

# City of Kennett, Missouri

City Hall - 200 Cedar Street, Kennett, MO 63857

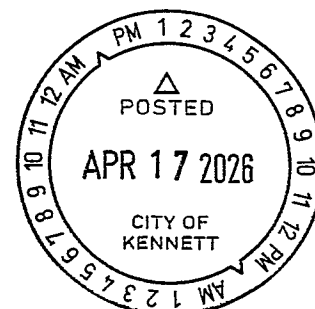
Phone: 573-888-9001

## AGENDA

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
  2. Invocation – Rev. Mark Kailbourn
  3. Pledge of Allegiance – Council Member Bryant
  4. Approval of Minutes:
    - a. Approval of Council Proceedings for the City of Kennett of April 7, 2026
  5. Approval of March 2026 Abstract of Accounts
  6. Approval of March 2026 Statement of Revenue and Expenditures
  7. Kennett Chamber of Commerce Update – Executive Director Christian Johnson
  8. Old Business:
    - a. Ordinance No. 3113 – An Ordinance establishing a Policy Management Committee of the City Council.
    - b. Ordinance No. 3114 – An Ordinance abolishing the Committees of the City Council of the City of Kennett, Missouri with the exception of the Finance Committee.
    - c. 60-day Provisional License (R. Cook & D. Cunningham)
    - d. Appointment of Kennett Board of Public Works Member
  9. Certification of April 7, 2026, Election Results
  10. Adjourn
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1. Call to Order
2. Swearing In of Newly Elected Officials
3. New Business:
  - a. Election of Mayor Pro Tem
  - b. Appointment of Council Members to Boards and Committees
    - a. Schedule Public Hearing for Tax Allocation Requests
    - b. Schedule Public Hearing for Rezoning of 808 Clipper Street
    - c. Approval to Bid Street Department Vehicles
4. Administrator Report
5. Comments from Council
6. Public Comments
7. Adjourn



Closed Session: Legal per RSMo (1) and Real Estate per RSMo (2)

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**Council Proceedings for the City of Kennett, Missouri**

**April 7, 2026**

**6:30 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Kennett, Missouri met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall on Tuesday, April 7, 2026.

Those in attendance were Mayor Jake Crafton, Council Members Lisa Dry, Randy Carter, Mark Bryant, James Waynick, Harry Gaddis, Kevin Swain, Dennis Pelts, Steve Panousis, Jimmy French and Bob Young, City Attorney Terry McVey, City Clerk Mandy Lewis, Finance Director Jan McElwrath, Street Superintendent Gerald Moss, Fire Chief Lance Davis, Code Enforcement Officer Victor Mode, and Chief of Police Kenny Wilson. Absent was City Administrator Melissa Combs.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Crafton.

Council Member Bob Young gave the invocation.

Council Member Waynick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the council proceedings of the regular meeting of March 17, 2026, was made by Council Member Dry, seconded by Council Member Bryant; motion passed.

A motion to approve the closed session council proceedings of March 17, 2026, was made by Council Member Bryant, seconded by Council Member Young; motion passed.

**Old Business:**

- a. None

**New Business:**

- a. 2011 Ford F-150 Bids

Council Member Pelts stated the 2011 Ford F-150 is being sold by the Kennett Police Department. The bids received were Jarrot & Kelly Ward - \$6,500.00, Emergency Remarketing - \$2,188.18 and Gene Lack - \$6,705.00. It was the recommendation of staff to accept the bid from Gene Lack.

A motion to approve the bid from Gene Lack in the amount of \$6,705.00 was made by Council Member Pelts, seconded by Council Member Bryant; motion passed.

- b. Policy for Official City of Kennett Social Media Accounts

Mayor Crafton informed the Council and public that the Policy for Official City of Kennett Social Media Accounts will streamline the under the Records Custodian for the City of Kennett. Council Member Dry thanked City Clerk Lewis for her work on the policy.

A motion to approve the Policy for Official City of Kennett Social Media Accounts was made by Council Member Dry, seconded by Council Member Pelts; motion passed.

- c. Capital Improvement Projects Budget

Finance Director McElwrath informed the Council that there are multiple Capital Improvement items that need attention. She states that the recommendation from City Administrator Combs was to cash out a CD with a balance of \$773,826.21. \$400,000 would be reinvested into a CD with an interest rate of 3.81% for six months. The remaining balance would go towards the improvements needed at the Police Station and Fire Station #3. Finance Director McElwrath also informed the Council that City Administrator Combs is requesting \$300,000 be taken from the Transportation Tax for improvements to the parking lots at the KCDC building and the Police Department.

A motion to approve the requests of City Administrator Combs, cashing out a CD, reinvesting \$400,000 in another CD, using the remaining balance to make improvements to the KCDC building, Police Department and Fire Station #3, and make repairs to parking lots at the KCDC building and Police Department parking lots using \$300,000 from the Transportation Tax was made by Council Member Carter, seconded by Council Member Panousis; motion passed.

**City Administrator's Report:**

Due to the absence of City Administrator Combs, City Clerk Lewis informed the Council that a report was included in their Council packet for their review, and it was uploaded to the website for public viewing.

**Comments from the Council:**

Mayor Crafton asked Park Board Member Darrell Watson to update the Council and public on ongoing projects with the Parks Department. Mr. Wattson informed that a new bathroom has been installed at Indian Park, the northwest soccer field now has lights for night games, a fence has been added to the playground to comply with ADA guidelines, lights have been installed at Jones Park, improvements have been made to ballfields, and a new sidewalk is being installed on Floyd Street at Indian Park. The parking lot at Indian Park will also have some improvements in the coming weeks. Mayor Crafton thanked Mr. Wattson and the Park Board for their work improving the community.

Council Member Pelts asked that the hours for the compost be updated on the website. Council Member Young commented on a walking trail between Indian Park and Wal-Mart being overgrown. It was determined that the property is private property and the City has no control over it. Council Member Young also asked about a request for variance that was filed but has not been heard yet. Mayor Crafton stated he would bring names to the Council to fill that board at the next meeting. Mayor Crafton also informed that a member of the KBPW board has relocated outside city limits and he will bring a nomination to the Council for that position as well.

**Public Comments:**

Resident Dr. Chancellor Wayne addressed the Council regarding the accuracy of the vote to approve Kennett Board of Public Works members held at the March 3, 2026, City Council Meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mandy Lewis  
City Clerk

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Jake Crafton  
Mayor



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04/22/2026

City of Kennett  
Attn: City Clerk Mandy Lewis  
200 Cedar Street  
Kennett, MO 63857

*April 2026 Tourism Report*

Kennett Chamber of Commerce has received a request for Tourism Funds from the Kennett Jaycees to advertise the 2026 Show Me State BBQ Cookoff. This event will take place May 8-9, 2026. The Chamber's Tourism Committee has reviewed this request and recommends that the City Council allocate up to \$5,000, the same amount that was approved in 2025, for advertising purposes out of the Tourism Tax Fund.

