worked most of the holiday also keeping up with moving the trash and recyclables during this cold weather event.

The new year will bring many changes for the city. The city fire department will do primary fire coverage starting January 1, in Waynesville. In the past our fire department would respond as mutual aid for Waynesville, the fire department will now provide; fire prevention, building fire inspections, and flow testing of their fire hydrants. Our new fire engine arrived and is having radios installed and will be operational by January 1.

Some other city projects for 2023 include the RV Park which should be open by June 1. Several new businesses should also be under construction or infilling current business locations. We have had interest in expanding businesses and new businesses locating in our community. Our transfer station is looking to expand in 2023, getting the city well established in providing efficient trash service for our citizens. The storm water basin along Bosa Drive should be completed this summer, along with Freedom Drive bridge being built. April Drive is our next street for repaving, curbs, and sidewalks. Hopefully, funding will allow that to take place.

**Mission:** The City of St. Robert provides reliable, superior municipal services for its citizens, businesses, patrons, and visitors; while providing a high quality of life, through well planned growth, recreation, economic development, and safe living environment.

**Vision:** That the City of St. Robert, over the next eight years, shall lead the region in providing quality services, innovation, economic growth, and highest quality of life for its citizens.

Sincerely,

Dr. George A. Lauritson, Mayor

**Saint Robert  
Parks/Recreation  
2022 Calendar of Events**

The city is hiring for a swim instructor. Please contact Tiger Typhon at 573-451-2627 or email parks@saintrobert.com for more information.

**St. Robert Community Center** is available for rentals. Please contact (573) 451-2625

**Go-Paperless?**  
**The City of St. Robert now offers e-billing for utility bills. Please visit the Municipal Center to sign up or if you have questions, please call Fred at (573) 451-2000, Ext. 1305.**

**Other Municipal Center Numbers**

- Driver's Testing .....573-368-2345
- Drury.....573-451-2400
- Golf Course.....573-451-2000
- Post Office.....573-329-5909
- Veteran's Service Office.....  
573-451-2533

*New Business's*  
*Mardiyama Hibachi*  
*Express*  
*Juicy Crab Shack*

**INCLEMENT WEATHER PARKING**

Winter storms can be trying for all of us, motorists, residents and snowplow operators alike. Our goal of keeping streets open, essential traffic moving and returning streets safe, travelable conditions quickly can only be accomplished with your help. Illegally parked vehicles are the biggest obstacle to effective snow removal efforts. The only street that parking is allowed during inclement weather is the South side of Hoyle St. in the right of way next to the street. Vehicles that violate the winter parking ban or otherwise hinder snow removal are subject to being ticketed and towed at the owner's expense; ordinance #2328. Please support our efforts by parking your vehicle in conformance with the inclement weather parking ban.

When a snow storm begins, the Public Works Department responds by salting the routes. Salting these roadways serves two purposes: to keep traffic moving, and to help prevent the snow from bonding to the pavement. The City's policy is to plow the driving lanes of the street during each storm. Once snowfall has stopped we plow curb to curb to widen the lanes of travel. Streets are salted in an attempt to achieve bare pavement conditions and sanded to improve traction.

While we try to minimize the amount of snow that gets plowed into driveways it is unavoidable. Clearing driveway openings is the responsibility of the property owner. Plow blades cannot be lifted as they pass by a driveway. Snow will be plowed into driveways as we perform curb-to-curb plowing. You may wish to clear your driveway several times during the storm or wait until the storm and plowing activities have ended. Shoveling, plowing or snow blowing snow back into the street when clearing driveways and sidewalks is prohibited by city ordinance #2158.

Working together, we will be able to provide the important services of our winter maintenance program -**Keeping streets open, essential traffic moving and returning streets to safe travelable conditions quickly.** I hope you find this page helpful. Your support and cooperation is essential and greatly appreciated.

**Are Portable Space Heaters Efficient?**

Small space Heaters are meant to do exactly as their name says: heat a small space. But unfortunately, many people use portable space heaters to heat their entire home, which can take a toll on the energy bill. If a space heater is used to compensate for problems in your home-like inadequate insulation or drafty windows and exterior doors- space heaters are not a practical solution. For example, caulking and weather stripping around windows and exterior doors are low-cost ways to save energy. Taking proactive energy-saving measures rather than relying on space heaters for supplemental warmth can reduce your heating and cooling bills for years to come. A Word about safety: the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates more than 25,000 residential fires and more than 300 deaths are associated with the use of space heaters every year. If you must use a space heater, purchase a new model that carries the Underwriter's Laboratory (UL) label and includes the most current safety features. Choose a thermostatically controlled heater to avoid energy waste and overheating. Place the heater on a level surface away from foot traffic when in use. Always keep children and pets away from space heaters. In addition to increasing your electric bills space heaters are a safety concern.

**KICKIN' IT ROUTE 66 BB-Q KCBS COOK-OFF**

The city will be hosting a KCBS Barbecue Challenge on March 25&26. There will be to-go plates available 11am on Saturday for \$12, silent auction items, and a raffle for a smoker. For up and coming competitors, we are also offering a FREE Kids-Q BBQ competition for ages 15 and under on Saturday. If you want to participate in the Adult challenge or know of a child that would like to compete in the Kids-Q, contact the Parks Department (573) 512-0134 or email parks@saintrobert.com.