



HELLO FROM MAYOR PAIGE BROWN

Spring showers certainly did bring us a beautiful display this year, and Gallatin City Hall has its share of amazing flowers – we hope you’ve enjoyed the view, and you are looking forward to the signature downtown Gallatin flower baskets, coming soon to the square. Along with good wishes for you and your family, I’d also like to ask you to consider getting involved with your hometown. There are many ways – through local non-profits, schools, churches, civic groups or the city itself. Participate in events like our trash cleanups; attend a city council meeting; start a discussion with your city-council representative; or be a part of our upcoming comprehensive planning process. Our new comprehensive plan will project our city’s needs AND update the land use plan that guides development in Gallatin. If this is something you’d like to be a part of, get started by sharing your views on our city by taking a short survey at <http://plangallatin.com>.

Later you’ll be invited to upcoming meetings. We have even encouraged Gallatin’s youth to tell us what they’d like to see in their future city (see article below). The vision of city leadership is focused on both present and future needs in order to keep Gallatin the “Nicest Place in America” for years to come. I hope you have an amazing spring and summer here in Gallatin (and wherever you may travel) and that you have the opportunity to enjoy special times and make good memories throughout what is definitely my favorite time of year. As always, contact my office if you need assistance by calling 615-451-5961 or e-mail paige.brown@gallatintn.gov



STRATEGIC PLAN

A Plan to Listen, Lead, and Deliver



WHAT’S THE PLAN FOR GROWTH?

A comprehensive plan is being created to make sure Gallatin has the right policies and capital investment plans in place to manage the growth of our area. It contains the framework for how the city will work with private developers and land owners as the footprint of the city changes.

The comprehensive plan should be reflective of the community’s vision for itself. That way we can align policies and strategies to that vision. The plan has to be nimble enough to adapt to changes, like an economic recession, so the plan can still deliver on the expectations of the community.

The big conversation with the community about the content of the plan will begin in late May and June. Look for opportunities to engage on social media as well as public workshops with existing networks of residents, businesses, and investors...anyone who is interested in shaping what Gallatin should look like in the future.

VISION OF THE CITY IN 2040

A CREATIVE CHALLENGE FOR OUR FUTURE LEADERS

Young residents aged 16 and under are invited to participate in a creative exercise to help the City of Gallatin plan for its future. Creative writing and drawings will be used as inspiration and content in the city’s comprehensive plan described above. Three exercises task young minds to express their opinion on the question, “What do you want your future city to look like?”

Visual Arts - Drawings, photographs, mixed media

Written Word - Essays, creative writing

Problem Solving - Models, charts, engineering solutions - This exercise asks questions like, “What are creative solutions for managing traffic congestion along SR-386?”

Young residents (as well as community groups) can submit their projects to the mayor’s office at jeff.hentschel@gallatintn.gov or visit www.gallatintn.gov/challenge for more details about the challenge.



Gallatin’s youth are challenged to draw, write and solve problems related to their vision of Gallatin in 2040.



FIRE ON THE WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL

BOATING AND FAMILY-FRIENDLY FUN ON OLD HICKORY LAKE

Sumner County's largest music event "Fire on the Water Music Festival" is back to the shorelines of Lock 4 Park on August 3rd. The festival brings two stages of musical performances, fire and circus performers, artisan vendors, food trucks, craft beer and bonfires. A jumbotron will face the water for boaters, and organizers are working on a temporary boat dock exclusively for the festival. Also new this year is a "silent disco" where a disco party ignites at night. Stay tuned for a battle of the bands where the winner plays a set at the festival. It's the event of the year right here in Sumner County! www.fireonthewaterfestival.com

GALLATIN FIRE DEPARTMENT ADVANCES

NEW FIREHOUSE, NEW ENGINE, NEW EMPLOYEES AND A NEW-OLD BELL

Firehouse Number 5 serving the south side of Gallatin, including Nichols Lane and Lock 4 Road, is almost operational. The city has 15 additional fire fighters, Engine 5 (a pump vehicle) and Rescue 5 (a special rescue truck) ready for service.

The **Historic Fire Bell** which once stood atop the original fire station downtown (now Chubbs Sports Bar) has been refurbished. The final touches on landscaping around the bell are being prepared for a special dedication.

GALLATIN WATER AUDIT

STATE AGENCY GIVES PERFECT SCORE TO WATER PROGRAM

Customers of Gallatin Public Utilities (GPU) should appreciate the results of a recent audit from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC). GPU received a perfect score on a recent sanitary survey/audit from March 2017 to February 2019. Auditors scored the utility on required testing procedures, sampling and recording of remote sites and required monthly bacteriological samples.

In a letter to Gallatin Mayor Brown, Environmental Scientist Thomas Killion with TDEC said he "appreciates GPU's commitment to producing quality drinking water for the citizens of Tennessee."

AREA EVENTS

Third Thursdays on Main

June - Sept, Live music on the square

Gallatin Chamber Golf Tournament

May 3, Long Hollow Golf Course

Farmers Market

Saturdays - 8am-1pm

Shoot for the Moon 5k Run

May 4, Gallatin Parks and Recreation

American Bass Anglers Open Series

May 10-11, Sanders Ferry Park, Sumner County Tourism

Vintage Jeep & Tractor Show

May 11, Bledsoe Creek State Park

Gallatin Emerging Talent Gauntlet Games

May 18, Gallatin Chamber of Commerce

Tommy Garrott Aquatics Center Opening

May 25, Gallatin Civic Center

Recon Run

June 1, Gallatin Parks and Recreation

FLW Bass Fishing League Tournament

June 8, Flipper's Bait and Tackle, Sumner County Tourism

Kids Fishing Derby with WSM

June 8, Free fishing, live music and CMA fun

Nashville Symphony at Rock Castle

June 11, Hendersonville, TN, free event

Miracle Park Golf Scramble

July 27, Long Hollow Golf Course

PAVING LIST

PROJECTS STARTING IN MAY

Airport Road - SR-6 to Gateway Drive

Bentley Circle - Entire street

Bentley Street - Entire street

Boles Street - Juanita Avenue to Eietta Avenue

Greensboro Drive - Nashville Pike to NCG Gallatin Cinema

Hale Avenue - South Water to Spencer Avenue

Juanita Avenue - South Water Avenue to Spencer Avenue

Lake Park Drive - Entire street

Neals Lane - Long Hollow Pike to city limits

North Blakemore Avenue - Small Street to West Eastland

Putter Point Drive - SR-25 to new pavement

Randolph Street - West Eastland to North Blakemore

Randolph Circle - Entire street

Redstone Drive - Entire street

Reynolds Street - Entire street

South Electra Street - Long Hollow Pike to Trail Drive

Strange Circle - Entire street

Trail Drive - Entire street

Walnut Court - Entire Street

Wexford Place - Wentworth Avenue to end

Worthington Place - Entire street