The Chamber also requests allocation of funds for Q4 advertising planned in cooperation with the 50% Marketing Matching Grant. These ads will highlight both agri-tourism later this spring/summer, as well as the BBQ Cookoff and 100-Mile Yardsale as needed. We request allocation of \$2,075 to be used across magazine, newspaper, radio, and billboard ads. This figure represents 50% of the total cost which is the local match.

This month, the Chamber will reapply for the FY27 Marketing Matching Grant to continue this service for Kennett. We will evaluate where funds can be best utilized for maximum assistance to market local events and negate the local cost for advertising.

Please contact the Chamber with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christian Johnson".

Christian Johnson  
Executive Director  
Kennett Chamber of Commerce

KENNETT, MISSOURI ★

ORDINANCE 3113

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A POLICY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

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BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Kennett as follows:

**Section 1: Policy Management Committee Established.** There is established a City Council Committee on Policy Management which shall consist of the Mayor, City Administrator and three (3) members of the Council, who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council.

**Section 3: Duties of the Policy Management Committee.** The duties of the Policy Management Committee defined and declared to be as follows:

1. To take into consideration all such communications, resolutions and propositions concerning the operation of the City as may be referred to them by the Council, and make report thereon to the Mayor and Council when so required.
2. To take into consideration all such communications, resolutions and proposals concerning human relations as may be referred to them by the Mayor, City Administrator and the Council.
3. To meet from time-to-time when considered necessary by the Mayor or a majority of the Committee

**Section 4:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

READ TWO TIMES, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21ST DAY OF APRIL 2026.

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Jake Crafton, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mandy Lewis, City Clerk

**ORDINANCE NO. 3114**

**AN ORDINANCE ABOLISHING THE COMMITTEES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNETT, MISSOURI WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNETT, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Sections 130.020, with the exception of Section 130.020 A.1, regarding the Committee on Finance, 130.040, 130.050 and 130.085 of the Municipal Code of the City of Kennett are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**Section 2.** Any Ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**READ TWO TIMES, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of April, 2026.

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Jake Crafton, Mayor

ATTEST: .

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Mandy Lewis, City Clerk

Council Report April 16 2026

Riley Cook - Eight unoccupied inspections passed, Three occupied inspections passed.

( February 17, 2026 to April 16, 2026 )

Derek Cunningham - Three unoccupied inspections, two have passed. Three occupied inspections, two have passed.

( February 17, 2026 to April 16, 2026 )

A total of 77 rental inspections were completed for this time period.

Respectfully Summited  
Chris Skelton  
Rental Inspector



**Riley Cook Owner/Landlord**

**Kennett, MO 63857**

**Phone 573-344-0492**

***Please feel free to call me to discuss anything that you may have any questions about at the number listed above***

**UPDATE: 3/12-4/16**

**503 W 8th: Empty    See before photos**

**Outside:**

- Picked up trash
- Cut limbs
- Mowed the grass
- Put up new fascia around the back of the house
- Closed openings where birds were getting in behind fascia
- Reattached a hanging gutter
- Put on fascia covering

**Inside:**

- Cleaned out all the trash
- Installed 2 bedroom doors
- Installed bathroom door
- Patched drywall were it had been vandalized
- Installed bedroom light
- Installed new heating stove
- Hardwired the water heater in conduit
- Repaired drainline under kitchen sink
- Repaired leaking kitchen faucet

**206 John R: Empty      See before and after photos**

**Outside:**

- Picked up all the trash
- Cleaned weeds and vines growing on the North side of the house
- Trimmed the low hanging branches off the big tree
- Removed trampoline
- Cleaned all the brush in the backyard
- Mowed the grass
- Put up siding on outside of the laundry room
- Painted front door

**Inside:**

- Cleaned out
- Replaced door knobs
- Painted the entire house
- Installed 2 smoke detectors and 1 Carbon Monoxide detector
- Replaced the framing of the bedroom door

- Replumbed the entire house due to water leak
- Repaired the drain line in the kitchen
- Replaced kitchen counter and cabinets due to water leak causing molding
- Replaced bottom seal plate in kitchen due to water leak
- Replaced drywall in laundry room do to water leak causing molding
- Installed new kitchen faucet
- Hardwired the vent hood for the stove
- Patched hole in the wall
- Installed water heater
- Hardwired the water heater in conduit
- Installed a vent pipe for water heater installed new flooring in bedroom, kitchen and living room
- Replaced 5 plate covers for receptacles
- Tightened loose plumbing fixture in the bathroom
- Fixed drain line under bathroom sink
- Replaced the bathroom faucet















