



City of Chickasha Operational Update Week of May 16, 2016

Public Works

Public Works crews used a rented tree grinder and chipped the piles of tree limbs at the airport this week in order to complete the debris clean up from the ice storms this past winter. The mountain of chips will be spread out around the airport grounds. It is estimated there is 1500 tons of wood to chip. This will be completed early next week and will be eligible for FEMA reimbursement.



The pre-bid meeting for the southbound turn lane at 4th Street and Grand Avenue was held on May 11 at the Public Works Building on Genevieve. We believe construction of this project should begin by the end of June or early July.

Police –

On May 10th, 14 four-year old students, 3 teachers and a host of parents participated in the Middleburg School Annual Field Trip by touring the Police Department. The children and adults were treated to a K-9 demonstration by K-9, Ori, and his handler, Sgt. Alexander. Additionally, the children were treated to a



gun safety cartoon by Eddie Eagle and information about animal care and treatment by ACO Manuel. The students were provided with coloring books, crayons and wrist bands pertaining to drug awareness and safety. The students later presented the Police Department with several pictures they had colored thanking Law Enforcement personnel for their service.

After leaving the Police Department they had a picnic and fun day at Centennial Park.



A receptacle has been placed in the Police Department for the collection of aluminum cans to benefit "CART."

Kelly McGill, Anne Steninger & Layce Graham started a program called "CART" (Chickasha Animal Rescue Transport). It has already evolved into Chickasha Animal Rescue Team.

Originally, CART was used to help defray expenses involved with animals being rescued and re-homed out of state by an organization called GHART (Going Home Animal Rescue Transport). GHART charges \$25 per crate and is the primary source for the City to be able to re-home many of our animals. We have now sent animals to Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois via GHART. As of last Friday, over 140 animals have been rescued or re-homed just this year. GHART requires all animals have a health certificate before they will accept them.

The program has now evolved into assisting with not only the transport expenses, but also those expenses involved with vetting, as well as, spay and neutering expenses. Recently, the shelter began collecting aluminum cans to take to Washita Pipe & Steel. The last batch of cans netted just over \$15.00. Public Works is already collecting cans at their facility for this cause.

A box with a sack and sign has been placed in the break room at PD since this is the most common and central location in the building. If possible, it would be greatly appreciated if cans are rinsed before putting it in the sack.

If other departments would like to participate, when cans are collected you can contact GG Music, Nicole Manuel or Layce Graham and one of them would be glad to come by your area and collect the sack or box of cans. Thank you for your help and assistance. This is a simple way that we can help those who help us.

Many hearty thanks to Kelly McGill and Anne Steninger for their amazing support.

Library

The Library Community Room flooring is 99% complete. They are just tidying up a few small details which they will take care of this week.



Parks and Recreation

The pavilion project at Centennial Park has hit a slight delay. The initial installation of the pavilion itself was installed incorrectly. Staff met with the contractor and the architect this morning (Friday) to discuss how to correct the problem and have agreed to a solution. The architect will make the revision to plans and the contractor is ready to get back on it in the middle of next week in order to have it completed on time. Staff will be scheduling a ribbon cutting celebration for the pavilion and sign in June.

Last weekend's softball and baseball tournament had 73 teams as the weather held and all games were played. City concessions brought in its biggest weekend in a long time (\$14,500) and other local businesses also had a very good weekend. Three tournaments are scheduled in June and staff is working with local businesses to sponsor additional tournaments in July.

Administration

There will be a special Council work session Monday night to discuss options for development of Lake Chickasha.

Community Development

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.



Chickasha Travel Plaza – 2200 W Highway 62 – Permit has been issued and contractor has received ODEQ permit to begin moving dirt. Project is scheduled to commence next week.



Grady County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena – Footing inspections continue. Block walls under construction.



Bordwine Development @ 4322 S. 4th Street – Work has started in the building.



Bronco Truck Stop (formerly Conoco Fuel Station) (3505 S. 4th Street) – Certificate of Occupancy issued.



Teague Body Shop – 1305 E. Choctaw –Awaiting an electrician.



Fairfield Inn – 2816 S. 4th Street – No movement. City manager has reached out to the owner. Awaiting a response.



Chisholm Trail Phase 1 retail area 200 E. Grand – Erecting steel. Sewer line being installed.



Reese Home Sales Office – 1105 W. Choctaw – Final trim underway.



Xpress Urgent Care Facility – 411 W. Grand Avenue – Main floor poured.



Subway – 1525 S. 4th Street – No movement. Staff will contact owner next week for update.



New restaurant (Legends) – 3525 S. 4th Street- Permit picked up.



New Life Christian Church – 1828 S. 13th Street - Permit picked up.



Billy Sims Restaurant – 1820 S. 4th Street – Drywall installed, ceiling grid installed.



Shollie's Bakery – 118 N. 5th Street – – Certificate of Occupancy issued.



Grady Memorial Hospital – 2200 W. Iowa Avenue – Sprinkler system being installed.



Canadian Valley Technology Center – 1401 Michigan Avenue - Permit issued.



Bank of Commerce – 2401 Ponderosa Drive – No movement this week.



First Baptist Church – 324 W. Colorado Avenue – Permit issued and picked up.



Escape Vape Lounge – 1726 S 4th Street – This business is relocating from the triangle at 4th Street and 3rd Street to the Southland Shopping Center. Walls have been installed.

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