



City of Chickasha Operational Update Week of January 18, 2016

Public Works

Sidewalks are underway in Public Works. The majority of the sidewalk program is taking place in front of "government row" so to speak, with the County Courthouse and City Hall as the primary beneficiaries.



ADA-compliant handicap ramps have been installed on each corner of Choctaw, and the storm drainage work that was completed last year was not disturbed. The work is being done by MTZ Construction and is paid for the Street and Sidewalk Fund. Work has started around City Hall.





Public Works crews tore down the house and the church at 421 N. 4th Street as we continue to make headway with dilapidated structures.



J.S. Haren, the contractor for the disinfectant by-product project at the water treatment plant completed the tie to the water lines last week. This project should be fully functional by mid-February and will make a significant difference in the quality of drinking water. It will also bring Chickasha in compliance with ODEQ regulations and we should stop receiving the monthly violation letter regarding high levels of disinfectant by-product.



Police

With the installation of new steel doors, the renovations are complete at the Animal Shelter. The shelter is in beautiful shape and the number of animals in need of a new home is also very manageable. We will be scheduling an open house for the public very soon. PetSense, the new pet store in the Southland Shopping Center has been partnering with the City providing adoption space for cats. As a result, there was only one cat at the shelter available for adoption!

Renovations are almost complete in the Communications Center at Fire Station #2. Police and Fire have been working together, and when our new Emergency Manager starts next month, there will be a new permanent space for the Emergency Operations Center. Staff will be scheduling an open house when this renovation work is complete.

Chickasha PD is starting the process of pushing out new and updated policies to Police Department personnel by utilizing the PMAM HCM (Human Capital Management) software. This software allows the policies to be distributed to everyone, allows employee to acknowledge receipt of the policies, and test on the policies. This should be very beneficial moving forward with accountability, and as the department moves toward the accreditation.

Fire

The first ever Fire Department firefighter academy, Class 01-16, started Monday, January 11 at 7:00 A.M. with three Chickasha Fire Department recruits and three Tuttle Fire Department recruits in attendance. Cadets started the week with physical training, basic firefighter skills and ended with team building skills such as ladder carries, SCBA confidence courses, and timed drills with ropes and knots. Candidates will continue with the academy until February 5th when they start hazardous material training. Please visit the Chickasha Fire Department Facebook page to keep up on how they are advancing in their training.

This is very exciting for Training Officer Chris Dennis and one of the main reasons we established this position. Before our own academy, we had to send new

recruits off to Oklahoma City for the same training Conducting this in-house saves the City an estimated \$4,500 per recruit. Congratulations Chris!



This is a photo of the new recruits training on vertical ventilation using the prop trailer provide by Oklahoma State.

Administration

Eighty-nine City employees attended the City of Chickasha Health Fair on Thursday, January 21 at the Grady County Fairgrounds. Employees learned about and signed up for fitness memberships, health education classes, smoking cessation classes and participated in a number of other health related activities. As soon as we collect all the sign up information we will provide stats to Council.

Community Development

Since I was out Friday and missed the project update meeting, this section is not updated from the prior week. It will be updated this Friday in the January 25 update.

There are a number of developments at various stages of the process. The color coded stages are represented by: Green – completed; Red – Halted; Yellow – In process; and Gray – Incomplete. The stages of the development are above the identified project.



Garden Suites – Awaiting final inspections on last three units for Certificates of Occupancy.



Resurrection House –No inspections this week.



Grady County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena – Final bids submitted. This work site should become very active in the next few weeks.



Sleepy Hollow Addition – Wrapping up inspections on third group of homes. Final group not yet under framing. Awaiting sale of first home.



Bordwine Development @ 4322 S. 4th Street – Additional construction plans under discussion. Staff is monitoring for activity.



Bronco Truck Stop (formerly Conoco Fuel Station) (3505 S. 4th Street) – Exterior grading and hardscape in progress.



Goodwill Industries – 828 W. Grand – Parking area concrete started.



Teague Body Shop – 1305 E. Choctaw – No inspections this week.



Midwestern Pet Foods, Inc. – 913 N. 9th Street – Project complete and ready to go on line.



Byford Dealership – 2900 S. 4th Street – Project on hold until storm water runoff and detention is addressed.



Fairfield Inn – 2816 S. 4th Street – Contact this week with the owner and architect. Project is moving again. Developer to address comments following engineering review.



Chisholm Trail Phase 1 retail area 200 E. Grand – Construction meeting with staff and utilities this week. Waiting for utility companies to respond to developer.



Reese Home Sales Office – 1105 W. Choctaw – Footing inspections scheduled.



Xpress Urgent Care Facility – 411 W. Grand Avenue – Plans review completed. Project out for bid. Subcontractors to pick up permits when selected.



Subway – 1525 S. 4th Street – Demolition underway. Framing started.



New restaurant (former Eduardo's) – 3525 S. 4th Street- Demolition permit issued. Architect hired. Demolition continues.



J Danielle Salon and Color Bar – 2721 Ponderosa – Underground plumbing started.



New Life Christian Church – 1828 S. 13th Street - Permit received and under review.



Chickasha Travel Plaza – 2200 Highway 62 – Permit and plat received and under review.



New Song Church – 1101 S. 16th Street – Remodel of existing church and addition of ADA restrooms.



Billy Sims Restaurant – 1820 S. 4th Street – Permit received and under review.

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