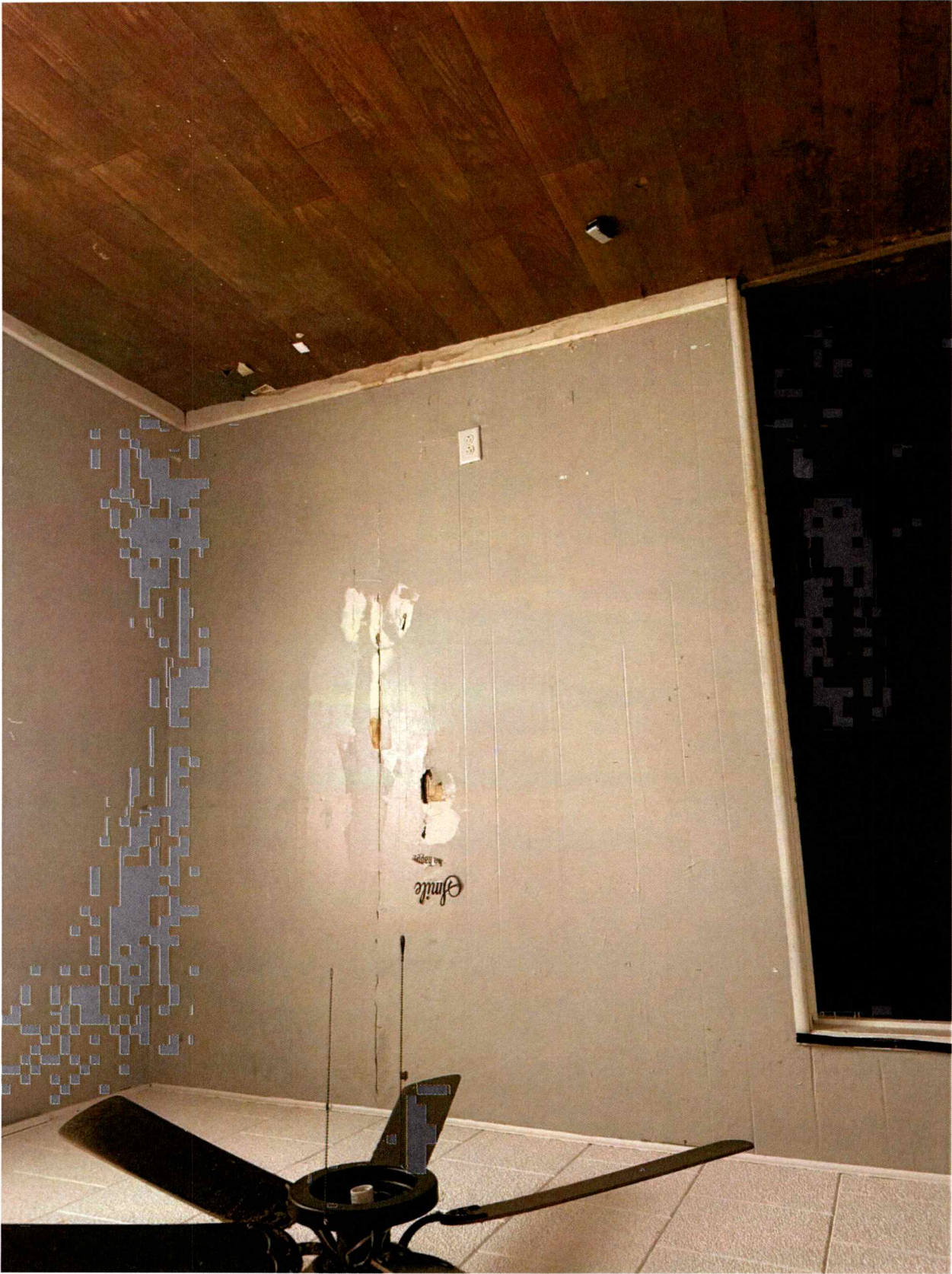








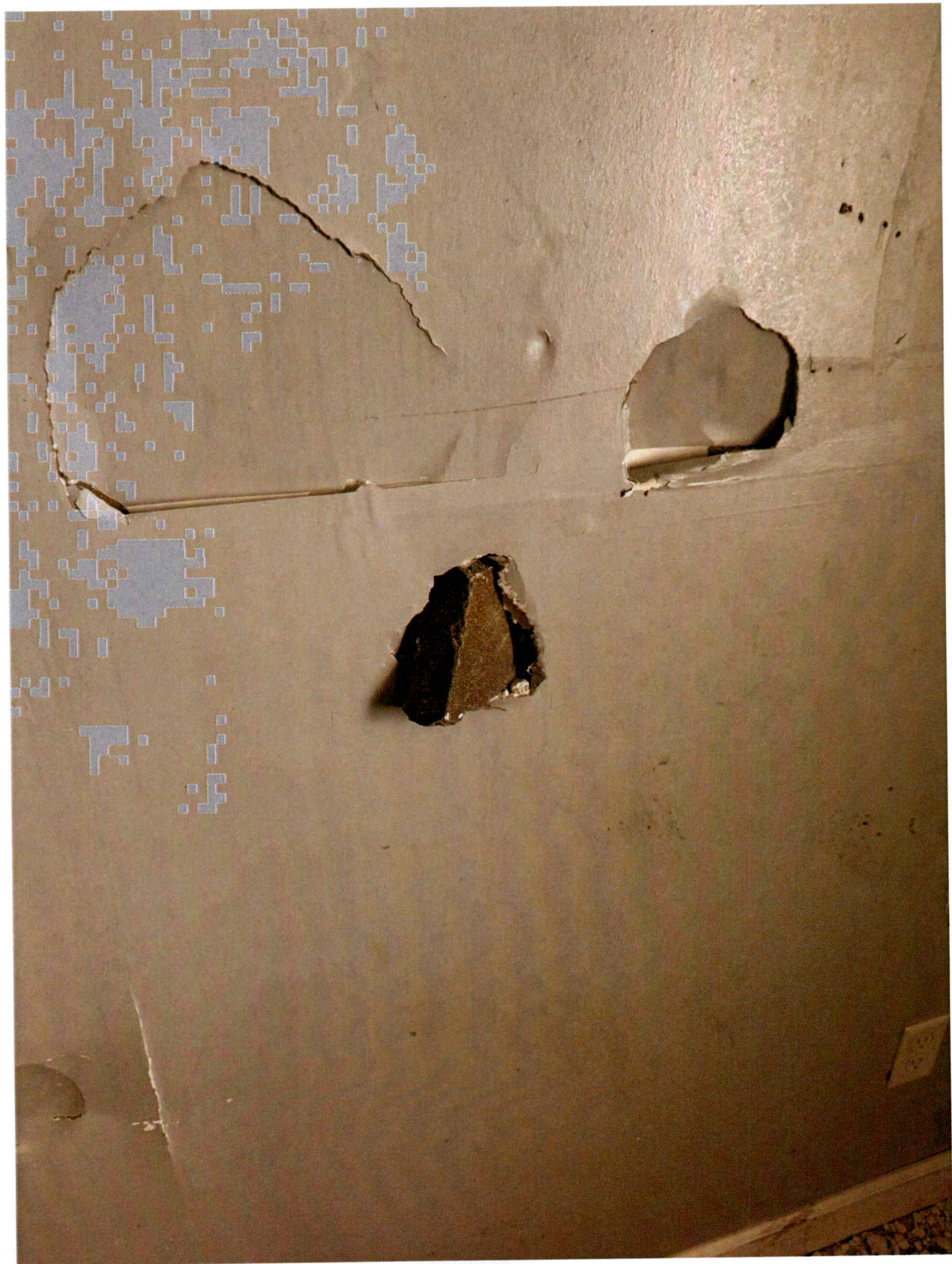












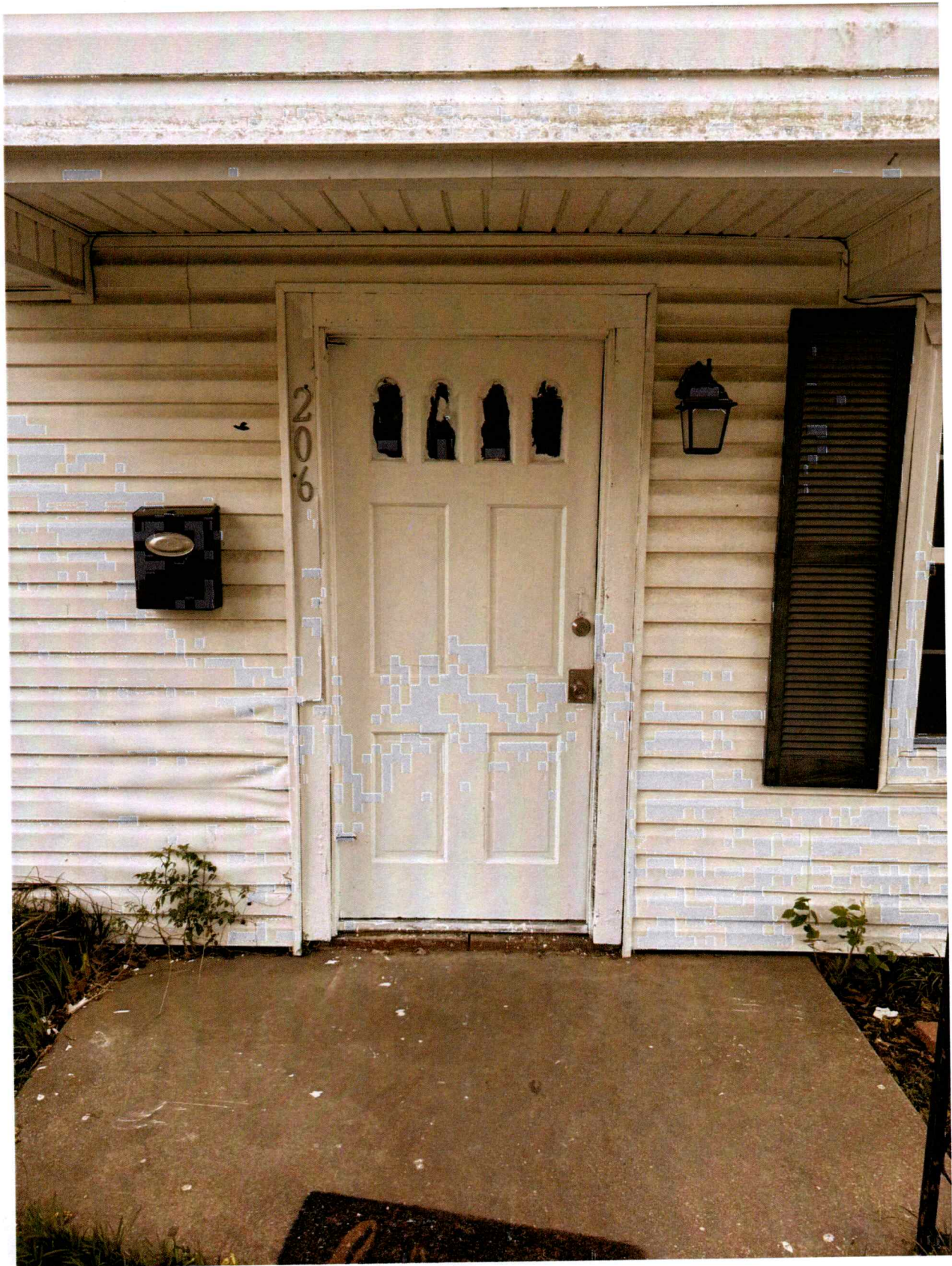












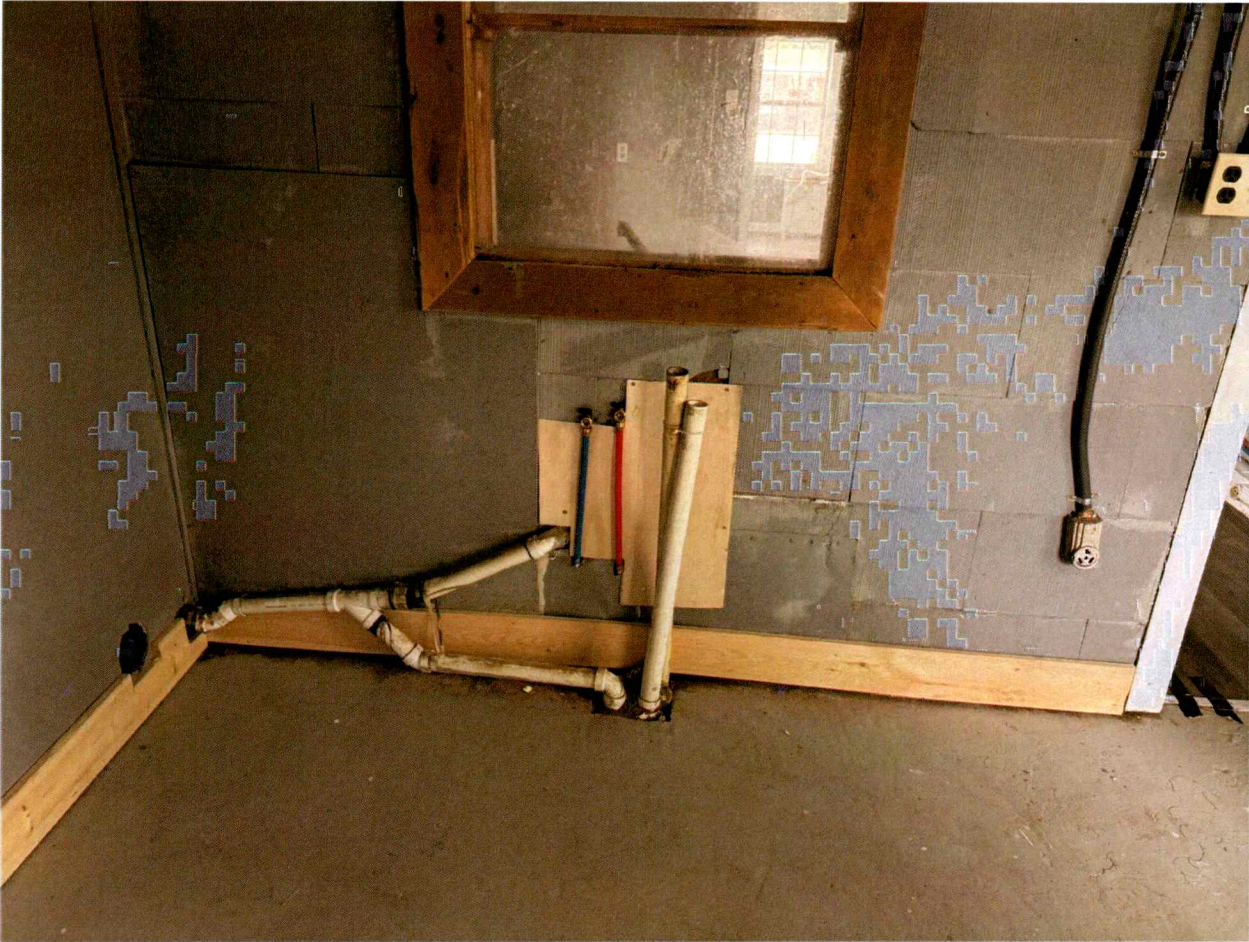










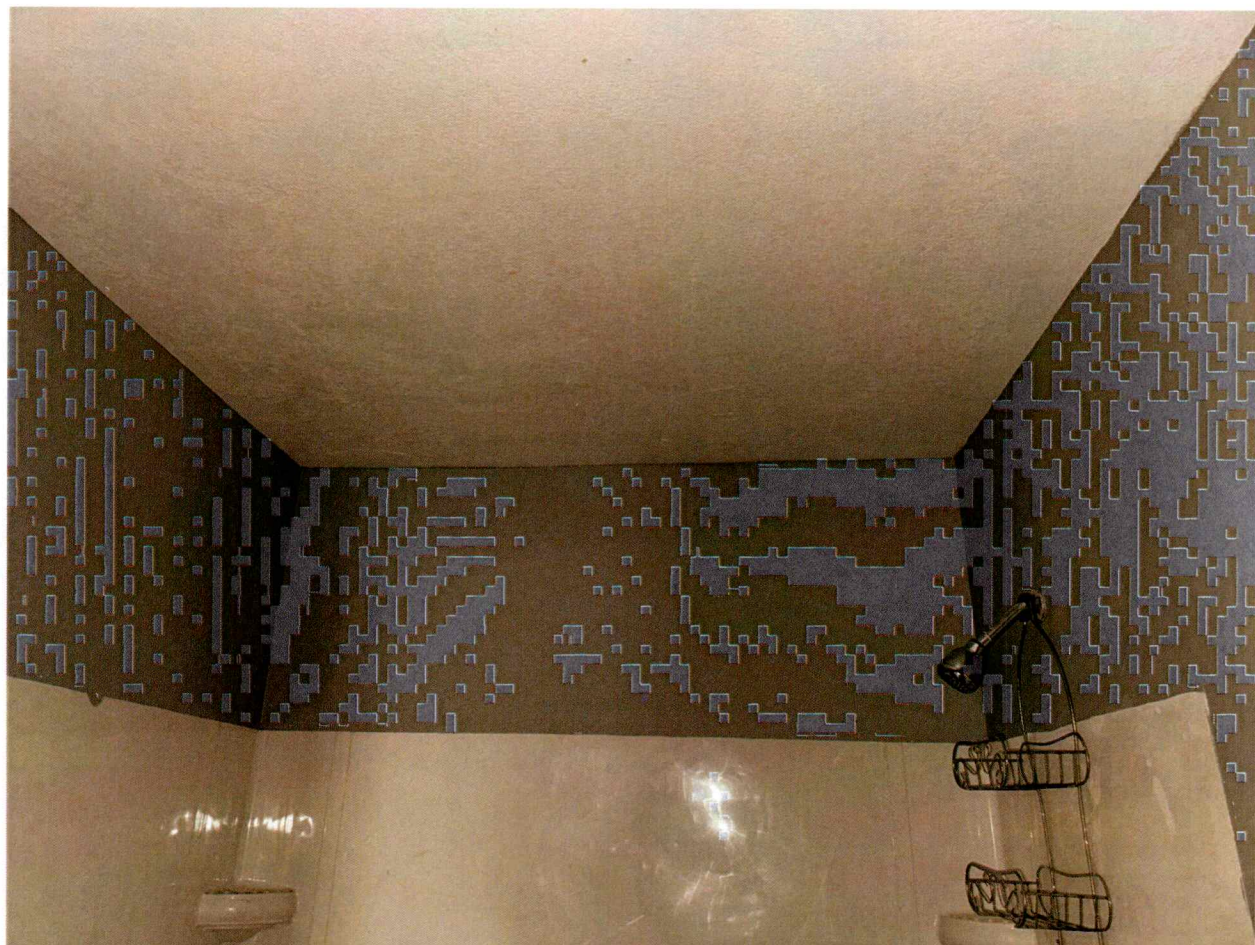


