

City Administrator's June 2024 Report



Department of Administration

The City Administrator's office is responsible for the overall management and administrative coordination of the activities of the City of Muscatine. The Office focuses on providing transparent and efficient city services that meet or exceed community expectations.

City Administrator

June Highlights

- Presented 34 agenda items for consideration by the Muscatine City Council during their regular meetings.
- Assisted with City Council discussions on the Muscatine Trolley, Merge development, and the next steps for parking.
- Assisted with in-depth presentations on River boat stops, PetData progress, Council liaisons to committees, downtown parking strategies, and Urban Renewal.
- Responded to numerous citizen and City Council requests and concerns.

Human Resources Division

June Highlights

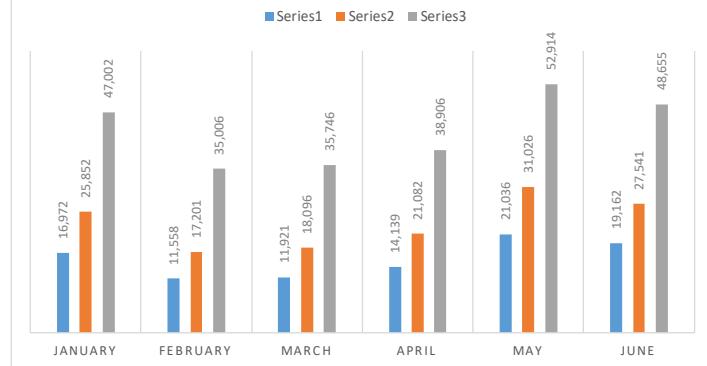
- One hundred sixty one applications were received during June. These included applications for several seasonal positions, transit driver, police officer, and landscape horticulturalist.
- HR staff processed approximately 150 personnel action forms to implement the compensation study pay adjustments.
- The HR Department has been part of a committee to upgrade the wellness activities for City employees. In addition, staff assisted with the employee lunches where about 150 lunches were provided to City staff. Additionally, the annual recognition breakfast was held. HR personnel play an active role in the planning and executing this event.

Communications Division

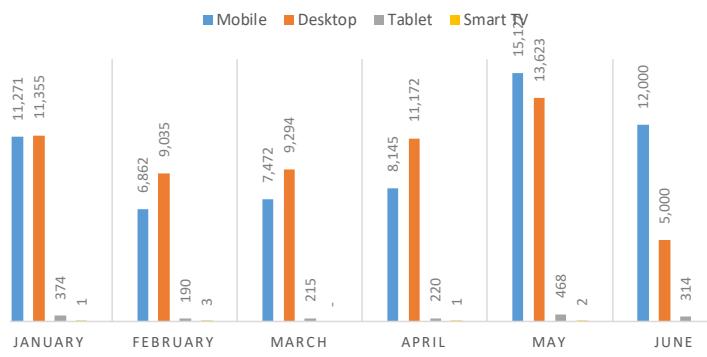
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- Produced and distributed 27 press releases to media and Notify Me subscribers.
- Created and published 169 posts across the City managed social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn).
- Ended the month of June with 11,662 (+74 from end of May) followers on Facebook, 1,659 (+13) on Instagram, 1,545 (+4) on Twitter, 453 on LinkedIn (+11), and 647 (+8) on YouTube.
- Continued monitoring use of Civic Clerk, Muscatine Connect (powered by SeeClickFix), Municode, and PetData.
- Continued development of Marketing & Branding initiative.
- Continued development of a Brandng Guide for the City of Muscatine.
- Continued development of a tagline survey to be used for public input on top choices.

CITY OF MUSCATINE WEB SITE TRAFFIC



ACCESSING THE MUSCATINE WEB SITE



Department of Administration

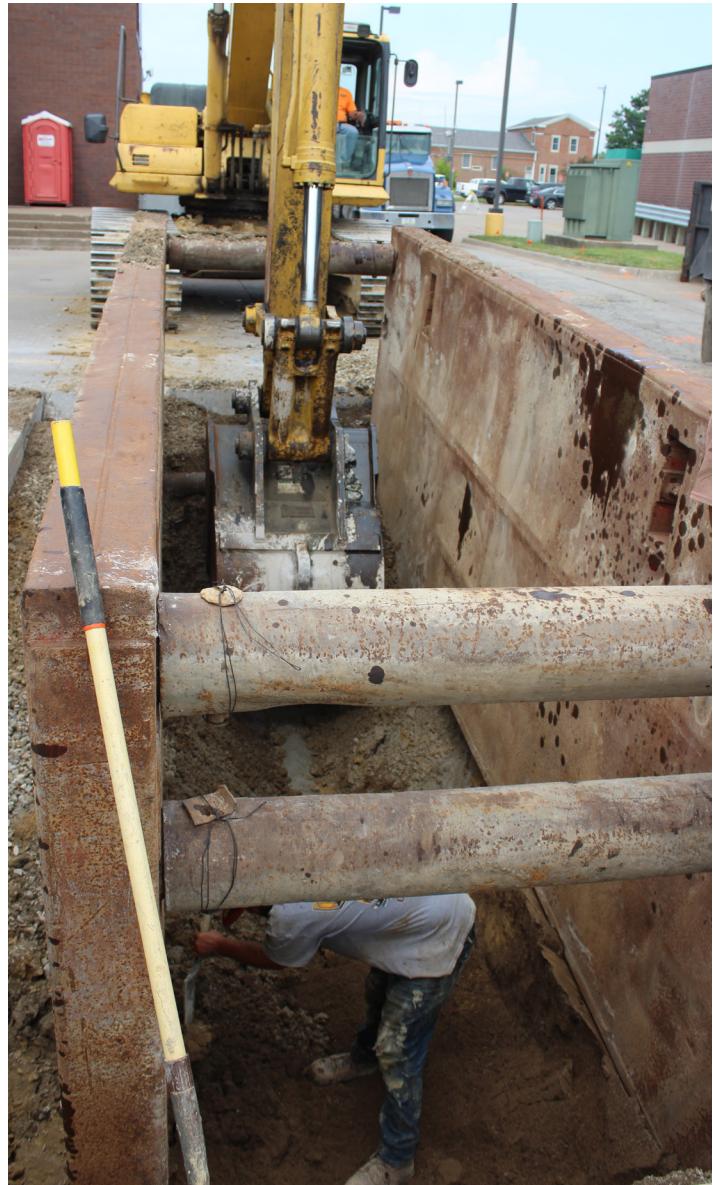
Finance/Parking Division

Summary of Activities	July 2023	August 2023	Sept. 2023	Oct. 2023	Nov. 2023	Dec. 2023	Jan. 2024	Feb. 2024	March 2024	April 2024	May 2024	June 2024	Fiscal Year
Accounts Payable Checks & ACH Payments	692	583	583	577	575	655	478	519	558	532	528	625	6,905
Payroll Checks and Direct Deposits	863	835	1155*	728	710	688	656	655	1,008*	742	769	850	7,496
Accounts Receivable Invoices Sent	155	262	292	197	233	196	153	285	186	180	172	487	2,798
Finance Cash Register Transactions	454	440	487	321	486	425	479	503	530	496	488	407	5,516
Housing Receipt Transactions	189	182	192	181	178	190	186	184	190	181	172	182	2,207
Purchase Orders Processed	286	322	267	306	239	208	246	196	273	250	245	270	3,108

*Payroll checks and direct deposits for September 2023 & March 2024 included 3 payrolls.

