**LOCAL SCENE**

**Monday, Oct. 14**
- Warren County Commission administrative building, 9 a.m.
- Artisan Guild meeting, Scenic Regional Library, Warren, 12:30 p.m.
- Rock church, St. John's Lutheran Church, Warren, 6 p.m.
- First United Methodist Church, Warren, 7 p.m.
- Wright City Lions Club, 7:30 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous group meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8 p.m.

**Tuesday, Oct. 15**
- Retired teachers and public school workers meeting, College United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.
- Warren County Commission administrative building, 9 a.m.
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Warren, 10 a.m.
- Wright City Senior Citizens meeting, Inman United Church of Christ, Wright City, 12:30 p.m.
- Chicks With Sticks, crochet or knitting lessons, Scenic Regional Library, Warren, 1 p.m.
- Take Off Found Sensibly, Grace United Church, 2545 S. Highway 10, Warren, 11:30 a.m.
- Cocaine Anonymous, 165 S. Maine St., Bell, 5 p.m.
- Warren County Board of Aldermen, city hall, 6 a.m.
- Millcreek Project, Perth High School, Warren, 6:30 p.m.
- Warren Fire Protection District Board Meeting, Station 1, 606 Fairgrounds Road, Warren, 7-10 p.m.
- Warren County Democratic Central Committee meeting, Scenic Regional Library, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Oct. 16**
- Take Off Found Sensibly, First Baptist Church, 210 Hedeman, Wright City, 9 a.m.
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 10 a.m.
- Aces Pilates, Scenic Regional Library, Warren, 5 p.m.
- St. John's Lutheran Church, Warren, 6 p.m.
- First United Methodist Church, 11 a.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous group meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8 p.m.

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**DOWNTOWN**

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A new property maintenance code would be treated as a misdemeanor or violation. The person responsible for the violation would be subject to a fine of up to $200 for the first offense.

Fines would increase for subsequent violations within a 12-month period, scaling up to $450 for the fourth and any further violations. Code violations that endanger the health or welfare of others could also be punished by up to 90 days in jail.

**Aldermen seek clarification**

Ward 1 Alderman Mike Shilharvey questioned whether the rules would only apply to new businesses that begin operating on Main Street. Thorn replied that every building, including those with currently operating businesses, will be subject to the new code requirements.

Ward 2 Alderman Gary Auch asked if the inspections also should include internal examinations.

“Whenever you have buildings on Main Street that are next to each other, a fire in one building can become a fire issue in the other building,” Auch commented. “Eventually we need to address that. I know if I was investing in a building, I would want to make sure the building attached to me is also in as good of condition as what I’m trying to do in my building.”

Thorn said internal maintenance rules could be added to the final draft of the new building code requirements.

Auch also asked what the time frame would be for building owners to comply with the rules once violations are identified.

City Attorney Christopher Graville said any code enforcement tends to allow for some flexibility, while still following a 30-day period time.

“We always pay language in any time frame for our code inspectors, to give them some discretion to work with people who may not have the money to complete the repair, or who may be ill,” Graville said. “We really try to take into consideration their circumstances, but also be consistent with everybody.”