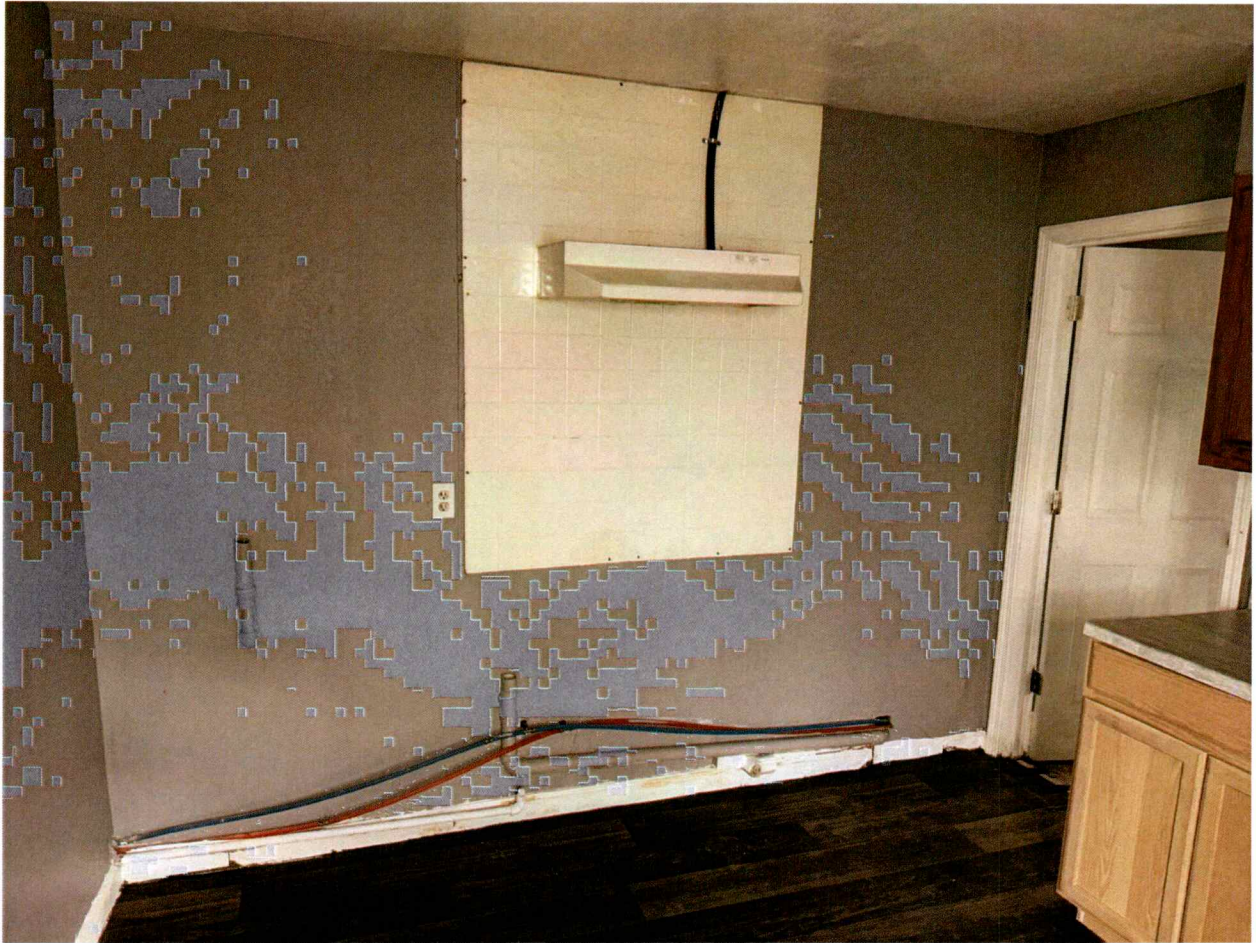






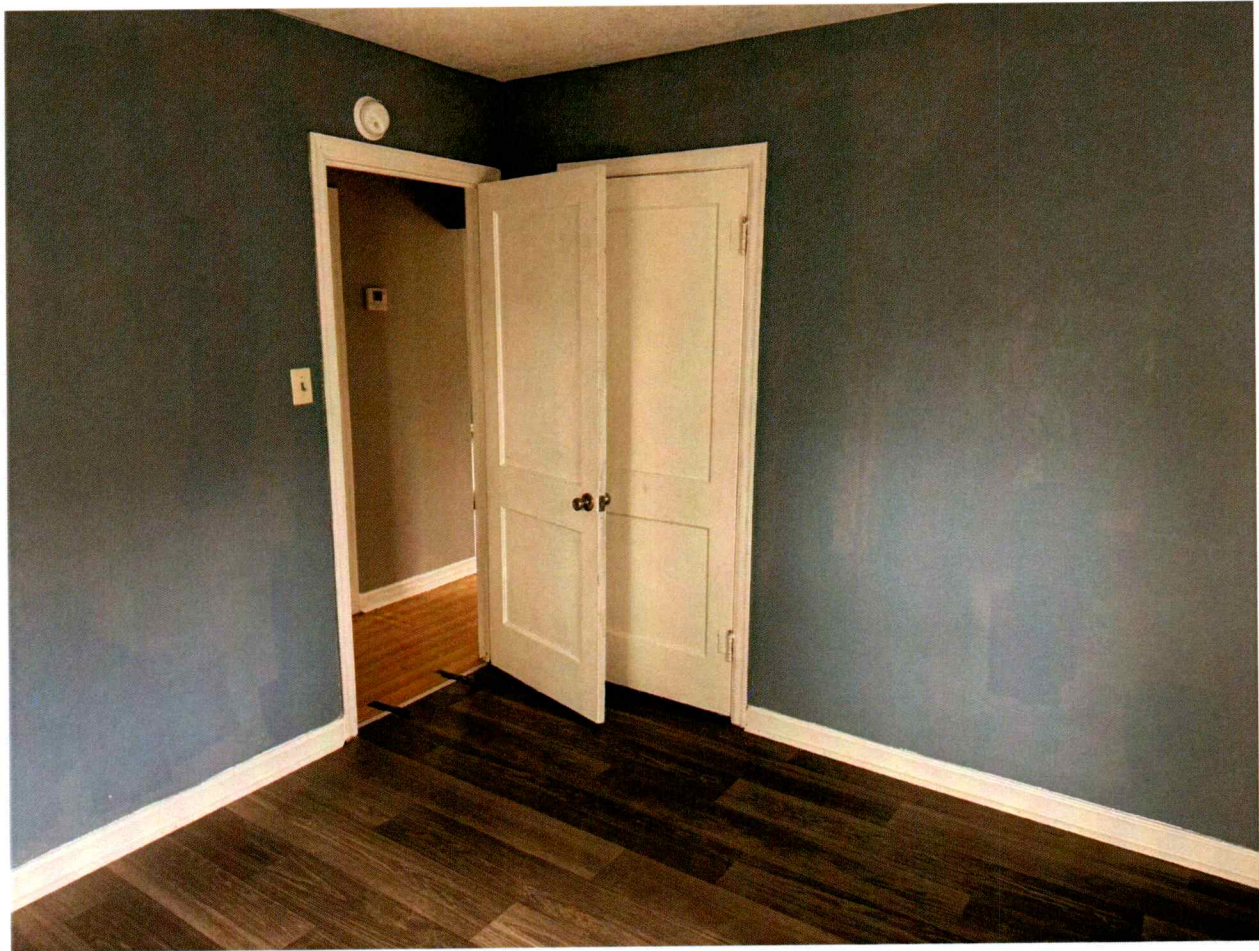


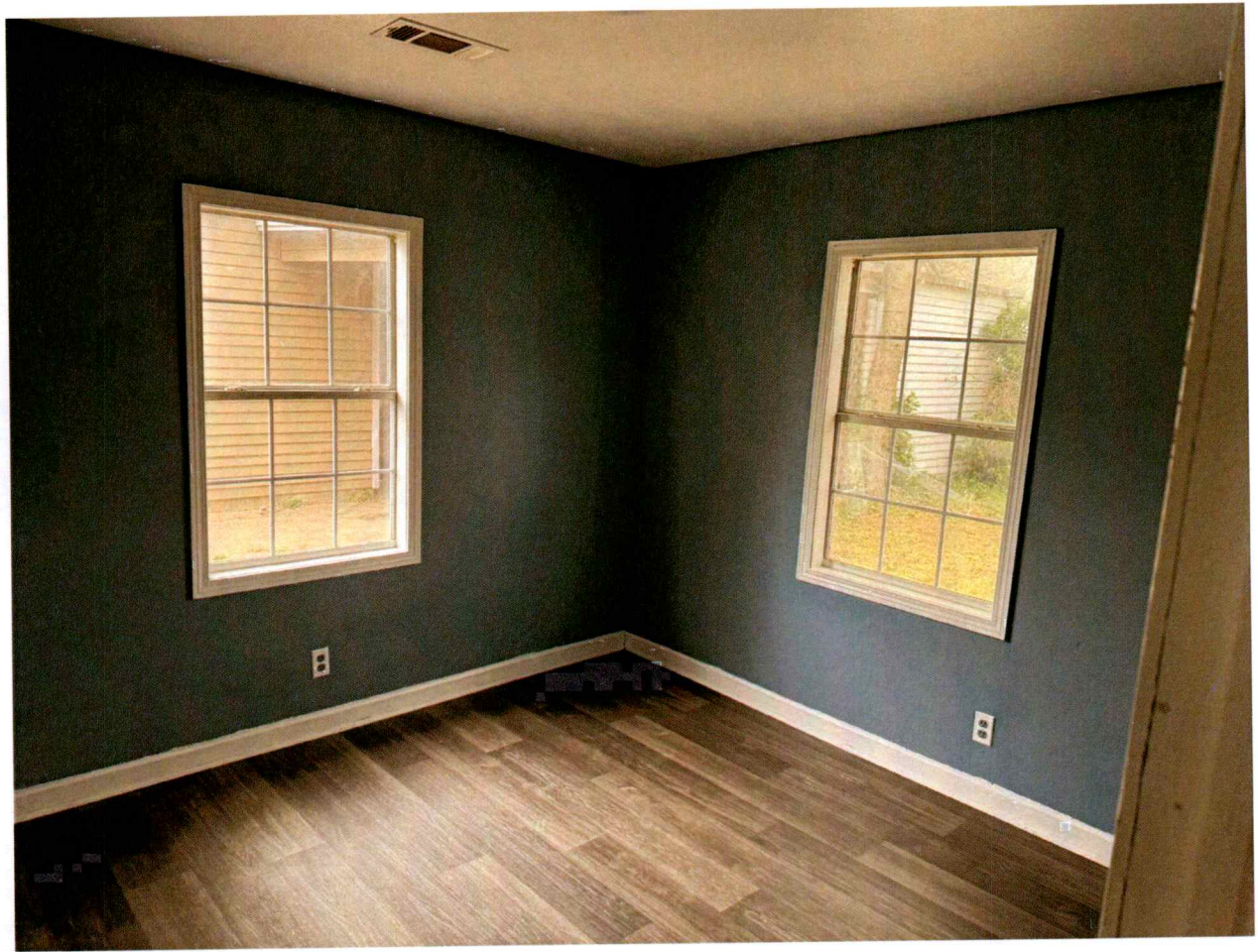


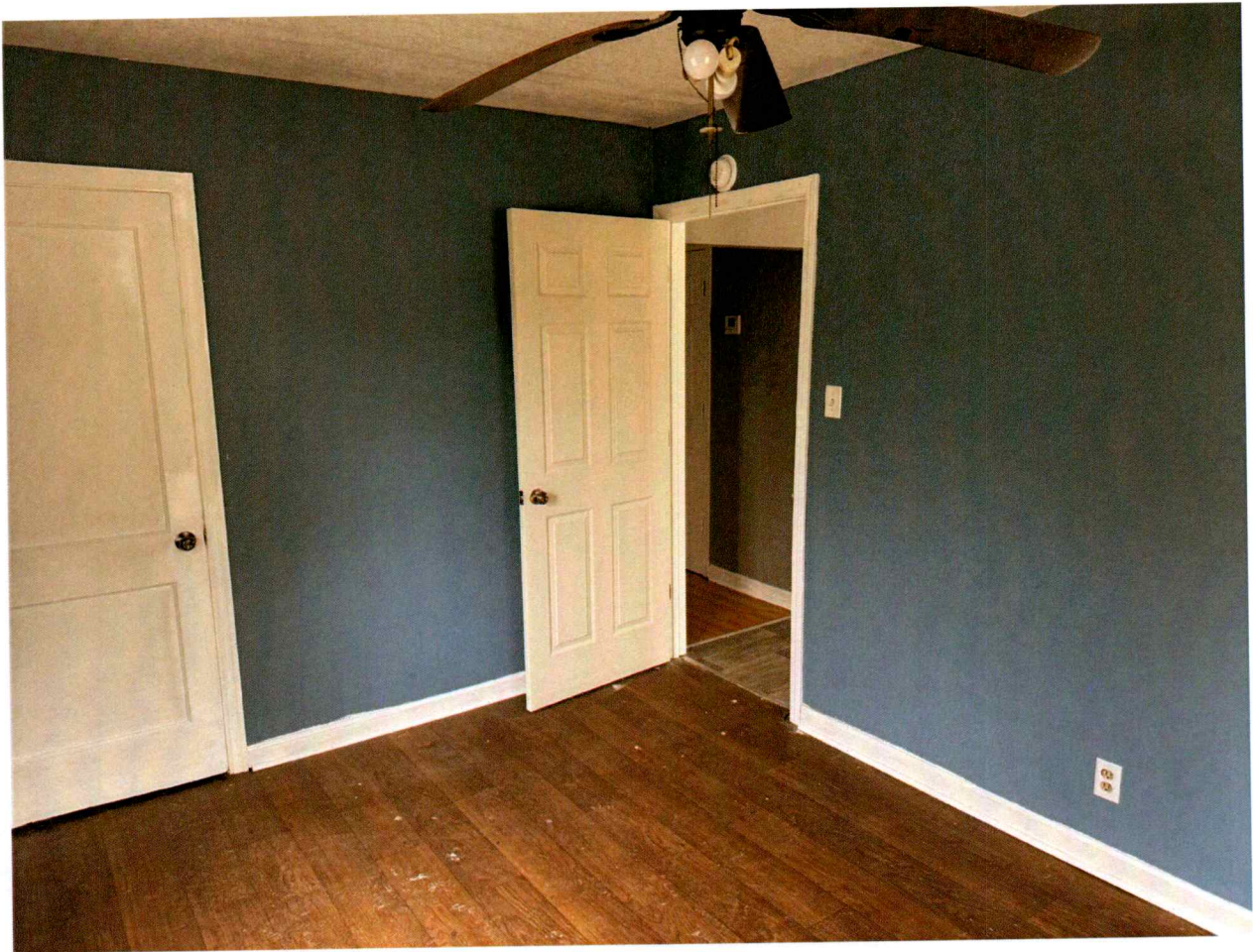
































# Dunklin County, Missouri Certification of Election

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State of Missouri}

County of Missouri}

I, Larry Ray, Dunklin County Clerk and Election Authority, hereby certify the following to be a true, correct and complete return of all the votes cast in said county for all candidates or issues herein named in General Municipal Election held on the 7th day of April, 2026 as shown by the returns made to my office by the Judges of elections of the different voting precincts in said county.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Dunklin County Commission at office in Kennett, Missouri this 13th day of April, 2026.



