

EGG-STRAVAGANZA 2022

Through volunteer efforts, the children of the City of Mound Bayou enjoyed the Easter holiday on April 16, 2022 at City Hall. Special thanks and appreciation to Mrs. LaKenya Evans, Ms. Nekesha Fipps, Ms. April Harris and Sgt. Kelvin Brown.



- **ATMOS** continues to work on replacing gas lines and meters to residents on the East side of the City. The work continues. ATMOS has contracted with Kelly Natural Gas Pipeline, a Black owned company headquartered in Birmingham, ALA.

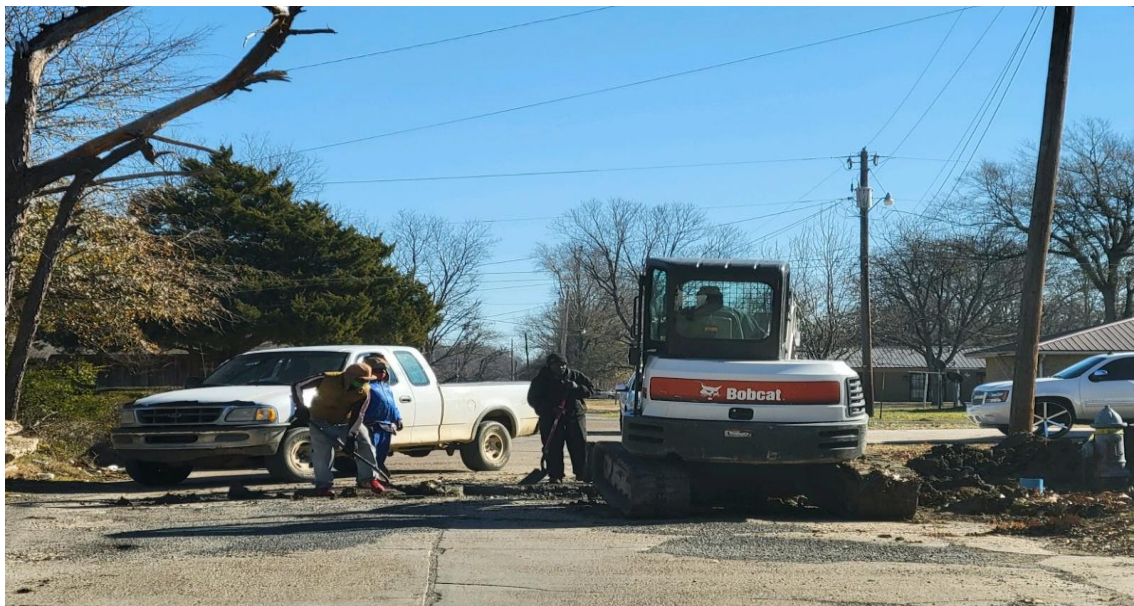


- **CITY OF MOUND BAYOU PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION** has been established and includes citizens Willie Norwood, Markevien Clifton, Linda Stout Coleman, Sandra Garner and Lanell Thompson. They've met and we are working to get more up to date training and information for the commission in the near future.
- **INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT & UPGRADE** funding is actively pursued. We meet regularly with engineers and construction experts who help us with

preparations of grant applications from various places. Communication with Bolivar County is ongoing as we let them know what we need. We talk a lot with engineering and construction experts to address flooding and infrastructure in these meetings



- **STREET ROAD & INFRASTRUCTURE WORK** The City rented needed equipment for street cleaning; cleaning drains and works at the pump station. Four (4) loads of dirt were purchased and a dam was built on Rayner Road to decrease residential flooding in the area. The City of Mound Bayou Public Works Department staff completes pothole repairs on several streets. **Thank your public works staff who completed this hard work that also included cleaning ditches of debris and tree limbs following the storms.** They did a great job! A plumbing company was hired and two (2) major leaks were repaired on Fortune & Lampton Streets.



- **ENTERGY** has replaced reported street light outages at several locations. LED lights have been placed on Martin Luther King Street, East Main and SWest Main.

We await approval for LED lights from the state for LED lights in other areas. This will make the lighting better for more citizen safety. Report any outages you see!



MEETINGS/ COMMUNICATIONS/OTHER INFO

- **MISSISSIPPI HERITAGE TRUST** continues to coordinate with the City on plans to restore and reuse the Bank Building. Communications are often to identify and apply for grants and other resources for renovating this building.
- **INSTITUTE FOR DIVERSITY & INCLUSION** meetings and communication have expanded to support efforts in emergency management; the organization focuses on marginalized communities within all phases of disaster management. Training and technical support is being formalized for staff and citizens. You'll hear more soon!
- **NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH** proposal for the building of a community center at the Mound Bayou facility building awaits next step information. Fencing around the building for safety reasons.
- **SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES** are important in our community and a part of our history. Volunteers have been identified for summer activities. Stay tuned for more information and details in the near future.

- **FORMER CONGRESSMAN JOE KENNEDY VISITED MOUND BAYOU**
Former Congressman Joe Kennedy, whose grandfather visited the Mississippi Delta in 1967, was hosted in Greenville, MS by Congressman Bennie Thompson. Mr. Joe Kennedy also visited the City of Mound Bayou on April 21st and was able to see our historic community with visits to City Hall, Taborian Hospital, I.T. Montgomery Home and the Delta Health Center. Information on our focus was shared and we are hopeful we can continue conversations and solicit support.



MAIN PUMP ON WEST SIDE OF TOWN REPAIRED

As we work to upgrade our infrastructure, we also work to improve and get some relief. The main pump on the west side of the City was repaired



- **MOUND BAYOU ANNUAL CLEAN UP**
May 21st - June 4th. Look out for more details!



- **MOUND BAYOU WEBSITE** has an app that can be downloaded on iPhone or Android to your phone or tablet. <https://moundbayou.page.link/MBMS>
- **ASK THE MAYOR** Should you want to volunteer, get more information about a community project or communicate with me, I can be reached at <https://cityofmoundbayou.com/ask-the-mayor/>



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