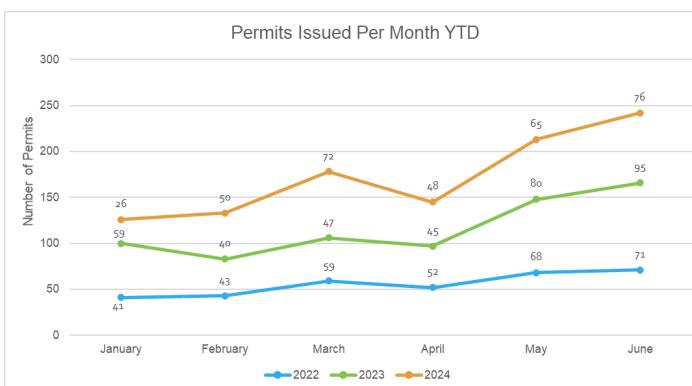
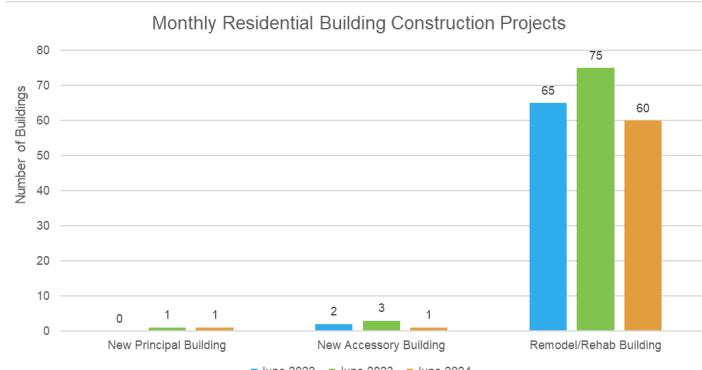
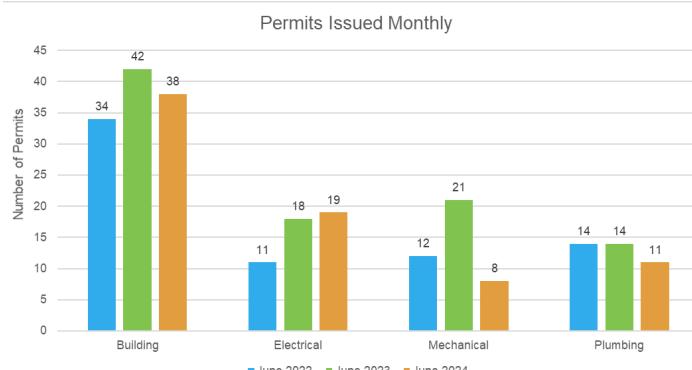
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- Closed on the bond issue; received and invested the bond proceeds
- Continued updating narrative and financial schedules to be included in the published budget
- Started preparing the budget document for publication
- Attended the annual GFOA conference in Orlando, FL (Accounting Supervisor)
- Began preparing for the FY2024 audit. Audit staff onsite June 5th. Audit planning meeting with audit partners June 24th
- Worked with PFM and the City's bond attorney on the SRF loan application for financing Phase 6-C of the West Hill Sewer Separation project (application is on hold pending the determination of the final loan amount)

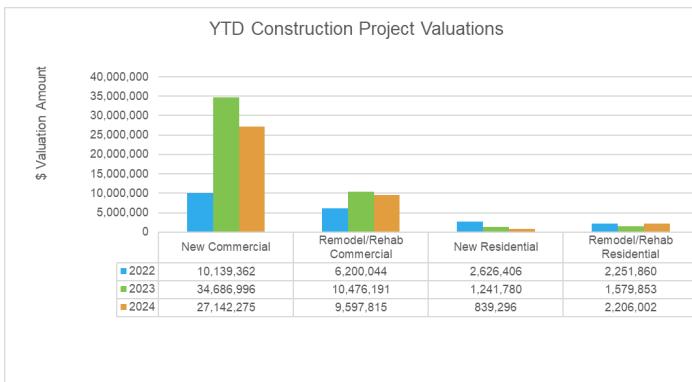
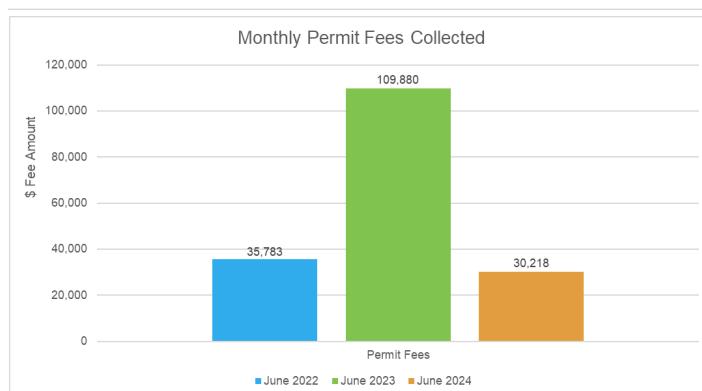
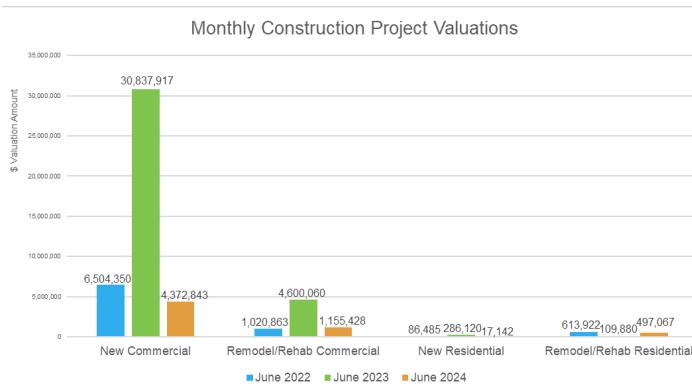
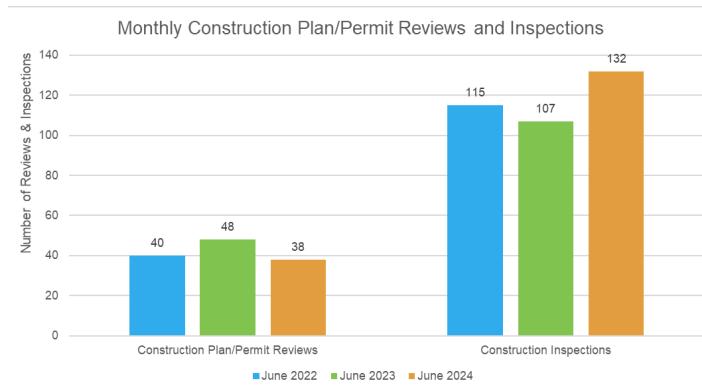
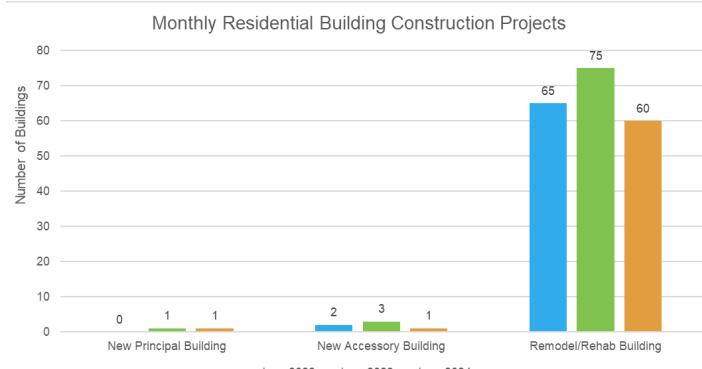


The City Administrator's Monthly Report is intended to provide a brief summary of City activities, with links to additional information where possible. Due to the variety and complexity of City functions, however, the report is not all-encompassing. Please always feel free to contact the City of Muscatine for more information or with questions or concerns. View past and upcoming events on the City's calendar. Any feedback can be provided to the City Administrator's office by sending an email to feedback@muscataineiowa.gov.

Department of Community Development

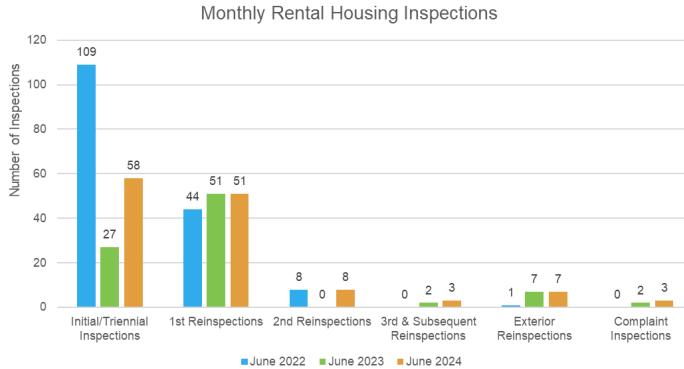


- Principal Building defined as the construction of new building on a previously vacant lot/parcel.
- Accessory Building defined as buildings constructed in addition to the principal building such as garages, storage buildings, shelters, etc.
- Remodel/Rehab defined as buildings undergoing any alterations whether it be for a remodel or repair.

