



March 26, 2019

City Manager's Report

Report on the loss of our friend, co-worker and my fellow firefighter, Jason Smith. Jason passed away on February 22nd among family and friends, after a long history of cardiac issues. He will be missed.

Admin: Sales Tax Report. (Feb 2019, \$42,449.39 YTD: 87.9% of budgeted tax revenue) The city is working with auditor Anne Elfrink on the FY 17-18 Audit. The findings show that the cutbacks and budget amendments made in the last month of the fiscal year were just enough and just in time. Look for the full audit results in the next month. At present, in General Government we have spent 62.4% of our planned expenditures and received 71.9% of our expected revenues. In Public Works, we have spent 55.3% of our planned expenditures and received 68.3% of our expected revenues. Although we have planned expenses that will consume some of this apparent surplus before the end of the current fiscal, our intent is to carry a portion into the next fiscal year to build our exhausted cash reserves. Tonight will be the first opportunity for council to participate in the creation of the FY19-20 budget. In April, Council will take a look at the first draft of the budget. In May, the citizens will take a look at the proposed budget in a Public Meeting. For compliance with our USDA loan terms, intend to publish the final budget by June 1st, 30 days before the State filing deadline. The park property stakeholders meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3rd at 3:00PM. The meeting will be used to determine the specific park items purchased with the \$22,930.32 in donations raised by residents and doubled by generous donation from F&M Bank. Greg Cummings and Darci Terrell are scheduled to be in attendance. The city changed telephone service providers, necessitating a change of phone number. The new number is (405) 310-8200. The change is expected to save the city more than \$6,000 annually. The new service required a new phone tree and presented some additional opportunities which we will continue to explore and refine.

Projects: Water line extension project primarily funded by Indian Health Services. The project will extend the City water line by approximately 2000' west of Pine on the south side of Dover Crescent road. The project construction cost is estimated at \$30k and would require engineering services of \$7,535.00 to be paid for by the City. DEQ required the city to install a flow meter on the wastewater pivot. We purchased the meter and are installing it.

Parks: Residents have started a Market at the pavilion at the Town Park. Due to health department regulations, they have opted to remove the term "Farmers" from the name, as it creates Health Department oversight. The pavilion is being referred to as The Crescent Marketplace. First meeting, Saturday, April 6th. The city is preparing for the summer mowing season to start. Staff are discussing chemical treatment of some properties to minimize mowing duties.

Library: Operating smoothly. Valentines Party was a success with 23 people attending. The Library hosted a free rock painting event for all-ages on March 13th.



Roads: The City used social media to poll citizens on road repairs they considered most necessary and then made those repairs throughout town last week. Due to weather, cold patch was used, and a representative from Logan County Asphalt was on-site to ensure the repairs were made to their specification. The city will monitor those repairs to see how they hold up.

Wastewater: The PWA pumped 3.3M gallons of sewage in February. The lift station and Sewer Chewer are fully operational. The lift station at the community center is still undergoing repairs to the pumps and electrical systems. Wallace tested and passed DEQ Class D Water and Class D Wastewater certifications. PWA hired 2 new employees in February. The lagoon levels have been holding. The pivot has required expensive several repairs to keep it operational.

Fresh Water: In February the City pumped and treated approximately 3.2M gallons of water. All tests were passed without issue. Well 1 remains out of service. In mid-March, an electrical issue associated with the wind storm, caused both high-service pumps to go offline. One pump motor was damaged beyond economical repair. The replacement is received and ready to install. After installation, the second high-service pump will undergo maintenance at a convenient time.

Thank you,
Ryan Wallace
City Manager