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# State/Federal Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Dexter

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A joint Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) opens Tuesday morning in Dexter, Missouri to give storm survivors an opportunity to talk face-to-face with disaster recovery specialists.

The center is located at the Bootheel Regional Planning Commission Building, 105 E. North Main St. in Dexter, and will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until further notice. The center will be closed on Sundays.

DRCs are a one-stop shop for disaster survivors who have applied with FEMA and need to present additional documentation or just have questions about the status of their cases. In addition to FEMA staff, representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will be on hand to help survivors apply for low-interest disaster loans to help fund recovery efforts.

Survivors are encouraged to apply with FEMA before visiting a DRC to get the process going as quickly as possible. For those who need help to apply, DRC staff can assist survivors on the spot. For those who are blind or low-vision, or Deaf or hard-of-hearing, assistive devices are available at the centers as well.

#### Here are the 3 best ways to apply:

§ Online: www.disasterassistance.gov

§ Phone: 800-621-FEMA (3362)

§ Download and use the FEMA app

Anyone using a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, can give FEMA the number for that service. FEMA also can connect survivors by phone with language

interpreters who can help complete their application or answer questions.

Dexter is the second location to host a DRC in recent days. A center was opened Aug. 1 in Sikeston at the YMCA, 511 Taylor St. with the same hours of operation: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays until further notice, and closed Sundays.

Disaster survivors can go to any DRC for assistance, even if it is not in the county in which they live. DRC services are FREE.

Federal assistance to individuals and households can be in the form of grants to: find a temporary place to live, make minimal home repairs and/or to replace certain personal property. Eligible survivors who need accessibility equipment also may benefit from these grants.

The FEMA assistance, granted July 23 by President Biden, helps eligible homeowners, renters and self-employed business owners in 10 Missouri counties who were impacted by the May 19-27 severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding.

The 10 counties are: Barry, Butler, Carter, Howell, New Madrid, Ripley, Scott, Shannon, Stoddard and Texas.

For more disaster-related information, visit the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency online at www.sema.dps.mo.gov or FEMA at www.fema.gov and www.fema.gov/disaster/4803.

FEMA is committed to ensuring disaster assistance is accomplished equitably, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status.

Any disaster survivor or member of the public may contact the FEMA Office of Civil Rights if they feel that they have a complaint of discrimination. FEMA's Office of Civil Rights can be contacted at <u>FEMA-CivilRightsOffice@fema.dhs.gov</u> or toll-free at 833-285-7448. Multilingual operators are available.

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## Invitation to Bid for City of Dexter

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#### INVITATION TO BID

Owner: City of Dexter 301 E. Stoddard St. Dexter, MO 63841

Separate sealed bids for the <u>Dexter Shared Use Path – Phase III, TAP-2301 (005)</u>, to serve the City of Dexter will be received by the <u>City Clerk</u> at <u>City Hall</u>, until <u>10:00</u> <u>A.M.</u>, on <u>August 21, 2024</u> and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The address of the City Hall is 301 E. Stoddard St., Dexter MO 63841.

The project shall consist of:

The project will add additional Shared Use Path(s) in Boon Park, then connect Boon Park to Dexter Middle and Elementary Schools. Project will consist of providing a 10-foot wide concrete paved walking trail, a 10-foot wide gravel cross country trail, stormwater pipes and inlets, demolition and removals, earthwork and grading, striping and signage, seeding and mulching, and temporary traffic control.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Form, Bid Bond Form, Agreement (Construction Contract) Form, Performance Bond Form, Payment Bond Form, and other contract documents may be examined at:

- 1. S.H. Smith & Co., Inc., 901 Vine Street, P.O. Box 72, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901
- 2. City of Dexter, 301 E. Stoddard St., Dexter, MO 63841

Complete digital project bidding documents are available for a non-refundable fee of \$40.00 by going to our website <a href="www.shsmithco.com">www.shsmithco.com</a> and clicking on "Bidding Projects" in the lower left-hand corner of the screen under "Quick Links". Please contact our partner QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or <a href="mailto:info@questcdn.com">info@questcdn.com</a> for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Paper specifications and plans can be made available within 48 hours by contacting our office at 573-785-9621, for a non-refundable fee of \$150.00. Direct questions to Justin Roberts with S.H. Smith & Co., Inc. Bid Results will be posted online by 5 P.M. the following day. You may also call our office and request a faxed copy.

The DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) contract goals for the amount of work to be awarded for the Dexter Shared Use Path – Phase III is 3% of the total project price. The bidder shall also complete the DBE Identification Submittal forms in accordance with the General Provisions. Missouri Law, 292.675 RSMO, requires any awarded contractor and its subcontractor(s) to provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Construction Safety Program for their on-site employees.