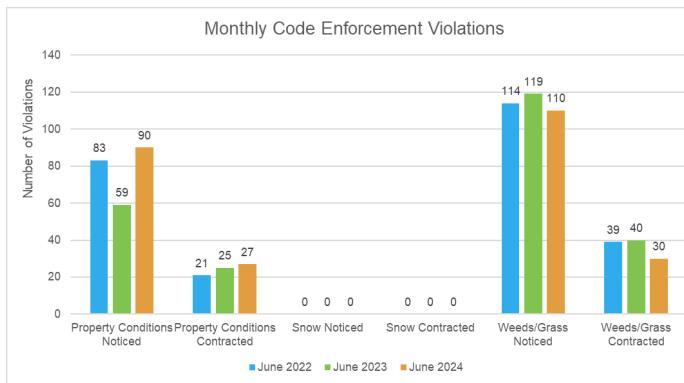


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Community Development June 2024 Highlights



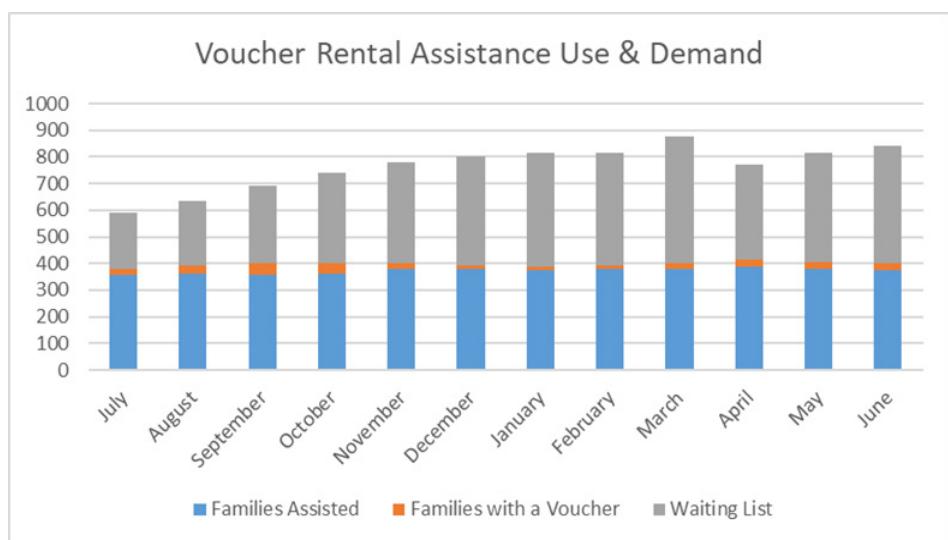
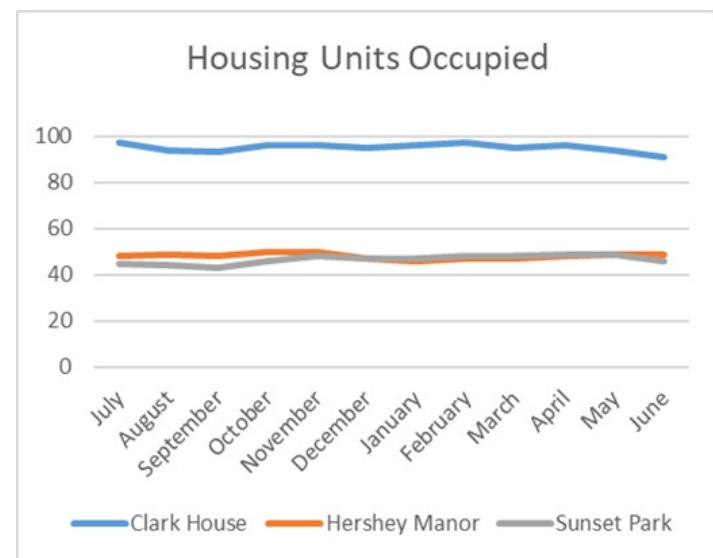
Property Conditions defined as Nuisance Abatements and other Code Violations including but not limited to dangerous tree trimming/removal, zoning regulation violations, etc.



Muscatine Municipal Housing Agency

June 2024 Highlights

- Management of Hershey Manor Apartments was handed over to Seldin Group July 1
- Staff applied for a grant to support increased marketing of the Housing Counseling Program and pay for staff time to offer the First-Time Homebuyer Class in Spanish
- Received approval to begin accepting applications for the HOME Down Payment Assistance Program – eligible participants may receive up to \$20,000 to buy their first home. 9 applications have been received and 3 homebuyers have been approved for assistance
- HUD informed MMHA that we will not be allowed to issue any additional vouchers until we are no longer in funding shortfall which will likely continue through the end of 2024. This means other than project-based units, individuals in the eligibility determination as of June are placed on hold, no individuals will be pulled from the wait list, and no briefings will be conducted.
- 1 FSS participant graduated!
- 6 families began receiving rental assistance for the first time
- 4 families completed the first-time homebuyer course
- The first Spanish language homebuyer class offered in West Liberty was held in June
- Occupancy was 93%
- Completed 99 workers in an average of 1 day
- Maintenance completed turnover of 2 units and continues to work on 9 additional units
- Paid \$174,747 for housing and utility assistance on behalf of 375 families
- \$7,454 was deposited into escrow accounts for families working toward self-sufficiency
- Earned \$25,315 in administrative fees at a 91% proration (\$75.01 @ 90%)



Department of Parks and Recreation

Park Administration Division

The main office is open to the public with regular office hours Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. There continues to be many requests to hold special events on public property. The complete special event listing can be found at our [website](#). If you wish to hold a special event within the parks system, please contact our office at 563-263-0241 or by email at parksoffice@muscataineiowa.gov. Please enjoy the many services provided through the Parks and Recreation Department and contact us to let us know about your experiences as we love to hear from you!

Subject	June Results
Pearl City Station	16 Reservations
Riverview Center	16 Reservations
Shelters	67 Reservations
Pet Licenses	41 Pet Licenses Sold

Park Maintenance Division

Buildings, shelters, trails, open green spaces and playgrounds have been used heavily during the great weather the past few months and staff is working hard to provide quality services and facilities to these amenities. With strong summer storms occurring staff has been diligently trying to keep parks cleaned of debris. The Parks and Recreation sand volleyball league started in June and staff is grooming the courts the courts weekly for the league and general usage. Taylor Park splash pad and restroom were opened to the public during the month of June, and we are seeing a lot of great usage! The Park Maintenance division has been working with and helping prepare for special events throughout our park sites including disc golf tournaments, private weddings, car shows, run/walks and the upcoming 4th of July activities. Through the United Way Intern Day of Caring program, all of the landscape beds at the Muscatine Art Center were cleaned out and mulched! Staff began flood prep work on the Riverfront.

Cemetery Division

Greenwood Cemetery remains open to the public for walkers, bicyclists and the community's cemetery needs. The Cemetery Steps are also open for public use. Foundation installations and repairs were made to several gravesites. Staff worked on cleaning up the grounds after storms caused some tree damage.

Subject	June Results
Cremains	2 Cremains Burial
Full Casket	2 Full Casket Burials
County Assisted	0 County Assisted Burial
Grave Spaces	1 Grave Spaces Sold
Niche Spaces	0 Niche Space Sold

Boat Harbor/Marina Divisions

Long Dock and Houseboat Dock boat slips are available for rent for the 2024 season. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Office for more information or to make arrangements. The harbor opened for the season in April. The Marina Operations continues to provide fuel, oil and pump out services to boaters. Hours for the Marina Operations are Friday from 5-7pm and Saturday and Sunday's from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Request from fueling and pump out services outside of these hours may be made by contacting the Parks & Recreation Office at 563-263-0241.

Subject	Result
Long Dock Slips (48 Available)	23 Rented 25 Available
Houseboat Dock Slips (8 Available)	3 Rented 2 Available

Department of Parks and Recreation

Recreation Division

Youth and adult recreation programs and special events continue to be offered. Tee-Ball Volunteer Coaches meeting took place June 4th. Youth programming during June included Tee-Ball, Blastball, Youth Gymnastics, Youth Tennis Lessons and Youth Pickleball lessons. Adult programs included Pickleball lessons, Doubles Pickleball League, Sand Volleyball League and the Walking Club. Seasonal Recreational staff continue to be hired and are to be trained for recreation programming.

Subject	Result
Tee Ball Participants	103 Youth Participants
Blastball Participants	46 Youth Participants

Aquatics Division

The Aquatic Center opened for the season on May 30th and will run through Labor Day. Pool Party reservations are available to be made by contacting the Parks & Recreation Department office at (563) 263-0241. Swim Lesson programming began on May 31st with 362 individual enrollments and continues through early August. Aquatic Center seasonal staff training will take place monthly to ensure skills are ready and up to date.

Subject	Result
Aquatic Center Rentals	40 Rentals in June
Aquatic Center Seasonal Staff Hired	46 Staff Members

Wellness Division

The Wellness Committee is scheduled for monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The City Employee Wellness programs continue to be offered through the virtual Wellness Center. The Fitness Reimbursement program continues throughout the year.

