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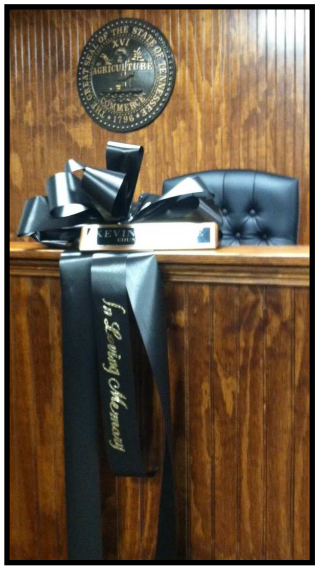
CITY OF KINGSTON, TN

City Scenes

TML Second District Meeting

On January 8th, and for the first time, Kingston had room to host the TML District 2 Meeting thanks to improved accommodations at the new City Hall.

Kingston's Farewell to Kevin



What a difference a year can make. The picture shown above is of the Council members as servers at the 2012 Employee Christmas luncheon at the Kingston Community Center. Kevin was a big man with a big smile and he will be missed.

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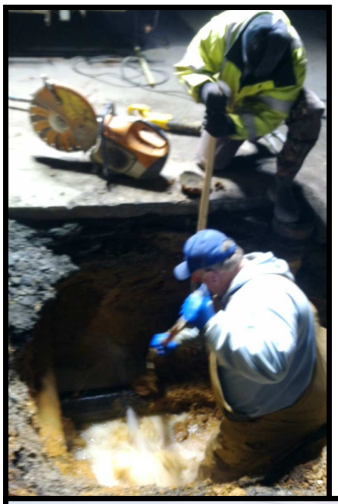
In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.

—Martin Luther King, Jr.

WINTER WEATHER WOES



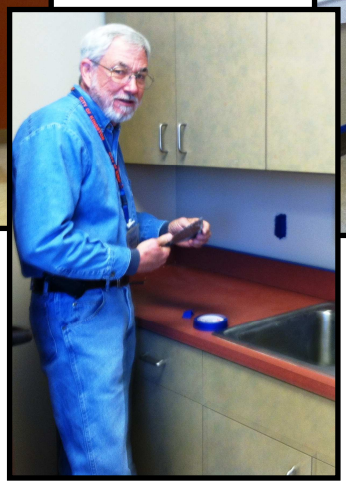
☛Think you have it bad at work—check out the working conditions of Water Department personnel in below freezing weather. We thank you guys for keeping our water flowing (and other non-mentionables).

Contract employees at work on Phase II of the Gallaher Road sewer project.☛

☛Never on a Sunday? Not if you work for the Kingston Water Department! Waterline breaks are the name of the game following the frigid temperatures we have "suffered" lately. Bad news is—its not over!

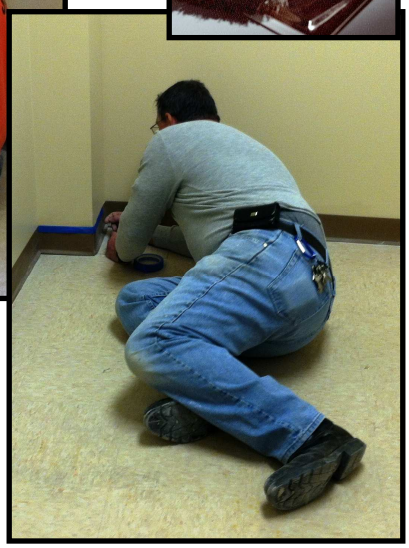
Public Works

Cabinets, materials left from building renovation, etc. were moved from the area.



Public Works employees and prisoners do a final clean-up of space at City Hall.

The area was painted and floors were buffed. Looks great guys!



Personal Notes, Etc.

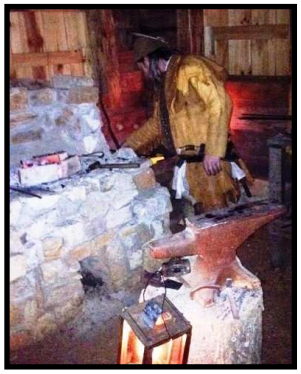
- Wastewater Treatment Plant employee **Tony Workman's wife Amy** is still valiantly fighting cancer.
- **Water Department** employee **David Loy's wife Teresa's cancer has progressed to her liver.**
- **Water Department** employee **David Brandon** had surgery on January 16 and is recovering at home.
- Part-time **Police Officer David Lewis** had knee surgery on January 9th and is recovering at home.
- Officer **Bo Smith's wife Sheila** had surgery on January 23rd and is recovering at home.
- Water Department employee Tony Workman's Dad, Emery Blaine Workman, passed away on January 30th in Ohio.

Please keep these folks and their families in your prayers!

There is no mistake as great as that of being always right.

Parks and Recreation Events

- January 25th the Candlelight Tour took place from 6-9 p.m. at Fort Southwest Point.
- Tax Preparation Folks met on January 27th to finalize schedule for tax preparation for qualifying seniors
- Medic Blood Drive was held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on January 28th



Tax gurus set up computer equipment in the Kingston Community Center in preparation for senior tax assistance.

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February Birthdays

Jo Ann Knies	2/11
Jay Logan	2/14
Jimmy Agee	2/16
Mike Woody	2/23

From the City Manager. . .

As I was sitting with my family a few nights ago, in the comfort of my living room, the temperature outside was in the single digits. I had a roaring fire just a few feet away and, like most people, I was sheltered from the harsh conditions outside. That wasn't the case for many of our city employees.

Many of us take for granted that, even during the worst weather, somebody is out there making sure that our streets and neighborhoods are safe, that our property is protected from fire, that medical care is only a phone call away, that our utilities work at the flip of a switch or the turn of a faucet, and that our roads can be safely traveled. I hate to think what it would be like if they weren't out there.

For these men and women, it's not an option to say that "its too cold" or "the roads are too bad". Their jobs have to be done, and time and again they have been called upon to put our comfort and safety above theirs and answer the call of duty. That call will inevitably come again. For some, it may mean going a day or longer without seeing their family. For others, it cold mean putting their life on the line to answer a call I the worst of conditions. Regardless of the reason, they show up time and again and I can't think of a better example of dedicated public servants.

From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank each of you who answer the call and work the long, hard hours in wind, rain, snow, and freezing cold to make sure that the rest of us are taken care of.

A Spirit of Gentleness: This isn't a time for harshness, anger, judgment, or condemnation. Our goal is not to heap pain and guilt upon a hurting brother or sister but to show mercy and forgiveness (2 Cor. 2:5-8).

Meetings & Events

January 2014

7	City Council Work Session	6:00 p.m.
8	TML District Meeting	10:00 a.m.
14	City Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
14	Beer Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)	
14	Water Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)	
21	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00 p.m.

February 2013

4	City Council Work Session	6:00 p.m.
11	City Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
11	Beer Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)	
11	Water Board Meeting (Immediately following Council Meeting)	
18	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00 p.m.

KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL

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(Kevin McClure's Seat Remained Open Through January)
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