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For the People
A City update from Branson Mayor, Larry Milton
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Hello Friends,

I hope everyone had a safe and fun-filled Independence Day celebration. I was amazed at how busy the city and region were the past few weeks. The traffic camera report shows that Friday, July 2, was our high vehicle count for the year so far. Speaking of driving, I encourage everyone to be especially cautious on our roads. As the great Branson attractions can cause our tourists to look around more while driving, it is important for us to take our time and be a little more attentive and patient.

I want to congratulate all the new businesses in town. I believe our Chamber of Commerce has held somewhere around 8 Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies in the last four weeks. Congratulations to all the new businesses; we wish you much success!

Items of Interest for the Upcoming Board Meeting include: a discussion regarding the FY20 Audit, special event permits for the Veteran's Day Parade and Autumn Daze, an ordinance amending footing and foundation permits, and an ordinance approving a contract for business surveys. The full agenda can be found on the city website at <https://www.bransonmo.gov/830/Agendas-Minutes>. And as always, we hope to see you in the Council Chambers this Tuesday at 6:00.

I want to reiterate to you all that your Mayor is committed to transparency when it comes to city processes and how city tax dollars are spent. We are working on a number of ways to not only inform the community, but also seek out community input about the way our government functions. We work for you, the people, not the other way around. As long as I am your Mayor, I will be working to streamline government function, make sure the city is a good steward of your tax dollars and keep you informed about what actions are being taken by your city government.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone that our fight with COVID is not quite over. The CDC currently shows Taney County as "Red/High Transmission" meaning that we are at or over 100 new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days. I do not say this to scare you, but to make sure you are informed. I encourage you to maintain your vigilance and protect yourself from COVID in a way suitable for you. For more information, visit the [COVID-19 Integrated County View](#) section on the CDC's website, [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).

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