Kent Stein Division

Kent Stein Park hosted two baseball tournaments; the early June baseball tournament was cancelled due to low numbers. The Battle on the Mississippi hosted by TBT Sports hosted 42 teams, 88 games on 9 fields and the Cornshucker baseball tournament hosted 86 out of the 94 registered teams in Kent Stein Park. They used 17 out of the 18 diamonds and 163 games between the two days. During the week Kent Stein Park hosts our local organizations. Staff continues to make improvements to the facilities as issues come up from usage. Some of those tasks were level fields once every two weeks, Adding Ag Lime under fence row to help stop balls from rolling under, installing missile marker to assist crews chalking fields, and edging all the grass arches and pitching mounds of the fields and rejuvenating the clay mounds with new clay bricks and packing clay. We are seeing consistent heavy use during the week and less usage on weekends, unless there is a tournament. We have been fortunate to have filled most of our positions for seasonal help. As we approach the fall we will be looking to fill some seasonal position as students go back to school.

Soccer Complex Division

This year the soccer complex was gearing up for our local clubs and organizations. We continue to have local groups playing games. We just finished up our Spring season and are looking forward to the Fall season. We have been continuing to make improvements to the park, some examples are edging drain covers for the ease of flow for water, weed the landscape beds, and edging valve box lids for easier access when services the sprinklers, we continue to seed areas of weak or thin grass. We have been fortunate to have filled our positions for seasonal help. We will be looking for some more help in the fall as students will be returning to school.

Department of Parks and Recreation

Golf Divisions

The June Session of junior golf took place. There were 19 kids from the ages of 5-12 that participated. We hosted 6 different outings in June that varied in size. We continue to search for clubhouse staff that will be available once college starts back up. Staff continues to fertilize tees, collars, fairways and rough.

Subject	Result
Outings	26 Outings Scheduled for 2024
Leagues	6 Leagues Scheduled for 2024
Season Passes	242 Season Passes Sold in 2024
Rounds Played	4,560 rounds played in June



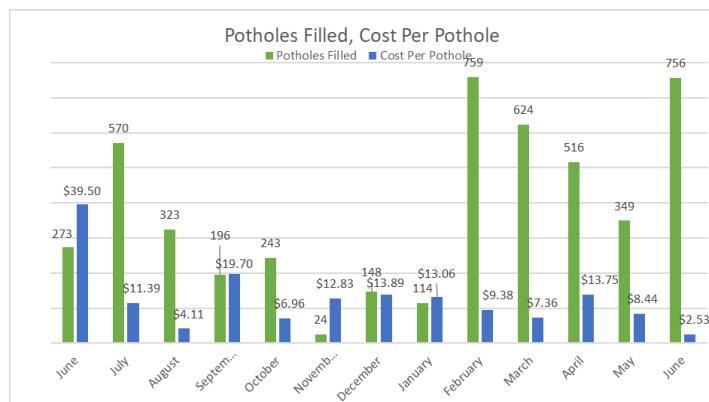
Department of Public Works

June Highlights

The Public Works Department is composed of eight divisions which include: Administration, Building & Grounds Maintenance, Collection & Drainage, Engineering, Roadway Maintenance, Solid Waste, Transit (Muscabus), and Vehicle Maintenance. For budgeting purposes several of these divisions are broken down into subdivisions. For the purpose of the monthly report there will be several divisions that will be reporting consistently, while others may only be reporting on special events or accomplishments.

Roadway Maintenance Division

Roadway Maintenance includes activities related to street repairs, snow removal, traffic control, and street cleaning. They are responsible for over 254 lane miles of streets within the city limits.

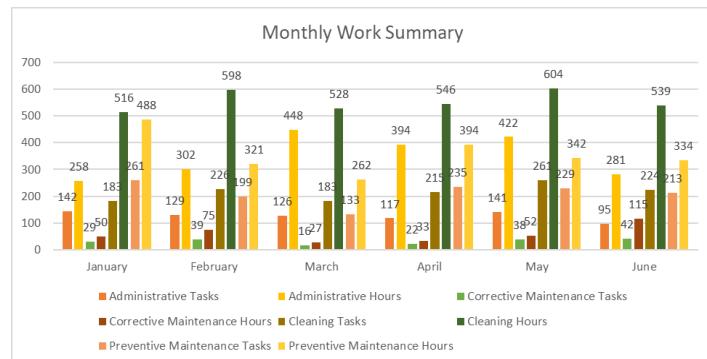


This measure indicates the number of potholes filled, and the approximate cost to fill each pothole. Beginning January 20, 2021, a "standard" pothole is defined as being the size of large pizza box. Potholes will be divided no smaller than one half of a pizza box. Beginning in April of 2022, we began tracking pavement repairs separately from potholes. This has lowered the pothole numbers as many of them were previously counted in larger pavement patches.

In addition to their normal duties, the Roadway Maintenance and Collection & Drainage Divisions of Public Works began flood fighting operations at the end of June. They closed flood gates 1 and 2 in according to our flood plan and set up multiple detours for road closures and July 4th events that were relocated from the riverfront onto Mississippi Drive.

Building and Grounds Activities:

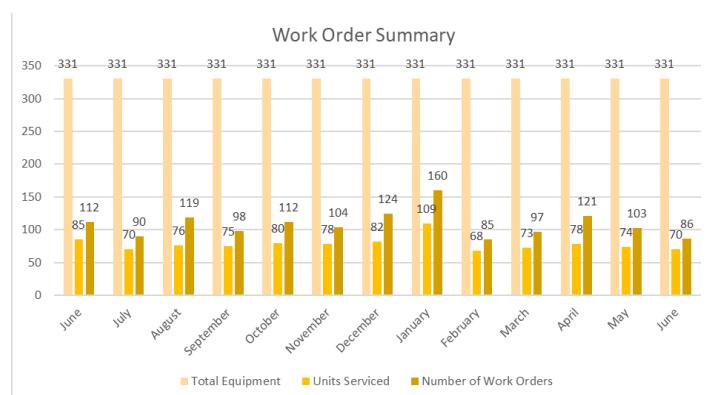
The Buildings and Grounds Division of the Public Works Department is responsible for the upkeep and repair of city facilities, grounds, and equipment. The division is responsible for maintaining the following facilities and grounds: Art Center, City Hall, Library, Public Safety Building, Public Works, South Fire Station, and certain maintenance functions at the Airport.



This chart indicates the number of work activities and the hours committed to them per month. Administrative tasks include ordering equipment and materials, requesting and receiving bids and quotes for work or supplies, project oversight, delivery of building supplies, training and paid time off. Corrective maintenance tasks are unscheduled repairs or work done on as-needed or emergency basis. Preventive maintenance tasks include routine, scheduled maintenance items. Cleaning includes building cleaning and janitorial services. This chart is being capped at six month intervals so that the numbers are legible.

Vehicle Maintenance Division:

The Vehicle Maintenance Division services and repairs approximately 331 pieces of equipment and vehicles from all city departments with the exception of the fire trucks and ambulances.



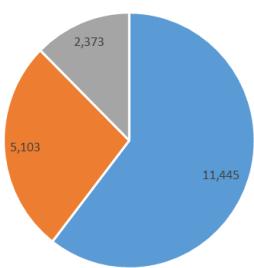
Department of Public Works

Transit Summary of Operations:

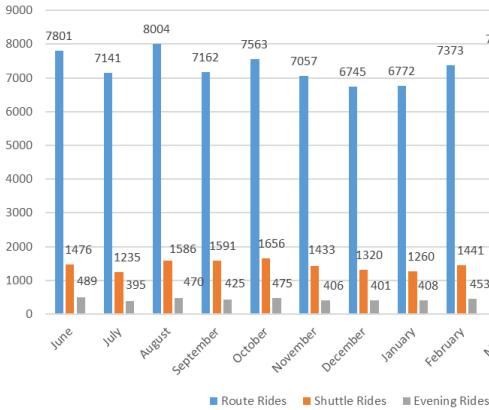
MuscaBus is the city's transit service. It operates four fixed routes, shuttle service, and evening service.

