



NEWS FROM CITY HALL



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PIPE PREVENTION

Contrary to popular belief, pipes don't burst at the point where water freezes, but somewhere between the freeze and a closed faucet, such as the kitchen faucet or washing machine. When the pressure builds due to ice blockage, it has nowhere to go but through the pipe walls, leading to extensive water damage.

Winterize your home plumbing, stop frozen pipes before they happen and prevent expensive water damage by properly insulating the plumbing pipes in your home.

1. Pipe insulation - Your pipes are more susceptible to freezing damage when temperatures drop to 20 degrees Fahrenheit or below. Pipe insulation provides your first line of defense against cold temperatures and frozen pipes. If you live in an area where these winter temperatures are the norm, take extra caution when adding pipe insulation. For example, in Denver, the average low temperature is 23 degrees Fahrenheit beginning in November, and temperatures can drop into the teens in the months that follow. For pipe winterization, add a thicker layer of insulation around your pipes. Insulate the pipes in all unheated areas, as they are most likely to freeze. A hardware or plumbing supply store should have the insulation and tools you need. Wrap the pipes in insulation tubes made of polyethylene or fiberglass. Measure the outside diameter of your pipes to make sure you purchase the correct size of tube. Take extra care with pipes that have frozen during previous winters or have been repaired in the last 12 months, as these pipes are more susceptible to damage. Wrapping pipes in heat-tape prior to insulating adds an extra layer of protection, but make sure you follow the manufacturer's instructions when using heat-tape to avoid damage.

2. Keep a dripping faucet - On nights when the temperature is expected to drop below freezing, turn on faucets along the exterior walls to create a small, steady drip. This eliminates pressure that can build between the faucet and an ice blockage, so even if a pipe freezes, it may not burst.

3. Open cabinets - You can stop frozen pipes by introducing more heat. Open all sink-based cabinet doors along exterior walls to allow more heat to reach the pipes.

4. Fix exterior cracks - Note any cracks or holes along the outside walls and foundation of your home. Filling holes and cracks with spray foam insulation and caulking can help stop the cold air from coming into contact with your water pipes during extremely cold weather.

5. Seal off crawl space - Pier and beam homes with ventilated crawl spaces should be sealed against the cold weather. Cover your vents with heavy-duty pieces of cardboard cut to fit the vents, duct taping the cardboard in place. Don't forget to seal off access to the crawl space. If you have a basement, look for cracked basement windows that could allow cold air to make contact with pipes. Check for worn or missing insulation around garage and utility doors. Reducing the amount of cold air in the area minimizes your pipes' vulnerability to freezing.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- January 5, 2016
MAKE UP GARBAGE FOR 01/01/2016
- January 7, 2016
COMMISSION MTG @ 7 PM
- January 12, 2016
TRAFFIC COURT @ 5 PM
EAST SIDE BRUSH
- January 18, 2016
CITY HALL CLOSED - MLK DAY
- January 19, 2016
MAKE UP GARBAGAE FOR 01/18/2016
- January 26, 2016
WEST BRUSH
- January 28, 2016
WORKSHOP @ 5:30 PM

BRUSH PICKUP

- January 12 EAST SIDE
- January 26 WEST SIDE

CALL CITY HALL TO SCHEDULE TODAY!

The Miss Spring City Scholarship Pageant is scheduled for Saturday, March 5th, 2016. Applications are available on the chamber website www.springcitychamberofcommerce.com or you may pick them up at the Depot Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm. If you have any questions or would like more information please contact the chamber (423)365-5210.

GARBAGE PICK UP FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 18TH WILL BE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19TH.



Department Reports

WASTE WATER

- 13.04 INCHES OF RAIN
- REPAIRS ON AERATOR ROTORS
- WORK ON GENERATOR PAD
- NORMAL DAILY & MONTHLY SAMPLING & TESTING

WATER PLANT

- WATER PRODUCED 7,862,000 GAL
- 90 TURBIDITY SAMPLES
- 90 CHLORINE
- 60 ALKALINITY
- 60 PH SAMPLES
- 60 HARDNESS
- 80 FLUORIDE
- 30 TEMP SAMPLES
- 1 TOC SAMPLE
- 3 BACTERIA SAMPLES

LIBRARY

- CLOSED JANUARY 18TH
- READER'S GROUP WILL MEET JANUARY 19TH AT 1 PM. THE BOOK OF THE MONTH IS "READING GALWAY BAY" BY MARY PAT KELLY.
- COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLASS – JANUARY 5TH, 12TH, 19TH AND 26TH
5:45 – 7 PM
CALL 365-9757 TO REGISTER

PUBLIC WORKS

- INSTALLED CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ON FRONT STREET
- SET UP FOR CHRISTMAS PARADE AND CLEAN UP AFTERWARD
- BRUSH PICK UP
- NORMAL DAILY ACTIVITIES



POLICE

REPORTS

- VERBAL DISPUTE - 1
- VANDALISM - 1
- HARRASSMENT - 1
- THEFT - 3
- PROPERTY DAMAGE - 1
- TOTAL – 8**

CITATIONS

- SPEEDING - 36
- INSURANCE - 10
- DL VOLATIONS - 3
- LIGHT LAW - 5
- REGISTRATION - 7
- STOP SIGN - 2
- SEAT BELT - 2
- TEXTING WHILE DRIVING - 1
- TOTAL – 66**

ARRESTS

- D.U.I - 1
- PUBLIC INTOX - 5
- THEFT - 1
- SUSPENDED DL - 5
- REVOKED DL - 4
- DISORDERLY - 1
- RESISTING - 1
- ASSAULT - 2
- DOMESTIC ASSAULT - 2
- PARAPHERNALIA - 2
- IN COUNTY WARRANT - 1
- OUT OF COUNTY WARRANT - 1
- BURGLARY - 3
- TOTAL – 31**

CITATIONS CAN BE PAID ONLINE AT

www.townofspringcitytn.com



CHARLIE LINEBARGER

DECEMBER OFFICER OF THE MONTH

2015 OFFICER OF THE YEAR