



City of Chickasha Operational Update Week of August 15, 2016

Public Works

Work has started on Grand Avenue between 12th Street and 29th Street. It has been many years since Chickasha has done a project of this magnitude, and with a project this size there are going to be some growing pains. We have fielded a number of inquiries from the homeowners and businesses in the area and Rob Camp has been making phone calls and meeting with people to respond to their concerns.

The crews are moving very quickly on the project moving from 12th Street passed 16th Street in just three days. We are hopeful that they can continue this pace and complete the project ahead of schedule.





Since they began on August 15, 2016, T & G Construction has removed 54 cracks along Grand which equals 1,638 linear feet or about a quarter of a mile. They have removed and installed 75 tons of asphalt in the cracks. They started at 13th Street and will complete up to 18th Street this week which is about 1,842 feet. They have about 4,255 feet to go to complete the crack removal for phase 1. Flaggers will be at 14th street and the corner of 16th and California to help with school traffic on Monday. They will be at these locations until Phase 1 is complete.

Police

Officer Hobbs and Detective Burkhart are conducting traffic stop and felony traffic stop training for the entire department.



August 23rd Lt. Music will present Active Shooter training similar to the House of Worship training, to the Library Staff. This training was requested by Library Director Lillie Huckaby.

Fire

Paramedic Mike Wise and firefighter Travis Triplett were surprised by a recent visit from the Kendrick family at fire station #1. The only difference between the first time they met and the second time was the addition of Jazmine Jewel Kendrick. Paramedic Wise and firefighter Triplett were assigned to an EMS unit that was sent to Verden on a pregnancy related call. Upon arrival, it was obvious to the crew that the birth of Jazmine Jewel was imminent. The only problem was that Jazmine Jewel was breach (turned the wrong way) and would present with obvious delivery issues. Wise and Triplett provided great patient care and were able to assist with the delivery on-scene. The Kendrick family brought Jazmine Jewel by the station to say thank you and express their gratitude. Congratulations to all that were involved.



Library

The irrigation system is being installed at the Library. The final piece of the landscaping will be the installation of some very unique bicycle racks.

Administration

Laci Steele staked out a table at the first USAO community fair and signed up six student volunteers to help with our Neighbor to Neighbor house painting program. She will be meeting with Dave Cash next week to discuss how Chickasha students can get involved with volunteering in our parks and other programs.

We have had a significant number of concerns voiced on various pages within Facebook over the handling of the construction on Grand Avenue and the additional project on Hwy 81. These have started to die down as of today. We have updated on roads that are open and those that are closed as soon as we have been notified. Although we would have loved to have more time to notify

citizens regarding the southbound right hand turn lane on Hwy 81 that was not an option.

Although the water changeover was pretty seamless regarding the smell, we have had some reports of that today and are currently asking for cross streets along 16th so we can have USW investigate. This was done over last weekend on some reports via social media related to color/sediment concerns. We asked for areas of impact and were able to relay those concerns back to USW for investigation.

Parks and Recreation

There has been significant progress at Centennial Park this week. Barring bad weather, it could be wrapped up in the next couple of weeks. Parks crews used a rototiller to prepare the sand in the volleyball courts at Shannon Springs Park. These are in great shape so spread the word.



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 – Dirt work continues. Work continues on the drainage system. Underground portion is complete. Slab poured.



Bordwine Development @ 4322 S. 4th Street – Main steel beams are being erected for the expansion. Partial framing and sheathing.



Reese Home Sales Office – 1105 W. Choctaw – Remainder of the parking lot poured this week. Just lacking driveway and landscaping.



Grady County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena – Erecting exterior walls.





Xpress Urgent Care Facility – 411 W. Grand Avenue – Sign and placement reviewed and approved. Planning to call for occupancy.



Chisholm Trail Phase 1 retail area 200 E. Grand – Brick almost complete.





Chisholm Trail Phase 2 retail area 2121 S. 4th Street – Steel framing going up. The police officer in the picture is there at the request of the contractor working on the southbound left turn lane. The contractor is paying the overtime charge.



New restaurant (Legends) – 3525 S. 4th Street- Curb and gutter poured for main parking lot. Since this project will not be completed in time, they have reserved the Rock Island Depot for September 15 and September 23 for two more outdoor concerts. They are going through the permit process now as well as all their vendors. The first event was a huge success, and we hope that these will be as well.



Cotton Patch Café – 2135 S. 4th Street – Permit still under review.



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



Ice House – 521 Grand – Permit ready for pick up. Dirt work started.



Taco Bell – 1782 S, 4th Street – Permit ready for pick up.



Bank of Commerce – 2401 Ponderosa Drive – Permit issued.



First Baptist Church – 324 W. Colorado Avenue – Interior framing started.



Bouncin' Around – 2409 Ponderosa – Rough-in electrical completed.



Best Western Plus – 400 S. Grand – Site plan submitted. Plat process started.



Maria's Restaurant relocation – 305 W. Chickasha Avenue – Awaiting suppression system for hood.



Grady Memorial Hospital Expansion – Permits submitted.

The Planning Commission had a discussion on two cases recently. Cottonwood Creek Golf Course is going to request to build batting cages and putt-putt golf. This will have to be heard as either a rezoning case or as a Use-on-Review case at a later date.

There has also been a request for a rezoning in the 1000 block of 29th Street for a change from Agriculture to Light Industrial for an RV parking and storage facility. This will also come up for review by the Planning Commission at a later date.

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