June Miles Driven

■ Route Miles ■ Shuttle Miles ■ Evening Miles



MuscaBus Ridership

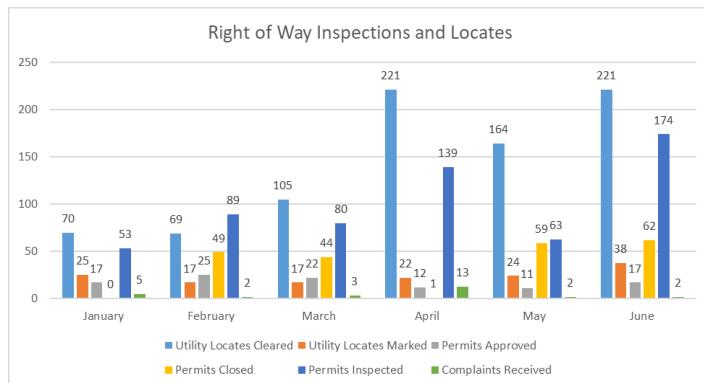


Engineering Division:

The following table describes current and proposed construction projects and their status:

Project Name	Project Start	Percent Complete	Project Notes
West Hill Sewer Separation Phase 6 A&B	July 2023	52%	Sanitary Sewer and Water Line installation on Sycamore
West Hill Sewer Separation Phase 6C	May 2024	9%	Sanitary Sewer installation in Iowa Field & 11th Street
Carver Corner Roundabout	TBD	0%	In Design
Isett Avenue Reconstruction	TBD	0%	In Design
Phase 2 Fulliam Ave. Reconstruction	June 2024	18%	Pavement Removal, sewer improvements, paving

The following chart describes the monthly activities of the Right of Way Inspector:



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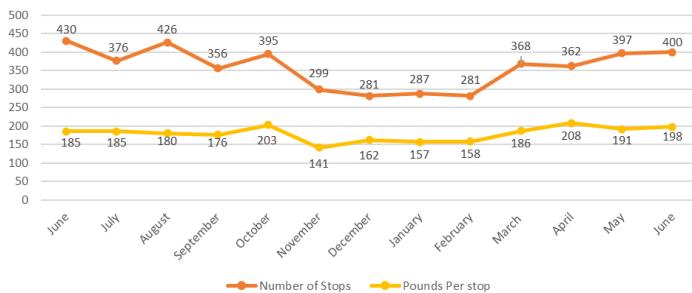
- “Utility Locates Cleared” indicates the areas that have no utilities to be marked
- “Utility Locates Marked” are instances where the inspector marked utilities in the field
- “Permits Approved” are Right of Way Permits that were reviewed, approved, and issued
- “Permits Closed” are Right of Way Permits where the work has been completed
- “Permits Inspected” are Right of Way Permits where inspections have been made and recorded
- “Complaints Received” are complaints from residents or businesses that have been inspected

Department of Public Works

Solid Waste Division Report:

The Solid Waste Division consists of activities related to refuse collection, transfer station, compost site, and landfill, as well as overseeing the contracted recycling collection.

Bulky Waste Pounds Per Stop, Per Month



Solid Waste Collections



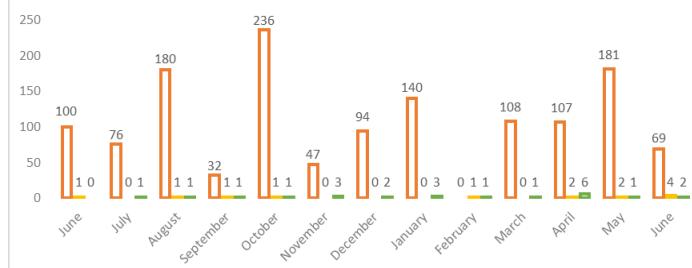
This chart shows the amount of solid waste collected curbside (in tons) as well as the amount of material dropped off at the Transfer Station (per item). Dropped off items include: electronics, appliances, tires, household hazardous waste and recyclables. Also included is the average number of customers per day at the Transfer Station.

Collection & Drainage Division:

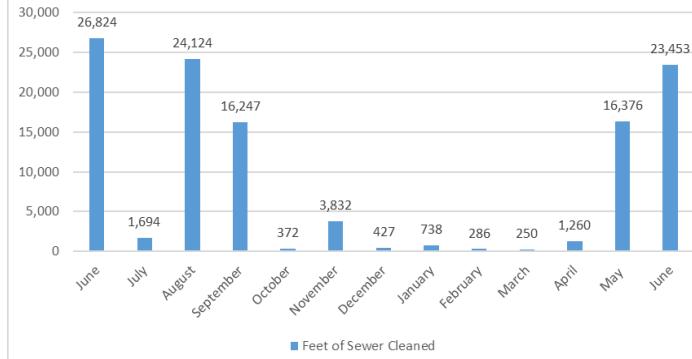
The Collection & Drainage Division is responsible for inspecting and maintaining the city's sanitary, storm, and combined sewer systems. This includes 993 storm water manholes, 2,407 sanitary sewer manholes, 151 combined sewer manholes, 2,840 stormwater catch basins, 112 miles of sanitary sewer and 68 miles of storm sewer pipe.

Collection & Drainage Activities

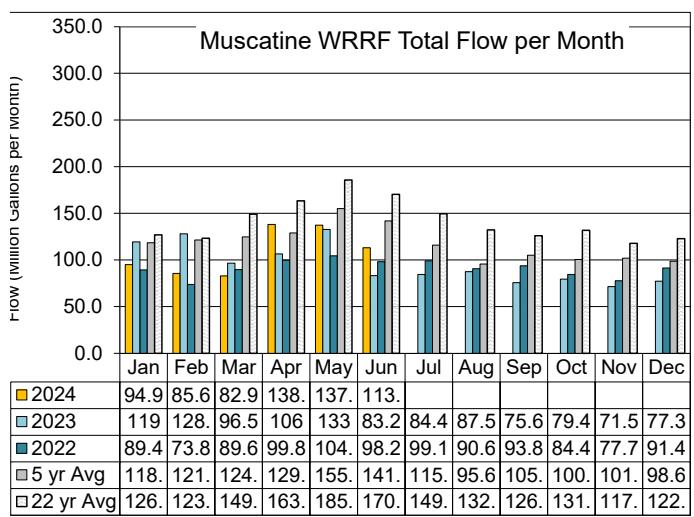
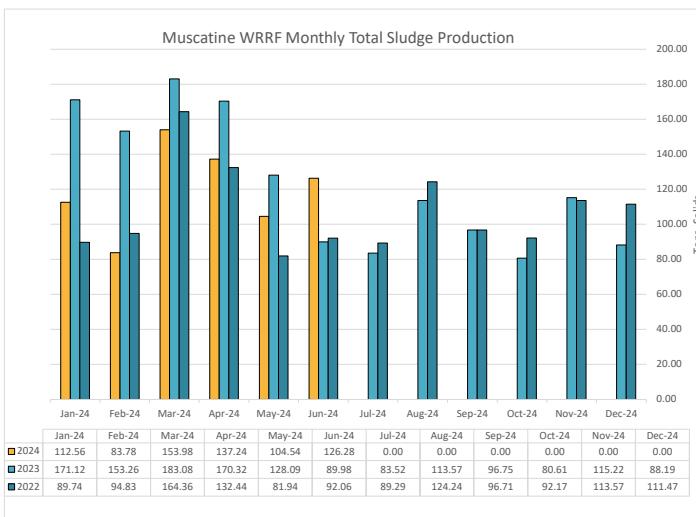
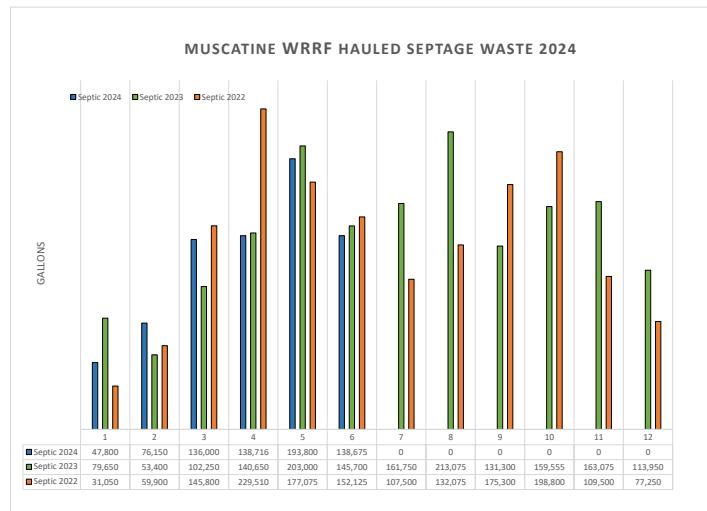
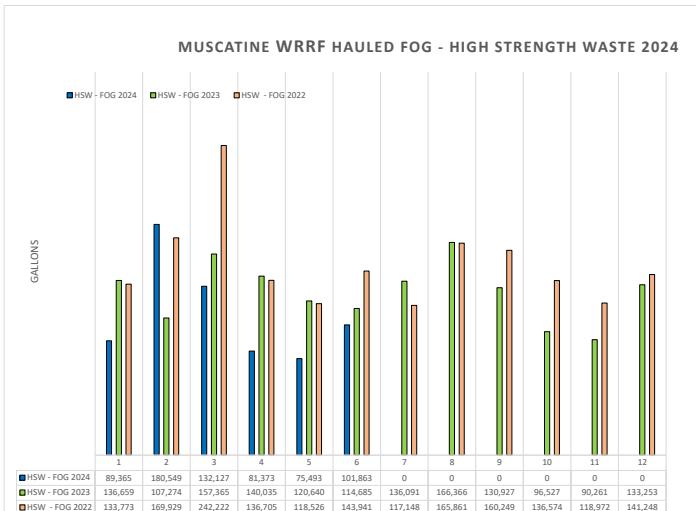
Catch Basins Cleaned Storm Sewer Repairs Sanitary Sewer Repairs



Feet of Sewer Cleaned



Water Pollution Control Plant



Public Safety / Muscatine Fire Department

June 2024 Highlights

- Conducted 33 fireworks inspections at tents and retail stores in Muscatine.
- Fire Department personnel washed off the riverfront with fire hoses for the arrival of the American Cruise Lines boat.

