

City replaces outdated sirens

City Council approves plan to purchase new warning sirens

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The Kirksville City Council approved the purchase of two new warning sirens for the city last Monday.

The new sirens will replace existing sirens that are outdated and will be relocated to improve warning coverage throughout the city, Fire Chief Randy Behrens said.

Behrens said the two new sirens are part of a plan created during 2009 to replace all six warning sirens city-wide. Two sirens were replaced during 2010 and 2011, he said, and the two approved last week will be installed during 2013.

City Manager Mari Macomber said the sirens cost about \$17,000 each, and the equipment will be paid for from

capital improvement sales tax funds. She said one siren will be paid for with money from the 2012 fiscal year, and the other from the budget for the 2013 fiscal year.

The sirens purchased with the 2012 and 2013 budgets will be installed in new locations, Behrens said. One will be placed inside of the Kirksville R-3 school district campus to provide coverage for the schools, the fairgrounds, Brashear Park and the golf course, he said. The second one will replace the siren behind Barnett Hall on Truman State's campus and will be moved to P.C. Mills Park.

The main purpose of warning sirens is to alert people outside of approaching inclement weather, Behrens said. He said sirens might not be heard within households, so families also should keep a weather radio just in case.

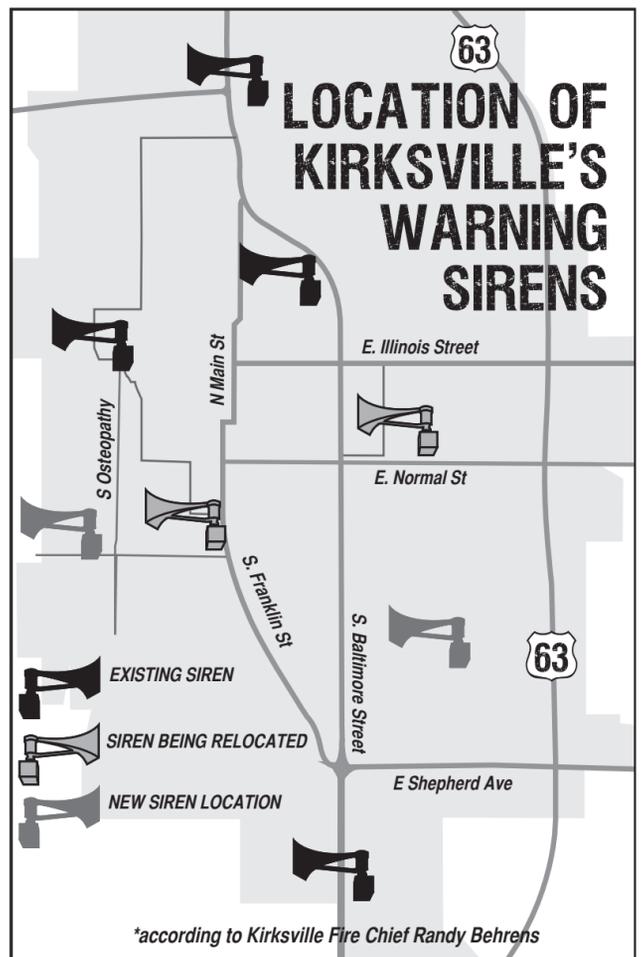
Behrens said the City decided to implement the plan to replace the sirens after experiencing several siren malfunctions

during 2009. He said these malfunctions included sirens not going off when they should, or going off for no reason.

The original sirens were installed about 40 years ago, he said, and reached the end of their life expectancy. Behrens said two of the old sirens temporarily were replaced with used sirens from another community. He said those two sirens will be permanently replaced during 2014 and 2015 when the city purchases the final two sirens.

Mayor Richard Detweiler said City Council decided to continue the policy of replacing warning sirens because members think resident safety is a priority for the City. He said the age of the sirens and the shift of Kirksville's residents in relation to the placement of the sirens caused great concern for the Council.

"The main responsibility the City has is to protect the lives and property of people," Detweiler said. "This is a priority."



Local groups work to help feed the hungry

The Food Bank assists local, volunteer distributors to benefit Adair County residents

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A food truck carrying donations from The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri will distribute food to Adair County residents in need at 11 a.m. Nov. 24 at the Hamilton Street Baptist Church.

During the distribution, residents of Adair County can use their photo ID, social security card or proof of residency to pick up as much food as they can carry, said Mike DiSantis, Regional coordinator for the Adair County Food Bank.

This is a measure taken to help The Food Bank better understand what need there is in Adair County, DiSantis said.

To receive food, county residents are asked to go to one of three locations in Kirksville, including the Hamilton Street Baptist Church.



Submitted Photo
Volunteers for the Hamilton Street Baptist Church help distribute food during their last Food bank distribution opportunity. The organization distributed almost 20,000 pounds of food during 2011 to public pantries.

"Numbers will be given out starting nine in the morning, which will be required to receive the food," said Kate Shelby, the Hamilton Street Baptist Church's secretary.

"There are no income guidelines stipulated in order to receive the donations."

All donations received by The Food Bank benefit Adair County residents, he

said.

"We're trying to make sure that we are feeding hungry people with local dollars," DiSantis said. "Food bank feeds hungry pantries, and hungry pantries feed hungry people."

The Food Bank has logged more than 80,000 hours of volunteer time and service to make its efforts possible. Delivering to food pantries is one of several programs the The Food Bank facilities has to ensure Adair County residents don't go hungry.

"If you live in Adair County, if you're a resident, whether it's full-time or part-time, we don't care," DiSantis said. "The only qualification to get the food is if you are hungry."

During 2011, The Food Bank distributed almost 20,000 pounds of food to public pantries, DiSantis said, including the Hamilton Street Baptist Church mobile food pantry. This effort is made annually to more than 30 locations across the county, in an attempt to reduce the hunger curve and feed people everywhere.

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For Sale

A Large Surplus Plant Sale University Greenhouse on Patterson Street Friday the Nov. 16 From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sale open to everyone! Lots of House and Tropical plants including: Orchids, bromeliads, cacti, succulents, palm trees and many other types of healthy houseplants. Most plants are \$5 or less! All funds used for operational costs of the university greenhouse. Sponsored by the TSU Biology Department