The Owner must award the project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, however the owner may reject all bids. All bidders are required to use the pre-qualification process outlined by MoDOT. See the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, Section 102 for additional information. Each Bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the bid opening.

The City of Dexter hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

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MO Route 25 in Stoddard County will be reduced as Missouri Department of Transportation crews replace a culvert under the roadway. As work is underway, southbound traffic will be shifted to a head-to-head configuration in the northbound lanes.

This section of roadway is located from County Road 511 to U.S. Route 60 near Dexter, Missouri.

Weather permitting, work will take place Monday, Aug. 5 through Friday, Aug. 9 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

For additional information, contact MoDOT's?Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT

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# City of Dexter Aldermen to Meet on Monday, August 5th, Liquor License Application, Dept Reports

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City of Dexter Aldermen to Meet on Monday, August 5th, Liquor License Application, Dept Rep

The Dexter Board of Aldermen will meet on Monday, August 5th at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building with Mayor Mark Snider presiding over the meeting. The building is located at 119 Vine St. in Dexter. If you have questions you may call (573) 624-5959.

Below is a tentative Agenda for the meeting.

Next Ordinance Number 5149 Next Resolution Number 2024.04

Called to Order by Mayor

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting 7/1/2024

Citizens' Input

City Auditor's Report ~June 2024

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**Economic Development Report** 

City Clerk's Report ~ Disbursements July 2024

City Administrator's Report

Mayor's Report ~Liquor application ~ Okie Hibachi & Sushi, 903 Bus. Hwy. 60 W, 5%. Beer/Restaurant/5% by drink/up to 14% Wine

Aldermanic Forum

Adjourn

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# Stoddard County Commission Meeting - Monday, July 22, 2024 - Carpet in Courtroom Needs Replacing

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Stoddard County Commission Meeting - Monday, July 22, 2024 - Carpet in Courtroom Needs Re

The Stoddard County Commission held their regularly scheduled Monday morning, July 22, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Presiding Commissioner Greg Mathis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

#### **New Business**

Missouri Veteran's Cemetery via the Bloomfield Assistance League of the Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Inc. gave the County easement to the 40 acres owned by the County. A document was filed by Mr. James R. Tweedy, Attorney, Bloomfield for a Deed for Easement. The letter of the Deed for Easement was received by the Commission to be filed.

"The Dexter Veterinary Clinic has not received a check for the treatment of the K9 officer for the Sheriff's Dept and I would like approval to reissue the check," stated Presiding Commissioner Greg Mathis. Motion made by Commissioner Carol Jarrell, seconded by Commission C.D. Stewart. The amount of the check was \$950.81 which included a prior

balance.

There was some discussion on the Districts and how they are divided in Stoddard County. In a township form of government the districts have to be divided by townships and not a line by population.

District 2 includes Elk Township and Liberty Township. District 1 is all other townships in Stoddard County, Missouri.

Board of Appeals opened last week and will close next week by state statute according to Mathis.

No Excuse Absentee Voting begins on Wednesday, July 23, 2024 at the Stoddard County Clerk's Office from 8:30 - 4:30 Monday - Friday and the only Saturday before the election from 8 a.m.- Noon.

#### **Judge Brad Jarrell Requesting Some Updates to Courtrooms**

Judge Jarrell stated a lady in the courtroom slipped and fell from a chair with casters in Courtroom C where they do not have carpet. "This courtroom is not conducive for rolling chairs," commented Jarrell. "It would be good to have carpet in that courtroom."

Also the carpet is in bad shape and ripping in Courtroom A and Courtroom B and needs to be replaced. "We could go ahead and add carpet to Courtroom C," commented Jarrell. "We will take the casters off the chairs and put them in the jury boxes. and take those chairs and move to the courtroom areas. That will help keep the chairs from moving and prevent future issues."

#### **Other Business**

Motion to accept the minutes from July 15, 2024 made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Carol Jarrell. All three voted yes and motion passed.

Motion to accept the minutes from Tuesday, July 16, 2024 of the Board of Equalization made by Commissioner Carol Jarrell, seconded by Commissioner Greg Mathis. All three voted yes and motion passed.

"There was a meeting set for August 5th to discuss the Scenic Byway and I don't think we are at this point yet and no need for the meeting yet," stated Commissioner Mathis.

The Commission has decided not to publish the three Johnson Board openings in the local newspaper. "I will contact those and see if they want to stay on the board," stated Mathis. "There is no need at this time to publish the board opening." The three people on the

Johnson Board terms expired on December 31, 2023.

Motion to enter into Closed session for personnel issues at 11:03 a.m. made by Commissioner Carol Jarrell at 11:03 a.m., seconded by Commissioner C.D. Stewart. All three voted yes and motion passed.

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