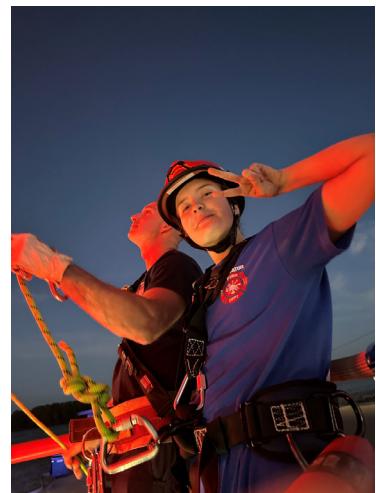


- Our contracted ambulance billing company, PCC, provided ambulance documentation training to the department. This training is conducted every other year.

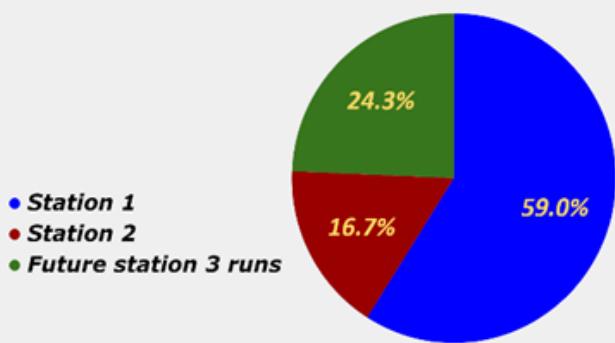


Staff Updates & Kudos

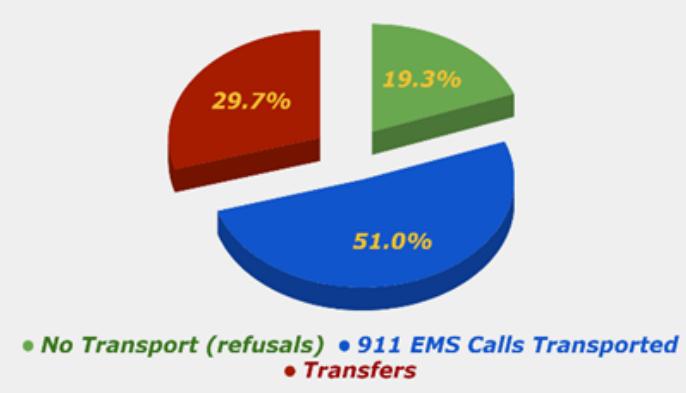
- Fire department staff took the fire department explorers to the riverfront for training with the aerial ladder.
- Our Explorers joined others from around the area for a day filled with fun fire related activities! Lead by our Explorer Leader Firefighter Mike Fleming and sponsors of fire equipment sold in the area.



Calls per Coverage Area - June 2024



EMS Call Types - June 2024



Public Safety / Muscatine Fire Department

Demand for Services / Response Activity

	June 2024	Avg. Per Day	Year To Date
Fire Responses	68	2.27	366
911 EMS Responses	299	9.97	1,759
Out of Town Transfers	113	3.77	582
Local Transfers	15	0.50	97
Total Responses	495	16.50	2,804
	June 2024		Year To Date
Urban Response Time - Goal - 90% within 9 min or less	90.7%		91.4%
Rural Response Time - Goal - 90% within 15 min or less	93.9%		96.6%

Staff Training

Type	June 2024	Year To Date
Facilities Training/use (ISO T-1)	32.3	324.6
Company Training (ISO T-2)	185.25	1,006
Officer Training (ISO T-3)	40	448.95
New Driving Training (T-4)	8.3	67.3
Existing Driver Op (T-5)	11.3	85.1
HazMat Training (ISO T-6)	12.3	278.15
Recruit /Probationary	12.55	1,108.95
Building Tours (ISO T-8)	103	141.4
EMS / Medical Related	136.5	964.2
Paramedic Program	0	1,294
Investigator Training	0	136
Totals	541.5	5,854.65

Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance

	June 2024	Year To Date
Fire Vehicle Miles Driven	2,755	15,976
Ambulance Miles Driven	12,578	62,618
Total Miles Driven	15,333	78,594
Gallons of Diesel	383.05	2,561
Gallons of Gasoline	1,382.36	8,505
Total Gallons of Fuel	1,765	11,070
Work Orders Completed	44	253

Prevention, Education and Outreach

	June 2024	YTD		June 2024	YTD
Fire Inspections	7	128	Plan Reviews/Site Visits	47	153
Fire Reinspections	10	55	Fire Investigations	3	21
Educational Events	8	28	Permits Issued	53	750

Public Safety / Muscatine Police Department

June 2024 Updates

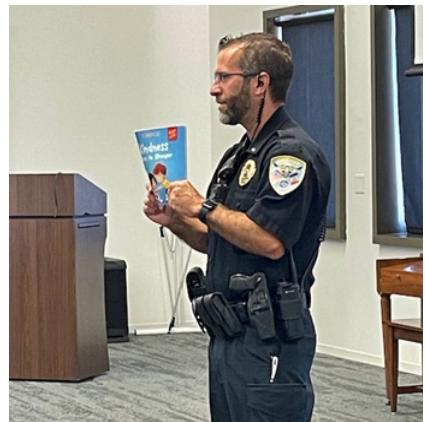
- Cpl. Colman, Officer Peña and Officer Shoultz attended Strolling for Safe Sleep event promoting infant sleep safety.
- The Junior Police Academy was held for area high school students. Various department members assisted Sgt. Bryant and Officer Staley in putting on this successful week.
- Officer Wilkinson and K9 Frenkie completed their 10-week training course and are now happily patrolling the streets of Muscatine.
- The department was recognized at the annual GTSB conference for outstanding achievement in occupant safety. This really shows our efforts as a department to keep our community members safe on our roads.
- ACO Patel coordinated the rescue of a kitten that was stuck in a sewer drain. Meow that was great!