Larry Ray,  
Dunklin County Clerk & Election Authority

## CITY OF KENNETT

### CITY TREASURER

- NEAL BRADLEY

RECEIVED 144 VOTES

### COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 1

- RANDY CARTER

RECEIVED 29 VOTES

### COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 2

- JAMES WAYNICK

RECEIVED 13 VOTES

### COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 3

- LORA K. TATE

RECEIVED 26 VOTES

### COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 4

- STEVE PANOUSIS

RECEIVED 37 VOTES

### COUNCIL MEMBER WARD 5

- BOB YOUNG

RECEIVED 24 VOTES

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## **Board/Committee Nominations**

**April 21, 2026**

### **Committees:**

- **Finance Committee**
  - Steve Panousis
  - Lisa Dry
  - Randy Carter
- **Policy Management Committee**
  - Mark Bryant
  - Bob Young
  - Jimmy French

### **Boards:**

- **Airport Board** – Council Member Steve Panousis
- **Board of Adjustments/Appeals** – Council Member James Waynick
- **Planning & Zoning Board** – Council Member Dennis Pelts
- **Park Board** – Council Member Mark Bryant
- **Board of Public Works** – Council Member Lisa Dry

## **Street Department**

Vehicles to be put to bid:

- 1989 GMC Truck
- 1996 Ford Truck
- 1994 Ford Ambulance
- 2002 Yamaha mower
- 2002 Yamaha mower

# City of Kennett, Missouri

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## **Memorandum**

To: City Council  
From: Jake Crafton, Mayor  
Re: Board of Adjustments/Board of Appeals  
Date: February 25, 2026

Please consider approving the nomination of Mr. Brian Farrar to the City of Kennett Board of Adjustments/Board of Appeals. Mr. Farrar will serve for a term of five years, ending in February 2031.



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Kennett, Missouri 63857  
573-888-9001

### Application to Join City of Kennett Board

Name: Brian Farrar

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which Board you are interested in serving upon:

- Board of Public Works
- Park Board
- Planning & Zoning Board
- Airport Board
- Board of Adjustments/Appeals

Describe why you would like to join a Kennett Board.

My main goal is to help Kennett anyway that I can.

Are you currently serving on a Board? If yes, what Board.

No

Outline strengths, abilities, and talents you feel you would bring to the Kennett Board for which you would like to serve.

Years with CIGW years with Pemiscot-Dunklin  
Coop, Marketing billing Internet can manage many hats.

Brian Farrar  
Signature

3-19-2026  
Date

Received by: M. Lewis

Date: 3/19/20

Animal Control

Starting Date: 4/1/26  
Ending Date: 4/14/26

Department Man-hours 232.5  
Animals in Custody # 39  
Animals Caught # 15  
Licenses Issued # 0  
Animals Euthanized # 3  
Animals Received # 110  
Miles Driven 580  
Animals Transferred Out 1  
Animals Adopted 0  
Animals in Vet Care 0  
Expense other than labor \$880.11

Returned to owner 6

**Fire Department**

Starting Date: 4-01-2026

Ending Date: 4-15-2026

Total Department Man Hours 1650

Fire Calls 34

House 1 Vehicle 1 Trash 2 Grass 2 Other 28

Number of out of town calls 1

Out of town revenue \$0

Motor Vehicle Accidents 1

Medical Calls 38

Blood Draws 1

Code Inspections 25

Fire Marshal Inspections 6

Building Permits Issued 2

Property Maintenance Letters 105

Grass 40 Structure 11 Trash 28 Vehicle 24 Abatement 1 Other 1

Property Maintenance Citations 2 Pending Court Appearances Tickets 6

Grass 1 Structure 1 Trash 1 Vehicle 1 Other 1

FT Fire Training Hours 4

PT Fire Training Hours 4

**Fire Department Expenditures March 2026**

Account	March Total	Year to date total	Gallons diesel month	Gallons diesel ytd	Gallons gas month	Gallons gas ytd
Fuel and Oil	\$ 2,102.46	\$ 17,356.44	328.57	2,944.92	201.13	2,046.53
Ems Supplies	\$ 1,243.70	\$ 8,187.12				
Building repair	\$ 347.73	\$ 2,847.28				
Apparatus repair	\$ 1,296.60	\$ 10,598.37				
Travel and training	\$ 874.23	\$ 8,514.68				
Personal protective equip	\$ 1,177.80	\$ 10,317.41				
Supplies	\$ 209.80	\$ 2,159.45				
Equipment repair	\$ 115.27	\$ 1,211.46				
Equipment maintenance	\$ 146.18	\$ 1,394.82				
Equipment new	\$ 205.97	\$ 1,669.82				
General	\$ 509.99	\$ 1,039.80				
Testing	\$ 150.00	\$ 574.00				
Uniform	\$ 810.02	\$ 4,618.97				
Vehicle maintenance	\$ 607.00	\$ 3,251.02				
Reporting program	\$ -	\$ 14,041.25				
Computer Maint.	\$ 137.49	\$ 1,037.67				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 7,831.78</b>	<b>\$ 71,463.12</b>				

**Code Enforcement Expenditures**

Fuel and oil	\$ 542.64	\$ 3,410.33			144.428	1,200.49
Building Repair	\$ -	\$ 72.58				
General	\$ 200.73	\$ 596.91				
Cell Phone	\$ -	\$ 980.84				
Postage	\$ -	\$ 274.12				
Uniform	\$ 55.95	\$ 462.44				
Equip New	\$ 179.92	\$ 493.01				
Equip Maint	\$ 44.99	\$ 224.99				
Eupip Repair	\$ 49.67	\$ 49.67				
Training Travel	\$ -	\$ 2,014.50				
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 1,281.07	\$ 2,673.25				
Supplies	\$ 403.49	\$ 697.80				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 2,758.46</b>	<b>\$ 11,950.44</b>				

# STREET DEPARTMENT

STARTING DATE: 04-01-26 ENDING DATE 04-15-26

Total Department Man Hours Available: 822.30 Time Off 149.30 Total worked 673

## Projects in Progress:

Winston St. Stormwater Issues; Pipe Lining; Stormwater Repair; concrete work, asphalt work  
all out for bid

## Completed Projects:

Floyd St. Sidewalk

## Upcoming Projects:

Vegetation Control Misc Street and Stormwater maintenance

Street Sweeper use Hours 17  
Road Grader use Hours 0  
Vac Truck use Hours 18  
Camera Truck use Hours 0

Compost Loads Received # Leaves 202 Limbs 54 Wood Chips/CLGW 0 Other 3  
Compost Loads Sold # 0 Mulch 25  
Compost Revenue \$ 430.00

Roll Off Loads Received # Single 13 P/UP 10 Trailer under 16' 4 Over 16' 0  
Bob Truck 0 Other 0

Roll Off Revenue \$ 430.00 Period 04-01-26 To 04-15-26  
Roll Off Expense \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
Net Revenue \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

## Expense Totals Other Than Labor:

Street Department: 2,545.06 Transportation: 0 Stormwater 1,002.00



Public Safety

Starting Date: 4-3-26

Ending Date: 4-16-26

Police

Total Department Hours 1,962

Total Overtime Hours 27

Total Traffic Stops 134

Warnings Issued 97

Tickets Issued 37

Total Arrest (non-warrant) 5

Warrant Arrest 11