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Mayor Jacobs Talks About Recent Storm Damage

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update, which will be posted around noon today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about the storms, including a tornado, that hit the area this week, the fallout, and ongoing recovery efforts.

“The damage was spotty and localized, but, if you were one of the people displaced, had your home damaged, or lost your power, it was a serious event,” Mayor Jacobs says.

He also talks about what to do and not do around power lines and when using personal generators.

Additionally, Mayor Jacobs notes that the county placed a banner on the KnoxCounty.org website with a link to a webpage where folks can find contact information for resources to help with the recovery.

“I applaud everyone who has been working so hard to get things back to normal,” Mayor Jacobs says. “From the line crews to our road crews to law enforcement and first responders to churches and non-profits, the private sector, and friends and neighbors. It’s the worst of times that bring out the best in us and this episode was no exception.”

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