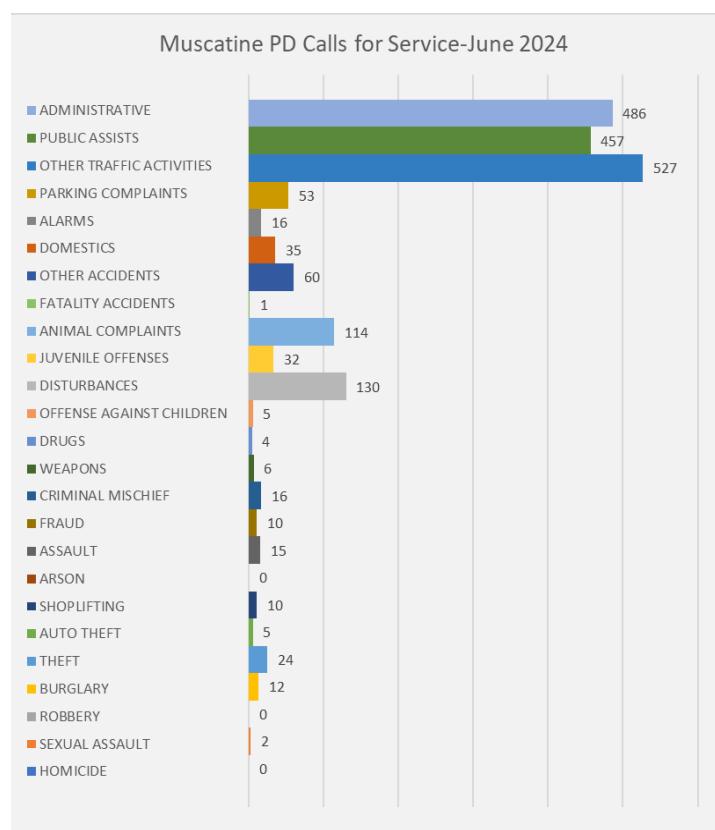
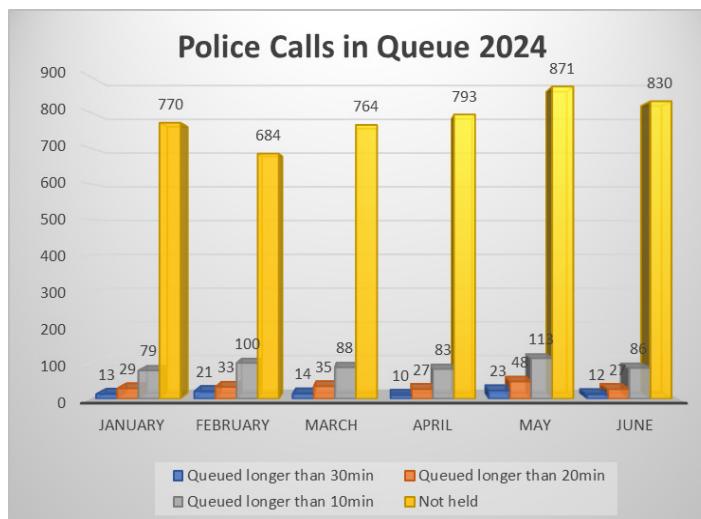
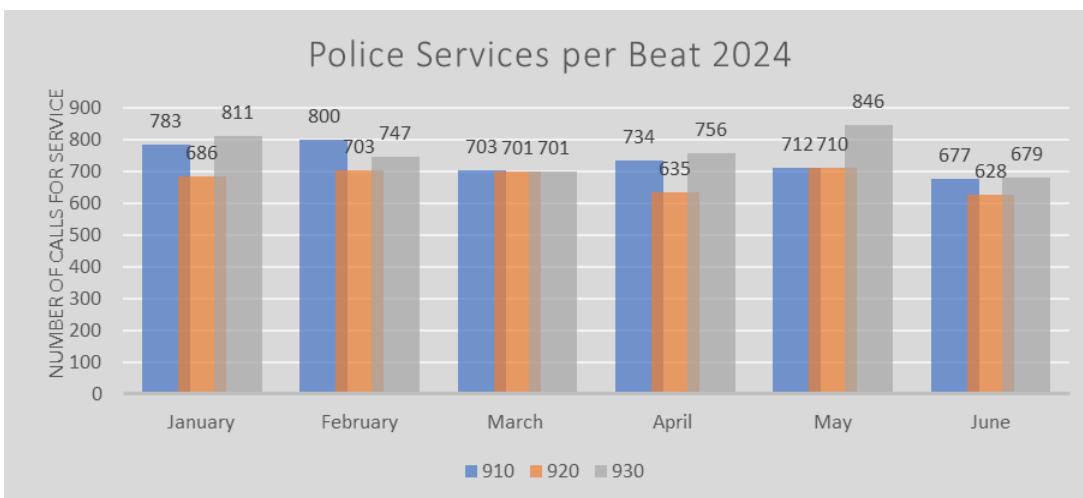
- Officer Peña and Officer Shoultz hosted the "What You Don't See" trailer at the annual GPC Safety Fair.
- Officer Sam Wheeler and K9 Fergus visited the children at Happy Time Preschool & Childcare.



- Lt. Buss took time to read to children at Musser Public Library as part of their Summer Reading Program.
- Officer Wilkinson stopped by the Ice Cream Social held at the Muscatine Art Center.
- Many officers enjoyed themselves at the Beat the Heat event at Cedar Parks Apartments, with Lt. Hazelett running through the open fire hydrant the most.

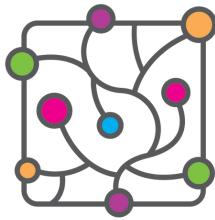


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June 2024 REPORT OF DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY





Musser Public Library

THE STORY OF JUNE 2024

PEOPLE LOVE WHAT WE DO AND WE LOVE SHARING THAT WITH YOU!

I am happy with how summer reading is going. Families have really enjoyed participating. We're busy tracking reading minutes and the activities challenge, which has been successful in getting people out into the community! Our programs have been well attended, but what I have been most pleased about is that we seem to be reaching a wide variety of people. Partnering with others in the community has helped broadened our reach and meet a larger variety of interests. Summer reading is such a wonderful way to connect with the community.

Youth Services Staff Member

WE GREETED 11,885 PEOPLE THIS MONTH.

701 OF THEM USED OUR MEETING ROOMS AS GATHERING SPACES.

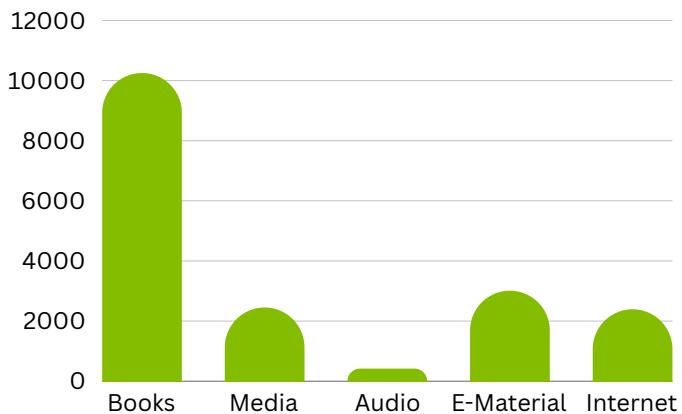


PEOPLE CAME TO OUR PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES. WE HAD 38 PROGRAMS THIS MONTH!

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We had so many items checked out this month.

What's your favorite thing at the Library?



PEOPLE ASKED US A LOT OF QUESTIONS.



WE ANSWERED 174 QUESTIONS THIS MONTH.

WE SENT AND RECEIVED 2,639 MATERIALS FROM OTHER LIBRARIES TO HELP OUR PATRONS.

AND WATCHED US ON TV.

30 new shows debuted
369 different shows aired
722 total programs
491 hours of programming
average program length:
40 minutes



Summer Reading is in full swing here at the Musser Public Library.

Start your reading adventure today by visiting us at the Library. You can also sign up on our website. Children and adults can participate.

Adventure begins at your Library!

PEOPLE VISITED US ONLINE, TOO.

OUR DATABASES WERE USED 7,934 TIMES.

WE HAD 9,542 VISITS TO OUR WEBSITE.

From the Muscatine Art Center

For a complete list of exhibitions, classes, programs, and projects at the Muscatine Art Center, request a copy of the quarterly newsletter or subscribe to the monthly e-newsletter by contacting art@muscataineiowa.gov.

EXHIBITION

Fashionably Dressed:
Fine Art & Costumes from the Permanent Collection
June 29 - September 22, 2024

The poster features a central title 'Fashionably Dressed' in a large, stylized serif font. Below it, the subtitle 'Fine Art & Costumes from the Permanent Collection' and the exhibition dates 'June 29 - September 22, 2024' are displayed. The background is a light beige color. On the left, a long red dress with a dark green floral pattern and a dark green belt is shown. In the center, a mannequin in a black 19th-century tailcoat and top hat stands next to a painting of a person in a top hat on a horse. To the right, a green and black patterned coat hangs on a mannequin. At the bottom right, a light blue lace dress is shown. In the bottom right corner, there is a painting of a woman in a yellow dress. The bottom left corner contains the Muscatine Art Center logo and contact information.

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Artwork (clockwise):
Vincent van Gogh
Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec
Sam Barber
Edgar Degas



The Iowa State Fair:
Photographs by Kurt Ullrich

June 13 - September 8, 2024 - Historic House Second

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Artist Workshops for Kids with Miss Julie

DAVID HOCKNEY

Saturday, July 27

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Ages 7-14 Free Admission

Register by July 26

David Hockney is best known for his contribution to the Pop Art movement of the 1960s, and one of the most influential British artists of the 20th and 21st centuries. Create a colorful Pop Art work of art in his style. Register by July 26.

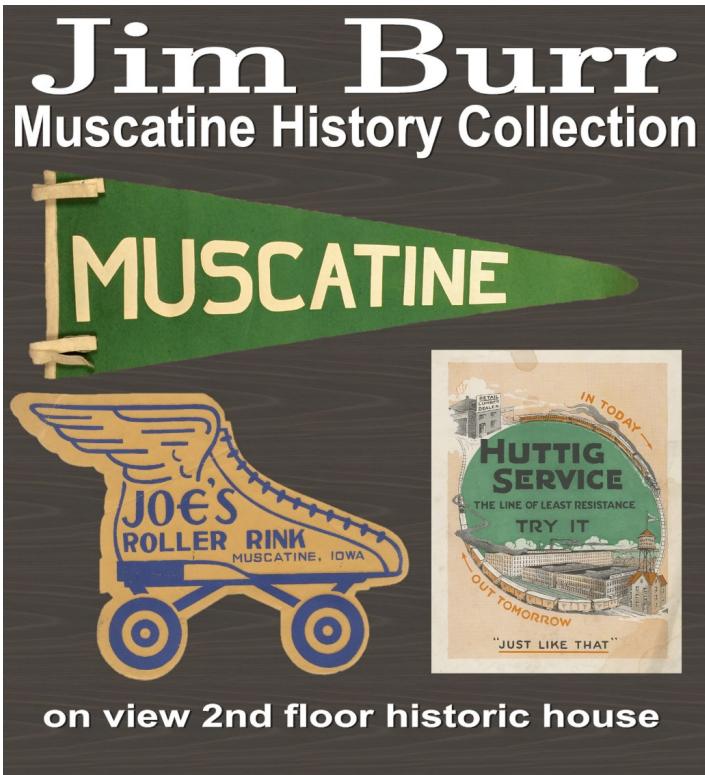
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Jim Burr

Muscatine History Collection



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JOE'S ROLLER RINK
MUSCATINE, IOWA

HUTTIG SERVICE
THE LINE OF LEAST RESISTANCE
TRY IT
IN TODAY
OUT TOMORROW
"JUST LIKE THAT"

on view 2nd floor historic house



WATERMELON DAYS TAKE & MAKES

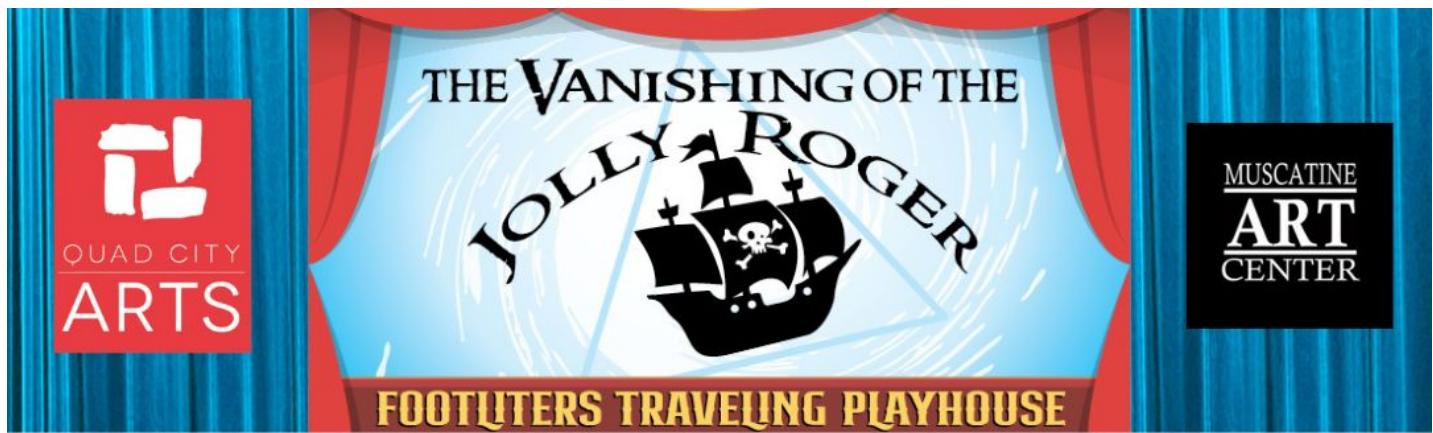
Available July 30 - August 4

August 3rd is National Watermelon Day!
Visit the Muscatine Art Center during
open hours to get a Take & Make bag
with simple supplies to create
watermelon-themed crafts.
Free to pick up while supplies last.

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Performance



Final Performance

Friday, July 19, 6:30 p.m. - Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Muscatine Community College Black Box Theatre
FREE ADMISSION

The Muscatine Community is invited to a free performance of *The Vanishing of the Jolly Roger*, an original musical featuring local talent. From July 15 through July 19, area kids ages 7 to 18, auditioned, rehearsed, and will perform the musical alongside three professional teaching artists. This swashbuckling adventure is a brand-new production with a script from Katie Colletta and original music by Jason Sifford.

The theater camp was organized by the Footliters Traveling Playhouse, part of the Coralville Center for Performing Arts.

The camp is supported by Quad City Arts, through the Arts Dollars re-granting program, supported by the Illinois Arts Council Agency, a state agency, The Hubbell-Waterman Foundation, and the Quad Cities Community Foundation - Isabel Bloom Art Education Endowment.

UPCOMING CLASSES and ACTIVITIES

mini  masters *Free For Kids*

Introduce your children (ages 2 to 7) to the world of art with free art classes. Each class consists of a story and two art projects! Classes meet most Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. and Thursdays from 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Classes are FREE! Call 563-263-8282 to register. The theme for July is "Bugs!", and the theme for August is "In the Woods".

A PALETTE OF PROJECTS THAT START WITH "P"

Art Camp with Mary Alice Sessler & Nancy Foxen

**JULY 23-26
1:30-3:00 P.M.** **Ages 8+
register by July 22
Free admission**

Art teachers Mary Alice Sessler and Nancy Foxen are at it again! This dynamic duo is back this summer with fun projects every day! You do not need to attend every day of camp, but it would be more fun if you did!



July 23: Peek-a-Boo Doors (fairy doors)

July 24: Potted Plants (painting)

July 25: Picasso Faces (cardboard)

July 26: Pop-Tart Personalities (Model Magic)



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FREE FOR FAMILIES

MUSCATINE ART CENTER PRESENTS PARTY WITH THE MINIS: A CELEBRATION OF OUR LITTLEST ARTISTS

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 9
11:30 - 1:00 PM
FREE ADMISSION**

Enjoy the last bit of summer with an open house celebrating the "Mini Masters" in your life! All are invited to meet the staff, make some crafts, get some "cool" snacks, and more. The Mini Masters program are free classes for kids ages 2 to 7. Each Mini Masters class is centered around a children's book and includes two art projects. Registration not required for "Party with the Minis", and older/younger siblings can join.

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For Adults

Japanese Garden **Free Admission**
Lunch & Learn at Noon

Thursday, July 11 & Wednesday, September 4

Join Director Melanie Alexander for a look back at the multi-year project of rehabilitating the historic Japanese Garden. In June 2024, Preservation Iowa recognized the project with a "Preservation at Its Best Award." Learn about the garden's history, the team behind its rehabilitation, the work of the Friends of the Japanese Garden, and the many big and small decisions made along the way. No registration required. The program will be held in the Muscatine Art Center's Music Room. Bring your lunch!



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RED BARN STUDIO
Hummer in a Nest



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Artist Vada Baker leads this class where participants learn to paint hard, soft, and lost edges, and how to "charge colors" using watercolors. All supplies included. No experience necessary.

Sunday, July 14
1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
\$15/\$13.50 for
Friends members
Register by July 12

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Cookie Decorating with West Hill Cakery

Thursday, August 15

5:15 - 6:45 p.m.

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\$35 per kit
Register by
August 13



Join us for an evening of "sweet" creations! Kira Reed, owner and baker at West Hill Cakery, will guide participants in the art of icing cookies.

Registrants get a box of 10 sugar cookies and different bags of icing to pipe onto the cookies. Bring a container to take home your finished cookies.

No experience necessary.

Register by calling the Muscatine Art Center at 563-263-8282

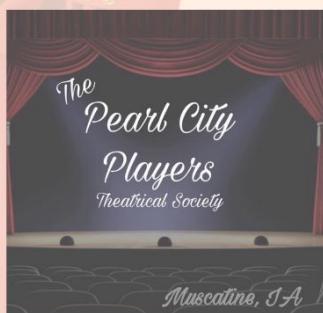


LIVE RECORDINGS FROM PEARL CITY PLAYERS

BE PART OF THE STORY

SUNDAY, JULY 21 & AUGUST 25, 2:00 PM

FREE ADMISSION - REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED



The Pearl City Players Theatrical Society is launching a new series called "Be Part of the Story," a series of stories from local authors that reflect Muscatine, dramatized through performances at various events that will be recorded for Access Channel 9.

The public is invited to watch the live recordings in the Muscatine Art Center Music Room, 1314 Mulberry Avenue, Muscatine.

Contact Pearl City Players Theatrical Society on Facebook
or email at pearlcityplayers1@gmail.com